

IRISH SETTER BREED NOTES  
W/C MONDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2021

We should have been at Three Counties yesterday where Anne Douthwaite (Gracewood) was to have judged. Anne has awarded CCs in Irish twice. The first time was in 2016 at Manchester when she made it a mother and son double with 'Arthur', Sh Ch Copper's War of Roses taking his 7<sup>th</sup> CC and 'Neita' Sh Ch Copper's Wine 'n' Roses winning her 6<sup>th</sup>. Reserves were Forfarian I'm Sexy An I Know It and Gwendariff Such a Carry on at Bardonhill.

In 2018 she judged at SKC and gave the Dog CC to Pawsword Pied Piper, a Neita son, and Bitch CC to Quensha Tumble and Twirl. Reserves were Sh Ch Gwendariff Nuts Aboutu Glenavna and Sh Ch Forfarian Hey Sexy Lady.

One show that is going ahead is Blackpool on second day Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> August with hounds.

Marita Bott is our judge and Irish will be in ring 16 at 9:00 am.

Marita last judged at ISAE in 2018 when she did the dogs. She awarded the CC to Sh Ch Copper's War of Roses and the RCC to his son, Riverbrue Altissimo at Aoibheanne. The last time she gave CCs in bitches was at City of Birmingham in 2014 when she made up Sh Ch Lynwood Happy as a Lark and gave the RCC to Kirkavagh Ebadiyla.

Please note that no gazebos or pop up tents are allowed on the showground. Entries are on Fosse Data and postal close 12<sup>th</sup> July with online being 19<sup>th</sup> July.

I am saddened to report the passing of Willy Duijkerke on the 8<sup>th</sup> June. Willy was a Dutch national and came to live in England in 1976. She was a successful exhibitor of Irish in the Netherlands before moving here and had imported several Cornevons from Janice Roberts.

Sh Ch Cornevon Westerhuys Cloggy was bred by Janice Roberts in May 1975 and owned in partnership with her. She was by Margretwoods Caretaker Of Scotswood ex Cornevon Stargazer and won 3 CCs and 7 reserves. Her first was at City of Birmingham in 1977 from Mrs A Nicolson who gave the RCC to Carnbargus Red Silk. Jimmy Cudworth gave her her second CC at Setter and Pointer and awarded the RCC to Helecam Highlight. She was titled by Jack Houghton at Driffield later that year and Carnbargus Racing Silk was Reserve.

Cloggy had five litters. One to Sh Ch Cornevon Lovebird in February 1977 produced the CC winning Westerhuy's Dutch Aristocrat. This was won from Gwen Broadley at ISCS 1980 with Hallglen Copper Beech taking his only ever RCC. Another brother, W. Dutch Impression won a CC at Windsor in 1981 when Vi Thorne-Baker was the judge. Sh Ch Brendower Bronze Champagne took the Reserve. He also won two RCCs from Joy Tonkyn at ISBC in 1979 and Pat Rutherford at Midland Counties in 1981. Zorosean Aqvamarina and Skymist Wild Storm won the CCs.

Dutch Impression was owned by Willie in partnership with Mr & Mrs Cleeton who also owned Cornevon Moonspinner in partnership with Janice. The two were mated together and in the resulting litter was Sh Ch Ryseford Lady Galadriel who won 14 CCs and 9 RCCs.

Their litter sister, W. Dutch Appeal was mated to Sh Ch Emmafield Double-Dutch and produced SA Ch Westerhuys Swinging Belle Of Oakdale and Ned Ch Westerhuy's Sea Minstrel.

Also in this litter was W. Red Symphony owned by Willie and Mrs J M Hammond. She was mated to Night Fever, the result of which was Sh Ch Royal Archer who won 4 CCs and 3 RCCs.

Another sister, W. Dutch Spirit, was mated to Sh Ch Wendover Colas and so was the dam of Sh Ch Disco Dancer Of Danaway. Disco Dancer was the dam of Sh Ch Danaway Debonair and the grand dam of Sh Ch Caspians Intrepid.

Cloggy had two litters to Sh Ch Brinara Inula the first of which produced Westerhuy's Dutch Delight who won a CC from Mary Tuite at Belfast in 1985. Bonahaird Snowboots won her second RCC.

In the second litter was Vdh Ch Westerhuy's Dutch Peace.

Sh Ch Cornevon Westerhuys Dream was also owned in partnership with Janice who had bred him in July 1975. He was by Sh Ch Cornevon Prince Charming out of Sh Ch Cornevon Primrose. His first of 3 CCs was won at SWKA in 1977 when Owen Jenkins was the judge. Stephenshill Justin won his second of four RCCs. Dream's second CC was from Audrey Harper in 1978 at Driffield and his son Emmafield Double-Dutch was awarded the RCC. He was made up at Bournemouth in 1979 by Mrs P. J. Robertson. Segantii Saybleu won his only ever RCC.

Dream was the sire of 30 litters and three Show Champions. I wrote about Sh Ch Emmafield Double-Dutch, Sh Ch Westerhuy's Try My Best of Elwood and Sh Ch Fearnley Fire Cinders Of Dallowgill in my notes of 8<sup>th</sup> March.

Willie awarded CCs in Irish, her first appointment being at Bath in 1983 when she judged the dogs. She gave a first CC to Caskeys Bo Jo and a first Reserve to Suterese Hot Rumour. Her last appointment was in 2016 at NEEISC (dogs) and she made up Sh Ch Forfarian I'm Sexy An I Know It with the RCC going to Sh Ch Clonageera Kinross Love Barola.

Only on one occasion did she judge both sexes; this was at Belfast ISC in 1988. Her Dog CC went to Danaway Baccante and Reserve was Sh Ch Bardonhill Supergrass. Bitch CC was Taffeta of Cornevon and Danaway Danielle was Reserve. Taffeta only won the one CC and Danielle won one more RCC from Eve Gardner plus two CCs from Barry Lincoln and Rae Furness.

All in all, she awarded CCs in dogs 7 times and in bitches 3 times.

I mentioned above Cleeton's Sh Ch Ryseford Lady Galadriel who was a big winner in her day with 5 CCs in 1983, 5 in 1984, two on 1985 and 2 in 1987 plus RCCs in all of those years as well as RCC at Crufts in 1986. She won her first CC at SWKA in 1983 when Mary Gurney judged at CC level for the first time. Betty Coleman gave her her second at City of Birmingham and Judy Russell titled her at ISCW. Wickenberry Countess was Reserve to her on these three occasions.

In 1984 she had a litter to Night Fever and produced three Green Card winning daughters.

Ryseford Lady of the Lake won the CC at ISBC in 1988 from John Lambley who had given her the RCC the previous year at SCCA behind her dam. When she took the CC Sh Ch Shandwick Golden Spray was Reserve.

Ryseford Lady Gwenhwyfar Of Jennison was awarded a CC by Mary Gurney when Sh Ch Clonageera Megan took the CC at SEISC 1988.

Ryseford Lady Lheanna Of Carlequin won the RCC at Richmond in 1988 behind Sh Ch Navylark Naiad. Neville Perkins was the judge.

Sh Ch Royal Archer won his first CC under Eve Gardner in 1987 at SEISC. The RCC went to Sh Ch Rishtte Tarango. I remember this occasion well. Royal Archer had been on a winning streak and had previously won a Post Grad class from a well known judge. When Eve gave him the CC this judge said loudly 'I wanted to give him the ticket but I didn't know who he was so I daren't.'

Later in the year Judy Russell judged at Driffield and gave him his second with Skymist Moody Blue in the Reserve spot. Kathryn Parkes finished him the following year at SCCA. Sandgate Jersey Juniper won his only ever RCC.

The sun was shining this week so I went to see MLM and we had a very pleasant afternoon in her garden drinking coffee. She is a keen gardener and I have to say that it is absolutely beautiful.

As I was leaving I reversed my car at the top of the drive. I was looking over my shoulder as the front swung round and I turned back round just in time to see her trip over a low wall, stumble forward, regain her balance and walk off nonchalantly.

I rang her when I got home.

Me: I saw you fall over

MLM: Oh I was hoping you hadn't. I don't know what makes me fall over so much.

Me: Chris love, regular readers of my breed notes know

MLM: Do they? What is it then?

All together now: It's your size 8 feet!

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