IRISH SETTER BREED NOTES W/C MONDAY 10TH APRIL 2023

Entries for Southern Counties close by post on 20th April and online at midnight on 27th. We have another first time judge in E Ann Orzel.

The Kennel Club Breed Supplement for the period October to December 2022 has been published. It records 185 new registrations and 21 litters. There were eight importations, 6 from Ireland, one from Romania and one from Italy. 825 Irish Setters were registered in 2022, 110 less than in 2021. Here is an important announcement from the Kennel Club:

The Kennel Club is delighted to announce that it has been granted a Royal Prefix to mark the 150th anniversary of its existence. Henceforth, the organisation is named The Royal Kennel Club. Chairman of The Kennel Club, Tony Allcock OBE, said: "We are honoured that as of the 4 April 2023, the date the club celebrates its 150th anniversary, The Kennel Club will be known as The Royal Kennel Club.

"The world has changed significantly over the last 150 years – as has The Kennel Club – and we remain committed to protecting and promoting the health and welfare of all dogs. I am very proud to be part of an organisation that is making a positive difference for dogs and their owners." The Kennel Club was established in 1873 and since its inception has held royal patronage. The club began for the purpose of bringing order and regulations to dog shows and field trials which were taking place at the time. Since then, the club has evolved into a multi-faceted organisation encompassing the UK pedigree and working dog registry, The Kennel Club Charitable Trust, Crufts dog show, the Young Kennel Club, the Good Citizen Dog Training scheme and the members' club itself, which has over 1500 members.

The Kennel Club is the only UK organisation of its kind and underlying all of the above functions is a strong ethos to safeguard and promote canine health and welfare. This work applies equally to all dogs, whether they are in the show ring, working in the field, taking part in activities such as agility and obedience, or pets and companions.

Pat & Ken Stockton's Sh Ch Riverbrue Alchemist Amidst Kespas JW won his 27th CC at last week's ISBC championship show. He was bred in April 2016 by Blake Crocker, Amelia Siddle and Jenny Evans out of her late mother's Sh Ch Neathamill Nerissa by Sh Ch Copper's War Of Roses (Imp Swe). Ronnie was Best in Show.

Reserve to him was Bronka Glonekova's CIE BIS/BISS CH Glimmer Noblesse Cloud Dancer. This is his first RCC but he also has 2 CCs to his name. He is by Copper's Riddarsporre ex Ch Copper's Magic Glimmer Jun Ch and is almost five years old.

Best puppy dog was Brenda Berry & Lynn Morris' Copper's Midsummer Night's Dream (Imp Swe). He is 10 months old and bred by Camilla Ostman out of Jetsetter Trust No One Coppers by Glimmer Noblesse Copper Sky.

Best veteran dog was Linda Murchison's Pawsword Paperback Writer for Corphin who was bred by Laura Kolbach in March 2016. He is by Sh Ch Kerryfair Snow Fox J.W. out of Ch Copper's Wine'n Roses Hun/Rom Jun Ch (Imp Swe).

Judi Frampton (Strathmead) was the judge for the dogs.

Lisa Bougen's Gwendariff Lily The Pink won her second CC. She was bred by Diane Stewart-Ritchie in April 2016 out of Multi Ch/Int Ch/Cro Ch/It Ch Gwendariff Pink Pyjamas by Sh Ch Ir Sh Ch Gwendariff Whippersnapper J.W. Lily Longlegs who also has 3 RCCs was owned by Gill Tully until she sadly passed away. Lily was Reserve Best in Show and Best Veteran in Show.

Reserve bitch CC went to the Sturrock girls' Forfarian Soo Lush J.W. who is coming up five years old and out of Int Ch Forfarian You Sexy Thing by Sh Ch Kerryfair Snow Fox J.W. This is her second RCC to go with her two CCs.

Best puppy bitch and Best Puppy in Show was Katrina Hall's Riverbrue Ophelia Love Glennara. She is almost a year old and was bred by Blake Crocker out of Sh Ch Riverbrue Ophelia At Glennara JW by Jetsetter Calvin Klein (Imp Rus).

Lyn Macaulay (Stylersetts) was the judge for bitches.

There was a brace class which was won by Monica Heather's pair.

Paul Humphreys (Henaleas) had a lovely entry at the Kate O'Callaghan memorial open show. Best in Show and best bitch was Roger & Jane Mugford's Sh Ch Lynwood Abracadabra JW who is 6 years old and by Int Ch/Sh Ch Copper's Magiska Under ex Ch Lynwood Happy As A Lark J.W.

Reserve best bitch and Reserve Best in Show was Blake Crocker & Ashleigh Frost's Riverbrue Snoozeulose who is the result of an A.I. mating from the late Sh Ch Caskeys Concept At Aoibheanne JW out of Sh Ch Riverbrue Gloriana.

Best dog went to Debbie Brown's Riverbrue Soldier On (Jetsetter Calvin Klein (Imp Rus) x Sh Ch Riverbrue Gloriana) and Linda Richardson's Bluesprings Now I'm Here at Forestfire was reserve best dog. He is by Sh Ch Riverbrue Altissimo At Aoibheanne J.W. ex Caskeys Showtime With Bluesprings. Best puppy dog and Best Puppy in Show was Blake Crocker & Claire Lewis' Riverbrue Ophelia Winky who is almost a year old and out of Sh Ch Riverbrue Ophelia At Glennara JW by Jetsetter Calvin Klein (Imp Rus). His sister, Katrina's Riverbrue Ophelia Love Glennara, was best puppy bitch.

To finish off a lovely day for her, Lisa's Lily was best veteran bitch and Best Veteran in Show and Sandra Corless' Swiftlark First Knight was best veteran dog. He is by Int Ch/Multi Ch Paris Match Thendara J.W. ex Lynwood Just For Larks and is 8 years old. Sandra's Swiftlark Illustrious JW (Anlory Aidan J.W. ex Swiftlark First Edition) was Best Special Beginners.

Heather's pair won the brace class again.

Last Saturday David Shields (Wilholme) judged both sexes at the Irish Setter Club of Scotland and awarded CC #28 and Best in Show to Ronnie with the RCC and Reserve Best in Show going to Hector aka Sh Ch Quensha Take a Bow. He is 3 years old and owned by the Bott, Allen and Morgan partnership. His sire is Jetsetter Calvin Klein (Imp Rus) and his dam is Sh Ch Quensha Tumble And Twirl J.W.

Bitch CC, her 6th, was, Paddy Catling's Sh Ch Teleri Indian Summer (AI) JW. She was home bred in June 2017 out of Sh Ch Shandwick Love In A Mist For Teleri J.W. by Int Ch/Sh Ch Copper's Magiska Under.

Reserve to her was Sue Edward's Gwendariff Its Numero Uno at Bonhomie JW (Sh Ch/Ir Ch Gwendariff Nuts Aboutu Glenavna J.W. x Gwendariff Carrys It Off J.W.).

Best Puppy in Show was awarded to Quensha People Keep Talking of Harelferg (Pawsword Priceless To Kerryfair J.W. x Sh Ch Quensha Tumble And Twirl J.W.) and Cheryl and George Stevenson's Lochlorien True Detective is Andley (Anlory Keltic Blue Sky J.W. x Lochlorien Scully Foxes Andley ShCM) was Best Veteran in Show.

Kay Donnelly (Glendruid) judged the open show and awarded Best in Show to Monica Heather's Sixoaks Leading Lady (Lynwood Lark In The Dark J.W. ex Caskeys Movie Star At Sixoaks J.W.) Best Dog, BVIS & Reserve Best In Show went to Sh Ch Bardonhill Eternal Flame Among Amberlight JW (Sh Ch Kerryfair Snow Fox J.W. ex Bardonhill Days Are Diamond J.W.) owned by Phil and Paula Lucas.

Reserve Best Bitch was Paddy's Sh Ch Teleri Indian Summer JW and Reserve Best Dog was Jennifer Dodds' Bardonhill Any Dream Will Do (Sh Ch Gwendariff I'm Comin Out JW ex Bardonhill Come On Eileen).

Wendy Holehan & Bob Green's Loganrish Out On The Town was Best Puppy In Show. He is coming up a year old and is half brother to Any Dream Will Do being by Joe but out of Loganrish Jacquart. I went to visit MLM last week and took the dogs for a walk round her wood.

As we set off I realised that I'd left my walking stick behind.

MLM lent me hers.

I wouldn't say it was short but have you ever tried walking round a wood whilst bent in half? Christine Morgan morgan@thechrisses.co.uk 07970 634780