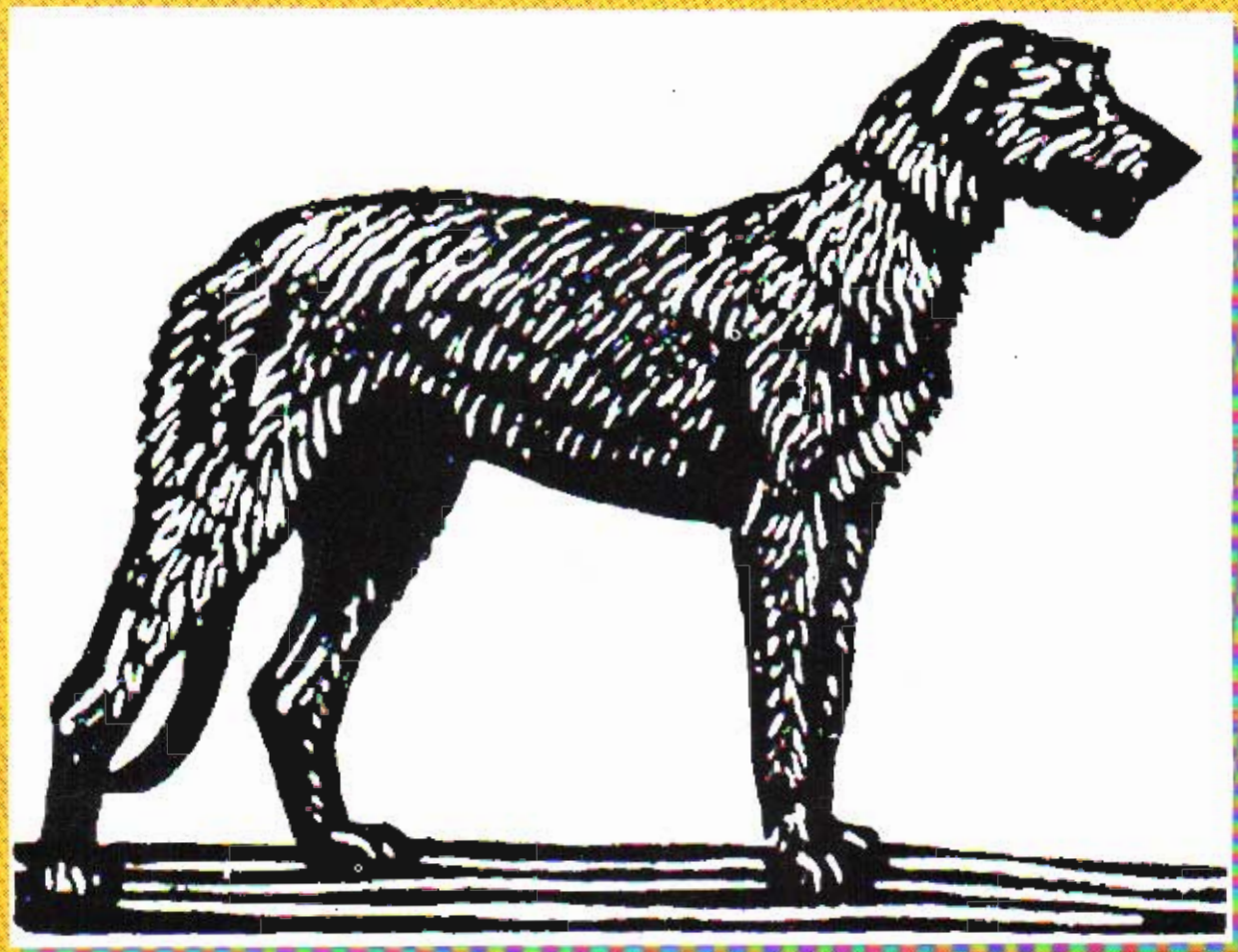
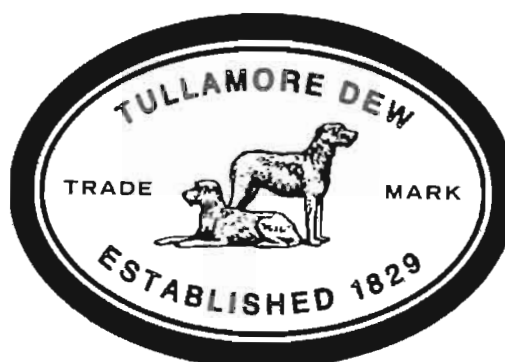


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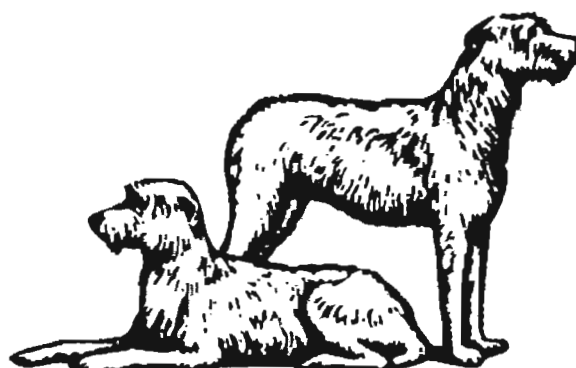
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Breed Championship Show 12th June, 2005

Judge: Mrs Josy Laumen (Belgium)

I would like to thank the club and all the club members for the opportunity of judging the club Breed championship show this year. It was a great honour and I had a wonderful time in Ireland.

Many thanks.

Josy Laumen, Judge

Class No: 1 Minor Puppy Dog



1. Murphy; **KALFRIGG EMPEROR**

Black puppy of lovely type and quality, nice head and expression, dark eye, lovely strong neck, good front, bone and feet, sound free movement.

2. Kelly; **KALFRIGG CHIEFTIAN OF NUTSTOWN**

Pleasing black puppy. Beautiful head, dark eyes, good teeth, nice outline, moved well.

3. Wilcox; **CHULCHOILL IRIAL**

Nice type, good expression, good fore and hindquarters, good feet, nice movement.

Class No: 2 Puppy Dog



1. Smith; **UELLA ARDEE**

Beautiful type, has a very nice head and expression, good neck, front assembly a bit too steep, nice topline, good loins. Good free movement.

2. Flood; **KILCORIG OF NUTSTOWN**

Nice type, good neck, good front and hindquarters, nice head and expression, but could be better groomed. Nice movement.

3. Donnelly; **CU AOINTROIME AULIFFE**

Good type, good head, good topline, good coat, moving wide in the front.

Class No: 3 Junior Dog



1. Smith; **UELLA REASON**

Outstanding youngster of superb make and shape, beautifully balanced and sound, has a wonderful head and expression, nice ears, great neck and carriage, good front assembly, good depth and topline, strong bone and feet, strong loin and angular hindquarters, good hocks. I love the way he moved, free and effortless.

2. O'Sullivan; **THE BARD CUNAARDRI**

Black dog, nice type, nice head, light eye, good coat, nice mover.

Class No: 4 Novice Dog



1. Hartley; **MONAGEER AODH**

2.5 years old grey brindle. Beautiful type, very good mover, good front and hindquarters, good neck, good bone, nice topline, very good mover.

2. Mullen; **GUINNESS DARK BOY**

18 months black dog, very nice type, light eye, irregular teeth, strong neck, good topline, good forechest, good hindquarters, good mover.

3. Carson; **STABABUS OF NUTSTOWN**

18 months black dog, heavy head, light eye, good forechest, steep in front, good coat, good hocks, movement could be better.

4. Connolly; **MACARA OF NUTSTOWN**

2.5 years old, head too heavy, light eye, too thick, good coat, movement could be better.

Class No: 5 Graduate Dog1. Crawford; **MARLAW HECTOR**

3 years wheaten dog, nice type, beautiful head and expression, nice neck and topline, moved well.

2. Connolly; **MACARA OF NUTSTOWN**

2.5 years dog, head too heavy, light eye, too thick, good coat, movement could be better.

Class No: 6 Limit Dog1. Kelly; **LAZY BONES OF NUTSTOWN**

Big black dog—good head and neck, strong body, strong bone. Good forechest and depth of chest. Strong loins, strong all over. Movement easy and active.

2. Rainey; **KINGFISHER OF NUTSTOWN**

2 years grey brindle, beautiful type, light eye, strong neck, good topline, front assembly too steep, good hindquarters, good coat.

Class No: 7 Open Dog1. Kelly; **KING HUIZZAR OF NUTSTOWN**

A lovely quality hound. Great size and substance, heavily boned, good strong reachy neck, excellent head, very masculine, dark eyes, good depth and strong over loin. Good front, good hindquarters, very free mover.

2. Kelly; **CH INT CH THE BLACK KNIGHT OF NUTSTOWN**

5 years old black dog, nice head and expression, heavily boned, strong neck, good topline, good front and hindquarters, moved well.

3. Rogers; **MISTYISLE OSCAR OF MUIRHEVNA**

6 years grey dog, skull too heavy, good depth of chest, movement could be better.

Green Star Dog (left) Smith's **UELLA REASON**

Reserve Green Star Dog Kelly's **CH KING HUIZZAR OF NUTSTOWN**

Best Puppy Dog (left) Smith's **UELLA ARDEE**

Res Murphy's **KALFRIGG EMPEROR**

Class No: 9 Minor Puppy Bitch



1. O'Keeffe; **CALCARA FAILTE**

9 months grey brindle of excellent type, lovely head and expression, beautiful neck and topline, good front and hindquarters, very good mover.

Class No: 10 Puppy Bitch



1. Brown Kerr; **CU AOINTTROIME AMY**

10 months black bitch, nice type, beautiful head and expression, dark eye, good teeth, good front, good hindquarters, good feet, good coat, moved well.

2. Hartley; **CU FODHLA ANU**

9 months blond bitch, lovely type, nice head, under-jaw too narrow, dark eye, too steep in front and back, weak in pasterns, moved okay.

Class No: 11 Junior Bitch



1. Kelly; **MADDY ROSE OF NUTSTOWN**

Very beautiful type, very nice head and expression, lovely outline, good front, good forechest, good bone, well balanced, strong neck, lovely topline, good loins and hindquarters. Moved very sound and free.

2. Cozens; **MILKWOOD LIGHT MY FIRE AT BALLALYN**

Good head and expression, good teeth, good coat, would like to see a bit more angulation in front and hindquarters, movement could be better.

3. O'Connell; **MOLLY OG OF NUTSTOWN**

11 months red brindle, head a bit too masculine, dark eye, nice topline, good forechest, a bit steep in front and in the back, movement sideways ok but moved wide in front.

4. Dean; **GULLIAGH BIDDY MULLIGAN**

Nice head and friendly expression, dark eye, strong neck, steep in front, good hindquarters, movement ok.

Class No: 12 Novice Bitch



1. Kelly; **CU EALGA CUNAADRI**

2.5 year old black bitch, lovely type, nice head and expression, very nice ears, strong neck, beautiful topline, good forechest and hindquarters, well placed hocks, good coat.

2. Finney; **GULLIAGH MOLLY MALONE**

Grey brindle bitch of nice type, strong masculine head, light eye, good forechest and hindquarters, good mover.

3. Costello; **GRAINNES DELIGHT**

Nice black bitch, nice head, light eye, good ears, good neck, beautiful topline, good fore and hindquarters, good mover, needs some ring experience.

4. O'Connell; **MOLLY OG OF NUTSTOWN**

11 months red brindle, head a bit too masculine, dark eye, nice topline, good forechest, a bit steep in front and in the back, movement sideways ok but moved wide in front.

5. Crawford/Poole; **MARLAW FREYA BWARNED**

Wheaten bitch, nice head and expression, ears a bit too big, nice neck and topline, forehead too steep, good hindquarters, good mover, good coat.



Class No. 13 Graduate Bitch



1. O'Neill; **TIBRIDARN TUESDAY AT BALLYVONAIR**
Big strong bitch, nice head and expression, long neck, beautiful top-line, good hindquarters, too straight in forehand, good teeth.
2. Hartley; **MONAGEER AINE**
Strong powerful bitch, nice head, ears well carried, dark eye, has a bit of arrogance that I like, good forehand and hindquarters, well placed hocks, good coat, but needed better grooming, missed some power in the movement.
3. O'Connell; **MOLLY OG OF NUTSTOWN**
11 months red brindle, head a bit too masculine, dark eye, nice top-line, good forechest, a bit steep in front and in the back, movement sideways ok but moved wide in front.
4. Kelly; **AROON OF NUTSTOWN**
Grey bitch, lovely type, good forehand, hindquarters, good bone, good back, good hocks, needs some exercising.
5. Crawford; **MARLAW AURORA**
4 years old bitch, nice type, very feminine, nice head and expression, good teeth, good chest, movement nice.

Class No: 14 Limit Bitch



1. Kelly; **GOLDEN LADY OF NUTSTOWN**
3 years old wheaten bitch of nice type, good expression, nice ears, strong hindquarters, a bit straight in front, nice mover.

Class No: 15 Open Bitch



1. O'Keeffe; **ANNUANA OF RATHCREEVAGH AT CALCARA**
2.5 years old wheaten bitch, good type, nice head and expression, good bone, good forechest, good outline, looks sound, good mover.
2. Smith; **UELLA OOLA**
3 years old black bitch, nice expression, beautiful head, heavily boned, good overall type, everything fits together.
3. Kelly; **ANGEL OF NUTSTOWN**
Strong wheaten bitch, 3 years old, heavily boned, good hind-quarters, forechest a bit too straight, good pigmentation, very good coat, nice ears, good mover, a bit too fat.

Class No: 16 Veteran Bitch



1. Kelly; **CH MACUSHLA OF NUTSTOWN**
Very nice veteran bitch, beautiful type, strong charming lady, nice angulation in forequarters and hindquarters, good coat, good mover.





Green Star Bitch (left) Kelly's MADDY ROSE OF NUTSTOWN
Reserve Green Star Bitch Kelly's CU EALGA CUNAARDRI



Green Star Dog & Best in Show
Smith's UELLA REASON



Green Star Bitch & Res Best in Show
Kelly's MADDY ROSE OF NUTSTOWN



Best Puppy in Show O'Keeffe's CALCARA FAILTE **Res Best Puppy Smith's UELLA ARDEE**



Brace Class Kelly's LAZY BONES OF NUTSTOWN & CU EALGA CUNAARDRI



Team Class
Kelly's LAZY BONES OF NUTSTOWN,
CU EALGA CUNAARDRI & CH/INT CH
THE BLACK NIGHT OF NUTSTOWN



Best Head & Expression
Kelly's CH KING HUZZAR OF NUTSTOWN



Tallest Irish Wolfhound Kelly's LAZY BONES OF NUTSTOWN



Tallest & Most Sound Bitch
O'Keeffe's ANNUANA OF RATHCREEVAGH AT CALCARA



Brood Bitch Kelly's CH MACUSHLA OF NUTSTOWN



Best Movement O'Keeffe's CALCARA FAILTE



Stud Dog Kelly's CH/INT CH THE BLACK KNIGHT OF NUTSTOWN

Roll of Honour

Green Star Dog
Reserve Green Star Dog

Smith's UELLA REASON
Kelly's CH KING HUZZAR OF NUTSTOWN

Green Star Bitch
Reserve Green Star Bitch

Kelly's MADDY ROSE OF NUTSTOWN
Kelly's CU EALGA CUNAARDRI

Best in Show
Reserve Best in Show

Smith's UELLA REASON
Kelly's MADDY ROSE OF NUTSTOWN

Best Puppy in Show
Reserve Best Puppy

O'Keeffe's CALCARA FAILTE
Smith's UELLA ARDEE

Apologies & Errata *Magazine 2003 - 2004*

Apologies to Mrs. Catherine and Mrs. Anne O'Keeffe; their new champion Ir/GB.Ch.Owenmore Chalcadony at Calcara who won her Irish & English titles in 2003 was omitted from the last magazine.

Apologies to Ulli & Ika Peiler: due to a photo size-editing mistake the original photo of their Veteran Bitch winner, Ch. Knocknarea Orlando, in the 2004 Club Show report was distorted. The published photo was overstretched horizontally.

Errata: correction from Tim & Marion Finney; re the winners at the IWCI Ch Show 2004; Gulliagh Sequoia, not Ch Gulliagh Zest, won Res Green Star.

IRISH WOLFHOUND CLUB OF IRELAND

Open Show 2005

(Held in conjunction with the Combined Canine Club Open show)

Judge: Mr Ralph Dunne

Thank you for inviting me to judge your open show. I had a most memorable day.

In general movement was very good and it was great to have such a large ring.

JUNIOR DOG

1st Higgin's Fionn of Cootehill

Good size and well developed dog with lots of substance and bone, well balanced, moved very effortlessly around the ring.

2nd Murphy's Kalerigg Emperor

Medium sized dog, needs to tighten up in movement, has lovely gentle temperament.

GRADUATE DOG

1st Brown & Hanley's Chieftan Cunaardri

Medium sized dog with good bone, nice head, good coat, very firm condition, moved very well.

OPEN DOG

1st Rainey & Rainey-Shaw's Kingfisher of Nutstown

Large commanding dog, well muscled, with good bone and very good coat. Has very powerful and graceful movement, well handled. B.O.B. Later B.I.S.

2nd Kelly's Lazy Bones of Nutstown

Good size and well bodied. Moved ok.

3rd Brown & Hanley's Buchaill Daineal Cunaardri

PUPPY BITCH

1st Clarke's Lady Ionagh of Shantamon

Good size, very feminine, with good front and topline, strong hindquarters, moved well. A nice puppy.

JUNIOR BITCH

1st Rainey & Rainey-Shaw's Lady of Nutstown

Good size and a great outline with good neck and shoulders, stood very square, moved well with presence.

2nd O Connell's Molly OG of Nutstown

Good sized bitch with good bone, not as steady in movement as first.

GRADUATE BITCH

1st Brown & Hanley's Micushla Cunaardri

Medium sized bitch, just enough bone moved ok.

2nd Kelly's Maddy Rose of Nutstown

Needs a little more time and maturity, has a good topline, moved ok.

OPEN BITCH

1st Clarke's Eboney of Shantamon

A very good size, well off for bone, good depth of chest with good topline, moved very well and well handled.

2nd Kelly's Golden Lady of Nutstown

Nice size, good outline and good depth, could have moved better in front.



Best of Breed: Rainey's Kingfisher of Nutstown.
Kingfisher went on to win the **Hound Group** and **Best In Show**



Res. Best of Breed: Clarke's Eboney of Shantamon



Best Puppy:
Clarke's Lady Ionagh of Shantamon



Winner of 'Owner never having won a Green Star'
Higgins' Fionn of Cootehill

IRISH WOLFHOUND CLUB OF IRELAND OPEN SHOW

2.12.04

I was very honoured to judge the first IWC Open Show for some years. It was held in conjunction with the Combined Canine Club's Christmas Show. Many thanks to their friendly and hardworking committee who put on a very well run and festive show which even included a visit from the man in red himself! Only one criticism – and a very common one – the ring could have been bigger to enable our large breed to show themselves off properly.

All temperaments were, as they should be, excellent. Heads were very good, upper arms were often too short, a common problem in the breed, and some dogs could have been a bit taller for balance. Movement wasn't always as free as it could be, but maybe the small ring could have an influence in some cases. Many thanks to all that entered under me and for the sporting manner in which my decisions were accepted.

Alison Messenger, Judge

PUPPY DOG (4,3)

1. O'Sullivan's **THE BAIRD CUNAARDRI**

A good start to the day – a big, rangy 8-month-old black with lovely long bones. A good male head, correct rose ears and a good reach of neck. Topline slightly flat and moved a bit close behind, both of which could improve with maturity. Good angulation behind. He coped with the ring very well. A very interesting prospect. Best Puppy

JUNIOR DOG (1)

1. Mullen's **GUINNESS DARK BOY**

Another nice headed black, although undershot. Much smaller and more compact than the puppy. A bit steep in upper arm. Good top-line, but needs more length in body which could be why he over-reaches. In very good muscular condition.

GRADUATE DOG (5,3)

1. Finney's **GULLIAGH SEQUOIA**

One of the few dogs that had the "commanding appearance" required in the breed standard. A tall boy with a long muzzle and a really gentle expression, good reach of neck set proudly into sloping shoulders. Well angulated behind. Topline slightly flat and sloping, but moved soundly with a long, reachy stride. Was pleased to award him Best Dog, Best in Show and Group 2.

2. Hampton's **DONCHADH FERGAL**

OPEN DOG (2,1)

1. Kelly's **MILLENIUM OF NUTSTOWN**

Substantial dog with a good shape. Skull a bit broad, lovely correct rose ears, good length of neck. Moved very well in profile, but pinned in badly in front.

2. Finney's **GULLIAGH NIADH**

PUPPY BITCH (3,2)

1. Couzen's **MILKWOOD LIGHT MY FIRE AT B ALLYADEEN**

A really feminine head and neat ears, neck could be longer, short upper arm, but well angulated behind. Carrying a little too much weight, which spoilt her shape. Standing rather high behind at the moment, which should even out as she grows. Moved soundly.

JUNIOR BITCH (2,1)

1. Clarke's **EBONEY OF SHANTAMON**

Eye-catching 14-month-old black. Really curvy bitch with correct rise over the loins. Long muzzle, good rose ears, good length of neck, good rear angulation and a really free mover. To be critical I would like a shade more length of leg. Best Bitch and Reserve Best in Show.

GRADUATE BITCH (4,2)

1. Finney's **GULLIAGH SCARLET**

Litter sister to Best In Show, same lovely proud head, good ears, well angulated fore and aft, although a lovely mover in profile she was close behind. A quality bitch.

2. Hampton's **DONCHADH FREYA**

OPEN BITCH (4,2)

1. Finney's **GULLIAGH NEDINE**

Well-balanced grey brindle, good long muzzle, really feminine head. A shapely bitch with a good front, moved soundly.

2. Kelly's **ANGEL OF NUTSTOWN**



Finney's GULLIAGH SEQUOIA
Best Dog & Best in Show.



Clarke's EBONEY OF SHANTAMON
Best Bitch and Res Best in Show
& Winner of 'Owner never having won a Green Star'

Green Star Winners 2004

SHOW	JUDGE	GREEN STAR WINNERS	BOB	Green Star POINTS
Irish Kennel Club	Mrs R Van Mechelen	Lazy Bones of Nutstown Ch Sally of Nutstown	BOB	9 9
Combined Canine	Mr J Horswell	Buchail Daniel Cunaardri Ch Sally of Nutstown	BOB	8 7
Cork & District	A Lord Edwards	Rossa of Nutstown Annuana of Rathcreevagh at Calcara	BOB	3 3
Fermoy	Mr N Newton	Cooladeera Moonshine Rynchanon Kiss from a Rose	BOB	4 4
South Tipperary	D Nichles	Admiral of Nutstown Rynchanon Kiss from a Rose	BOB	6 6
Hound Assoc May	Mr H Tonks	Admiral of Nutstown Ulla Maddie	BOB	6 6
Hibernian	G Hickey	Gulliagh Zapata Ch Sally of Nutstown	BOB	4 4
Irish Wolfhound Club Ch show	Mr J Samaha	Caredeg Jupiter Caredig Jezebel	BOB	10 10
Swords	Mr D Simpson	Gulliagh Zapata Uella Maddie	BOB	3 3
Munster Canine	Mr R Good	Rossa of Nutstown Annuana of Rathcreevagh at Calcara	BOB	3 1
Kilkenny	Mr M Crowley	Rossa of Nutstown Ballyphelan Bramble by Uella	BOB	4 4
Bray	Mrs T Jenkins-Jago	Rossa of Nutstown Annuana of Rathcreevagh at Calcara	BOB	4 6
Irish Ladies Kennels	Mrs B McCl Clarke	Gulliagh Zapata Gulliagh Nedine	BOB	4 4
Dundalk	Ms A Mathers	Gulliagh Zapata Ch Sally of Nutstown	BOB	4 4
Bangor & Nth Down	Mr S Dymock	Gulliagh Zapata Gulliagh Zamora	BOB	3 5
Dunlaoghaire	Mrs W Jackson	Rossa of Nutstown Annuana of Rathcreevagh at Calcara	BOB	4 4
Hound Association	J Leiviska	King Huzzar of Nutstown Gulliagh Zamora	BOB	10 10
Clonmel	Mr L Dehaes	Admiral of Nutstown Ch Gulliagh Zamora	BOB	10 10
Killarney	Mrs A Cuthbert	Millennium of Nutstown Ch Gulliagh Zamora	BOB	9 9
Limerick	N White	Rossa of Nutstown Rynchanon Kiss from a Rose	BOB	9 9
Tralee	Mr M Dougherty	Rossa of Nutstown Ch Sally of Nutstown	BOB	8 5
Drogheda	Miss F Thompson	Rossa of Nutstown Ch Gulliagh Zamora	BOB	5 5
Carlow	Mr McMillian	Gulliagh Zapata Angel of Nutstown	BOB	7 7
Irish Breeds	Mr J Daz	King Huzzar of Nutstown Angel of Nutstown	BOB	7 7
Bull Breeds	Mrs J Walsh	Rossa of Nutstown Ch Sally of Nutstown	BOB	7 3
Portadown	Mr J Behan	Ch Gulliagh Zest Uella Oola	BOB	4 8
Cloghran	Mrs M Wendland	Rossa of Nutstown Angel of Nutstown	BOB	5 9
Dublin Dog Show	Z Fogarty	Kingfisher of Nutstown Ebony of Shantamon	BOB	8 8

ANNUAL CHAMPION 2004
RUNNER UP.....

Rossa of Nutstown
Gulliagh Zamora

52 pts
39 pts

BEST IN SHOW WINS
Gulliagh Zamora

Hound Association CH Show

Green Star Winners 2005

SHOW	JUDGE	GREEN STAR WINNERS	BOB	Green Star Group enh.	
				Points	GS Points
Newtownards	Mrs B Hamilton	King Huzzar of Nutstown Annuana of Rathcreevagh at Calcara	BOB	3 3	
Irish Kennel Club	Mr J Cabral	Ch Gulliagh Zest An Ch 2003 Annuana of Rathcreevagh at Calcara		10 10	
Combined Canine	Mr C Brandenberger	King Huzzar of Nutstown Angel of Nutstown	BOB	6 3	
Cork & District	Mr E Murray	Ch Gulliagh Zapata Annuana of Rathcreevagh at Calcara	BOB	5 4	
South Tipperary	Mr A McKinlay	King Huzzar of Nutstown Angel of Nutstown	BOB	7 7	
Fermoy Canine	Mrs J Penta, USA	King Huzzar of Nutstown Annuana of Rathcreevagh at Calcara	BOB	7 6	
Hound Assoc.	Mrs Anne O'Keeffe	Uella Reason Uella Maddie	BOB	2 4	
Hibernian	Mr T Finney	Tibridam Tyler Juxitalia Ita of Knocknarea	BOB	5 5	
Munster Canine	Mrs P Burke Reidy	Lazy Bones of Nutstown Uella Oola	BOB	4 4	
IW Club of Ireland	Mrs J Laumen, B	Uella Reason Maddie Rose of Nutstown	BOB	10 10	
Swords	Mr N Hammond	Buchail Daineal Cunaadri Annuana of Rathcreevagh at Calcara	BOB	5 5	
Kilkenny	Mr R McCoy	King Huzzar of Nutstown Uella Maddie	BOB	7 7	
Bray	Mr S Knight	Ch, Int Beauté Ch, Gulliagh Zest (An Ch 2003) Annuana of Rathcreevagh at Calcara	BOB	6 5	Group+1
Sligo	Mr K Stevenson	King Huzzar of Nutstown Annuana of Rathcreevagh at Calcara	BOB	4 3	
Dundalk	Mrs B Jones, UK	King Huzzar of Nutstown Ebony of Shantanon	BOB	5 5	Group+1
Bangor	Mr F Bothwell UK	King Huzzar of Nutstown Gulliagh Nedine	BOB	5 4	
Dun Laoghaire	Mrs G McDowell	Ch, Int Beauté Ch, Gulliagh Zest (An Ch 2003) Annuana of Rathcreevagh at Calcara	BOB	7 5	
Hound Assoc	Mr Joe Perkoiser, USA	King Huzzar of Nutstown Angel of Nutstown	BOB	10 6	
Clonmel	Mrs A Bystrup, DK	Rynchanon one wild Knight at Nightwing Angel of Nutstown	BOB	10 10	
Killarney	Mr M Derbyshire, UK	Ch, Int Beauté Ch, Gulliagh Zest (An Ch 2003) Uella Oola	BOB	10 5	
Limerick	Mr J De Mello, P	Ch, Int Beauté Ch, Gulliagh Zest (An Ch 2003) Ebony of Shantanon	BOB	8 8	
Tralee	Mr H Yost, USA	Ch, Int Beauté Ch, Gulliagh Zest (An Ch 2003) Gulliagh Nedine	BOB	5 4	
Drogheda	Mrs N Hughes	King Huzzar of Nutstown Gulliagh Nedine	BOB	5 4	
Irish Breeds	Mrs D Dineen	Lazy Bones of Nutstown Angel of Nutstown	BOB	7 7	
Carlow	Mr S O'Brien	Ch, Int Beauté Ch, Gulliagh Zest (An Ch 2003) Angel of Nutstown	BOB	7 7	
Bull Breeds	Ms L Appleby	Kingfisher of Nutstown Angel of Nutstown		5 3	
Cloghran	Mr W Westren	Kingfisher of Nutstown Uella Maddie	BOB	7 7	
Dublin Dog Show	Mr M Falsey	King Huzzar of Nutstown Angel of Nutstown	BOB	3 2	

ANNUAL CHAMPION
RUNNER UP.....

King Huzzar of Nutstown 62 pts
Ch, Int Beaute Ch, Gulliagh Zest (An Ch '03) 52 pts

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Bray CH Show
Dundalk CH Show

Ch, Int Beaute Ch, Gulliagh Zest (An Ch '03)
King Huzzar of Nutstown

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		Stoneybrook Spectre
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NEW CHAMPION



CH ANGEL OF NUTSTOWN

Dob: 18th June 2002

Owners & Breeders: Mr & Mrs J Kelly

Ch Rossa of Nutstown	Ch Nutstown Adare	Fingal of Nutstown
		Ch Blossom of Nutstown
	Rosemary of Nutstown	Ch/GB Ch Capitan of Shantamon
		Holly of Nutstown
Nutstown Ann	Fingal of Nutstown	Ch/GB Ch Capitan of Shantamon
		Callaighstown Lady
	Ch Blossom of Nutstown	Ch Cillian Ruane
		Duchess of Nutstown

NEW CHAMPION



CH KING HUZZAR OF NUTSTOWN

Dob: 2nd April 2003

Owners & Breeders: Mr & Mrs J Kelly

Ch The Black Knight of Nutstown	CH Saringa's Mr Magwitch of Nutstown	Ch Capitan of Shantamon
		Ria of Nutstown
	Eileen Og	Fionn of Baile An Leasa
		Agathenor Carleen
Ch Macushla of Nutstown	Fingal of Nutstown	Ch Capitan of Shantamon
		Callaighstown Lady
	Aoife of Nutstown	Ch Cillian Ruane
		Duchess of Nutstown

NEW CHAMPION



CH ROSSA OF NUTSTOWN

Dob: 17th June 2000

Owners & Breeders: Mr & Mrs J Kelly

Nutstown Adare	Fingal of Nutstown	Ch Capitan of Shantamon
		Callaighstown Lady
	Ch Blossom of Nutstown	Ch Cillian Ruane
		Duchess of Nutstown
Rosemary of Nutstown	Ch Capitan of Shantamon	Ch Cillian Ruane
		Coolbreagh Gweevagh
	Holly of Nutstown	Chapelleigh Duke of Nutstown
		Ch Sorchu of Nutstown

NEW CHAMPION



CH. ANNUANA OF RATHCREEVAGH AT CALCARA

Dob: 10th November 2002

Owners: Mr & Mrs C & Ms A O'Keeffe

Breeder: MR A Charles

Calcara De Dannan	GB Ch Uella Flint	Marumac Feril
		Uella Ace
	Calcara Ceili	Nutstown Bracken of Calcara
		Calcara Caoimhe
Torvagen Kilciofra	Cillian of Shantamon	Ch Cillian Ruane
		Coolbreagh Gweevagh
	Ciara	Brian of Galway
		Dawn Liath

LONGEVITY 2004 - 2005

		<i>Born</i>	<i>Died</i>
Seneschal Balbriggan of Donaghmore	S Af Ch Seneschal Ballott x S Af Ch Seneschal Acushla	14.10.1996	Alive Feb '06
Tolkavalley Saragh	Tolkavalley Athcarne Craigie x Tolkavalley Arvagh	Feb '95	Jan '05
Tolkavalley Sionna	Tolkavalley Athcarne Craigie x Tolkavalley Arvagh	Feb '95	Alive Feb '06
Tolkavella Shaun (Shawn)	Tolkavalley Athcarne Craigie x Tolkavalley Arvagh	Feb '95	Alive Feb '06
Knocknarea Keisar	Swed Ch Knocknarea Groi x Glenties Aine	26.10.95	Dec05
US Ch Knocknarea Mullach Ade	Bearnabui Irial x Glenties Aine	4.4.94	Apr04
Knocknarea Hagar	Bearnabui Irial x Glenties Aine	4.4.94	Dec04
Bearnabui Image of Knocknarea	Ch Greenswell Arranz of Chapelleigh x Carrokeel Gwyneth of Bearnabui	16.5.91	Aug00
Ch & GB Ch Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea	Marumac Feril x Mochras Juxitalia	12.5.95	Aug03
Knocknarea Cinn Oir	Killykeen Mars x Knocknarea Deirdre	24.3.86	Oct95
Knocknarea Leacanta	GB/Ir CH Bokra George Caredig x Knocknarea Grace	28.5.96	Alive Feb '06
Knocknarea Lailli	GB/Ir CH Bokra George Caredig x Knocknarea Grace	28.5.96	Aug '05
Knocknarea Lanagh	GB/Ir CH Bokra George Caredig x Knocknarea Grace	28.5.96	Mar '05
Knocknarea Lancelot	GB/Ir CH Bokra George Caredig x Knocknarea Grace	28.5.96	Aug '04
Knocknarea Neesha	GB Shadow of Kilmara x Bearnabui Image of Knocknarea	29.1.97	Alive Feb '06
Knocknarea Night Shadow	GB Shadow of Kilmara x Bearnabui Image of Knocknarea	29.1.97	Alive Feb '06
Ch Knocknarea Orlando	Ir/GB Ch Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea x Glenties Aine	19.3.97	Alive Feb '06
Knocknarea Olcan	Ir/GB Ch Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea x Glenties Aine	19.3.97	Alive Feb '06
Knocknarea Oigeantacht	Ir/GB Ch Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea x Glenties Aine	19.3.97	Alive Feb '06
Nutstown Ann	Fingal of Nutstown x Ch Blossom of Nutstown	4.2.97	Alive Feb '06
Ch Macushla of Nutstown	Fingal of Nutstown x Aoife of Nutstown	22.8.96	Alive Feb '06
Marshgrove King of Nutstown	Fingal of Nutstown x Lisnagry Elvin	5.9.97	Alive Feb '06
Uella Scinamon	Marumac Feril x Uella Ace	2.10.95	Oct '05

Longevity Members living in Ireland, or members who own Irish Bred Irish Wolfhounds overseas, are invited to submit hounds eligible (8 years or older) for inclusion in the Longevity list. If the hound is no longer living and has not already appeared in the Longevity list, it is eligible for inclusion. Please send details to

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THE CROUP

William V Clark

The croup forms the rear part of the dog's topline between the loin and the base of the tail. Thus, a good croup, set at the right angle in combination with a slightly arched loin, goes a long way to giving a Wolfhound a good topline.

The Irish Wolfhound, like some other sighthound breeds, possesses a slightly arched loin and a croup set at slightly steeper angle than generally found in other breeds. This construction allows the Wolfhound to perform the double suspension gallop. Most dogs when galloping have a period when their four legs are off the ground, when they are gathered up under them. Dogs that use the double suspension gallop manage to increase stride length, and thus speed, by having two phases of unsupported travel per stride, the collected period and the extended period of suspension. In this latter period of extension the dog essentially launches itself forward in a long leap. This extended suspension phase requires the dog to lift the forequarters clear off the ground by the power of the hindquarters and back.

The extra slope on the croup, as seen in sighthounds, rotates the whole hindquarters forward slightly, which increases the forward extension of the hind legs and reduces their rearward extension if the slope of the croup is kept constant, relative to the body. While galloping, a Wolfhound's loin flexes and extends greatly, altering the angle at which the hindquarters operate. When the hindfeet first set down on the ground (**figure 1 a**), the back is well-flexed and the croup very steep. Thus the hindquarters at that point produce a largely upward thrust.

As the back is straightened out, the hindquarters pro-

duce more forward thrust. Just before the hindfeet push off the ground (**figure 1 b**), the back has straightened out to such a degree that the croup is nearly horizontal. Thus, the sloping croup in combination with the arched loin helps produce the bounding action necessary for the double suspension gallop.

The correct topline of a Wolfhound is one in which the croup is set at a slightly steeper angle than seen in most breeds outside the sighthounds. This sloping croup should gently merge into the slightly arched loin in a continuous gentle sweep.

The sloping croup of the Wolfhound functions during the gallop, in combination with the flexible arched loin to produce very long strides. When trotting, the back is held rigid and the slope on the croup remains the same through each stride, giving a slightly reduced rearward extension of the hindlegs. If the croup is set at too shallow an angle, the Wolfhound would not rise to the extended suspension with the required ease. Conversely, if the croup is set at too steep an angle, the rearward extension of the hindquarters will be reduced with a concomitant increase in forward extension. This increased forward extension will more than likely cause the hindfeet to interfere with the front feet when the dog is required to trot. To avoid this effect the dog may crab or pace when asked to trot. Such a dog when galloping will have an exaggerated up and down action of the hindquarters, and not enough forward drive. Steep croups are to be seen on some mountain animals where they help propel the animal up slopes. Hindquarters with steeply set croups are often lacking in muscle.



Figure 1a.

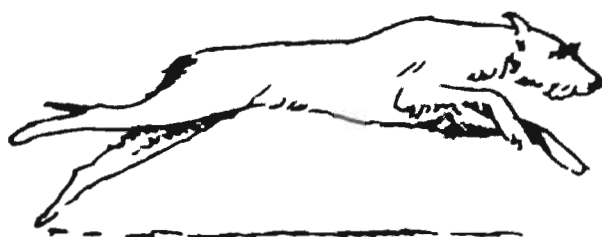


Figure 1b.

Another bad fault of the hindquarters is a short croup. At the rearmost point of the pelvis, a major group of muscles (figure 2b) have their origin. These muscles insert onto the leg bones, either side of the stifle joint, and have the effect of lifting and propelling the dog forward. These muscles are called the rearing muscles in horses and the hamstrings in humans. There needs to be sufficient length between the hip joint and the rear end of the pelvis for these muscles to work efficiently. A short croup (i.e., pelvis) would not have sufficient area for the attachment of the thigh, thus a short crouped dog would have weak hindquarters.

Good width of the croup helps the dog when galloping to bring the hindlegs forward either side of the forelegs without having to splay them out. Width of the croup also provides a large area for the attachment of muscles.

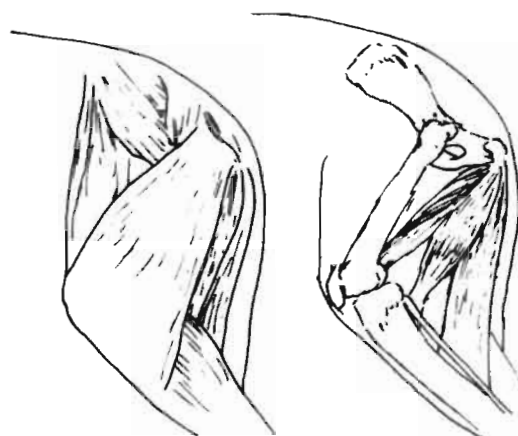


Figure 2a

Figure 2b



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CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

SATURDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER 2005

JUDGE - MS JOCELYNE GAGNÉ

Thank you to the Irish Wolfhound Club of Northern Ireland for this invitation to judge your annual show. And thank you to all of the exhibitors for bringing me such wonderful dogs. How very special for me to visit Ireland for the first time, and be able to judge this breed, that is so close to my heart, in its native land. This was a dream come true for me and I enjoyed every minute of it.

In making my decisions I was looking for a typical Irish Wolfhound, with good curves that flow smoothly in the lines of classical sighthound shape; I

wanted a dog of great size and bone, who has the ability to run. For me, a sighthound without good legs is not a functional hound. So I wanted to see daylight under the dogs, strong legs, with a well proportioned body and good angulation fore and aft. Conditioning is important to ensure that the dog can last in the field. Movement is of primary consideration to me in making my placements in the classes. A wolfhound has to move about easily, and be sound coming and going, with great reach in front, and powerful drive

from the rear in order to be a functional hound. I had some quality dogs to judge in my entry, which made me work. In several classes, on a different day some of the dogs could have changed 1st and 2nd places. The choices today were mine; based on what I saw in the ring I expressed my opinion in the placements.

Temperaments overall were wonderful.... This is a breed that should command your attention with a confident attitude, and this is what happened with most of the dogs today.

In particular, I was impressed with the depth of quality in the Open Dog class. All 4 males that I placed in this class were mature, and great examples of the breed. These 4 males could, in my opinion, compete successfully anywhere in the world. Obviously, my favourite was the Breed winner, and he combined all of those qualities that I value.... He had an excellent shape, good bone and substance, he displayed great type and had powerful, smooth movement.

I had a marvellous time.



Best in Show and Res Best in Show: Int & Ir Ch Gulliaigh Zest & GB Ch Caredig Jupiter,

PUPPY DOG (1, 0a)

- 1 **Kalerigg Chieftain of Nutstown.** Nice substantial black puppy. Good size. Beautiful head, nice dark eye and beautiful ears. Good bone. Nice shape. He could perhaps do with a little more rear angulation, but he is balanced. Moves a little close behind but good in profile. Moving a little downhill which could be due to his age and he could use a little more reach and drive. He is sound.

JUNIOR DOG (6, 2)

- 1 **Sade Rossi at Ballyalyn.** This dog is very typical to my eye. He has a beautiful head with a nice eye. He has good reach of neck flowing into a good shoulder. Best chest and front assembly in this class. He is shapely and curvy. To be critical he could do with more breadth to stifle but he uses himself well and is a good smooth mover.

- 2 **Cu Aontroime Auliffe.** More masculine young dog. He has not got the forechest of the first dog and he is a little shorter in leg but he is well put together and he is a beautiful mover in profile with great reach of stride. However he is a little close behind going away and slightly wide in front coming at me. He is a quality dog.
- 3 **Owenmore Maoineach.** Standing was outstanding; just gorgeous in outline, and really caught my eye. Balanced houndy shape with good length of leg showing lots of daylight underneath. However he lost it on the move, did not use himself at all, quite wide in front with a very choppy gait. Hopefully as he matures he will get himself together and coordination will improve.

NOVICE DOG (3, 1)

- 1 **Uella Ardee.** Very tall houndy dog of good substance. Nice length of neck fitting smoothly into his shoulders. Nice feet. A little straight in pastern; not as flexible as I would like him to be in pastern. Solid rear quarters. Beautiful on the move in profile but going away from me he could be a little stronger overall. However he is a very handsome typical hound of good size.
- 2 **Guinness Dark Boy.** A black dog. Slightly smaller than first but good bone. Good general shape but I would have liked him a little longer and a little taller. He did not demonstrate as much power on the move as the winner. He does not have the reach and drive of the first placed dog but overall he is a handsome youngster.

UNDERGRADUATE DOG (3,0)

- 1 **Uella Ardee.**
- 2 **Rynchanon One Wild Knight at Nightwing** Very handsome substantial well shaped, well handled dog. Curvy outline. Nice smooth movement but not quite as much reach as the first placed dog and just a little weaker in topline. However, overall he is a handsome dog and it was a difficult choice. Rear quarters not quite as long and strong in second thigh as first placed dog.
- 3 **Marlaw Hector** Smaller dog. Good curves. Not as tall or typey as the first two placements in this class. He was a bit loose in pasterns. Today he was not making the most of himself and he was making his handler work very hard.

POST GRADUATE DOG (2,0)

- 1 **Macara of Nutstown.** Strong dog, well constructed and well boned black dog. He moved well and is very sound.
- 2 **Gulliagh Niadh.** Standing presented a lovely picture, tall and houndy but he was not in as good condition and did not make the most of himself on the move. He flipped his front feet on the move and his rear quarters were overpowering his forequarters. He does not have as much forechest and is narrower in front than the first placed dog. Overall a very houndy dog who presented well standing, but disappointed on the move.

LIMIT DOG (3, 1)

- 1 **Lazy Bones of Nutstown.** This is a very strong, powerful dog who handles himself well. Nice smooth mover, sound coming and going. To be critical I would like a little more power to rear and perhaps a little more length of neck but he is an honest dog with a beautiful head.
- 2 **Gulliagh Sequoia.** Slightly houndier and slightly longer and taller than the winner but he has not got the forechest of the dog above. He is certainly very houndy and is a very sound smooth mover. He just needs a little more maturity.

OPEN DOG (8, 2)

This was my best class of the day. I was so pleased to see such quality males who excelled in that beautiful open side gait. Some handsome boys with great quality; I felt fortunate to have the opportunity to go over all of them.

- 1 **Int & Ir Ch Gulliagh Zest.** Very houndy, just the shape I love to see, good daylight underneath and nice curves. Good bone. Everything on this dog flows together nicely. In profile he presents a very impressive outline and his personality matches it! He was using himself very well today. He has beautiful feet, beautiful strong rear quarters and he is very smooth and easy on the move. Loved watching him move in profile, and he was just as nice coming and going. He also has a lovely head. CC and BIS.
- 2 **Ch Caredig Jupiter.** Pushed first dog very hard. He too is a gorgeous shape and is very well balanced, just not quite as much reach and drive in movement as the winner but it was a difficult choice. Res CC and Res BIS.
- 3 **Ir Ch King Huzzar of Nutstown.** Another handsome dog, just perhaps not the length of neck as two above. He was a good mover but not as powerful as the two above.
- 4 **Ch Gartlove Galenkelso** Again, a handsome, mature male. A quality dog, but just not as impressive today as the dogs who placed ahead of him.

PUPPY BITCH (3, 1)

- 1 **Caredig Honesty.** Substantial typey bitch. Moved soundly and easily but I would have preferred more drive behind. However she is an honest girl.
- 2 **Marlaw Mary Kate Danaher at Tarlog.** I loved her lovely type and her curves standing but she refused to cooperate with her handler today and just would not use herself well. She is a little weak behind. Hopefully she will soon settle to the job and do herself justice. She has a very pretty head.

JUNIOR BITCH (10, 2)

- 1 **Calcara Failte.** Just a lovely shape, nice curves, beautiful mover, smooth and easy coming, going and in profile. Really nice bitch with nothing exaggerated.
- 2 **Caredig Honesty.**
- 3 **Cu Aontroime Amy.** Nice shape. Lost out to two above as she was not quite as sound coming and going but she has very good profile movement. She is also a nice shape.
- 4 **Gartlove Ghleann daruel** Another nice bitch, great shape. She just lost it on movement, did not have quite the reach or drive of those above.

Also in this class I want to mention that I saw a bitch with a beautiful shape, good bone and scope, showing great promise... Owenmore Mion Miorr. She would not cooperate at all with her handler, and I was not able to evaluate her on the move as she absolutely refused to gait, which was unfortunate, and so I had to leave her out of the ribbons.

NOVICE BITCH (5, 3)

- 1 **Gulliagh Jardis.** Just a beautiful shape, angles in all the right places and this showed in her movement. Beautiful reach and drive, smooth easy action. Very sound. Good bone. Pretty girl.
- 2 **Marlaw Freya Bwarned.** Another pretty girl. Not quite as shapely or curvy as the first place bitch and not quite as well balanced. Her rear quarters overpower her forehead slightly on the move and she was flipping her feet on the move.

UNDER GRADUATE BITCH (4,0)

- 1 **Gulliagh Molly Malone.** Good curves, lovely length of leg, showing good daylight underneath. Strong and smooth on the move. Occasionally on standing looks too arched in loin but this corrects itself on the move and her topline is good then. Nice bitch with a good reach of neck.
- 2 **Marlaw Aeolus.** Another lovely bitch with a nice curvy outline. She was sound coming and going when she cooperated with her handler but she does not have the reach or drive in profile movement as the winner.
- 3 **Gulliagh Biddy Mulligan.** Another nice bitch but she does not have the movement of the two above, not as good in reach and drive.

POST GRADUATE BITCH (6, 3)

- 1 **Gulliagh Scarlet.** Nice shape, good curves. Very sound coming and going and lovely profile movement. She won this class on her sound movement.
- 2 **Tibridarn Tuesday at Ballyvonair.** Beautiful shapely, larger & taller bitch, very houndy. Good movement. Unfortunately she is weaker behind than winner.
- 3 **Gulliagh Spice.** This bitch has a much choppier gait and did not use herself very well coming or going.

LIMIT BITCH (4, 2)

- 1 **Caredig Isabella.** Very curvy powerful bitch. Nice

size. Nice shape. Good length. To be critical I would like her ribcage to go back slightly further i.e. more length in ribcage vs. the loin. She really uses herself and moves well with very free flowing movement. Standing she was looking as if her rear quarters dropped but this corrected itself on moving and she moved very well. She is a quality bitch. Reserve CC.

- 2 **Mystic Moonshine Fionnmae.** Lovely light wheaten with very good pigmentation. Lovely dark eye and she has a lovely head. However she is not as curvy or powerful as the first bitch and she is slightly weaker behind.

OPEN BITCH (8, 2)

- 1 **Uella Oola.** Beautiful shape. Nice curves. Beautiful head. Powerful strong quarters. Smooth easy mover. Very sound typical bitch. Nothing exaggerated. Nice all around. CC.
- 2 **Angel of Nutstown.** Not quite as curvy as the winner but a very powerful sound easy moving girl.
- 3 **Ballalyn's Roxanne.** Another lovely looking bitch with an excellent curvy shape. However she was just not quite as sound behind as 1st and 2nd bitches.

VETERAN BITCH (2, 1)

- 1 **Roscot Apolima at Marlaw.** Lovely old girl moving easily around the ring. Nice curves, good shape. In good condition. Missing part of her tail.

*Other photos of class winners etc are available on the website of the Club at
<http://uk.geocities.com/ians13/PIC2005/>*



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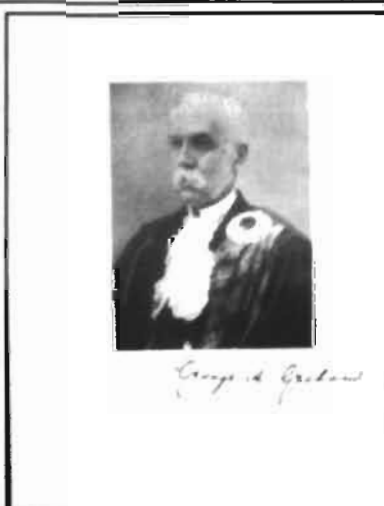
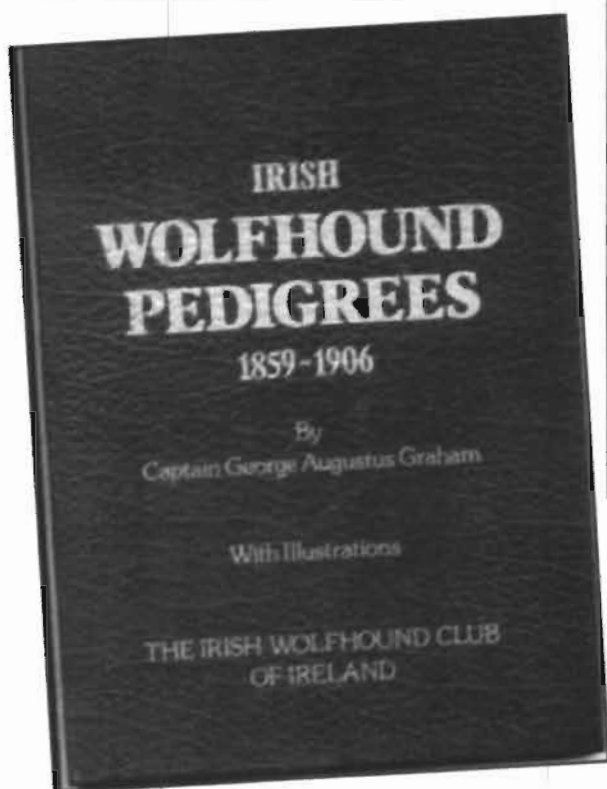
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LIVER SHUNT (PSS)

Medical term: Portosystemic Shunt

The Code of Ethics of The Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland advises members to test their puppies for liver shunt before sale.

Liver Shunt is now known to be present in Irish lines and it is important to eradicate it before it becomes a bigger problem. If breeders feel that it is not present in their lines they will have no worries about testing to prove their lines are free. If worried about cost, think of the cost of replacing an affected puppy. Tests may be carried out at 6/7 weeks of age. A description of the condition follows.

Liver Shunt is often undetectable until after the puppy leaves the breeder. Symptoms are varied, and not all vets recognize the underlying disease unless they do a liver function test. Affected puppies have steadily increasing ill health and lethargy as their livers deteriorate at different rates. They are usually put down before reaching one year even when fed a low fat/low sodium diet. Veterinary Specialists with the skills (microsurgery) to repair a shunt are few and far between and some countries have none. This is a major operation which costs upwards of £1,500 and is the pup's only long term chance of life. Sometimes a shunt operation needs to be re-done and in any terms it is a traumatic event for owner and dog.

Lifespan following a successful repair by the best specialist veterinary hospital is normal (up to 8.5 years) with no need for special diets.

Liver shunt is known to be an inherited disease.

We are indebted to The Irish Wolfhound Foundation Inc, for permission to reprint this recent review of Liver Shunt from their newsletter FOCUS. This very interesting newsletter is available on their web-site: <http://www.iwfoundation.org/>

Further information on the condition may be found on the Federation of European Irish Wolfhound Clubs (EIWC) website section on Health. See <http://www.eiwc.org>

Another article worth reading is at <http://www.cornovi-iw.co.uk/> (click on the link "livershunt").

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Liver Shunt (PSS) in the Irish Wolfhound

by Anne Janis

Portosystemic shunt (also called PSS or liver shunt) is a serious, often fatal liver problem. In a normal dog, the circulatory system carries blood through the liver. The liver removes wastes and bacteria from the blood, and also takes in nourishment from the blood. In a dog with liver shunt, the circulation doesn't flow correctly through the liver, so these two important tasks don't happen. The problem is caused by a 'shunt,' or abnormal blood vessel, either inside or outside of the liver, that routes the circulation improperly. Because of this, the dog's liver does not get the nourishment it needs to stay healthy, and wastes and bacteria (which would have been removed if the liver were normal) end up accumulating in the bloodstream, poisoning the dog.

Most cases of liver shunt are inherited. A puppy born with this problem often begins to have difficulty after it is 6 weeks old. The puppy may be depressed, fail to gain weight and grow, have frequent digestive upsets, lose its vision, develop seizures, or show behavioural changes. A bile acids test can show whether or not a puppy has liver shunt. Sometimes, vets need to do an ultrasound examination as well. Occasionally, surgery can help a pup with liver shunt, but often the damage is so severe that the only humane course of action is euthanasia.

How prevalent is PSS in the US? We don't know for sure, the incidence in other countries gives an idea of what it might be here. Studies in the Netherlands, UK, and Norway have provided some sense of how prevalent PSS is in those nations. The last published paper (1998) by the research team at the University of Utrecht stated that the incidence was 3.1% and 2.3% in two separate IW populations. The study done in the UK (1999) by Kerr & van Doorn involving the screening of IW puppies for PSS showed that the incidence in this population was 3.4%.

In the UK, there are no current percentages available, but an informal poll of breeders and observers regarding PSS estimates that the percentages seem to have dropped, possibly to about 1%, but it must also be pointed out that registrations have dropped *by half* in the last ten years.

The incidence in Norway may now be about 2% to 3%. In Belgium, it is speculated that about 1 PSS puppy is born in a year, but there are no formal studies to confirm this. According to Swedish pet insurance company records, 8 IWs were treated for PSS in 1999. There are about 200 pups born & registered each year in Sweden, which for 1999 would make the affected rate about 4%.

Since there are no current studies of PSS in the United States, let's see what happens if we use the numbers from those countries that do have studies and/or can make educated guesses as to incidence in their homelands. The 1999 registrations for IWs in the US were about 1,125 puppies; in 2004, it was approximately 1050 puppies. Using a median percentage figure of 2%, the number of PSS puppies would be 22 for 1999 and 21 for 2004. Does that seem like too many puppies born suffering from this disease to you? Even if you divide the percentage of affected puppies by half, the number is still attention-getting. Recently, I took a random sample of risk analyses that were requested by US breeders and found that of the 39 analyses, all but two showed that the litters had some sort of risk for PSS. Food for thought.

With the use of frozen semen, the IW breeding world is getting smaller and smaller, and with it our gene pool. Prior to breeding, risk analysis is available to those who wish it - free of charge. After whelping, at the age of eight weeks, each puppy in every litter should be tested for PSS. As the only people responsible for the future of our breed, we need to start paying attention.



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Minutes of the Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland A.G.M. held in Fingallians GAA, Lawless Park, on 10th October, 2004.

As the President Mr. Anthony Killykeen-Doyle was unable to attend, the meeting was opened by the Chairman Mr. Niall Walton.

Sincere condolences were offered to Mr. Paddy Judge on the tragic and unexpected death of his daughter and to Mr. Tim Finney on the death of his mother.

The chairman said he would take a few highlights of the year and comment on them. First he congratulated the following members whose dogs became champions in 2003:

Tim & Marion Finney, John & Kathleen Kelly, Ulli & Ika Peiler and Mrs Catherine & Anne O'Keeffe. Apologies were extended to Mrs Catherine and Anne O'Keeffe, as their new champion Ir/GB.Ch.Owenmore Chalcedony at Calcara who won her Irish & English titles in 2003 was omitted from the magazine. Chalcedony also took Best of Breed in Belgium in November 2003. She will appear in the next magazine.

The minutes of the 2003 AGM were read and opened to the floor for comment.

Tim Finney asked if donations to the Veterinary College had been set up yet. It was explained that all donations were put into a health fund. Marion asked if there had been any donations from people with litters. Ian replied there were very few. Marion said that as there were quite a lot of litters around at the moment she thought this was not good enough. Velda Clarke reminded her that donations were on a voluntary basis.

Tim also asked if Sponsorship from Tullamore Dew had been received by the Club. Ian said that it had and that Tullamore Dew were happy to sponsor again for 2005.

Tim asked that Linda Gover be named in the 2003 AGM minutes as the author of the letter of complaint to the IKC against the Secretary and Chairman. This was agreed.

A letter of complaint received by the Chairman from Mr Ulli and Mrs Ika Peiler regarding the issue of missing cups was read. Mr. Ian McCulloch and Mr Paddy Judge had some input into this. Mr. P Judge said it was time to move on as a Club and get the two people involved together so there would be no need for an EGM.

Niall suggested that the Cup Steward resolve this matter and make sure that proper records are kept. He also said that it would be good if people would come to the AGM to resolve such matters. We must now get proper documentation about this matter. Marion Finney said that she won cups but has not received them. Tony Redmond and Isobel Walton said that it must be resolved at the first Committee meeting. That concluded the minutes for the AGM 2003.

Acceptance proposed by: Betty Murphy
Seconded by: Ian McCulloch

Secretary's Report

Mrs Elizabeth Hanley said that following the election of Committee at the 2003 AGM, the committee held its first meeting. There were a total of eight committee meetings and in addition to those meetings there were sub-committee meetings for the Club magazine.

The Club show was held on the 13th June at a new venue this year at Moone High Cross Inn, Co Kildare and was a great success. It was very well attended and people appeared to be satisfied with the location. May we say a special thanks to Susan Kealy and Michael Drennan, Stewards, for all the work done by them and whose help contributed to the success of the show? The Club magazine was brought out covering the years 2003 and 2004 Club shows. Our thanks to the magazine committee for the extra time that was required to be put in by them to produce the magazine.

Some members reported when they had litters of puppies for sale and for those members any enquiries received by me were appropriately distributed.

Rescue. One bitch came into rescue at the beginning of the year, possibly from lack of discipline. She was successfully re-homed and frequent contact is maintained between the new owners and myself. She has settled in and is now part of the family.

That concluded the Secretary's report.

Acceptance Proposed by: Mrs Kathleen Kelly
Seconded by: Jim Behan

Treasurer's Report

Members had received a copy of the Accounts with their ballot papers, etc.

Tim Finney asked if the expenditure for the judge was necessary. Ian detailed the costs of his travel and accommodation. Ian said that the judge bought his own ticket as it was cheaper that way.

Niall said that due to lack of any proper accounts for the previous year, two years were being accounted for in this year's accounts. Marion Finney wanted to know if there was a letter of contract for the judge as this was common practice in other clubs. She also stated that she remembers Joel Samaha said he would pay his own expenses. Kathleen Kelly said that she thought that his airfare was around US\$900. Paddy Judge said it might be helpful if Marion could produce a document of contract for the committee to see. Tim proposed a proper contract for each judge. This was passed by the floor.

Tony Redmond stated that he would like previous officers to be contacted and to hand over any records and/or paperwork that belonged to the Club. Niall said that he had already contacted: Jim Behan, Seamus Buggle, Betty Murphy and Tim Finney and said that they had already given in what they had.

Tim continued with the accounts and Ian clarified his queries item by item. Marion Finney would like people named who give donations to the Health Fund. Tony Redmond would like people who make donations to be acknowledged. Paddy Judge suggested any donations be published in the magazine.

Tim returned to the accounts and the anomalies that are there. Niall went on to explain what there were and the reasons why. Paddy Judge said that both Niall and Ian be complimented for tackling such a troublesome issue and that we were now getting some order into the accounts.

Tim asked if we have accurate membership records now. Niall and Ian said that we have proper records and we must continue in this fashion. Paddy Judge said that this present committee was doing their best. Niall said that we were doing everything possible to overcome the difficulties that had arisen in the Club in recent years. Tim proposed that Tullamore Dew be treated as a separate entry in the accounts.

Acceptance proposed by: Tim Finney
Seconded by: Paddy Judge

The following two motions submitted by the Chairman, Niall Walton and the Treasurer, Ian McCulloch, sent out with the AGM Agenda, were unanimously passed by the floor.

Submitted by Ian McCulloch, Treasurer.

1. That rule 10.iii) of the IWC of Ireland rules be changed to read:

"The annual Subscription shall become due on 1st July each year and applies for the year from that 1st of July until the following 30th of June. Any member whose subscription is not paid for the current year 10 days prior to the AGM shall not be entitled to voting rights."

The reason is for clarity and that the current rule forces the AGM to take place early October only as the fees do not become due until the 1st October and the returns must be prepared for the IKC before the end of October.

To keep accurate records, Ian stated that all subscriptions when being paid must have the Subscription Form, signed and dated, attached to the cheque or cash.

Submitted by Niall Walton, Chairman.

2. That rule 15.iii) be changed to read "No member may nominate more than one candidate for each position.

The member must confirm that the candidate wishes to stand for election. The candidate must write to the Hon. Secretary **at least 35 days before the AGM** indicating his acceptance of the nomination before he will be included on the voting papers. Any nomination not received by the Secretary within that time will be void."

Reason; insufficient time between receiving confirmation of standing and having to mail the members with ballot papers etc.

The Official Scrutineers, Mrs Helen Kerrigan and Ms Therese McKittrick were accepted by the floor.

Any Other Business.

Niall informed the meeting that we now have a web-site.

Tony Redmond said that he found Mrs Esther Jenkins's request made at last year's AGM objectionable.

Tim asked about the web-site. Niall informed the meeting that we now have a web-site, the address is

www.iwcofireland.com. A discussion followed. Betty Murphy asked which is better, the web-site or the magazine. Niall thought that the magazines are more permanent; people like to look back over them whereas the web-site changes and everything can be lost overnight. Marion Finney said the results are instant. John Kelly thought that a two yearly magazine was enough as getting material that is both varied and interesting can be difficult.

Betty Murphy showed the floor a magazine that had coloured advertisements and it was agreed that it looked much better than black and white. However, cost would be the determining factor as to whether adverts were placed in black and white or colour.

Tim pointed out the error in the current magazine regarding the name of his dog.

A discussion took place with special reference to liver shunt. Marion Finney, Kathleen Kelly and Elizabeth Hanley were able to give an account of the young man at Hillsborough show who complained to them about the puppy he bought through the BUY AND SELL paper which died at sixteen weeks old from liver shunt. Betty Murphy thought that it is now a good idea for all conscientious breeders to test their puppies for this disease. This recommendation was agreed.

This raised the question as to what can be done regarding irresponsible breeders. The reason could be money but may be ignorance.

Tim said to approach people outside the Club to become members and this may encourage them to breed better if they are given help. It was also suggested that the Club encourage people not to respond to puppy ads, as in the case of the young man above.

Betty told the meeting that the IKC will be publishing a Gazette with registrations. Tony Redmond proposed that the incoming IKC representatives vote on this point, this was seconded by Marion.

Niall said that health issues will be on the web-site. He said it was a pleasure to hear the breed being discussed.

Election of Officers

President	Elizabeth Murphy
Vice President	Isobel Walton
Vice President	John Kelly
Chairman	Niall Walton
Treasurer	Ian McCulloch
Hon. Secretary	Elizabeth Hanley

Committee	Kathleen Kelly
	Jim Behan
	Tony Redmond
	Gena Burke
	Velda Clarke
	Colin Brown

A presentation was made to our past Chairman Mr Paddy Judge of a bronze Irish Wolfhound.

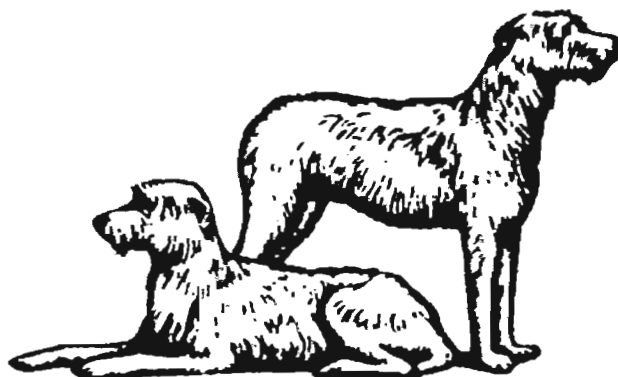
Niall thanked everyone for attending and wished them a safe journey home.

This concluded the AGM at 16.55.



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Minutes of the Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland A.G.M. held in Fingallians GAA, Lawless Park, on 9th October, 2005.

Present: President: Elizabeth Murphy. Vice Presidents: Isobel Walton and John Kelly. Chairman: Niall Walton. Hon. Secretary: Elizabeth Hanley. Committee: Kathleen Kelly, Gena Burke, Jim Behan, Tony Redmond, Colin Brown.

Apologies: Ian McCulloch. Absent: Velda Clarke

The meeting was opened by the Chairman, Niall Walton, who thanked everyone for their attendance.

Condolences were expressed to the family of Mavourneen O'Leary, Life Member, who died during the year.

President's Address

Elizabeth (Betty) Murphy welcomed the members present and joined the Chairman in thanking all the members who attended.

Betty said she would like to take this opportunity to ask members to support our magazine by submitting articles or even small contributions to reflect the activities, interests and/or concerns of Irish breeders.

She said that our magazine gives our Irish breeders an opportunity to be seen and represented as part of the story of Irish Wolfhounds in Ireland today and she urged breeders to ensure that their lines are known and acknowledged now and in the future. The magazine will form the basis of the history of the breed in Ireland in our time.

She told the meeting that it is hoped to return to publishing the magazine in time for St Patrick's Day each year. This will allow us to cover the previous year in full.

Contributions for the magazine are required by early January or earlier if possible. Material may be sent by e-mail:

carrokel_ecm@yahoo.ie. Kathleen Kelly and Jim Behan will also be happy to accept material for the magazine.

Betty reported that when overseas people contact her regarding breeders, she sends a copy of the magazine as an introduction to the Irish scene. She asked members to ensure that their kennel is included and well represented there with an advertisement.

Betty also acknowledged that thanks to our chairman, Niall Walton, the Club's website is proving a great success and is widely used by people abroad. Our web-site is at www.iwcofireland.com and our e-mail address is iwcofireland@yahoo.ie. On behalf of the Club, Betty said she would like to thank Niall for the enormous amount of work he has done for the Club over the past few years.

The European Federation of Irish Wolfhound Clubs (EIWC) is bringing out a new bi-annual magazine, 'IW World'. The first issue to be in mid November. Each member Club is invited to send in a report. The 2006 Congress will take place on the first weekend in September, 2006, at Le Tourquet, France.

That concluded the President's address.

Election No valid nominations were received for the election of committee and consequently there would be no election. It was explained by the Chairman that there were two nominations, but as there were no accompanying letters asking them to stand they were deemed invalid. Therefore the present committee would go forward except for one member who had not attended enough meetings. The Chairman informed the meeting that the committee would co-opt a new member at the first committee meeting following the AGM.

Minutes of the 2004 AGM were read and signed.

Acceptance proposed by: Jim Behan

Seconded by: Kathleen Kelly

Matters Arising

Ulli Peiler asked what the outcome was regarding the missing cups. He stated that neither he, nor his wife, Ika had in anyway held onto cups in any improper fashion, as he believed was inferred in previous AGM minutes. Niall asked Mr Peiler if he could point out exactly where in the minutes he found this statement. Mr Peiler said that he had given back the cups that were held by him and was still very unhappy about the situation.

Kathleen said that there were still three cups missing. Anne O'Keeffe said that the manner in which the cups were being dealt with was very unsatisfactory. Niall agreed.

Ulli Peiler said that these cups were a piece of the club's history and not only of monetary value but also of huge sentimental value to the Club. Paddy Judge agreed that the way the cups were being dealt with was unsatisfactory and suggested that a sub committee be set up

to investigate the matter thoroughly. Tony Redmond said that the incoming committee should deal with it.

Mr Francis Derham said that in every club cups go missing. Mrs Roberta Curran (Gt Danes) gave an account of how her Club deals with the keeping of their Club's cups. Niall proposed that a sub-committee be formed in an effort to try to deal with this problem. Paddy seconded this and Mr Peiler said he was happy with this.

Treasurer's Report

Niall explained that the Treasurer, Ian McCulloch, had been unavoidably detained at short notice and therefore Niall would stand in to give the report to the floor. Niall apologised for not having being able to send out the balance sheet with the Income and Expenditure account as a last minute anomaly had been spotted and could not be corrected before the mailing had to be sent. Marion Finney said that the balance sheet was not signed by an auditor and that a full set of accounts must be received by all members prior to the AGM. Paddy Judge pointed out that what had been received was sufficient by the rules of the Club. Marion asked who the auditor was and Niall told her it was Karen Allen. Marion continued with the issue of the accounts and said as her husband was not present she wished for questions asked by him to be clarified in his absence. Niall continued with clarifying the accounts. Niall said Marion was nit-picking and she asked him to withdraw his remark. Niall apologized to Marion.

Paddy Judge proposed that the accounts be accepted as correct, this was seconded by Mr Laurence T May, and accepted by the floor.

Motion

The motion submitted to the AGM by Mr Jim Behan was withdrawn by him. When asked why, he stated that he needed to do more work on the subject and that he would return to the motion at a later date.

Secretary's Report

The secretary told the meeting that six meetings had been held since the last AGM. All committee members except one attended at least 50% of those meetings and are therefore eligible to stand.

The Club show took place in June at Moon High Cross and was well attended. The Club would like to thank the Stewards Susan Kealy and Michael Drennan and the committee members for their valuable help at the Club show.

The fun day at the same venue was very informative. Thanks were expressed to Mr Jim Stephens, the Companion Animal Behaviour Counsellor, for his very interesting presentation. Unfortunately the weather did not co-operate and outside activities were at a minimum because of the pouring rain.

All enquiries for puppies received by the Secretary were distributed to those breeders who informed her that they had puppies for sale.

This ended the Secretary's report.

Rescue

The rescue officer, Elizabeth Hanley, told the meeting that from 31/12/04 to the present, three Irish Wolfhounds had come into rescue. The first a dog, because of a change in circumstances, was successfully re-homed near her. She sees him on a regular basis and in addition his previous owner can visit if he wishes.

The second is a 3-4 year old bitch. This dog was brought to our attention by a member of the public who responded to an advertisement in the 'Buy and Sell'. On seeing the dog's condition and the condition in which she, and at least two other breeds, one with eight puppies and one with two puppies, were being kept, he promptly alerted the ISPCA who went in and warned the advertiser to clean up his act. They were able to get the Wolfhound for €30 instead of the €380 as advertised. She had been very heavily bred from and at some time in the past had been involved in a road traffic accident, one side of her face had been pushed in, and she had never received any veterinary attention. She was also successfully re-homed.

The third dog wandered into a man's yard off the street, she was so emaciated that he went to the butchers, bought some meat and fed her. Soon afterwards she became very ill, was taken to the vet, underwent emergency surgery but died the following morning. She had also been heavily bred from. These were two particularly awful cases of cruelty.

This ended the Rescue report.

NOTE: From Jan 2006 all dogs registered with the IKC will have to be micro-chipped.

This will help us trace hounds that come up for rescue.

Any other business

Anne O'Keeffe asked if someone was to be elected from the floor to fill the vacancy on the committee. Tony Redmond agreed that there should be names from the floor. Niall said that the two people already nominated should also go forward.

Ulli Peiler said he could not understand why no nomination papers were sent out. Niall said that the rules did not include sending out nomination papers but regretted that, as it seemed to have been common practice that it had not been done. Anne O'Keeffe said she thought associate members should be reminded to apply for full membership. Paddy Judge said that perhaps a reminder could be sent to them.

Motion proposed by Paddy Judge: rule 15.111 be amended as follows:

The Hon Secretary shall send out to all full members a nomination paper, as was the previous practice, at least eight weeks prior to the AGM. This was seconded by Jim Behan and passed by the floor. This motion will go out with postings for the next AGM. He also stated that attendance of all committee members be listed on the nomination papers.

Anne O'Keeffe wants a full list of members. Niall said that a list of members is available at the AGM. Copies were on the table. Anne also said as this is an AGM, things must be discussed in full. Tony Redmond wants a list of members given to all members. Paddy Judge said it was specified in the rules that a list be made available for inspection. Mark O'Hare said that giving out membership lists could be in breach of the Data Protection act. Anne O'Keeffe requested an updated list.

Ulli Peiler said that the Hon Secretary did not send him a list when he paid his subscriptions. Niall said to request a members list from the Secretary. Anne O'Keeffe asked for Niall's e-mail address, which he supplied. It was also agreed that Associate members be reminded after two years membership that they were eligible to apply for full membership. This reminder is to go out with AGM Notice.

Mr Tom Ridgeway discussed the issue of his unregistered puppies. Shortly afterwards Niamh Neary gave her statement of events re the puppies. Niall said that there seems to be areas of contradiction surrounding the matter. He said he would come back to Mr Ridgeway with a reply in the near future. Mr Ridgeway said that he did not think that the IWC of Ireland was doing enough. It was pointed out to him that this is a registration matter and the IKC are in charge of registrations. The Secretary read out a reply she had received in response to a letter she had written to the IKC in an effort to try to help to clarify this matter. Mr Ridgeway said that the signing of the registration papers lies with Gerry Clarke (breeder). Tony Redmond said that paperwork should be supplied with the puppy at the time of sale he also stated that the IWC of Ireland should facilitate a meeting of all the people involved. Ulli Peiler asked if the owner of the stud dog could help. John Kelly replied that as it is four years since the pup was sold, it is not possible. He also reminded the meeting that from Jan 2006 all dogs registered with the IKC will have to be micro-chipped.

Marion Finney said that testing for liver shunt should be mandatory. The Secretary pointed out that this matter had been covered in the minutes of the 2004 AGM and read out at this meeting. Paddy Van Rappenbush stated that when he was in Belgium they tested for Heart and Liver Shunt.

Club Show 2005: A complaint was made by Anne O'Keeffe about the Club show and its organization. She said that she arrived at about 8 am and found only Jim Behan working. Jim corrected her and said that Mr Eddie Burke was also there helping. She continued with the remark that he (Jim) was doing all the work. At the time Eddie was away arranging for seating around the ring. The other committee member, Mr Colin Brown, who had

promised to help, informed Jim the night before he would not be able to attend due to having a back injury and a very sick Irish Wolfhound.

Anne also complained about the merchandise and the two rosettes that were missing and their quality. Mrs Kathleen Kelly explained that they had not had any problem with the firm previously. In addition Anne said that two rosettes were missing. These were given to her at the next show.

Ulli Peiler asked as to who had appointed the judge for the 2005 Club Show. The Secretary said that she will try to clarify this by checking back through the Minutes book. Kathleen said that the judge was appointed by the committee. Betty Murphy asked if the judge had done a good job and he replied that she had.

Anne O'Keeffe wanted to know who selected the judge for the Open show as the judge is a gundog person and not a specialist. Betty Murphy said it was probably her fault as she had forgotten to include the Open Show when typing up the list of shows. The Combined Canine Club, organizers of the show, appointed the judge.

The Chairman gave his apologies and said he had to leave at 5 pm as he had an appointment to attend. He said the Betty would chair the rest of the meeting.

Marion Finney put forward her views on liver shunt. Betty suggested that we publish a piece in the magazine that breeders are advised to test for liver shunt. This had been agreed at the 2004 AGM.

Anne O'Keeffe asked if next years Club Show was going to be at the same venue. Kathleen said that we were looking for a new venue. Anne O'Keeffe commented on the Club Show and said that the rosettes were a disgrace as was the merchandise. Kathleen told her that we were discontinuing with the merchandise and we were getting rid of the remaining stock. Paddy Judge said that this was developing into a ringside match. It was suggested by Jim Behan that the IKC should be checked out for the next Club Show venue. Mrs Roberta Curran said that the Great Dane Club had not been happy with the IKC and said that the Club found Ballykeely House outside Carlow very satisfactory.

Anne O'Keeffe asked who would give the talk at the Irish Breeds Seminar. Betty Murphy said she was away and so was Jim Behan. It was agreed by the committee that Kathleen Kelly would give the seminar on Irish Wolfhounds.

Referring back to the President's Address, Marion Finney said that the magazine should not be sent out in response to puppy enquiries as this was very expensive. Betty reminded Marion that she did this in reply to enquiries she personally received and paid the expense out of her own pocket.

John Kelly said that all sorts of rumours had been circulated around that the judge for the Club Show 2005, she was a friend of Betty's and then that she was a friend of the Kellys. Betty reminded the room that Kathleen had introduced her to Mrs Laumen at the Congress of the Federation of European IW Clubs (EIWC) where they were watching her judging.

Ulli Peiler made a remark that it must be ten years since the Kelly's dogs had won a Green Star at the Club Show. Betty asked him to withdraw that remark which he did.

Names for judges were submitted from the floor for the 2006 Club show.

This concluded the 2005 meeting at 5.20 pm. Betty wished everyone a safe journey home.

Officers & Committee 2005 - 2006

President	Elizabeth Murphy
Vice President	Isobel Walton
Vice President	John Kelly
Chairman	Niall Walton
Treasurer	Ian McCulloch
Hon. Secretary	Elizabeth Hanley

Committee	Kathleen Kelly
	Jim Behan
	Tony Redmond
	Gena Burke
	Colin Brown

6th member to be co-opted by the incoming committee

Breeding of the Irish Wolfhound in Germany



It caused quite a stir when the Irish Wolfhound first appeared in Germany almost one-hundred years ago. You could almost say it was really spectacular, because even the press could not pass up the opportunity to report on the occurrence with articles and pictures. That was back in the year 1908. How does the situation look today? Even in this day and age one would capture a fair measure of attention if one were to take a walk through a crowded downtown street with an Irish Wolfhound on a leash. At dog shows, people regularly begin discussions about this magnificent breed. In other words, it is still something very special today, something extraordinary, to be seen with one—or even better, several—Irish Wolfhounds at your side. How was it back then, though? What were the breeding practices in Germany just after the first dogs were imported?

The first litter was born in Germany in 1910 and shortly afterwards, in 1911, the second family of puppies appeared. Then began a period during which



interest in the Irish Wolfhound waned. We assume today that not a single Irish Wolfhound lived in Germany immediately following World War I. Decades would pass before the next Wolfhound would find its way to Germany. That didn't happen until 1957! But even then it would have been premature to speak



about continuous breeding, because many years would pass again before dog lovers would once again gain interest in the breed of dog. In 1967 several Wolfhounds were brought into Germany.

The Breeding Book 1972/1973 of the DWZRV (*The German Sighthound Breeding and Racing Association, Germany's oldest club with a breeding record book for sighthounds, founded in 1892*) shows only one single record of a Wolfhound litter. It is hard to imagine that breeders then would even envision the boom in the popularity we see today for this race.

Several of the early breeders have remained faithful to this breed of dog. You can find their names in the breeder's catalogues from back then and today alike. Representative of these breeders, I would like to mention a few names here: Susanne Ottöffling ("Von Welzerberg Kennels") and Mr. Papenfuss and Mr. Rösner (both from the "Von der Oelmühle Kennels"). Other breeders, after years of successful activities, have given up their breeding practices. In spite of this, it is still possible to discover their names and the names of their dogs in the many genealogical trees throughout the land.

In recent years, the dog sport of "Coursing" (lure-coursing) has become very popular. You can believe me when I say it is a real pleasure to watch well-trained Irish Wolfhounds taking part in this sport. It says a lot of this character of this breed that strife never takes place at the end of a race.

A well-run race is indeed a thing to behold.



Today the Irish Wolfhound is a well-known and valued breed of dog in Germany. Its numbers rank near the top of the list of registered sighthounds and make it one of the most popular in the DWZRV. 410 Wolfhound puppies put this breed in second position in 2004, just behind 429 whippet puppies in the same year.

Submitted by Helge Smulczynski

Captain Graham Forgotten?

I am not a dog owner but I am very interested in local history and I'm now finding my latest line of research is drawing these two subjects closely together. I live in Dursley in Gloucestershire, England and I'm currently doing some research into one of the town's well known personalities from former times and wondered whether any of your members could help with further information. Although largely forgotten now locally, Captain George Augustus Graham was at one time a very important and influential gentleman of the town. He was an old Army Officer and served in the 107th Bengal Infantry, seeing active service in the mutiny of 1857. After coming to Dursley he bought the estate called Oaklands in 1865 and renamed it Rednock, from which the current secondary school gets its name. He went on to become a J.P., became chairman of the Dursley Bench of magistrates, chairman of the first Parish Council and also took an active part in the church and local sporting organisations. However it is his interest in the Irish Wolfhound and his breeding programme which has kindled my interest in finding out more about the man who played such a large part in the town and subsequently within canine circles. I'm sure all readers of this will know of his early work in reviving the breed and I know that he is still acknowledged within Irish Wolfhound circles as a major forerunner in the work he did. Although I do have an interest in that and would like to find out more what I'm now trying to do is find out more about him as a person, and particularly about his life and times while he lived in Dursley where very little is known of him. He died at his home, Rednock House, in 1909 after a long illness and is buried at St. Marks Church in the town. His funeral procession was an impressive one - as it passed by, businesses closed their premises and private houses closed their windows in recognition of him. Many wreaths were laid and clan tartan featured at the ceremony, in acknowledgement of his Scottish ancestry. Nearly 100 years on though, his grave lies broken and forgotten as can be seen in my recent pictures. Apart from my historical research, I was wondering whether there would be any interest in the Irish Wolfhound community in doing anything about getting it repaired and renovated? If so I have no problem in being a point of coordination and would welcome any thoughts on the matter. Before anything could be done though, it would need to be with the permission of his next of kin. Does anyone have any knowledge of who they are and where they may be living? In conclusion, although it is a long time ago now, I would very much appreciate it, if anyone who has any photographs, memorabilia or other information on Captain Graham could contact me at 7, Jubilee Road, Dursley, Gloucestershire, GL11 4ES, by telephone on 01453 549323 or via my local history website at www.dursleyglos.org.uk.

When I have finished my research I intend to write it up in an article which I will be glad to share with the Irish Wolfhound Club.



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Many thanks
Andy Barton

The Irish Wolfhound

By
Davoc Rynne



Most people associate the combination of the harp, round tower, wolfhound and shamrocks with the famous pottery in Belleek in County Fermanagh. I have news for you! Twenty years before Belleek pottery was ever heard of, these marks were used in a woodcut that appeared in the first edition of the **"Dublin Penny Journal"**, published on the 1st Just 1832.

The editor had an interesting article about these emblems and I quote: "This woodcut is full of meaning to an Irishman (or Irish woman). It represents peculiar marks or tokens of Ireland that are dear to my soul". He goes on to describe them all in detail. Starting with "I am bold to say, the round tower and the Wolf Dog, belong exclusively to our country; not so I allow the oak, or the shamrock, or the harp; and we may add the crown".

Imagine, he did not think in 1832 that the great shamrock was Irish! I always thought it was! Am I wrong? This gentleman goes into great detail on the Irish Wolfhound, always referring to him as Wolf Dog, "which with his paws most contemplatively crossed, is looking abroad, and as it were scouting with his keen round eye for game".

Mind you he goes on a bit, but is nevertheless interesting on the Parliament bills to encourage the killing of wolves. However, let's leave that for another day.

It is amazing that these symbols of Irishness are still with us today. In fact, for well over 150 years in some form or another, whether on 1890 teabags from County Waterford, or on notepaper from the 1960s, medals, carved oak, pottery and endless souvenirs have constantly used these symbols and emblems to great effect. Here's to the next 150 years!

Davoc Rynne attached the rest of the Penny Journal article:

"One of our national peculiarities is that Wolf Dog, which, with paws most contemplatively crossed, is looking abroad and as it were, scouting with his keen round eye, for the game that, alas poor Luath is no longer found on hill or curragh. Ireland, though it does indeed contain many a ravenous greedy creature, is yet no longer infested with wolves. Formerly it was not so. So late as the year 1662, Sir John Ponsonby had to bring into parliament a bill to encourage the killing of wolves. Their coverts were the bogs, the mountains and those shrubby tracts, then so abundant in the island, and which remained after the ancient woods were cut down; affording shelter, not only for the wolf, but the 'raparee' (outlaw).

The last wolf seen in Ireland was killed in Kerry in 1710. But if our country was once, famous for wolves, she was equally noted for, its peculiar enemy – the Irish Wolf Dog, uniting all the speed of the greyhound with the strength of the mastiff, and depending on its eye, its foot and its wind, would hunt down the game, which the canis veltris, or scent hound had started for it. These Irish dogs were exhibited in the fourth century, at the Circensian Games in Rome. They were an article of export from our isle in the middle ages. They are mentioned in the Welsh Laws of Howel Dha, as belonging exclusively to the Cambrian princes and nobility and a great fine is noted as to be imposed on those who should injure them. They were employed to hunt the red deer, and the 'platyceros' or moose deer, as well as the wolf. But the employment being gone, the breed though not extinct, has ceased to be common. It is rarely to be seen though I have marked a certain, grave solemn gentleman, parading through town with a couple of these grim creatures stalking after him, while both he and his dogs look as if they belong to an age long gone by".

(Written by a Mr. Terence O'Toole and taken from the "Dublin Penny Journal" - July 7 1832).



Davoc and Anne Rynne list up to 100 items for sale on eBay every week - you can see these listings at www.irelandcountryantiques.com. They are also interested in buying "collectables" - mainly Irish pre 1960s.

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FILM STARS !!

Last year Eileen Cahill of Castleisland was contacted by RTE wanting a couple of wolfhounds for a programme on medieval Ireland, called Secret Sites. Unfortunately, her ladies were indisposed and so she asked if I could help. So off we went to Kenmare, myself, Bronte (Uella Orchid of Tibridarn) and her two sons, Lorcan and Twister (T. Tyler & T. Twister). We met up with Eileen and two of her sons – this time the two-legged sort – Brian and Declan. Time for coffee before meeting the crew. We were taken into the Uragh Woods where filming began. Eileen was obviously disappointed that her girls weren't able to be filmed, but Brian was offered the starring (human!) role, which more than made up for it. Brian had arrived for the shoot all clean and fresh, but was soon set upon by a couple of females intent on dressing him in fur and rubbing mud all over him – all in the interest of art of course!

There are shots of Brian and dogs in the forest where they are supposed to be looking for something to hunt and some of them all by the lake with a fire cooking the "kill"! I spent most of the day hiding behind rocks and trees and calling the dogs when Eileen and Declan released them. As with all filming there was a lot done, more ended up on the programme than we expected, which was nice and Brian and the dogs very much looked the part. The dogs (and indeed Brian!) were all on their best behaviour – the crew were most impressed with how well trained the dogs were – their words not mine – I think it was coincidence rather than obedience but I wasn't letting on – I just gracefully accepted the compliments! They certainly aren't that well behaved at home! Anyway, it was a great day out and a change from the usual routine.



It was thrilling to see my dogs on the TV and RTE very kindly sent us a video of that episode. The crew were very pleasant and made us feel very welcome once they had got over the shock of the size of the dogs. One lady knew exactly what an Irish Wolfhound was and said she couldn't wait to spend the day hugging one! Well that day her prayers were answered as she had three to choose from.



Since then we have taken part in a local pageant – I'm not sure if we'll be asked back as I think the dogs rather stole the show and my husband has been on TV with Keith Barry the magician, so I'm the only one in this star studded family not to appear on the telly. I'm awaiting offers.....

Alison Messenger

The Dog of Aughrim

Battle of Aughrim 12 July, 1691

Poem and following text submitted by Wm Gaynor, Tipperary

*The day is ours my gallant men
Cried brave but vain St. Ruth
We've won a deathless victory
For liberty and truth
We'll wrest the land from
William's grasp
Tho' we're but one to three
We'll make his crew remember long
The Pass of Urrachree.
That though with myriad cannon
They poured their fierce attack
Still with valour and the naked sword
Thrice have we flung them back
They're beaten boys, They're beaten
Still unsheathe your swords again
And on them like an avalanche
And sweep them from the plain
Like thunderbolt upon the foes
The Irish column sped
Athlone's deep stain to wash away
St. Ruth is at their head
And onwards rolls that
wave of death
but God, what means that cry?
St. Ruth the brave sits on his charger
Headless 'neath the sky
Oh where's the gallant Sarsfield now
Is victory defeat
Oh God in mercy strike us dead!
T'were better than retreat*

*Oh where is Limerick's hero bold
The chiefless soldiers cry
And scorning flight they wait the dawn
To give them light to die*

*When Saxon's sons the scene of death
And robbery had fled
An Irish wolfhound sought his lord
Mid heaps of pilfered dead
And strove with more than human love
to rob death of its prize
Then moaned a dirge above his head
And kissed his lips and eyes
When Autumn pencilled Summers blooms
In tints of Gold and Red
And Winter over hill and dale
A ghostly mantle spread
The weird wind wailed across the moor
And moaned adown the dell
Yet guarded well that noble dog
His master where he fell
Spring timidly was glancing down
Upon the corpse - strewn plain
Where seven months long sentinel
The faithful dog had lain
When carelessly across the moor
An English soldier trod
And paused beneath the only bones
Remaining on the sod*

*Up sprang the faithful wolf dog
He knew a foe was near
And feared that foe would desecrate
The bones he loved so dear
Fierce and defiant there he stood
The soldier seized with dread
Took aim and fired, the noble dog
Fell on his master dead*

Re The Battle of Aughrim, Martin J Joyce, N.T., B.A., wrote:

Among the corpses lay that of an Irish Officer, as tradition has it, a Fitzgerald. This officer had taken his faithful wolfhound to Aughrim and the following contemporary account by Story, a Williamite Chaplain, who was at the battle, bears testimony to a noble and faithful dog. "There is" observed the English Chaplain "a true and remarkable story of a grey-hound (wolfhound), belonging to an Irish Officer, the gentleman was killed and stripped in battle, whose body the dog remained by night and day. He would not allow dogs or anything else to touch the corpse of his master.

This dog used to go in the night to the adjacent villages for food, and presently to return again to the place where his master's bones were only then left, till January* following, when one of the Col Foulkes soldiers being quartered nigh hand and going that way by chance, the dog fearing he came to disturb his master's bones flew upon the soldier who being surprised at the suddenness of the thing unslung his gun then upon his back and killed the poor dog.

*Remember the battle took place the previous July. In retyping this story, I have taken the liberty of omitting the gory parts. ECM



YEAR 1654.

THE HISTORY OF THE IRISH WOLFDog

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1897

Report on Frontispiece of Fr. E. Hogan's book THE IRISH WOLFDog

Thank you for your letter. We have in Marsh's Library a copy of Sir James Ware's 'De Hibernia', 2nd edition, London 1658, which has the same frontispiece as Fr. Hogan's book. There was an earlier edition of 'De Hibernia' published in London in 1654 but as we do not have this first edition I cannot say if it has the wolfhound frontispiece.

The frontispiece is by the etcher Wenceslaus Hollar (1607-77). Hollar was born in Prague, Bohemia. He went to England in 1606. Later he went to Antwerp and produced plates for women's costumes, etc. He produced copies of paintings and drawings by Holbein, Dürer and Leonardo de Vinci. He returned to London in 1651 or early 1652 when he produced maps, portraits, and frontispieces for books. Hollar died in 1677.

Muriel McCarthy, Keeper Marsh's Library



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Saturday 2 September

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In the morning: Meetings of the Board and of the Ruling Council.

In the afternoon: Several lectures, followed by a general discussion.

- ***Osteochondrosis and growth problems***, by Prof. Jean-Pierre Genevois (ENV Lyon);
- ***The great Celtic Hounds in art***, by Jean-Louis Grünheid.

In the evening: Dinner at the nice Art-Déco style Westminster Hôtel, emblem of le Touquet's growth during the 1920-30 era..

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The following judges have been invited and have accepted:

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We are looking forward to a great many participants. Please attend, you will not regret it!

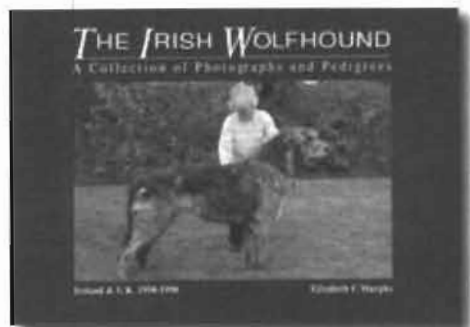
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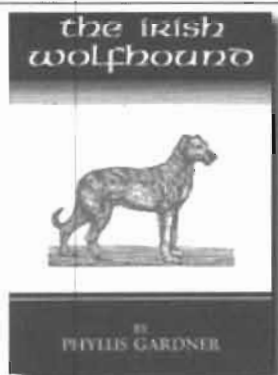
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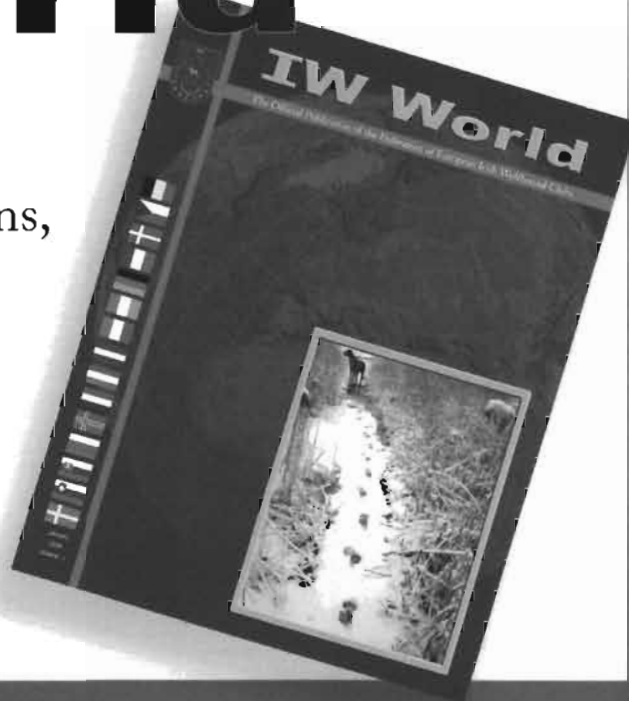
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2006

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Calcara Gra & litter brother Calcara Gurnish, born 1st October 2005



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and we would like to thank all the judges who have thought so highly of Failte.

Especially Mr A Zhuk from Belarus who selected her at Limerick Championship show
and Dr T Jakkell from Hungary who judged her in the final.

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Orla's Story



Born on 19th of March 1997, she is by "Jonah" – Ch & GB Ch Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea, An Ch '98, Top Hound Ireland '98, out of Glenties Aine [*Gulliagh Hegarty x Knocknarea Damsha*]. Little did we realize at the time that our quiet and sweet wheaten girl Aine, who could never be shown due to a childhood injury to her rear, would prove such a valuable brood bitch. Aine is also the dam of **Ch & GB Ch K. Panache**, Top Hound Ireland '00; **Ch K. Phelix**, Annual Ch '02; **US & CA Ch K. Phelan of Cnoccarne**; **US Ch K. Michael**; **US Ch K. Mullach Ade**; **US Ch Kelsey**; and last, but by far not least, **Ch Knocknarea Orlando**. Orlando and her sister Odharnait are the only bitches "Jonah" produced.

Orla was not shown much as a youngster, but she won her first ten-point Green Star as a yearling in 1999. The following year her illustrious younger half-sister, Panache, entered the show ring, and Orla stayed at home. Since some judges mistook the curvy and lean young Orla for a deerhound and others penalized her for a ringed tail, we kept her at home. In 2001 almost all shows in Ireland were cancelled due to the outbreak of Foot & Mouth disease. That year Orla had her only litter by Phelix, of which we kept "Nikki" (K. Unique), who lives nearby with our good friends Lois & Pete Sinclair (Cilmalaigh IWs).

Orla only entered the ring again as a mature five plus year old in 2002, getting her second ten-point Green Star by winning the Bitch ticket and going Reserve Best in Show at the Irish Club Show, under hound specialist, Espen Engh. She also won the Movement Cup. At her appearance at the English Club show in 2003 she was placed second in Open to the eventual winner of that year.

Only because we thought it would be a waste of two good Green Stars we reluctantly started to bring her out that year, although we had planned to take some time off from showing. At that point her muzzle had gone completely grey and some all 'rounder judges considered her past her prime and did not give her a second look. However, she picked up valuable Green Star points under hound specialists and gained her title in September 2003 as a six and a half year old, winning BOB and taking the Hound Group as well. On this high note she deservedly retired.

Orla came out again for the Irish Club show in 2004 where she took Best Veteran in Show under breed specialist, Joel Samaha, who remarked that she was a "beautiful, old-fashioned classic Veteran bitch."

Since she did not show any signs of ageing, apart from her grey face and legs, we thought it would be fun to show her as an eight year old veteran across the water at the IW Club UK show in April of 2005. We were looking forward to meeting dear old GB Ch Culkeeran Seth again to whom she had gone Res BOB in 1999 at one of the Munster Circuit shows.

I love my marathon trips over, and Orla is so easy-going, well mannered and totally tuned in to me that I knew she wouldn't be stressed, despite her advanced age. She is happy to ride in the car with me, happy to stretch her legs in the ring and is just as happy to please me, as I am happy to have this incredibly fit and sound girl at my side.

The rest is history, as they say

A dream came true - the absolute thrill and excitement of winning a strong veteran class, topped by winning the Bitch CC and finishing as Reserve Best in Show, under breed specialist Kathy Coleman (Bokra), will be a very precious memory forever.

Orla is still as fit and agile as ever, she still jumps high with joy when it is time for her walk with her equally fit brother "Aidan" (Knocknarea Oigeantacht, which incidentally means "Youthfulness" in Irish) and she just loves to play the lure for our February babies. She is such a joy to love, hug or just watch when she happily runs with the others and us.

Ika Peiler



Knocknarea Irish Wolfhounds

Ch Knocknarea Orlando

(d.o.b. 19. March 1997)

By Ch, GB Ch Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea (An Ch '98) x Glenties Aine



at ten months



at three years



still winning at eight.....



1st Veteran Bitch Crufts 2006

....and nine days before her 9th birthday she came out again at Crufts to win her class. A week later she took BEST VETERAN at the IKC St Patrick's Day 2006 Ch Show. And her Easter present to us at the IWC UK Ch Show was BEST VETERAN IN SHOW !!

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Knocknarea - The Veterans



K. Panache at eight

K. Railtin at seven



K. Digeantacht at nine



K Night Shadow at nine



K. Olcan at nine

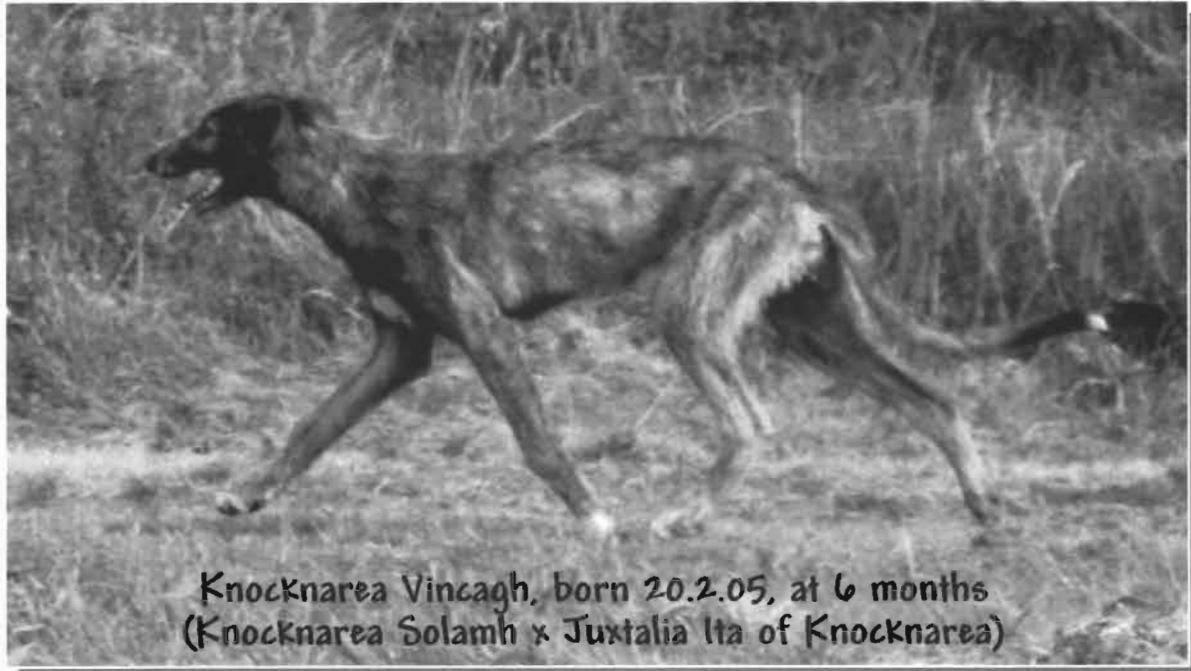


K. Orlando at nine



K. Railtin at seven

Knocknarea - The Youngsters



Knocknarea Vincagh, born 20.2.05, at 6 months
(Knocknarea Solamh x Juxitalia Ita of Knocknarea)



Knocknarea Solamh
at three years
(Ch K. Phelix x
K. Night Shadow)



photo by i. Sexton

K. Neilliagh,
Vincagh's litter sister, at 14 months

Congratulations & Thanks to the owners of the latest Knocknarea Champions -

To Minna Kupi (Finland) Fin Ch Knocknarea Valor [Ch Mallanigh Dawn Chase of Knocknarea x Ch, GB Ch Knocknarea Panache]
to Emma Ross (Canada) Can Ch. Knocknarea Venoble of Cnoccarne [Valor's litter brother] and
to Pam Murphy (USA) US Ch Knocknarea Tamsin [Ch Knocknarea Phelix x Knocknarea Railtin]

A sincere THANK YOU to all our Wolfhound friends and fellow breeders here and abroad who stood by us during the past four years of difficulties and who supplied us with vital information, practical help and moral support. Our thanks go also to the Irish Kennel Club for their swift and crucial help in this matter. We are very happy to report that these difficulties have now successfully been sorted out.

Knocknarea Irish Wolfhounds hope to be back in the ring in 2006!

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Nutstown Irish Wolfhounds



Dark Bernie of Nutstown Born: 19-03-05 Pet name 'Penny'

Sire: Ch King of Nutstown Dam: Golden Lady of Nutstown

Bernie will attend her first show on St. Patrick's Day.

Congratulations to Paul and Dianne Hughes on their success with Paddy, sister to our Maddy Rose of Nutstown, Green Star winner at our Club Specialty from the Junior Class.

We were happy to have Ch Angel of Nutstown finish the year 2005 as top winning Bitch, in keeping with her companion Ch King Huzzar as top winning dog.

We would like to thank the judges who made this possible and also thanks to Roberto Curran, Rachael Rainey and Gerry Clarke for their help this year.

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Nutstown Irish Wolfhounds



Golden of Nutstown Born: 02-04-03
Ch The Blacknight of Nutstown x Ch Macushla of Nutstown

Goldie is sister to Top Winning Wolfhound, Ch King Huzzar, and Lazy Bones of Nutstown. We hope she will follow her brothers' success in the show-ring, and look forward to showing her in 2006.

We take this opportunity to congratulate our friends at home and abroad on their success with our hounds all from old Irish lines.

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CJ and Molly are littermates
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Fionnuala of Cork at Owenmore
by
US Ch Oaklyn's A Gift of Myrrh.

*Both parents trace back to
Ch Owenmore Kingfisher.*

Owenmore Maoineach "CJ" (above) and Owenmore Mion Miorr "Molly" (below) at 19 months



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THE FATHER

#1 Irish Wolfhound in America



"Harvey"

BIS Am. Ch. Nutstown Harvest Moon of Manasota

The big red dog in the above photo is Harvey. #1 IW in America in 2003, Harvey continues his legacy. The father of only 4 litters, including 3 outcrosses, Harvey has already produced 17 champions out of 25 pups, including his BIS daughter Sunny. Shown lightly he won BIS's at prestigious venues including Sand and Sea Kennel Club. He also won 32 Group 1's.

Manasota Irish Wolfhounds owes so much of our success to John and Kathleen Kelly of Nutstown Kennels and our Irish friends.

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THE DAUGHTER

#1 Irish Wolfhound in America



"Sunny"

BIS Am. Ch. Manasota Montrachet Moon

The big red girl above is Harvey's daughter Sunny. She was the #1 IW in America in 2005 under very limited showing. She has proven over and over that she can truly beat the boys. We retired Sunny last summer and look forward to her first litter in 2006.

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THE PAST

#1 Irish Wolfhound in America



"Smokey"

BIS AM. Ire. Ch. Saringa's Mr. Magwitch Of Nutstown

In 1999 Smokey was the #1 IW, #1 Hound and #2 All Breeds in Ireland. In 2000 he was the #1 IW in America. Our dear friends, John and Kathleen Kelly (Nutstown), truly blessed us when they agreed to let us bring Smokey to our home in America.

Manasota Irish Wolfhounds

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THE FUTURE

Watch for this Huge Black Dog in 2007!!!



"Captain" at 6 months Am. Ch. Smokey Of Shantamon At Manasota

We are proud to introduce our newest youngster "Captain". Above picture shows Captain winning his first major at 6 months and 2 days. Captain looks and moves like his namesake from Ireland, BIS Ire and Int Ch Capitan of Shantamon. Thank you John and Kathleen Kelly and Gerry Clarke for sending us another future #1 IW. We will special him in 2007 in America.

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SHANTAMON IRISH WOLFHOUNDS

EST. 1973



EBONEY OF SHANTAMON. Dob 11.9.03

Sire: Rossa of Nutstown Annual Ch 2004

Dam: Betsy of Shantamon (Ch The Black Night of Nutstown Annual Ch 2001)

Eboney finished 2004 with Best Bitch at the I.W.C. Open Show under Alison Messenger and Green Star Bitch at Dublin Dog Show under Zita Fogarty.

In 2005 she won:

Green Star Bitch at Dundalk under Mrs B Jones (UK)

Green Star Bitch and B.O.B. at Limerick Ch Show under Mr J Mello (Portugal)

Also 5 Reserve Green Stars and once again Best Bitch at the I.W.C. Open Show.

Lady Ionagh of Shantamon and Gina of Shantamon will be campaigned in 2006.

Congratulations to Mike and Kathy Verble on their success with "Smokey of Shantamon" at Manasota winning two Majors at 6 months of age.

Gerard and Pauline Clarke
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Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland Rules as accepted at the 2003 AGM

With amendments passed at 2004 AGM

1 Powers of Club

The Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland, a Specialist Breed Club, established for the promotion and encouragement of the keeping, breeding and exhibiting of the Irish Wolfhound shall:

- I). Promote the health and well being of Irish Wolfhounds.
- II). Define the Breed Standard.
- III). Keep and publish such records and information concerning the breed as may be available and desirable.
- IV). Advertise and donate prizes as appropriate.
- V). Act in accordance with these Rules.
- VI). Promote, participate and hold shows or other competitions.

2 Management of the Club

The powers of the Club and the administrations of its affairs shall be vested in and exercised by a committee consisting of a President, two Vice-Presidents, Chairman, Hon. Secretary, and Hon. Treasurer, together with six other members of the Club. The duties of the President include Presidency of the European Federation of Irish Wolfhound Clubs as per Federation Rules. The Chairman is entitled to chair any meeting of the Club, Committee or Sub-Committee.

3 Affiliation with Irish Kennel Club

The Club shall affiliate with the Irish Kennel Club Limited (IKC) and renew its affiliation as often as it may be required under the regulations of the IKC.

4 Alteration of the Rules

The constitution and rules of the Club shall not be amended or rescinded, nor shall any addition thereto be made except at a general meeting of the Club and by motion of which notice shall have been given to the members, and such alteration must be carried by a majority of two-thirds of those members present and voting.

5 Membership

The Club shall consist of Associate, Full, Life and Honorary members who shall be deemed to be aware of the provisions of these rules and shall be bound as a condition of membership to conform to and observe the said rules. The list of such members, name and address or Email, shall be available to members on request from the Hon Secretary. As is customary the word "he" refers to all members both male and female.

6 Associate Members

- I). Initial application to the Club shall be for Associate Membership. Associate Members can avail of Club facilities.
- II). Application for associate membership shall be made in writing on the Club's official form, which shall include a signed agreement to abide by the Rules and Code of Ethics of the Club and of the IKC and shall be accompanied by the appropriate subscription. Every candidate for admission to the associate membership of the Club shall be proposed and seconded by two members of the club. The Committee at its next meeting shall consider such applications. The Committee shall have the power to accept or reject applications by a simple majority. In the case of rejections monies shall be refunded.
- III). There is no minimum age for Associate Members.
- IV). Associate Members are not entitled to vote.

7 Full Members

- I). Associate Members may apply in writing for Full Membership after two years from date of application for Associate Membership. The Committee shall have the power to accept or reject applications by a simple majority.
- II). Full members are entitled to vote.
- III). The minimum age for Full Members is eighteen years.

8 Life Members

From time to time the Club may offer life membership to full members at a specified fee. Life members are entitled to all club facilities and have the right to vote.

9 Honorary Members

The Club may at any general meeting, by a majority of two-thirds of the members present and voting, elect as Honorary Members persons duly proposed and seconded by members of the Club. Honorary members are entitled to all Club facilities and have the right to vote.

10 Subscriptions

- I). Subscription levels shall be set at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Club.
- II). Every new member shall upon his election pay the annual subscription published on membership application forms.
- III). The annual subscription shall become due on 1st July each year and applies for the year from that 1st of July until the following 30th of June. Any member whose subscription is not paid for the current year ten days prior to the AGM shall not be entitled to voting rights.
- IV). Any member leaving his subscription unpaid for 24 months after the date on which it became due shall cease to be a member. All arrears shall be paid prior to reinstatement, which shall be subject to the discretion of the Committee.
- V). All outstanding debts to the Club must be paid before membership can be renewed.

11 Meetings

- I). All meetings will be conducted in Ireland as per Standing Orders of the Club.
- II). The Committee may summon a General Meeting of the Club at any time upon due notice being given as per 12, stating concisely the nature of the business.
- III). Fifteen Full Members actually present shall constitute a quorum at a General Meeting.
- IV). A General Meeting shall also be called on requisition in writing to the Secretary signed by not less than twenty members. This meeting will be called after the next meeting of the Committee, as per 12 (III), with twenty-one day's notice in writing provided and the agenda shall be given or sent by post by Secretary to all members of the Club.
- V). Votes at a general meeting shall be recorded by show of hands or secret ballot of those present and voting. In the case of a secret ballot proxy voting shall be excluded.

- VI). It shall be competent for members who do not attend at general meetings to nominate in writing a full member to vote by proxy for and on his behalf at a general meeting. This shall be limited to one proxy vote per full member attending the meeting. Such written nomination must be provided to the Secretary a minimum of seven days prior to the date of the meeting.
- VII). The Committee shall have the power to summon an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Club provided a concise statement of the nature of the business shall be sent to each member at least twenty-one days prior to the meeting.

12 Administration of meetings

- I). Eight weeks clear notice of all general meetings, other than meetings called under 11 (IV) shall be posted to the members. Such notification shall include date, time and location.
- II). The Hon Secretary shall receive any motions for consideration at that meeting, including nominations, within two weeks from the day notice is posted or at least six weeks from the meeting.
- III). The Hon Secretary shall post an agenda, including voting papers, if so required, at least twenty-one days before the meeting stating where and when the meeting is to be held. In the case of an AGM the minutes of the previous AGM and the relevant accounts shall be included.
- IV). Where nomination and voting papers are being dispatched at least two members of the committee shall be present.
- V). The list of names and addresses of all current members will be available for inspection at every general meeting.

13 Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Club shall be held each year before the end of October at a suitable place and on a date agreed by the Committee for the following purposes inter alia:

- I). To consider the report of the retiring Committee together with the audited statement of accounts ended in the current year.
- II). To appoint scrutineers and declare the election of Officers and Committee for the ensuing year in accordance with the provisions of Rule 15.
- III). To appoint Auditors to express their opinion as to whether the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the Club's affairs at the financial year end and of its profit or loss for the year then ended.
- IV). To consider motions, in accordance with 12 (II), received for consideration at the AGM.

14 The Committee

- I). The Committee shall be constituted as set out in Rule 2.
- II). The Committee shall on election appoint a Trophy Secretary, a Merchandiser, a Rescue Officer and two IKC representatives at least one of which be a member of the Committee.
- III). The Committee shall have power to appoint such officers, sub-committees and paid officials as may be deemed necessary for the carrying on of its business. The Committee may co-opt a full member to fill a casual vacancy on the Committee who shall have voting rights. The Committee may co-opt additional members who shall not have voting rights on the Committee. The Committee shall recommend auditors at each AGM and has the power to co-opt auditors to fill casual vacancy.
- IV). The members of the Committee shall retire annually and be eligible for re-election.
- V). Five members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum.
- VI). Ten clear day's notice in writing of a Committee meeting shall be given to all members of the Committee.

15 Election of Officers

- I). Election to the Committee shall be at the AGM by ballot, counted at the AGM by agreed scrutineers.
- II). Any full member of the Club may nominate a candidate for the Committee, including President, two Vice-Presidents, Chairman, Hon. Secretary, and Hon. Treasurer, in writing at least six weeks prior to the Annual General Meeting.
- III). No member may nominate more than one candidate for each position. The member must confirm that the candidate wishes to stand for election. The candidate must write to the Hon. Secretary at least 35 days before the AGM indicating his acceptance of the nomination before he will be included on the voting paper. Any nomination not received by the Secretary within that time shall be void.
- IV). The Hon. Secretary shall provide each member of the Club with a true and alphabetical list of nominations on an embossed voting paper at least twenty-one days prior to the meeting. He shall include the total number of Committee meetings held since the previous AGM and the number attended by each officer and Committee Member. Only those officers and Committee Members have attended at least one half of the meetings in the previous year are eligible for re-election. Retiring members of the committee, who meet the above criteria, shall be deemed nominated for re-election unless prior notice to the contrary has been given to the secretary. Members shall return the embossed voting paper in an envelope, supplied by the Hon. Secretary marked "Ballot". They shall mark the names of those they wish to vote for and include their own name printed on the outside and signed on the inside of the flap of the envelope. The envelope shall be returned to the Hon. Secretary before the commencement of the AGM without exception.
- V). No member may vote for more than one candidate for each vacancy. Those who have received most votes shall be declared elected. In the event of a tie it shall be decided by lot which candidate shall be an official or member of the committee as the case may be except where an existing Committee member is involved where the status quo shall prevail. Elected candidates must be present and confirm acceptance of their election.

16 Management of Finances

- I). Any expense in excess of €100.00 (Euro) incurred in connection with the Club shall be submitted for approval for payment to the Committee and when passed shall be defrayed by the Treasurer out of the funds.
- II). The Committee shall incur no financial liability in excess of the funds available without authority conferred by the general meeting.
- III). No member is empowered to pledge the credit of the Club without obtaining the authority of the Committee; and all items shall come before the Committee for approval.
- IV). All cheques must be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by a designated Committee member.
- V). The Committee shall approve the accounts of the club prior to recommending them to the AGM.

17 Honorary Secretary

The Secretary shall be custodian of the administrative records of the Club. The Secretary shall:

- I). Provide a list of names and addresses of members, except of those members requisition in writing that their address should not be included, to a member on request.
- II). Notify each newly elected member of his election and furnish a copy of these rules therewith.
- III). The Secretary shall record all proceedings and all attendances of members in the minute book.
- IV). Ensure that at all meetings a copy of these rules shall be available.
- V). The Treasurer may also be the Secretary of the Club.

18 Honorary Treasurer

The Treasurer shall:

- I). Receive the revenue of the Club.
- II). Be responsible for all expenditure and may approve expenditure amounts up to €100.00 (Euro).
- III). Make application for subscription and other monies due to the Club.
- IV). Present a detailed account of the revenue and expenditure and financial position of the club to the committee for approval at least one month prior to the AGM.
- V). Keep a properly detailed account of the revenue and expenditure and produce such account for inspection at the AGM duly audited by an accountant appointed at the AGM to the standard required by the IKC.
- VI). Hand over to his successor any balance of cash together with the books of account duly audited by the currently appointed auditor.

19 Trophy Secretary

A Trophy Secretary shall be appointed annually from the Committee by vote of the Committee, the appointment to take place at the committee meeting next following the AGM. The Trophy Secretary shall:

- I). Ensure that all trophies are insured.
- II). Maintain a record of the award of trophies.
- III). Ensure, as far as possible, that trophies are appropriately engraved.
- IV). Follow appropriate procedures regarding the issue and receipt of trophies, which will include:
 - a. Issuing notice to trophy winners regarding the timely return of trophies.
 - b. The inspection of the trophy before awarding and the description on an issue docket of any defect, the completed issue docket to be signed by the trophy winner and the trophy secretary.
 - c. The inspection of the trophy on its return, in order to identify and record any damage that may have been caused while in the possession of the trophy winner, and the issue of a signed receipt for the trophy winner.
 - d. Reporting to the Committee any material damage to or loss of any trophy to enable the Committee to take the appropriate measures.

20 The Merchandiser

The Merchandiser shall be appointed annually from the Committee by vote of the Committee, the appointment to take place at the committee meeting next following the AGM:

- I). The merchandiser is responsible for the trading activities of the club and shall transfer any funds received to the treasurer and notify the treasurer of any outstanding bill in a timely manner.
- II). Any proposed purchases or design of goods carrying the Club logo must be approved by the Committee.
- III). The merchandiser is appointed from and by the Committee.
- IV). Keep a record of all Merchandise and lodge all sales to the club bank account.

21 Rescue Officer

The Rescue Officer shall be appointed annually from the Committee by vote of the Committee, the appointment to take place at the committee meeting next following the AGM.

- I). The Rescue officer shall ultimately be responsible for taking care of any wolfhound urgently in need of a home.
- II). The Treasurer, in accordance with 18 II), shall approve any expenses so incurred.

22 Trustees

- I). The Club shall, at a general meeting, appoint three trustees in whom all the property of the Club shall be vested and the said Trustees shall have power to take or defend on the behalf of the Club any legal proceedings in reference to the property.
- II). Trustees shall be nominated by either the Committee or proposed and seconded by members. A majority of two-thirds of those present and voting is required for approval of trustee.
- III). A trustee may resign at any time provided there are two remaining trustees or be removed by resolution at a general meeting. A majority of two-thirds of those present and voting is required to remove a trustee.

23 Complaints against members

A member against whom a complaint has been lodged shall be so informed and provided with a copy of the letter of complaint, the nature of the complaint and the name of the person making it. The member will be requested to respond to such allegations in writing. Should the committee so judge such further investigation as is necessary will take place and the person making the complaint may be required to attend a committee meeting in person and consent to be cross examined by the member. In addition any member witnesses called by the committee shall be available for cross-examining by the member. In all cases the member will be afforded an opportunity of reply before a duly summoned meeting of the Committee.

In the event that a member of the Committee makes the complaint he shall have no part in any voting by the Committee on that matter.

The Club shall have power to formally warn, suspend or expel any member, such having been recommended by the Committee to an extraordinary general meeting of the Club expressly convened for that purpose and of which twenty-one clear days notice shall have been give to the members giving the grounds of the proposed expulsion.

24 Suspension

Any member who may be suspended by the IKC shall automatically be suspended from membership of the Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland. Resumption of membership shall be at the discretion of the Committee.

25 Disputes

Any matter in dispute may be referred to the IKC for final decision.

26 Dissolution

In the event of the Club being dissolved all trophies shall be handed to the IKC, who will act as custodians. All properties and assets of the Club shall be realised and after all liabilities are met, the remainder shall be handed to the IKC to be devoted to any purpose which ahs for its object the promotion of the interests of the Irish Wolfhound Breed.

27 Duties of Members

It shall be the duty of every member of the Club to forward the interest of the breed and Club and strive to promote honourable dealing in canine matters and it shall be the duty of every member, to report to the Club, any irregularities affecting the Club or its members.

STANDING ORDERS for MEETINGS of the IRISH WOLFHOUND CLUB of IRELAND (IWCI)

The following Standing Orders are proposed for consideration at a future meeting of the IWCI.

- 1 Meetings shall be convened and conducted in accordance with the relevant Articles of the IWCI Rules.
- 2 All members are entitled to attend a general meeting. Those entitled to vote are in accordance with Rules 6 and 7 of the IWCI.
- 3 Notice of a motion, to be considered at a meeting, shall be sent to the Hon Secretary in writing by recorded delivery and signed by the proposer on accordance with Rule 11 of the IWCI. Notices received too late for inclusion in the Agenda may be submitted to the Meeting for discussion only at the discretion of the Chairman and by leave of the majority of those present and voting.
- 4 A resolution shall not be considered until it is proposed and seconded at the meeting and shall not be brought before any subsequent meeting within one year and without fresh notice with the exception of Standing Order 23.
- 5 A resolution or amendment moved from the Chair does not require a seconder.
- 6 An amendment is to insert, add or delete one or more words or any combination thereof.
- 7 An amendment may not be a direct negative or introduce a new proposal.
- 8 Only one amendment shall be considered at a time.
- 9 Members shall confine all remarks to the matter under discussion.
- 10 Should the Chairman be of the opinion that pressure of business makes it desirable speeches may be limited to five minutes at any time during a meeting. At the end of this period the speaker will be informed and may continue only with the permission of the Chairman.
- 11 Except with the consent of the Chair, a member shall not speak more than once on any resolution or amendment.
- 12 Once a resolution or amendment has been proposed and seconded, it cannot be withdrawn except with the consent of the majority of those present and voting.
- 13 The proposer or seconder of a resolution or amendment shall then have a right to speak later in the discussion.
- 14 With the consent of the majority of those present and voting, the proposer and seconder of a resolution may accept an amendment, which thereupon becomes part of the resolution.
- 15 Only two amendments to a motion are allowed (i.e. an amendment to an amendment).
- 16 No discussion whatever shall be permissible until a formal resolution has been put to the meeting.
- 17 No member shall interrupt another except with the leave of the Chairman, and to raise a point of order or to make a personal explanation.
- 18 In the conclusion of a speech a member may move the adjournment of the meeting, the postponement of the resolution under discussion, that the resolution is put, or that the meeting proceed to the next business. A member who has moved the closure shall not do so again for at least half an hour.
- 19 The Chairman, with the consent of the majority of the members present and voting, may invite the attendance, during the whole or part of the meeting, of any individual, who, in his opinion, can give useful information or advice.
- 20 Nothing in these orders shall be taken to over-ride any provision of the Rules of the IWCI. In any case of a difference the provisions of the Rules shall prevail.
- 21 Any issues not specifically provided for in the IWCI Rules or Standing Orders shall be decided in general accordance with principles laid down in Robert's Rules of Order. The ruling of the Chair shall be final and binding on all.
- 22 These orders may be altered, added to, amended, rescinded, or suspended only by a two-third majority of those present and voting at a General Meeting. Notice of motion for any alteration, addition, amendment, or revision shall be given in accordance with Rule 4.
- 23 The suspension of Standing Orders may be moved at any stage of a meeting. If approved by a two-third majority of those present and voting. Standing Orders shall be suspended. Standing Orders shall be reinstated by a simple majority vote, or earlier if provided by the resolution to suspend.

IRISH WOLFHOUND CLUB OF IRELAND

Est. 1925

CODE OF ETHICS

1. IT IS THE DUTY OF ALL IRISH WOLFHOUND OWNERS TO KEEP THEIR HOUNDS UNDER CONTROL AT ALL TIMES.

To keep them well exercised and in good health and endeavour to further promote the image of the breed and its equable temperament.

2. Officers and Committee members of the Club should always be ready to do their best to help members with any queries or problems.
3. Advertising by members must be factual. Members should refrain from making unfair or untrue statements about the dogs or practice of others.
4. It should be impressed upon buyers that they should contact the breeder in the event of any problems with the puppy. Breeders should make every effort to be of assistance in these circumstances.
5. Each purchaser of an Irish Wolfhound puppy should be provided at the time of sale, with a pedigree, diet sheet and information about training, worming and inoculations.
6. Before breeding a litter consideration should be given to type, temperament, health and soundness. Aggressive dogs are not satisfactory as pets or breeding stock.
7. All breeding should be aimed at the improvement of the breed. Members should do all in their power to discourage breeding from clearly inferior specimens.
8. No member should breed a litter unless he has time and facilities to devote proper care and attention to the rearing of the puppies and the well being of the dam. No member should provide stud services unless satisfied that the owner of the bitch has such time and facilities available. Members should allow their males to be used only if certain that both the dog and the bitch have something to offer towards the improvement of the breed, not just for stud fees. They should be prepared to assist in finding suitable homes for the puppies.
9. No member should breed a litter unless he is reasonably sure of finding homes for the puppies. No puppies should leave the breeder before the age of eight weeks at least. No bitch should be bred until physically mature.
10. No puppies should be sold to dealers, pet shops, laboratories, security firms or as security guard dogs or to persons known to sell puppies to any of the above. Nor should stud services be provided to such persons. Knowledge of such sales should be reported to the committee. It is recommended that no puppies should be sold to areas overseas that do not have similar standards of animal welfare to our own. If in doubt, check with the Club.
11. Prospective buyers of puppies should be screened for suitability and should be advised of the characteristics of the Irish Wolfhound as a breed. The breeder should encourage the prospective owners to feed the puppy correctly and endeavour to monitor its progress and encourage the owner to keep in touch with the breeder, who should be prepared to take back any hound whose home may no longer be able to cope or to contact the Club's Rescue Services.
12. Members should only sell animals, which to the best of their knowledge are in good health at the time of sale.
13. Breeders should only sell directly to permanent homes. Members should not buy puppies from other breeders for re-sale or assist in sales in any other way for financial gain. This exempts stud fee puppies.
14. All members are encouraged to test for liver shunt before sale.

