IRISH SETTER BREED NOTES W/C MONDAY 27TH MARCH 2023

It is with a heavy heart and through tears that I write of the passing of David Laidlaw (Glencarron). David and his wife Betty have been a big part of the Irish Setter scene since the late 1970s. A more devoted and fun loving couple I have never met.

Wherever they went there was laughter.

David handled their first show champion to his title. He was Sh Ch Glencarron Macallan born January 1986 out of Glencarron Lady Of The Lake by Sh Ch Kerryfair Night Fever and the winner of 6 CCs and 6 RCCs.

In 1994 they bought Fearnley Firesky At Glencarron from Pat and Barry Rhodes and, handled by Betty, she won 3 CCs and 8 RCCs. She was by Sh Ch Caspians Intrepid J.W. ex Fearnley Firesensation. She was mated to Strathmead Stormboots and produced Sh Ch Glencarron Macduff ShCM who won 3 CCs between 2005 and 2007. He also won 5 RCCs.

MacDuff's sister, G. Dimple, had a litter by Sh Ch Covarney Monello J.W. in 2005 and Irene McNeil took a dog, Harrison, who was to become Sh Ch Glencarron Shakatak. Jackie Boyd-McNeil, Irene's daughter, handled him to his title winning 3 CCs and 3 RCCs.

David awarded CCs in Irish several times between 1998 and 2019.

David and Betty had a wonderful relationship bringing each other and others such joy. They celebrated 65 years of marriage just the other week; he touched so many lives in a good way and always had a smile and a welcome for everyone.

I send my heartfelt condolences to Betty, their children and grandchildren and in particular Chloe (Green) of whom I know he was very proud.

"Laugh as much as you breathe and love as long as you live."
-Johnny Depp

Gill Dale writes: "We are holding the AGM for the East Midlands Social region of the ISBC on Saturday 15th April 2023 2.00pm at Treetops, 111Cavendish Rd, Matlock DE4 3HE. Phone 07974494760.

For the region to continue we need volunteers to come on the committee. If you have any ideas of things you'd like to see the region do & you'd like to join us, please come along, we're a friendly bunch.

Rsvp to aubanjon@gmail.com would be appreciated so I know how much cake to make. On another subject but related

The sponsored Walk & Garden Party for 2023 is set for Sunday 7th May at 2.00pm for details please email aubanjon@gmail.com & I will send details & sponsor form if required.

I know it's gundog day at the National but it's a set date & some of our regulars book cottages way in advance so I can't change it."

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