IRISH SETTER BREED NOTES W/C MONDAY 20TH JUNE 2022

At Windsor Richard Bott has drawn an entry of 79 making 84 and at East of England Becky Box has 126 making 153.

More on the Three Counties winners: Jim Cuddy's BOB was Eva Ciechonska's Sh Ch Gwendariff Smart Move Back To Aoibheanne. This was Frieda's fourth CC and she also has three RCCs. She was bred by Diane Stewart-Ritchie in August 2018 by Sh Ch Gwendariff Unknown Soldier J.W. x Aoibheanne's Smart Move Gwendariff.

Balintyne Let It Be Me JW owned by David Bell and Gillian Barker-Bell won Post Grad and the RCC. She is home bred out of Balintyne Say You Say Me by Staratlanta's Out A Time J.W. This is her first such award.

Beccy Danks-Kemish's Beau, aka Sh Ch Alolfrana Hotter Than U'know JW ShCEx (Hot Sensation's Orstone Cowboy (Imp Swe) J.W. ex Alolfrana Copacabana), won his sixth CC and Teresa and Gemma Gisby's Suteresett King Of Hearts JW won limit to take his third RCC. His first RCC was also from Jim at Darlington in 2018. He is by Anlory Aidan J.W. ex Suteresett Once Upon A Dream and is six years old.

Peter Hall's Harreds Liam won his third (I believe) Best Puppy in Breed award. He is by Sh Ch Copper's War Of Roses (Imp Swe) out of Harreds Sybil and is 11 months old.

Still on a roll is George and Cheryl Stevenson's Lochlorien True Detective Is Andley who took another BVIB award. She is seven years old and is by Anlory Keltic Blue Sky J.W. ex Lochlorien Scully Foxes Andley ShCM.

In the Higham Press Special Junior Stakes Lee Cox (Vanitonia) gave third place to Beccy Danks-Kemish's Cruz, aka Copper's Welcome To The Party At Alolfrana; he had also won the Junior dog class under Jim.

There were a number of stakes classes but I couldn't see any other Irish Setters placed but if I've missed someone, please let me know.

Tony Drinkwater judged the Irish at Border Union and the dog from Wales, Beccy Danks-Kemish's Beau aka Sh Ch Alolfrana Hotter Than U'know JW, win his seventh ticket and BOB. I was there to watch the group and was thrilled to see him put on a sterling performance under Richard Morris and take Group Three.

Earlier in the day he was Reserve on the A.V. Gundog/Hound/Terrier Champion Stakes which was judged by Stephen Bardwell.

Reserve to him was Phil and Paula Lucas' Sh Ch Bardonhill Eternal Flame among Amberlight JW who had won Veteran. Rowan is seven years old and out of Bardonhill Days Are Diamond J.W. by Sh Ch Kerryfair Snow Fox J.W.

Tony gave us a new CC winner in the Sturrock girls Forfarian Soo Lush who has one RCC to her name which she won under Karen Richardson at LKA last year behind Sh Ch Teleri Indian Summer who was made up on the day.

Bridget is four years old and is half sister to Rowan having the same sire but out of Int Ch Forfarian You Sexy Thing. She was the winner of Limit and second to her and RCC was Sue Edwards Keira, aka Gwendariff It's Numero Uno at Bonhomie (Sh Ch/Ir Ch Gwendariff Nuts Aboutu Glenavna J.W. ex Gwendariff Carrys It Off J.W.). She is five years old and has one CC; this was her second RCC. George and Cheryl's Bailey continued her winning ways by taking another BVIB award but then topped it by winning Veteran Group two under John Thirlwell.

Phil and Paula's Gwendariff Aru Ready F'this Amberlight (Sh Ch Gwendariff Weekend Warrior ex Gwendariff Look This Way to Wynjill JW) was BPIB and also made it in the Puppy Group under Moray Armstrong by taking third place.

Its so great to see our lovely breed featuring in the groups. Huge congratulations to you all. If I've missed anyone in the Stakes classes please let me know.

Me and my Data Manager have been on the showground at Kelso since last Monday. It's a lovely site with good facilities and is only a short walk from the town.

The ground is good, the grass has been cut very short and the sun has shone all week. It's not been too hot like many of you down south have experienced.

We have been coming here with the caravan for a few years now and the weather has not always been kind but I have very fond memories of being here.

Back in 2014 I wrote: "Ok, I admit to being anal about certain things. The one thing I hate about caravanning is the grass on our pitch when it gets too long. So this year my hubby has bought a battery operated strimmer and I've strimmed to my heart's content and the grass is now lovely and short. Sadly it's something else I didn't think through.

Is red, white and green an acceptable colour for a Welsh Springer Spaniel puppy?"

As I recall the weather back then was quite good when we sent MLM shopping.

One of the things on the shopping list was ice.

She got lost on the way back from Sainsbury's.

Now all we have is a bag of water.

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