

IRISH SETTER BREED NOTES  
W/C MONDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MAY 2021

Lee Cox has drawn an entry of 117 making 156 for his first CC appointment in Irish at Southern Counties.

Jacque Rorke sent me the following email:

“Schedules for the Joint Irish Setter Breed Club Show, hosted by South Of England, held in conjunction with Paignton and District Fanciers Association are now available at [www.onlineshowentry.com](http://www.onlineshowentry.com) where you may enter online. Also, the schedule is on the South Of England web site. If you prefer a hard copy, please phone either Pat Harris on 01202 885303 or myself Jacque Rorke 07780676673. If seen at large anywhere we will have schedules on us. Paignton will be starting dogs at 9 and bitches at 9.30 Joint show at 10 for dogs and 10.30 for bitches.”

I am always delighted to hear from my readers and following last week’s notes Pat Rutherford let me know that it was she who owned Bridie of Andana and she who used Sh Ch Stephenshill Gamebird. Pat gave Purple Clover to Joan Anderson who put her prefix on her. This was Pat’s first litter.

I was also pleased to read the following from Angela Roberts: “I’m sure there will be a few who have Wendy Hanby’s model of Sh Ch Stephenshill Gamebird. She told me they were only made to order so I’m not sure how many were cast. I believe I was the last person to order one. I had money for a birthday and had admired the model when I saw one belonging to a friend. It’s one I really like and find it pleasing to the eye even though I never actually saw the dog for real.”

Wendy bred and showed Irish and English Setters under the Chantstor affix. Duncarreg Red River At Chantstor was bred by Beryl Bugden out of Muharraq Riverdance Of Duncarreg by Redclyst Glen Fergus and handled by David Pike.

He won one CC from Tony Pascoe at Three Counties in 2003; Orstone Interceptor won the third of his twelve RCCs that day and went on to gain his title at WKC later that year.

Previously Red River had won three RCCs from Biddy Evans at Crufts 2001, Sally Foster at Leeds 2002 and Lynn Muir at Setter and Pointer 2002. On these occasions the CCs were won by Thendara The Tourist (his first), Sh Ch Shandwick Amethyst at Ferndel and Sh Ch Shenanagin Some Might Say it’s Bardonhill.

Following his CC win Red River won two more RCCs both in 2003. David Bell was the judge at GSW and he gave the CC to Sh Ch Thendara Don Corleone. Carolyn Hogsflesh judged at NEEISC and she too awarded the CC to Don Corleone.

David Pike has one of the models of Gamebird along with one called Up With The Birds. Wendy made this one as well and presented one to Setter and Pointer as a trophy for Gordon Setters. When Wendy passed she left the original to David.

I have a show to report on!

Not a championship show but a very successful open show. Under blue skies and sun North Riding Gundog Club held their show in conjunction with the North of England HPR Club.

The judge for Irish was Chris Jennings Sharman who drew an entry of 30.

Chris says “It was a lovely day, unexpectedly hot at, I believe 20 odd degrees! The officers and committee need a special mention for working so hard and succeeding in a very well run and Covid safe show. It was a super entry with quality dogs and sportsmanlike applause for every class. Pop up tents, gazebos and umbrellas everywhere!”

From Open, Wendy Holehan’s Loganrish Let’s Go Crazy was BOB and Lisa Bougen’s Gwendariff Lily The Pink took RBOB. BPIB was Ruth, Leah and Freyja Richardson’s Gwendariff Tully’s Red Arrows. Here’s a Little Mate Story from North Riding Gundog Club Show 2017.

So we’re on our way home from the show and MLM says ‘I didn’t think we would get anything in the group.’

Me: Why not?

MLM: Well as the judge bent down to go over Noah I head butted him and then when I'd moved him he said ' Which part of straight up and down don't you understand?'

Just goes to show that the only time she can head butt someone is when they stoop to her level.

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