

THE IRISH HOUND



The Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland

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The standard of excellence and list of points in order of merit.

1. *General appearance:* The Irish Wolfhound should not be quite so heavy or massive as the Great Dane, but more so than the Deerhound, which in general type he should otherwise resemble. Of great size and commanding appearance, very muscular, strongly though gracefully built, movements easy and active; head and neck carried high; the tail carried with an upward sweep with a slight curve towards the extremity.
The minimum height and weight of dogs should be 31 inches and 120 pounds; of bitches, 28 inches and 90 pounds. Anything below this should be debarred from competition. Great size, including height at shoulder and proportionate length of body, is the desideratum to be aimed at, and it is desired to firmly establish a race that shall average from 32 inches to 34 inches in dogs, showing the requisite power, activity, courage and symmetry.
2. *Head:* Long, the frontal bones of the forehead very slightly raised and very little indentation between the eyes. Skull, not too broad. Muzzle, long and moderately pointed. Ears small and Greyhound-like in carriage. Bite, scissors ideal, level acceptable.
3. *Neck:* Rather long, very strong and muscular, well arched, without dewlap or loose skin about the throat.
4. *Chest:* Very deep. Breast wide.
5. *Back:* Rather long than short. Loins arched.
6. *Tail:* Long and slightly curved, of moderate thickness, and well covered with hair.
7. *Belly:* Well drawn up.
8. *Forequarters:* Shoulders muscular, giving breadth of chest, set sloping. Elbows well under, neither turned inwards nor outwards. *Leg:* Forearm muscular, and the whole leg strong and quite straight.
9. *Hindquarters:* Muscular thighs and second thigh long and strong as in the Greyhound, and hocks well let down and turning neither in nor out.
10. *Feet:* Moderately large and round, neither turned inwards nor outwards. Toes, well arched and closed. Nails, very strong and curved.
11. *Hair:* Rough and hard on body, legs and head; especially wiry and long over eyes and under jaw.
12. *Colour and markings:* The recognized colours are grey, brindle, red, black, pure white, fawn, or any colour that appears in the Deerhound.
13. *Faults:* Too light or too heavy a head, too highly arched frontal bone; large ears and hanging flat to the face; short neck; full dewlap; too narrow or too broad chest; sunken or hollow or quite straight back; bent forelegs; overbent fetlocks; twisted feet; spreading toes; too curly a tail; weak hindquarters and a general want of muscle; too short in body; pink or liver-coloured eyelids; lips and nose any colour rather than black; very light eyes.

List of Points in order of Merit

1. *Typical:* The Irish Wolfhound should not be quite so heavy or massive as the Great Dane, but more so than the Deerhound, which in general type he should otherwise resemble.
2. Great size and commanding appearance.
3. Movements easy and active.
4. Head, long and level, carried high.
5. Forelegs, heavily boned, quite straight; elbows well-set under.
6. Thighs long and muscular; second thighs, well muscled, stifles nicely bent.
7. Coat, rough and hard, especially wiry and long over the eyes and under jaw.
8. Body, long, well ribbed up, with ribs well sprung, and great breadth across thighs.
9. Loins arched, belly well drawn up.
10. Ears, small, with greyhound-like carriage.
11. Feet, moderately large and round; toes close, well arched.
12. Neck, long, well arched and very strong.
13. Chest, very deep, moderately broad.
14. Shoulders, muscular, set sloping.
15. Tail, long and slightly curved.
16. Eyes, dark.

Note: The above in no way alters the 'Standard of Excellence' which must in all cases be rigidly adhered to; they simply give the various points in order of merit. If in any case they appear at variance with Standard of Excellence it is the latter which is correct.

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ERRATA Irish Hound 1987

President's Page:

'Minerva stayed with Tymie but was not shown or bred' should read 'Melody....'

New Champion:

Ch. Kracken Comet. Breeder: Mr. I. Parker. Owners: Mr. & Mrs. J. Kelly D.O.B. 28 8 '82.

Green Stars:

Irish Kennel Club Ch. Show. Bitch Green Star Winner should read 'Athcarne Nora of Knocknarea'. Points value 10.

Club Ch. Show:

Caption on photo of Tullygirvan Points Trophy winner should read Carrokeel Mulligan, and not Carrokeel Clasby.

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EDITORIAL

It would be nice just for once to get the magazine out early. Maybe someday everyone will produce their contributions on time and make it possible.

I wrote to all club members in Ireland regarding registrations etc., for the Magazine and I must say the response was disappointing. I do thank those who had the interest to reply even though most of them had not bred a litter, nor had a dog old enough for the longevity page, and in some cases did not have a dog at this time, but they replied all the same.

You will see a notice elsewhere in the magazine about the increase in subs., this should help greatly with our finances. I must say here Mary Hughes has managed to keep down the price of the magazine as low as possible these last couple of years. Thank you Mary.

We have six new champions this year, is this a record? Congratulations to all concerned.

My sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to this years magazine.

JIM BEHAN

The President's Page

The Irish Kennel Club are planning to make a video on each of the Irish Breeds. More and more Kennel Clubs are following the example of the European Clubs and accepting the Standard of the country of origin for each breed. Some foreign Kennel Clubs have suggested that it would be very helpful if videos illustrating the Standard of each Irish Breed were available for judges abroad interested in studying Irish native breeds.

Researching the text for use with the video on the Irish Wolfhound leads me back yet again to the classical articles written by the acknowledged breed experts: Captain Graham of course, and Mr. I.W. Everett recalling his discussions with Capt. Graham. John F. Baily also wrote an excellent article on Type.

Our standard is necessarily short so reading and re-reading these background articles gives an extra dimension to the meaning of The Standard. I trust that others will also enjoy reading the relevant extracts again. The note which qualifies the List of Points in Order of Merit must always pertain — the following in no way alters the "Standard of Excellence" which must in all cases be rigidly adhered to. **If in any case they appear at variance with the Standard of Excellence it is the latter which is correct.**

Capt. Graham wrote in THE IRISH WOLFDog (1879) which was compiled six years before The Standard (1885) was drawn up: "It will be well to state the conclusions at which the writer has arrived as to the general appearance and character of the Irish Wolfhound, after a prolonged, searching, and careful study of the subject.

Form. That of a very tall, heavy, Scotch Deerhound, much more massive, and very majestic-looking; active and fast, perhaps somewhat less so than the present breed of Deerhound; neck thick in comparison to his form, and very muscular; body and frame lengthy.

Head. Long, but not narrow, coming to a comparative point towards the nose; nose rather large, and head gradually getting broader from the same, EVENLY up to the back of the skull — not sharp to the eyes, and then suddenly broad and lumpy, as is often the case with dogs bred between Greyhound and Mastiff.

Coat So it is with justice concluded that the coat was thoroughly rough; hard and long all over body, head, legs and tail; Hair on head standing out boldly over eyes; beard under jaws being also very marked and wiry.

Colour. Black, grey, brindle, red and fawn, though white dogs were esteemed in former times, as is several times shown us — indeed they were often preferred — but for beauty the dark colours should be cultivated.

Ears. Small in proportion to size of head, If dark in colour it is to be preferred.

The **Tail** should be carried with an upward curve only, and not be curled, as is the case with many Greyhounds.

Size. ... the height of these dogs varied from 32" to 34" and even 35" in the dogs, probably from 29" to 31" in the bitches. The other dimensions would naturally be about as follows for well-shaped and true-formed dogs. Girth of chest — Dogs 38" to 44"; bitches 32" to 34". Weight in lbs. — Dogs 115 to 140; bitches 90 to 115. Girth of fore-arm — Dogs 10" to 12"; bitches 8½" to 10". Length of head — Dogs, 12½" to 14; bitches 11" to 12".

Mr. Everett writing on Irish Wolfhound Type in DOGS AND THEIR MANAGEMENT wrote:

IRISH WOLFHOUD TYPE

I think, as to actual height, that we have got the breed really tall enough. I notice that many of the present dog hounds would be very greatly improved by wider and deeper girth; a point that assuredly needs watching is length of body, but with the correct shape, i.e., not dipped behind withers nor having a flat loin. We do not accept a tail set on high, nor a short stern. Another warning I would like to give is: Do not sacrifice the beautiful head of the breed and put in its place a head which very much resembles (if it could be imagined) a Great Dane's head covered with the orthodox rough head covering. The ideal Irish Wolfhound head is something like that of a Dane in actual shape, but void of bumpy cheeks and lippiness. The muzzle of a wolfhound should be almost entirely free from "lip", but has strength (and apparent strength too), although this is not of the blunt-nosed, square-muzzled variety. The muzzle should have a tendency to a "cut-back" outline if viewed from the side. Ears should certainly be folded back when in repose, and semi-erect when watching an object in front of them. Generally, ears, while very greatly improved during the last few years, still need much care to improve them, for there are many which are large and thick-textured, and also a fair proportion which are tight enough, in fact, frequently they may be seen lying flat.

Ribs, too, are very important, as they are for any animal whose speed has to be taken into account. Flat-sided ribs and flat briskets are almost impossible for this breed if we aim at producing a workman-like animal. A hound must also have a loin with a little spring or arch. It is this part of the hound, in conjunction with the first and second thighs and the hock placement and formation, that is the most important combination in its make-up from a movement point of view. His front legs must be straight. His feet should give an impression of strength, solidity, and gripping power, for their job largely is to grip the ground and push it behind them. At last we come to the hindquarters, the part of a hound which I think causes more discussion among serious and thoughtful-minded fanciers than any other. When we see this part almost perfect does it not cause one to look at it and think of it and admire it? How difficult to get just the happy medium of strength without

coarseness, and the nicely bent stifles, without reminding one of sickle hams and curby hocks; but these are essential to the right "make-up".

The reader may say, what has all this to do with type? Well, try to weave the afore-mentioned good points into one hound, and if you do so, I feel quite sure that it will assist you to get a fairly correct idea of what a typical Irish Wolfhound should be. I have not tried to put forward my type save in so far as I gather it is *the* type as laid down by many who worked these hounds and noticed carefully how one hound excelled another in different portions of the work they were doing.

I have not referred previously to coats. A typical Irish Wolfhound's covering should be one that is proof to wet and damp to a great extent, for the Emerald Isle is well off for moisture as a rule. The jacket should have a fairly dense undercoat, the top or outside coat being fairly long and wiry. To-day far too few wolfhounds are shown with any undercoat; in fact, one seldom sees an undercoat at all now, for so many of the hounds are brushed and combed till all that is left is the top coat, beard and brows — a lamentable condition for a hound which should face all kinds of weather with a minimum of inconvenience.

Another important fault to eradicate is "straight hocks". This must be attended to at once. What looks more ridiculous than a big, strong, "galloping-looking" hound waddling along in a futile manner held back by a pair of hocks which are of very little use to him?

To sum up, the typical aspect of our breed is, in my opinion gradually improving in size and soundness (and I hope in type too). But we must look to this last-named point, which is most in need of attention, and all pull together, for what is the worth of a fancier who will not "get down to it" and help eliminate a certain fault in his particular breed?

Mr. Baily in his article "My Interpretation of Irish Wolfhound Type" (reprinted here in part from THE IRISH WOLFHOUD CLUB YEAR BOOK 1927 by kind permission of The Irish Wolfhound Club U.K.) wrote:

That he was the most valuable and most sought after hunting dog for the capture and destruction of large and fierce game until fire-arms became more perfect and took his place. To do this work it was essential he should possess two predominant characteristics, great speed to get on terms with his quarry and enormous power to finish the job. To possess this speed his form (type) must have been that of a greyhound, indeed he is generally alluded to as "Irish Greyhound." while to possess the necessary power his size must have been gigantic. Of his power we have documentary evidence from the memoirs of Rinucini the Papal Nuncio in the seventeenth century and from the Rawdon Papers and Evelyn's Diary we gather he was more than a match for a Mastiff.

To contend that a fighting Mastiff was unequal to the despatch of a wolf is a strain on one's credulity.

Having established the fact that he was a greyhound, it follows his other characteristics must be in keeping, and greyhoundlike. Beginning with the head, which includes the jaws, and which someone describes as the residence of type it should be as *greyhoundlike as is compatible with power or as powerful as is compatible with greyhound conformation*. The square muzzle with a whisker at either nostril after the style of a modern wire-haired terrier, is to me an emetic.

I have been told by some of my friends that my objection to anything in the nature of a stop or indentation between the eyes is unwarranted. I have carefully examined the tenth century skull in the Dublin Museum and there is nothing in its structure to suggest even a semblance of a stop. The painting by Reinagle (1803), the stuffed head (1833) in the Dublin Museum have nothing that could be called a stop. To complete my conception of the head, it should be lengthy, fairly well covered with hair, not so heavily coated as the rest of the body, and having no resemblance to the shagginess of a Bob-tailed Sheepdog or a Kerry Blue. The ears should be small and greyhoundlike in carriage and set rather high.

'An eye of sloe with ear not low,'

completes the picture.

It is unnecessary to refer to limbs, hindquarters, feet, tail etc.; as we are agreed upon what they should be, besides they come rather under the head of 'points' with which we are not dealing. There remains the coat.

The shaggy or sheepdog coat is objectionable as it is foreign to the breed, and was introduced in the nineteenth century by using heavy-coated dogs as an outcross. Glengarry did it; so did Captain Graham and probably others besides. Reinagle's picture does not depict a shaggy dog, neither does Ridinger's plate, or the stuffed head in the Dublin Museum, and it is interesting to note, according to McNeill† that the Highlanders regarded a hard wiry coat as a criterion of breeding in his Scotch brother and doubtless the Irish held the same view. While on the subject of coat, a trifle which is significant and interesting and probably not well known is that Wolf in Irish means Wild Greyhound *cu allaid* also called *faol-chu*.

If I may presume to advise the new recruit I would say study the Club's Standard, it can't be improved upon; study Reinagle's picture, add perhaps a trifle more coat and substance and a mind picture should be the result which ought to be a guiding star. To produce a dog of great power built on galloping, i.e. Greyhound lines, has been the difficulty so far, but it should not be insurmountable.

Another interesting article on "The Typical Irish Wolfhound" by Mr. Everett appears elsewhere in the magazine under FLASHBACK. I would also suggest that Tim Finney's article on "Type and the Standard" in the 1986 issue of this magazine is well worth rereading.

ELIZABETH C. MURPHY

Minutes of A.G.M. — 1988

The Chairman opened the meeting and gave a special welcome to our patron, Miss Sheelagh Seale and Ms. Emma Ross-Awde from Canada.

He called for a minutes silence in memory of Mrs. Nagle & Mrs. Ann Kornbleet, members of the Club who had died during the year. He also expressed congratulations to: Mr. & Mrs. Ulli Peiler, Mr. & Mrs. John Kelly, Mrs. Linda Gover, Mr. & Mrs. T. Finney (2). Five Champions in this year!

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

The President said that she thought this had been the best year for Shows and a lively atmosphere had returned. Five new Champions. She said that Miss Twyman had always asked us not to breed too much and there were half the registrations now and most people were breeding seriously and with due thought.

ELECTION OF SCRUTINEERS

Brian Rickaby proposed H. Hughes, seconded T. Finney.

Mel Wilcox proposed T. Finney, seconded W. Clarke.

Barry Foley proposed S. Rathbone-Scott, seconded H. Hughes. Minutes of previous meeting were read. Miss Walton proposed acceptance, Miss Butler seconded. Minutes were accepted.

REGISTRATIONS

The Chairman reported a very good response to his request for details from breeders. He also thanked all involved in Fund-Raising efforts. Miss Seale wished to express her thanks for all the help given by the Club.

MAGAZINE

Mr. Pritchard brought up the question of the size of the magazine. This was discussed and it was stated that the size now was the most economical.

THE REDUCED NUMBERS AT SHOWS

Mr. Redmond suggested that some members leave their champions at home and so give new members a chance to win. There was further discussion about this.

GENETICS

It is hoped to have a lecture about this during the coming year.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer produced his account and stated that there had been a general improvement. He stated that many thanks should be given to Mr. & Mrs. Pritchard for their efforts at Fund-raising. It was suggested that the Shows should be self-financing, possibly by raising entry fees. Miss Murphy congratulated the Treasurer on the accounts.

Mrs. Rathbone-Scott thought there should be more socialising to raise funds. It was also suggested that the annual subscription

should be raised. Mr. Wilcox suggested that we should look for sponsors Mr. Redmond suggested more breeders should give a small subscription to the Club from the sale of puppies.

Mrs. Rathbone-Scott proposed acceptance of the accounts and Miss Walton seconded. The accounts were accepted.

Mr. Pritchard proposed that the subscription should be increased by 100%. Mr. Killykeen Doyle seconded.

Mr. Finney made a counter proposal that an extra £2.00 per head should be levied across the board. Mr. Clarke seconded.

The second proposal was voted on but was defeated and the first proposal was accepted. It was also decided that the admission fee of £1.00 should be abandoned. This means that the subscription should now be:

£8.00 per annum for Members

£10.00 for Overseas Members

£12.00 Joint Membership

£16.00 Overseas Joint Membership

It was also suggested that Life Members should be invited to subscribe.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

First of all, she said she would like to thank all the Officers & Committee for their help during the year and for all who helped at our Shows.

Championship Show was an outstanding success, the venue was excellent and the catering arrangements were very good. She thought that our special thanks should be given to Mr. Pritchard, who organised the venue etc. All who were present will appreciate the good work done by our Judge. We should also thank Miles Rathbone-Scott who once again extracted the last penny possible in our Auction.

Open Show in Waterford was successful, but unfortunately there was less entries. The Twyman Memorial Bowl was won by Mr. & Mrs. Kelly, the Moonvoy Cup by Mr. & Mrs. Peiler and the Ballyvalla Tray by me. Our judge, Mrs. Linda Gover did an excellent job. Mr. & Mrs. Kelly went on to win the Sporting Group.

We admitted 25 associate members during the year and 4 full members. Our membership is 28 life members, 75 full members and 146 ass. members. Once again, she reminded associate members that they must apply for full membership after two years if they wish to have voting rights.

She reported several enquiries for puppies during the year and had tried to pass them on to members with puppies. She suggested that breeders who benefited by this should make a subscription to the Club to cover the cost sustained by the Club.

She was pleased to say several people had asked for details about the breed etc. before committing themselves to ownership and she has sent out many leaflets. With reference to enquiries, referred by the I.K.C., it is sometimes difficult for the secretary, as

the enquirers expect that any breeders whose names are given are producing first class puppies. Whilst not suggesting anything, we would ask anyone who is contemplating breeding to remember that we should be breeding for the good of the breed, and to remember that the good name of the Club is at stake in these circumstances. She also stressed the careful use of Stud Dogs.

As you probably know, the Club had financial difficulties this year and again we must thank Mr. & Mrs. Pritchard for their efforts in this respect and also Mr. & Mrs. Finney for their organisation of the Match & Lure-Coursing plus supper.

With reference to the Deane-Morgan Perpetual Bowl mentioned last year, this has now been received and the Committee have decided to award it to the winner of the Veteran Bitch class at our Championship Show.

She advised the meeting that the Club Open Show next year would not be held in Waterford and will probably be held in conjunction with the Open Hound Show.

She reported that we had an extended visit from Mrs. Dixie Hirsch & Mrs. Louanne Ellis of U.S.A. They had visited an incredible number of owners and they both expressed their appreciation and thanks for the hospitality they received. They both said they really enjoyed their trip.

Our Championship Show next year will be on the 10th June at the same venue and our judge will be Mr. Jurgen Papenfuss. Mrs. McKenna will again, we hope, judge our Children's classes.

The Committee has decided to continue to produce the Magazine annually and I would ask for material for same as early as possible. The Magazine Committee would like to apologise for any mistakes made in 1987 issue, these will be corrected in the next issue.

RESCUE FUND

Mr. Redmond asked for us to look out for possible homes and if possible to make a register of same. He stated that there was a problem in placing older hounds and asked us to remember to be on the look-out for possible homes for these dogs. If possible to get a few names ahead of the need.

The Committee was instructed to update the 'Puppy' Leaflet.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS & COMMITTEE

There was no change in the Officers of the Club. Voting for the Committee was as follows: Mr. Redmond 30 votes; Mr. Pritchard 28 votes; Mr. Buggle 27 votes; Mr. Clarke 25 votes; Mrs. Kelly 25 votes; Mr. Killykeen-Doyle 24 votes; Mrs. Mernagh 22 votes.

Mrs. Mernagh was thanked for all she had done for the Club and it was hoped she would be back again on the Committee.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Mr. Rickaby stated that he considered that we were not following up on Rescue placements. He also brought up the question of the Club being responsible for the reputation of our hounds.

Mr. Killykeen-Doyle suggested an 'Ad' in 'In Flight', this it was decided was too expensive. There was a long discussion. There was a query re. an advert in 'Cara' for summer months. Members were asked to contact Mr. Behan whenever there was an advert in the papers.

The question of reduced numbers at Shows, Mr. Finney stated that he thought Champions should be shown at Shows, it was good for the breed.

Mrs. O'Keeffe asked about the qualifications of Judges. Mr. Behan stated that the I.K.C. was tightening up on judges. Mr. Pritchard stated that if there were more social events at Shows, he considered it might increase numbers.

Mr. Wilcox suggested that associate members should be encouraged by full members and the committee should make an effort to get to know the associate members and show an interest in them. Mr. Killykeen-Doyle stated that in his opinion from what he has seen in U.S.A. and Scandinavia the best dogs were here.

MEMBER'S ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

Due mainly to the constantly increasing cost of publishing the 'Irish Hound' magazine, it was decided at the Annual General Meeting 1988 that if the magazine was to continue to be provided free to members then the annual subscription rates must be raised.

The new rates for the year ending 30 June 1990 (payable 1 July 1989) were agreed as follows:

	Ireland & U.K.	Overseas
Single Membership	IRE8.00	IRE10.00
Joint Membership	IRE12.00	IRE16.00

Life Members, of course, are not obliged to make any contribution; however, at the Annual General Meeting, they were invited to subscribe on a purely voluntary basis.

Would you please make your payments payable to 'Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland' and send them to myself at **Gulliagh Farm, Lecklinstown, Naul, Co. Dublin, Ireland.**

TIM FINNEY (Hon. Treasurer)

Profile

Knocknarea Irish Wolfhounds

IKA & ULLI PEILER

As a young man, Ulli Peiler and his father were frequent visitors to Ireland from their home in Germany and it was on one of these trips in the early 1970's that Ulli made his first acquaintance with Irish Wolfhounds.

When Ulli and Ika were married these Irish trips became an important part of their lives. They bought a cottage in the lovely and remote lands of County Sligo and came over to visit three or four times per year.

In 1981 Ulli was sponsored by his German University to spend a year in Ireland researching his Thesis on the interaction between the rural Irish and German culture. Ika planned to work at her own profession as a Barrister. Like many of their countrymen, Ika and Ulli and their son Max came to visit and stayed to live.

Later in the same year I had the pleasure of meeting Ulli & Ika for the first time when they came to talk about Irish Wolfhounds and about the possibility and feasibility of getting an Irish Wolfhound of their very own. Some time later they got their first puppy, "Lady of Nutstown" (Int. Ch. Nutstown King x Clodagh of Moll Machie) from John and Kathleen Kelly.



Lady of Nutstown at 7 years.

"Lady" did well in her puppy classes but Ika and Ulli admit that in their eagerness to learn as much as possible about the breed, the various Irish lines and their background, they perhaps took "Lady" to too many shows as a puppy with the result that she developed a dislike of showing.

In 1983, Ika & Ulli got "Champion Athcarne Nora of Knocknarea" (Carrokeel Kalypso x Athcarne Neesha) as a puppy from Tony & Ger Redmond. A tall, elegant and typical bitch, Nora won her first Green Star in 1986 and finished her title last year.

The first Knocknarea litter was bred in 1984 from "Lady" by Carrokeel Kalypso. From this litter "Carrokeel Knocknarea Aine"



U.S. Ch. Carrokeel Knocknarea Aine.



Canadian Ch. Knocknarea Muirne.

became a U.S. champion and her sister Knocknarea Muirne became a Canadian champion. "Knocknarea Deirdre", who had had a slight injury as a puppy, stayed at home. In 1985 "Lady" was bred to Athcarne Oisín. This litter produced "Knocknarea Briciu" (male) who is now the rising star of the Knocknareas. An exceptionally big hound, "Briciu" was BEST IN SHOW winner at our 1988 Club Championship show when he and Ika had a most successful Day. They won Limit Dog, Green Star Dog as well as Best of Breed and "Briciu" was an easy winner of the overall Height Trophy. It is a rare occurrence for the Best of Breed winner also to win the Height Trophy. The judge was Mrs. C. Boissevain, Wolfhound and hound Specialist. This was "Briciu's" second Green Star, he should have no difficulty finishing his championship. His litter sister "Knocknarea Caoimhe" is now a

member of Cullchoill Irish Wolfhounds in County Wicklow and is a lure coursing winner.

In 1986 "Knocknarea Deirdre" was bred to "Killykeen Mars" and from this litter Ika & Ulli kept "Knocknarea Cinn Oir". Now a lovely typical three year old, "Cinn Oir" will be campaigned in 1989.

In 1987 "Lady" was bred for the third and last time to "Athcarne Oisin", a repeat of the 1985 mating which produced "Briciu". The offspring of this litter are still a bit young for assessing but a number of the puppies promise well.

Recently "Knocknarea Cinn Oir" was bred to "Briciu". Two very promising youngsters from this litter, "Knocknarea Eoin" and his sister "Knocknarea Eilis" are now part of home group and promise well for the future of the Knocknareas.



Briciu, Eoin, Cinn Oir, Eilis.

Ika & Ulli Peiler have had remarkable success in their breeding programme in a relatively short space of time. This, I believe, can be attributed to three main factors: First, their own attitude to breed and breeding, they took time and trouble to learn as much as possible before starting to breed and they continue this policy as they progress. They did not fall into the trap, common among novice breeders, of over confidence which often leads to complacency and lack of growth or progress. The second factor is their nutrition programme. They have studied the subject in depth and use a diet that is as natural as possible with minimum use of additives. Their hounds attest the success of the diet, they have nice straight limbs and are above average in size — which kills the notion that extra additives give increased size. The third factor which plays an important part in the success of the Knocknareas is the environment in which they are reared. They all live as part of the family. Yes, I mean all seven Wolfhounds are house dogs and share their beds willingly with a couple of whippets and two terriers. It is usually the little ones that keep the big ones on the go when out in the fields. The hounds have ample space for long walks around their home and, a few miles in one direction they have the



The Knocknareas' waiting for their morning run.

Carrowkeel mountains up which they can ramble and to the West they have the sea shore with lovely sandy beaches and where very few people seem to frequent. Thus the Knocknareas seem to have the best of all possible worlds.

ELIZABETH C. MURPHY



Athcarne Nora of Knocknarea, K. Briciu, K. Deirdre.

NEW CHAMPION



PRINCESS DHÚ OF NUTSTOWN

Born: 30/6/85

Owned and Bred by: Mr. & Mrs. J. Kelly

Ch. KRACKEN KAISER	Ch. & G.B. Ch. NUTSTOWN KING	Ch. BALLYKELLY ERRISLANNAN LIAM
		Ch. NUTSTOWN QUEEN
	COOLBREAGH CAILTE	Ch. BOROUGHURY JUSTICE
		COOLBREAGH CIARA
CH. SARA OF NUTSTOWN	GWENFRED LLEIGIUS OF CARROKEEL	G.B. Ch. FINTAN OF EAGLESCRAG
		CARROKEEL ANWANN
	Ch. NUTSTOWN QUEEN	Ch. BOROUGHURY JUSTICE
		MALATOWN LADY

NEW CHAMPION



OWENMORE CINNIUINT

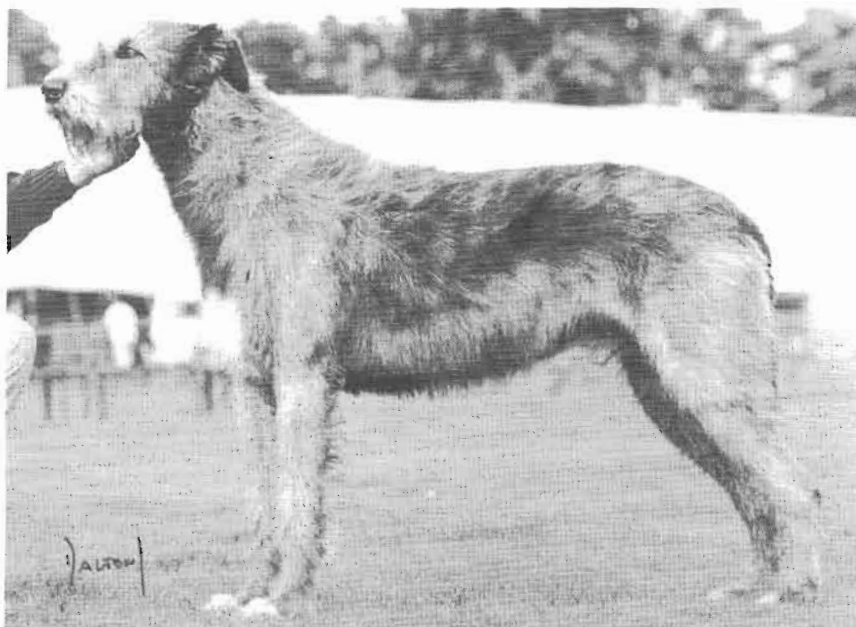
Born: 6/9/85

Owned and bred by:

Linda Gover

G.B. Ch. MARUMAC CEDRIC OF TELGAR	G.B. Ch. ERINDALE CALLAN OF FINLOREN	Ch. & G.B. Ch. ERINDALE TRISTON
		ERINDALE COUNTESS
	G.B. Ch. MARUMAC BAHBARELLA	G.B. Ch. EAGLESCRAG LYSANDER
		MARUMAC ATALANDI
OWENMORE MION CALLAN	G.B. Ch. ERINDALE CALLAN OF FINLOREN	Ch. & G.B. Ch. ERINDALE TRISTON
		ERINDALE COUNTESS
	PENDOMERS WILL O' THE WISP	PENDOMERS SON OF DAMIAN
		PENDOMERS WILLOW

NEW CHAMPION



CH. CULVERCROFT BENJAMIN OF GULLIAGH

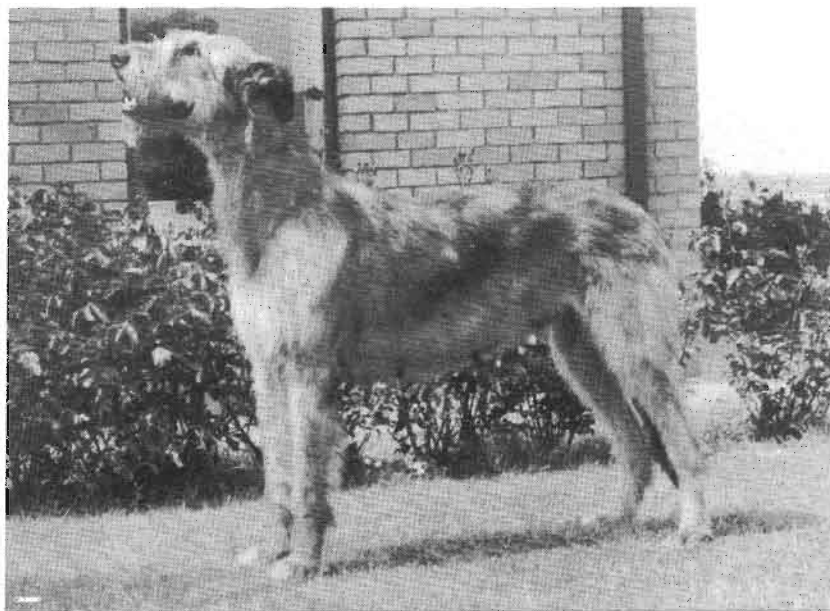
Born: 11 October 1985

Breeder: Mrs. S.J. Forret

Owners: Mr. & Mrs. T.N. Finney

Ch. & G.B. Ch. GULLIAGH GALLEON	G.B. Ch. EAGLESCRAG LYSANDER	EAGLESCRAG KESTREL
		G.B. Ch. CLODAGH OF EAGLESCRAG
	GULLIAGH BALLYKELLY CAIT	G.B. Ch. & Ch. CARROKEEL COILLTE MERLIN
		GULLIAGH FALCARRAGH
CULVERCROFT ALANNA	Ch. & G.B. Ch. CARROKEEL COILLTE MERLIN	Ch. BOROUGHURY JUSTICE
		ERINDALE VANDA
	FINLOREN HANNAH OF CULVERCROFT	Ch. & G.B. Ch. ERINDALE TRISTON
		SANCTUARY SWEET ERIN

NEW CHAMPION



CH. HYDEBECK NESSA OF GULLIAGH

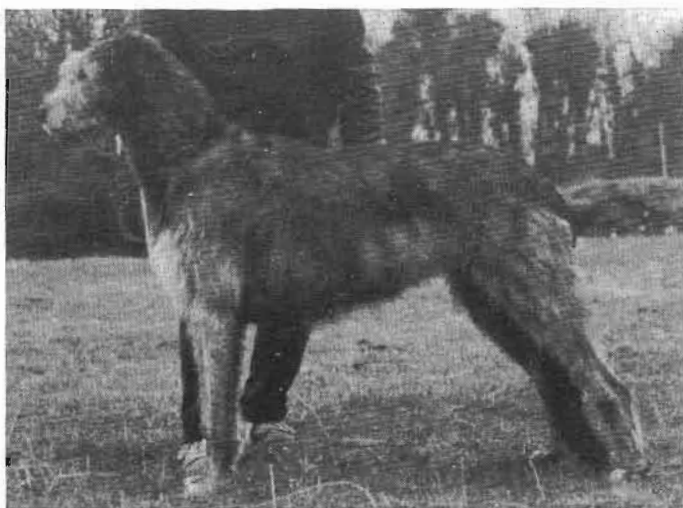
Born: 5 March 1984

Breeder: Mrs. C.L. Nowell

Owners: Mr. & Mrs. T.N. Finney

Ch. & G.B. Ch. GULLIAGH GALLEON	G.B. Ch. EAGLESCRAG LYSANDER	EAGLESCRAG KESTREL
		G.B. Ch. CLODAGH OF EAGLESCRAG
	GULLIAGH BALLYKELLY CAIT	G.B. Ch. & Ch. CARROKEEL COILLTE MERLIN
		GULLIAGH FALCARRAGH
G.B. Ch. HYDEBECK BALLYCARRIE	Ch. & G.B. Ch. CARROKEEL COILLTE MERLIN	Ch. BOROUGHURY JUSTICE
		ERINDALE VANDA
	ERINDALE LOUISE OF HYDEBECK	ERINDALE ADAM
		G.B. Ch. ERINDALE BERNICE

NEW CHAMPION



ATHCARNE NORA OF KNOCKNAREA

Born: 8/10/83

Breeder: Mr. T. Redmond

Owners: Mr. & Mrs. U. Peiler

CARROKEEL KALYPSO	RURIK OF SOLSTRAND	Swed. & Finn. Ch. EAGLESCRAG VIKING
		MONTEBANKS GEORGINA
	CARROKEEL GRAINNE BRADY	CARROKEEL COOLBREAGH MAC EOIN
		MARSHALL
ATHCARNE NEESHA	G.B. Ch. OUTHWAITE AM CU	FECCNA OF BRABYNS
		OUTHWAITE ULAI DH
	Ch. ATHCARNE SHIOFRA	Ch. BOROUGHURY JUSTICE
		COLL TOMAR MAEVE

NEW CHAMPION

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CH. TULLYGIRVAN BRIDGET

Born: 16 October 1982

Breeder: Mr. & Mrs. M. Rathbone-Scott

Owner: Mrs. S. Rathbone-Scott

TULLYGIRVAN MELVIN	TULLYGIRVAN MOSSBANK	G.B. Ch. FINTAN OF EAGLESCRAG
		TULLYGIRVAN BRIG
	MINERVA OF NENDRUM	G.B. Ch. EAGLESCRAG TOBY
		CARROKEEL KAREN
TULLYGIRVAN PENNA	TULLYGIRVAN DRUMEATH	G.B. Ch. FINTAN OF EAGLESCRAG
		TULLYGIRVAN BRIG
	TULLYGIRVAN SINEAD	BALLYKELLY MADIGAN
		Ch. COLLEEN OF RICKENHORE

GREEN STAR WINNERS — 1988

Show	Judge	Green Star Winners	G.S.	Value
Irish Kennel Club	Miss S. Seale	Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh		10
		G.B. Ch. Ballalyns Dancer	BOB	10
Combined Canine Club	Mrs. E. O'Connor	Ch. Chieftain of Nutstown	BOB	9
		Tolvalley Belleek		9
Cork & District	Mrs. M. Allen	Owenmore Finn MacCool		4
		Owenmore Cinnuiint	BOB	4
Donegal Canine Association	Mrs. E. Pyke	Ch. Chieftain of Nutstown		7
		Tullygirvan Bridget	BOB	7
Fermoy	Mr. T.A.C. Agnew	Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh		3
		Tullygirvan Bridget	BOB	3
Hibernian	Miss I. Walton	Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh	BOB	6
		Owenmore Cinnuiint		6
Irish Wolfhound Club of I.	Ms. C. Boissevain	Knocknarea Briciu	BOB	10
		Hydebeck Nessa of Gulliagh		10
Munster Canine	Mrs. E. Beattie	Knocknarea Briciu		5
		Princess Dhú of Nutstown	BOB	5
Swords & District	Mrs. B. Thornton	Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh	BOB	10
		Hydebeck Nessa of Gulliagh		10
Munster Agricultural	Mrs. A. Mathers	Knocknarea Briciu	BOB	1
		Athcarne Nora of Knocknarea		1
Kilkenny	Mr. J. Kelly	Edeyrn Henri of Killykeen		4
		Owenmore Cinnuiint	BOB	6
Bray & District	Mr. R. Murtagh	Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh	BOB	5
		Hydebeck Nessa of Gulliagh		5
Dundalk & District	Miss G. Fottrell	Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh	BOB	6
		Athcarne Nora of Knocknarea		5
Dun Laoghaire Canine	Mr. V. Harrison	Ch. Chieftain of Nutstown	BOB	9
		Owenmore Cinnuiint		9
Hound Association of I.	Mr. T. Redmond	Athcarne Oisin	BOB	8
		Ch. Nora of Knocknarea		8
Clonmel	Mr. A. Reed	Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh	BOB	6
		Ch. Kracken Comet		6
Killarney	Mrs. M.A. Anderson	Melanter Ronan		3
		Ch. Owenmore Cinnuiint	BOB	3

Limerick	Mrs. P. Waterhouse	Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh Ch. Owenmore Cinnuiint	BOB	4 4
Tralee	Mr. H. O'Donoghue	Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh Ch. Hydebeck Nessa of Gulliagh	BOB	5 5
Drogheda	Mrs. C. Abbott	Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh Tolkavalley Athcarne Megan	BOB	6 6
Irish Breeds	Mrs. A. O'Dwyer	Ch. Chieftain of Nutstown Holly of Nutstown	BOB	7 5
Carlow	Mr. R. Nutbeam	Edeyrn Henri of Killykeen Ch. Owenmore Cinnuiint	BOB	5 5
Irish Ladies Kennel Assoc.	Miss H. Burlton	Carrokeel Mulligan Ch. Owenmore Cinnuiint		3 3
Bull Breeds	Mr. J. Daly	Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh Ch. Owenmore Cinnuiint	BOB	3 3
Dublin Dog Show Society	Mr. A. Killykeen-Doyle	Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh Ch. Tullygirvan Bridget	BOB	10 10

Compiled by W.V. Clarke

Best in Show Wins Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland: Knocknarea Briciu	Hound Group Wins Combined Canine: Ch. Chieftain of Nutstown Kilkenny: Ch. Owenmore Cinnuiint	Annual Champion Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh — 74 Points Runner-up: Ch. Owenmore Cinnuiint — 43 Points
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THE IRISH HOUND

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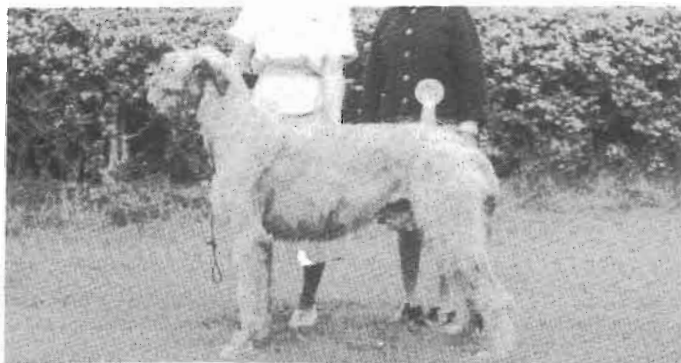
Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland Championship Show 1988

Poulaphouca House Hotel, Blessington, Co. Wicklow, 4th June 1988.

Judge: Mrs. Cynthia Boissevain

It was as always a great pleasure to be in Ireland once again and I very much enjoyed judging the Club's championship show. There were some excellent hounds, the venue was perfect with a large flat grassy ring surrounded by shrubs and trees and the weather was kind. The atmosphere was congenial and the food was delicious — big thanks to the organisers for inviting me and to all who showed under me.

C. BOISSEVAIN



JUNIOR DOG

1st: Nowell's Hydebeck Harmane, alone in this class, has a nice head and expression, a very good front, his ears are rather big but he holds them well, needs to strengthen behind.



NOVICE DOG

1st: Hennessey's Allad of St. Doulaghs, alone also, a nice size with a good front and body, a nice head and dark eyes but spoiled by having incorrect ears, movement erratic with a tendency to pace.



GRADUATE DOG (2 entries)

1st: Russell's O'Connell John of Nutstown, light eyes and incorrect ears but moved better than

2nd: Moore's Paddy of Nutstown who is a nice type and correct behind but toes in in front.

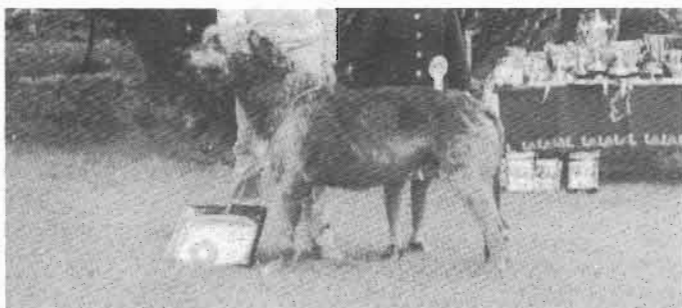


LIMIT DOG (9 entries)

1st: Peiler's Knocknarea Briciu, this hound is certainly of "great size and commanding appearance" he is elegant and houndy, well balanced with an excellent topline, correct length of back, a sound free mover. He has excellent angulation, good feet and a very nice head with a dark eye. I was very pleased to give him the Green St. and BOB.

2nd: Finney's Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh another impressive hound of beautiful type with an excellent head, correct front and rear, did not move quite as freely as 1 but he is sound

3rd: Gover's Owenmore Finn Mac Cool.



OPEN DOG

1st: Finney's Int. Ch. Gulliagh Galleon excellent type, well balanced and very sound, nice head and expression, wish his ears were a bit smaller. Reserve Green Star.

2nd: Nowell's G.B. Ch. Hydebeck Reginald Snuffson another of excellent type, houndy, a long neck, super ears, correct body and front, preferred hind action of 1.



JUNIOR BITCH (3 entries)

1st: Nowell's Hydebeck Hirastar, a lovely type with an excellent head and nice ears, correct body and topline, a deep brisket and well angulated front and rear, moved well.

2nd: Walton's Tolkavalley Kishavanna Amelia a pretty head and nice expression, ears a bit too big, not as good angulation and not as sound moving as 1.



PUPPY BITCH (7 entries)

1st: Russell's Orla of Nutstown promising wheaten, nice head and expression, correct ears and a dark eye, correct length of body, moved soundly.

2nd: McKenna's Riverbrook Lady C Moon Solo another promising baby of lovely type, lovely head and dark eye, sound, perhaps a bit small.

3rd: Wilcox's Chulchoill Blathnaid.

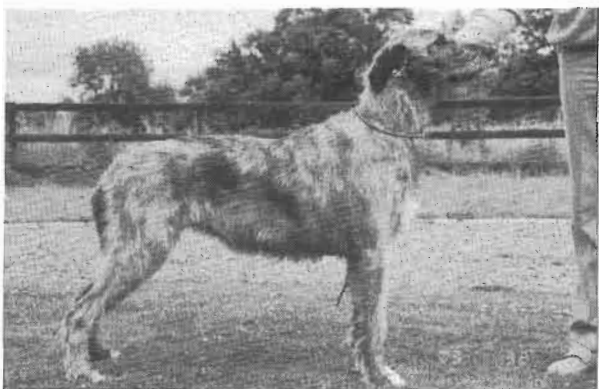


NOVICE BITCH (10 entries)

1st: Walton's Tolkavalley Barna lovely type, excellent head, neck and shoulder, correct deep body and a nice sound, free mover.

2nd: Hughes' Trimtown Brona Beag of Moonvoy tall, feminine and sound, correct length of back, excellent ears, a bit unsure of herself on the day.

3rd: Redmond's Athcarne's Eadoin.



GRADUATE BITCH (9 entries)

1st: Finney's Gullagh Hecla, lovely, a feminine head and expression, dark eye, sound free mover correct body and good angulation.

2nd: Walton's Tolkavalley Athcarne Megan another lovely bitch, pretty head and correct ears, dark eye, well made, did not move as stylishly as 1.

3rd: Janssen's Knocknarea Babba Yaga.

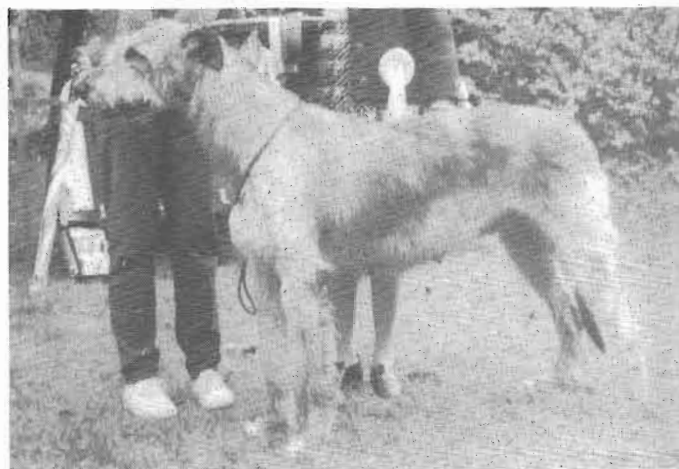


LIMIT BITCH (8 entries)

1st: Gover's Owenmore Cinniuint, a beautiful tall bitch with a super deep body of correct length, excellent angulation, a lovely head and ears, moved soundly, a bit overweight. RES. G.S.

2nd: Walton's Tolkavalley Belleek, smaller than 1, correct body, sound lovely mover, nice head and expression, would prefer smaller ears.

3rd: Hughes/Lyons Longstown Summer Glow.



OPEN BITCH (8 entries)

1st: Finney's Hydebeck Nessa of Gullagh, a lovely sound bitch, correct body, feminine head and expression, correct ears, moved very well. Green Star.

2nd: Peiler's Athcarne Nora of Knocknarea, not much between these two, a tall, shapely girl with a very good head and nice little ears, correct length of body, just preferred hind action of 1.

3rd: Kelly's Ch. Kracken Comet.



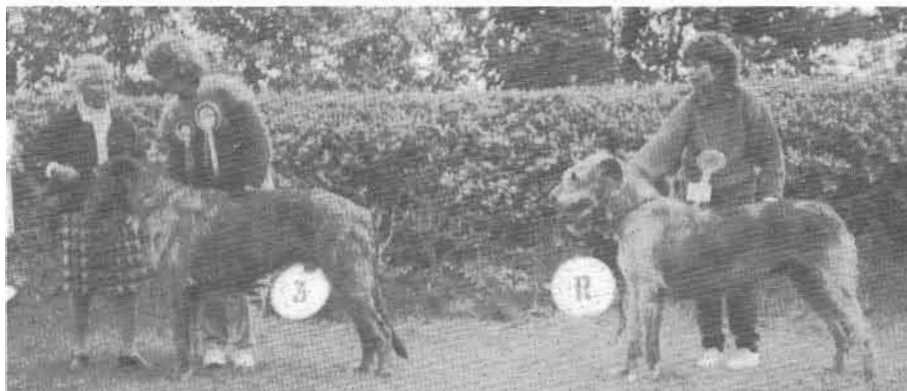
VETERAN BITCH (4 entries)

1st: Finney's Gullagh Ballykelly Cait at 9 years the oldest in the class, a lovely, sound bitch in excellent condition.

2nd: Rathbone Scott's Int. Ch. Tullygirvan Liadain a very nice bitch but overweight with a very heavy coat.

3rd: Walton's Tolkavalley Tory.

CYNTHIA BOISSEVAIN



G.S. Winners. *Peiler's Knocknarea Briciu.*

Finney's Hydebeck Nessa of Gullagh.



Beynon Stud Dog Bowl: Finney's Int. Ch. Gullagh Galleon.



Boroimhe Brood Bitch Trophy: Walton's Tolkavalley Tory.



Brace Class: Kelly's Princess Dhú
of Nutstown, Ch. Chieftain of Nutstown.



Children's Handling: Jennifer Kealy.



Children's Handling: Barry Robbins and Mrs.
Mary McKenna.



Maguire Movement Cup: Walton's Tolkavalley Belleek.



Presentation to the judge by our Patron, Miss Sheelagh Seale.

The Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland Open Show Waterford

28th August 1988

It was a great honour to be invited to judge the Wolfhounds at the Club Open Show and I would like to thank all owners who so kindly allowed me to go over their hounds and took my decisions so sportingly. Many thanks also to Mrs. Hilda Hughes and the committee of Waterford Canine Club for making me so welcome.

I have little comment to make on each individual hound since I was not 'fault judging' but basing my assessment on type, quality, substance and overall balance. I thought the bitches generally to be of a higher standard than the dogs, but was delighted to see my BOB go RBIS.

PUPPY DOG (2 entries) both absent.

JUNION DOG No entries

NOVICE DOG (3 entries)

1st: *Chappeleigh Duke of Nutstown* (Mr. & Mrs. Kelly). A very substantial well balanced dog who carried himself very proudly though he moved a little close behind and I thought his head a little heavy.

2nd: *Keereen Roru Mor* (Mrs. S. Howley). A little trimming would have improved the ears of an otherwise nice head. A bit straight in shoulder, short neck but moved well.

3rd: *Teige of Tiobrad* (Miss M. Commins). Well balanced, substantial wheaten, shorter in back than 2nd. and moved a little close behind.

GRADUATE DOG (5 entries — 3 present)

1st: *Tiege of Tiobrad*.

2nd: *Allaid of St. Doulaghs* (Mrs. M. Hennessey). A very tall young dog at the gangly 'straight' stage and a bit narrow but with a pleasing head and neck; paddled in front on the move.

3rd: *Errislannan Lefroy* (John Horgan). Another very tall young dog but with less spring of rib than 2nd. and rather short thin tail.

LIMIT DOG (5 entries — 2 present)

1st: *Ballykelly to Agori Mou* (Miss S. Seale & J. Hughes). Nice head and shoulder, slightly straight behind and moved erratically; coat a little soft.

2nd: *Errislannan Lefroy*.

OPEN DOG (1 entry — absent).

PUPPY BITCH (2 entries — both absent)

JUNIOR BITCH (1 entry — absent)

NOVICE BITCH (1 entry)

1st: *Ballykelly Dhu* (Miss S. Seale & J. Hughes). Well balanced bitch with good overall shape and width throughout; moving well.

2nd: *Morna* (Mr. & Mrs. J. Kelly). Small but curvy bitch with less substance than 1st, Moving very close behind and paddling a bit in front.

LIMIT BITCH (3 entries — 1 present)

1st: *Longstown Summer Glow* (Mrs. H. Hughes & I. Lyons). A most attractive bitch but carrying too much condition.

OPEN BITCH (3 entries — 1 present)

1st: *Athcarne Nora of Knocknarea* (Mr. & Mrs. Peiler). A beautiful bitch with lovely head and expression; good harsh coat; moved with great drive; shown in good, hard condition.

VETERAN DOG OR BITCH (1 entry — absent)



Open Show: Peilers' Ch. *Athcarne Nora of Knocknarea* & Kelly's *Chappeleigh Duke of Nutstown*.

BEST DOG *Chappeleigh Duke of Nutstown*.

BEST BITCH *Athcarne Nora of Knocknarea*.

BEST OF BREED

Chappeleigh Duke of Nutstown. A difficult decision between the substantial dog and very lovely bitch, but I preferred the neck and front of the dog and his proud carriage.

BALLYVALLA TRAY Mrs. Hilda Hughes *Longstown Summer Glow*.

JUDGE: LINDA GOVER

LONGEVITY IN IRISH WOLFHOUSES 1988 — 1989

Ch. Beau Flynn of Newtownhill. Died 21 days short of 12 years.

Sire: Paul of Ballinaboy x Dam: Townleyhall Ciara.

Blannri Aoibhinn 25/6/1979 — 4/10/1988

Sire: Int. Ch. Nutstown King x Dam: Tolkavalley Cara.

Ballykelly Siophra 15/5/1979 — 11/1988

Sire: Carrokeel Coolbreagh Mac Eoin x Dam: Deirdre of Knockanaffrin.

Coolbreagh Caha 13/2/1976 — 20/5/1987

Sire: Ch. Boroughbury Justice x Dam: Coolbreagh Ciara.

Coolbreagh Athcarne Clodagh 27/4/1978 — 1/4/1988

Sire: Eng. Ch. Outhwaite Am Cu x Dam: Ch. Athcarne Shiopra.

Cuallagh 6/8/1978 — 18/1/1988

Sire: Luke of Fionn-Uisce x Dam: Taghadoe Lady.

Inter. Ch. Carrokeel Coillte Merlin 26/2/1976 — 1/6/1987

Sire: Ch. Boroughbury Justice x Dam: Erindale Vanda.

Galtymore Pride 17/11/1978 still alive

Sire: Eng. Ch. Royden Finnigan x Dam: Grainne on Bon Rí.

Gulliagh Ballykelly Cait 3/10/1979 still alive

Sire: Int. Ch. Carrokeel Coillte Merlin x Dam: Gulliagh Falcarragh.

Owenmore Aitheda 28/1/1980 still alive

Sire: Int. Ch. Nutstown King x Dam: Tolkavalley Cara.

Int. Ch. Tullygirvan Liadian 15/1/1980 — 1/1989

Sire: Int. Ch. Carrokeel Coillte Merlin x Dam: Int. Ch. Tullygirvan Betsy Caolan.

Dunleary Lady Jane 7/10/1978 — 21/6/1988

Sire: Int. Ch. Nutstown King x Dam: Eorna of Tolkavalley.

Tolkavalley Oona Dubh 1/11/1978 — 5/7/1988

Sire: Petasmeade Tyrone x Dam: Tolkavalley Deirdre.

Tolkavalley Tory 4/4/1980 still alive

Sire: Ch. Carrigeen of Tolkavalley x Dam: Tolkavalley Deirdre.

Tolkavalley Roisin 19/3/1979 still alive

Sire: Ch./G.B. Ch. Carrokeel Coillte Merlin x Dam: Tullygirvan Penna.

Tullygirvan Crede 19/3/1979 — March 1989

Sire: Ch./G.B. Ch. Carrokeel Coillte Merlin x Dam: Tullygirvan Penna.

Coolbreagh Mac-An-Ree of Hibeck 16/11/1980 still alive

Sire: Ch./G.B. Ch. Nutstown King x Dam: Ch. Coolbreagh Athcarne Clodagh.

Gael 1/12/1977 — 12/1987

Sire: Ch./G.B. Ch. Carrokeel Coillte Merlin x Dam: Carrokeel Seosaimh.

Gulliagh Tolkavalley Dawn and Doreen 9/11/1978 still alive

Sire: Ch./G.B. Ch. Carrokeel Coillte Merlin x Dam: Tolkavalley Roshin Dubh.

Compiled by
ISOBEL WALTON

Club Match and Lure Coursing Competition

On 23rd October, 1988, the Club held its first ever Hound Match at Finney's Gulliagh Farm, followed by a lure coursing competition.

The event was especially timed to coincide with the first ever visit to Ireland of our judges for the day, Dr. Stefan and Mrs. Elisabeth Wraneus from Sweden. They have one of the best known and most successful Irish Wolfhound kennels in Scandinavia, apart from owning Deerhounds, Borzois, Corgis and Pugs. They have both been long time officers of the Irish Wolfhound Club of Sweden, and Elisabeth has been a member of our Club since the 1970's. So, this was an excellent way for Irish breeders to make their acquaintance and for the Wraneus' to see a sample of the Irish Irish Wolfhounds gathered in one spot. For a bit of variety, the Match was made open to all hound breeds, and a lure coursing competition was arranged to follow.

The weather for the preceding week had been perfect, sunny and mild — too good to last, it transpired. On the morning the rain started and it continued on and on into the afternoon, to the point that we considered abandoning the outside activities altogether. Then, miraculously, there was a lull in the weather (only in our area of Co. Dublin, I believe), and everyone rushed out to start the competition — on rather soft going, but bearable.

Numbers had been depleted because several comparatively local exhibitors had assumed that the event must have been a wash-out. However, we mustered around 25 hounds, which included Irish Wolfhounds, Dachshunds, a Rhodesian Ridgeback, an Afghan, Whippets, Deerhounds and Beagles. So, despite the numbers, we certainly had variety and the standard at the top was very high; there were two International Champions present and others had won (or have since won) tickets in Ireland and England. We were particularly well supported from the North of Ireland, from as far off as Bangor, Ballymena and even Limavady, in the person of Bryan Doak (currently, breeding and exhibiting

Deerhounds and Whippets, and owner of Wolfhounds as a lad in the early 1970's — I've yet to see his famous scrap book of English and Irish IWs from that time).

Anyway, the rain held off, and, aided by the stewards, Barry Foley, Martin and Susan Kealy, our judges, each doing alternative rounds, finally came down to Mrs. Pat Huey's Beagle, Ir. Ch. Lismoyle Bonnet and Jim Behan's Irish Wolfhound, Genevieve of Bearna Bui. After due deliberation, both judges agreed upon Genevieve — a popular win, and particularly nice for Jim, as it was Genevieve's first time out. Jim intends to campaign her in 1989.



Then the rains returned, but not enough to deter the lure coursing brigade. There was hot competition with several good runs. The overall winner was Wilcox's Knocknarea Caoimhe of Chulchoill.

And finally, into the house, where Marion, Walter Thompson



(associated with Irish Wolfhounds for more than 30 years, and Chef Supreme), Mary Hughes (the indispensable printer of this magazine) and friends had been preparing an excellent meal, both home-made fare and dishes kindly contributed by members and non-members. This was some achievement as the work was performed in the midst of a spontaneous children's party (cum riot) orchestrated by the 'Martin' sisters, Lucinda and Margaret. The meal and conversation went on far into the evening, and I believe that Stefan and Elisabeth met practically everyone.

Overall the Match was agreed to be a success, and we should try and repeat it, given similar circumstances of a visiting foreign breeder/judge(s). Thanks to all who contributed money, time and effort, not forgetting the array of really excellent prizes, and Marion, who did most of the planning and organising.

TIM FINNEY

FLASHBACK

Submitted by E.C. Murphy

The Typical Irish Wolfhound

(The Irish Wolfhound Club Year Book 1933-4-5)

"In looking at our present-day notabilities we see many very fine animals and which appeal to us in many, though varied, ways; some possibly from the point of size, others by reason of possessing some other very desirable and even more treasured points in our particular opinion, and there is much to be said in favour of all these various causes of admiration; and yet it is possible that each of these specimens in their entirety are by no means good typical specimens of the breed.

Is there not a very grave possibility, if this sort of approval continues and possibly increases, for the breed to deteriorate even from its present degree of good type?

It appears that the foundation of an improvement in this direction lies in those who judge the breed; they should know, and be willing, to uphold those animals they judge, giving more value to the right type.

Do I hear some saying: 'That argument cannot stand,' because 'I know that typical hound So-and-So, when standing still, is a very typical animal'; move him and he is all wrong, and that is no good to a galloping hound. Well, fellow-fancier, before you 'open out', just make sure that the animal is typical, because I very much doubt that when you go through that specimen carefully you will find some essentials lacking. To my mind, I consider a typical Irish Wolfhound needs a lot of very careful scrutiny before deciding he belongs to that category. This opinion of mine may lead to an expression of something like this: 'Judges cannot be expected to know anatomy to this extent.' Well, if not, why take on a job and only be able to less than half do it? It is very nice to have the compliment paid one of being invited to judge, but it is up to that one to refuse, if in one's own conscience one does not feel capable.

Now as to the production of these typical animals. We can, in my opinion, only help on the good work. It is a continuous job, and can only be done at a very slow pace, as often to build up one part it partly appears to pull down something else. The very greatest assistance lies in personally knowing much of the ancestors we breed from, and our assistance invariably comes from using the

animals who carry in their breeding a predominance of those points we are wanting to establish and fix. We also must very vividly remember selection in connection with this type-fixing problem.

I wonder if I can make myself understood as to what I consider goes to make a typical Irish Wolfhound; in height — dogs from about 34 in. upwards, and bitches from about 31½ in. upwards.

The late Captain Graham, in talking over Irish Wolfhounds one day with me, drifted on to type, and on my asking him his description of it, he described something of this sort:—

An Irish Wolfhound should not be either like a Great Dane nor a Deerhound, although he would lean more to the Deerhound than to the Dane. His head should show greater proportion of strength to the size of him than the Deerhound. His ears should be carried in repose tucked behind him, as a Greyhound's, and when looking at objects in the distance should be semi-erect. His eyes should at least harmonize with his general colour, a usual preference being given to dark rather than light eyes. His muzzle, distinctly not square; it should have the appearance of being undercut rather than square, until the teeth are inspected, when it is seen the teeth are level. The head should be of good length in proportion to the hound, with a very small drop before the eyes and frontal bones little raised. His throat should be clear of loose skin or dewlap. His skull, although not coarse, should give one the impression of strength. To finish up a nice typical head, a reasonable amount of eyebrow, muzzle hair, and beard, completed by the neck being set into the head nice and high up and showing a reasonable crest. The neck should be of fair length, but too long a neck gives an impression of weakness rather than strength. The body should give an impression of nice length rather than the idea of a short-coupled-up body; brisket down to elbows and nicely wide at the bottom; the ribs reasonable sprung, but not to the extent of a Great Dane, so as not to resemble a barrel-like appearance. The loin should be a little full, but not so exaggerated as to give the

hound the appearance of being dipped behind the shoulder, but just sufficient to give a nice gradual sweep right down to the set-on of the tail, which should connect fairly low down. This all adds to the lines of a nice set of curves beginning with the crest of neck and finishing with the bend of the tail.

As to the legs, a fair amount of bone is needed to make a typical hound, and it is essential that the shoulders should be nicely laid back, not upright. The hindquarters are responsible for about two-thirds of his movement, continued movement that is, given the hound is fit internally. He needs good strong hindquarters, well muscled up, as separated from a superabundance of fat; his heels nicely low to the ground, nicely bent stifles and second thighs, and in action his hind legs should come just past the forelegs, outside of course. Tail of good length, but certainly not thick and fleshy. His body just in front of hindlegs fairly drawn up, of course, for he is a galloping hound and does not need much encumbrance there when he is called upon for work. His coat should be dense next his skin, and longer and more wiry on the outside. It should be a double coat, and would more frequently be so if not so much over-groomed.

Colours in various shades are recognised. Personally, I am very fond of orange-fawns and the various shades of brindle. I do not much like the fainter shades unless accompanied by good toenails and muzzles, and dark shadings round the eyed and under edges of tail.

Quite likely some may ask, 'What can you point out to as the most typical Irish Wolfhound of today?' and to my mind it is Ch. Galleon of Ouborough (Mr. Rank's) and Miss Watson's bitch, Felixstowe Graine. I know full well some will say, 'Whatever is there outstanding in these two?' My reply is, in my humble opinion, they, more nearly than any others, represent my ideal. I very fully realize they are just over possibly their brilliancy of youth, but I cannot find better models of Irish Wolfhound.

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Fading Puppy Syndrome

The whelp had been difficult, and the bitch was exhausted. Intravenous donations of amino acid and electrolytic solutions had kept her alive and now she was — however unsteadily — on her feet. Vitamin K was coping well with post natal bleeding, and we felt we could relax.

The puppies, in their box under the heat lamp were large and apparently healthy. Her first litter had produced some nice Wolfhounds and this litter promised the same. But our troubles, as the cliché goes, were only beginning. Within hours we were frantically and tearfully coping with what we were later to know to be fading puppy syndrome.

Fading puppy syndrome, a.k.a. neonatal puppy complex or fading puppy complex (F.P.C.) is a frustrating experience for the breeder. Evident as early as 24 hours it may at first be overlooked as "normal" i.e. the death of a puppy, especially in a large litter is not unusual, and is often from a well defined clinical condition.

With F.P.C. however no specific etiology has been discovered, beyond the suggestion that an apparent absence of Lecithin — a lung surfactant in F.P.C. litters, could lead to the fatal cycle of dehydration and hypoglycaemia due to breathing/suckling difficulties.

Later, we were to find we had experienced classical symptoms of F.P.C. These include:—

- (i) cessation of suckling,
- (ii) loss of body heat,
- (iii) dehydration,
- (iv) rigor.

The rigor perfectly mimics rigormortis although in F.P.C. the muscles may relax and the puppy survive for some time. A second or third rigor usually results in death however.

The helplessness experienced by the breeder is often due to the fact that while one puppy is fading, the remainder seem perfectly healthy. Upon the death of the fading puppy another appears to succumb to F.P.C. but at no time could it have been pinpointed which puppy was to be "next in line".

In dealing with our case of F.P.C. we were to be fortunate in that our vet both recognised the symptoms and provided effective treatment. It is this treatment that we wish to highlight in this article.

The product used was DUPHAPIND by DUPHAR B.V. of Holland, and while it is not our brief to extol the virtues of a single pharmaceutical company, this product we found to be excellent.

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Duphapind can be used both prophylactically and therapeutically. We used it to halt the deaths in our F.P.C. litter and then we injected a bitch who was due to whelp later. This prophylactic injection I am sure helped to produce a very large, healthy and active litter that thrived exceptionally well.

The following figures demonstrate the success of Duphapind in separate clinical trials. In an investigation undertaken by Prof. J. Davies of the paediatric department at Addenbrooks Hospital, fifty kennels with a history of F.P.C. were screened. Sixty bitches were selected for study, some receiving a placebo some receiving Pind-Avi (the active name of Duphapind). Results showed that 18% of the placebo group died of F.P.C. while the Pind-Avi group suffered only 5% losses.

In Duphar's own study conducted in 1974 — 76 the results were even more dramatic as can be seen from the table.

State	No. of Litters	No. of Puppies Born	Of those	
			Raised	Died
47 Kennels without treatment	61	467	63 (13.5%)	404 (86.5%)
Same kennels after paramunisation	185	1229	913 (74.3%)	316 (25.7%)

The result of using Duphapind is therefore an almost complete reversal of the dead/live ratio of puppies. This, as I found with my next litter, is a great relief from the heartbreak F.P.C. can cause.

Anyone wishing to read in depth a discussion of paramunity can contact Duphar B.V. at C.J. Van Houtenlaann 36, 1381, C.P. Weesp, Holland, and we wish to thank them for supplying us with their literature from which I extracted terms and statistics.

MEL & ANITA WILCOX

I.K.C. Registrations 1988

"Athcarne" Tony & Ger Redmond. Athcarne Ruairi. Mulligan, Molony, Mooney (dogs); Kylie, Anya (bitches). Sire Knocknarea Briciu, Dam Athcarne Eadon.

"Ballyblarney" Seamus Buggle. No puppies bred in 1988.

"Ballyvalla" Mr. & Mrs. Mernagh. No puppies bred in 1988.

"Bearna-Buí" Jim Behan. No puppies bred in 1988.

"Carrokeel" E.C. Murphy, Carrokeel Triston, Birch Boy, Failte, Colm, Carter, Dumbro (dogs); Movanna, Brona, Sheena, (bitches). Sire Carrokeel Kalyso, Dam Carrokeel Elvin of Bearna-Buí.

"Chulchoill" Mel & Anita Wilcox. Chulchoill Conaill, Cormac, Cillian (dogs); Cushla, Caitlin (bitches). Sire Athcarne Murphy, Dam Carrokeel Neanta of Chulchoill.

Chulchoill Damian, Diarmaid, Donal, Dualtach, Daithi, Donnchadh, Domhnaic, Declan, Darrah (dogs); Deirdre, Doireann, Dervla, Dyphna (bitches). Sire Owenmore Finn Mac Cool, Dam Knocknarea Caoimhe.

"Coolbreagh" Billy Clarke. No puppies bred in 1988.

"Gulliagh" Mr. & Mrs. T.N. Finney. Gulliagh Iago, Ivanhoe, Iarla (dogs); Inca, Isolde, Islay, Inisfallen (bitches). Sire Gulliagh Harvey, Dam Ch. Hydebeck Nessa of Gulliagh.

Gulliagh Jamieson, Jasper (dogs); Jade, Janet (bitches). Sire Ch./G.B. Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh, Dam Gulliagh Hecla.

Gulliagh Kilti, Kerin, Kylemore (dogs), Keevagh, Kezia, Kristabel, Kiri (bitches). Sire Ch./G.B. Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh, Dam Whysper of Lainston.

"Huntstown" Mr. & Mrs. P. O'Mahoney. 6 puppies, Sire Ch./G.B. Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh, Dam Trimtown Brinan.

"Keereen" Mike & Cathy Thorpe. 9 puppies, Sire Shalfleet the Kingmaker at Ballalyn, Dam Keereen Madom Rowena.

"Kishavanna" Brian Rickaby. No puppies bred in 1988.

"Kilcullen" Connie Taylor. No puppies bred in 1988.

"Knocknarea" Ulli & Ika Peiler. Knocknarea Eoin, Enda, Eamonn, Elma, Emperor, Enchanter (dogs); Emer, Eilis, Eibhlin, Eithne, Eaga, Eadaoin (bitches). Sire Knocknarea Briciu, Dam Knocknarea Cinn Oir.

Knocknarea Frodo (dog); Fiona, Florrie, Frances, Faydra, Fuchsia (bitches). Sire Knocknarea Briciu, Dam Knocknarea Deirdre.

"Owenmore" Mr. & Mrs. Gover. No puppies bred in 1988.

"Russfinlow" Mr. J. Lowth. Russfinlow Laura, Roisin, Fiona (bitches). Sire Keereen Magic Warlock, Dam Keereen Queen of Russfinlow. (Unable to contact Mr. Lowth, details supplied by Mrs. Thorpe owner of Sire).

"St. Doulagh's" Mrs. M. Haughey. No puppies bred in 1988.

"Tolkavalley" Belle Walton. No puppies bred in 1988.

Mr. & Mrs. John Kelly. Tuam County Galway. Owen's own, Another Earl (dogs); Tribley, The Golden Fleece (bitches). Sire Ash of St. Doulaghs, Dam My Golden Sunrise.

Sheila Higgins. Newcastle, Co. Down. No puppies bred 1988.

Mr. & Mrs. Hennessey, Waterford. No puppies bred 1988.

Mrs. Catherine Jones, Bangor, Co. Down. No puppies bred 1988.

Mr. Ian C. Burns, Enniskillen. No puppies bred 1988.

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Gulliagh Irish Wolfhounds



Gulliagh Isolde (4.3.'88) at 13 months
(Gulliagh Harvey x Ch. Hydebeck Nessa of Gulliagh)

1988 was another very good year in the ring, and notable also in that we produced three litters, making seven to date since 1965.

- **Ch./G.B. Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh** was outstanding in the showing collecting 74 Green Star points to make him Annual Champion 1988 by a huge margin. In the U.K. he went BOB at Leeds Ch. Show under Mrs. Dagmar Kenis (117 entries), and again at Belfast (judge Dick McCoy); he has since gained his G.B. title, in March 1989, at the Scottish Hound Association under Mrs. C.L. Nowell, going on to win Reserve Best in Show.
- **Ch. Hydebeck Nessa of Gulliagh** did the 'double' four times with her half-brother, Benjamin, and gained her Championship. A slow maturing bitch, like her beautiful dam, GB Ch. Hydebeck Ballycarrie, she was beginning to make her presence felt in the ring. She won the bitch Green Star at the Club Ch. Show, the bitch CC at Belfast, and at the start of 1989 was 2nd in a strong Open

Class at Crufts. Tragically, in March 1989, she with her year old daughter, Inca, got in amongst sheep while being walked, and were instantly and mercilessly shot dead by a local farmer. Marion and I should like to thank all our friends who have commiserated with us over this terrible experience. The loss is not just of two lovely pets; Nessa, and Inca (who was the image of her) had remarkable intelligence, combined with rock solid temperament and quite exceptional type. They are both quite irreplaceable.

- Nessa's other daughter, **Gulliagh Isolde** (above), is out of a $\frac{1}{2}$ brother/ $\frac{1}{2}$ sister mating with Galleon as grandfather. Very shapely in outline, and broad throughout, with very muscular h/q, we expect her to make her mark early.

Gulliagh Irish Wolfhounds



Gulliagh Kilti (27.10.'88) at 5 months
(Ch./G.B. Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh x Whysper of Lainston)

- **Gulliagh Kilti** (above) carries the best attributes of his sire and dam. He will make his debut at the Club Ch. Show 1989.
- **Gulliagh Hecla** (21.6.'86) ½ sister of Kilti by Galleon, was out of the ring for most of 1988 with her litter by Benjamin. She won her class at the Club Ch. Show 1988, and is now going to carry the flag for the bitches in 1989.
- The veterans, **Gulliagh Ballykelly Cait** (9 years) and **Ch./G.B. Ch. Gulliagh Galleon** (7 years), are both in fine fettle. Galleon is basking in the glory of his progeny's show careers, in particular, his two sons — **G.B. Ch. Hydebeck Reginald Snuffson** and **Benjamin**. Reginald was the top-winning IW in the UK in 1986 and 1987, and so far in 1989 has won BOB Crufts and Dog CC at the Club Ch. Show (UK), making 19 CC's to date. Up to April 1989 Galleon is the top stud dog in the U.K. for 1989 based on CC winners, and he has held the Beynon Stud Dog Bowl (Ireland) for three years to 1988, following in the steps of his grandfather, Merlin, who won it four times in previous years.
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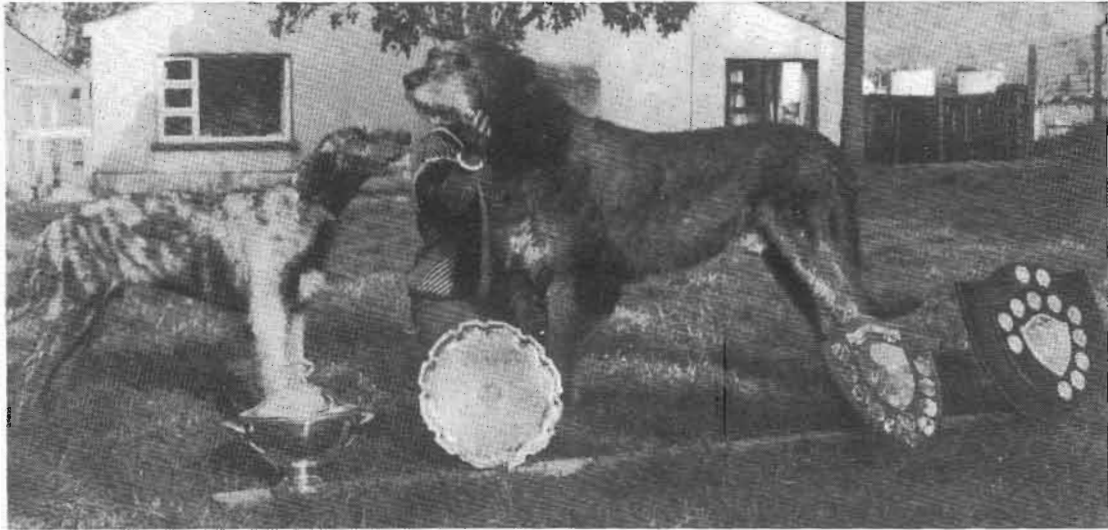
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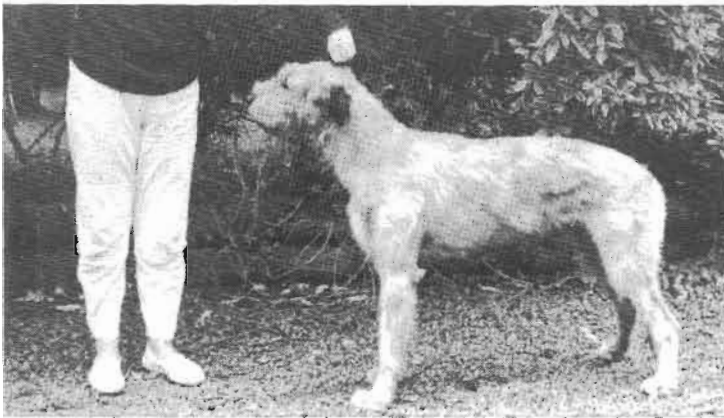
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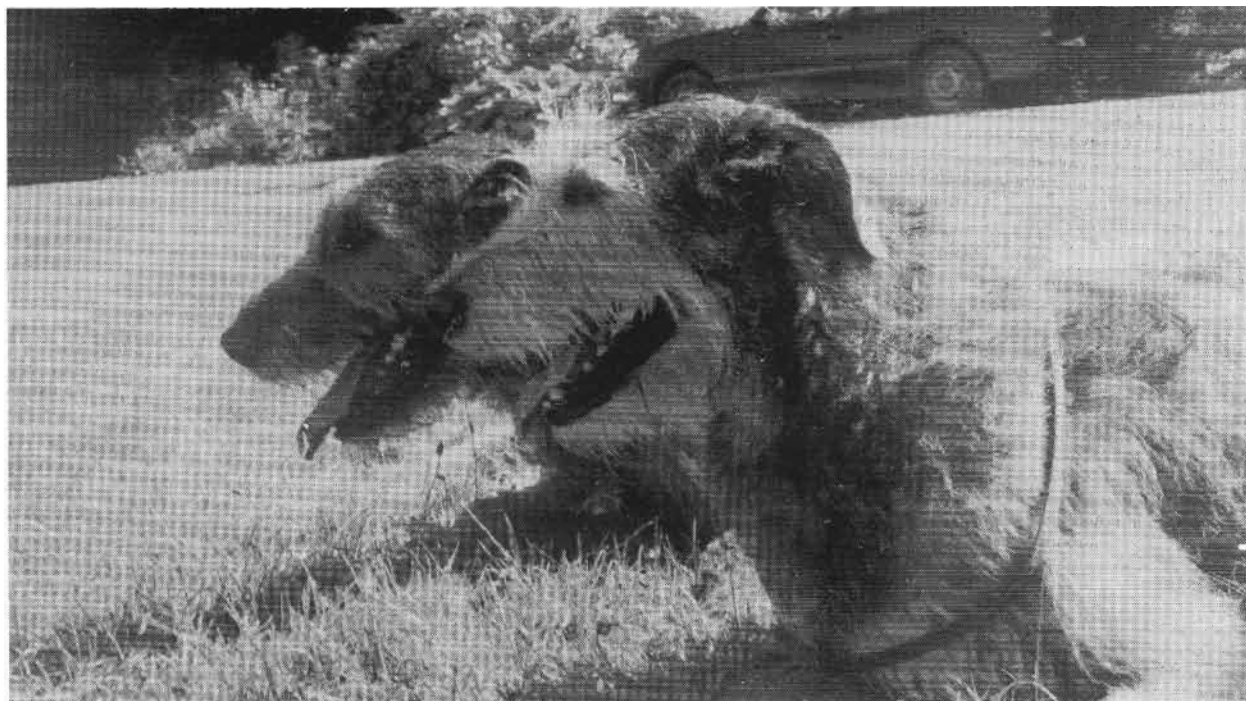
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