## IRISH SETTER BREED NOTES W/C MONDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2023

A little something else from the Irish Setter Club of Scotland.

Sandra Sturrock writes: "It was great that Betty Laidlaw managed to come along and brought her famous tablet and top hats. She also drew the raffle for the Macallan Whisky raffle. We raised over £400 for Strathcarron Hospice who cared for Dave...thank you again to everyone who contributed." At WELKS Claire Prangle has drawn an entry of 45 dogs making 57 entries and 66 bitches making 86 and at Birmingham National Jeff Horswell has an entry of 106 making 121.

Merseyside Gundog Club is hosting a weekend of seminars on Import Register Breeds on 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> of May at Ringtail House, Burscough, L40 8LA.

On Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> our own Gerry Condron who is chair of the Braque D'Auvergne Association UK will present the breed talk, Peter McCullogh will present on Korthal Griffons and Tricia Grimes and Julie George Ainscough will present the breed talk on Slovakian Rough Haired Pointers.

For more information, please call or message 07545 575 229 or email ewtor1@gmail.com.

The Irish Setter Club of Wales held their championship and open shows at the Kennel Club building yesterday. My notes are brief as I was away from home for the weekend until quite late last night but I shall give more details next week.

David Alcorn (Rutilus) was our first time judge and he did the dogs only. From limit he chose Jackie Willis' Bradley aka Gwendariff The Grand Master At Jacwilins for the CC, his second, and reserve to him was Sue Edwards' Luca (Sh Ch Gwendariff Ucan'tmissme Gwendariff).

Pat Butler-Holley (Shandwick) was the judge for bitches and she awarded a 31<sup>st</sup> CC to Blake Crocker's Gloria who has now equalled the breed record for bitches. Gloria was Best in Show on the referee's decision. Reserve bitch CC was the Sturrock girls' Forfarian Soo Lush JW who had won limit.

The judges agreed to the dog puppy being Best Puppy in Show. He was Gwendariff Purple Reign at Finix owned by Fiona Nisbet but they sent for the referee to decide on Best Veteran which went to George and Cheryl's Lochlorien True Detective is Andley. The referee was Lynn Morris.

At the open show Sue Harris (Barleyarch) judged both sexes and awarded best bitch and Best in Show to EECh/LUCh/SLCh Fairhaven Electa JWW-18 WW-21. Reserve Best in show, best dog and best veteran was Sarah Pym's Thendara the Watchmaker. Reserve best bitch and best veteran bitch was Lisa Bougen's Gwendariff Lily the Pink and reserve best dog was Graham and Gill Hart's Gwendariff In the Limelight with Gilligrae.

Best puppy dog and Best Puppy in Show was Penclippin Jubilee Flame with this sister P. Celtic Asthore taking best puppy bitch.

As I've said I was away from home for the weekend as I was judging in Exeter on Saturday. When driving down the M5 I always have a smile on my face remembering a judging trip down there with MLM.

As we're motoring along merrily on our journey from South Yorkshire, we see an exit signed for the A38.

MLM: Did you see that?

Me: See what?

MLM: That sign for the A38 Me: Yes what about it?

MLM: Do you think it's got anything to do with the A38 near us?

Me: #rollseyesandsighs Christine Morgan morgan@thechrisses.co.uk

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