

# THE IRISH HOUND



**The Irish Wolfhound Club  
of Ireland**

Established 1925

**1990**

## THE IRISH WOLFHOUND

### 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 hips.
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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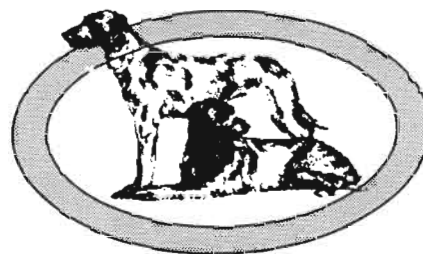
## 1989/1990 Officers & Committee

<i>Patron:</i>	Miss Sheelagh Seale
<i>President:</i>	Miss E.C. Murphy
<i>Vice-Presidents:</i>	Mr. A. Killykeen-Doyle and Miss I. Walton
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<i>Committee:</i>	Mrs. C. Thorpe Mr. W. Clarke Mr. T. Redmond Mrs. I. Peiler Mrs. L. Gover Mr. S. Buggle

## NOTICE

In the 1989 issue of the I.H. (page 36). The proposed mating of Owenmore Finn MacCool and Knocknarea Eilis did not take place.

Editor



*Give everyman his Dew*

*The Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland  
wishes to thank  
**TULLAMORE DEW**  
for its Sponsorship*

## Editorial

1990 was a very good year for our club. This year saw the successful launch of our news letter. The continued success of which will need your support and contributions, please send your items to Linda and Cathy.

Our Club Show was a very happy affair, generously sponsored by "Tullamore Dew" which we all appreciated and, I am pleased to announce, will continue in 1991.

May I on behalf of the club say a special thank you to Ciarán Smyth of "Tullamore Dew" for his great interest and support, his valuable time was a major factor to the success of the show.

Another happy announcement is the reprinting of Captain Graham's Pedigrees; this valuable book is now with the printers and will be available shortly. This reprint is being done by Miss Walton from a trust fund set up by her as a memorial to her late father Mr. Martin Walton. Thank you "Belle".

*Jim Behan*

# The President's Page

## A TRIP TO IRELAND

If planning a holiday in Ireland this year here is some background information which may help you to make the most of your visit.

The time of year is a prime consideration. The best time to visit Ireland (I think) is from April through to September. Although we can never promise dry weather in Ireland, it is usually at its best from late Spring to early Autumn. Overseas visitors are often pleasantly surprised at how quickly grey, wet weather can change to bright sunshine. Sometimes we do have very good weather but rain is always a possibility in an Island country. We have a special Irish greeting for those soft rainy days "lá breá bog, buíocha le Dia (grand soft, day, thank God).

May, June and July are my favourite months. In May there is abundant lush green growth which, having burst forth in late Spring, has by now established itself all over the country. It is in May that one's eye is filled with "40 shades of Green" - nature is at her most glorious when all the trees, grasses, crops and, even the weeds along the road side, grow strong and healthy. I love the longer May evenings with the promise of longer to come. In June, the summer evenings are at their longest and loveliest - on fine evenings it can be bright up to 11.00 pm. The strong, vibrant greens of the May countryside give way to softer shades in June as plant life grows into flowering. July brings the introduction of golden tinges as the crops throughout the country begin to ripen.

June is, of course the ideal time to come - for Wolfhound enthusiasts. Our Breed Championship show is held early in June each year\*. The date this year (1991) is Sunday 9th June and our judge is Mrs. Helen Baker, UK. a Hound Specialist.

The Show is being held at Slane Castle in County Meath. The show starts at approximately 11 am. There are usually about seventy Irish Wolfhounds present. It is an ideal opportunity to meet all Irish Wolfhound exhibitors and breeders and most of their hounds. There is a dinner afterwards in the castle for all who wish to attend. The

show is being sponsored again this year by "Tullamore Dew".

Slane Castle, 1785 AD, the seat of the Marquis of Conyngham, is beautifully situated in its extensive demesne beside the majestic river Boyne. The Conyngham family still reside at the castle. Henry, the present Earl of Mount Charles is the Seventh Marquess Conyngham.

The Boyne Valley is among the most scenic and historical parts of Ireland. It was on Slane Hill in 43 AD, that St. Patrick, defying pagan tradition, kindled the Paschal fire - thus proclaiming Christianity throughout the land. A few miles Eastward along the river Boyne is the pre-Christian cemetery known as Brugh na Boinne - the burial place of the Kings. It consists of a series of Bronze Age tumuli of which the three principal burial mounds are at Newgrange, Knowth and Dowth. A visit to Newgrange is, for me, a fantastic experience - one slips back over 5,000 years when walking along this burial passage built in the Bronze Age. Knowth and Dowth are not yet open to the public.

Information on places to visit can be found in the Meath county Guide map available from any Irish Tourist Office. These county maps, which are available for all Irish counties, ensure that you make the most of your visit to each county.

*\*If early June is not suitable, you may be able to include some other All-Breed championship show in your itinerary - though entries of Irish Wolfhounds even at championship shows around the country are often disappointing.*

A list of shows may be had from The Irish Kennel Club, Fottrell House, Greenmount Office Park, Dublin 6W. (Phone: Dublin 533300 or 532309 or 532310).

"Elegant Ireland", address: 15 Harcourt street, Dublin 2 (phone: Dublin -751665) will, on request, put together the trip of your choice and arrange accommodation to your taste - anything from a fully staffed castle, complete with butler, to a one bedroomed cottage - on a rental basis from one week or more. For those who like to stay just one or two nights in one place they arrange



accommodation in elegant, fully staffed houses hosted by the owners where guests live as family, sitting down to dinner with the family.

When in Dublin, Irish Wolfhound enthusiasts should be on the look out for some points of interest. The O'Connell Monument, beside O'Connell Bridge - note the Wolfhound at one corner. The emblem (a lady, harp and hound) on top of the Bank of Ireland in Dame street (stand with your back to the gate of Trinity College and look along the top of the buildings on your left, easiest to see at night when it is lit by a spot light). Much further down Dame street, past the Olympic theatre is the City Hall. High up on the walls of the hall inside is a fresco depicting the story of Triston and Isolde, which includes an Irish Wolfhound. A visit to the Abbey Theatre would be another point of interest. The emblem of the Abbey which is usually on the programme is Éire, depicted as a lady holding two Wolfhounds.

Outside Dublin, in Castletown House in County Kildare there is a huge painting of a bear hunt which included two Irish hounds, (check before-hand with the an Irish Tourist office that the house is open). The only other Wolfhound illustration that comes to mind is over in the West of Ireland, in Sligo townhall. The story of Oisín in Tir Na nÓg (the land of eternal youth) includes one (or two) Wolfhounds.

*Elizabeth C Murphy*



## LETTER

SUNNYHILL,  
KILCULLEN,  
CO. KILDARE.

Dear Betty,

The paragraph on Salukis in the I.W. Gazette was very interesting to me, but the inaccuracies of the information supplied, astounded me. Your friend Susan Hudson was quite definitely not the first owner to register Salukis with the Irish Kennel Club. I preceded her by a number of years, and I in turn was preceded by a Galway lady who registered a pair in the early 1920's. When I appeared 25 years further on, I got a great welcome from quite a large number of people who remembered the earlier ones. William Hickey, Social Editor of the "Daily Mail" gave me a great write-up, and the "Irish Independent" saw it, and I was summoned to "Independent House" for a long interview, which was published in two paragraphs along with a photo of both dogs and me.

The dog was sired by a dog of Lady Gardner's, whose I.W. Knight Ellington spent all the war years here, because there was no food for him in England. I remember him very well indeed, he did quite a bit of winning.

My exquisite bitch had for sire a dog belonging to the Royal Kennels in Saudi Arabia. His owner was Emir Feisal, Ambassador to the Court of Sir James, and when his tour of duty was ended, he left the dog (Sabbah The Windswift) in England, where he became the cornerstone of Vera Watkin's famous Windswift Kennels. There were a number of other owners, mostly round Dublin in those days, and a few in the North. Hileva Longhay loved my Windswift Hajir and always came over and talked to us if we were at a Show. She said Haj was the most beautiful one she had ever seen. Her pups proved that as well as herself and her awards.

All the best,  
MAUREEN HOLMES

# Annual General Meeting

## 25th November, 1990

Apologies were received from several members. The Chairman opened the meeting and thanked the Committee for the work done during the year. He called for a minute's silence in memory of Mrs. Wendy Howell & the Chairman of the I.K.C. Mr. Bill O'Herlihy.

### PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

She said our Patron Sheelagh Seale sends you all her best wishes. She is at present in Rathdrum Hospital convalescing.

I would also like to send our good wishes from the General Membership to Maeve Scott who is going to hospital tomorrow. You will remember that Maeve & Johnny Scott are very good neighbours to Sheelagh and it is through their kindness in looking after the dogs that Sheelagh is able to get away for some much needed rest.

In recent years we have had quite a number of new Irish Wolfhound people come to join us. Most of our new friends came to Ireland because they liked our people and our way of life. We all need to remember that a happy atmosphere and good fellowship needs care to keep it alive. I hope that our new friends will help us strive to maintain and develop this good fellowship.

New blood always brings vitality. Our new friends, most of whom are distant cousins rather than outcrosses, should blend beautifully into the Irish scene. It is wise to remember that we are all very human and very dependent on each other for a happy and healthy group relationship. We bid you all welcome.

### SCRUTINEERS

Miss Gwen Fottrell & Mr. Barry Foley were approved. Minutes of previous meeting were read. Miss Murphy proposed acceptance & Miss L. Butler seconded. Minutes were accepted.

### MATTERS ARISING

*GENETICS:* We hope to organise this lecture very soon.

*PUPPY LEAFLET:* This has been up-dated, but the Committee have decided to further up-date the diets mentioned.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer presented his accounts. He reported that due to the increase in Membership dues and the sponsorship of the Club Show by Tullamore Dew, our income was up, but our expenditure was also up. The Club finances were reasonably healthy. Mr. Redmond proposed acceptance of the accounts and complimented the Treasurer. Mrs. Rathbone-Scott seconded. The accounts were accepted.

### SECRETARY'S REPORT

She said first of all, I would like to thank the Club for the beautiful Wolfhound Brooch, I was very honoured to receive it and really appreciate your kindness.

I would like to thank all the Officers and Committee for their help during the year. We would also like to thank Mrs. Sue Rathbone-Scott for all she has done for the Club over the years.

I hope you all liked the News Letter, congratulations are due to the Editors and all who contributed. I would, however, like to make a point, we do not want this News Letter to apply to only one area of the country and I would ask Members in all parts of the country to get down to it and contribute to the next and future issues.

### TO TAKE EVENTS CHRONOLOGICALLY:

#### The Match at the Race Course, Tramore

This was a success and we had 17 hounds, a really great turnout. I have already expressed our thanks to Mrs. Gover, Mrs. Thorpe and Mrs. Wilcox for the excellent 'eats'. You will be sorry to hear that our Judge, Mrs. Wendy Howell died last month. She really was a character, she was a pioneer female air pilot and helped to train many of the U.S. Fighter Pilots in World War 2. She took a keen interest in animals, particularly Whippets and Greyhounds. Her prefix was 'Great Circle'.

#### The Championship Show.

This as you know was sponsored by Tullamore Dew and we have to thank Mr. Tony Doyle for getting this sponsorship. The Show was a great success and there have been many comments on the wonderful atmosphere, helped in no small way by our judge, Mrs. Elizabeth Thornton. We must thank Mr. George Pritchard, our Show Manager and all who helped.

## **The Open Show**

This was held in conjunction with South Tipperary Open Show and was well supported, but we could have hoped for less absentees, although many were complementary entries. Mrs. Thorpe did an excellent job as Judge.

Mr. Tony Doyle won the Twyman Memorial Bowl; Mr. and Mrs. John Kelly won the Moonvoy Cup; Mr. Cotter of Macroom, Co. Cork (a new comer to showing) won the Ballyvalla Tray.

Our Championship Show next year will be held at Slane Castle and the judge will be Mrs. Helen Baker and we hope to have a big entry for her. Due to a change in the rules of the I.K.C., dates for Championship Shows have to be applied for two years in advance and we have applied to have our show on the second Sunday of June in 1992. The Judge has not yet been decided and the Committee would like members to submit the names of any judges they would like for consideration by the Committee.

I am pleased to inform you that the Puppy Leaflet has been up-dated and we hope to have the Pedigree Book available in the near future. Again we must thank Miss Walton for this.

We have admitted 23 new Associate Members and 6 Full Members during the year.

The I.K.C. has advised us that 166 puppies were registered during the year – this is 29 more than last year and seems to be a very large number and we wonder where they are all being bred!

I have been advised that Mr. Behan's bitch 'Genevieve of Bearnia Bui' came 4th in the I.K.C. Show Dog of the Year competition. We must congratulate him on this success.

I would like to explain the change of venue for the A.G.M. We applied to the Ashling Hotel in September, but they were unable to accommodate us, so this was the next best thing.

As suggested at the last A.G.M., we have arranged for a dinner to follow this meeting, but I understand this has not been well supported. We are again having a Breed Stand at the Patrick's Day Show. We would like to thank all who helped this year and once more we ask for volunteers to man it next year.

The Open Show next year will be held in conjunction with the Hound Open Show on 2nd March and Mr. Ulli Peiler has agreed to judge for us. The venue is to be Navan.

We would also like to thank Miss Murphy, who has again allowed us to hold our Committee Meetings at her house.

There have been a few enquiries for puppies and I have sent out many puppy leaflets. Again, may I ask to be advised of puppies available. I must also ask breeders to be careful about placing puppies abroad, only this week I've been advised, by a member in England, that a Wolfhound had been found abandoned and in bad condition in Dubai and that puppies have been sent to Brazil and other countries, climatically and environmentally unsuitable for our breed.

Finally, may I ask members to work together for the good of our Breed and our Club. I have, unfortunately, heard of some cases of bad feelings among members. If anyone has any complaint, please verify the details and bring them to the notice of the Committee.

There have been two Champions made up during the year and congratulations were due to John and Kathleen Kelly and Mr. McMillan.

## **RESCUE FUND**

Mr. Redmond said that in the main he was happy with the way things were going and the Fund was financially sound. He would like to have a register of possible homes and for more members of the Club to help as it was left to the same few to do all the work.

Mr. Tony Doyle stated that the breeder should be responsible in the first place for re-homing. Mr. Redmond said he wanted more assistance. There was a discussion on the Rescue service. Miss Murphy proposed that any dogs that came up for rescue should be the responsibility of the Breeder if they were members of the Club, Mr. Doyle seconded this and it was carried.

It was decided to put a note in the Club Magazine that Breeders must tell new owners to contact them if anything goes wrong.

Miss Hudson suggested that before breeding, owners should ask themselves why do they want to breed and every precaution should be taken to see that pups go to suitable homes.

Mrs. Wilcox asked about endorsement of pedigrees or withholding papers from pups sold as pets. There was a discussion about this. It was felt that the I.K.C. would not endorse pedigrees and it was up to breeders to do what they thought best.

## RESULT OF ELECTION

Vice-Presidents: Miss I. Walton  
Mr. Tony Killykeen Doyle

Committee: Mr. S. Buggle  
Mr. W. Clarke  
Mrs. L. Gover  
Mrs. I. Peiler  
Mr. T. Redmond  
Mrs. K. Thorpe

As Mrs. K. Kelly had not been re-elected, we expressed our thanks to her for all she had done for the Club over the years.

## ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Miss Butler asked why there was to be a change of venue for the Club Championship Show next year as everyone seemed very happy with Poulaphouca. Mr. Finney said he thought we had outgrown Poulaphouca and that the ring there had not been altogether satisfactory and we had decided to try Slane Castle. Mrs. Rathbone-Scott recommended Slane. It was stated that it was our intention to move round and there was a discussion on venues. Birr was suggested as a possible future venue being pretty central. It was also suggested that a resumé of Committee meetings should be included in the News Letter.

Mr. Doyle told us that Tullamore Dew were very happy with their sponsorship and have agreed to continue it for the next two years. They presented all present with a mini bottle of Tullamore Dew.

## ST. PATRICK'S DAY STAND

Volunteers were asked to man the Stand and the following came forward: Miss L. Butler, Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. Barry Foley, Mr. J. Behan, Mr. M. Wilcox if available.

It was suggested that we should have cheese and wine available and we were asked to contact the Cheese Board.

## GENERAL DISCUSSION

Discussion on the choice of judges, how the Committee decided and what the criteria was. Suggestions for 1992 were taken from the floor to be considered by the Committee. Miss O'Keeffe asked for a critique of all dogs at the Club Show. Mr. Finney stated that it would take too much time. Mr. Redmond suggested a small tape recorder. It was stated that it was essential to make exhibitors aware that they can always ask the judge for individual assessment. The Committee to look into the possibility of a full critique.

## NAVAN SHOW

It was asked what had happened to time at Shows. Exhibitors had waited for two hours. As the Bushby's had broken down at Lucan it was explained that all Wolfhound people had been asked if they had any objections to the delay. It was agreed there should have been a cut-off point. Miss Murphy said she thought the exhibitors were very generous to wait and it was a great tribute to our members. There was a discussion on hold-ups at Shows. Miss O'Keeffe suggested that there should be a stated time limit to hold up a class. Mr. Behan said it was out of our hands.

Mrs. Rathbone-Scott said she did not like the aggressiveness that seemed to have crept in and she hoped the Club would get back to the consideration of the breed rather than personalities. The Secretary stated that Mrs. Jenkins is to have a fun get together at her home at the end of March.

Miss Murphy reported that Miss Heather Burlton had offered two small cups to be awarded at our Open Show.

Miss Butler complimented the Magazine Committee on the 1989 Magazine.



# Profile

## Mrs. Joan Tyrrell

### Dunamaise Irish Wolfhounds

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Joan and Jim Tyrrell live in County Laois in the shadow of the ancient Fort of Dunamaise, seat of Rory O'Moore, King of Leinster. In 1955 they were given their first Irish Wolfhound, Brenda of Ballygran, by Mrs. Ruth Harper (Ballygran Irish Wolfhounds). Both families, the Tyrrells and the Harpers, were very much involved in the horse world. Joan's eight children all took a very active part in show jumping and national hunt amateur riding. It was Joan, rather than her husband Jim, a veterinary surgeon, who went on to become breeder of Dunamaise Irish Wolfhounds.



*Brenda of Ballygran with her last litter. Showing US Ch. Gort of Dunamaise and his litter mates.*

In 1957 Joan bred Brenda (parents; Ch. Molony of Ballykelly x Gail of Boroughbury) to Ch. Brannigan of Ballykelly - the puppies arrived on St. Patrick Day! This litter produced Ch. Diarmuid of Dunamaise who was owned and shown by

Miss Sheelagh Seale (Ballykelly). Diarmuid in turn sired Int. (Irish & U.K.) Ch. Ballykelly O'Flynn. O'Flynn, owned and shown by Miss Susanne Hudson (Brabyns) was a typical, large and very sound bitch. Susanne says that O'Flynn was excellent at coursing. It was to commemorate O'Flynn that the Brabyns Height and Soundness Bitch trophy was donated to our Club. Ch. Diarmuid of Dunamaise also sired Ch. Ballykelly Ni Rooney and Killykeen Breiffne. Breiffne went to the U.S. and became one of the foundation lines of Mrs. Dorothy Woodbury's Eagle Nest Kennel. Diarmuid's litter sister, Deirdre of Dunamaise, went to Dr. May (Ballytobin). Deirdre, bred to Joe of Ballytobin, produced Judy of Ballytobin.



*Ch. Diarmuid of Dunamaise.*

Next time Brenda was bred to Fergus of Ballykelly producing Eileen of Dunamaise who became one of the foundation bitches of Mrs. Tierney's Termon Irish Wolfhounds. Eileen was dam of Aileen and Annaleigh of Termon, by Dornford Bit of Silver.



*Eileen of Dunamaise.*

Later Brenda was bred to Ch. Sulhamstead Sedlestan Rebel, producing a lovely bitch, Feorling Of Dunamaise, who became the foundation bitch of Mrs. Haughey's well known St. Doulaghs line. Feorling, whose sire was Int. Ch McGilligan of Ballykelly, was dam of Joan's second bitch, Deirdre of Bulford, born in the early 1960s. Tony Killykeen-Doyle had Feorling's litter sister, Fanoge of Dunamaise. Tony says that Fanoge was a very large and beautiful bitch whose line went to England and the U.S.A. Brenda's last litter, by Dornford Bit of Silver produced U.S. Ch. Gort of Dunamaise who did well in America.

In time, Joan bred Deirdre of Bulford to Jan of Ballygran producing the "I" litter. Innis of Dunamaise, a lovely male owned by Sheelagh Seale, sired Ballykelly Tanaise-na-gael of Brabyns, who was owned by Susanne Hudson and became part of the Brabyns line. Deirdre bred again to Jan of Ballygran produced Maeve of Dunamaise. Maeve was owned by Dr. May and was dam of Brid of Ballytobin, one of the foundation bitches of Mrs. Saunder's Erindale line. U.S. Ch.

Iona of Dunamaise who went to Mrs Maureen Fox in America was dam of the renowned U.S. Ch. Danny Boy of Roreen.



*Nial of Dunamaise.*

A repeat of this breeding produced the well known "n" litter, Nora, Nenagh and Nial of Dunamaise. Nora became the foundation bitch of Mrs. Powell's Toomevara line. Nenagh sired Tony Killykeen-Doyle's Killykeen Kathleen whose line lives on in the Killykeens.

My own Carrokeel line owes much to Nial of Dunamaise. Nial, owned by Mrs. Harper (Ballygran), was sire of Ch. Carrokeel Cara who won the Brabyn's Height and Soundness Bitch trophy up to and including the year she died. It is interesting to note that this trophy having being presented to commemorate a daughter of Ch. Diarmuid of Dunamaise was won for the first four years by a daughter of Nial of Dunamaise - illustrating the continued type, size and soundness of the Dunamaise line.

Nial also sired five U.S. champions; Carrokeel Gallic, Meagan, Molony, Shani and Paces Simon of Carrokeel. He also sired Canadian Ch. Blossomhill Brady bred by Nicholas O'Connor.

In 1971 Mrs. Tyrrell got her third bitch, Ballinteer Blossom (Ch. Cu-cuhlann Mor x Doon of Lynwood), who was bred by

Mr. C. L. Brooks. The last Dunamaise litter was bred in 1974 when Blossom was bred to Ch. Boroughbury Justice, producing Canadian Ch. Shannon of Dunamaise.



*Ballinteer Blossom.*



*Mrs. Harper's handler and his daughter with Tana and Sheelagh of Ballygran. Mr. Pim with Cloghran of Ballygran and Joan Tyrrell with Brenda of Ballygran..*

Increasing commitments to a very active teenage family left Joan little time to continue her interest in Irish Wolfhounds. Although she no longer has an Irish Wolfhound herself, Joan's married daughter, Mary, hopes to continue the Dunamaise line. Mary, whose married name is Fingleton, lives right at the Fort of Dunamaise. We all look forward to seeing the Dunamaise line active again.

In twenty years Joan only bred about ten litters. The effectiveness with which the Dunamaise Irish Wolfhounds have been used by other Irish breeders is a testimony to the strength and quality of the Dunamaise line. It may have been in part due to the family's involvement with horses (people who show and ride horses are keenly aware of the importance of soundness of wind and limb), and in part to the influence of her veterinary surgeon husband, Jim, but certainly the strength of the Dunamaise line was Joan's belief in soundness. Beauty was never allowed take precedence over soundness and vitality.

## IRISH WOLFHOUND PEDIGREES 1859 – 1906

**ADVANCE  
NOTICE**

*with illustrations by  
Captain George A.  
Graham*

is now being reprinted  
and should be available  
shortly. Details from Secretary.

**THIS PUBLICATION IS BEING REPRINTED BY  
MISS ISOBEL WALTON AS A MEMORIAL TO HER  
LATE FATHER, MR. MARTIN WALTON.**

# New Champion

## IRISH & UK CH. BALLALYNS DANCER



*Born:* 25th August, 1984

*Breeder/Owner:* Mr. & Mrs. McMillan

*Sex:* Female

<b>IRISH &amp; UK CH. KELLYBOURNE PILOT AT BALLALYN</b>	Irish & UK Ch. Erindale Triston	Erindale O'Leary
		UK Ch. Erindale Grand Duchess
	Eagles Pride of Erin	Irish & UK Ch. Petasmeade Chieftain of Brabyns
		Sanctuary Tamar
<b>R. BOYDEN O'KELLY OF BALLALYN</b>	UK Ch. Royden Finnegan	Jason of Sunningdale
		Graceful Lady of Sanctuary
	UK Ch. Royden Topaze	Sulhamstead Mentor
		Hot Pants of Duncara

# New Champion

CH. CILLIAN RUANE



*Born:* 18.8.88

*Breeder:* Mr. T. Carlisle

*Owners:* John & Kathleen Kelly

<b>CHAPELLEIGH DUKE OF NUTSTOWN</b>	Clonara Nizam	San Antonio of Edeyrn
		Ch. Clonara Cassnu
	Nutstown Grainne	Athcarne Fintan
		Carrokeel Florrie of Nutstown
<b>NUTSTOWN UISCE</b>	Chapelleigh Barun	Ch. Marumac Charlock
		Nuala of Chapelleigh
	Ch. Sorchá of Nutstown	Int. Ch. Carrokeel Sir Connel of Nutstown
		Ch. Sara of Nutstown



## GREEN STAR WINNERS 1990

Show	Judge	Green Star Winners	G.S.	Pts.
I.K.C.	Mr. Roche	Edeyrn Henri of Killykeen	BOB	10
		Gulliagh Isolde		10
C.C.C.	Mr. T. Agnew	Cillian Ruane		8
		Tolkavalley Barna		4
Cork & Dist.	Mr. D. Drum	Owenmore Finn Mac Cool	BOB	4
		Knocknarea Cinn Oir		4
Fermoy	Mrs. Plunkett	Cillian Ruane	BOB	6
		Duchess of Nutstown		2
Hibernian	Mr. Allewell	Ch. & G.B. Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh		5
		Gulliagh Isolde	BOB	5
Munster Canine	Mrs. Dineen	Melanter Ronan	BOB	3
		Knocknarea Cinn Oir		2
I.W.C.I.	Mrs. L. Thornton	Ch. & G.B. Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh		10
		Ch. Genevieve of Bearn Buí	BOB	10
Swords & Dist.	Mrs. M. Spavin	Ch. & G.B. Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh	BOB	8
		Gulliagh Hecla		6
Munster Agri	Miss J. O'Connor	Knocknarea Briciu	BOB	2
		Knocknarea Cinn Oir		1
Kilkenny & Dist.	Mr. T. Finney	Knocknarea Eoin	BOB	5
		Tolkavalley Belleek		4
Bray & Dist.	Mrs. S. O'Connor	Cillian Ruane	BOB	3
		Lady Patricia of Nutstown		3
ILKA	Mr. G. Pritchard	Edeyrn Henri of Killykeen	BOB	5
		Nutstown Kenilworth Balmoral Girl		4
Dundalk & Dist.	Mr. T. Creamer	Ch. & G.B. Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh	BOB	6
		Duchess of Nutstown		6
Dunlaoghaire	Mr. R. McDowell	Cillian Ruane	BOB	6
		Riverbrook Moon Solo		6
Hound Assoc.	Mrs. M. Saunders	Cillian Ruane	BOB	10
		Ch. & G.B. Ch. Ballalyns Dancer		10

## Green Star Winners 1990 contd.

Show	Judge	Green Star Winners	G.S.	Pts.
Clonmel	Mr. S. O'Brien	Cillian Ruane		4
		Ch. & G.B. Ch. Ballalyns Dancer	BOB	6
Killarney	Dr. Sneedeen	Hydebeck Harmane	BOB	7
		Ch. & G.B. Ch. Ballalyns Dancer		7
Limerick	Mr. D. Allen	Hydebeck Harmane	BOB	6
		Hydebeck Hirastar		6
Tralee	Mr. Weston	Hydebeck Harmane		3
		Hydebeck Hirastar	BOB	4
Drogheda	Mr. J. Behan	Knocknarea Eoin	BOB	4
		Gulliagh Hecla		4
Irish Breeds	Mr. R. Baird	Ch. & G.B. Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh		6
		Gulliagh Isolde	BOB	10
Carlow	Mr. R. Parkes	Ch. & G.B. Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh	BOB	6
		Knocknarea Cinn Oir		3
Bull Breeds	Mr. M. Kealy	Cillian Ruane	BOB	7
		Gulliagh Hecla		7
Dublin Dog Show Soc.	Mr. G. Hickey	Ch. & G.B. Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh	BOB	6
		Holly of Nustown		6

### BEST IN SHOW WINS

*Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland*  
Ch. Genevieve of Bearnna Bui

### HOUND GROUP WINS

*Limerick:* Hydebeck Harmane  
*Tralee:* Hydebeck Hirastar

### ANNUAL CHAMPION

Ch. & G.B. Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh 47 pts.

#### RUNNER UP

Cillian Ruane 44 pts.

*compiled by J. Behan*

# Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland Championship Show 1990

Poulaphouca House, Co. Wicklow

*Judge: Mrs. Elizabeth Thornton*



Dear I.W.C. of Ireland members,  
I hope you aren't entirely fed up with the judges at your Club show praising all of you for the friendliness and hospitality of the event, as I have to do the same. A lovely show in a splendid setting with some truly splendid hounds on show too. My ring stewards made life extremely easy for me, as did all of you for the way in which you accepted the placings. Thank you too for my presents, and for the "Tullamore Dew" goodies. I didn't touch a drop before or during, honestly!

The critique never tells the whole story, and it is the purely subjective opinion of one person on one day in the hound's life, when he or she must look the part for those few

moments I have to evaluate dog against breed Standard and then against the others in competition. I know full well that we look at the same dog and like or dislike according to our own knowledge and sometimes prejudices. I like to think that mine are based on the breed standard, but also know I react strongly against straight lines ungainly movements and bad constructional faults such as ewe necks or badly formed hindquarters. Sometimes too the dog under the hands and the dog as shown and presented by a clever handler are two conflicting sets of messages. I've learned to believe my hands. Perhaps if I was standing at ringside and judging from there the decisions would have gone differently. You have some lovely hounds with strengths in different areas which should compliment each others lines. Of course I wish there were more of them in the lower classes. Perhaps next year I'll be able to "put my money where my mouth is" and come over as an exhibitor. I do hope so.

Thank you again,

*Elizabeth Thornton*

## Puppy Dog



**1st:** Kelly's Rí of Nutstown, friendly baby puppy making a good job of what must have been his first time out, lovely head with very dark eyes and tight well carried ears. Heavy bone and the promise of a good outline. Moved very nicely behind with good width between hocks, I hope his feet and pasterns tighten with maturity and there will be a little more depth of chest to come.

### Junior dog



**1st:** Wilcox's Chulchoill Diarmaid, again alone, this wiry coated black brindle has a nice head and good mouth but is let down by lack of angulations. Very straight upperarms and lack of forechest, he was tied in elbow coming towards me and also turned one hock in more than the other going away. Tremendously long tail ringed in movement, which could only lack in reach and drive, and did.

### Novice Dog



**1st:** Finney's Gullagh Kilti, quality, not to say elegant, 19 months dog who presented a very houndy outline, well proportioned but with a tendency to slope away behind into rather too much bend of stifle. I think his anxiety on the day did him no favours in this respect. Heavily furnished lean head with beautiful expression, ears rather large and loose. Very good lay of shoulder, his movement coming towards me was excellent, hope his cowhocks improve as he gains in confidence and strength on maturity.

**2nd:** O'Keeffe's Cillian Earl of Nutstown, two years old, and Goliath to the winners David, this dog has all the size and substance in the world and a strong friendly character to go with it. Rather too massive in skull for strength of muzzle to balance it. Not the angulations, and a particularly sloppy ungainly movement was disappointing.

### Graduate Dog



**1st:** Peiler's Knocknarea Eoin. I liked this two year old very much indeed and thought he compared very well against the first in Open but lacked maturity when it came down to the hard decisions. Head invariably held high on a long strong neck, which I know is a special fancy of mine as it gives such

a look of houndiness and quality to a dog in profile. Well laid shoulder and a good outline: strong back, broad croup, well bent muscular stifles. Well ribbed and tucked up exactly where he should be, has flowing lines. Wish he had more forechest and better ears. A hound with substance and quality.

**2nd:** Thorpe's Keereen McQuigan, smaller two and a half year old red I preferred on first sight as he has such a spacious side action, really covers the ground. Another lovely neck, very good shoulder, and hindquarters which produced exceptionally good hind action. I found him slightly long for his height, still immature in body underneath that beautifully presented coat and he would persist in coming towards me too wide in front. He reminded me of some of Eng./Ir. Ch. Petasmeade Chieftain of Brabyns' sons of fifteen years ago.

#### LIMIT DOG



**1st:** Killykeen-Doyle's Killykeen Max, two and a half year old who gave the appearance of not having quite settled into his frame. Kept high head carriage, has slope of shoulders and long upperarms which should be better set back. I found him rather too square in outline with a flat back instead of arched loin and steep croup, not enough second thigh although he

has low hocks. Lovely male head and expression, ears large and low set, he is a very typical dog for all that. Movement disappointing, winging beneath the pastern and drifting rather than effortlessly driving, as if his legs are not under full control yet.

#### OPEN DOG



#### The first big class - seven hounds!

**1st:** Green Star Dog: Finney's Ch. & G.B. Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh. This dog is just so correct, under the hands every piece fits into the next and his front assembly was the best in the entry. Gorgeous head, houndy lines, moved perfectly from all angles. I'll criticise him for two things, possibly inter-related:- no arch to his long neck and a total lack of interest in proceedings therefore a severe lessening in the air of commanding appearance which would put the Wolfhound World completely at his feet.

**2nd & Res. Green Star:** Killykeen-Doyle's Edeyrn Henri of Killykeen, six months younger and a size smaller this dog is personality plus, such a happy charming character. Not the length of neck of winner but here as in every part he was filled with muscles to give a curvy yet strong outline, perfect ears, tiny and high set. Heavy bone, beautifully proportioned,



big quarters with tiny low hocks. In this class his upperarm was vertical giving him a terrier front. I'll blame his handler for this as I have a picture taken in the stud dog class (which he won) of the dog on a loose lead standing perfectly. Lost out on movement, my tape says he had "too much going on", flexing beneath the pastern and kicking out behind. Would like to see him running loose.

**3rd:** Kelly's Ch. Chieftain of Nutstown

## PUPPY BITCH



Three delightful youngsters, this was the best class of the day for evenness of quality. Second and third were hard to separate.

**1st:** Kelly's Callaighstown Lady. I found it hard to part with her in the bitch challenge despite her youth and inexperience. Rangy, leggy red brindle with short wiry coat, massive bone, long neck, intelligent head. Has a good topline and exceptionally good hindquarters, moved exceptionally well with the expected reach, drive and accuracy. Needs a little more length of ribbing and fraction more layback of upper arm.

**2nd:** Kelly's Empress of Nutstown, seven month baby who was acting as if it was her first time on a lead, let alone in the showing! Substantial, well coated black with a completely gorgeous head and expression, good topline, well bent stifles thickly padded with muscle, tail dragging on the ground. Also at various times, head and bottom!

**3rd:** Meredith's Raglenary Mora, beautifully headed sound puppy just lacking the topline and substance of 2nd for this stage.

## JUNIOR BITCH



**1st:** Gover's Owenmore Ciara, fifteen month dark brindle with especially dark eyes. Rather a "bumpy" skull, good ears and length of neck. Better in side action than up and down at this stage as she's close behind and elbowy coming towards. Tendency to slope off behind.

## NOVICE BITCH



**1st:** Scott's Gulliagh Keevagh, was very fond of this little bitch's head and expression, which are really lovely. She had an unusual fault for this entry of having a tail too high set and carried, and moved close behind, although she moved easily and in balance. A little better in neckline and lay of upperarm than 2nd.

**2nd:** Killykeen-Doyle's Killykeen Spellbound, four months older and a big substantial bitch. Also a nice head, she had very good quarters indeed with great muscle, length and bend of stifle, level back, front disappointing. Not co-ordinating her stride in movement, legs all over the place. I wondered if she may be a little too short coupled?

## GRADUATE BITCH

Nine, plus three absentees This was my hardest class to judge, various faults and virtues on nice enough hounds without any of them standing out as the obvious winner to my eyes on the day.



**1st:** Russell's Orla of Nutston, two and half year old cream and I hope her owner forgives me for calling her unprofessionally handled, whatever I liked on her I had to set up to find for myself! On the D.I.Y system her front was better than it appeared, a big raw-boned sort, very fit, excellent hind action from shapely quarters. Not too clean coming towards me but I liked her easy gait from the side.

**2nd:** Jenkin's Kenilworth Balmoral Girl of Nutstown dropped a place as she was carrying too much weight which had an adverse affect on her topline. Eye matches her orange coat. Good neckline and bend of stifle, moved well behind but not so well in front.

**3rd:** Pritchard's Agathenor Fifi of Callaighstown.

## LIMIT BITCH

**1st:** Finney's Gulliagh Isolde, an easy winner in this class on her lovely movement and shape retained standing as well as moving. She's all curves. Lovely headed bitch too.



1st: Finney-Gulliagh Isolde

**2nd:** Peilers Knocknarea Cinn Oir, typical bitch with high head carried on a long neck, sound hindquarters, very typical, not the front action of winner.

**3rd:** Kelly's Duchess of Nutstown

#### OPEN BITCH



Seven, plus four absentees.

**1st & Best of Breed:** Behan's Ch. Genevieve of Bearna Bui, four year old bitch far and away the best one in the class in my opinion and having been in the lucky position of judging in four countries within three months she would have topped any entry with ease wherever she was, geographically speaking. Iron grey wiry coat, an exceptionally beautiful head and expression, tiny high set rosed ears, long arched neck which gave her such pride in bearing. Correct front with good width viewed head on, perfect proportions through the body due to a well shaped deep and long ribcage, low hocks, long tail. To be critical she needs more shape over her loin and a fuller second thigh, but to watch her in action flowing over the top of the ground ... as one breeder to another, finding one of this calibre, showing her head off too, is one of the best experiences I've ever had whilst judging.

**2nd & Res. Green Star:** Thorpe's Keereen Madam Rowena, for me an easy second to the lovely winner. A small bitch with such a beautiful outline, outstanding in head and hind movement. Reluctant to show and is slightly short on the leg for perfect balance, but I'd love to see what she produced with one of the good Irish males.

**3rd:** Killykeen-Doyle's Killykeen Wolfwitch.

#### VETERAN BITCH



After no entries in veteran dog these four ladies were so nice to see.

**1st:** Kelly's Ch. Kracken Comet, listed as ten years in the catalogue, which isn't right but she has to be over seven and looks three, if that. Easy winner, sound, fit, strong and substantial bitch with powerful easy movement and excellent condition. Needs more slope to upperarms to set forelegs beneath body and dips slightly behind the withers. Splendid tail, ribbing, quarters.

**2nd:** Thorpe's nine and half year old Galtimore Pride, tatty coated old girl who still has excellent formation beneath the brown fluff, is very sound still and had the fading remnants of quality remembered from seven years when I last judged her, which put her above a very fit nine year old in lovely nick.

**3rd:** Peiler's Lady of Nutstown.



*Brood Bitch Thorpe's Galtimore Pride*

*Height Cup Winner O'Keeffe's Cillian Earl of Nutstown*



**Brace:** Peiler's brother and sister, Knocknarea Eoin and Eilis.





*Our Club Secretary of 25 yrs. being congratulated by our Patron Sheelagh Seale.*



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# The Hound Association of Ireland Championship Show



## GRADUATE DOG (4)

1. KELLYS CILLIAN RUANE: Big cream dog – Good head and neck, splendid body, strong bone. Good forechest and depth of chest. Moved soundly with long, easy strides. He has quality and type coupled with presence. I would expect him to gain his title soon. Green Star and B.O.B.
2. FINNEYS GULLIAGH KILT: Unlucky to meet 1. Lovely head and eye. Good beard. Lovely outline but has a tendency to fall away behind. Is very young and has great potential since he possesses both type and quality.
3. PEILERS KNOCKNAREA EOIN: Another good dog. Good head and eye. Correct ears, good pigmentation. Has great depth of chest. Needs to steady in movement.

**LIMIT DOG (1)** Absent.

## OPEN DOG (6)

1. NOWELLS HYDEBECK HARMANE: Big grey true to type. Lovely shape with tremendous bone – strong, straight forelegs. Good head, dark eyes lovely low hocks. Great depth of chest and good forechest. I have admired this dog from the ringside and thought he would be my winner but in the run off for Green Star he was somewhat lethargic and couldn't match the winner for presence and fluency. Nevertheless, a quality hound. Res. Green Star.
2. FINNEYS CH/GB CH. CULVERCROFT BENJAMIN OF GULLIAGH: Splendid dog, well worthy of his title. Has type and quality. Another dog I have always admired. A strong dog with pleasing outlines. Grand head. Not so good in forechest as 1 and somewhat reluctant to lift his head on the move.
3. KILLYKEEN-DOYLES EDEYRN HENRI OF KILLYKEEN: Splendid type, lovely head, great depth, good bone and a pleasing overall shape. Has great quality but needs to strengthen going away.

## PUPPY BITCH (1)

1. KELLYS EMPRESS OF NUTSTOWN: Nearly black, lovely outline. Long neck, pretty head, dark eye and good pigmentation. Looking rangy at the moment but stepped out well. Should mature into a very attractive bitch, and become a worthy member of this famous kennel.

## JUNIOR BITCH (5)

1. GOVERS OWENMORE CIARA: Lovely dark bitch. Full of quality. Good head and eye. Lovely outline, good depth of chest and shapely quarters. Moved the best in this class.
2. KELLYS CALLAIGHSTOWN LADY: Young and rangy. Promising but needs schooling. Lovely type, has quality. Good bone and well carried tail.
3. McKENNAS RIVERBROOK KEAVY: Lovely cream, eyes a shade light. Nice quarters. A bit testy on the lead so didn't move too well.

### GRADUATE BITCH (7)

1. O'KEEFFES NUTSTOWN KENILWORTH SELMAR: Great bitch. Lovely outline. Cream with dark pigmentation. Good bone, strong neck and shapely body. Moved very well.
2. JENKINS NUTSTOWN KENILWORTH BALMORAL GIRL: Another nice bitch but lost out on substance. Good bone and depth and good overall shape. Only just 2 years old so has time to improve.
3. FINNEYS YVONNE VON DER ALTEN VESTE: A nice grey. Pretty head with dark eyes, good pigmentation and lovely shape. Shoulders good but not matched by her quarters – going away had a stilted action so could not compete with those above. She could improve with maturity and rise to the standard of the others in this great kennel.

### LIMIT BITCH (6)

1. TAYLORS MARUMAC DHURRA OF GALLIVARE: Great big cream full of type. Good head, medium eye, dark ears. Good bone and strong body, moved and showed well. Lovely overall shape. Good quarters, low hocks and well carried tail.
2. FINNEYS GULLIAGH ISOLDE: A grey of good quality – not the stature and depth of 1. Lovely shape, well balanced. Good shoulders and hocks. Good quarters and well sprung ribs. Pretty bitch.
3. KILLYKEEN-DOYLES KILLYKEEN SPELLBOUND: Another good quality grey. Splendid bone. Good spring of rib – just needs a bit more time. Very pretty. A credit to this well known kennel.

Three lovely bitches – a pleasure to see. They should all breed something really nice.

### OPEN BITCH (8)

1. McMILLANS GB CH. BALLALYNS DANCER: All curves. Beautiful head and expression. Darkest of eyes. Strong neck, good spring of rib and great depth. Shapely

quarters, low hocks. Good arch over loin and well carried tail. Harsh coat. Quality bitch, true to type. Green Star.

2. NOWELLS HYDEBECK HIRASTAR: Another lovely grey bitch. Not quite the rib or forechest of 1. Lovely quality, pretty head, shapely outline. Scored in type. Res. Green Star.
3. FINNEYS GULLIAGH HECLA: Again, a lovely grey. Good type and quality. Pretty head, good pigmentation. Low hocks, strong bone. Not quite the substance of those above, but this could improve.

Again – three very good bitches – I think that the breed is in very good hands. The quality and type of the hounds present was splendid – there being about half a dozen that I would expect to gain their titles. On the whole construction was very good – just a few upright shoulders and a couple of less than perfect bites. Movement was good and so was tail carriage.

My thanks to the very sporting exhibitors and to my able Steward. I was thrilled to be in Ireland again after such a long absence – I'll try not to let this happen again.

*Marjorie Saunders, Judge*

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## Club Open Show

This years open show was held in Thurles, Co. Tipperary. An excellent entry of 40 dogs for our Judge Mrs. Cathy Thorpe, who did a wonderful job.

There was a big crowd around the ring creating a lovely atmosphere, we had visitors from the USA. Jill and Ken Bryson (Aeroglen I.W.) Idaho, were on a touring holiday of Ireland – their first visit I believe. Jill does tremendous work for our breed with the I.W.A.W.C.

Cathy's best of breed winner was Tony Doyles Killykeen Spellbound and her res. was John & Kathleen Kelly's Cillian Ruane. The Ballyvalla tray was won by Mr. & Mrs. Cotter's Callaighstown War Babe.

This was a very popular win and I believe it was their first show so it was an extra nice win.

Possibly the most popular win of the day was our "Veterans" our lovely secretary Hilda and her equally lovely lady Longstown Summerglow. In a 'photo finish' Summerglow won by the shortest of the short heads, some thought Hilda was the winner. I thought it was a dead heat, but Hilda you are always our number one.

*Jim Behan*



*Left to right: Tony Doyle with Judge Cathy Thorpe. Killykeen Spellbound BOB  
John Kelly with Cillian Ruane. Res. BOB.*



*Our very best veteran Hilda with her veteran winner Longstown Summerglow and Judge Cathy..*

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# Irish Breeds Society

## LUSK:

15th September 1990

### NOVICE DOG

Standing alone, FINNEY'S GULLIAGH KILT. Very beautiful two-year old brindle dog, very pleasing head with nice furnishings, good eyes, good expression. A very good straight front, nice breadth and depth of rib, very good topline, beautiful bend of stifle and well let-down hocks. Moved very truly and I found him most pleasing and had no hesitation in giving him a first.

### GRADUATE DOG

1. BUSHBY'S GREENSWELL ARRANZ OF CHAPELLEIGH: elegant young dog, two years of age. Very pleasing head, neck, well laid shoulder, nice straight front, pleasing over the loin, has a very good bend of stifle, and he moved very truly.
2. PEILER'S KNOCKNAREA EOIN: a dog of great substance. Lovely fellow, very strong, well muscled, lots of good bone, good neck, head possibly a little coarser than 1. - but still a very nice head. Topline good, very strong over the loin and lovely depth and breadth of chest. A little straight in the stifle compared to 1.

### LIMIT DOG

1. KELLY'S CILLIAN RUANE: tall, substantial, handsome wheaten dog. Pleasing head, very pleasing chest, nice front, good shoulder, lots of bone, nice spring of rib, good over the loin, nice over croup. A little straight of stifle, but he deserves his place, even though he stood alone.

### OPEN DOG

1. FINNEY'S INT.CH. CULVERCROFT BENJAMIN OF GULLIAGH. Very well balanced grey dog, very pleasing head, excellent length of neck, well made shoulder, holds himself well, nice topline, his front very good, adequate bend of stifle and muscle. He moved well.

2. McCUMISKY & MILLAR'S CARROKEEL MULLIGAN: much loved red dog, six years of age. His front is good, he has a very pleasing head but he is a little heavy over the shoulder, possibly carrying a little too much weight and is a little straight in the stifle. He was in very good condition but he didn't move with much enthusiasm, but he is a very nice dog indeed.



### THE DOG GREEN STAR AND THE RESERVE GREEN STAR

The older Open Dog, INT.CH. CULVERCROFT BENJAMIN OF GULLIAGH, got the Green Star on his maturity and his sound movement.

The Limit Dog was a lovely hound with lots of substance and a lovely texture of coat but he was throwing his rear right leg.

The dog awarded the Reserve Green Star, GULLIAGH KILT, has a very nice outline, beautiful bend of stifle, very nice through the quarters, but tended to be a little overawed by the occasion.

### **PUPPY BITCH**

1. **KELLY'S EMPRESS OF NUTSTOWN.** Very rangy, fast looking black bitch, has a strong topline and lovely curve over the loin, nice tuck-up. She is a baby, just eight months, but has plenty of bone. She has a lovely tail and a nice back end with good bend of stifle and well let-down hock.
2. **McLOUGHLIN'S RHONA OF NUTSTOWN.** Nice, very typical grey brindle bitch. She has lovely furnishings, nice head, nice expression, has a good length of neck and lots of nice bone. She is a little shallow in the rib and a little loose in the loin, but she is very strong. She has a fair bend of stifle but moved very erratically. A nice bitch.

### **JUNIOR BITCH**

1. **GOVER'S OWENMORE CIARA:** dark grey brindle bitch. Lovely head carriage, good ears, very pleasing furnishings. Good strong neck, nice straight front. She has nice depth but is a little thick and short over the loin and rolls slightly when she moves. Nice through her quarters, she moved fairly well but possibly a little wide in front.
2. **KELLY'S CALLAIGHSTOWN LADY,** the naughty girl. A beautiful bitch, very pleasing head, very nice good straight front, lots of bone for a youngster. She has a good topline and a nice length of loin. A beautiful bend of stifle with well let-down hocks, but she would not move properly. No way could I see her movement so therefore she had to be second, but a very nice bitch.

### **NOVICE BITCH**

1. **SEALE'S COUNTESS OF BALLYKELLY:** a black bitch. Strong bitch through and through, good strong neck, a lot of good strong bone. Her front is beautifully straight, she has a well laid shoulder, very strong over the loin. I would possibly like a bit more bend of stifle but it's adequate, and she moved by far the best of the class.
2. **McKENNA'S RIVERBROOK KEAVY:** wheaten with good pigmentation. She has a lovely outline. I'd like the neck

to be a little longer, but she has a well laid shoulder and a very nice topline indeed. She is good over the back and nice through the quarters. She really didn't do herself justice moving, she should be able to move much better. I think a little more time might be spent on getting her to move correctly.

3. **O'KEEFFE'S MUIREANN OF NUTSTOWN:** dark grey brindle, a nice bitch. Her topline and front are alright, but she is a little straight in the stifle. If only she would keep her head up! think she really needs a little more training, a little more ringcraft.

### **GRADUATE BITCH**

1. **KELLY'S LADY PATRICIA OF NUTSTOWN:** red wheaten with pleasing head, very good pigmentation. She has a very nice straight front, lots of bone, lots of substance, very good depth and spring of rib - one of the nicest springs of rib of the day. She was also strong over the loin. I would like a bit more bend of stifle but it's adequate and her hocks are well let-down, and she moved quite well.
2. **O'KEEFFE'S NUTSTOWN KENILWORTH SELMAR:** light grey bitch. Very pleasing head, good pigmentation, very nice ears, lots of good bone, good textured coat. She has a very nice topline and a good spring of rib, and quite a lot of muscle.
3. **PRITCHARD'S AGATHENOR FIFI OF CALLAIGHSTOWN:** pleasing brindle bitch. I like her head but her ears are possibly a little large. She has a very nice neck, well laid shoulder and topline, also good over the loin. Possibly one of the best movers of the day but, for me, just a little wide in the front.

### **LIMIT BITCH**

1. **FINNEY'S GULLIAGH ISOLDE:** very typical, well balanced brindle bitch. She has a very pleasing head, nice length of neck, well laid shoulder and good straight front, a very strong topline and nice depth of chest. She has good quarters and good bend of stifle; moved very well.



2. **WALTON'S TOLKAVALLEY BARNA:** another pleasing bitch, more mature. Very good length of neck, lots of good bone, still tight in the topline and a nice underline too. Not quite the bend of stifle of 1. She moved very well indeed, in fact one of the best movers on the day.
3. **KELLY'S DUCHESS OF NUTSTOWN:** another nice bitch. Also moved well, but I prefer the others' shoulders to hers and she is possibly a little straight in the stifle.

#### **VETERAN BITCH**

1. **KELLY'S CH. KRACKEN COMET.** Lovely wheaten, a happy soul, in excellent condition. She is seven years old and slightly matronly but she moved very well indeed. A very nice topline, good through the stifle and through the quarters. She is definitely a credit to her owner.

#### **OPEN BITCH**

1. **FINNEY'S GULLIAGH HECLA.** Grey, nicely balanced, pleasing head and neck, nicely laid shoulder, possibly a little dippy on the topline but has a nice depth and tuck-up. Good bend of stifle, well let-down hocks, and moved very nicely.
2. **WALTON'S TOLKAVALLEY BELLEEK.** Big grey brindle bitch with a lot of substance, a lot of very nice bone, nice length of neck and good breadth of chest. For me, possibly just a little straight in the stifle, but she is a very nice, well-balanced bitch.
3. **BUSHBY'S CHAPELLEIGH DEEDRA:** dark grey bitch. Pleasing head, very nice length of neck, good strong topline, a very good underline and good muscling. She moved quite well. Not really as good over the back end or the bend of stifle of 1.

For my Best Bitch and Green Star, **GULLIAGH ISOLDE**, the younger bitch, had a better, firmer topline, a much better front, and her feet tighter than those of the Reserve Bitch, **GULLIAGH HECLA**.

When arriving at my Best of Breed, I chose the bitch - **GULLIAGH ISOLDE** - because she had better length and moved much more freely. The dog - **INT.CH. CULVERCROFT BENJAMIN OF GULLIAGH** - was very pleasing all round, but in

essence the bitch had the required presence and length, and she moved beautifully and freely. The dog was a little too tight.

*Judge: R. Baird, Esq.*



▲ *Gullagh Isolde*

▼ *"Lure" Winner O'Keefe's "Biddy"*



# WOLFHOUND DENTITION

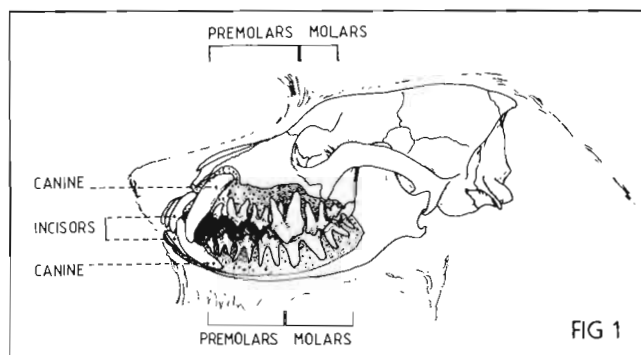
By William V. Carke

Dentition is defined as the system or arrangement of teeth peculiar to an animal.

Each tooth is composed of three parts, the crown, the neck and the root. The crown is the exposed part of the tooth and is covered by enamel. The neck is a slight constriction of the tooth located at the gum line, where the enamel ends. The root is that part of the tooth below the gum, embedded in the bones of the jaws.

Enamel is the hardest substance in the body and gets harder as the dog gets older. The enamel is present as a thin layer over the crown, though the thickness is relatively greater on surfaces subject to wear. The main bulk of the tooth is composed of dentin, a substance similar in composition to bone. Nerves spread through the dentin confer sensitivity to the tooth to touch, cold etc. As the dentin wears with age these nerves recede in advance of the wearing surface thus preventing pain. Surrounding the dentin of the root is cementum which bonds the tooth to the jaw. The pulp cavity is situated in the centre of the tooth and is composed of nerves, blood vessels, etc., which connect, via the root canals, with the central nervous and circulatory systems.

The dog, being a carnivore or meat-eater, has teeth specialised for gripping and killing prey animals and then dismembering and consuming the resultant carcase.



*Jaws and teeth of the dog with bone removed to show their roots.*

The shape of the teeth varies in a regular manner along the tooth row, increasing in complexity towards the rear (Fig 1). The front teeth, the incisors, number twelve in total in the dog. They have long slender roots with spade shaped crowns which in younger dogs are divided into three cusps, a long central and two shorter lateral ones. (Fig 2)

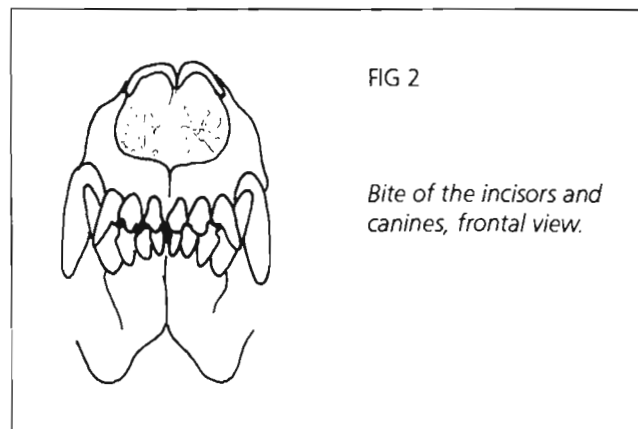


FIG 2

*Bite of the incisors and canines, frontal view.*

As the incisors wear down with age these cusps are worn down to a level surface. The incisors increase in size from the centre outwards. The outer pair of upper incisors are particularly long and pointed, resembling somewhat the fangs or canines. In the lower jaw they curve upwards and forwards and in the ideal situation operate against the rear surfaces of the upper incisors, producing a scissor bite. The dog uses its incisors to grip and pull objects.

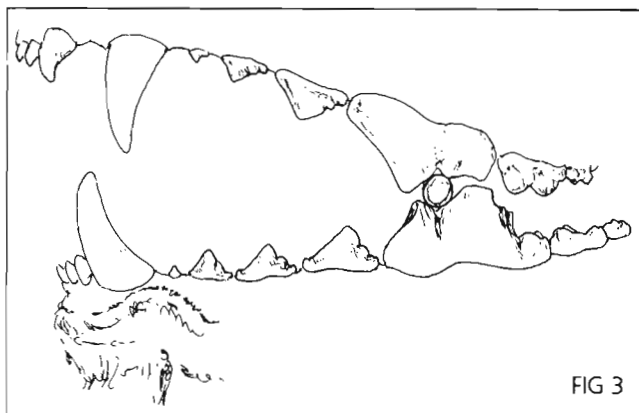
The fangs or canines are the dogs weapons of attack and defense. They are the longest teeth of the dog, having roots about twice as long as their crowns. With it's mouth closed, the dog's lower canine fits snugly in a space between the upper canine and incisors.

All teeth to the rear of the canines are often referred to as the "cheek teeth". They are divided into premolars (which have precursors in the milk dentition) and molars. The first premolars are small simple pegs that are acquired with the milk dentition but are not subsequently replaced. These small teeth seem to serve the important function of acting as stops at the base of the canines. They thus protect the gums when the canines are sunk into hard flesh. The following premolars

are larger and more complex, each with a large triangularly shaped central cusp and a smaller accessory cusp in front and to the rear of this. These teeth are so placed that they fail to meet when the mouth is closed. Their function is to grasp, puncture and shear.

The molar teeth in the rear of the mouth are low broad crowned teeth used for crushing food.

In order to slice its meat the fourth upper premolar and the first lower molar (the carnassials) of the dog are further modified. These teeth are long with two high triangularly-shaped cusps with sharp edges with a v-shaped trough between them. The shape of the jaw joint in the dog will only allow movement of the jaw in one plane (up and down), unlike cattle and horses. Thus these carnassial teeth are kept in alignment, slicing past each other as the jaw is closed, scissor like (Fig 3). The fourth lower premolar in dogs plays a subsidiary role in this function with its posterior edge slicing past the front edge of the fourth upper premolar.



*Shearing action of the carnassial teeth (upper 4th premolar and lower 1st molar) showing the method by which the dog positions the item to be cut in the troughs of these teeth from which it cannot slide as they close.*

The full permanent dentition of the dog consists of 42 teeth, 6 incisors, 2 canines, 8 premolars and 4 molars in the upper jaw and 6 incisors, 2 canines, 8 premolars and 6 molars in the lower jaw. The milk or deciduous dentition consists of 28 teeth in total. As the jaws of the dog grow the larger

permanent teeth replace their smaller milk predecessors in a set sequence and the molars are added to the rear of the tooth rows (Table 1).

**Table 1**  
**Eruption of Permanent Teeth of dogs**

GROUP	TOOTH	ERUPTION PERIOD
<b>Incisors</b>	Central	2 - 5 months
	Intermediate	2 - 5 months
	Lateral (most breeds)	4 - 5 months
<b>Canine</b>		5 - 6 months
<b>Premolars</b>	1st	4 - 5 months
	2nd	6 months
	3rd	6 months
	4th	4 - 5 months
<b>Molars</b>	1st	5 - 6 months
	2nd	6 - 7 months
	3rd	6 - 7 months

As a milk tooth reaches its full length the dentine of its root starts to be absorbed eventually leaving just an enamel shell which is pushed out by the developing permanent tooth. Exceptions are the canine teeth where the eruption of the permanent teeth usually precedes the shedding of the corresponding deciduous ones by 2 or 3 weeks. The time of eruption of the permanent teeth is rather closely correlated with the lifespan of the breed. The teeth erupt earliest in the large breeds which, as we know, have the shorter lifespans.

In the Irish Wolfhound a scissors bite (Fig 4a) is regarded as ideal. A scissors bite, in which the lower incisors fit snugly against the rear surfaces of the upper one, gives the dog a strong grip.

A level, or pincer bite (Fig 4b) is also acceptable but a dog with this bite, having the incisors meeting edge to edge, will wear down these teeth much quicker.

An undershot jaw (Fig 4c), in which the lower incisors project beyond the upper incisors, is a serious fault of dentition and gives a Wolfhound an untypical expression.

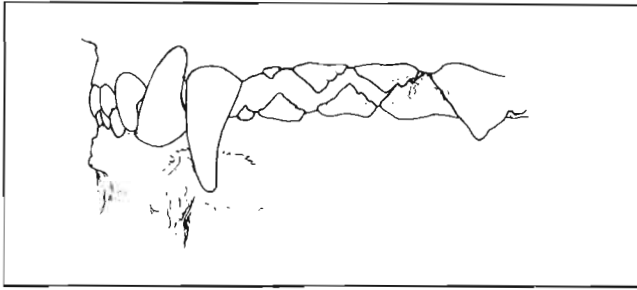


FIG. 4a Correct bite.

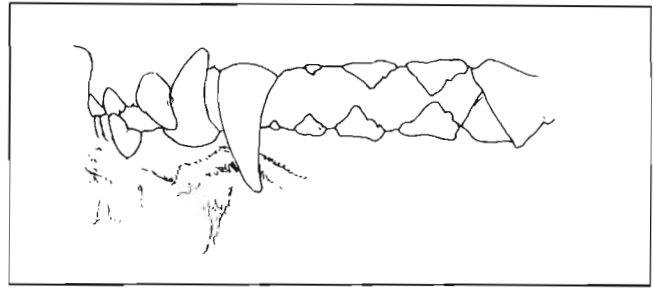


FIG 4b Level bite with slight bowing of the lower jaw. The premolar rows being further apart and not properly staggered. The lower canine rubs against the lateral upper incisor and is removed from the upper canine. The extra growth of the lower jaw has pulled the central upper incisors forward with it.

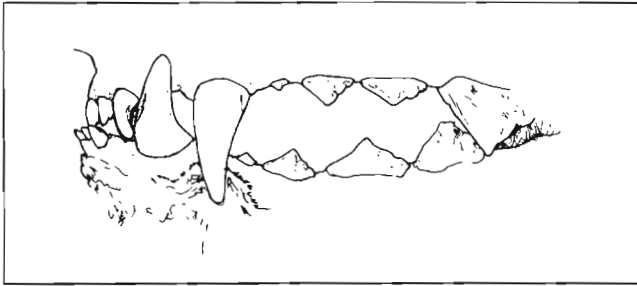


FIG 4c Undershot bite with a lot of bowing of the lower jaw and with the canine against the upper lateral incisor.

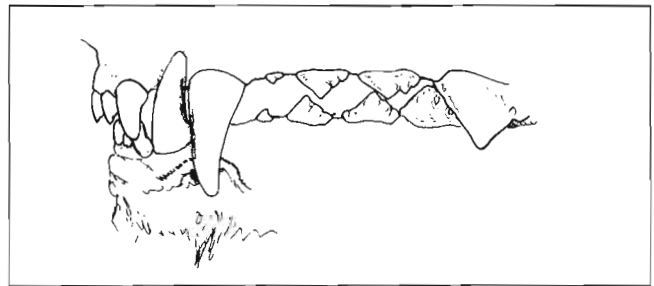


FIG 4d Overshot bite showing the canines rubbing against each other and incorrect placement of the rows of premolars.

The opposite condition is the overshot mouth (Fig 4d), in which the lower incisors do not reach upper incisors resulting in a gap between them when the mouth is closed. Often the latter type of jaw is itself weak. Captain Graham remarked that the head of a Wolfhound should look as if it is overshot, but actually have a correct scissors bite. The shape of the lips giving the Wolfhound this look.

The state of the bite (dental occlusion) is determined by the relative growth of the muzzle and the lower jaw. During the seven to ten month period the jaw of the puppy will grow more than the muzzle and changes in the dental occlusion may occur. Thus a puppy that has a tightly fitting scissor bite when young may end up with a level bite. The final dental

occlusion is determined by genetics, nutrition, environment and the mechanical effect of the interlocking action of the teeth in the upper and lower jaws. The extra growth of the lower jaw that occurs in breeding lines that tend to be undershot can result in a jaw that bows away from the upper jaw in the premolar area but has an acceptable bite owing to the maintenance of the correct relationship between the canine teeth and the incisors by dental interlock.

While the correct alignment of the incisors is functionally important, they are the poorest teeth in the mouth to use for evaluation of jaw structure. As the incisors erupt their roots are incompletely formed and the surrounding bony tissue of the front of the muzzle is still soft. The incisors are thus easily

displaced by relatively minor forces, and once displaced they tend to remain there as the roots develop and the bone solidifies.

To evaluate the dental occlusion, it would be better to use the lower canines and the premolars. These teeth more fully reflect the genetic influences on jaw structure. A tendency for the lower canine to press against the rear surface of the lateral incisor or against the front surface of the upper canine is an indication that the jaws are tending to deviate from the desired positions. The high points of the lower premolars should be in line with the spaces between the premolars above.

The condition, which has been called "interior crossbite" in which the incisors appear undershot but the canines and premolars are perfectly aligned is a defect worth consideration by the above method. This defect is almost always related to an injury and is rarely transmitted genetically. The incisor pattern is extremely flat in the upper jaw rather than a normally curved arch.

Retention of deciduous teeth occurs in most breeds of dogs and most commonly involves the canine teeth. When absorption of the root of the deciduous tooth does not occur the developing permanent tooth cannot displace it and thus the permanent tooth is forced from its normal position as it moves into the dental arch. The resulting change in position may severely affect final occlusion of the teeth. Milk tooth retention results in characteristic displacement of each permanent tooth. The lower canine tooth erupts inside and to the rear of the retained deciduous canine tooth. This results in the displaced lower canine tooth cutting into the roof of the mouth as it grows to full length. The incisors are moved forward as a result of retained milk incisors. Retention of a deciduous tooth long past its usual evulsion period often is due to lack of a permanent tooth to take its place. Such teeth can be retained for as long as 3-5 years.

The absence of teeth is a genetic defect and most commonly affects the premolars. The absence of a single tooth may not be transmitted genetically. When teeth in the same area or the same tooth on both sides of the jaw are absent the likelihood of genetic transmission increases. In Wolfhounds the absence of the lower fourth premolar on one or both sides is the commonest omission.

Wry jaws is where the lower jaw is not set parallel to the upper jaw while the fault called "teeth awry" occurs where

the alignment of the jaws is correct but the incisors are crooked or misplaced so that the bite tends to look slightly undershot in front. An occasional incisor out of place is hardly a serious fault.

Extra incisors and premolars can occur in the dog. For example, the second lower premolar, which normally has 2 roots, can be replaced by two single rooted teeth. Counting a dog's teeth when checking its dentition hardly serves a useful function. Rather, consideration should be given to the relative importance of the teeth absent. Absence of any of the carnassials (4th upper premolars and 1st lower molars) would be a serious fault but I would not consider absence of a premolar in front of these an important fault. If a large gap is present in a dog's mouth because of absence of several teeth this must be rated as serious. Size of teeth should be maintained.

In a coursing hound ability to catch its prey is obviously of prime importance. Once caught the hound needs to hold its prey and kill it for which the dog requires a good bite and canines. Faults of the premolars mostly affect the efficiency of the dog when eating, hardly a very serious fault.

Breeder	First Food 3 weeks	3 – 6 weeks	6 – 12 weeks	12 weeks to Adulthood
<b>Mrs. Z. Thorn-Andrews</b> (Drakesleat)	1 tbsp. warm raw minced beef. Then add warm Pedigree Chum	Full cream milk & Weetabix twice daily Raw Beef & Puppy Food & Small Bite Mixer twice daily.	7am Milk/Cereal 9am Meat/biscuits 12am Milk/Cereal 4pm Meat/biscuits	Reduce no. of meals, increase amounts. 9/10 months adult daily, 4pm meat & biscuit 7pm milk.
<b>Mrs. L Gover</b> (Owenmore)	Febo Puppy soaked in meat broth and mashed, 4-6 times daily.	Finely chopped cooked tripe or raw minced beef or sardines; wholemeal bread; lamb milk replacer with 1 tspn. 'Dogvital' per pt.	5 feeds/day alternating all meat feeds with soaked Febo Puppy. 3rd meal, milk & Dogvital, as before. Occasional sardine substitute for meat.	am: raw tripe lunch: milk & raw egg yoke pm: Febo & meat/veg. broth Late pm: Febo & milk or sardines. Canovel tabs. Marrow bone & 1lb. liver once a week.
<b>Mrs. D. Tebbutt</b> (Caredig)	Twice minced beef – human quality, fed by hand.	Robinsons Baby Cereal Farex & milk; Febo Puppy food in warm water and mashed.	4 meals/day of Febo Puppy Food soaked in water – quantities so as to keep pups covered, not fat.	A good complete diet – Febo, Beta or Maximeat at the rate of 3/4oz. to 1lb body weight per day in total.
<b>Mr. &amp; Mrs. G. Nowell</b> (Hydebeck)	Febo Puppy in gruel with milk. As much as they want.	Febo Puppy	3 feeds of Febo Puppy & 1 milk supper with biscuit bones	To 12 mths. Febo Puppy 12 – 15 mths. Febo Active 18 mths on, Febo Active & Valu Mix
<b>Mr. &amp; Mrs. T. Finney</b> (Gulliaigh)	Thrice Minced beef.	Febo Puppy with Vetzyme milk powder/ minced beef/minced cooked ox heart.	8am: Febo & Vetzyme milk Lunch: Febo & cooked ox heart 6pm: Febo soaked in broth & tripe & milk. 10pm Wholemeal bread & 2oz mince.	As 6 – 12 wks, reducing supper to brown bread & biscuit. At 4/5 mths. we use 1/2 Febo Puppy to 1/2 Febo Active.
<b>Mrs. D. E. S. Hudson</b> (Brabyns)	At 10 days, quality raw mince beef, then soaked puppy biscuit with coarser mince meat.	As dam weans, increase quantity, add a little bone meal.	As before. Go on to next size of puppy biscuit. At 8 wks give clean raw marrow bone.	As baby teeth are lost, vary between butcher's meat & tripe, and change to adult biscuit.
<b>Mrs. S. Sharpe</b> (Telgar)	No meat before 3 wks Start with Ready-Brek and Litterlac milk.	At 4 wks introduce mashed Beta Puppy, Pedigree Chum Puppy with warm Litterlac. This once a day for 4 days, then twice with 3 Ready-Brek meals.	Mashed Beta Puppy Food (Small crunchy biscuits)	From 12 wks. 4 meals of unmashed Beta with gravy. 7/8 mths. drop midday meal, 12/14 mths. drop bedtime feed. Adults get 2 meals, am and pm, biscuits at bedtime.

Supplementation	Dam's Feeding
Canovel Calcium 1/2 tab at 7 wks. to 3 tabs at 10 months.	2 Milk/Cereal meals 2 Meat/Biscuit meals, approx. 3lbs each. 3 Canovel Calcium until weaning over.
'Dogvital' for 12 wks., then Canovel 6-12/day Bone meal if pup shows weakness.	4 meals/day of max. quantity. 1lb liver/sardines on alternate days. "Febo" meal is 1/2 adult (Green) 1/2 Puppy with meat broth. Bone meal & Canovel.
None – Quality complete diet food provides all vits & minerals needed.	Increased quantity of normal diet (Assuming good condition).
Only bone meal, if needed.	Increase Febo Active. Pedigree Chum may be given and milk.
None	am: Weetabix/milk Lunch: Febo Puppy & cooked ox heart 6pm: usual dinner Supper: Rice pudding.
No supplements as diet is balanced already. So also, no titbits.	More of normal diet, according to appetite. Let her forage for wild herbs/plants if poss. Some milk.
None, but give each pup 1pt. of milk daily, a 1/4pt. after each meal.	After whelping not too much solids, plenty of fluids. From 2-4wks. divide food into 4 meals. At 3 wks, normal main- tenance quantities almost doubled.

## IRISH WOLFHOUND FEEDING TO-DAY

For many years our Club has relied on the diet advice contained in the pamphlet, "Owning a Wolfhound", as a recommended method of feeding puppies through to adulthood. The dietary information was compiled by our late President, Miss Noreen Twyman (Nendrum), in the mid-1970s. Since then, there has been much specialised research and development by the major dog food companies into canine nutrition, so that there is now available a very wide range of complete diet dog foods. Several feed manufacturers now have on offer a number of different feeds formulated for specific dietary requirements, such as Puppy, Adult Maintenance and Active, Veteran and Vegetarian'

Although Miss Twyman herself and many contemporary and subsequent breeders used the old feeding methods very successfully, the new feeds do offer balanced nutrition which is largely reliable, and very convenient.

Rather than attempt to set about compiling the "perfect" modern day diet sheet, we thought it would be interesting to tap the experience of a cross-section of established breeders whose record in the ring attests to the success of their methods. The following tabulated information is the result of a questionnaire kindly - completed by seven kennel owners, and we think that it is worthy by anybody in our breed who is planning a litter.

We think the following points are of interest:

- four of the seven breeders are using Febo Puppy Professional, and one Beta
- only one breeder, Hydebeck, is using the complete diet (Febo) exclusively; the others are using it more sparingly, partly perhaps for palatability, and partly to "dilute" the potency (the very high protein level) of the product. It is recognised that there are dangers in "pushing on" puppies of giant breeds too quickly e.g. increasing the risk of osteochondritis dessicans. We were interested to hear that in Germany, where there is almost total reliance on complete diet feeds, it is common practice for breeders to switch out of the Puppy into an Adult Maintenance formula at about 4 months.
- Drakesleat and Brabyns still adhere to the older feeding regime, but do add some puppy meal and tinned food.
- Mrs. Debbie Tebbutt sent us two diet sheets. One was an earlier one she had been using which had led her into some problems with one litter, "whose hindquarters were wonky". It relied heavily on tripe (with an alternative of Pedigree Chum Puppy tins) with the addition of Pedigree Chum Mixer and supplementation with bone flour, vitamin C and honey. The pups were brought to Bristol University, where Dr. Denny advised that, whereas in general he could not fault the diet, the use of tripe with fast-growing stock is questionable; the problem lies in the difficulty of getting the phosphorous/calcium balance right. What proportions of bone meal/vitamin D to add?

We thank all the contributors for their co-operation.

*Tim and Marion Finney*



## LURE COURSING

The lure coursing scene was fairly quiet in 1990. There were three meets, at which Wolfhound numbers were low.

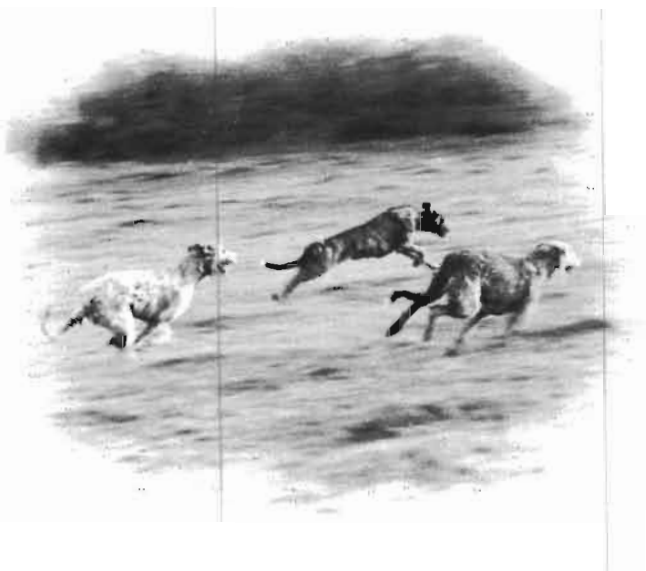
I could not make the Game and Country Fair at Slane Castle in June. I'm told that, despite the skies yielding heavy rain and helicopters on demonstration flights, Mrs. O'Keeffe's Biddie kept up wonderful concentration and speed to beat all comers.

Again, at the lure coursing demonstration following Irish Native Breeds Ch Show, Biddie was unbeaten after several good courses. Runner-up was John & Kathleen Kelly's Duchess, with our Isolde third.

The third meet was held at Gullagh Farm in October. This time invitations were extended generally to owners of all sighthound breeds. The response was excellent from the Afghan fraternity in particular and we were also very glad to have two of the very few Salukis in Southern Ireland. We had 8 Afghans, 2 Salukis and 9 Irish Wolfhounds.

Happily, the day turned out to be one of the most successful yet. The weather was perfect, at last, with the aid of Seamus Buggle, we managed to pull the lure in a circle, a motor bike reset the course, and we had several highly competitive runs – even though most of the hounds were trying this for the first time.

We started with an Afghan competition out of which Colette Doody's D'Arcy emerged victorious. Brenda Barnett's Saluki (Flying) Eddie beat his kennel companion, and gave the crowd a test of endurance in trying to catch him after each run. In the wolfhounds, our



Left to right, Kilti, Larissa and Duchess

Kilti decided to exhibit his latent hunting instincts and fairly flew. The results of the Wolfhound final were Kilti, our Larissa and Duchess. An inter-breed run-off was won by Eddie, closely pursued by Kilti.

It was nice to meet in an informal and sociable atmosphere, and everyone present was enthusiastic about a repeat event. The day was rounded off with Marion's food and lots of chat. Proceeds of the day was £73, which went to Irish Guide Dogs Association of Ireland.

*Tim Finney*

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## LONGEVITY 1990

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### **Cushla of Tolkavalley 14/12/1973 – 1983**

Sire: Ch. Boroughbury Justice x Tullyhunco Corrib

### **Gullagh Ballykelly Cait 3/10/1979 – 25/7/1990**

Sire: Int. Ch. Carrokeel Coillte Merlin x  
Gullagh Felcarragh

### **Gullagh Tolkavalley Dawn 9/11/1978 still alive**

Sire: Int. Ch. Carrokeel Coillte Merlin x Tolkavalley Roshin Dubh

### **Lady of Nutstown 1/12/1981 still alive**

Int. Ch. Nutstown King x Clodagh of Moll Machi

### **Athcarne Sugrú 27/11/1981 – 9/1990**

Sire: Athcarne Fintan x Carrokeel Moonbeam of Nendrum

### **Athcarne Grainne Dawson 20/12/1978 – 10/1990**

Sire: Athcarne Fintan x Carrokeel Moonbeam of Nendrum

### **Athcarne Shannon (as Grainne Dawson) – Alive**

### **Athcarne Cahal (as Grainne Dawson) – Alive**

### **Athcarne Sheelagh 9/4/1978 – Alive**

Sire: Eng. Ch. Outhwaite Am Cu x Ch. Athcarne Shiofra

### **Athcarne Caoimhe 25/12/1979 – 8/1990**

Sire: Eng. Ch. Outhwaite Am Cu x Ch. Athcarne Shiofra

### **Kracken Kalser 1/7/1980 still alive**

Sire: Int. Ch. Nutstown King x Coolbreag Cailte

### **Ballykelly To-Agori-Mou 31/8/1981 still alive**

Sire: Int. Ch. Nutstown King x Dunleary Eileen Oge

### **Tolkavalley Cobh 20/2/1981 still alive**

Sire: Tolkavalley Dun Angus x Tolkavalley Lady Jane

### **Owenmore Altheda 28/1/1980 – 1990**

Sire: Int. Ch. Erindale Triston x  
Dam: Pendomer's Will o' the Wisp

# ***PORTRAIT OF GENTLENESS***

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**She is 4th generation of Eng and Ir champions i.e. Sire: Kellybourne Pilot at Ballalyn, g/sire Erindale Triston,  
g/g sire Petasmeade Chieftain at Brabyns**

**Our thanks to all the judges that loved her almost as much as us in Ireland.**

**Tim Finney, Bill Eccles, Sheelagh Seale, Jayne Wilson-Stringer, Steve O'Brien, Dick McCoy, Marjorie Saunders and Dr. A Sneedan.**

**It was Dancer's 6th birthday when she gained her last green star, and also the day she retired.**

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# Gulliagh Irish Wolfhounds



## The Conqueror at Home

*Benjamin back home three days after his triumph at Crufts Centenary 1991 where he topped the record entry of 196.*

In the words of Mrs. Ferelith Smithfield (Judge):

"CC & BOB Ch. & Ir Ch. Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh. Very fine hound. Really looked well & pleased in shape, balance & movement. For me he stood out today & I felt very proud of him in the Group where he finished in the last few".

Many thanks for all the cards and phone calls from Benjamin's admirers.

Benjamin was born in October 1985. He is by our late Ch/GB Ch Gulliagh Galleon out of Ms. Sue Forret's Culvercroft Alanna (our Ch/GB Ch Carrokeel Coillte Merlin x Finloren Hanna of Culvercroft). We are so grateful to Sue Forret for presenting us with such a wonderful chap. This was his sixth CC from limited exposure in the UK and he has won in Ireland 31 Green Stars including 4 Best in Shows, and has been Annual Champion since 1988. Ben enjoys being the leader of our pack of six all of whom are regularly shown. Later in 1991, Ben's progeny out of our Yvonne von der Alten Veste (our ninth litter) will be joining them in the ring...!!!

# Gulliagh Irish Wolfhounds

*Gulliagh Ballykelly Cait*  
(3.10.79 to 25.7.90)



*Ch/GB Ch Gulliagh Galleon*  
(17.1.82 to 30.7.90)

In memory of our much-loved mother and son, who died within the same week in July. They are greatly missed by ourselves and the pack. Our consolation is that both went peacefully, and that their type and personalities will live on in our current and future generations.

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# **Knocknarea Irish Wolfhounds**

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**Knocknarea Eilis**

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## *Chappelleigh Irish Wolfhounds*



### **Greenswell Arranz of Chappelleigh (26.10.88)**

(Westmount Xile of Mochras (Sweden) x Chappelleigh Dineen of Greenswell)

Ranz was lightly shown in 1990 with a measure of success. Looking forward, our breeding plans include a litter by him out of Chappelleigh Deedra. Puppies may be available in the spring. Our youngest wolfhound is Chappelleigh Irina, from Deedra's first litter by Greenswell Arthyen (England). We hope to show her in 1991 and wish her littermates success here and abroad.

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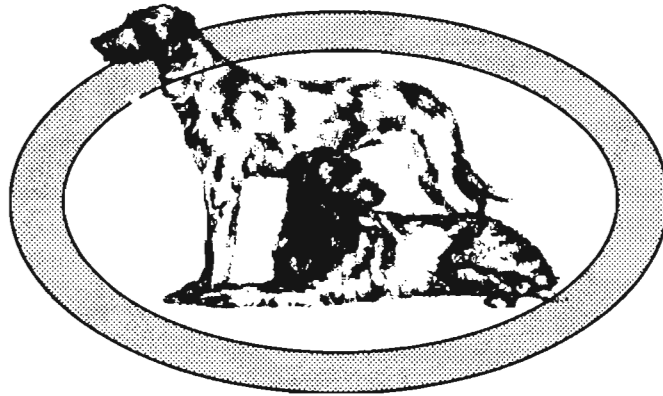


**Left to right Tolkavalley Belleek and Tolkavalley Barna**

*Looking forward to having pups this year.*



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