

Irish Wolfhound Club Championship Show. Special Award Classes  
19/4/19

I would like to thank the committee of the Irish Wolfhound Club for the invitation to judge the Special Award Classes at the Championship show, my very efficient stewards and all the exhibitors who entered these classes giving me the chance to go over some quality dogs.

**Novice. (6,0 abs)**

1. Stirling's Clanlily Diamond Dust

9 month old dark brindle bitch. Tall and shapely with curves in all the right places. Mature looking for her age. Feminine head with long neck leading to well laid shoulders with a good return of upper arm. Deep chest, well ribbed back with a good tuck up and appropriate rise over the loin. Curvaceous hindquarters with balanced angulation to match her forehand. Movement was effortless and true.

2. Gregory's Braewisan Kallai at Killoughery

7 month old red brindle bitch. Very much a baby compared to 1<sup>st</sup>, and giving her handler a hard time while enjoying her day out. Very feminine pretty head, the best shoulders in the class, well ribbed back and with balanced angulation front and rear. Movement rather erratic at times but did show an ability to stride out and was sound. Preferred the more mature 1<sup>st</sup> placed today.

3. Dawson's Hydebeck Dream Tyme of Graefyn

**Post-Graduate. (7, 3 abs)**

1. Das Purkayastha's Ballyphelan Asansol among Neckrebagh

2 year old dark brindle dog. Tall and substantial, well muscled with a good amount of bone. Masculine head with a strong muscular neck leading to well angulated shoulders. Deep chest, well ribbed back, strong muscular loin and well shaped hindquarters. Good rough coat. Moved with power and confidence around the ring.

2. Gregory's Barrassy's Shooting Star at Killoughery

2 year old light brindle dog. Similar in build to 1<sup>st</sup>. Well angulated front and rear. A little longer in the loin and I would prefer to see slightly more length of leg. Moved soundly with plenty of drive.

3. Holder & Howe's Sade Araya Mascotts

**Open. (4, 1 abs)**

1. Pask's Ch Amarach Aaron of Baronglen

3 year old dark brindle dog. Tall and imposing with a muscular and athletic build. Correct masculine head with dark eyes and well held ears. Strong muscular neck leading to well constructed shoulders. Very deep chest. Well ribbed back. I would prefer to see a little more rise over the loin. Well angulated hindquarters. Movement was sound and powerful.

2. Webb's Goldswift Mission Impossible for Inkleyboys

2 year old light brindle dog. Smaller than 1<sup>st</sup> but well muscled with good bone. Masculine head with gentle dark eyes and the neatest small rose shaped ears. Strong neck, broad deep chest, well ribbed back with good topline. Balanced angulation front and rear. Moved soundly around the ring. Preferred the more mature 1<sup>st</sup> placed dog.

3. Das Purkayastha's Ravensbeech Romanus among Neckrebagh

Dr Judith Wilkes. (Strickenoak)

