## **IRISH SETTER BREED NOTES**

## W/C MONDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023

There was an error in last week's notes about the judges at NEEISC 2024. Carol Bailey is judging the dogs and Brian Limpus is judging the bitches.

There was no benching at Birmingham Championship show last weekend and all judging was undercover. There was green carpeting in the rings and it looked very nice but boy was it hot in the tent where the Irish were.

Societies can plan all they want to but there's nothing they can do about the weather.

Our judge, Carolyn Cederman, had travelled all the way from New Zealand and a good entry awaited her.

Winning his second ticket from open was Claire Lewis and Blake Crocker's Riverbrue Wonderwall At Hernwood who also has 3 RCCs. Norman is by Jetsetter Calvin Klein (Imp Rus) ex Sh Ch Riverbrue Gloriana and was bred by Blake in December 2019.

An absolutely delighted Dee Milligan-Bott won Yearling and a second RCC for Thendara Big Love; he also has one CC. Mac is owned and was bred by Dee and Jeremy in January 2022 so is only 19 months old.

Julie Humphreys has been absent from several shows recently so it was lovely to see her there; she was very proud of the fact that she had managed to get there on her own.

Well the journey was well worth it because her and Paul's Ci Ci, Riverbrue Flashbax at Henaleas, won Limit and her second CC. She is Norman's litter sister and has 3 RCCs as well. Ci Ci is usually handled by Paul but in his absence her breeder, Blake, stepped in to handle her to her wins and BOB.

In the Reserve bitch spot was Geoff Allen, Paul Bott and Angela Morgan's Quensha Crimes of Passion who was second in Limit. Edna is half sister to the CC winners having the same father but out of Sh Ch Quensha Tumble And Twirl J.W. She was handled by Richard Bott to win this her second CC to go with her one CC.

BPIB was Linzie, Leigh and Jim Richardson's Bardonhill McIntosh Red at Montgreenan who was bred by Marita Bott in February this year out of Bardonhill Somebody To Love by Gwendariff Absolutely Marwe'llus IKC. He is handed by Linzie.

Sandra Corless' Swiftlark First Knight VW (Int Ch/Multi Ch Paris Match Thendara J.W. ex Lynwood Just For Larks) picked up another BVIB award; he is 8 ½ years old.

Best Junior went to Lillie-Amber Peters' Corranroo Viennese Waltz To Shirlilah who was bred by Jacquie and Graham Baine in March 2022 out of Irish Melody Kiss Her To Bits (Imp Est) by Sh Ch Gwendariff I'm Comin Out JW.

And Sandra rounded off a lovely day by winning Best Special Beginners with Swiftlark Illustrious JW. (Anlory Aidan J.W. x Swiftlark First Edition).

I couldn't see any Irish featuring in the Stakes classes.

Huge congrats everyone.

It was great to see Deana Abbot at the show and we had a good old catch up. It's good to know some things never change and she let me put my foot in it as always.

Back in January 2016 she wrote the following about me "I am beginning to think that it is MLM who is the bad influence on Christine Morgan. At the show today Christine was very reserved and quiet and MLM was nowhere to be seen.

That can only mean one thing; MLM has the same effect on Christine that Blue Smarties have on children!"

It was extremely hot and humid at Richmond where Ellen Loynd (Crimbledale) judged us and gave us a new Show Champion (STKCA).

Blake Crocker and Claire Lewis' Riverbrue Wonderwall At Hernwood won limit and his third CC. Norman was bred by Blake in December 2019 out of Sh Ch Riverbrue Gloriana by Jetsetter Calvin Klein (Imp Rus).

He won his first CC under Shelagh Tolladay at EoE this year and his second last weekend at City of Birmingham under Carolyn Cederman.

He also has three RCCs all of which he's won this year; Windsor under Terry Pearson, SEISC under Kate Condron and WKC under Jim Richardson.

Huge congrats are in order as he went on to win Gundog Group 2 under Ronnie Blomme (Belgium). Reserve to him was the Kerry Chorley and Sandra Chorley-Newton's Kerryfair Just Be.

Jimmy is 22 months old and by Sh Ch Copper's War Of Roses (Imp Swe) ex Kerryfair Foxy Forever. He was the winner of yearling and this is his first such award.

In bitches, the Bott, Allen and Morgan partnership's 3 ½ years old Edna, aka Quensha Crimes Of Passion, won limit and her second CC; she also has two RCCs.

She is half sister to Norman having the same sire but is out of Sh Ch Quensha Tumble And Twirl J.W. Reserve to her was Norman's litter mate, Riverbrue Cloudburst over Strathmead, owned by Judi Frampton and Holly Piggin. This is her eight RCC to go with her two CCs.

Kerry and Sandra had a lovely day as they also took BPIB with Kerryfair Misty Rose who is full sister to Jimmy but from a later mating.

Joy Russell and Strathmead Huckleberry Of Settesoli (Lynwood Lark In The Dark J.W. ex Strathmead Penny Whistle J.W.) won another BVIB award and Robert Green's Loganrish Out on The Town was BSB.

He is 17 months old and by Sh Ch Gwendariff I'm Comin Out JW ex Loganrish Jacquart. More big congrats must go to him for winning Special Beginners Group 2 under Ronnie Blomme.

I couldn't see any Irish featuring in the stakes classes.

Huge congrats everyone.

A Little Mate Story from Birmingham 2016.

So, we're getting ready to go to the show this morning and MLM is in the caravan bathroom.

The lady next door is packing her stuff away and MLM is enthralled with what she is doing.

As she gawps at her through the window, she puts product in her hair and then comes back out into the caravan.

Me: Hair looks nice Chris

MLM: Thanks

Me: Have you looked at it?

MLM: No, I was busy watching the woman next door

Me: Clearly

MLM: Why do you say that?

Me: Because you've covered your hair in toothpaste!

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