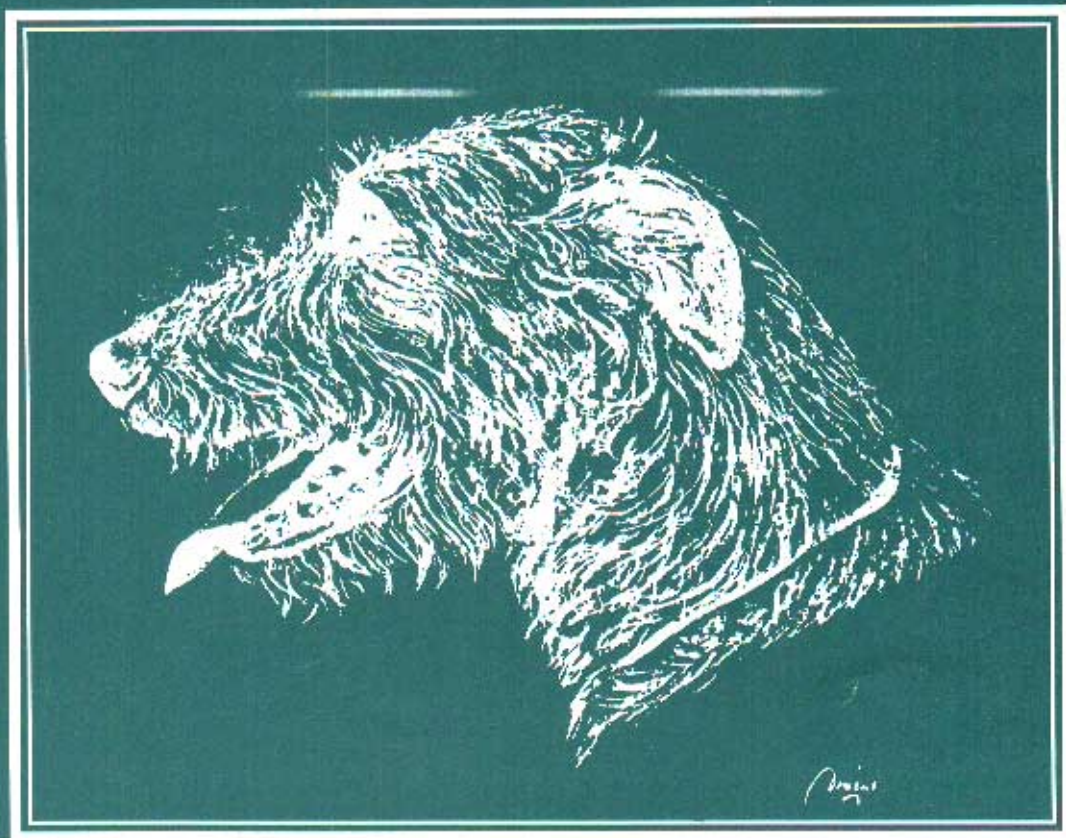


# THE IRISH HOUND



**The Irish Wolfhound Club  
of Ireland**

Established 1925

**1998**

# 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 general want of muscle; too short in body; pink or liver-coloured eyelids; lips and nose any colour other 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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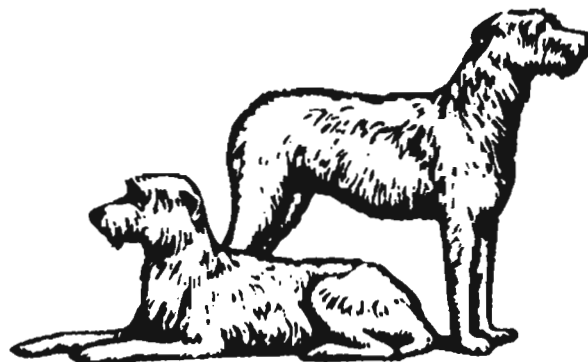
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# EDITORIAL

## Do you know who owns your puppies?

In 1991 a Code of Ethics was presented by our Committee to the AGM for their consideration. These were approved and adopted in 1992 and are reprinted at the back of each issue of our magazine.

I assume members have studied all 12 Points. It will be noticed that 9 of the 12 points deal directly with puppies and the breeding of litters. The importance of the breeders' responsibility for the welfare of each puppy they sell is well emphasised.

Breeders should know to whom their puppies are being sold and should have direct contact with the new owners. There is no valid reason why this should not be done. How can a breeder look after the welfare of the puppies they breed if they don't know the new owners and where they live.

If your answer to my opening sentence is 'no', then you may be breaking at least 5 of the 12 points. THINK ABOUT IT.

Congratulations to Mrs Catherine and Anne O'Keeffe 'Calcara', Ulli and Ika Peiler 'Knocknarea' and Tim and Marion Finney 'Gulliagh' on making up new champions in 1998. It is always a nice achievement.

A very successful 1999 to you all.

**Jim Behan**

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# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Ashling Hotel, Dublin 18th October, 1998**

## CHAIRMAN'S OPENING ADDRESS

The Chairman, Jim Behan, opened the AGM with a welcome to all members present.

He then asked for a minute's silence for one of our Life members, Heather Burlton, who had passed away recently. Jim congratulated the owners of the three champions made up in 1998: Mrs and Anne O'Keeffe's Calcara Breasil, Tim and Marion Finney's Gulliagh Simone and Ika and Ulli Peiler's Juxitalia MacMathuna of Knocknarea.

## APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Ika Peiler, Mr & Mrs Jones, Patricia Hughes, Nellie Kinirons, Billy Clarke, John & Maureen Walsh, Dave & Denise Bushby, Petra Janssen, Jim Bates, Maeve McKenna, Barry Quinn, Helen O'Connor, Mervin Jenkins and Isobel Aiken.

## PRESIDENTS ADDRESS

Betty Murphy joined the chairman in welcoming those present and thanked the members for attending. It is always good to have a good attendance at the AGM.

Temperament, rather poor temperament, was the subject of her address again this year. She went on to say that "for too long we have tolerated isolated instances of unacceptable aggressive temperament at shows. We need to take active steps to eradicate this serious problem before it becomes too widespread to control. As judges we should not give awards to hounds with poor temperaments.

As Clubs we should insist that Wolfhounds with aggressive temperaments are not allowed inside or outside the ring, especially at our Club shows.

As breeders we should not use such hounds for breeding. I beg Clubs, owners and breeders everywhere, to be aware of this problem and do something to eliminate this very serious threat to our breed."

## ELECTION OF SCRUTINEERS

Nominees: Paddy Judge and Anne O'Keeffe were agreed.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Tim presented the Financial report. See a summary under Treasurer's report elsewhere in the magazine.

Tony Doyle raised the issue of the cost of printing the Club Show schedules and catalogues. Tim will check if it is viable to use another printer.

The Chairman complimented the treasurer on his report which was accepted on the proposal of Tony Doyle, seconded by Ester Jenkins.

O'Connor & Associates were again re-nominated as auditors for the Club.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Club Secretary's Report at this stage follows a familiar predictable pattern.

- 1. A review of membership Numbers.
- 2. The Highs and Lows of the year just passed.
- 3. A preview of the forthcoming year but with the inevitable overlap of other officer's reports.

### (1) Membership Numbers.

President, Chairman and friends,

In terms of membership, there is a continued growth in numbers, currently in excess of 280.

The overseas membership at approximately 35 percent must by now be among the highest of any canine club in Ireland. The continued growth does create its own demands, not least in the area of cost, particularly in terms of postage.

Acknowledging the Club's commitment to invest in new technology we have not to date made full use of our electronic mail facility or to the launch of the web site as expected. But we continue to interact with our overseas membership through e-mail and the Web site is ready for approval. Our rule book in its current form never envisaged electronic communications / commerce and has proved somewhat inadequate in reflecting other areas of Club activity also.

(2) Our Club show (although entries were somewhat down on the previous year) was again a very enjoyable day and our Judge Els Swelheim must have had a difficult task. In the end the day belonged to the Knocknareas and the Best of Breed winner who had previously won Best of Breeds at Crufts '98 - an achievement with which we were all proud to be associated. Well done, congratulations to all concerned.

The support of our sponsors "Tullamore Dew" was again

very much in evidence and the prizes donated much sought after and appreciated. In this context our sponsors I understand have commissioned a batch of gent's silk ties which will be available at a later date.

Tony Redmond in his role of Auctioneer as usual extracted the maximum whilst Ika and Petra were busily engaged on the merchandise stall.

Kathleen Kelly's ongoing battle with catering arrangements is beginning to show results. Again I wish to avail of this opportunity to thank everyone for their co-operation with me on the day and also acknowledge the sportsmanship displayed.

The congress this year was held in Luxemburg and was very well organized and attended by affiliates. A number of officers and members attended in various capacities and an opportunity to meet and interact with some of our overseas membership is always welcome. The hospitality of our hosts was much appreciated.

On a lower note a number of incidents at home and abroad were highlighted. At home, in the South and Northwest, and recent publicity on National Radio were a bit disconcerting. In the latter case whilst a response from the club might have been anticipated it was generally agreed that the presenter (who is familiar with the breed) had made our case adequately and further involvement might have proven counter-productive.

(3) The year ahead as usual presents many challenges for the incoming Committee and the members. It behoves us all to act at all times in the interest of the breed. By this I mean adherence to the letter and spirit of our rules and regulations, designed from experience in the past, to retain the integrity of the breed going forward. The rule book, including the requirements of the I.K.C. (which were agreed) should, I believe, in the context of committee composition be reviewed to more adequately reflect the overall contribution of elected representatives.

The review should also consider the role of electronic communication which has become more cost effective, particularly in respect to the overseas membership. We anticipate the continued generous support of our sponsor "Tullamore Dew" which has allowed some flexibility which would not otherwise be enjoyed.

In conclusion I wish to thank the officers and committee outgoing for their continued support and indeed to all the members at home and abroad for their courtesy to me in what is a demanding but very enjoyable role on behalf of our historic breed.



The Secretary's report was accepted on the proposal of Tara Jenkins, seconded by Kathleen Kelly.

The new committee will review and update our rule book (in the light of Electronic Communication) and will report back for next year's AGM.

## **RESCUE FUND**

Tony Redmond reported that currently he might be in a position to place 5 or 6 hounds. The Club are appreciative of Tony's continued effort in co-ordinating this service.

## **IKC REPORT**

Betty covered the activities of An Ard Chomhairle, the Governing Body of the IKC, and the apparent slow progress therein. With the work of various elected committees and multiple sub-committees having to be co-ordinated with recommendations often being referred back before final approval by An Ard Chomhairle, a considerable number of meetings is often required to have a single item passed. However the recent rule changes were testament to progress being made, even if it appears slow at times.

## **ELECTION RESULT**

The Chairman announced the result of the election. He offered his Congratulations to Ester Jenkins on her election to the committee. He thanked Tony Redmond for his contribution and expressed a wish that his experience would return to the committee. Joining these sentiments, the President outlined the need to review our rules (before the next AGM) to reflect the members overall contribution to our Club.

## **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Anne O'Keeffe proposed that Overseas Members should not be eligible to vote. The AGM were not in agreement with this proposal. It was suggested that the design and the material in the current Club badge be reviewed. Perhaps Art students could be utilised in this regard. The new committee to review this idea.

Ulli Peiler stated: it appears that there is a scarcity of new people becoming actively involved in the breed. He proposed a number of activities to redress the situation. These include contacting new owners and organising events in different localities countrywide; giving points to puppies at shows and

the reintroduction of puppy spoons. The meeting agreed with this proposal.

Ulli, reflecting on the President's opening address regarding temperament, said he was concerned following incidents inside and outside the ring earlier in the year. There was no apology from the breeder involved. Following discussion the president proposed that 'if a dog shows aggression inside or outside the ring, the owner should be asked to remove the hound from the show area'. Two people, e.g. committee members should approach the handler and request that the dog be returned to the owner's car. This information to be printed in the Club Show schedule. Ulli seconded this proposal.

The Secretary indicated his expectation, that if this new policy decision was implemented, support would be forthcoming from the membership.

Safety The question of children attending shows was raised. In the first instance, responsibility is with the Parents/Guardians, but members should be vigilant and intervene if deemed necessary.

IKC Anne O'Keeffe raised the question of the floor surface in the IKC premises, and suggested outside rings for Wolfhounds in the absence of indoor covering. She also complained that indoor rings were always too small.

Circuit Shows It was suggested that the club write to the Circuit Show Secretaries (and others) to split Dog and Bitch classes.

Exhibitors enquired if the President had yet completed her now customary list of next years shows complete with Judges. 1999 list is in progress.

Wolfhound Research Marian Finney again requested "a little donation" from each litter to assist the above fund.

Irish Breeds The Chairman outlined a list of activities for Irish Breeds in September 1999. In organising a Get Together to video Irish Wolfhounds it might be possible to include some elements of Ulli Peiler's proposal regarding new members.

The Chairman thanked all who attended for their contribution and wished them Slan Abhaile.

# TREASURER'S REPORT

The year ended 30th June 1998 showed a gratifying increase in Club assets of £4,470. The main contribution of course was the ongoing sponsorship of the Club Show by Tullamore Dew of £4,000, made up of 2 years payments, 1997 & 1998, both received in 1998.

Apart from the sponsorship, there was also a marked increase in Club membership, reflected in total dues received of £2,077 - an increase of £700. This represents a growth in membership of about 75, to almost 300. An indicator of good health for any Club.

Once again, Club merchandise contributed nicely, this time to the tune of £734. Thanks again to Mrs Ika Peiler for her good work.

There were no marked variations in levels of expenditure

between this and the previous year.

Our Club Championship Show in June more than broke even, mainly due to our judge, Mrs Els Swelheim, from Holland, kindly donating her travel expenses towards the Club's investment in computer hardware.

We must also thank Mrs Mary Meredith and her husband Brian, who are associated with a computer supply company "Blue Chip Customer Engineering" here in Dublin. They very generously donated to the Club a PC and accessories, thus giving us, among other things, a presence on the worldwide web, a desirable even necessary thing for the breed's country of origin. Our secretary, Seamus Bugge, is in charge of this area, and a web page is being put together.

**Timothy Finney**

*Hon. Treasurer*

## MEMBER'S SUBSCRIPTIONS

*Dues become payable on 1st October, 1999*

	<u>Single</u>	<u>Joint</u>
	<u>Ir£</u>	<u>Ir£</u>
<b><i>Ireland &amp; UK</i></b>	<b><i>£8.00</i></b>	<b><i>£12.00</i></b>
<b><i>Overseas</i></b>	<b><i>£10.00</i></b>	<b><i>£16.00</i></b>

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# IRISH WOLFHOUND CLUB OF IRELAND

## Breed Championship Show 1998

JUDGE: MRS. ELS SWELHEIM, HOLLAND.

To be invited to judge the Irish Wolfhounds in their homeland was a great honour for me and I think it is for any judge, who is not Irish.

The general impression was exceptional for their type, size, substance and movement. The very dark pigmentation was remarkable. Most of them were very well balanced. I found long well laid-back shoulders and strong hindquarters.

Some individuals could have longer legs and upper arms in my opinion.

I would like to thank the ring stewards and all exhibitors. Tony and Pauric thank you so much for your hospitality and sportsmanship.

### PUPPY DOG



1 Mr Mrs J Kelly's **MARSHGROVE KING OF NUTSTOWN**  
Red brindle dog of seven months, excellent type. Strong masculine head with a nice expression, very strong and well arched neck. Strong body with substance, good depth of brisket, nice outlines, strong hindquarters. Good angulation in front and hindquarters. Very good bone. Super temperament. Very good sound mover.

### 2. Mrs Miss O'Keeffe's **CALCARA CU-NA-RI**

Light brindle dog, excellent type, masculine head and very good neck, shoulders could lie a shade more backwards. Excellent body, very good legs and feet. Perfect croup, broad first and second thighs, a little over angulated in hindquarters, on this movement a little turning in of the hocks. Very good topline. In front a little less than 1st but a very nice young lad.

### 3. Miss Bedford's **TORVAGEN KILCORMAC OF CARRIGROHAN**

Wheaten pup: good type, good temperament. Head very masculine, good body for age, angulation in front and hindquarters are equal. Croup a little flat, tailset a bit high. Movement in front is alright, in hindquarters still unsteady. A very nice pup but needs more time.

### 4. Mr Mrs Dobson's **ATHCARNE LOGAN**

Ten month old, light brindle dog. Good masculine head, but could be a bit more houndy, he is still a puppy. Good legs, feet must grow strong. Good shoulder, good neck, good body for his age, good croup. In movement very loose and very puppy-like and his tail shows how happy he is.

### JUNIOR DOG



1. Mrs Tebbutt's **ROSCOT WASHINGTON CAREDIG**  
Red brindle, very nice dog with excellent type, masculine head,



good mouth, eyes and ears. Very good angulation in front and rear, very nice topline, good bone and strong feet, very nice croup, a powerful mover; he goes over a lot of ground, in front a bit wide. I wished a little more size.

2. Mr Federspiel's **MALCOLM**

16 months young. Masculine head, perfect ears, good topline. Could be a bit longer in back, sufficient bone, equal angulation in front and rear, good broad croup but a little short, very happy tail in movement. Good harsh coat, eyes could be a little darker. Super temperament.

### NOVICE DOG



1. Mr Carr's **GULLIAGH TYSON**

Grey brindle, very good type, very nice masculine head with a nice expression, ears a little loose. Nice, long shoulder, good upperarm, very good bone, feet could be stronger. Substantial body, good loins, could be a bit longer in back, movement is powerful and forward, but not balanced.

2. Mr Mrs Kelly's **SENKA OF NUTSTOWN**

Dog with an excellent type, masculine head with a very nice expression. Very good pigmentation, good mouth with big teeth, strong neck. A very substantial body. Excellent shoulder, upperarm a shade straight. Excellent strong hindquarters. Less weight would benefit his movement.

3. Mrs Breen's **KILTONGA DUBHEALL**

Nineteen months, young black dog. Masculine head, strong

neck, perfect mouth, ears a little loose, good shoulder. Upperarm a little straight, sufficient bone, good feet, substantial body, loins very well arched, good angulation in hindquarters. Movement is very happy but short in stride. Good harsh coat.

### GRADUATE DOG



1. Mr Fitzpatrick-Odahamier's **CHAPELLEIGH NARMAN**

Two year old dog, excellent type, head could be a bit more masculine. Good eyes, ears and mouth. Good topline, good tuck-up, correct angulation in front and rear. Good legs and feet. A little shy.

2. Mr Mrs Messenger's **UELLA ADVENTURER**

Big dog, good type, good masculine head, strong neck, good shoulder, upper-arm could be a bit longer. Good body, his back is too strongly arched, good croup. Free and easy mover but still very loose.



## LIMIT DOG



### 1. Mr Mrs Kelly's **FINGAL OF NUTSTOWN**

Dog of excellent type, beautiful masculine head and expression, very good pigmentation. Excellent long shoulder. Very good conformation, good and powerful movement. **Reserve Green Star Dog.**

### 2. Miss Murphy's **LISNAGRY LYSANDER OF CARROKEEL**

Dog of excellent type, old fashioned impressive masculine head with a lovely expression. Strong neck, very good shoulder, strong legs and feet, good topline. Good body, very good hindquarters. Moved well. Wished a bit more length in leg. A boy with dignity.

### 3. Mrs Miss O'Keeffe's **CALCARA BREASIL**

Two year old dog, excellent type, very nice head, very good mouth, beautiful expression, good pigmentation, well carried ears, strong neck, shoulder long enough, strong legs, feet could be stronger, especially right, good angulation, handler and dog move very fast.

### 4. Miss Bedford's **CARRIGROHAN TRUMPETER**

Big, brindle dog, three years old, very good type, masculine expression. Very nicely carried ears, good mouth, good shoulder. Very nice topline, correct angulation, very good harsh coat. Wished him a bit longer in back.

## OPEN DOG



### 1. Mr Mrs Peiler's **CH JUXTALIA MACMATHUNA OF KNOCKNAREA**

Three year old dog of excellent type. Strong masculine head with a nice expression. Good eyes and ears, strong neck. Long well laid-back shoulder, excellent chest, good body with substance. Strong hindquarters with nicely bent stifles and a long first and second thigh. Good outlines, well boned and good feet. Good tailset. Excellent mover with drive, harsh coat and a good temperament. **Green Star & Best of Breed.**

### 2. Mrs Tebbutt's **UK CH CAREDIG SION CENT**

Dog of excellent type, beautiful masculine head, good neck. Good mouth and ears. Good front but a bit less than No 1, strong legs and feet, good body. Correct angulation in hindquarters. Good tailset, harsh coat. Movement is easy but a bit narrow behind and a bit wide in front.

### 3. Mr Mrs Kelly's **CH SARINGAS MR MAGWATCH OF NUTSTOWN**

Big, black sound dog, excellent type. Beautiful masculine head. Good mouth. Strong masculine neck. Excellent shoulder and forechest. Strong straight legs and good feet. Substantial body, strong hindquarters, moves well but left behind is not correct today.

## VETERAN DOG



### Mr Mrs Kelly's **CH/UK CH CAPITAN OF SHANTAMON**

Excellent dog, seven years young, beautiful masculine head, strong neck. Excellent shoulder and forechest. Strong legs and feet, good topline, nice angulation in rear, good croup, moves well. Super condition.

## MINOR PUPPY BITCH



### 1. Mr Mrs J Kelly's **Ebony Dear of Nutstown**

Dark brindle pup, outstanding feminine head and expression, nice dark eyes, well carried ears, elegant neck, very good shoulder, legs and feet. Nice proportions. Excellent croup, efficient and correct angulation. Good tailset. Easy and active movement for her age, but an example for the breed.

## PUPPY BITCH



### 1. Miss O'Keeffe's **CALCARA CEILI**

Excellent bitch of 10 months. Beautiful long head, good pigmentation and expression, well carried ears. Very nice elegant, strong neck, good shoulder and a long upperarm. Strong body, good legs and feet. Very nice topline, very strong hindquarters with good angulation. She is not so easy to handle but I like her so much. **Reserve Green Star Bitch.**

### 2. Mr Mrs Kelly's **EIDIN OF NUTSTOWN**

Very typical, good eyes and ears, strong feminine head with nice depth of under-jaw, very nice neck. Excellent shoulder, upperarm a bit straight. Strong legs and feet. Strong back and very good croup, good tailset. Free mover.

### 3. Mr Mrs McKenna's **DERBHLA OF NUTSTOWN**

10 months old. Very nice head, dark eyes, well carried ears. Good neck and shoulder, long upperarm. Good topline, good substance, good legs and feet. Correct angulation. Good movement but could be stronger left behind. Very well handled.

## JUNIOR BITCH



### 1. Mr Mrs Peiler's **KNOCKNAREA ORLANDO**

Dark brindle bitch, 14 months. Very nice type. Very nice sighthound head. Nice dark eyes, well carried ears. The good neck blends into an outstanding shoulder, nice proportions, long upperarm. Good legs and feet, wrists could be a bit stronger. Good topline. Efficient angulation. Fluent movement with drive and goes over a lot of ground.

### 2. Mr Mrs O'Connor's **SCIOLAN**

Nice type and very nice feminine head, strong neck. Good shoulder and upperarm. Good legs and feet. Excellent body. I wish a little less weight. Good broad croup, efficient angulation but could use a bit more bend of stifle.

### 3. Mr T Redmond's **ATHCARNE KEEVAGH**

14 months. Good type, sweet head, strong neck, very good pigmentation. Good shoulder, upperarm a bit straight. Strong feet, strong back, Good angulation, movement is all right, but a little narrow in hocks.



## NOVICE BITCH



### 1. Mr T Redmond's **TULLYGIRVAN MAEVE**

Wheaten bitch of excellent type, beautiful head with very dark pigmentation. Nice eyes and ears. Strong neck, Excellent shoulder, upperarm could be a shade longer. Strong back, good hindquarters, harsh coat, very good mover. An honest bitch.

### 2. Mr Mrs Kelly's **ATHCARNE FEENA**

Dark bitch, excellent type. Very nice feminine head, good eyes and very nice ears. Excellent neck, very good shoulder, upperarm could lie a bit more backwards. Good legs and feet. Substantial body, strong back, efficient and good angulation in hindquarters. Correct movement. I wished her a bit longer in legs.

### 3. Mr Mrs Fitzmaurice's **KNOCKNAREA LAILLI**

Nice type and nice feminine head, good pigmentation, good eyes and ears. Strong neck, good shoulder, good legs and feet, back could be a bit stronger. Movement could be a bit stronger in hindquarters.

### 4. Mr Carney's **ORLAITH OF NUTSTOWN**

Old fashioned. Excellent type, very nice feminine head and expression, well carried ears. Very good neck, shoulder could be laid back a bit, good upperarm. Topline is a bit straight. Could have a better bend of stifle and more muscle.

## GRADUATE BITCH



1. Mr Mrs Peiler's **KNOCKNAREA NIGHT SHADOW**

A bitch of excellent type. Outstanding feminine head, perfect ears. Very nice expression, very nice, strong neck, very nice long shoulder and well placed. Good outlines and very strong hindquarters, very well muscled, movement is easy, active with a good drive. I am impressed by her. Super temperament. **Green Star Bitch.**

2. Mr Mrs Kelly's **MACUSHLA OF NUTSTOWN**

Brindle bitch of excellent type, beautiful head, very nice expression. Well carried ears, excellent neck and an excellent long shoulder. Good outlines and good substance. Correct and efficient angulation, good movement and a very good coat. ~

3. Mr Mrs Finney's **GULLIAGH POPPY**

Excellent type, very nice feminine head, dark eyes, good neck, excellent shoulder. Good legs and feet, very good angulation in hindquarters. Strong back, good substance. Movement is good but could use a bit more drive.

4. Mr Mrs O'Neill's **HYDEBECK KAYDEE**

Wheaten bitch of excellent type, beautiful feminine head, dark eyes, good neck, shoulder could lie a bit more backwards, good long upperarm. Very nice outlines, good legs and feet, short in movement but very beautiful standing.

## LIMIT BITCH



1. Mr Mrs Finney's **GULLIAGH SERENDIPITY**

Excellent type, beautiful feminine head, good eyes. Very good neck, shoulder and upperarm. Body with substance, strong back, efficient angulation in hindquarters, strong legs and feet. She moves very well. Very nice size.

2. Mr Mrs Kelly's **CASHLA OF NUTSTOWN**

Excellent type, beautiful feminine head, strong neck, good shoulder, upperarm could lie back a bit more. Good body. Less weight would benefit. Strong hindquarters. Good legs and feet, good angulation. Movement is fluent and covers a lot of ground. Good coat.

3. Mrs Tebbutt's **BOKRA IMAGE OF CAREDIG**

Bitch of outstanding type, beautiful head and expression, well carried ears, very nice neck into a well placed shoulder, body with substance, good legs and feet, nice proportions. Moves fluently but moves her back too much and is a little too broad in front. Very well looked after.

## OPEN BITCH



1. Mr Behan's **LISNAGRY JESSICA OF BEARNABUI**

Excellent type, outstanding feminine head, very well carried ears, very nice neck, good long shoulder, upperarm could lie a bit more back. Good legs and feed, good spring of rib, good croup.

2. Mrs Gover's **OWENMORE GOSHAWK**

Excellent type, beautiful feminine head and expression, well carried ears, good shoulder, strong legs and feet. Very nice proportions, very good angulation, nice harsh coat. Movement is easy and active. Toeing in a bit.

3. Mr Mrs Finney's **GULLIAGH SIMONE**

Very nice bitch of great size, excellent type, very nice head and expression, very good neck and shoulder, long well placed upperarm, good legs and feet. Very good topline, efficient and good angulation in hindquarters. Moves well but a little narrow behind.

4. Mr Mrs Peiler's **CH KNOCKNAREA INNION**

Excellent type, beautiful head and expression, well carried ears. Good neck, good shoulder, long well placed upperarm, good legs and feet. Very good topline, efficient and good angulation in hindquarters. Moves well at first but later on, a bit bouncing. Lovely bitch.

## VETERAN BITCH



Mrs Gover's **CH OWENMORE KESTREL**

Lovely lady of excellent type, very nice feminine head, outstanding expression. Nice forehand and strong hindquarters, good body, good topline, good legs and feet. Very harsh coat. Moves well, and good size. She stands with all of the charms and dignity of the breed.

2. Mr Behan's **HALEY OF BEARNABUI**

Another excellent grand old lady, with a very nice conformation. Her swift movement does not show her age at all.

3. Mr Mr Peiler's **BEARNABUI IMAGE OF KNOCKNAREA**

Bitch with good size, excellent type, good front, good body and hindquarters. Lovely head and expression. Substantial body. Moves well.

4. Mr Carr's **GULLIAGH MELODY**

8 years, nice type, nice feminine head. Very nice well carried little ears. Excellent body, good front, good legs and feet. This lovely lady shows her age in movement.



**BEST IN SHOW AND RESERVE BEST IN SHOW**



**PEILER'S CH JUXTALIA MACMATHUNA OF KNOCKNAREA & KNOCKNAREA NIGHT SHADOW**

**BEST TEAM**



**NUTSTOWN**

**BEST BRACE**



**FINNEY'S GULLIAGH SIMONE & SERENDIPITY**

**BEST HEAD**



**BEHAN'S LISNAGRY JESSICA OF BEARNABUI**

**STUD DOG**



**KELLY'S CH/UK CH CAPITAN OF SHANTAMON**

**HEIGHT CUP - TALLEST IRISH WOLFHOUND**



**FITZPATRICK-ODAHAMIER'S OWENMORE MERLIN**

**BROOD BITCH**



**PEILER'S BEARNABUI IMAGE OF KNOCKNAREA**  
(No photo with offspring available)

**BEST MOVEMENT**



**PEILER'S CH JUXTALIA MACMATHUNA OF KNOCKNAREA**

**TALLEST & MOST SOUND BITCH**



**O'NEILL'S MISTWEAVE MISS MONEY PENNY**

**1997 ANNUAL CHAMPION**



**PEILER'S CH KNOCKNAREA INNION 1997 CHAMPION**

**TOP WINNING DOG AND BITCH – REFLECTING TULLAMORE DEW'S FINEST.**





**THE NEXT GENERATION**



**OUR AUCTIONEER TONY REDMOND IN ACTION**



**KEVIN ABROOK, TULLAMORE DEW, WITH OUR JUDGE ELS SWELHEIM.**



**A HARD DAY'S WORK - SHOW MANAGER SEAMUS BUGGLE**

*Photos by Billy Clarke*

## GREEN STAR WINNERS 1998

SHOW	JUDGE	GREEN STAR WINNERS	POINTS
Irish Kennel Club	Mrs M Kavcic	Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea Gullagh Simone	BOB 10 9
Cork & District	Mrs R Parker	Ch Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea GSB withheld	BOB 3 -
Combined Canine	Mr D Drum	Ch Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea Lisnagry Jessica of Bearnabui	BOB 5 5
Fermoy Canine Club	Mr J Bennett	Calcara Breasil Gullagh Simone	BOB 6 5
Hibernian	Mrs J Chapman	Ch Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea Cashla of Nutstown	BOB 5 5
Munster Canine	Mr R Good	Calcara Breasil Lisnagry Jessica of Bearnabui	BOB 7 4
Irish Wolfhound Club	Mrs Els Swelheim	Ch Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea Knocknarea Night Shadow	BOB 10 10
Swords	Mrs F Minns	Ch Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea Gullagh Serendipity	BOB 4 4
Munster Agricultural	Mrs L de Ridder-	Ch Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea Onghenac Cashla of Nutstown	BOB 7 4
Kilkenny	Mr L Adeheimer	Calcara Breasil Ebony Dear of Nutstown	BOB 5 5
Bray	Mrs D Garrett	Ch Saringa's Mr Magwitch of Nutstown Macushla of Nutstown	BOB 5 5
ILKA	Miss J Dove	Caredig Sion Cent Lisnagry Jessica of Bearnabui	BOB 1
Dundalk	Mr J White	Ch Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea Cashla of Nutstown	BOB 6 5
Dun Laoghaire	Mr G Daly	Ch Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea Macushla of Nutstown	BOB 6 4
Hound Association	Mrs D Ahrend	Calcara Breasil Calcara Ceili	BOB 10 10
Clonmel	Mr P Machen	Ch McGilligan of Nutstown Gullagh Simone	BOB 10 10
Killarney	Mr J Wauben	Carrigrohan Trumpeter Gullagh Serendipity	BOB 9 9
Limerick	Mr D McCoy	Ch Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea Cudonnchu Damsel	BOB 10 10
Tralee	Mr A McKenzie	Tarmistorm Triton Cashla of Nutstown	BOB 10 6
Drogheda	Mr R McDowell	Ch Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea Lisnagry Jessica of Bearnabui	BOB 1 1
Irish Breeds	Mr J Behan	Ch Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea Gullagh Simone	BOB 6 6
Carlow	Mrs O Thomas	Ch Saringa's Mr Magwitch of Nutstown Knocknarea Night Shadow	BOB 5 4
Bull Breeds	Mr B Diaper	Ch Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea Gullagh Simone	BOB 6 6
Cloghran	Mr J Minchin	Ch Saringa's Mr Magwitch of Nutstown Lisnagry Jessica of Bearnabui	BOB 6 6
Dublin DSS	Mr R Murtagh	Ch Saringa's Mr Magwitch of Nutstown Gullagh Serendipity	BOB 3 3

## **GREEN STAR WINNERS 1998 *Continued***

**ANNUAL CHAMPION** Ch Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea - 77 Points

**RUNNER UP** Ch Gulliagh Simone - 36 Points

### **HOUND GROUP WINS**

IKC St Patrick's Day

Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea

Dun Laoghaire

Ch Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea

Limerick

Ch Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea

Cloghran

Ch Saringa's Mr Magwitch of Nutstown

**COMPILED BY JIM BEHAN**

## **Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland**

# **1999 BREED CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW**

**Sunday 6th June 1999**

**Setanta House Hotel, Celbridge, Co. Kildare**

**Judge - Mrs Sorchá Wilde, U.K.  
(Witchesbroom)**

Show Sec: Jim Behan, 145 Glasmere Park, Swords, Co. Dublin. Tel: 01-840 2305



## NEW CHAMPION



## NEW CHAMPION

### CH JUXTALIA MACMATHUNA OF KNOCKNAREA

Owners: Ika & Ulli Peiler

Breeder: Ms A E Sillito

Born: 12th May 1995

<b>Marumac Feril</b>	Am Ch Fitzarran Jubal	Am Ch Fitzarran Shadowfax
		Fitzarran Wicce
	Am/Can Ch Marumac Elizabeth	Brabyns Clonliam
<b>Mochras Juxitalia</b>		UK Ch Marumac Dahlia
	UK Ch Eaglescrag Justin	Clonara Nizam
		Eaglescrag Cariad
	Mochras Fey Feralia	Westmount Xile of Mochras
		Clonara Alia

## NEW CHAMPION



## NEW CHAMPION

### CH CALCARA BREASIL

Owners: Anne & Catherine O'Keeffe

Breeder: Mrs Catherine O'Keeffe

Born: 14th February 1996

<b>UK Ch Sion Cent</b>	Ch/UK Ch Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh	Ch/UK Ch Gulliagh Galleon
		Culvercroft Alanna
	Caredig Unity	Mochras Favonius
<b>Nutstown Fern of Calcara</b>		UK Ch Caredig Zoe
	Cillian Earl of Nutstown	Cillian of Knockbrack
		Duchess of Nutstown
	Lady Patricia of Nutstown	Chapelleigh Duke of Nutstown
		Ch Kracken Comet

## NEW CHAMPION



### NEW CHAMPION

### CH GULLIAGH SIMONE

Owners: Timothy & Marion Finney

Breeder: Owners

Born: 8th May 1996

<b>UK Ch Shadow of Kilmara</b>	Belg Ch Nasch from the Good Heath	Dt Ch Oelmuhle Anton
		Karla from the Good Heath
<b>Ch Gulliagh Nadia</b>	Belg/Ned/Lux Ch Miss Marple from the Good Heath	Solstrand Pieter
		Belg Ch Kane from the Good Heath
	Ch/UK Ch Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh	Ch/UK Ch Gulliagh Galleon
		Culvercroft Alanna
	Ch Gulliagh Isolde	Gulliagh Harvey
		Ch Hydebeck Nessa of Gulliagh

# BREEDING FOR HEALTH

*By Ulli Peiler*

Breeding for health is certainly one of the most difficult aspects of our work and can often be a frustrating task. Type, conformation, and soundness can be assessed with a fair degree of accuracy when a hound reaches reproductive age. While some of these qualities may decline later in life, this would not normally be regarded as diminishing the breeding value retrospectively.

On the other hand, serious health defects often become only obvious after the reproductive period. With hindsight a shadow may be cast over the contribution of a stud dog or brood bitch, and consequently questions may arise about the suitability of their offspring as breeding stock.

It goes without saying that a reasonable standard of health is a prerequisite for the longterm survival of any breed. But how important a criterion is health in our overall breeding considerations? Is it the supreme factor, dominating all other aspects?

For anybody giving health such supremacy, breeding wolfhounds (or any other pedigree dog for that matter) would constitute a poor choice. We have to admit to ourselves that any breed comes with certain breed-specific health risks, as well as some conditions shared by other breeds and even by their wild cousins.

Some of the problems affecting our breed are clearly related to its size. Bone cancer and torsion of the stomach occur significantly more often in giant breeds than in medium or small sized dogs. Although most of us try extremely hard to select breeding partners with a good record in that respect we have to admit that by breeding Irish wolfhounds we knowingly take the risk of producing these conditions.

Efforts to improve health in our breed are also hampered by the lack of scientific research. Research is expensive and funds are preferably funnelled into areas that are more important to the economy. The resulting scarcity of scientific evidence leaves us guessing whether certain conditions are genetic at all and what their mode of inheritance might be.

There is a widespread belief among many of the old hands in our breed that the number of diseases as well as the level of affected animals is on the increase. Verification of such an

opinion is difficult -, as is its falsification.

The necessary and systematic collection and evaluation of relevant information is a relative recent development, still hampered by the fact that many breeders play their cards close to the chest.

The opponents of the idea that diseases are becoming more widespread have some valid arguments on their side: many of the so called 'new' diseases could not be diagnosed correctly in the past, due to the less advanced state of veterinary science. Improved conditions and the availability of vaccines have resulted in a much higher survival rate of puppies. It is reasonable to assume that in the past puppies carrying genetic defects may have been the first ones to die. Better treatment options ensure that hounds, who were likely to fall victim to their (often not diagnosed) conditions, nowadays have a good chance of survival, albeit on permanent medication.

It sounds paradox, but it has been proven that the incidence of illness increases in any population - human and canine alike - parallel to the improvement of the health care system. A similar relationship exists between longevity and health status: the higher the average life expectancy the higher the average level of illness.

However, the sentiment that both the number of conditions and the number of affected hounds are increasing could well be justified.

The vast majority of defects are ruled by recessive genes. In a population of wild animals with random matings and frequent influx of unrelated breeding stock, a high level of heterozygosity is likely to be maintained. A double up of recessive genes, necessary to cause a condition to become apparent, occurs occasionally, but at a very low rate. The gene pool of purebred dogs is closed; once a studbook has been established, genetic input from outside the individual breed is not sanctioned.

In the history of any breed the gene pool shifts slowly but steadily from the original high level of heterozygosity (usually caused by a number of different foundation breeds) towards increasing homozygosity.

This process is mirrored at a much faster pace in individual lines within a breed. Close breeding accelerates the tendency to

genes with either two dominant or two recessive alleles.

Fortunately it is unlikely that all closely bred lines eliminate or retain the same combination of genes. With luck, matings between different closely bred lines will re-establish a certain degree of heterozygosity.

The development towards double-ups progresses at a much higher rate when the breed experiences genetic bottlenecks. These occur when numbers have fallen low, for example during times of war or economic crises, or when the breed falls out of favour because better means of doing its job were introduced.

This happened when firearms helped to extinguish wolves in Ireland and our hounds found themselves in the dole queue.

The over-use of a small number of stud dogs can create an artificial bottleneck. Thankfully Irish wolfhound breeders are just as stubbornly individualistic as their hounds and total agreement about the virtues of individual stud dogs is unlikely to be achieved.

Even though we have so far avoided the excessive over-use of individual dogs, as has happened in some other breeds, we too have to be aware that the factual blood relationship of the Irish wolfhound population is much closer than pedigrees might suggest.

New genetic diseases are caused by spontaneous gene mutation. This is a very rare event. What appears to be a new disease is almost certainly the result of the relentless efforts of a lonesome recessive gene (or a group of them if the condition is polygenic) to work its way up through the generations and find a suitable mate. There may very well be more recessives working their way up, going to frustrate us one day when they finally meet one another.

What can we as breeders do to ensure that the hounds we breed are as healthy as possible?

It is self-explanatory that our breeding stock must be free from illness and hereditary conditions. Only cynics would use hounds in their breeding programme who are not fit or who had corrective surgery for hereditary defects. But to understand health solely as the absence of illness is too narrow a definition. Health also means that the hound must possess all the physical and mental capacities that enable him to enjoy a purposeful and active life. This must include the ability to develop and maintain the social bonds with other canines and the humans around them. I think we all agree that this is an integral part of wolfhound type and must never be lost.

Health, defined in this comprehensive way, becomes one of the cornerstones that define quality - equally important as type, conformation, temperament and soundness. All these characteristics are interdependent to a degree and their definitions overlap. To establish Quality none of these cornerstones must be neglected and none favoured. It is the balance between all of them that gives our breed the mark of distinction.

When confronted with conditions that are caused by the double up of a single recessive gene, it goes without saying, that affected hounds and known carriers must not be bred from. Where known carriers have produced litters with non-carriers, there is a fifty percent chance that each of the offspring also carries the recessive.

In each consecutive generation the risk is halved again if the partner is not a carrier. When both breeding partners have a known carrier in their pedigree, the risk of both of them carrying the recessive gene (and therefore producing affected offspring) can be calculated by multiplying their respective statistical risk. If both partners are third generation offspring of a carrier, the chance that both still carry the defective gene is 1 in 64, or approx 1.5 percent. In the fifth generation the risk is reduced to 1 in 1024, or 0.097 percent.

There is widespread controversy about where the cut-off point should be from whence the potential risk can be disregarded. This point is often discussed in an emotionally charged atmosphere. The subject however requires a dispassionate and rational approach.

Avoiding potential carriers, however small the risk, for too long could lead to a dangerous narrowing of the genetic diversity of those lines that have no known connection. These lines in turn run an increasing risk of producing other harmful double-ups as a result.

Even more difficult and confusing is the situation in relation to polygenic conditions. With defects caused by an autosomal recessive gene, at least we know the mode of inheritance and can justifiably hope that one day a genetic test will enable us to eliminate carriers from the gene pool. Our knowledge about polygenic conditions is extremely limited at present. Some breeding combinations seem to produce polygenic conditions more often than others, but it is also quite common, that two hounds who have each produced a defect with another partner, do not produce it when mated to each other.

The well-known geneticist M Willis describes a polygenic condition that causes an extra toe in guinea pigs. There are potentially eight different genes involved and the extra toe occurs when any five of these genes are passed on to the offspring. Whereas the high frequency of litters and offspring and the unsentimental dealing with laboratory animals favours the identification of the genes responsible, such experiments are totally unjustifiable with companion animals such as our breed. (I do not condone experiments with laboratory animals, but alas, science and research have their own system of ethics). The only way forward for us is the compilation of as many data as

possible. This will hopefully lead to a better understanding of the genetics behind polygenic conditions.

In recent years several such titanic projects have been started. Some courageous breeders have deliberately broken with the tradition of secrecy, at great personal expense. They must be credited with having initiated a growing trend to taking part in test schemes and availing of health monitoring facilities. Through this a treasure of valuable information has been supplied to various research projects already.

There is a pressing need for Glasnost. For the sake of our breed let us be truthful and open - and fair!

## LONGEVITY 1998

<b>Athcarne Moloney</b> (Knocknarea Briciu x Athcarne Eadoin)	8/10/89 - still live
<b>Bearnabui, Glynn of</b> (Ch Gulliagh Galleon x Carrokeel Elvin of Bearna Bui)	(24/4/1986 - mid 1998 - aged 12 years
<b>Bearna Bui, Haley of</b> (Ch Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh x Carrokeel Elvin of Bearna Bui)	12/4/89 - still alive
<b>Ballykelly Countess</b> (Ch Chieftain of Nutstown x Ballykelly Dubh)	11/1/89 - still alive
<b>Callaighstown Lady</b> (Ch Chieftain of Nutstown x Reemaid of Callaighstown)	3/7/88 - still alive
<b>Gulliagh Isolde</b> (Gulliagh Harvey x Hydebeck Nessa of Gulliagh)	6/3/88 - 5/8/98
<b>Gulliagh Kilti</b> (Ch Culvercroft Benjamin of Gulliagh x Whysper of Lainston)	27/10/88 - 10/4/1998
<b>Nutstown, Cormac of</b> (Ch Cillian Ruane x Duchess of Nutstown)	4/12/89 - still alive
<b>Nutstown, Joseph of</b> (Ch Cillian Ruane x Coady of Nutstown)	6/10/89 - still alive

*Compiled by Isobel Walton*



# IRISH WOLFHOUND CLUB OF IRELAND

## Open Show

*(held in conjunction with Hound Association Open Show)*

28th February, 1998

JUDGE: MRS. MARLEEN COLLINS

The invitation to judge at Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland Open Show was an honour and a great pleasure for me. Many thanks to all the exhibitors who so sportingly accepted my decisions and to my steward, Mr Dermot Drum.

### PUPPY DOG OR BITCH

1. O'Keeffe's **CALCARA CEILI**. Shapely bitch, well-handled, best mover of class, **Best Puppy**.
2. O'Keeffe's **CALCARA CU NA RI**, litter brother to 1, attractive masculine head, movement should tighten in time.

### JUNIOR DOG OR BITCH

1. Kelly's **NUTSTOWN ANN**. Immature bitch, not yet settled on the move, stood alone.

### GRADUATE DOG OR BITCH

1. Kelly's **MACUSHLA OF NUTSTOWN**. Well-balanced young lady, attractive head with lovely expression, flowing curves, moved soundly when settled, should have an auspicious future, **Best Bitch**.
2. Fitzpatrick-Odahamier's **CHAPELLEIGH NARMAN**

### LIMIT DOG

1. Fitzpatrick-Odahamier's **OWENMORE MERLIN**. Large dog, somewhat reluctant to be examined, stood alone.

### LIMIT BITCH

1. Finney's **GULLIAGH SERENDIPITY**. Promising young bitch, feminine head, good length of body with good tuck up.
2. Behan's **LISNAGRY JESSICA OF BEARNA BUI**. Beautiful expression, elegant bitch, in lovely condition but didn't do herself justice as somewhat distracted on the move.

### OPEN DOG

1. Peiler's **JUXTALIA MACMATHUNA OF KNOCKNAREA**. Handsome dog of noble appearance, lovely topline with good arch over loins, well-balanced with good angulation fore and aft, well-muscled up, moved effortlessly around the ring, **Best Dog** and **Best of Breed**. I was delighted that he went on to win Best in Show
2. Kelly's **FINGAL OF NUTSTOWN**, heavier type than 1, not settled in challenge.

### OPEN BITCH

1. Kelly's **EMILY OF NUTSTOWN**. Solid lady with well dropped chest, heavier type than 2.
2. Finney's **GULLIAGH SIMONE**. Feminine bitch, not yet fully developed.

### VETERAN DOG OR BITCH

1. Finney's **CH GULLIAGH ISOLDE**. Lovely old lady, a credit to her owners and breeders.

# IRISH WOLFHOUND CLUB OF IRELAND

## Open Show Winners



### BEST OF BREED

PEILER'S JUXTALIA MACMATHUNA OF KNOCKNAREA & BEST BITCH KELLY'S MACUSHLA OF NUTSTOWN.

### BALLYVALLA TRAY WINNER



FITZPATRICK-ODAHAMIER'S OWENMORE MERLIN



# IRISH WOLFHOUND CLUB OF NORTHERN IRELAND

## Breed Championship Show

Sunday, July 19, 1998

JUDGE: MR WILLIAM F DEEMER, USA

My sincere thanks to the Irish Wolfhound Club's officers and members for asking me to judge their hounds and their sporting acceptance of my decisions. Thanks also to my expert ring stewards, Miss Martin and Mr Biggerstaff, without whose help I would have floundered. The venue for the show was spectacular, as was the lunch that followed.

Last, but certainly not least I would like to thank whoever was responsible for the weather as the rain stopped just long enough to complete judging.

### PUPPY DOG

1 Mr Mrs. J Kelly's **MARSHGROVE KING OF NUTSTOWN**. Tall red brindle with lots of leg. Good outline with nice length of body. A bit straight fore and aft at this age. Good head with correct bite and small ears held well. Strong topline. Shoulder adequate but needs more length of upper arm. Good depth of chest for his age. Elbows out a bit coming but with a good side gait. He is in hard condition.

2 Miss & Mrs O'Keeffe's **CALCARA CU-NA-RI**. A very shapely silver brindle with nice head, good bite, dark eyes and ears well placed. Good length of leg and well boned. Needs more forechest. Not the substance and topline of the first dog. Front movement good, less strong in the rear with an acceptable side gait.

3 Mr Mrs J & N Davidson's **NEILSON OF NUTSTOWN**.

### JUNIOR DOG

1 Mrs J Malley's **AINSEA THE DIPLOMAT**. A sixteen month old dark brindle, tall and with good length of body and neck. Pleasing shape. A good head with dark eyes, good bite, proper ears and a pleasing expression as well. Nice curves fore and aft for his age. Tracks well coming and going. Side gait is exceptional. Promising young hound.

2 Miss & Mrs O'Keeffe's **CALCARA CU-NA-RI**. (seen before)

3 Mr Mrs J & N Davidson's **NEILSON OF NUTSTOWN**. (seen before)

### NOVICE DOG

1 Mrs. D Tebbutt's **ROSCOT WASHINGTON CAREDIG**. A red brindle more moderate, who for me needs more length of leg and back. Good topline and underline. A good head with small ears, a good bite and a pleasant eye. Good forechest although shoulder and upper arm could be better. Moves well from the side as well as coming and going.

2 Mr Mrs Boyle's **ATHCARNE GRAINNE**. Lost to the first dog on his stronger movement.

### UNDERGRADUATE DOG

1 Mrs J Malley's **AINSEA THE DIPLOMAT**. (first seen in Class 2)

### POSTGRADUATE DOG

1 Mr F Carr's **Gullagh Tyson**. Typical head with a good bite and well placed ears. Coat could be harsher. Would like to see more length throughout. Side gait is adequate. Needs to strengthen movement coming and going.

### OPEN DOG



1 Mrs J Malley's **CH BALLYPHELAN BRAN BEAG**. Handsome

dark brindle with exceptional balance and pleasing shape. A masculine head with expressive dark eyes and a scissor bite. Small ears properly placed. Strong neck leading into good shoulders and well set under upper arm. Full in forechest. Proper length of body with a strong topline. Good curve to the stifles and nice low hocks. Presented in top form. Tracked well coming and going with strong reach and drive from the side. CC and BOB.

2 Mrs D Tebbutt's **CH CAREDIG SION CENT**. Another very impressive hound with lovely old style head. Proper expression, dark eyes, good bite and well folded ears. Best head in the class. Nice outline. Good topline, proper shoulder and upper arm with correct length of body and leg. Movement from the side strong with proper coming and going. Just preferred the exceptional balance of the first dog. Res CC.

3 Mr Mrs U Peiler's **IR CH JUXTALIA MACMATHUNA**. Very impressive dark brindle. My first thought was he would be the winner but not as well balanced as the above. A very deep chest making him appear a bit front heavy. Strong topline. Could use a bit more width to the stifle. Lovely head, would prefer a bit darker eye. Movement was good coming and going. Side gait was a bit restricted in front, perhaps due to carrying a bit of extra weight.

4 Mr Mrs. J Kelly's **IR CH MCGILLIGAN OF NUTSTOWN**.

#### **VETERAN DOG**

1 Mr Mrs J Kelly's **CH/IR CH CAPITAN OF SHANTAMON**. Eight year old black brindle. Nice head, good shoulders and forechest. Good topline and lovely low hocks. Good bone. Movement free, unrestricted. A very fit eight year old.

#### **PUPPY BITCH**

1 Mr Mrs J Kelly's **EBONY DEAR OF NUTSTOWN**. A charming black eight month old puppy, who absolutely stole the show even though she was slightly overweight! She was sound and extremely naughty to boot. Could not resist giving her number one and best puppy.

2 Miss & Mrs O'Keeffe's **CALCARA CEILI**. A taller 11 month old silver brindle, not as sound today but a nice puppy nevertheless.

3 Ms Atkinson's **MAYA OF NUTSTOWN**. Another nice 11 month old, a bit out of kilter at the moment. Needs to strengthen. Three promising puppies.

#### **JUNIOR BITCH**

1 Mrs P Dillon-Burns **PAULINE OF SHANTAMON**. A year old dark brindle bitch. Head is adequate. Not moving strongly today. Short in body and straight fore and aft causing her to be unbalanced.

#### **NOVICE BITCH**

1 Mrs P Dillon-Burns **NOREEN OF SHANTAMON**. Similar to the winner of junior bitch, although more curves and therefore more shapely front and rear. Has more length of body and slightly more length of leg. Movement acceptable coming and going and from the side.

#### **UNDERGRADUATE BITCH**

1 Mr Mrs J Kelly's **SARINGA'S MISS CONSTRUE**. Very nice black brindle with very good head and expression. Small ears, good bite, strong neck. Good forechest. Shoulder and upper arm fit well. She has a strong topline, good croup. Would like more width across stifle. She tracks properly coming and going and moves with good reach and drive on the side. Nicely presented. Res CC.

2 Mr Mrs B Holliday's **ATHCARNE FINEEN**. Sorry no notes.

#### **POSTGRADUATE BITCH**

1 Mrs J Malley's **AINSEA FLEUR**. Exceptionally nice 2 year old. Good head, with a dark eye, small ears and a strong neck flowing into good shoulders. Strong topline, good bone, and proper length of leg. She stands over a lot of ground and has her curves all in the right places. Extends well with lots of drive. I predict she will do well when she matures. This one I'd take home.

2 Mr Mrs J Kelly's **MACUSHLA OF NUTSTOWN**. Like this bitch very much. Racy type which I love. Would prefer her taller with a bit more leg. Very nice head. Good bite. Strong neck and a substantial body with proper length. Slightly steep in croup. Movement coming and going - elbows out in front but side gait is strong, easy and active.

3 Miss D McCausland's **KILTONGA KEVA**.

### **LIMIT BITCH**

1 Mr Mrs T Finney's **GULLIAGH SERENDIPITY** Dark brindle with a typical head, great coat and good topline. A bit straight fore and aft. She moves well coming and going and very well on the side. Nicely presented.

2 Mr Mrs J Kelly's **CASHLA OF NUTSTOWN**. Very balanced red wheaten. Lovely head and expression, small well folded ears, dark eyes and good bite. A bit short in neck but well constructed fore and aft. A moderate bitch, both one and two a bit square for me, ultimately preferred the type of one.

3 Mr Mrs B Holliday's **ATHCARNE FINEEN**.

### **OPEN BITCH**



1 Mrs J Malley's **AINSEA DUSTY SIM**. Most impressive dark bitch with classic beautiful head and a wonderful expression. My favourite head of the day. She is old style with a lovely, houndy shape. Plenty of length. Very strong yet long neck. Most impressive length from hip to hock. Her movement coming was slightly off. Going away she was fine. Side gait was of great ground covering ability. This to me was the standard. CC

2 Mr Mrs T Finney's **GULLIAGH SIMONE**. Dark brindle with beautiful head. Standing appears shorter in body than number one. Needs to mature. She tracks well front and rear. Seems a bit restricted on the side today. She has a proper harsh coat and I hope she lengthens in body as she develops.

3 Mr Mrs U Peiler's **IR CH KNOCKNAREA INNION**. Another very attractive typy bitch with a lovely old fashioned head. The body is of proper length, long and houndy. She gave number two strong competition. She is nice and deep in the chest, but

in some ways appears too heavy up front, thus losing some of her balance. Her movement let her down.

### **VETERAN BITCH**

1 Mr F Carr's **GULLIAGH MELODY**. Almost 10 year old lovely bitch in fine fettle for her age. Sweet expression and lovely type.

### **BRACE**

1 **Ir Ch Saringa's Mr Magwatch of Nutstown and Ch/Ir Ch Capitan of Shantamon**

2 **Gulliagh Serendipity and Gulliagh Simone**

### **TEAM**

1 **Ainsea**

2 **Nutstown**

### **BEST NORTHERN IRELAND HOUND**

1 Mr Mrs B Holiday's **ATHCARNE FINEEN**

2 Miss D McCausland's **KILTONGA KEVA**

3 Mr P Dillon-Burns **NOREEN OF SHANTAMON**

4 Mr Mrs C Boyle's **ATHCARNE GRAINNE**

### **BEST HOUND OWNED BY EXHIBITOR ENTERED IN 1996 AND 1997 NEVER HAVING WON A CC OR GREEN STAR**

1 Mr and Mrs J Kelly's **SARINGA'S MISS CONSTRUE**

2 Mr and Mrs B Holliday's **ATHCARNE FINEEN**

When you read the breed standard, count the number of times the word long is mentioned. My aim in judging is to find a long dog. His or her length needs to be in the proper places to accomplish the purpose of this breed. One looks for length of ribcage and subsequently the back. Too often it is seen in the overlong loin resulting in a weak back. Length needs to be apparent in the long bones to give the dog the appearance of standing over ground. Also important is the distance from hip to hock. Without these lengths the sighthound form is lost. The head needs length and balance for a typical appearance. These characteristics of length coupled with grace, dignity and breed character exhibit themselves in the strong groundcovering movement of the Irish Wolfhound. This long dog so admired by the ancient Celtic kings can still be seen today if only we look. My final winners all exhibited these strengths to me.

# CRITERIA FOR JUDGING: (IRISH JUDGES)

*(with effect from 1st JANUARY 1999)*

## **FIRST TIME JUDGES**

Applicants must be 18 years or over on the day of the show and at least five years active in their own breed or breeds at their first appointment at a Match, Limited, Members or Open show. Written confirmation of their involvement in exhibiting and general activity in dogs must be submitted to the Irish Kennel Club.

The judge elect will be confined to his/her own breed/breeds at their first appointment and must have adequate knowledge of the breed/s standard/s. In exceptional cases a judge elect will be confined to his/her own breed/breeds or related breed/breeds within his/her own Group. Ring stewarding on at least three occasions is also required.

## **CHAMPIONSHIP SHOWS: FIRST APPOINTMENT**

To be considered for awarding Green Stars, a judge elect must be 21 years or over on the day of the show and have judged at least twice at Limit, Members or Open shows. A person with active involvement in more than one breed will be considered for awarding Green Stars in these breeds but he/she may only progress through one Group at any given time.

## **PROGRESSION TO OTHER BREEDS AT CHAMPIONSHIP LEVEL**

Having judged his/her own breed, after twelve months the judge elect will be considered for a further three related breeds in that Group provided he/she satisfies the Irish Kennel Club that the applicant has judged within that Group on at least one further occasion at another level. Proof of attendance at lectures, Seminars, Work Shop or breed talks will be asked for on progressing Judges questionnaires.

Twelve months after this advance he/she will be considered for four more breeds in that Group and will be eligible to judge Any Variety not separately classed at this

progression. Ongoing involvement in this Group will be required. Further stewarding experience is desirable.

## **GROUP JUDGING AT CHAMPIONSHIP SHOWS**

To qualify as a Group judge it will be necessary to have awarded Green Stars to eight breeds within that Group. Having judged eight breeds, a further six months must elapse before he/she may judge either that Group or any additional breeds. A judge may only judge the same Group once in a twelve month period and may not judge any of the breeds within that Group until at least another 6 months has elapsed.

## **PROGRESSION 2ND & 3RD GROUPS AT CHAMPIONSHIP LEVEL**

To progress to another Group, the judge elect must have judged twelve breeds within his/her first Group. Having completed the first Group as above, the judge may nominate a breed in a new Group and will be considered for judging provided the Irish Kennel Club is satisfied as to the applicants general interest in the breed. Progression through either of these Groups is the same as above.

## **PROGRESSION 4TH & 5TH GROUPS AT CHAMPIONSHIP LEVEL**

Having completed the requirements for the three Groups, a judge elect may be considered to award Green Stars in four breeds within fourth or fifth Groups provided the Irish Kennel Club is satisfied with the Applicants general interest in these breeds. Progression through these Groups may be undertaken at the rate of four breeds per year.

## **PROGRESSION 6TH & 7TH GROUPS AT CHAMPIONSHIP LEVEL**

Having completed the requirements for the five Groups a judge elect may be considered to award Green Stars in six



breeds within these Groups provided the Irish Kennel Club is satisfied with the applicants general interest in these breeds. Progression through sixth or seventh Groups may be undertaken at the rate of six breeds per year.

#### **BEST IN SHOW**

Having judged two Groups and a minimum of twelve breeds within each of these Groups, the following year a Judge may then be considered for a Best In Show appointment. The Judging of Best In Show does not entitle the judge to award Green Stars to any additional breeds other than those for which he/she was previously qualified. A Judge may only judge Best In Show once in twelve months.

#### **STAKE CLASSES**

Same requirements as Best In Show and may only be judged once in a twelve month period.

#### **ANY VARIETY GROUP CLASSES**

A Judge may only judge the A.V. Class once in a twelve month period.

#### **AGE LIMIT**

**LIMITED, MATCH, MEMBERS AND OPEN SHOWS -18 YEARS ON THE DAY OF THE SHOW.**

**GREEN STARS - 21 YEARS ON THE DAY OF THE SHOW.**



## **CRITERIA FOR JUDGING: (OVERSEAS JUDGES IN IRELAND)**

*(with effect from 1st JANUARY 1999)*

#### **LIMITED, MEMBERS, OPEN AND MATCHES**

A judge elect must have judged at this level or higher at least twice in their own country.

#### **CHAMPIONSHIP**

##### **F. C. I. JURISDICTION**

The judge elect may only award Green Stars to breeds in which

#### **CONTINUITY OF JUDGING CAREER**

If a judge has not been actively involved in dogs during the previous 5 years he/she may judge those breeds for which they are already qualified for but may not progress until a further period of 2 years active in dogs has elapsed.

#### **SUBSTITUTE JUDGES**

It is a condition precedent to the offer of any Green Stars that the judge proposed has been approved by the Irish Kennel Club. In the case of an appointed judge being unable to fulfil his/her engagement, the right to offer Green Stars is cancelled, unless and until the substitute judge has been approved by the Irish Kennel Club.

A substitute judge must have awarded Green Stars in the breeds concerned on a previous occasion.

A judge cannot act as a substitute if they have awarded Green Stars to the breed/breeds concerned within twelve (12) months and having judged as a substitute judge, he/she cannot award Green Stars for the same breed/breeds within twelve (12) months.

Should there be sufficient time to have the substitute judge passed by AN ARD CHOMHAIRLE prior to the show, the relevant exhibitors must be notified of the change.

#### **IRISH JUDGES JUDGING OVERSEAS**

Irish Judges judging abroad are required to advise the Irish Kennel Club in advance, giving details of show, breeds, groups etc. Forms are available on request from the Irish Kennel Club.

he/she has awarded C.A.Cs. in their own country.

N.B. Individual Kennel Clubs have their own restrictions on judges judging abroad.

#### **AMERICAN/CANADIAN JURISDICTION**

The judge elect may only award Green Stars to breeds in which he/she is licensed to award Championship points in their own country.

### **BRITISH JURISDICTION**

The judge elect may award Green Stars to any breed which he/she has awarded C.Cs in their own country. He/she will be considered for an additional three related breeds within that Group on their first appointment in Ireland, provided their questionnaire shows they have judged at Open show level a minimum of 20 dogs for native Irish Breeds and breeds appearing on the current Green Star Index and a minimum of 10 dogs for all other breeds.

### **ELIGIBILITY FOR FURTHER PROGRESSION**

After a further three years, judge elect may be considered for an additional three related breeds provided -

a) they have awarded C.Cs to at least one other breed since their last Irish appointment.

AND

b) they have judged these additional breeds at Open show level with the minimum number of dogs as required before, i.e. 10 or 20 as applicable.

After a further three years, a further progression of three breeds will be allowed under the conditions of (a) or (b) as above.

Having judged twelve breeds within the Group, a judge will be considered to award Green Stars to any breed within that Group provided they show Open show judging experience in any new breeds.

An overseas judge may not judge a Group unless they have judged that Group in their own country and must have awarded Championship Certificates to a minimum of eight breeds in their country or this country.

### **SUBSTITUTE JUDGES**

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In the case of an appointed judge being unable to fulfil his/her engagement, the right to offer Green Stars is cancelled, unless and until the substitute judge has been approved by the Irish Kennel Club.

An overseas judge may not award Green Stars to any breed in which they have not awarded Championship Certificates or Green Stars in their own country.



# FLASH-BACK

8th February 1900

## *Letter from Mr Walter Allen, Secretary of the Irish Wolfhound Club, to Mr. Irvine, Esq.*

Dear Mr. Irvine,

Having had some conversation with Mr. Sclater with regard to the Irish Wolfhound dog which you have, I venture to take this liberty of writing to you and offering a few remarks with regard perhaps to the welfare of the dog.

In the first place I may mention that I am pleased to gather from Mr. Sclater's description that the dog has developed into a really fine animal, and I hope that in the near future you will succeed in getting a satisfactory photograph of him and presenting me one, this to add to my collection.

Mr. Sclater mentioned to me that the dog carried a very foul smell, which I think by a little care could easily be cured, as, for instance I do not know on what kind of bed the dog lies, but I would impress upon you the advisability of allowing him to sleep on a wooden floor raised from the ground, and also that your gardener, who I understand is in charge of the dog, should have instructions to particularly cleanse the wooden bench by well washing with warm water and disinfectant, and dry thoroughly before putting down fresh bedding such as clean straw. Also if the sides of the kennel are of stone it might be decidedly beneficial to have these also occasionally washed down in a similar way and white-limed.

It is quite unusual for dogs of this description to carry such an unpleasant odour, as I mentioned to Mr. Sclater only yesterday that my dogs of this same breed are allowed to come into the house and lie down in the dining room in front of the fire, and they give off no offensive odour whatsoever, although at this period of the year I am unable to have them washed. Of course in the Summer time they are periodically washed and at all times of the year I have them groomed, which consists of combing and brushing, which your gardner would do two or three times a week in a very short space of time.

I do not know how your dog is fed but sometimes the system of feeding causes such an odour as Mr. Sclater has described, which usually arises from over-feeding with meat and other butcher's offal, and therefore if you are using any quantity of this I would strongly advise your decreasing the use and putting

the dog on a diet consisting chiefly of biscuits either soaked or dry containing meat, such as our own meat biscuits, or Messrs Spratts or Calabar.

Of course if you could get our own in your neighbourhood I should give this preference as they are at all times made from fresh flour, which is a great advantage.

I hope you will pardon me taking this liberty and thus writing you on this matter, but my excuse, if excuse is necessary, must be that I take great interest in this dog, and in all the breed, and of course particularly in yours because I had the pleasure of breeding him.

If at any time there is any question in your mind with regard to this, and in which I can be of any help to you I hope you will not hesitate in sending me a line, when I shall be pleased to give you any information which I am able to, and in conclusion I cannot speak too strongly of the advisability of using plenty of disinfectant, and for my own dogs I usually throw down in the yard and also underneath the straw if their kennels what is known as disinfectant sawdust which I purchase from Messrs Mass & Co, Darlington, at I think 15/- per cwt, but if you are unable to get this good pine shavings or pine sawdust form a very fair substitute.

Yours truly,

*Walter Allen*

*Hound referred to in the letter:*

*Bred 20th June, 1899*

*Sire: Ch O'Leary x Lady Kathleen*

*Litter included; A. J. Dawson's Tynagh, (berotne of Dawson's book Finn the Wolfhound) and Mr Everett's famous hound Emo.*

*AKD*



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*Regards from D Kehoe.*



# FEDERATION OF EUROPEAN IRISH WOLFHOUND CLUBS (EIWC)

Luxemburg, 26th June 1998

## OPEN CONGRESS

### Opening Address

Ms. Elizabeth C. Murphy (Ireland), President EIWC, welcomed all present on behalf of the EIWC. The large attendance included delegates and visitors from 18 countries.

She announced the decisions taken by the Ruling Council the day before, and thereafter introduced the newly elected Board Members to the audience.

Mr. John Briggs, treasurer, gave a short summary of the financial status of EIWC. Mr. Gerard McCabe, the new Secretary and host for the next Congress and Show in the year 2000 in Norway, explained on charts and photos where the next event will be held, and expressed his hope to see everybody again in two years.

Finally Elizabeth Murphy thanked Mrs. Daubenfeld and all Luxemburg members for organising and hosting the Congress and congratulated them on the success of the event. She then handed over to the new Chairman, Mr. Willi Hasselbrink, to chair the Pro and Contra discussion on Inbreeding and Line-breeding.

### **Presentations - PRO'S & CON'S OF INBREEDING AND LINE-BREEDING**

Mr. Hasselbrink introduced the two speakers: Mrs. Jill Richards Bregy, a well known breeder (Wild Isle Kennels) and judge from the USA, who will take over the Pro part, and Dr. Hellmuth Wachtel, from Austria, who recently had published a book discussed with much controversy on breeding dogs in the Years 2000, who will take over the Contra part. Whereas Dr. Wachtel wants to prove that close breeding depletes genetic diversity and thus leads to growing risks of genetic disturbances, Mrs. Bregy believes in careful line-breeding with a true vision of the standard in mind, and consequently breeding away from faults. The scripts of both speakers were given to all present.

Both presentations were of high interest to all breeders, and many questions were raised to the speakers.

Mr. Hasselbrink thanked both speakers for their professional presentations and reminded the audience, that it is always beneficial for all breeders to learn from opposing statements, and that it was not the intention of the Pro and Contra discussion to prove right or wrong, but to initiate more creativity in the art of breeding. We all remember what Ms. Murphy said at the end of the Congress in 1996:

*"In addition to conformity with the Standard of Excellence, which is the prime responsibility of breeders, we must also aim towards vitality, health and vigour. We do not own the breed but hold it in trust for future generations. We must leave behind us a hound that not only conforms to the Standard but has the health and strength necessary to ensure a long and happy life for the hound and is also a source of pride and joy to the owners. The Irish Wolfhound needs our commitment to safeguard its future."*

Mrs. Bregy told us how to meet the standard best. Dr. Wachtel told us how to improve soundness. Unfortunately both targets often end in a catch 22 situation.

### **SOCIAL EVENTS**

After this demanding congress session we had a very relaxing and pleasant cocktail hour at the Hotel du Grand Chef followed by a great Dinner Party in the Festival Hall of the Parc Thermal with a warm and cold buffet of excellent quality. During dinner we could listen to Irish life music, and chat to other breeders about our hobby in almost all European languages.

It again was a truly international affair with an exceptional high level of standard.

## BOARD MEMBERS 1998/99

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In addition the Board co-opted Mr Frans de Ridder (Belgium) as an observer as representative of the host country for the Congress in the year 2002.

*Report courtesy of Mr W Hasselbrink & Mr G McCabe*

### **CONGRESS FOR THE YEAR 2000 - NORWAY**

**Date:** Mid June - date to be confirmed.

**Details** from Mr Gerard McCabe, President of the Norwegian Irish  
Wolfhound Club **Address:** Spikkestadvn 112, 3430 Spikkestad, Norway.

### **CONGRESS FOR THE YEAR 2002 - BELGIUM**

**Date:** 9 - 12th May.

**Details** (available in due time) from Mr. Frans de Ridder, President of the Belgian Sight Hound  
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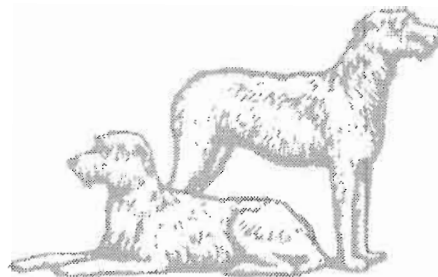
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*'This is not Tullamore Dew'*



**Mary Kingston** is hoping for a Christmas dream come true for the Disney Club's resident Irish Wolfhound, Donagh. "He started to talk this year," she says, "and he told us he wanted a kennel and a bike with stabilisers from Santa Claus. I just hope Donagh behaves himself."

Donagh is owned by the Fitzgerald Selbys.

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# NUTSTOWN IRISH WOLFHOUNDS



## **Ebony Dear of Nutstown**

Sire: Ch Saringa's Mr Magwatch. Dam: Eileen Og.

## **TOP PUPPY 1998**

### **1998 was a very successful year for Nutstown hounds abroad.**

McGilligan's son, Miles, and Blossom's daughter, Nightingale (11 months) both gained their titles in Florida. Well done Kathy and Mike. Deffie of Nutstown, another McGilligan son, has many BOB's in Belgium.

John of Nutstown (Fingal of Nutstown x Ch Blossom of Nutstown) also won his title and finished Top Wolfhound in Austria. Congratulations Andrea.

Ailis of Nutstown is unbeaten in puppy class in Belgium.

Ebony Empress of Nutstown made Best Puppy at LKA Ch Show. UK.

**Westminster 1998:** US Ch Nutstown Fear Mor of St Doulaghs took Best of Breed.

*Newsflash: Westminster 1999 US Ch Nutstown Fear Mor of St Doulaghs took Best of Breed again in 1999.*

**Congratulations to Eileen Flanagan on Fear Mor's outstanding achievement.**

At home Ch/UK Capitan, now just 8 years old, made Best Veteran at both Club Shows in Ireland and his outstanding progeny made him Irish Wolfhound Stud Dog winner for 3 years, 1996 - 1997 - 1998.

Ch Magwitch, Ch McGilligan, Macushla, Cashla, Ebony also won Green Stars & BOBs Ch Magwitch added another hound group win to his previous successes.

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CH CALCARA BREASIL. Born 14.2.96

*At the Hound Association of Ireland Championship Show in August '98:*

**Breasil** gained his title with Best of Breed.

**Ceili** at 1 year and 1 week of age won her first 10 point Green Star Bitch.

**Aoife** at 7 months won Best Puppy and reserve Green Star Bitch - first time out.

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**Best Puppy** - 7 months

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Ch Show  
**Best Puppy Bitch**  
**Res Green Star Bitch** - 10 months

Swords Ch Show '98  
**Best Puppy Bitch** - 10 months

Tralee Ch Show '98  
**1st Graduate Bitch**  
**Res Green Star Bitch**



**Calcara Cu Na Ri**  
Born 7.8.97

Irish Wolfhound Open Show  
'98  
**Best Puppy Dog** - 6 months

Swords Ch Show '98  
**1st Novice Dog** - 10 months

Dundalk Ch Show '98  
**Best Puppy Dog** - 11 months  
**& Res Green Star**

Clonmel Ch Show '98  
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Bull Breeds Ch Show '98  
**1st Graduate Dog** - 14 months

Cloghran Ch Show '98  
**1st Graduate Dog** 15 months



**Countay Aoife of Calcara**  
Born 26.1.98

Cloghran Ch Show '98  
**Best Puppy & Res Green Star** at 10 months

# GULLIAGH IRISH WOLFHOUNDS



**BLAKESKERRA ARHAN OF MARUMAC**

(Marumac Feril x UK Ch Finloren Agatha of Blakeskerra.  
12 April 1995). Co-owned with Ms. Mary McBryde



**GULLIAGH SERENDIPITY**

(UK Ch Shadow of Kilmara x Ch Gullagh Nadia.  
6 May 1996)

SERENDIPITY finished 1998 just a few points off her Irish title, just behind her champion sister. At under two and a half, SIMONE was one of the youngest IW bitches to have become an Irish champion. She is the fifth consecutive generation of bitch champions at Gullagh. Apart from their exciting show careers, both girls are a joy to live with and like nothing better than a hunt in the fields with their mother, Ch GULLIAGH NADIA.

In September, we welcomed to Gullagh BLAKESKERRA ARHAN OF MARUMAC, a Grandson of our GULLIAGH HARVEY (Ch/UK Ch Gullagh Galleon x Whysper of Lainston) - a boy gold in colour and gold in pedigree, and most of all a great character who was immediately accepted into the pack. He will be joining the show team this year.

Many congratulations to Jean & Rod Nesbitt for making up their first South African Champion, SA Ch Gullagh Aran (Blakeskerra Branagan x Gullagh Peggotty), at just 2 years.

We hope to have puppies in 1999, and in fact have already started with a litter of five from our Miniature Wire-Haired Dachshund.

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# GULLIAGH IRISH WOLFHOUNDS



**GULLIAGH KILTI**

(Ch/UK Ch Culvercroft Benjamin of Gullagh  
x Whysper of Lainston) 27.10.88 - 10.4.98



**CH GULLIAGH ISOLDE**

(Gullagh Harvey Ch Hydebeck Nessa of Gullagh)  
6.3.88 - 5.8.98

During '98, we said farewell to two very special and dearly loved hounds. **KILTI** was a unique character, and in his youth a super courser. His progeny include US Ch Gullagh Keevagh and many champion grandchildren. **ISOLDE** had a lengthy and legendary career in the ring; she was Green Star bitch 3 years running, twice with BOB, at St Patrick's Day Ch Show, and finished her career with Best Veteran for three consecutive years at the Club Show of both the IWCI and the IWCNI. She celebrated her 10th birthday winning Best Veteran at the Club's Open Show last March.

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*A dream come true*

*Photograph courtesy of Rosemary Daly, Heel Magazine*

Winning the double at our Club show with **Ch Juxitalia Macmathuna of Knocknarea 'Jonah'** and **Knocknarea Night Shadow 'Daisy'** was one of the highlights of a memorable show season that saw Jonah taking some of the most prestigious awards, both at home and across the water...

In March he took **CC & BOB at Crufts** -

*"...one of those rare moments of serendipity which come a judge's way all too seldom. This is a really cracking dog, strong, balanced stallion hound of lovely type, lovely neck flowing into good shoulder with absolutely correct depth of chest & spring of rib, correct length of loin with perfect arch, which he kept on the move, well muscled, sweeping hindquarters, lovely, powerful, easy movement." (Miranda Brace, judge Crufts '98)*

In April he went **BIS** and won **BEST MOVEMENT** at the *IWC England Breed Ch Show* under John Briggs. At home he headed the leaderboard from Start to Finish and became **TOP IW** and **TOP HOUND 1998** by winning Groups under Jim Behan, Ann Cuthbert and Elizabeth C Murphy.

Jonah is a delight to live with and his excellent manners make him a joy to show.

# KNOCKNAREA IRISH WOLFHOUNDS



KNOCKNAREA QUEBEC



KNOCKNAREA PANACHE

*The next generation*

**Knocknarea Quebec** (left) at seven months, by *UK Ch Ballyphelan Tarlach Dubh ex Knocknarea Katinka* and **Knocknarea Panache** (right) at eight months, by *Marumac Feril ex Glenties Aine*.

Another new kid on the block is our English import **Mallanigh Dawn Chase of Knocknarea "Miko"**, by *UK Ch Ballyphelan Tarlach Dubh ex Mallanigh Mayha*. He made his debut in 1998 at the Irish Breeds Ch Show, winning Best Puppy under breed specialist Jim Behan. Miko has just become the proud father of our 'R'-litter ex Knocknarea Grace.

Congratulations to Grace's daughter **US Ch Knocknarea Leoithne** (by *Ch/UK Ch Bokra George Caredig*), owned by Patricia Grove, and also to Grace's litter brother **Swedish Ch Knocknarea Groi**, owned by Jan and Susanne Pettersson. Both hounds gained their title in '98.

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# *Bronze Irish Wolfhound*



- A Limited Edition of a Solid Bronze Hound •

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*This hand finished sculpture is based on **Felixstowe Dromore**  
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# CHAPELLEIGH IRISH WOLFHOUNDS

*Are happily settled in West Cork - a place apart*

**Dave & Denise Bushby, Inchinattin, Reenascreena, Rosscarbery, Co Cork.**

We include the following tribute to

**N.Z. Ch. CHAPELLEIGH LEWIN** (Ch Bokra George Caredig x Chapelleigh Jacinta)

"N.Z. Ch. Chapelleigh Lewin (imp Eire). 31.10.94 - 29.07.98

Not shown until after his first birthday Lewin achieved the following unprecedented (in NZ) results in All Breeds competition.

**3x Reserve Best In Show • 2x Best Junior In Show • 2x Best Intermediate in Show  
6x Reserve Best of Hound Group • 8x Best Junior of Group • 7x Best Intermediate of Group  
5x Best Open of Group • 8x Best of Hound Group**

*Lewin's final achievement was to win the Otago / Southland Hound Club 'HOUND OF THE YEAR 1998'  
All this before he reached his peak. Thanks to Denise & Dave Bushby for all the pleasure Lewy brought.*

**ERIC & YVONNE OOSTENDORP, 45 DALRYMPLE ST, INVERCARGILL, NEW ZEALAND"**

## *Bearna Bui Irish Wolfhounds*



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## NOTES

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# **Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland.**

## **• CODE OF ETHICS •**

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

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

2. Officers and Committee members of the Club should always be ready to do their best to help members with any queries or problems.

3. Advertising by members must be factual. Members should refrain from making unfair or untrue statements about the dogs or practice of others.

4. It should be impressed upon buyers that they should contact the breeder in the event of any problems with the puppy. Breeders should make every effort to be of assistance in these circumstances.

5. Each purchaser of an Irish Wolfhound puppy should be provided at the time of sale, with a pedigree, diet sheet and information about training, worming and inoculations.

6. Before breeding a litter consideration should be given to type, temperament, health and soundness. Aggressive dogs are not satisfactory as pets or breeding stock.

7. All breeding should be aimed at the improvement of the breed. Members should do all in their power to discourage breeding from clearly inferior specimens.

8. No member should breed a litter unless he has time and facilities to devote proper care and attention to the rearing of the puppies and the well being of the dam. No member should provide stud services unless satisfied that the owner of

the bitch has such time and facilities available. Members should allow their males to be used only if certain that both dog and bitch have something to offer towards the improvement of the breed, not just for stud fees. They should be prepared to assist in finding suitable homes for the puppies.

9. No member should breed a litter unless he is reasonably sure of finding homes for the puppies. No puppies should leave the breeder before the age of eight weeks at least. No bitch should be bred until physically mature.

10. No puppies should be sold to dealers, pet shops, laboratories, security firms or as security guard dogs or to persons known to sell puppies to any of the above. Nor should stud services be provided to such persons. Knowledge of such sales should be reported to the committee. It is recommended that no puppies should be sold to areas overseas that do not have similar standards of animal welfare to our own. If in doubt, check with the Club.

11. Prospective buyers of puppies should be screened for suitability and should be advised of the characteristics of the Irish Wolfhound as a breed. The breeder should encourage the prospective owner to feed the puppy correctly and endeavour to monitor it's progress and encourage the owner to keep in touch with the breeder, who should be prepared to take back any hound whose home may no longer be able to cope or to contact the Club's Rescue Service.

12. Members should only sell animals which to the best of their knowledge are in good health at the time of the sale.

