IRISH SETTER BREED NOTES W/C MONDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER 2023

Diana Wilder has attracted an entry of 92 making 98 at Darlington.

The Kennel Club Journal for October lists the following judges: ISCS 13th April 2024, Julie Wilkins; Border Union, Jun 2024, Gill Bye; SKC (General) May 2024, Stephen Hollings; Boston July 2024, Kirsty Ryan; GSW 16th October 2024, Frank Whyte; NEEISC 19th October 2024, Carol Bailey bitches, Brian Limpus dogs; GBAS 9th November 2024, Beccy Danks-Kemish; LKA December 2024, Jim Cuddy. The Gundog Group at Driffield was last Monday so too late to include in last week's notes. Our judge was Nicola Sturrock who awarded CC #32 to Pat and Ken's Ronnie aka Sh Ch Riverbrue Alchemist Amidst Kespas who later went on to take Gundog Group 2 under Lesley Trow. He was also BVIB.

Reserve to him was Debbie Brown's Riverbrue Soldier On who had won limit; this is his second such award. He is by Jetsetter Calvin Klein (Imp Rus) out of Ronnie's sister Gloria (Sh Ch Riverbrue Gloriana).

In bitches Nicola titled Maureen Elkins' Twoacres Promise Of Spring With Avacet who had won open. She won her first CC at LKA in 2022 under David Pike at LKA in 2022 and her second at SKC in May this year under Phyllis Pollard. She also has five RCCS and Nicola gave her her second of these the last time she judged.

Briar is seven years old and out of Twoacres Luck Be A Lady by Sh Ch Avacet Snowdrift. She was bred by Gillian Kennedy-Sloane.

Reserve to her was Blake Crocker's Sh Ch Riverbrue Gloriana, Ronnie's sister and dam of the dog RCC winner.

Best Puppy in Breed was Sandra Chorley-Newton and Kerry Chorley's Kerryfair Misty Rose who was sired by Gloria and Ronnie's father Sh Ch Copper's War Of Roses Imp Swe and is out of Kerryfair Foxy Forever. She is 8 months old.

Best Special Beginners was Charlotte Markey's Yokohama Lofty to Evenflow (Pol Ch Eminem Lofty ex Yoko Ono Lofty).

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

Congratulations everyone.

These are very hurried notes on Birmingham City where Caroline Cederman from New Zealand judged the breed. BCC, her second, was Paul and Julie Humphreys' Riverbrue Flashbax At Henaleas, she was also BOB. Reserve to her was the Bott, Allen and Morgan partnerships' Quensha Crimes of Passion.

Dog CC, also his second, was Riverbrue Wonderwall At Hernwood and RCC was Dee and Jeremy's Thendara Big Love.

BPIB was the Richardson family's Bardonhill McIntosh Red at Montgreenan, BVIB was Sandra Corless' Swiftlark First Knight VW, Best Junior went to Lillie Peters' Corranroo Viennese Waltz To Shirlilah and Best Special Beginners was Sandra's Swiftlark Illustrious JW.

It was a lovely day weather wise at Driffield but as is usual at this time of year wasps were a nuisance which reminded me of a Little Mate Story from 2012.

We went to a show with Fern our WSS who needed one point for her Junior Warrant.

It was a sunny day and judging was outdoors. I stood nervously at the ringside whilst MLM took her in the class.

Imagine my horror when she suddenly started leaping about and then dropped her trousers. I desperately tried to attract her attention to see what was the matter but then she swiftly pulled up her trousers, stacked the dog for the judge and won the class.

Me: What in earth were you doing mucking about like that; I thought you weren't going to win MLM: Oh it's alright for you just standing there watching but you didn't try to help me

Me: Help you with what?

MLM: I've been stung on the bum by a wasp!

Me: Brave wasp Christine Morgan morgan@thechrisses.co.uk 07970 634780