IRISH SETTER BREED NOTES

W/C MONDAY 30TH MAY 2022

I must start with an apology to Beccy Danks-Kemish for omitting to record that her Copper's Welcome To The Party At Alolfrana (Dubliner Waterproof ex Copper's Winter Rose) was Puppy Group 3 at SKC under judge Liz Stannard. Well done.

Meg Webb writes: "SEISC Championship this Thursday 2nd June (Hosted by Southern Counties): SEISC judging by Gillian Barker-Bell will start at 10 am in ring 3 with BITCHES followed by DOGS. SCCA judging by Dee Milligan-Bott will start at 9am in ring 2 with Dogs followed by Bitches We would like to thank you all for your entry. Many thanks, Meg."

The entry for Three Counties is 133 making 139 for our judge Jim Cuddy.

The Kennel Club journal for June 22 is now available online. It lists the following judges; SEISC 2nd June 22, Gillian Barker-Bell (both sexes); SKC October 2022, Enid Hinslea; MISS 5th February 2023, Julie Greenan, Referee; Bath 2023, Blake Crocker; Midland Counties 2023, Wendy Morley; SWKA October 2023, Jo-Anne Parsons; GBAS 11th November 2023, Laura Crombie Dogs, Mr P F Berchtold, Austria, Bitches.

I see also that Carol Moore has been granted 'grandfather' rights for Irish.

It was announced last week that Ferelith 'Feffie' Somerfield has passed away. Feffie was an International all-round judge and awarded CCs in Irish 7 times. She was held in high regard wherever she went.

Her first appointment was in 1990 at City of Birmingham when she did the dogs only and gave a 9th CC to Sh Ch Danaway Debonair; Sh Ch Jonola Southern Comfort took the Reserve.

In 1992 she judged the bitches at Midland Counties and found her CC winner in Sh Ch Bardonhill Sea Breeze Over Thendara with the RCC going to Whimbrel Petronella.

In 1994 she judged twice. At Bournemouth she judged the dogs and at ISAE she judged the bitches. The CC winners were Sh Ch Loskeran Oleander, Reserve Sh Ch Marksway Marquis and Sh Ch Bardonhill Splashdown and RCC Orstone Valaric. Splashdown was the litter sister of Sea Breeze. In 1997 she judged both sexes at Driffield and gave the CCs to Sh Ch Caspians Intrepid and Grayrigge Fidelma and the RCCs to Autumnwood Prince Of Tides and Caspians Faith At Rigitta.

In 2008 she judged bitches again at ISAE. This time the ticket went to Sh Ch Gwendariff Pop My Cork with Sh Ch Brabrook Red Rose picking up the RCC.

Her last appointment in Irish was at Windsor in 2010. CC winner were Sh Ch Danaway Lancelot Of Autumnwood and Amberwave Freckles and the Reserves were awarded to Gwendariff Rockin Robin and Applegrove Stella By Starlight At Cataluna.

"To give real service you must add something which cannot be bought or measured with money, and that is sincerity and integrity." - Douglas Adams

It was a glorious day at Bath with sunny skies and a wonderful atmosphere. The society has done a terrific job with the groundworks; the rings are spacious and flat with 'in' and 'out' tents. Brian Limpus (Karidell) was our judge and for the dog CC he chose, from open, Sue Edwards' Sh Ch Gwendariff Ucan'tmissme Bonhomie. Sue has a broken wrist so was unable to handle Luca but Sophie Wildig stepped in to pilot him to win his 5th CC. He is 4 years old and is by Sh Ch Gwendariff Thyme Bomb At Jacwilins J.W. ex Gwendariff We'll Rememberu J.W.

Teresa and Gemma Gisby's Suteresett King Of Hearts JW won limit and his second RCC. 'King' is 5 ½ years old and is out of Suteresett Once Upon A Dream by Anlory Aidan JW.

Paddy Catling's 'Indi' aka Sh Ch Teleri Indian Summer (ai) JW won her 4th CC and BOB. She is almost 5 yeard old and is by Int Ch/Sh Ch Copper's Magiska Under ex Sh Ch Shandwick Love In A Mist For Teleri I W

To add to Paddy's delight David Shelds awarded Indi Group 3.

Lynn Muir's Sh Ch Gwendariff's Up To Somethin stood second to Indi in open to take the RCC. She is 3 years old and is by Sh Ch/Ir Sh Ch Gwendariff Weekend Warrior ex Copper's Comin Up Roses For Gwendariff (Imp Swe).

BPIB was another win for Peter Hall's Harreds Lillie. Now 9 months old she is out of Harreds Sybil by Sh Ch Copper's War Of Roses (Imp Swe).

George and Cheryl Stevenson are on a roll in veteran classes as Lochlorien True Detective Is Andley took another BVIB award. George and Cheryl were celebrating their 20th wedding anniversary at the show and to mark the occasion had brought cake for everyone.

Best Special Beginners was Chloe and David Clarke's Covarney Dream Time From Bronrians. They must have been delighted when they went on to win Special Beginners Group 4 under David Shields. I sincerely hope I haven't missed any other results this week. Please let me know if I have.

Congratulations to you all. It's great to see the Irish featuring in the groups.

A Little Mate Story by James Newton

May 2016

So here we are standing by the Bracco Italiano ring and I have Julie Frost's dog with me.

MLM comes walking by and stops for a chat and to admire the Braccos.

As we're talking I'm not watching the dog as I should and suddenly realise that the dog is about to pee up MLM's leg.

I hastily pull him away and apologise to MLM for the close call.

MLM: What does he think I am? A tree? Me: Well if he does it must be a Bonsai.

Again, he said it, not me.

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