

IRISH SETTER BREED NOTES
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On Thursday, 8th September 2022 the world's most loved and most famous dog lover departed this world.

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II was an avid dog lover and Patron of the Kennel Club who adored spending time with her own beloved dogs.

She grew up surrounded by dogs and had a particular interest in working gundogs; her great-grandfather Edward VI established the Sandringham kennels in 1879. The kennel was famed for its black Labradors.

The Queen worked her dogs on shoots and judged at events held at Sandringham.

Her father, King George VI, brought home the family's first Pembroke Corgi in 1933 and in 1944 Princess Elizabeth was given her first ever Corgi as an 18th birthday present. She named her Susan and the two were inseparable, so much so that Susan went on honeymoon with her and the Duke of Edinburgh.

All of her Corgis since are descended from Susan.

At the time of her death The Queen owned four dogs. Two Corgis, one Dorgi and a Cocker Spaniel. The Dorgi was the result of a mating between one of her Corgis and one of Princess Margaret's Dachshunds.

All of her dogs were fed by The Queen and walked by her twice daily.

The Cocker Spaniel, Lissy, was born in July 2017 and is golden in colour. She is formally known as Field Trial Champion Wolferton Drama. She won the 91st Kennel Club Cocker Spaniel Championship held in January this year at Windsor Great Park.

God speed Your Majesty; and thank you, for everything.

"Grief is the price we pay for love" – H.M. Queen Elizabeth II

Lynn Sketchley's entry at Darlington is 91 making 97.

Richard Morris has drawn an entry of 36 making 44 at Belfast Championship show.

Entries for Gundog Society of Wales close today by post mark and at midnight on 19th September online. The judge is Suzy Roffey whose last appointment was in 2019 at the Joint Irish Setter clubs. She awarded a first CC to Gwendariff Weekend Warrior and a 22nd CC to Sh Ch Gwendariff Coco Nut Cream. The reserves went to Bardohill Eternal Flame Among Amberlight and Millcroft Whispering Moon.

There is some news from the Kennel Club about Junior Warrants:

JUNIOR WARRANT POINTS CRITERIA EXPANDED

The Kennel Club Board has agreed to expand the points criteria under which Junior Warrant points can be claimed, with immediate effect.

In the case of open shows, in addition to those wins which currently qualify for one point, the following also now meet the criteria: any group placing, any puppy group placing, Best in Show, Reserve Best in Show, Best Puppy in Show or Reserve Best Puppy in Show where at least one other dog was competing. This will only be valid if no other Junior Warrant points have been claimed for this dog at the show.

The criteria for championship shows has also been updated so as to make it possible to claim points for both Best of Sex and Best Puppy of Sex wins.

Only one point may be claimed from any open show and this clause remains unchanged. There is also no change to the championship show points criteria.

Kathryn Mansfield, Kennel Club Secretary, said: "We are very pleased to announce these amendments to the points system for the Junior Warrant title. Open shows are a very important 'training ground' in the UK for young dogs and so it is only right that the top awards at group and Best in Show level should count toward this award.

"In the case of championship shows, under the previous points system, dogs which had won a breed class and were unable to claim points (i.e. only one in the class) and were subsequently awarded

Best of Sex (beating the correct number of dogs) or Best Puppy of Sex were still unable to claim any points unless they went on to win Best of Breed. This latest update remedies that situation."

The updated Junior Warrant points criteria can be found at thekennelclub.org.uk/forms/junior-warrant.

All queries regarding the Junior Warrant award should be directed to sass@thekennelclub.org.uk. Carole Bailey (Gwithian) gave her first set of tickets in Irish at Richmond. For the dog CC and BOB she chose Geoff Allen, Paul Bott and Angela Morgan's Sh Ch Quensha Take A Bow. This is Hector's 8th CC having won his first at last year's Richmond show. He is only 2 ½ years old and has also won 3 RCCs. He is by Jetsetter Calvin Klein (Imp Rus) ex Sh Ch Quensha Tumble And Twirl J.W.

The RCC went to the winner of limit, Blake Crocker and Clare Lewis' Larry (Riverbrue Morning Glory). He is half brother to Hector having the same father. Larry's dam is Sh Ch Riverbrue Gloriana and he too is 2 ½ years old. This is his 3rd RCC and he also has one CC.

Having won 3 RCCs this year, Marita Bott's Bardonhill Love Of My Life (Sh Ch Gwendariff D'ya Know My Name By Bardonhill J.W. x Bardonhill True Love Ways) won limit and her 1st CC. She is 4 years old. Sue Edwards' Gwendariff Its Numero Uno At Bonhomie JW was second to her and won her 5th RCC. She also has one CC and is by Sh Ch/Ir Ch Gwendariff Nuts Aboutu Glenavna J.W. out of Gwendariff Carrys It Off J.W. and is 5 years old.

BPIB was Susan Davison's Bardonhill Million Reasons who is half brother to the bitch CC winner but has a different dam, Bardonhill Words Of Love.

Sue Edwards is having a lovely time with her dogs at the moment as her Gwendariff PS I Love You Bonhomie JW (Sh Ch Ir Sh Ch Gwendariff Whippersnapper J.W. x Sh Ch/Ir Ch Gwendariff Fizzy Pop) J.W. was BVIB.

Chloe and David Clarke's Covarney Dream Time From Bronrians JW (Thendara The Watchmaker ex Covarney Estee Avec Marzanne J.W.) was Best Special Beginners and 4th in the group under Tom Johnston.

In the Stakes classes the Chorley/Flinders girls' Kerryfair Just Be was second in the Catherine Sutton Memorial Puppy Dog Stakes under Graham Hill and Pat and Ken Stockton's Sh Ch Riverbrue Alchemist Amidst Kespas JW was first in Good Citizens which Graham also judged.

Congratulations to you all.

A Little Mate Story from Birmingham City 2017.

So, MLM volunteers to go out and get fish and chips for us all.

She googles where to go.

'Found one' she says.

Me: Let me look where

She passes me her phone

Me: Yes love off you go and be quick about it

MLM: Why?

Me: Because it's in Stoneleigh Surrey 86 miles away!

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