

IRISH SETTER BREED NOTES
W/C 19TH OCTOBER 2020

The news of the cancellation of Boston and Manchester Championship Shows in January 2021 was a blow to us all but we must not despair, we must keep going and hope that things return to normal in the not too distant future.

“Nothing should be out of the reach of hope. Life is a hope.”
— Oscar Wilde, A Woman of No Importance

Following last week's notes, I had a lovely email from Jean Turner the owner of Wickenberry Nightingale:

“Hi, good morning Christine,

I have just been reading your latest Irish Setter Breed Notes. It is a treat to read something new each week and that is a really good project you have undertaken.

So I was thrilled to see the name Wickenberry Nightingale pop out at me, my lovely Villie. Can I add to her achievements? She was in fact a full Irish Champion having qualified in the field in 1986 at the Wicklow and Wexford autumn trial. This was quite a feat as she was just off a litter by Barleydale Pascali born in June.

That litter, by the way, produced 5 FULL Irish Champions.

Dunswood Stormbird, Dunswood Thunderbird, Dunswood Ladybird, Dunswood Chorus and our own Dunswood Birdsong.

Happy memories, but sad she was unlucky not to have gained that third CC due to injury.

Keep up the good work! Stay safe, Jean Turner”

Freda Marshall (Gainspa), the well known Allrounder and Golden Retriever Specialist passed away last week.

The last time she gave tickets in Irish was at SKC in 2013 when her Dog CC winner was Thendara Frozen Asset and Reserve was Glenavna Journey South JW. In bitches she awarded the CC to Shenanagin She's the One for Karidell JW and Reserve to Balintyne Foreign Affair.

Before this she judged at Southern Counties in 2010 when she did the bitches only and gave a second ticket to Glennara Lehana with the RCC going to Lynwood Started with a Kiss. Maureen Justice was the Dog Judge and she gave the awards to Sh Ch Ember Gene Simmons Sings Quensha and Coppers Undercover at Lynwood.

In 2009 Freda judged the Dogs at GBAS and made up Sh Ch Jonola Dr Doolittle with Sh Ch Erinade Star Wars taking Reserve. Mary Price (Severnvale) was the Bitch judge and she made it a Gwendarriff double with a first CC for G. Fizzy Pop and a second RCC for G. Rock Diva.

I think her first Irish Setter CC appointment was at East of England in 2007. She gave a first CC to Sumaric Shadow of Mr Jingles and Reserve to Ember Gene Simmons. Gail Griffin judged the Bitches and found her CC and RCC winners in Sh Ch Amberwave Spangle and Sh Ch Kirkavagh Jumilla.

Last Wednesday we should have been at Gundog Society of Wales and Jacquie Ward (Mianja) should have been our judge. Jacquie's last Irish Setter appointment was at WKC in 2016 where she gave the Dog CC to Sh Ch Copper's War Of Roses and Reserve to Sh Ch Thendara Pot Noodle JW. Sh Ch Int Ch Fairhaven Louise Mountbatten At Braidmount was her Bitch CC winner with Balintyne Say You Say Me Reserve.

Joan Kniveton (Orestone) was the appointed dog judge at the North East of England Irish Setter Club which should have taken place last Saturday. Joan last judged at Setter & Pointer in 2016. Sh Ch/Ir Sh Ch Gwendarriff Whippersnapper JW was her Dog CC winner with Sh Ch Copper's War Of Roses taking

the Reserve. The Bitch CC went to Sh Ch Wynjill Well Known JW and Reserve was Sh Ch/Int Ch Fairhaven Louise Mountbatten At Braidmount (Imp Swe).

Brian Limpus (Karridel) was to have judged the Bitches. His last appointment was at Crufts 2020 when he judged the dogs. He awarded the CC to Sh Ch Gwendariff Thyme Bomb At Jacwilins JW and Reserve to Sh Ch Bardonhill Eternal Flame Among Amberlight JW. The last time he judged bitches was in 2015 at WKC when he gave the CC to Sh Ch Kirkavagh Ebadiyla JW and Reserve to Sametsuz In A Fankle.

Continuing the 'T' litter theme:

Unlike her sister T. Traviata, Sh Ch Twoacres Teresa was not easy to get into whelp. Born in January 1968 her first recorded litter was in January 1974 when she was mated to her litter brother Troilus. From this litter the Vants kept a bitch, Barleydale Lucetta who won her one and only CC at Midland Counties in 1977 from Mrs A. M. Stephens with the RCC going to Sh Ch Sowerhill Sarah. On the day the Dog CC was won by Sh Ch Twoacres Wayward Caesar and the RCC Sh Ch Ruani King's Treasure. She also won a RCC at City of Birmingham in 1978 from Barry Rhodes; the CC was awarded to Fearnley Firegem, her second of 9. She was owned by Elsa Rishworth, later Elsa Taylor (Palelsa). Teresa had a second litter in August 1976 to Crimbledale Commanchero who was a Troilus son out of Brackenfield Fan. From this litter they kept a dog, B. Barnadine, who was mated to a Lucetta daughter, B. Mustard Seed, whose daughter, B. Mopsa, produced Sh Ch Barleydale Pascali to Sh Ch Bardonhill Supergrass JW.

Pascali won his first CC at Leicester in 1989 from Jim Smith, RCC was Sh Ch Corriecas Gideon. Later that year at Belfast Rita Pike was the judge and she awarded him his second with the RCC going to Sh Ch Danaway Baccante.

In 1990 Pascali was put to a B. Mustard Seed granddaughter and produced Sh Ch B. Polgara. As mentioned a few weeks ago Polgara had a litter by Sh Ch Shenanagin Stockbroker the result being Peter Hall's Sh Ch Barleydale Polyantha At Harreds.

Next week I shall write about Sh Ch Twoacres Troilus.

A BRAND NEW MLM STORY

15th October 2020

Yesterday was my 69th birthday so today MLM rings me to remind me that I am now in my 70th year. Earlier in the week I had told her of my intention to go out for lunch on Friday with my daughter, her sister in law and Shedog and asked if she'd like to come.

Me: Have you decided whether or not you're coming with us tomorrow?

MLM: Yes I have, I'd like to come

Me: Good, I've booked a table for one

Silence.....

Me: Hello, are you there?

MLM: Yes

Me: What's the matter?

MLM: Nothing really

Me: Tell me what's up

MLM: Well I don't want to come if I've got to sit on my own

Me: Who's told you that?

MLM: You did; you said you'd booked a table for one

Me: One o'clock you numpty!

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