

The Irish Hound 2014

This is our first venture into publishing the club magazine / yearbook solely on-line.

There are several reasons for the change, amongst which is attempting to reaching a wider readership. With the increasing importance of social media and on-line browsing the Irish Wolfhound should be better served with an electronic publication and with practice our format for the publication should evolve and, hopefully, improve.

If you would like to contribute - articles, anecdotes, letters and photographs are all welcome - please email the material to me at editor@iwcoflreland.com

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Eight months old. Great boy – good size
and substance. Nice head. Little weak in
pasterns in front – shows in movement
in front. Good rear and move wide in
front. Correct in going – Nice from the
side.

1. 2nd Very Promising
Six months old brindle. Needs to develop. Straight in front. Equal angulation in rear. Little afraid and needs self assurance. Very promising 2nd



Photographs courtesy of Patrick H Lynch



Puppy Dog:

6. 1st Very Promising
12 months old. Good size and substance. Little
weak in pasterns and shows over knuckling.
Movement ok for age. Very Promising 1st

5. 2nd Very Promising 9 months old wheaten Pup. Needs to mature but shows well. Already correct movement after getting launched. Very Promising 2nd



Class:	Minor Puppy Dog	4 Entries
1	Barens Ms. Willeke, BILLY AUS DEM KEMPTENER V Br. Barbara Lucas, Glor Na Gael Ivanhoe - Anouk Aus D	
2	Dolan Mr. Paul Dolan, HENRI LE DAUPHIN OF MUM Barreda Gilles, George V D'Harcourt - ERIU of Muma	MA D. RAF 28/10/2012. Br M.
3	Lloyd-Jones Steve, NIGHTWING ROCKSTAR D, Z4692 jones, Rynchanon Spirit In The Sky Over Nightwing - Nig	
4	McDonald Ms J, NIGHTWING KING OF THE ROAD Steven M Loyd Jones, Rynchanon Spirit In The Sky Ove Doubt	
1	st	4 th
Class:	Puppy Dog	3 Entries
Class:	Puppy Dog Kelly Mr J & Mrs K, CU OF NUTSTOWN D, Z45750, C Finn Of Nutstown - Clocan Killian	
	Kelly Mr J & Mrs K, CU OF NUTSTOWN D, Z45750, C	01/09/2012, Br. Exh., Ch. Prince
5	Kelly Mr J & Mrs K, CU OF NUTSTOWN D, Z45750, C Finn Of Nutstown - Clocan Killian Kelly Mrs A, CALCARA DRUMBARRON D, Z39016,	01/09/2012. Br. Exh., Ch. Prince 10/06/2012, Br. Anne Okeeffe, 0, Z42564, 18/06/2012. Br. Petra Ww'11, Ew'11 - ICH. Multi CH.,



Junior Dog: 8. 1st Excellent

13 Months old grey brindle. Great size and substance. Movement in front a bit wide but the rest ok.

Class:	Junior Dog	2 Entries
8	Clark Ms V A, TAPSALTEERIE MAKE THE TURN TO T. Br. L&B Forret Close, Irish Champion CALCARA BRACK Over Tapsalteerie	
9	Leavy Barbara M, MAC NA HEIREANN D, Z40750, 03/0 Cufodhla Dalba - Lady of Gairdinanri	08/2012. Br. Ms S Salisbury,
1	1 st	4 th
Class:	Intermediate Dog	5 Entries
10	Carney Mr& Mrs J, BROUGHADOWEY SEMIAS D, Z2925 & Ms Joanne Mullen, Broughadowey Tir Eoghain - Brough	
11	Moran Mr. Eoghan, BALLYMUCKLEHEANY SONNY BILI Mr. David Dawson, Broughadowey Tiernan - Maggie May (
12	Mullen William and Joanne, BROUGHADOWEY SETANTA CW 19/09/2011, Br. Exh. Ch Broughadowey Tir Eoghain (Jun Ch) (Cjw09, Ejw09, Jun Ch)	
13	Scott Mr. LT & Mrs. GP, JC GLENGAIL TTED CU-ULA 16/07/2011, Br. Mr S Bradley. It Ch Winston Della Pavese (GB IT	
14	Walsh-Hartley Ms.C, DEEBERT FAOLAN LITTLE WOLF AT CI 06/07/2011. Br. Mrs Rosie Campbeil, Cufodhla Coum Mahon - Ox	
1	st	4 th





Open Dog:

16. 1st Excellent, Green Star Dog and Reserve Best in Show Superb grey Brindle Male. Excellent quality. Great sound mover. Great confirmation

17. 2nd Excellent Superb Dog. Great mover. Needs to be more stable on the rear. Beautiful head



Champion Dog:



27. 1st Excellent, Reserve Green Star Dog Grey Brindle Male. Superb quality. Superb mover. Very nice masculine Dog





Class:	Open Dog 9 Entries
15	Clark Ms V A, TARLOG LIAM NEESON D, Y84379, 04/08/2009, Br. V A Clark, Killy-
16	keen Aenghus - Marlaw Mary Kate Danaher At Tarlog Donnelly Mr Michael, CARRICKANAB ARCHY AT CUAONTROIME JNR CH D,
10	Z29545, 30/11/2011, Br. Mr L P Fitzsimons, Calcara Taoiseach - Calcara Frioch
17	Finney Timothy & Marion & Ian, GULLIAGH ARAMIS D, Y91917, 03/08/2010, Br. Ex- hibitor, Int & F Ch Chambord du Grand Chien de Culann Ww09 - Gulliagh Ginny
18	Kelly Mr J & Mrs K, FEAR OF NUTSTOWN D. Y25199, 30/12/2009, Br Exh., Ch. Prince Finn Of Nutstown - Meadbh Of Nutstown
19	Lloyd-Jones Steve, BRIBIBA'S CELTIC MIX FOR NIGHTWING D, Y15536, 12/12/2007, Br. B Barnbrook & F Smith-King, Gb & Ir Ch Rynchanon One Wild Knight At Nightwing Jw - Bribiba Destiny of Scotland
20	Lloyd-Jones Steve, RYNCHANON SPIRIT IN THE SKY OVER NIGHTWING D. Z00027, 08/12/2009, Br. W Tugby, Ch,GB Ch Rynchanon One Wild Knight At Nightwing Jw - Rynchanon Ain't Misbehavin
21	McDonnell Mr S. CUALAINN ELI AL1 D. AL0086804, 07/12/2009, Br. Mr JG & Mrs N
22	Harvey, Pitlochrys Rolex Atcak00697nld - Cualainn Persia Ag1 O Connor Mr, TOBAIR ETHAN Y87913 D, Y87913, 09/08/2010, Br. Mrs Dinah Fleming,
23	Cufodhla Com Sciollog X95677 - Tobair Bairbre Y14296 Redmond Mr. T, ATHCARNE CIARAN D, X90228, 16/06/2007, Br. T Redmond, Ath-
	carne Cianan - Monageer Brid of Athcarne 1st
Class: 24	Champion Dog 5 Entries Donnelly Mr Michael, SERB CH CALCARA BIGGLE OF CUAONTROIME EJW09, JUN.CH.09 D, Y44423, 24/06/2008. Br. A Okeeffe, Cuaontroime Cronan - Calcara Failte
25	Finney Timothy & Marion & Ian. CH CUKNOCKLONG HENRY HIGGINS JCH D. Y66825, 15/06/2009, Br P O'Neill, Ch Gulliagh Sequoia Cw 07 - Ch Gulliagh Jill Pole Cw 08
26	Kelly Mr J & Mrs K, CH. PRINCE FINN OF NUTSTOWN D, Y08652, 02/12/2007, CH. Lazy Bones Of Nutstown - Winlaoshan Binny Babe
27	Mullen William and Joanne, CH BROUGHADOWEY TIR EOGHAIN JUN CH CW12 D, Y97908, 14/07/2010, Br. Exh, Bribiba's Drummer Boy At Broughadowey - Midnight Emma Of Nutstown
28	O'Keeffe Ms A, JUNCH.CW11.JCW11.CH. CALCARA BRACKEN D, Y 78962. 12/03/2010. Br. Exh. Cuinnegheal Maginty - Calcara Ennya
	1 st
	Puppy Bitch 4 Entries
	Carroll Miss T, KEELA OF SHANTAMON B, Z42277, 01/07/2012. Br Gerry Clarke.
	Knight Raider of Shantamon - Quintina of Shantamon
	Lloyd-Jones Steve, TUS NUA AT NIGHTWING B. Z40751, 03/08/2012. Br. S Salisbury, Cufodhla Dalba - Lady of Gairdinanri
	O'Keeffe Ms A, CALCARA TREASA B, CALCARA TREASA, 10/06/2012 Br Anne O
	Keeffe, Calcara Taoiseach - Calcarasuicra
	Tomasovicova Ms P., BLOODY MARY TULLAMORE GOOD STUFF B, Z50439, 06/09/2012, Br. Ivana Joklova, ICh. Pitlochry's Sting - Ich. Ash Tree Estate Tullamore Good Stuff
	1 st
	1
	Junior Bitch 2 Entries
	Clarke Mr. G. F. & Mrs. P. LADY ROSE OF SHANTAMON B. Z32792. 10/03/2012. Br Exh., Ch. Osmar Of Shantamon - CH.GB. & INT.CH. Lady lonagh Of Shantamon Smith Mrs. M S. C. ATRILLE BY UELLA B. Z34209, 25/02/2012. Br Mt. T. Bodmand. Ch. Lalla C. Lady Ling. Ch. Atherens Sibba.
	Redmond. Ch. Uella O'Hogan (CW.08. Jun. Ch Athcarne Sibhe 1 st
	Intermediate Bitch 10 Entries
	Clarke Mr. G. F. & Mrs. P. TESSA OF SHANTAMON B, Z18653. 01/09/2011. Br Exh., Knight Raider Of Shantamon - Nina-Leigh Of Shantamon (EURO.W.2009
	Donnelly Mr Michael, CUAONTROIME ABHAIN AN LAGAIN CJW '13 - JNR CH B. Z28342, 18/10/2011, Br. Exb., Keltairs Drugstore Cowboy (Swe Imp) - Calcara Keeva Of Cuaontroime
	Dunne & Rock Mr Anthony W. & Ms Catherine. TERTIA OF SHANTAMON B. Z18652. 01/09/2011, Br. Gerard & Pauline Clarke, Knight Raider of Shantamon - Ch Nina Leigh of Shantamon
	Haughey Mr J, BROUGHADOWEY SADHBH (AM4) B, AM04514502. 19/09/2011 Br. Mrs JB & Mr WJ Mullen. Ch Broughadowey Tir Eoghain Jun Ch Cw12 (Al3) - Broughad-
	owey Asta (Aj2) Moran Mr. Eoghan, BROUGHADOWEY SILE B, AM04514504, 19/09/2011 Br Mr W. Mullens & Ms J. Mullens, Ir Ch Broughadowey Tir Eoghain - Broughadowey Asda
	Mullen William and Joanne, BROUGHADOWEY SINGS MY SOUL B Z26266, 19/09/2011, Br. Exh, Ch Broughadowey Tir Eoghain (Jun Ch) - Broughadowey Asta
	(Cjw09, Ejw09, Jun Ch) O'Keeffe Ms A. CALCARA DOCHAS B, Z23160, 26/09/2011. Br. Anne O Keeffe. Calcara Bracken - Calcara Failte
	Scott Mr. LT & Mrs. GP, KNALLASEN'S LADY GAGA CU-ULADH B. AP0901119.
	01/11/2011, Br. Helen Wieslander, Se Uch Dahmrak's Cormac - Knallasen's Caccini Walsh-Hartley Ms.C, DEEBERT CARA FRIEND AT CUFODHLA B. Z17030 06/07/2011, Br. Mrs Rosie Campbell. Cufodhla Coum Mahon - Owwenmore Dearbhail
	Webb Mr C, SEADHNA OF SHANTAMON B, Z12631, 27/06/2011, Br Mr Ms Clarke. Knight Raider of Shantamon - Linda Love of Shantamon

Puppy Bitch:



32. 1st Very Promising, Best Puppy in Show 1 year old grey bitch. Very sound mover, good angulation. Already very mature for her age



33. 2nd Very Promising Very nice young bitch with superb movement. Little bit long in body. Very beautiful head

Junior Bitch:



34 1st Excellent. Very high quality bitch. Very good movement once she got launched. Good ground covering. Superb head and expression.

Intermediate Bitch:





40. 1st Excellent, Reserve Green Star Bitch Quality Bitch. Extremely good movement

41. 2nd Excellent Quality bitch. Extremely good movement Very difficult to separate 1st and 2nd - Decision for this class was made on final movement



Open Bitch:

48. 1st Excellent, Green Star Bitch and Best In Show Super quality bitch. Great size and commanding appearance. Sound in movement. Very nice head with soft expression.



47. 2nd Excellent
Great quality bitch. Great size and commanding appearance. Did not seem happy today with movement (may have been due to the heat)



60. 1st Excellent
High quality Bitch. Superb confirmation of body
which shows in movement covering a lot of ground.

Very sound.



Show Results

The Irish Wolfhound winners of Green Stars in 2013 have been collected and analysed for 2013. Additionally these results are combined with results from earlier years to give a historical perspective

Green Star Wolfhounds For 2013

SHOW	JUDGE	GREEN STAR WINNERS	вов
IKC Celtic Winners	Mr S O'Brien	Broughadowey Setanta	
16/03/2013		Rhea of Shantamon	✓
Combined Canine Club	Ms D Getzinger	Ir Ch Broughadowey Tir Eoghain	
30/03/2013		Unknown	
Portadown	Mr O Noonan	Gulliagh Aramis	✓
13/04/2013		Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon	
Banbridge	Mrs T Walsh	Gulliagh Aramis	✓
14/04/2013		Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon	
South Tipperary	Mrs K Louhi	Ir Ch Broughadowey Tir Eoghain	✓
04/05/2013		Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon	
Fermoy	Mrs T Carter	Ir Ch Broughadowey Tir Eoghain	✓
05/05/2013		Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon	
Newtownards	Mrs M Rule	Ir Ch Broughadowey Tir Eoghain	✓
12/05/2013	Steele	Knallasen's Lady Gaga Cu-Uladh	
Munster Canine	Mr N Burke	Ir Ch Broughadowey Tir Eoghain	✓
01/06/2013		Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon	
Cork & District	Mr E Liebes	Ir Ch Broughadowey Tir Eoghain	
02/06/2013		Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon	✓
Swords	Mr R Wagner	Ir Ch Broughadowey Tir Eoghain	
15/06/2013		Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon	✓
Kilkenny	Mr L Butler	Broughadowey Setanta	
29/06/2013		Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon	✓
Deise Canine	Mr A Lord	Ir Ch Broughadowey Tir Eoghain	✓
30/06/2013	Edwards	Rhea of Shantamon	
Bray & District	Mr G Robertson	Gulliagh Aramis	•
06/07/2013		Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon	

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SHOW	JUDGE	GREEN STAR WINNERS	ВОВ
Kilkenny	Mr L Butler	Broughadowey Setanta	
29/06/2013		Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon	✓
Deise Canine	Mr A Lord	Ir Ch Broughadowey Tir Eoghain	✓
30/06/2013	Edwards	Rhea of Shantamon	
Bray & District	Mr G Robertson	Gulliagh Aramis	•
06/07/2013		Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon	
Irish Ladies Kennel Club	Dr P Thiery	Ir Ch Broughadowey Tir Eoghain	✓
13/07/2013		Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon	
Sligo	Mrs C Muldoon	Fear of Nutstown	✓
20/07/2013		Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon	
Irish Wolfhound Society Breed Ch Show	Mr P Lundstrom	Ir Ch Broughadowey Tir Eoghain	
21/07/2013		Calcara Treasa	
Dun Laoghaire	Mr P Berchtold	Ir Ch Broughadowey Tir Eoghain	
04/08/2013		Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon	•
Bangor & North Down	Ms Tuula	Gulliagh Aramis	•
10/08/2013	Plathan	Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon	
Hound Association	Mr E Engh	Gulliagh Aramis	✓
17/08/2013		Calcara Eliza Doolittle	
Clonmel & District	Mrs M Kips	Ballymuckleheany Sonny Bill	
18/08/2013		Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon	•
Killarney & District	Mrs M	Gulliagh Henry Higgins	
20/08/2013	O'Gorman	Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon	•
Limerick	Mr A Garach	Ir Ch Broughadowey Tir Eoghain	✓
22/08/2013	Domech	Calcara Treasa	
Tralee & District	Mr L R Hjorth	Gulliagh Aramis	✓
24/08/2013		Broughadowey Sile	

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SHOW	JUDGE	GREEN STAR WINNERS	вов
Irish Breeds Challenge Certificate Show	Mr J Behan	Gulliagh Henry Higgins	✓
09/09/2013		Unknown	
Carlow & District	Mrs L Cuthbert Matthews	Ir Ch Broughadowey Tir Eoghain	
21/09/2013	Matthews	Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon	✓
IKC All Breed Ch Show	Mrs C Mulcahy	Gulliagh Aramis	✓
05/10/2013		Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon	
IKC All Breed Int Ch Show Day 2	Mr S. Dunne	Gulliagh Aramis	✓
06/10/2013		Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon	
Bull Breeds Association	Mrs C Alford	Fear of Nutstown	✓
28/10/2013		Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon	
Cloghran	Mr H Stanley	Gulliagh Henry Higgins	✓
09/11/2013		Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon	
Dublin Dog Show	Mr J Stubbs	Ir Ch Broughadowey Tir Eoghain	•
27/12/2013		Broughadowey Sing my Soul	

Mr G.F. & Mrs P. Clarke's Ir Ch Roxanne of Shantamon was Annual Champion 2013 Mr & Mrs Mullen's Broughadowey Tir Eoghain was runner up

Gulliagh Aramis was made up during 2013

Green Stars Won by Year

Name	Sex	yr2008	yr2009	yr2010	yr 2011	yr2012	yr2013	Total GSs
Absolut Roan Irish Tullamore Good Stuff	В	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Ballymuckleheany Sonny Bill	D	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Baronglen the Knight Walker	D	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Bribiba Destiny of Scotland	В	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Bribiba's Country Dancer	В	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Broughadowey Ah Mhaigh	В	0	0	2	0	0	0	2
Broughadowey Setanta	D	0	0	0	0	1	2	3
Broughadowey Sile	В	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Broughadowey Sing my Soul	В	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Broughadowey Tir Eoghain	D	0	0	0	6	13	16	35
Calcara Biggle of Cuaontroime	D	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Calcara Brachen	D	0	0	0	5	0	0	5
Calcara Eliza Doolittle	В	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Calcara Horgan	D	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Calcara Keeva of Cuaontroime	В	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
Calcara Treasa	В	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Caredig Ffiasco	В	0	0	1	0	0	0	1

Name	Sex	yr2008	yr2009	yr2010	yr 2011	yr2012	yr2013	Total GSs
Carrickanab Archy at Cuaontroime	D	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Cufodhla Ella by Uella	В	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Cufodhla Enya to Uella	В	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Cuknocklong Henry Higgins	D	0	0	3	6	2	0	11
Donovan of Nutstown	D	4	7	3	0	0	0	14
Eboney of Shantamon	В	1	0	0	0	0	0	6
Fear of Nutstown	D	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Fionn of Coote Hill	D	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Glor na Gael Ivanhoe	D	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Glor na Gael Kendra	В	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Gulliagh Albus	D	12	2	0	0	0	0	18
Gulliagh Aramis	D	0	0	0	0	3	8	11
Gulliagh Ardtully	D	1	3	2	1	0	0	7
Gulliagh Corrig	В	1	2	5	8	0	0	16
Gulliagh Hagrid	D	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Gulliagh Henry Higgins	D	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
Gulliagh Jill Pole	В	3	0	0	0	0	0	7
Gulliagh Sequoia	D	1	0	0	0	0	0	8
Knocknarea Bacchus	D	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
Knocknarea Neilliagh	В	0	3	0	0	0	0	5

Name	Sex	yr2008	yr2009	yr2010	yr 2011	yr2012	yr2013	Total GSs
Lady Ionagh of Shantamon	В	24	18	0	0	0	0	69
Lagan Bank Lad	D	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Maddie Rose of Nutstown	В	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Mascotts My Emperor	D	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Milkwood Light My Fire at Ballyadeen	В	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
Nightwing Dymonds n Pearls at Ballyadeen	В	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Nina-Leigh of Shantamon	В	1	2	1	0	0	0	4
Not Awarded	В	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Opherra of Shantamon	В	0	1	21	9	3	0	34
Osmar of Shantamon	D	0	0	8	9	0	0	17
Prince Finn of Nutstown	D	0	3	9	4	3	0	19
Rhea of Shantamon	В	0	0	0	0	3	2	5
Roxanne of Shantamon	В	0	0	0	12	11	25	48
Rynchanon Ain't Misbehaving	В	0	3	0	0	0	0	3
Rynchanon Dancin Barefoot	В	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Rynchanon One Wild Knight at Nightwing	D	4	3	0	0	0	0	9
Rynchanon Spirit in the Sky over Nightwing	D	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Sinead	В	0	0	2	0	0	0	2

Name	Sex	yr2008	yr2009	yr2010	yr 2011	yr2012	yr2013	Total GSs
Tarlog Cuimhne at Killykeen	В	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
Tibridarn Thane	D	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Uella Ardee	D	3	3	0	0	0	0	8
Uella O'Brien	D	0	3	0	0	0	0	3
Uella O'Hogan	D	4	3	7	1	0	0	15
Unknown	В	0	1	0	0	0	1	10
Unknown	D	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Witchesbrook Wirion Caredig	D	0	1	0	0	0	0	1

Want an Australian Pedigree?

In Australia during 2012 a litter of puppies with an unregistered sire was accepted by the Australian Victoria Kennel Club as Irish Wolfhounds. The compromise taken was to leave the pedigree of the sire blank on the registration documents.

Three or five generations later, depending on the pedigree document referenced, there would be no record of the unregistered male within the parentage of the affected animals.

Perhaps all Irish Wolfhounds with Australian parentage should be carefully investigated. It may be other errant registrations have occurred prior to or later than the situation being investigated and so all pedigree documents referencing an Australian dog should have their veracity questioned.

Contributions are reproduced from Celeste Bryson and John Bryson of Dog News Australia, Sean Delmar of the Irish Kennel Club and Jim Behan of the European Irish Wolfhound Clubs.

There has been a lot of disquiet around the world regarding some false Irish Wolfhound pedigrees that have been registered by Dog VIC and accepted by the Australian National Kennel Council. The following report from DOGS NEWS Australia, June 2012, gives the background of the cause of this unfortunate situation.

FILL IN THE BLANKS ON ANKC PEDIGREE

In an attempt to resolve a saga spanning 5 years that involves false pedigrees, non existent litters and unregistered sires, Dogs VIC may leave blank the sire and grandsire of a number of Irish Wolfhounds and re-issue their registration and pedigree papers.

By Celeste Bryson

Dog News Australia has been contacted, not only by Dogs VIC members, but by breeders from throughout Australia since the story regarding the `blank' pedigrees was leaked to a social internet chat site.

There is an uproar over the move to 'pollute the data base' as one caller described it. In addition questions are being asked regarding the possible refusal of other State organizations to accept the transfer of dogs from any of the suspect litters that have blank spaces on their pedigrees.

Those outside the Irish Wolfhound community who have not followed the case are dumbfounded.

Dog News Australia has been reporting on this serious issue since 2007 when a complaint was lodged with Dogs VIC about alleged inaccuracies in Irish Wolfhound litters registered by them.

A story followed in June 2008 in Dog News Australia titled "Retroactive Registration and Wrong Parentage for Paper Litter". That article and a subsequent Letter to the Editor in Dog News Australia detailed non existent 'paper litters' and also incorrect litter registrations for 5 Irish Wolfhound litters bred by Mr Barry Rochford.

An earlier story in Dog News Australia in July 2007, that had reported police investigations into the theft of 3 Irish Wolfhound puppies, was also related to these litters.

During 2007-2008 Dogs VIC had been contacted by 2 VCA members and one CAWA member regarding lrish Wolfhound litter registrations they stated were incorrect. These members said that the correct sire for two of the litters was in fact an "unregistered dog of dubious parentage".

Dogs VIC had also been contacted by the owners of the Irish Wolfhound listed as sire of two of these litters. They said their dog had not mated the bitch in question. DNA testing proved this to be true.

It was eventually established who the sire of the litters was. The dog was unregistered and his former owner wrote to Dogs VIC (Dog News has a copy of this from earlier investigations) stating that he did not believe his dog was a purebred Irish Wolfhound. Subsequent DNA testing was inconclusive.

In two other cases breeders had taken bitches to Mr Rochford to be mated to dogs, who were not the dogs

they were purported to be.

Dog News Australia investigations have revealed a letter written during this period by Mr Bob Maver advising Dogs VIC that all dealings of Mr Rochford should be investigated, that transfer of registrations should be stopped and that Dogs VIC should notify the police about the probable theft of dogs by him.

Mr Rochford, who had been for a time himself on the VCA Disciplinary Committee resigned on Sept. 10th, 2007 and investigations were suspended into these litters by Dogs VIC with then CEO Elizabeth White at the helm.

Mr Rochford was subsequently sent to gaol in 2009 after pleading guilty to four charges which included stealing two purebred Irish Wolfhounds and killing one of them.

Puppies have been sold and bitches bred from the aforementioned litters. Litters had been de-registered and then re-registered after legal action by owners of the puppies.

At the centre of the now possible controversial move by Dogs VIC to leave a sire's details blank on a pedigree are the two litters bred by Mr Rochford where it has been proven that the sire was the non registered dog mentioned earlier in this story.

Sources have told Dog news Australia there are now two litters pending. The first generation of the dam's side of this pedigree for at least one of these litters will be blank.

LEGAL ACTION

A Dogs VIC member is now taking legal action against Dogs VIC for "failing to maintain the purity of the pedigree register".

If Dogs VIC de-register all the progeny from these litters it is possible owners of the dogs in question will take action against the organisation to protect their financial investments in the dogs. Stud rights and loss of income from litters could be cited.

With legal action mounting on two fronts a long standing Victorian member told this reporter they would prefer to spend their membership fees on fighting for the pedigree data base to be kept pure, rather than placating owners of puppies of unknown ancestry. They suggested as an alternative a development register as used in the foundation of new breeds.

STAFF MEMBER REFUSES TO REGISTER NEW LITTER

Dog News Australia has been reliably informed that a member of Dogs VIC office staff has refused to process the litter registrations that include `blanks' on ethical grounds and in so doing has put her job on the line.

At the time of going to press an email had been sent by Dog News Australia to the FCI for clarification on whether or not it would accept such a pedigree.

Dog News Australia Editorial Comment

As an unquestioned supporter of both my state organization Dogs NSW and the ANKC having to run stories such as that on our Front Cover in this edition does not rest lightly on my conscience.

However the alternative for me personally would be worse.

I have devoted over 30 years to the sport of pedigree dog exhibition and breeding. Aside from the love of dogs which unifies all dog organizations, what differentiates our organization, what defines its purpose for existence, is the Integrity of the pedigree.

Whether Dogs VIC can choose to leave a sire blank on a bitch's pedigree isn't a question of regulations or legal right, it is a moral issue. It is indisputably wrong. It is defenceless.

The saga that has evolved, along the way engulfing Dogs VIC, began with the original breeder of `paper litters' and dogs with a non registered sire. It now has many more `players' being the owners of the bitches who have been bred from and the new owners of puppies.

But there is also another player. A man who is simply fighting for a belief I share with him, and I am sure many of you, that above all that we have to protect the charter of our organizations to promote pedigree dog breeding.

If state rules and regulations are not specific enough they need to be rectified, now. If our state charters have become too vague in an effort to appease Government organizations, we should clarify what we actually do represent.

Above all we should stand up for what we believe, just like the man in Victoria who is using his own money to fight this legal battle and the woman on the Dogs VIC office staff who had the courage to risk her job over this issue.

John Bryson

The Irish Wolfhound Society of Australia appealed to Irish Wolfhound Clubs and Societies worldwide to help them persuade Dogs VIC & ANKC to reconsider their decision and save the integrity of their pedigrees data base.

We understand that a court case pertaining to this situation is scheduled for the 17th March, 2014 Surely the date selected is a good omen for the positive outcome on behalf of the Irish Wolfhound.

Jim Behan

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There is no need for an "Unknown" or a 'Blank' on the pedigrees of progeny and grandchildren.

DNA results prove that dog was an unregisterable dog of unknown ancestry and breed combination.

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The Blank Pedigrees

In spite of great efforts by many people there is no resolution to the situation in Australia where the ANCK/ Dogs Victoria have retained the registrations as pure Irish Wolfhounds for descendants of an IDENTIFIED dog of unknown parentage and unknown breed heritage.

It is now time to make everyone aware of this horrendous situation in which our Breed finds itself, many people have already registered their disgust with these 'PURE BREED' registration bodies but many more may still not be aware- I only found out about it in 2012.

In November 2012 I wrote to ANCK and Dogs Victoria on behalf of the Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland and the Federation of Irish Irish_Wolfhound Clubs of Europe, which was not acknowledged. I reproduce this letter with this communication

In March of this year, 2014, the Irish Kennel Club wrote a letter to these bodies demanding the withdrawal of the registrations and I believe they have been ignored also, remember The Irish Kennel Club is the custodian of the Irish Wolfhound, you will realise from the content of their letter they consider this matter is very serious. I also reproduce this letter.

On behalf of the Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland and everyone interested in the welfare of our breed, I thank the Irish Kennel Club for their very strong support and their determination in resolving this problem.

I urge and encourage everyone who is interested and worried about this very serious situation to go to the special website of the Irish Wolfhound Society of Australia-www.irishwolfhound-puppies.com where all the information is published. If you believe that dogs sold as registered pure bred –of any breed- should have ancestors who actually ARE registered pure bred then please follow the instructions on the supports page. We must not let this charade continue.

Even at this late stage I once again ask the people who are still breeding from these 'dogs' to please stop now and withdraw them, If you have any love or regard for our Breed you will.

In the beginning you were the victims, but not any more.

I remain, Yours Sincerely, Jim Behan.

President Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland and Federation of Irish Wolfhound Clubs of Europe.



For the attention of:

Mr. Hugh Gent, President of the Australian Kennel Club Tracey Barry, Administrator of the Australian Kennel Club

Cc Mr. Jim Bean, President, Wolfhound Club of Ireland and the European congress of Irish Wolfhound

Ref: Objection to the Registration of Cross-Bred Dogs as Irish Wolfhound.

The Irish Kennel Club is very concerned at the decision of the Australian Kennel Club to allow registration and pedigree recognition of dogs who are the progeny of Irish Wolfhounds crossed with non-breed specific dogs. The Irish Kennel Club strongly contends that these dogs cannot legitimately or legally be called 'Irish Wolfhounds'.

Centuries of internationally recognised selected breeding will be put at risk by this action and accurate heath profiling will be seriously undermined. If these bloodlines are allowed to spread nationally and internationally into the gene pool, the Irish Kennel Club believes that there will be detrimental and irreversible damage to the breed standard.

We accept that the Australian Kennel Club has full authority over its own registrations. However, the Irish Kennel Club has a national responsibility to protect the breed standard of native Irish breeds. Furthermore, we are totally dismayed at this unilateral action by the Australian Kennel Club and we are very disappointed that the Irish Kennel Club was not consulted before this decision was taken.

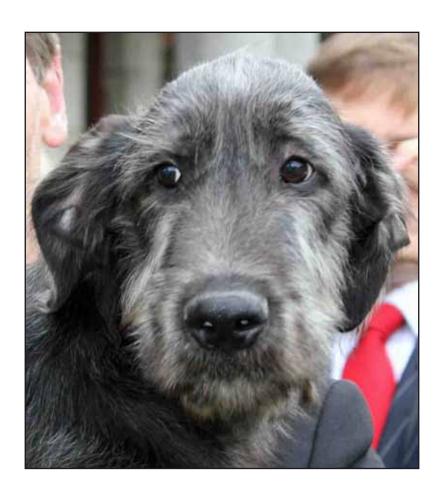
Consequently, under no circumstances will the Irish Kennel Club recognise registrations and pedigrees of the progeny from these mating's. We will also be contacting our fellow members in the FCI and all Kennel Clubs worldwide to explain our position and ask for their support.

The Irish Kennel Club formally requests that the Australian Kennel Club reverse the decision to allow registration and pedigree recognition of dogs who are the progeny of Irish Wolfhounds crossed with non-breed specific dogs.

Yours Sincerely,

Sean Delmar President

Domhnall's New Coat



Photos by permission of Aras an Uachtarán, Irish Guards, Patrick H Lynch, Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland On the 8th of April this year Michael D Higgins President of Ireland made history on the first ever State visit to the United Kingdom.

The occasion was a follow on from HM Queen Elizabeth II's State visit to Ireland during 2011.

As members will remember the Club presented the Irish Guards with *Domhnall* as their mascot following the visit.

The Club contacted Aras an Uachtarán with the idea of a gift of a new Ceremonial Coat for *Domhnall*. Following Protocol clearance from our Department of Foreign Affairs and the President's office this side together with permissions from the Colonel of the Irish Guards, British Embassy and the Palace we arranged for a new coat to be made in Dublin by flag makers Prospect Design.

They made the new Coat from a light weight material and embroidered the Irish Guards badge on each side. Four special buttons with the Irish Harp were

used conforming to the dress code of the Irish Guards.

On arrival at Windsor Castle the first duty of a state visitor is to inspect a Guard of Honour. President Higgins with Prince Philip inspected the troops of the Grenadier Guards. Most of the Irish Guards were deployed abroad but some were there to greet him including the 'Drummer Boy' David Steed with Domhnall.

President Higgins then presented Domhnall's new coat saying "This is a present from the people of Ireland". Steed thanked him and then the President explained to Prince Philip the reason for the Coat as he petted Domhnall on the head.



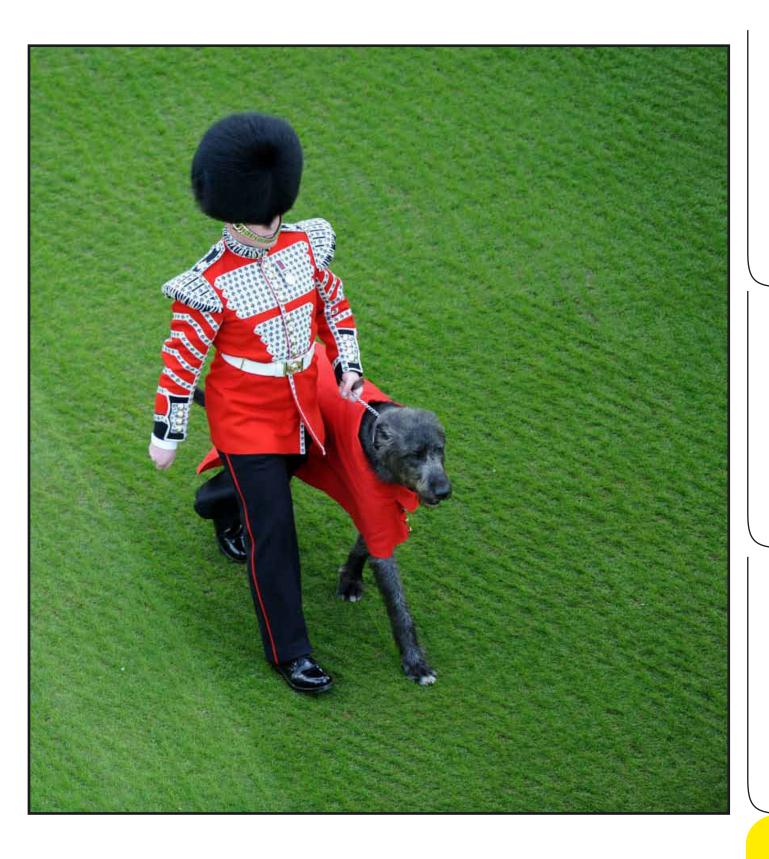
The reason was as follows:

For St Patrick's Day 1972 the late Martin Walton (Walton's Music fame) presented the Irish Army 5th battalion with their first of several Mascots. He then noticed they had no coat for the dog. He contacted a friend Emmet Bourke, who had joined the Irish Guards, to see where he could get a Coat. However Irish Guards Major Corbet got their tailor to make a coat as a present to the Irish Army. The 5th battalion still have the Red coat and later got one in their own blue colours and they now are in the Museum. This Coat has been taken out in recent years and worn by Corporal Bronagh at the funeral of the late Wolfhound handler Sgt O'Hora and to meet Domhnall and the retiring Conmael at McKee barracks.

The idea for the new coat was hatched on St Patrick's day 2013 when *Domhnall* then 9 months was on his first ever parade. Following an invitation some committee members along with *Domhnall's* sister *Corporal Keelagh* attended the Irish Guards St. Patrick's Day ceremony where the Colonel of the Regiment Prince William and Princess Kate give out the Shamrock. The day was very wet with showers all morning resulting in *Domhnall's* coat being very heavy as it is made from their Tunic material. While *Keelagh's* was also saturated it was made from flag material so not such a burden.







The Colonel extended an invite to *Corporal Keelagh* to come in to the Officers mess and remarked on her coat as we all dried out. We decided that future coats be made of lighter material. They were also impressed that the Irish Army dogs were ranked Corporal. *Corporal Keelagh's* role was to act as model for the new coat and now she wants a new one also!

President Higgins wrote a nice letter of thanks to the Club and sent some photos of the occasion.













