

IRISH SETTER BREED NOTES

W/C MONDAY 21ST DECEMBER 2020

Jim Sharman's Christmas Karaoke was fabulous last Friday night. He entertained us with some Christmas songs and sing along favourites and as for his outfit, well, he sparkled all the way! I am sad to report the passing of Yvonne Horrocks on Sunday, 13th December at the age of 96. She was a well known breeder, judge and exhibitor of the Carek Irish and Gordon Setters.

The only Irish show champion that she bred was Sh Ch Carek Red Fashion who was born on 9th February 1975. He was by Sh Ch Timadon Kendel out of Twoacres Andrea who was a Troilus daughter.

He won his first CC at Setter and Pointer from Judy Russell in 1978 who gave a one and only RCC to Stonyhurst Heron; he was a Troilus son out of Wendover Faith. Judy judged both sexes and gave a 5th CC to Sh Ch Hartsbourne Periwinkle and RCC to Sh Ch Chetruda Della of Coleraine.

His second CC was won at SEISC the following year. Maureen Hurl judged the dogs and awarded a 4th RCC to Scarlett Cockney Rebel. Val Page judged the bitches and gave a first CC to Pollyanna of Caskeys and a 2nd RCC to Cornevon Starkissed of Cribarth.

Val Wade made him up later in the year at Manchester and gave the RCC to Sh Ch Emmafield Double Dutch. Marjorie Jarosz was the bitch judge and she gave the CC to Sh Ch Fearnley Firegem and Reserve to Sh Ch Cornevon Westerhuy's Cloggy.

He was the winner of 2 RCCs; his first from Vi Thorne Baker at ISBC in 1978 behind Sh Ch Allsquare Mickey Finn and his second at Leicester the same year from Jimmy Cudworth. Sh Ch Wynjill Red Robin was awarded his 4th CC.

Carek Nice Fella was Red Fashion's litter brother and the winner of 2 CCs and 6 RCCs. Barbara Birch gave him his first at Leicester in 1977 and the RCC to Joanma's Ranter. On the day Barbara made up Sh Ch Meadway Bernice and awarded the RCC to Cornevon Stargazer.

His second of only two CCs came two years later at Leeds from Marjorie Jarosz who had previously given him the RCC at Belfast in 1977 behind Joanma's Ranter. Marjorie gave the RCC to Sh Ch Cornevon Stargem. Margaret Cordwell was the bitch judge who found her CC winner in Berle of Brackenfield (her first of three) and Shannonlee Sailor Girl won her first RCC.

Both boys were used at stud but didn't leave any lasting legacy.

Yvonne first awarded CCs in Irish at Windsor in 1979 when Audrey Harper judged the bitches. Dog CC was Sh Ch Sowerhill Storm, his 15th and RCC was Sh Ch Zorocean Agvamarina. Made up on the day was Sh Ch Pollyanna of Caskey's with Sowerhill Sarabelle taking the Reserve.

She did dogs at Crufts in 1988 and gave the tickets to Eng & Irh Ch Reddins Fintan of Riqitta in front of Sowerhill Nobleman. Her co-judge was Eve Gardner whose CC winner was Navylark Naiad, her second, and RCC was Sh Ch Shandwick Golden Spray.

Her last appointment was at Setter and Pointer in 2003 for the dogs only and she gave the CC to Sh Ch Thendara the Tourist and Reserve to Harreds Ghillie. June McAvoy judged bitches and gave the CC to Sh Ch Amberwave Dazzle and Reserve to Avontyne Mandolin Wind.

2020 has been the most terrible year for us and our hobby with only four Championship Shows having taken place but it would be churlish of me not to recap.

Dogs: Sh Ch Copper's War Of Roses won the CCs at Boston and Manchester; Sh Ch Riverbrue Alchemist Amidst Kespas JW won one at MISS; Sh Ch Gwendariff Thyme Bomb At Jacwilins JW won one at Crufts. Bitches: Sh Ch Bardonhill Please Don't Tease Quensha JW won the CC at Manchester; Lynwood Abracadabra JW one at Manchester, Int & Ir Sh Ch Millcroft Whispering Moon one at MISS and Sh Ch/Ir Sh Ch Gwendariff Coco Nut Cream one at Crufts. RCCs were awarded to Gwendariff's Red Light Show Farnfield and Sh Ch Gwendariff Coco Nut Cream at Boston, Sh Ch Bardonhill Eternal Flame Among Amberlight JW and Lochlorien True Detective Is Andley at Manchester, Gwendariff I'm Comin Out JW and Millcroft Scarlet Moon at MISS, Sh Ch Bardonhill Eternal Flame Among Amberlight JW and Lynwood Abracadabra JW at Crufts.

Best Puppies in Breed were Rohanmor Don Juan Demarco, Fernstart Angel's Kiss, Lynwood Merry Maiden at Kedalita and Gwendariff's Up To Somthin.

Two club Open Shows were held. SEISC saw Thendara The Watchmaker take BD & BOB and Blazing Bronze Happy Clappy Sings Konakakela JW RBD. BB was Teleri Indian Summer (AI) and Sandstream Welcome Breeze JW RBB. The ISCW BOB was Delsanto Miss Freja and RBB was Sixoaks Leading Lady, BD was Orlansett The Rocker JW, RBD was Sh Ch Alolfrana Hotter Than You Know JW.

Best Puppies were Quensha Family Portrait for Teleri and Gwendariff's Up To Something.

I am having a week off so my next notes will be Monday 4th January 2021 but before I sign off for the year I want to thank Michelle Webster without whose Irish Setter database my job would be far more difficult, my husband Andrew for his patience and IT skills and Christine Schofield aka My Little Mate for being an endless source of amusement.

So, I wish you all good health, peace and hope for a better year ahead; thank you for reading and for your very kind comments.

A Little Mate Story for Christmas

20 December 2016 ·

So this evening my daughter Aimie comes for tea and to collect her Christmas presents; amongst them are the ones from MLM. We go through all the gifts sorting out which are for her and which are for me and Andrew.

We are left with one gold bottle bag so I ring MLM.

Me: We've just sorted the presents but there's one gold bottle bag that has something in it wrapped in tissue paper but there's no label on it. Is it for me, Andrew or Aimie?

MLM: What does the label say?

Me: Have you just listened to what I said?

MLM: Yes

Me: Then you will have heard that there's no label on it

MLM: Who is it from?

Me: Have you just listened to what I said?

MLM: Yes. Who is it for?

Me: I knew I should have got you that hearing aid

MLM: What?

And another one just to prove that it's not always her; yes, sometimes it's me.

22 December 2016 ·

Last week as I was recycling last year's Christmas gift bags, I came across a card for MLM so I gave it to her at the weekend with an apology for not giving it to her last Christmas.

On Monday she rang me.

MLM: How long have you had that card?

Me: Since last Christmas

MLM: Try again

Me: Why?

MLM: Because it says inside ' Thank you for all your help in 2014!'

Oops!

And the reason I am writing this post now is to tell her that I have two cards for her here; one from Wendy and one from Pete and Ruth.

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