

RED & WHITE STANDARD



Newsletter of the Irish Red & White Setter Club of Great Britain

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A vote of thanks and a round of applause as happy Jane Valentine received her well-earned gift at the breed Championship show on her retirement as Club Secretary. Thank you Jane for all you have done for our Club.

(See show pages 4/5&6)

CHAIRMAN'S CHAT UP LINE

Well hello again and Hip! Hip! Hooray! Everyone it's been a long time since my last communication with you but we now have a new Newsletter Editor, Suzanne Humphries who has agreed to take on this important mantle and I wish her every success. We now intend to offer the members a summer and winter edition of the Newsletter for the time being and see how things progress.



My new knee is responding to the vigorous exercise and physiotherapy session which means that I can now take the dogs out again for walks which I have missed.

We had our open show back in March which went according to plan with the committee team working away behind the scenes as usual with me making only a token appearance. At this show we were honoured to have some club members from Canada who were visiting us. Drs :Albrecht & Patricia Ua Siaghail of Aisling Cudo affix met some of our members and their dogs whilst here and took in the Crufts show as well, which I was absent from (It being too soon after my operation.)

The AGM came and went without too many problems and we were able to welcome into our midst our new acting Secretary Fiona Chapman who is doing sterling work in this new and demanding role for her after Jane Valentine's retirement. The Championship show took place at Weedon Bec village hall, Northampton in June with appalling weather outside, but the hall had plenty of space inside. A cold buffet was on offer, this time due to John & Kath Barcroft having a litter of puppies at home. Gaye O'Connor our show manager was assisted by Jim Cuddy (Irish Setters) as a steward and Jane Valentine was presented with some theatre tokens in recognition of her services to the club.

Jane and Yvonne Housby attended the world show in Paris complete with their dogs. Yvonne won the Reserve CAC and Jane took the second place in the Open class, with Fiorella Mathis taking BOB.

As I write this report we appear to have a glut of unsold puppies in this country which is a little unfortunate for our breed as we are supposed to be part of an endangered species. I know that Breeders will make every effort that these pups will all get good homes, we could do with a bit of mental telepathy at times like these.

Regards, Bob Knapton (Chairman)

Anne Jeffery Rescue Secretary

Following an unusual but very welcome quiet spell we have had 3 dogs and 2 bitches needing homes.

All but one have been in other rescues, some of which are happy to co-operate with us in finding the right homes, others are sadly not always that helpful.

I find this extremely worrying as obviously 'Joe Public' is still not aware of the existence of breed rescues. Perhaps, especially at this time when we have many puppies needing homes, our breeders could pass on this information to future homes.

I know that our breeders always request that the dogs go back to them with any problems that may arise, but sadly this does not always happen. The main reason would appear to be that the owners do not like to admit failure to the breeder. Except in very special circumstances rescue would always contact the breeder (if known) when a dog they bred comes into rescue, so they would be made aware of any problems that have happened.

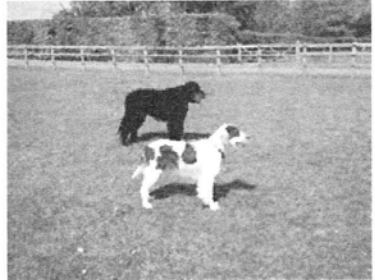
These are the four Red & Whites that finished up in animal sanctuaries:-

Anne Jeffery 01745 852745 email: Ann.lanelwy@sky.com

SAXA: Now re-homed with his mate.



KATY: 2 years old.



MATILDA: 1-2 years old.



OLIVER: 4 years old.



RESCUED JAKE



Then 15 months old. Jake is now firmly established in his lovely home with playmate Dilly. Just to keep up the Red and White traditions he stole 12 homemade fairy cakes, papers and all within an hour of them being baked, but he is truly loved and the new owners enjoy having him around!! He is such a handsome boy though you could forgive him for anything.

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SOME NEW CHAMPIONS IN THE BREED AT HOME & ABROAD

Am. Ch. Laurel Oak Elusive Dream
Can Ch. Caniscaleli Art Song
Ch. O'Dobhaileien Caitlin Alanine
Can. Ch. Shireoak Ice Crystal
Can. Ch. Caniscaeli Art Song
UK SH. Ch. Whispers About Vanders
AKC Ch. Waidman High voltage Sparks Will Fly
AKC. Ch. Whitehots Hard To Be Humble

THE IRISH RED AND WHITE SETTER CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW 2011

Held on Sunday 12th June 2011 at Weedon Bec Village Hall drew a good entry of 74 dogs for the judge **Mrs Penny Williams** (Bournehouse.)

The weather for the day turned out to be horrendous, with heavy rain and dark clouds, but this did not deter the hardy exhibitors from turning up to make the day a happy one. Although a little quiet to start with the atmosphere soon warmed up once the 'Team Ballakinnsh' served up the hot tea and delicious bacon butties!

Parking is good, with plenty of room for all, and a large portion of grass available for exercising the dogs (in the pouring rain!)

The committee had been hard at work organising the hall long before any exhibitors arrived, the centre stage was set with the usual table and 'posh' red table cover with the I.R.W.S.C.G.B. logo on the front which looked very smart, and the new Secretary Fiona Chapman was duly seated, helped along by the now retired secretary Jane Valentine.

The size of the hall is reasonable for our breed, with plenty of chairs placed around the ring for spectators, with some space to place crates and luggage behind them. The raffle table was bulging with donations looking quite splendid with some really nice prizes to be won; Helen Cohen was busying herself arranging them and she is very good at it too! I was not so lucky to win anything, but I know there was a lot of smiling faces when they did! The steward for the day was Gaye O'Connor (also The Show Manager) and she did a grand job making sure the Judge and exhibitors were happy being guided along in the correct manner.

Lunch was also catered for all those that had booked it in advance and congratulations must go to those that helped and supplied the feast!

There are of course many more helpers, and committee members who managed to make the show a successful one and I am sure that we can all thank them for making this possible.

Graham Bayne was celebrating his special '60' birthday and a wonderful chocolate cake was made and cut into small pieces so that everyone who wanted a slice could sample it!

So good to see some new owners of I.R.W.S. and exhibitors, just what the breed needs they were all made very welcome and hopefully they enjoyed the experience along with their new puppies, you will get bitten by the 'show bug' forever more!

A LOOK BEHIND THE SCENES!



LEFT

Helen Cohen keeps the Raffle table looking very appealing; with some really super prizes on offer



RIGHT

Gaye O'Connor doing a sterling job of stewarding, she was also the Show Manager for the day and must have been very busy.

Below

Graham Bayne with his surprise 60th birthday cake



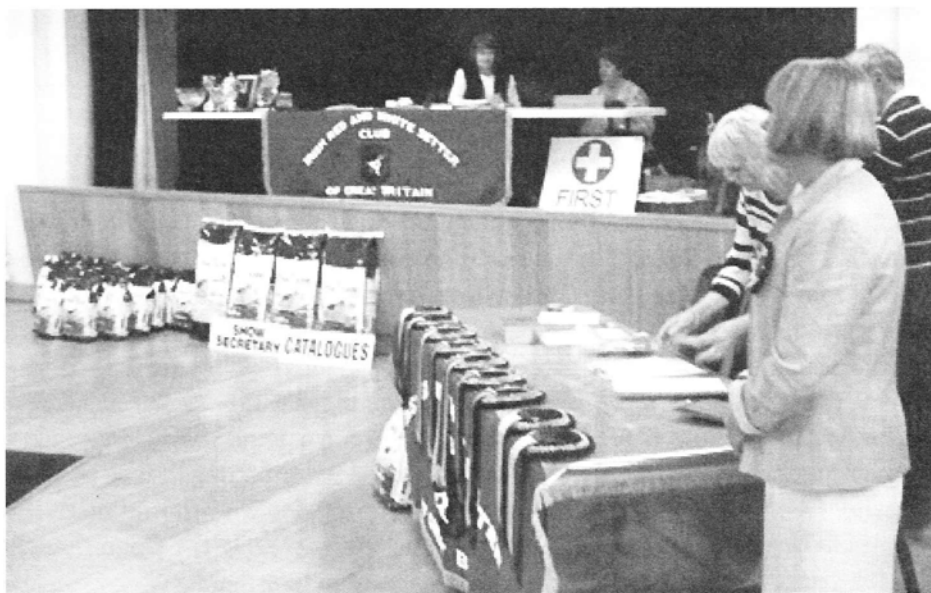
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The hard working committee members along with 'Team Ballakinnish' keeping the members fulfilled!



The judge for the day Mrs Penny Williams

Waiting for judging to start



PRINCIPLE WINNERS BREED CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW 2011

BEST IN SHOW & D.CC

Kath Griffin's SH.CH. Corranroo Connexion

RESERVE BEST IN SHOW & B.CC

Howatson's Vanders Vida Loco

R.D.CC

Valentine's Sh.Ch/Ir.Sh.Ch.Tullamore Ted J.W.S h.CM.

R.B.CC

Sherratt's Sh.Ch.Casafelice Cormo At Charnborough

BEST PUPPY

Lamb's Casafelice Montadale

RESERVE BEST PUPPY

Bayne's Corranroo Cachet

BEST VETERAN

Davies Corranroo Corsair At Zymore Sh.CM

Best Breeder

Mr C Henderson (Temyloah)

More Photos can be seen at www.redandwhitesetters.co.uk

WORLD SHOW 2011

I was very fortunate to be able to attend the world show in Paris recently; meeting up with Jane Valentine and Yvonne Housby they took Sh. Ch. Tullamore Ted, and his daughter Tullamore Tiggywinkle. They had travelled the very long distance from Northampton England, to Paris in France. The show was in a huge exhibition park, and there were thousands of cars, along with miles of walking, but once inside the halls were spacious with large green carpeted rings.

The first day was the French Championship show, and nothing like the shows that we are used to in GB. The judge did not touch the dogs, nor did he move them! From the ringside it was difficult to see what was happening as no dogs were pulled out, but they went to the steward and received their cards! The next day was somewhat better with a Spanish judge doing the male dogs moving them in the normal way. A French judge did the bitches and he also did not touch the dogs very much, making them run around a very large ring, then asking for them to walk three times again around the ring. It was all very puzzling. The Best of Breed at this show was Fiorella Mathis International Champion Untied Spots Perfect Diamond who was second in the Open Dog class at Crufts this year (many of you may have seen him there.)

The whole shows were a mystery, and we noticed that there were a few exhibitors showing Irish Red Setters from England who were also bewildered! Having said all the above, we so enjoyed the shows and had many laughs along the way. **Pat Bridgen.**

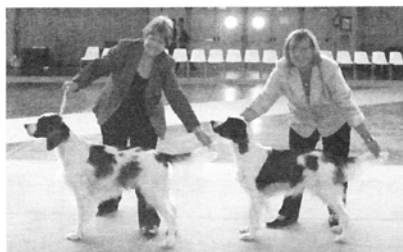


Photo: Jane Valentine
With Sh.Ch. Ir.Sh. Ch. Tullamore Ted J.W.
'Duncan'
Yvonne Housby with Tullamore
Tiggywinkle.
'Bess'

All results can be seen at the relevant

websites available. Well done to you!

TO ALL MEMBERS

There has been a very sudden and unexpected drop in the numbers of people looking for I.R.W.S puppies. Consequently there are now a lot of new babies waiting for new homes. We ask all members, whether they are show, working or a loving pet owners: Please see what they can do to find places for these pups who will make wonderful loving companions and give great pleasure to new owners.

PELVIC MISALIGNMENT IN ANIMALS

ALTERNATIVE VETERINARY MEDICINE

Pelvic misalignment is a common problem in animal patients, of whatever species. It is a significant cause of disability and diminished activity. It is important to perform correction of this finding in conjunction with a complete spinal and cranial examination and manipulation but it is not uncommon to find just this misalignment, as the major problem. Its effects upon the patient are mediated via two main mechanisms. Firstly the injury causes pain and secondly the physical misalignment leads to necessary compensation for it, with knock-on sequel. If the misalignment remains uncorrected, it represents a serious obstacle to healing of other problems and is a constant source of pain and diminished or impaired performance.

The pain may be anything from slight to severe but animals always change demeanour for the better, the second the misalignment is corrected, suggested that they are constantly aware of the problem. The pain is shown by abnormal positioning of the hind leg on the affected side, difficulty in standing squarely, unwillingness to jump, uneven gait in the hind legs, scoliosis, spasm and a guarding response in the lower lumbar musculature, skin muscle reflex response to palpitation.

Dogs will park their hind end out of harm's way, of course it is at first difficult to know whether these various signs may be part of the animal's basic make-up but , should they alter after manipulation, then these are almost certainly abnormal traits, adopted as a result of the pain.

The misalignment itself results in imperfect posture. It is not dissimilar in effect to a misaligned rear axle in a motor car vehicle, except that the motor car cannot compensate in the way the body can. The problem can be objectively detected by standing the patient four-square, with head pointing straight ahead. When this position is attained, sometimes with great difficulty in an affected patient, a scoliosis is quite clear. The pelvis axis is not at all aligned with the head and spine. As a result of this physical imperfection, uneven stresses and strains are put upon the limbs and upon the rest of the axial skeletal system. Compensation results, in order for the animal to maintain its level of activity as much as possible. Further misalignments and injuries can therefore follow. Whether from pain or mechanical compensation, or even a combination of these, the contralateral shoulder may become misaligned, requiring correction at the same visit.

Correction of the misalignment is achieved by chiropractic-type manipulation. This firstly of supplying 'information' to the patient as, as to direction, then secondly, by stimulating a corrective response by applying a short sharp stimulus.

In a minority of cases, whether from overstretched retaining structures or from repeated injury, the misalignment can revert, after adjustment. If this occurs more than three times, in quick succession (owners are well-able to spot the relapse) acupuncture or the injection of acupuncture points can, in my experience, return the area to more normal stability.

The pelvic misalignment is found incidentally, as a result of careful routine examination. In some cases the misalignment may be the direct cause of the presenting case. I have seen relief given to cases diagnosed as spondylitis, in hip dysplasia and other named conditions, as a result of natural association of the apparent hindquarter pain and the evidence on X-Ray of skeletal abnormalities. For some reason I have not witnessed diagnosis of pelvic misalignment either by scan or by X-Ray investigation.

It is hoped that by sharing this information will result in improved welfare for the great many animals that presently suffer the problem but remain undetected.

CHRISTOPHER DAY Veterinary Surgeon

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REMEMBERING BREEDERS

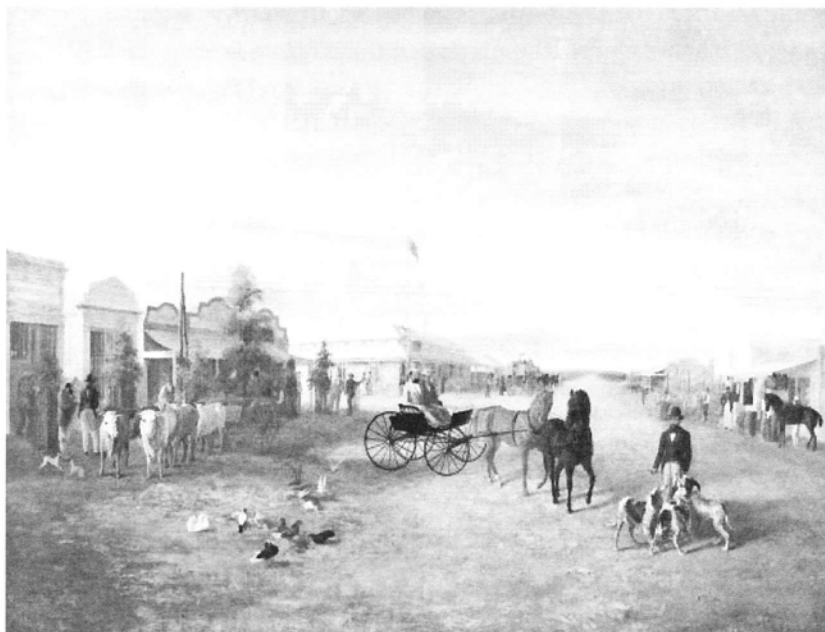
Three talented breeders who have passed away within a year.
Each one in their own right gave so much to the breed

SUSAN JACKSON (SPEARPOINT)

KATHY KEATS (RUEMADRA)

JUNE HILL (RONJUNES)

An early Australian connection for the Irish Red and White Setter?



It is commonly accepted that the two native Setter breeds of Ireland enjoy a shared history dating back to the mid-18th century. Historically, colour was less important than working ability and red and white parti-coloured and solid red dogs were interbred. It wasn't until the advent of bench and shows in the 1860's that the breed began to differentiate, with exhibitors locally and abroad favouring the solid red while the parti-coloured dog was maintained for working purposes in its country of origin.

It is also commonly accepted that the parti-coloured variety – now known as the Irish Red and White Setter – was first imported into Australia by Scott and Ira Taylor (Victoria) in 1987, quickly followed by Robin Macintosh (New South Wales) in 1988. But is this correct?

An oil painting on exhibit in the newly refurbished Elder Wing of the Art Gallery of South Australia suggests otherwise. Charles Hill's *Georgetown*, painting by the Adelaide-based, London-trained artist in 1877, depicts three parti-coloured dogs that bear a strong resemblance to the Irish Red and White Setters.

Located in the Mid-north of South Australia, Georgetown was surveyed in 1869 and, seven years later, became the centre of the District Council of Georgetown to control the Hundred of Bundladeer. The township flourished briefly with settlement and businesses; but its prosperity declined when, as a result of political pressures, the proposed railway line linking Adelaide to Port Pirie was diverted to run through nearby Jamestown instead.

I feel a PhD thesis coming on – perhaps ‘The impact of Irish Red and White Setters on the development of regional Australian towns’, ‘Irish Red and White Setter motifs in colonial Australian art’ or The other Irish in Australia: Irish Red and White Setters and the settler experience’. At last – a research topic that combines my professional and personal passions.

Anne Robertson, Archivist, National Archives of Australia

(Birdwell Setters.) Canberra Australia.

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AGILE I.R.W.S.



Anne Robertson from Canberra sent in these super photos of Australian (Birdwell Setters) Derry-CCD.AD.JD.GD.SPD. He was competing in Agility classes. What a boy and so happy in his quest! What a versatile breed we have, no matter where they live, or what they achieve! Congratulations must surely go to this owner and dog Well done **DERRY!**



Derry was a rescue from the RSPSA in Sydney in 2008.

PHOTOS BY: Lara Sedmen

THE RAINBOW BRIDGE

INT CH CORRANROO CELTIC VISION

CASAFELICE ELLIOTDALE OF FORESTPOINT

CHARDINE TOO TO TANGO

ROANJORA CORBIERRE

SH CH ANISBRIG MACALLAN SH CM

LAORIBAY MIDNIGHT DREAMER

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A SUMMER AFTERNOON

My dog and I we went for a walk
All on a summer's day,
Down to the fields where the river runs
To watch the fish at play.

We saw the Lark as he soared away
High up in the sky, so blue.
We heard his song as it fainter grew
Each note so pure and true.

Laughing and running the children came
To fish in the little stream.
Should we take a walk to the nearby wood?
Or sit on the bank and dream?

The sun was hot, so we browsed awhile,
'Til the shadows began to fall,
Then we made our way home –
At peace with the world,
For – we'd been away from it all.

By Lilly Hurden.

THE QUEST FOR GOLD

K.C. Good Citizen Scheme

Most of our Red & Whites have done their training at local clubs, this as all owners of R & W's know works to a greater or lesser degree depending on what other more interesting things there are for them to spend their time doing whilst at the club.

Such as chasing the smallest clump of dog hair that may blow across the floor when the doors are opened or an odd paint spot on the floor they didn't notice last week or somebody they know in the coffee bar nearby! Not to mention a new dog in the class, or new instructor, who is to be fully tested as to his ability not to show any emotion, when instructing an A recall, finding an I R& W sitting neatly in from of him rather than returning to its owner! So it was with not a little trepidation that when the K.C. Good Citizens Scheme was introduced we decided to enter Sam (Veiwland Gypsy Minstrel) and Purdie (Coolfin Classical Star) for their Bronze and then their Silver awards. But much to our amazement and probably quite a few others as well they passed with flying colours.

Over the period of doing these tests Cleo (Corranroo Cantata) and Maddie (Coolfin Classical Star) had joined our family. Purdie was the most laid back of all of them, and Di had a good working relationship with her so we decided that she should be the first to go for gold. She was (I use in the past tense as we lost her last year) so laid back that she used to stop halfway during a recall to have a very long stretch which always caused great amusement to those watching!

So, by no means was this going to be straight forward, anyway after several weeks of training the great day arrived. The test started very well and Purdie was performing really well until it came to Walking to heel off lead. I was waiting in the coffee bar with Cleo & Maddie, which is separated from the training area by swing doors, they made the first right turn in great style walked towards the corner where the swing doors are, Di turned right but Purdie carried straight on through the swing doors to find me and check the other girls where fine, so that was that! The next time we put her in for the test we left the girls at home and she did everything spot on. Cleo has since Gained her Bronze and Silver Awards Maddie her Bronze, she did the course for her Silver, but we were on holiday the week of the test. You may say what of Sam; well perhaps discretion is the better part of valour. He could be wonderful in class but walking to heel off lead outside in a park with birds in

trees, Grasshoppers teasing in the grass, or maybe a football match in progress the other side of the brook etc. etc. A big No!!

Very sad to say we have lost Sam who reached the grand age of nearly 16 years old, and Cleo who managed 11 years old. But the memory of these events lives on for us.

Max & Di Green.

The Kennel Club good Citizen Scheme is open to all K.C. registered dogs to find out more go to www.thekennelclub.org

Little Sonnet

*Shall I compare thee to a summer's day?
Thou art more lovely and more temperate:
Rough winds do shake the darling buds of May,
And summer's lease hath all too short a date.
Sometime too hot the eye of heaven shines,
And often is his gold complexion dimm'd,
And every fair from fair sometime declines,
By chance, or nature's changing course untrimm'd:
But thy eternal summer shall not fade,
Nor loose possession of that fir thou ow'st,
Nor shall death brag thou wander'st in his shade,
when in eternal lines to time thou grow'st
So long as men can breathe, or eyes can see,
So long lives this and this gives life to thee.....*

Written by William Shakespeare

This small sonnet reminds us so much of a puppy from our last litter that was the smallest pup I have ever seen. She needed special care and attention at first but she was a big fighter. Sonnet stole our hearts away and we will always have a great affinity with this special girl. She is a very fit, well and happy girl, lovingly cared for by her devoted young owner.

Suzanne Humphries.

SMALL BRAGS

Leanne Lindsay & Carole Pipe now own a Japanese Chin which won her first CC at the Bath Championship show 2011.

Catherine Pettifer's dog Rupert Vanders Vita di Riley con Crosswest has gained his Show Certificate of Merit, he won his final points by winning the gundog group at the Plymouth & D.C.S. in November 2010.

Nicky Faulconbridge's Spyefire May Spring Skies gained his Bronze Good Citizen award at the Bath Championship show 2011.

Maureen Whittaker's Veiwlands Uncle Walter won his Bronze Good Citizen award at only eight months old at the Boston champ show.

Susan Barry has achieved a Master's Degree (MSC) in Health Service Management.

Nicky Faulconbridge has achieved a B.A.1st class (Hons) Degree in English Literature.

CORRECTIONS

FOR THE YEAR BOOK 2010

At Crufts 2009 Brian Greaves awarded the RB.CC. To Eileen Walkers Sh. Ch. Wroxham Merry Maid.

Tina Westwood's (Eusanit) Telephone number is 01902 656414.

Carole Pipe's dog Anjuli Pure Dynamite has 2 CC's, and is now owned by Leanne Lindsay.

DEFRA

New rules mean it will be easier and cheaper to travel abroad with pets see

www.defra.gov.uk/news/2011/06/30/new-rules-pet-passports/

THE KENNEL CLUB

MATE SELECT see:

www.the-kennel-club.org.uk/services/public/mateselect

All show results can be seen at the I.R.W.SC.G.B website.

THE LATEST NEWS ON PPC

We are nearly there! The AHT need the DNA of another 3-5 dogs AFFECTED with PPC together with DNA from as many as possible OLD DOGS (as a control.)

It is necessary that the DNA submitted comes from dogs that have been examined by a BVA/KC/ISDS panel ophthalmologist and is accompanied by a 3 or 5 generation pedigree.

It is SO IMPORTANT for the research to be able to proceed that the Club will re-imburse owners for the cost of the eye examination for dogs over the age of 8 – currently £29.

A DNA Cheek Swab Sample Kit and full instruction and information is obtainable – FREE from Anne Millington by request-

Although we have, over the years, collected a significant number of blood samples, they were only numbered, did not have any documentation and therefore unusable for this project.

YOU can help the current PPC project – to develop a DNA test for I.R.W.S. PPC-by contributing your old or PPC affected dogs DNA NOW. When the cheek swabs are with the AHT, the DNA test can be developed speedily. Please make an effort to help as soon as possible.

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ARE IRWS REALLY a vulnerable, endangered breed?

Well, yes, in the wider scheme of things! Over 30 years the GB Club has kept the records of the IRWS in the UK.

How many litters have been bred, how many puppies? How healthy or unhealthy is the breed? What problems threaten the breed's past, present and future?

To the end of 2010, 580 litters have been bred and some 5,000+ puppies registered from the very small beginnings of a handful of dogs in Ireland. It was a stroke of luck that the Breed Database was set up – at a time before the great strides in canine genetic science really got going.

The first problem was that there were so few dogs that choice of breeding partners was very limited. This raised the question of inbreeding – the most common being half-brother/sister and this in turn, greatly affects the possibility of genetic defects. The breeders of the 1980's were aware that reporting any anomalies could only be to the benefit of the breed.

Now the KC adds test results to registration papers and promotes the Co-efficient of Inbreeding (COI) to information in the public domain. The COI is a calculation of the percentage of inbreeding in any one dog and can predict the COI of a prospective litter. The higher the COI the greater the degree of inbreeding – and consequently, the greater the danger of genetic abnormality. It should be noted that the KC data is limited to incomplete pedigree information that produces a lower figure than the normal 10 generation. With the help of Eileen Walker's IRWS Pedigree Collection, the GB Club Database now adds the 10 generation COI to litter information and this in turn reveals some interesting facts.

The COIs of IRWS fall mostly between 10% and 29% where below 10% would be desirable – You can check your COI on the KC website – type in Mate Select. However the COI is only one of several tools to be used in planning a litter and should not be the be-all and end-all of your considerations. Mating two dogs with high COI's will not necessarily give a higher COI for the litter, nor will mating two dogs with low COI's guarantee a litter with a low COI. It depends on the dogs in generation 8, 9, and 10. Popular Sires have a significant effect on the breed and over the 30 years the wave-like effect of the 'winning dog' can be seen in the Database. In the present we get to the COI of his children, that breeders 'have nowhere to go' for the next generation, for they are already closely related. In the future, he will appear so many times in the pedigrees, that the percentage of inbreeding will be very high – and inbreeding brings with it genetic problems and inherited disease.

The Database tells us many things about the health status of the breed, but it could tell us more if everyone were to report any adverse health conditions. It was only because of the reports of CLAD and vWD that we were able to control and eliminate these diseases in UK IRWS – otherwise litters would still be decimated by suffering, dying puppies.

Reporting in seems to be out of fashion these days, so how do we know if there are other 'nasties' lurking or not? You may think your case is the only one – but it may not be! With the correct information, we as a breed can work together to protect our dogs from the effects of our selections. Without the information, we teeter on the precipice – we are vulnerable – we become an endangered breed because breeding I.R.W.S. will be so fraught with undesirable consequences.

Anne Millington: *Genetic Sub-Committee.*

NEWS FROM THE NEW SECRETARY

Newsletter Editor Suzanne Humphries asked me to do a 'mid-term report' so I am writing this towards the end of July. Having taken over as Club Secretary from Jane Valentine at the Club's AGM in March and not having acted as a Club Secretary before it has been an interesting learning experience! So far all is going smoothly.

The Club has had two shows so far this year, the Spring Open show at Steventon, which was a very pleasant venue and the Championship show at Weedon Bec, Northampton. Although the Championship show is in June it was tipping down with heavy rain all day so just as well we were indoors. Both shows were well supported, and excellent lunches were provided by John Barcroft and his team, which added to the occasion.

I am interested in the working side of the breed, so I am very pleased to report that the Working sub-committee have managed to secure two possible training areas, one being an area of farmland in Cheshire, and the other being an area of moorland in the Peak District Nation Park which is used by the MoD. The sub-committee should be able to organise some dates for training during the autumn and winter, so if you are interested keep an eye on the Website or the Working Together group, or contact Working Secretary Pauline Ryan. Do not be put off by the words 'working' or 'training': this is a good day out with your dog and a chance to see dogs running in some beautiful countryside to which the public do not normally have access.

Fiona Chapman

Secretary. I.R.W.S.C.G.B.

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NEW EDITORS FIRST REPORT

I would first like to thank Sue Barry for all the hard work, time and effort that she put in to producing the previous copies of the Newsletters, I now know what it's like!

Having said that I have enjoyed the challenge and have been very pleased with the response from members who have contributed articles for this edition, I do hope that you are going to help me to produce an interesting and readable Newsletter for the Christmas edition. You can start by sending in articles and photos now, (I.R.W.S. in winter) no matter how big or small the article, it will make good reading for all! Thank you.

Suzanne Humphries. Newsletter Editor.

INFORMATION & DISCLAIMER

The Red & White Standard will now be published twice yearly, a summer and winter edition. The new Editor is Suzanne Humphries; Deadlines for the magazine will be announced via IRWSCGB website, the weekly dog papers and any other relevant sites. It is the policy of the Red & White Standard to make its pages available to members of the IRWSCGB and others interested in the breed. Articles are photographs are welcomed but the magazine can accept no responsibility for the safety of the material submitted. The views and opinions expressed by contributors are those of the individual concerned and do not necessarily reflect those of the I.R. & W.S.C.GB.

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The next edition of the Red & White Standard will be the winter one. Your contributions will be gladly accepted: photos of your dogs depicting 'winter' scenes' Articles of winter experiences with your dogs: Christmas greetings: Stories to tell: Interesting facts: Poems: Good citizen awards: New Champions in the breed: Rainbow Bridge: Fun with puppies: New Ventures: Agility, Working, Rescue, Health & Genetic News. Happy family pet news. The choice is yours, the magazine is for YOU. I am waiting to hear from you.
Suzanne Humphries: spyefire@sky.com Tel: 01249654217

IRISH RED & WHITE SETTER AUTUMN OPEN SHOW

Held at

HASLAND VILLAGE HALL, CHESTERFIELD S41 0AY
ON SUNDAY 9TH OCTOBER 2011

JUDGE: MARY DAVIES (Zymore)

SPECIAL AWARDS: MR. ALAN BAMFORD

Entries close Thursday 1st September 2011

Online up to midnight Thurs 8th September 2011.