## IRISH WOLFHOUND CLUB OPEN SHOW, 29 August 2016

I enjoyed my judging and was very pleased with my main winners.

Thank you for taking my decisions with a smile even if it was through gritted teeth.

Quite a few exhibits were overweight an I was surprised to find quite a lot of dirty teeth even on some of the youngsters. A big raw knuckle bone every month or so will soon get teeth clean.

#### Minor Puppy Dog (4/1/1w)

1st Pask's NAPOLEONE DELLA BASSA PAVESE Handsome puppy with excellent bone and substance. Lovely head and ears. Nice arch and length of neck. Good front with nice length and lay of upper arm and lay of shoulder. Good forechest. Lovely topline and underline. Nice croup with a well set on tail. Powerful curvy hindquarters with good length of second thigh. Huge tight well knuckled feet. Free active movement. One to watch for the future. BP

2nd Lockett's AMARACH AINLE Tall rangy well boned puppy. A little narrow all through at present. Handsome well furnished head. Nice long arched neck into good shoulder. A little straight in upper arm. Topline needs to settle. Strong curvy hindquarters with good length of second thigh. Excellent well knuckled feet. Movement was good in profile.

## **Puppy Dog** (3/3)

## Junior Dog (3/1w)

1st Treadwell's GLENGAIL GGILMOUR AT FLOYDIAN Handsome well balanced youngster. Nice head and ears. Nice length of leg with good bone and excellent tight feet. Good forechest and spring of rib. Good angulation and length to upper arm and shoulder. Curvy powerful hindquarters. Excellent movement with good extension. Another very promising youngster I shall watch with interest.

2nd Dawson's HYDEBECK GORDIAN AT GRAEFYN Tall rangy boy just out of puppy. Lovely harsh black coat. Head has good length of foreface but stop is little too defined. Long strong neck into good shoulder, upper arm has length but is a little upright. Good underline and topline. Nice croup and tail set. Good hindquarters with nice width through the stifle and good length of second thigh. Easy active movement. A handsome boy.

#### Yearling Dog (5/2)

Das Purkayastha's RAVENSBEECH ROMANUS AMONG NECKREBAGH Strongly built male but carrying a little too much weight. Nice well furnished head with gentle expression and nice tight ears. Good forechest upper arm and shoulder. Nice topline with correct arch over loin going into good croup and set on of tail. Good spring of rib. Powerful hindquarters though just a tad more width through the stifle would be perfect. Lovely harsh spotlessly clean coat. Powerful movement with good extension. 2nd Reeves's WOLFHOUSE COUNT BASIE Attractive young male with nice overall shape. Handsome head with nice ears. Reasonable length and lay of upper arm. Good shoulder placement. Good hindquarters with excellent length of second thigh and well let down hocks. Good topline and underline. Moved well in profile.

3rd Cramphorn's YELXBA ALBERT

**Special Beginners Dog** (0)

Novice Dog (0)

Post Graduate Dog (1, moved to OD)

## **Limit Dog** (5/2)

1st Poole & Sheppard's CONMERYL MARKSMAN WITH GOLDSWIFT Strongly built male with good width all through. Nice head and expression. Good front assembly with nice lay of upper arm and shoulder. Good depth of chest and spring of rib. Strong hindquarters. Movement was strong and true with good extension. RBD

2nd Fox's KAZACHOK ROAN INISH AT NEWDIGATE (IKC) Powerful attractive male. Nice head and neck but ears are flat. Excellent front with good shoulder and length and lay of upper arm. Tremendous bone and excellent feet. To be critical I would like more length of leg. Good topline and underline. He needs a tad more length of loin as he is short coupled. Movement was powerful and easy with good extension.

3rd Gregory's KILLOUGHERY THE BARON

#### **Open Dog** (3/1)

1st Redfern's RAINSTER AZLAN Big powerful male. With good width all through Handsome well furnished head. Good width to lower jaw and nice dentition. Long strong neck into excellent front assembly. Good forechest and depth of chest. Well boned legs and the very best of feet. Good topline with correct rise over loin. Nice croup and tail set. Strong hindquarters with he used well as his movement was easy and powerful. Shown in lovely clean condition. I was happy to award him BIS.

2nd McLight's THE DOCKTOR AT BALLALYN Attractive male. Nice head and expression. Lovely rose ears. Nice length of neck. Upright in upper arm and shoulder. Good depth of chest. Topline is flat and slightly slopes away. Curvy hindquarters with good length of second thigh and well let down hocks. Excellent feet. Moved and handled well.

# Veteran Dog (2/1)

Dawson's SHANIMARLE CHEROKEE AT GRAEFYN Lovely old chap, seven and a half years old with good overall shape. Nice head with lovely clear bright dark eyes. Nice harsh coat. Moved well.

#### **Veteran Bitch** (7/5)

Donaldson's RAINSTER ROSA OF KIRKCARSWELL Eight year old bitch in lovely condition. Nice head with the gentlest of eyes. Nice neck into good front assembly. Lovely topline with correct rise over loin. Nice underline and tuck up. Excellent feet. Curvy hindquarters. Free easy movement. She is a credit to her owner. BV

2nd MacLeod's SEPLECUR LITTLE CHIPPA OF BRACHAN Seven and a half year old with good overall shape. Carrying too much weight which spoils the shape of her midriff. Lovely head and expression. Nice rose ears. Good length of neck into good shoulder. Powerful curvy hindquarters. Moved well.

## Minor Puppy Bitch (3/2)

Avevor's CLANLILY AVEVORS DREAM Pretty houndy well balanced puppy. Nice head and neck, ears are a little large. Good front assembly with nice lay of upper arm and shoulder. Nice spring of rib Good width across the croup. Nice underline but topline needs to settle. Well boned legs and good feet. Nice curvy hindquarters. Movement a little erratic by hopefully will settle as she get the hand of the show ring. A promising puppy.

## Puppy Bitch (0)

## Junior Bitch (4/3)

Dunwell's GLENGAIL GGWYNETH Houndy young bitch. Nice head with lovely dark eye. Nice arched neck of good length. Reasonable shoulder but upright in upper arm. Good underline and tuck up. She is a little high at the front at the moment consequently her topline slopes away. Movement was a little erratic to and fro but OK in profile.

## **Yearling Bitch** (6/3)

1st Pask's AMARACH CAITIN AT BARONGLEN Elegant bitch. Lovely head and ears. Long powerful neck. Good lay of shoulder. Nice length and lay of upper arm. Good depth of chest. Nice topline with correct rise over loin. Powerful curvy hindquarters. Sound and easy on the move covering a lot of ground.

2nd Ashton's BRIBIBA CUAN GHRA OF MADALINCA Pretty little dark bitch with good overall shape. Nice well furnished head with rose ears. Nice length of neck into good shoulder. Nice underline but topline dips behind shoulder. Good hindquarters. Excellent feet. Moved well in profile.

3rd MacLeod's BRACHAN EIRA

## **Special Beginners Bitch (1)**

1st Dunwell's GLENGAIL GGWYNETH See Junior Bitch

## Novice Bitch (5/2)

1st Redfern's TULLSTOWN CHARISMATIC CADENCE Attractive shapely little bitch. Pretty head with nice ears. Lovely length of neck. Excellent front with good forechest. Well boned legs and good feet. Nice underline and good topline with nice width across croup. Moved well in profile.

2nd Ashton's BRIBIBA CUAN GHRA OF MADALINCA See Yearling Bitch

3rd MacLeod's BRACHAN EIRA

#### Post Graduate Bitch (5/3)

Gregory's KILLOUGHERY BLISS Strong powerful bitch definitely fit for purpose. Nice head with lovely rose ears. Powerful neck into good shoulder. Nice length and lay of upper arm. Good depth of chest. A little over-long in loin. Strong hindquarters with good length of second thigh and hocks well let down. Nice croup with lovely long tail set on well. Moved with power and ease.

2nd Morris's AMARACH BRYNA O'HERN Tall elegant bitch with nice head and lovely rose ears. A little upright in front assembly. Nice underline with good depth of chest and tuck up. Rise over loin starts too far forward. Tight well knuckled feet. Good movement in profile.

#### Limit Bitch (8/4)

1st Wilkinson's JESSICA KATE ROAN INISH (IKC) Attractive substantial bitch a little overweight but not enough to hide her curves. Lovely head and expression. Nice arched neck. Well boned legs and good feet. Good front with plenty of forechest, nice lay of shoulder and upper arm. Nice underline with good tuck up. Good topline and croup with long powerful well set on tail. Strong curvy hindquarters. Moved well. RBB

2nd Sheppard's CONMERYL MISS SCARLET FOR GOLDSWIFT Another substantial well balanced bitch. Well furnished head. A little shorter in neck than 1. Good width through body. Nice front assembly. Well boned legs. Nice powerful curvy hindquarters. Moved with power and drive.

3rd Bridges' KATY PERRY ROAN INISH OF BARRASSY (IKC)

Res Fox's HYDEBECK IMPERIAL VISION

#### Open Bitch (5)

1st Catlow's MASCOTTS CASSIS LAOISEACH Very attractive bitch. Beautiful well furnished head with rose ears. Lovely elegant neck into excellent front. Good spring of rib. Nice underline. Good topline with nice rise over loin. Moved true coming and going and with power and extension in profile. BB RBIS

2nd Campbell-Woodford's RIVENHOUNDS BONFIRE AT KILMACDUAGH Strong bitch with good bone. Nice head and ears. What a joy to see her pearly white teeth, best dentition of the day with good width of bottom jaw. Good overall shape, good neck into excellent front, would like a little bit more at back end. Moved well coming and going and in profile.

3rd Heather's WHITEORCHARD VENUSTA

Res Wilkinson's CONMERYL MERRIMENT OVER HUNACRES VHC Ashton's CAN CH CNOCCARNE ANNE BONNEYAGH

Pam Sumner