

IRISH SETTER BREED NOTES
W/C MONDAY 31ST AUGUST 2020

The KC Breed Record Supplement for April to June 20 arrived last week. It records 198 new registrations and 22 litters. There were two importations; one from the Republic of Ireland and one from Poland.

Last Saturday we should have been at SKC where Eva Ciechonska was to have been our judge. I am pleased to see that Eva's appointment has been carried over to May next year. Her last appointment was at Boston in 2016. Blake Crocker's Sh Ch Copper's War Of Roses was the Dog CC winner with the Reserve going to Alec Stewart & Danielle Ritchie-Smith's Sh Ch Gwendariff Whippersnapper JW CW'15. In Bitches the CC went to Laura Kolbach's Ch Copper's Wine'N Roses (mother of the dog CC) and the Reserve to Jill Holley's Gwendariff Soda Pop to Wynjill.

Some of you will remember the late Rita Ball (Withers); sadly, her daughter Teresa Walker who shows Cockers had an accident at the start of lockdown and her good friends Leanne Challands and Sam Whiting are trying to raise funds for her. If you can spare a bob or two here's the story from Leanne:

"At the start of lockdown she fell down her stairs and broke her neck and back, she was paralysed from the neck down. She underwent extensive surgery to try to repair some of the damage but unfortunately not all could be fixed. She's now in her third hospital (Sheffield) in the spinal unit, undergoing intensive physio therapy. She's gained some feeling in her arms and hands and is slowly learning how to use these again. Walking, unfortunately is an unknown at the moment, she's taking each day as it comes. She has a date to come home to aim for, 6th October, but this can go forward or backwards depending on progress.

So here comes the helping bit..... when she's allowed home there are going to have to be some changes made to her house and surroundings. As well as a wheelchair (we've got to be able to wheel her around a dog show!!) we know that government/agencies cover minimal cost but she will need things that aren't provided. So we're having this online show to hopefully make a dent in a bill that has come as a shock and is weighing heavy on Teresa's (and her husband/family/friends hearts)."

The online show has now closed but you can still make a donation at
https://paypal.me/teresawillfight?locale.x=en_GB

A couple of weeks ago I wrote about Andana Jake being the sire of four Show Champions, in particular Sh Ch Marksway Marquis, so now I am writing about the other three.

Jake was bred by Joan Anderson in January 1986 out of Andana Spring Day by Sh Ch Sowerhill Nobleman. He was owned and shown by Mrs R Sears. I can't see that he ever won a CC or an RCC but he did gain his Stud Book Number.

Sandy Waterton's Sh Ch Fairward Summer Breeze Of Sandstream had to work hard for her title. Buffy was bred by Mr and Mrs Fairbanks in June 1988 out of their Cornevon Happy Hour Of Fairward who was a Nightfever daughter. She was the winner of three CCs and three Reserve CCs. Her first RCC was in 1991 at Windsor under Yvonne Horrocks behind her half sister Moriba Dulcinda. She then went on to take the CC at NEEISC in 1993 under Olwen Hunt when another half sister, Clonageera Stella, took the Reserve. Her second CC was three years later at MISS in 1996 from Jenny Reed and finally her crowning CC came the following year at SWKA from Gordon Evans. I can find only one litter from her.

At MISS the RCC went to Sh Ch Laggan Uptown Girl and at SWKA the RCC winner was Sh Ch Barleydale Polyantha at Harreds.

Buffy's other two RCCs were from Jean Quinn at MISS in 1994 when the CC went to Bonhomie Forgotten Dream, her first of 10, and from Ruth Ellis at Blackpool in 1995; Kirkavagh Zabara picked up her second of 9 CCs that day.

Sh Ch Moriba Dulcinda was bred by Willie and Lorna Carslake in April 1989 out of Mitzi of Moriba. She won her first CC as stated above, her second in 1992 from Mary Duncan at SWKA with the RCC going to Ballywestow Diadem and her third from Carolyn Hogsflesh at SKC later that year. Carolyn gave the RCC to Tagamago Loving Memory of Shiredale. She also won three RCCs from Bidy Evans, Rita Brydon and Bob Heron; the CCs were awarded to Sh Ch Navylark Naiad, Sh Ch Gimaroch Summer Dream and Reddins Myrna.

I can't find any litters from her. Sadly Willy passed away in 2012, he was a lovely man with a great sense of humour. Not too long after they made their girl up Willy was involved in a serious car accident and was confined to a wheel chair. Lorna cared for him with immense love and devotion.

Sh Ch Clonageera Stella on the other hand, left a lasting legacy being the dam of five Show Champions.

Stella was whelped in August 1990 out of Pat and Jim Rutherford's Clonageera Germaine and won her first CC at Blackpool in 1993 under John Powis. Her second and third came the following year at SWKA from Norma Marshall (now Wilson) and at ISCW from Val Wade. She won a further CC in 1995 at Three Counties from June Coates. She also won two RCCs.

Her first mating to Sh Ch Starchelle Chicago Bear in 1995 produced Shelagh and Gil Tolladay's Sh Ch Clonageera Fennella At Bethersden (4 CCs, 2 RCCs) and Rachel Shaw-Rainey's Sh Ch Clonageera Flambouyant As Starchelle. (8 CCs, 15 RCCs).

The mating was repeated in 1996 and produced Pat and Ken Stockton's Sh Ch Clonageera Inspiration For Kespas (10 CCs, 9 RCCs) and John and Linda Lewis' Sh Ch Clonageera Independence Of Lindenjo (3 CCs, 3 RCCs).

A further repeat mating in 1998 produced Diane Stewart-Ritchie's Sh Ch/Ir Sh Ch Clonageera Klassique Gwendariff (4 CCs, 2 RCCs).

I remember judging the Irish at SKC in 2001 and awarding the CCs to Independence and Fenella and the RCCs to Flambouyant and Klassique.

Two Little Mate stories this week both about caravanning, both very similar and both at Three Counties Show ground.

So we get here yesterday early afternoon and are all set up. Don't know if you're aware but MLM and her hubby share the caravan with me and Andrew and they sleep in the bedroom annexe of the awning. This trip MLM has bought a new deluxe air bed with a built in pillow.

Me: How did you sleep last night?

MLM: Not bad. I need to make a few adjustments though because I don't like the inbuilt pillow. Tonight we're going to sleep the other way round.

Me: What and have your feet raised?

Okay so I've just won the idiotic comment of the week award.

Why on earth would I think that her feet would reach to the bottom of the bed!!!

And then....

So here we are, all set up at Malvern, me, Andrew Morgan, Christine Schofield, Shelagh Tolladay, David Schofield and Nobby Tolladay.

I love it when mornings start with this....

MLM: If I tell you something you won't put it on Face Book will you?

Me: Of course not

MLM: Only I had a real fright in the night. I woke up and thought my legs had grown long because they were reaching the bottom of the bed

Me: Never!

MLM: But then I realised that I was laid half way down it
#neverinherwildestdreams

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