

It was a great honor to be asked to judge the Irish Wolfhound Club Limit show ,and I would like to thank all concerned for making the day run so smoothly .Despite the occasional downpour it did not dampen the high spirits and fabulous atmosphere around the ring. Presentation on the whole was excellent,however,there were quite a few hounds with dirty teeth and some with quite a heavy build up of tarter,which if not attended to ,may well cause a problem in the future.

CLASS 1 MPD (2)

1ST S Evans Maccaura Tennessee Jed of Braewisan. 8 month old .Lovely head, long muzzle, good eye, Long strong neck leading to a good shoulder .Well ribbed back with a deep chest. Standing a bit high in the rear but to be expected at this age. A little unsure on the move, but did show a nice few strides with reach and drive. A promising youngster.

2nd Mr R & Mrs R Walters Brachan Breuddwyd Y Ddraig 6 1/2 month old with a very pleasing head and expression,well laid shoulder with plenty of bone and good angulation to rear, ,movement a bit wobbly at the moment but another promising youngster ,close decision between 1 & 2

CLASS 2 PD (2 , 1 ab)

1st J Hughes Bonafortes Illuminati 11 month old with a handsome head and kind expression. strong neck leading to good lay of shoulder good depth to chest and pleasing top line. A little unbalanced on the move but shows great potential .

CLASS 3 JD (1)

1ST RBD Mrs E & Mr G Bogart's Mascotts Conquistador 12 month old Balanced head, dark eye, correct bite and small neatly rosed ears. A strong neck, with deep chest and well ribbed back, good length of loin and width of thigh .moved with reach and drive ,a bright future for this quality boy.

CLASS 4 YD (1)

1ST C Du Rose's Bonaforte Earl Grey 22 months Masculine head carried high on the move, with dark eyes and the most gentle expression of the day. Correct shoulder with good chest and spring of rib, plenty of bone, top line difficult to judge as he did not want to stand up but with his sympathetic handler motored round the ring showing reach , drive and great enthusiasm. A little more experience in the ring is needed and he could go far.

CLASS 5 ND (4)

1ST Mrs E & Mr G Bogart's Mascotts Conquistador

2nd Gregory's Killoughery The Barron 2 year old with a pleasing head, good length of neck and reasonable shoulder, good underline but a little straight behind. Did not move out as well as 1 .

3rd England's Haziannes Moonraker 3 year old with plenty of furnishings and a gentle expression, ears were a little flat but a nice deep chest. Very heavily coated so perhaps was feeling the heat as did not move round the ring well today.

CLASS 6 PGD (6,2ab)

1st BD BIS Bogarts's Nellwyn's Mr Ozymandias 2 1/2 year old. Has a typical head, kind expression with well held ears.Strong neck with a good front , lovely deep chest with plenty of bone. Good balanced outline . Presented in excellent condition well muscled with a harsh coat. Moved out soundly with reach and drive especially in the challenge for BIS clinching his title .

2nd Walter's Killoughery The Bounder 2 year old with pleasing head and correct bite and ear set. Well ribbed, plenty of bone and nice bend to stifle, shown in good condition with harsh coat . Movement hard to assess as he did not want to cooperate with his handler today.

3rd England,s Haziannes Moonraker

CLASS 7 LD (3,1ab)

1st Bogart's Nellwyn's Mr Ozymandias.

2nd Sadler & Irvine's Heliodor Ranger of the Shire at Midnightcove 4 year old with a lovely head and kind expression. Lovely long neck with well ribbed body and good underline, shown in excellent condition with correct coat, unfortunately on the move was not the most cooperative for his handler.

CLASS 8 OD (1)

1st Sadler & Irvine's Heliodor Ranger of the Shire at Midnightcove.

CLASS 9 VD (1)

1st Waters Madiamoy Mr Quillum 9 3/4 years gentleman with the most delightful head and gentle eyes, super deep chest with well sprung ribs, good angulation to rear and in remarkable condition for his age. A real credit to his owner .

CLASS 10 VB (4,2ab)

1st BV Sanders Sanderstown Oala 9 years and 1 month old lady with a beautiful feminine head with tiny rose ears, good lay of shoulder and depth of chest, shown in good coat and condition moving soundly round the ring

2nd Griffin's Clanlily Star Attraction 11 years and 2 months. Lovely feminine head. Gooddepth of chest and angulation Shown in remarkably good condition and a credit to her owner.

CLASS 11 MPB BPIS(4,2ab)

1st Pask's Amarach Caitin at Baronglen 7 month old very feminine head with correct bite and rose ears. Strong neck into good shoulder , plenty of bone with good length of leg. Deep chest flowing nicely into tuck up. Strong hind quarters . Moved out well showing reach and drive a promising youngster .

2nd Ashton's Bribiba Cuan Ghra of Madalinca 6 months old and very much a baby with typical puppy head, good lay of shoulder and angulation for age, movement wobbly but will come together as she matures.

CLASS 12 PB (4,3ab)

1st Stirling's Clanlily Million Dollar Gem 10 months Feminine head , correct bite and neat ears. Super length of neck leading to deep chest with a lovely tuck up. A lot to like but going through a gangally stage so lacked the balance and fluidity on the move that I am sure she will achieve as she matures.

CLASS 13 JB (3,1ab)

1st Holder & Howe's Mascotts Cerys 12 months. Classy young bitch with feminine well furnished head, correct lay of shoulder, excellent bone to go with a strong front, very good hind quarters and went well on move. Pushed hard for RBB just loosing out on maturity.

2nd Mason's Jicarillas Della Bassa Pavese 15 months Another nice young bitch with good head and expression, well proportioned for age but needs to mature , a little unbalanced on the move.

CLASS 14 YB (2)

1st Morris's Amarach Bryna O'Hern 20 months Typical head with correct bite and neat ears, long neck with good depth of chest for age, good bone on long legs that carried her round the ring showing reach and drive, surprisingly balanced for her age.

2nd Stote's Ravensbeeche Cartias 21 month old with a lovely head , dark eye and rose ears, well proportioned and balanced with good bone and angulation. Could have easily changed places with 1 but did not move out well round the ring, needs to practice lengthening stride.

CLASS 15 NB (5,2ab)

1st Evans's Braewisan Orlaith 2 year old maturing nicely, feminine head with correct bite and jaw, good angulation of the shoulder with depth of chest, Lovely top line and correct tail set giving a pleasing balanced outline, moved ok round the ring.

2nd Stirling's Clanlily Million Dollar Gem

3rd Ashton's Hawkhaven Carriad Neala of Madalinca 3 1/2 year old with a lovely gentle expression and perfect ear set, fair spring of rib with good strong loin, neat tuck up and shown in good hard condition, moved ok round the ring.

CLASS 16 PGB (5,2ab)

1st RBB Sheppard's Conmeryl Miss Scarlet For Goldswift 2 year old attractive feminine bitch, liked her overall shape and type, sweet head with kind and gentle expression, good lay of shoulder with good depth and length of ribbing, keeping her top line on the move which was free and sound .

2nd Gregory's Killoughery Bliss 2 1/2 year old Pleasing head with lovely rose ears, well ribbed back with good depth and correct top line, carrying a little too much weight which affected her underline, movement sound.

3rd Hawkhaven Carriad Neala of Madalinca

CLASS 17 LB (5,2ab)

1st Catlow's Mascotts Cassis Laoiseach 3 1/2 year old lovely feminine head with correct ear set and good furnishings. Loved her overall balance and angulation, moved soundly with reach and drive.

2nd Sanders'Sanderstown Princess Ebony 4 1/2 year old Good head with correct bite and ear set. Lovely long neck with good depth of chest and spring of rib, good top and underline with correct angulation to rear, moved out soundly.

3rd Gregory's Killoughery Eineen 5 year old Feminine head with lovely rosed ears and furnishings, elegant neck leading to a good lay of shoulder powerful hindquarters moving soundly enough but a bit sluggish round the ring.

CLASS 18 OB (4,1ab)

1st BOB Sheppard's Tathar Lussea Goldswift 3 1/2 year old fabulous head with the most gentle and kind expression, elegant neck leading to good shoulder and forechest, correct top and underline with well muscled thighs, presents a beautiful balanced look and shown in excellent well muscled condition, moved out with reach and drive in the class and bitch challenge, but not as well as the dog in the final.

2nd Holder & Howe's Mascotts Another Story 5 1/2 year old Beautifully furnished head with correct bite and neat rose ears, good lay of shoulder with plenty of bone and forechest. Good width to stifle and well angulated, gave a most pleasing balanced look, unfortunately was not keen to move and show off her powerful hindquarters .

3rd Sanders Sanderstown Princess Midi 4 1/2 year old Super feminine head with lovely expression, good shoulder and well ribbed with nice length to loin, lovely topline and tail set, good angulations and width to thigh. Balanced in her overall appearance and moved soundly.