

The Irish wolfhound Club Championship Show 30th March 2018

Special Awards Classes

It was a real privilege to be asked to judge the Special Awards Classes at the 40th Anniversary Irish Wolfhound Club Championship Show. Thank you to all the exhibitors for presenting me with such lovely quality hounds. Also many thanks to my Stewards for keeping everything running so smoothly.

SAC Novice Dog or Bitch (14 entries 5 absent)

This was a really nice class. I would have loved to place them all.

1st Ritchie's Broughadowey Raiden at Torrfionn

At almost 2 years of age he is an impressive male. Lovely head and expression. Long neck into well laid shoulders. Excellent front and rear angulation which showed well on the move. Good tail carriage and strong hocks. Well boned and muscled with a commanding appearance. A pleasure to go over.

2nd Shepherd's Goldswift Enchanted Legacy

This very pretty 18 months old bitch has a lovely head and gentle expression. Arched neck into good shoulders and fore chest. Good length of rib with nicely angulated hindquarters. Well set tail. Tight feet. Covers the ground well and with ease.

3rd Fox's Nebraska Ionmhain at Newdigate (Imp Fra)

SAC Postgraduate Dog or Bitch (6 entries 3 absent)

1st Webb's Goldswift Mission Possible for Inkleyboys

Lovely gentle 18 months old male. Masculine head. Strong neck into well laid shoulders, deep fore chest and good front angulation. Deep chest and well ribbed back. Good width to hind quarters. Good bone and feet. Easy movement in profile.

2nd Crosse's Goldswift Sweet Discovery

Litter sister to 1st place. Attractive head. Strong neck, good shoulders and upper arm. Well ribbed back with rise over the loin. Good depth of chest. Strong hindquarters. Moved out well but not as powerful as litter brother.

3rd Say's Caredig Alis

SAC Open Dog or Bitch (10 entries 4 absent)

1st Das Purkayastha's Ravensbeech Romanus among Neckrebagh

Now at 3 years old I have always admired this male. Beautiful head with nice ears and such a kind expression. Lovely strong neck with a deep chest and correct lay of shoulders. He has

good angulation both front and rear. Full chest and well ribbed. Lovely harsh coat and is well muscled covering a powerful frame. Would really benefit a slightly longer leg but nevertheless he moved soundly.

2nd Bradley's Glengail Gwendolyn

Another 3 year old who is a quality bitch. She is very feminine with dark eyes and rose ears. Good length of neck into well laid shoulders with good depth of chest. Strong top line and correct underline. Well angulated front and rear. In excellent condition and moved out with drive. I just preferred the type of 1st.

3rd Campbell-Woodford's Rivenhounds Bonfire at Kilmacduagh

Judge Ann Donaldson