

Irish Wolfhound Club Open Show 27.08.18

I thank the members for giving me the privilege of this wonderful judging opportunity & the exhibitors for bringing their hounds. Also thank you to my stewards who kept me in order. I very much enjoyed my day. I found that some hounds looked a picture standing but didn't quite fulfil under the hand.

MPD (1) 1 Barnes' Hazianne Partial Eclipse. Strong 8 month old puppy with softly furnished head & neat ears. Well ribbed back with gentle sweeping underline. Nicely muscled for such a youngster. Excellent feet. Movement a little erratic.

PD (4, 2abs) 1 Dawson's Austonley's Falcon of Shalico. Well grown 10 month old wheaten boy. Beautifully proportioned head with well held ears. Strong neck & good shoulder. Well boned limbs with good feet. Very positive even movement for one so young. BPIS. 2 Vaudin's Hollyhenge Caruso of Torteval. Another well grown youngster of 11 months with good muscle tone. Pleasing head proportions. Moved out soundly. Shallower in body & not the forechest or positive movement of 1.

JD (5, 3abs) 1 Das Purkayastha's Ballyphelan Asansol among Neckrebagh. Shapely & well muscled with pleasing head. Good bone & curvaceous rear with broad stifles. Moved with a purposeful extended action. 2 Bridges' Barrassy by Definition. Longer cast dog with beautifully furnished head with kind expression. Pleasing underline & well held topline. Easy mover with ground covering stride. Preferred the strength & balance of 1.

YD (4, 1abs) 1 Redfern's Goldswift Fluke at Rainster. Tall well proportioned dog with long strong neck. Good shoulder, bone & deep chest. Lovely neat feet. Powerful mover. 2 Das Purkayastha's Ballyphelan Asansol among Neckrebagh. 3 Dunwell's Goldswift Spartan's Secret. Lovely well furnished head with neat ears. Broad, deep chest. Well laid shoulder. Good bone & good feet. In good muscular condition. Not quite the easy going movement of the other two in the class.

SBD (1) 1 Barnes' Hazianne Partial Eclipse.

ND (2) 1 Dunwell's Goldswift Spartan's Secret. 2 Colbert's Keep It Together Physical Attraction. A more rangy dog with long muzzle & well held ears. Good length of neck but a little straight in shoulder. Deep chest & pleasing underline. Nicely angulated rear quarters.

PGD (4, 2abs) 1 Porter's Lindall Poldark. Impressive typical looking hound with balanced profile. Lovely head although ears held a little flat. Good bone & feet & nice tuck-up. Pleasing front & rear angulation. Not co-operating on the move today. 2 Colbert's Nanu Nana Von Den Erzminen. Smaller framed boy with good head and well held ears. Nice underline & well held topline. Not as balanced in angulation as 1.

LD (3) 1 Das Purkayastha's Ravensbeeche Romanus among Neckrebagh. Strong, substantial well muscled 3½ year old. Masculine head with well held ears. Well filled forechest. Strong powerful neck & well laid shoulder. Well boned with broad thighs & good feet. On form today and moved out with power & precision. BIS. 2 Addington's Ravensbeeche Comitas of Wolvebrigg. 5 year old hound with typical profile. Handsome well furnished head with lovely gentle expression. Deep chest but would prefer more width. Well laid shoulder with good return of upperarm and well angulated rear. Good bone & feet. 3 Taverner's Conmeryl Montgomery. Nice head & ears. Chest a bit narrow & a little straight in shoulder but nicely angled rear quarters. Good underline. Moved out soundly.

OD (2, 1abs) Treadwell's Glengail GGilmour at Floydian. Upstanding hound with balanced angulation fore & aft. Nicely furnished head but somewhat bewildered expression. Broad chest, well laid shoulder & good return of upper arm. Strong hindquarters. Sound animated mover. RBIS

MPB (2, 1abs) 1 Gilbert's Anstyarna Que Cera Cera. Delightful 8 month baby with nice amount of bone & muscle for age. Good forechest & shoulder. Excellent feet.

PB (7, 4abs) 1 Treadwell's Ashgroave Eclipse at Floydian. Curvy 11 month old youngster with well furnished head. Good ears & feet. Well laid shoulder & angulated hindquarters. Lovely sweeping underline. 2 Dawson's Austonley's Fortune at Shalico. 10 months old with the prettiest of heads, dark eyes, beautiful ears excellent feet. Balanced outline & nicely muscled. 3 Hollyhenge Berry Bliss of Torteval. Longer cast 11 month old with a good head & long neck. Nicely muscled and moved soundly.

JB (5, 4abs) 1 Addington's Wolfhouse Davinia of Wolvebrigg. Rangy feminine girl, with long neck, & good shoulder. Good bone & feet. Nicely angulated well muscled hindquarters.

YB (4, 1abs) A class of 3 litter sisters. 1 Sheppard's Goldswift Enchanted Legacy. Curvy 2 year old with nicely balanced angulation. Well furnished head with gentle expression. Good bone & feet. Pleasing top & underlines with firm muscled loin. Moved out freely. 2 Crosse's Goldswift Sweet Discovery. Similar well furnished head with neat rosed ears. Good bone & feet. Deep chest, nicely balanced angulation. Not the length of stride of 1. 3 Bruce's Goldswift Leap of Faith. Not as developed as the other two in the class. Lovely head proportions & neat ears. Low hocks & neat feet. Pleasing balanced outline

SBB (3, 2abs) 1 Bruce's Goldswift Leap of Faith.

PGB (4, 2abs) 1 Crosse's Goldswift Sweet Discovery. 2 Malone's Barachois Mellow Yellow. Nicely proportioned head on strong neck. Well set shoulder, moderately angulated hindquarters. Good muscled tone and harsh coat.

LB (6, 4abs) 1. Macleod's Brachan Eira. Solidly built, well muscled, broad bitch with well filled forechest. Classic head with neat rosed ears. Strong neck and good shoulder. Well boned legs & good feet. Lovely sweeping underline & firm topline. Moderate hind angulation. RBB. 2 Gilbert's Anstyarna Lili Marleen. Pleasing furnished head & expression. Excellent harsh coat. Balanced outline & well muscled.

OB (4, 1abs) 1 Heather's Ch Whiteorchard Venusta. Mature substantial bitch. Beautiful head with classic soft expression & rosed ears. Powerful neck & broad deep chest. Curvy muscular hindquarters with broad stifles & low hocks. BOS. 2 Wilkinson's Conmeryl Merriment over Hunacres. Feminine 5 year old with balanced outline. Attractive head with good ears. Gentle sweep to underline & firm topline. Good muscular condition. 3 Heather's Whiteorchard Nebula. Happy girl with delightful personality. Lovely well furnished head Pleasing underline & long rib cage. Curvy hindquarters & low hocks. In good muscular condition. Not the balanced outline of the other two in the class.

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