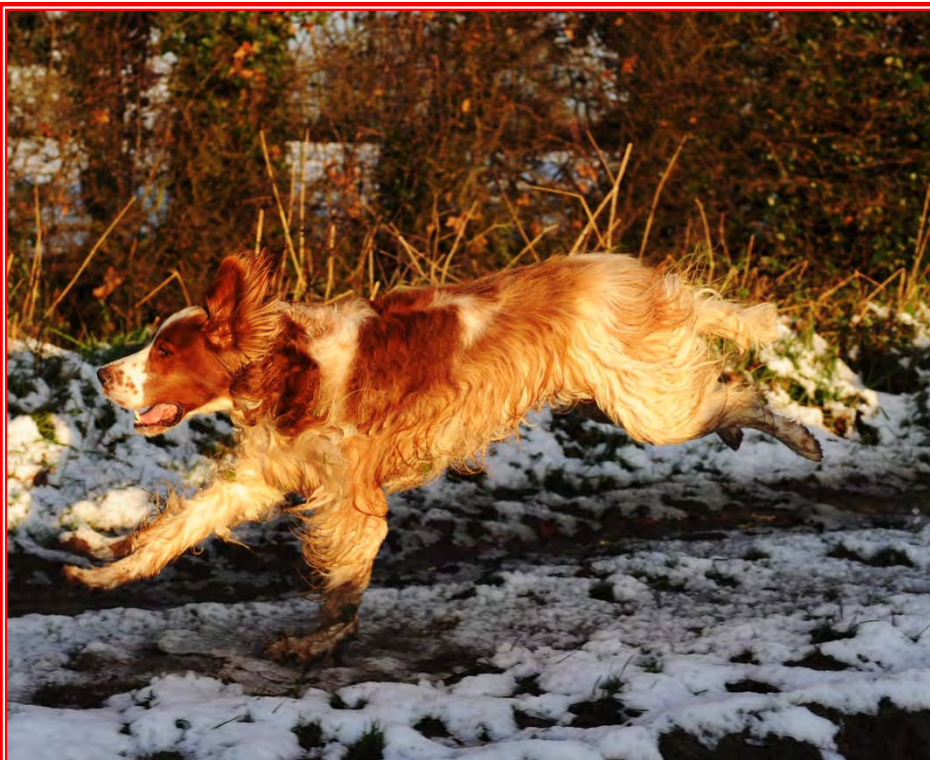




Red and White Standard

Winter 2023/2



Many thanks to all who contributed.

Message from the Chairman

Hello, I would like to introduce myself and give you a brief history of me and my love for the breed.

My first IRWS came from Brian Greaves, nearly 20 years ago. It took a little bit of persuasion and I visited Brian a few times and we talked extensively about his dogs and his breeding.

Rory came to live with us, and we simply adored him. My next boy was a rescue, Dooley, who brought us much joy at a sad time. When the time came for my next IRWS, I decided it was time to try my hand in the show ring, I was already showing my Irish Setters at this point.



Along came Caleb, bred by Anita Tattersall, him and his sister were the only two in the litter and they have both had a successful show career. Caleb first and foremost is a clown! Fate played a hand in Caleb's niece, Tilda, joining our family. She is a star in and out of the ring.

This year I was asked to stand for Chairman as Jim was standing down. I very much feel, we all need to support and give a little bit back to our hobby.

2023 has been an interesting year, not without its challenges, numbers are falling in the show ring but hopefully there will be a good number of puppies out in 2024. The working side of our breed is growing, which is very encouraging to see. Training days are going ahead in 2024 and more of our members are participating in field trials.

Our breed is so versatile in several other disciplines, and we hope to show case this next year. 2024 is the 40th anniversary of the

IRWS Club of Great Britain. We have events planned throughout the year for our Ruby anniversary.

In July we hold our Championship Show, this year we hope to show what other skills our amazing breed can get involved in. So please come, even if you don't show. You are very welcome to come and join us at Stoneleigh on the 21st of July. There will be cake and a bumper raffle as well. Please come and say hello, I look forward to 2024 being a very special year for the Irish Red and White Setter.

Best wishes
Tania Gardner
Chairman

As always, we had the AGM back in April, and this year we saw new members joining the committee. Ian Lamb has sent a few words to reintroduce himself to the club for the benefit of those who do not know him - Thanks Ian



"As a newly co-opted member of the committee, I would like to introduce myself to members that may not know me.

I have previously been a committee member for many years until my personal circumstances changed in 2018, but now feel I would like to, once again, become an active member of the committee and help with the continued success of the club.

My wife and I acquired our first Red and White in 1997 from Mary Sherratt (Charnborough Copycat) and began our showing experience shortly after. Over the years we had great success with subsequent litters and bred 5 Sh Champions one of which was Sh Ch/ Ir Sh Ch Casafelice Montadale (Murphy). We have made many lifelong friends along the way and hopefully this continues in our small but friendly club.

I gave my first set of CCs in the breed in 2018 and again in 2022. I try to attend as many shows as possible as a spectator but no longer show, but who knows in the future.

I still have 2 elderly and thoroughly spoilt Red and Whites who prefer life on the sofa these days."

Ian Lamb (Casafelice)

A message from the Editor

Whether I was in the right place or the wrong place last July when I agreed to edit this year's newsletter is still up for debate. That said I did set about getting organised back in August. Like everyone else, life takes over along with holidays sprinkled around and then it's October and I need to pull together any thoughts to assemble a newsletter. Many thanks to all those who have contributed and put up with my nagging in emails to get things onto a page.

As a relatively new member to the club and showing I have been welcomed by the IRWS community and learnt so much from the various members with whom I spend many hours, waiting for the IRWS to go into the ring! As I live in Yorkshire the shows are not that well populated with IRWS and often there are only 2 or 3 dogs competing. That said we have managed to move up into 'limit' and look forward to the coming year.

Should anyone have any amusing stories, adventures, or new activities that they do with their IRWS it would be lovely to receive these throughout the year so that they can be added to the newsletters.

Cath Jackson

Open Show Results – Sunday 16th July, Judge Christine Morgan



Best In Show and Best Bitch
Sh Ch Charnborough Charisma
Of Danwish JW
(Miss T Gardner)

Reserve Best Bitch
Sh Ch Romaunt Carry On
Regardless With Verrami
(Mrs R Barney)



Reserve Best In Show and Best
Dog Sh Ch Alanea Game
Reserve With Danwish (Miss T
Gardner)

Best Veteran
Sh Ch Zendarric Heart Shaped
Box With Vizaset (Miss N
Green)

Championship Show Results
Sunday 16th July, Judge – Jacque Bayne

Best in Show and Bitch CC

Sh Ch Charnborough Charisma Of Danwish JW (Miss T Gardner)



Best Veteran and Dog CC
Sh Ch Zendarric Heart Shaped Box
With Viszaset (Miss N Green)



Reserve Dog CC

D Ch/ JWW18, JCH Simply Red and
White Runar (ATC BA73549NLD)
(Mrs A Hoogendijk)



Reserve Bitch CC

Sh Ch Romaunt
Carry On
Regardless With
Verrami (Mrs R
Barney)



Open Show Results – Sunday 26th November, Judge Anita Tattersall

Best In Show and
Best Dog – Spyefire
Reyt Bobby Dazzler
(Mr J & Mrs E
Titterton)

Reserve Best In
Show and Best
Veteran
Sh Ch Zendarric
Heart Shaped Box
With Vizsaset (Miss
N Green)



←Best Bitch
Ambancy This
Is Me (Mrs L
Barnes)

→Reserve Best
Veteran In
Show
Roanjora
Montepulciano
(Mr R & Mrs AD
McDonald &
Miss R McDonald)



Rescue and Daisy's story

Rescue has been very quiet on the re-homing front. We have only had two dogs go through rescue this year. One of these was Daisy who was looking for a new home through no fault of her own. We found a lovely new home for her, and she went to a lovely couple down in Cornwall.

Her new owners, John and Sharon, along with their two teenage children, have a static caravan which they holiday in regularly throughout the year and Daisy enjoys her adventures when they visit.

Her other activities besides travelling include gardening, foraging for mussels on the beach (although she's been told she can't eat them as they are bad for her tummy), paddling in the sea, swimming, and rolling in the



buttercups. She also enjoys a relaxing groom on her "grooming bench" as she knows that she is going to have a treat afterwards, after her daily walks and loves nothing better than to come home and laze on her bed next to her new owners.

Rescue is not only here to rehome. We offer help and advice to members and non-members wherever and whenever possible. We have given telephone support to help dogs settle in their new home and provided advice on behavioural and other problems which hopefully have prevented dogs subsequently having to be rehomed. If anyone is prepared to help our dedicated team with fostering, home checking transport etc. please, do get in touch. We would love to hear from you.

Alison Bennett- Contact information is at the end of the newsletter.

Training Day, February 2024.

The WSC have arranged a training day for next year, 17th February 2024. It will be held at Reeth N. Yorkshire and the trainers will be Colin Organ and Peter O'Driscoll. It was sold out as soon as it was advertised, which is encouraging for the working side! Details will be on the website and Facebook pages with joining instructions sent out to the participants. We hope that everyone involved has an enjoyable day.
Fiona Chapman-WSC Secretary
Contact information at end of newsletter



Yearbook 2023

At the AGM this year the committee asked if I would take on the role of Yearbook editor. I agreed to accept the challenge of producing this biennial record of the breed



These books are a snapshot in time of where the breed is, and an opportunity for members to advertise their dogs. I would like to thank everyone who has placed an advert in this edition.

The production of the yearbook is under way. With the aim is to distribute at the Club Open Shows and Crufts.

Our next yearbook will be for 2025 (Distributed in early 2026). If you missed the opportunity to take an advert out this year it is never too early to plan for the next one. Start thinking about collecting photos when your dogs are in full coat and looking at their best, we all know that the girls are often in full refinery for only a short time.

Debbie McDonald

Contact information at end of newsletter

Liver Cake – ideal for training treats

Ingredients

450g (1lb) Lambs Liver
225g (0.5lb) Self-Raising
Wholemeal Flour
2 Large Eggs
100ml (3.5 oz) Milk

Method

Crack the eggs into a bowl
and whisk together.

Blend the liver in a food
processor.

Add liver to the egg mixture
and blend in the flour. Then
add the milk slowly until a
runny consistency

Empty the contents into a greased baking tray at least 2 inches
(5cm) deep. Bake in a preheated oven at 180°C / 350°F (160 fan)
for 30-40 minutes.

Allow to cool on a rack before cutting into pieces.
They'll be good for three months in the freezer



Discover Dogs

Some of you may have noticed that there was no discover Dogs at London ExCel this year. Discussions are still ongoing between The Kennel Club and the London International Horse Show to hold Discover Dogs in



conjunction with the LIHS. I hope to be able to bring you more news of this early next year.

The good news that it continues at Crufts 2024 so I will be looking for volunteers in the new year.

Manning the stand is a great way for owners of IRWS to promote the breed and show off their dogs to members of the public and prospective owners. If you haven't done it before because you felt that you were not qualified, then I would ask you to think about these questions.

- Are you owned by an Irish Red and White Setter?
- Do you like talking about your dog? (what they like to do and what they are like to live with?)
- Does your dog love meeting new people?

If you can answer "yes" to these 3 questions, then you are perfectly qualified to man the stand for a couple of hours one day during Crufts.

For more information contact me at discoverdogs@irishredandwhitesetterclub.com

Ray McDonald

Discover Dogs Coordinator

Calendar

The 2024 calendar is now available calendar@irishredandwhitesetterclub.com.

A super addition to your wall. If you already have yours that's great! but why not make a start on saving your photos for next year's calendar- perhaps have a go at taking a photo of your dog/s each month?

This year it is A3 again and will cost £13, which includes UK postage

Payment will be to the Club's bank account – name, Irish Red and White Setter Club of Great Britain, sort code 20 45 77 and account number 00512419. Please put in 'Calendar' as the reference.



From the heart

We first saw an IRWS in our vets 2010, our vet was telling us he had owned a Golden Retriever and a Flat coated Retriever which mirrored the breeds we had had, while we were chatting about this the vet clicked his fingers and a beautiful dog appeared from behind the counter, the vet said this dog is the natural progression - which was an IRWS. We'd ever seen this breed in our lives before let alone heard of them.



Move on to our retirement and we started thinking about owning a dog again and John remembered the IRWS we met in our vets that day. We started researching, going to shows to observe and eventually found our Remy Over the years we have had various people/friends showing Remy for us, I had tried to show Remy but found it really hard going and too stressful. Remy is not the easiest of dogs to handle, with a mind of his own and strong willed. We will always be grateful for our fabulous handlers as we couldn't have done it without them (3 Reserve CC's).

One day on our way home from a show I decided I was going to have a go showing. I was terrified but determined to give it my all. I practised at home and at Open shows. Crufts was looming! I had a standby ready to step in, 5 minutes to go I made up my mind to go for it. I really enjoyed it and realised it's not that bad after all (a respectable third place). Friendly, helpful judges helped me along the way, and I



realised the worst thing that could happen was I could fall flat on my face. I started showing Remy at Championship shows afterwards and each one gave me more confidence, especially his very first CC at Edinburgh in May. Shock was an understatement; I will never forget that day as long as I live, obviously my confidence grew but I was still a bit anxious before shows, with Remy being his lively loud self. I continued showing Remy at Championship Shows, with some good results.

The highlight of the year was at the IRWS Club Show (2023), I went along not expecting anything except picking up our calendar, Remy was his normal exuberant self - love him - and I was so shocked to be placed first in my class and the day just got better and better, winning Best Dog and the icing on the Christmas cake was being awarded Best In Show. I felt like I had won the lottery/Crufts all in one go, it meant so much to me.

I truly believe that good things do come to those who wait. A good friend always said, "you can't keep a good dog down". Dreaming about success, and premature ageing go hand in hand with my journey so far. Reading through my story has actually brought a lump to my throat. Thank you to each and every one of you x

Liz Titterton & Spyefire Reyt Bobby Dazzler.

Carole Taylor

(member of the Irish Red and White Setter Club since 1993). Thanks to Carole for sending this in.

After receiving my newsletter - Christmas Greetings Winter issue 2022,

It brought back both sad and happy memories for both myself and family reading the section on "We did it" by Ann Millington.

It all started back in 1998 when my husband and I purchased our second IRWS puppy due to the lovely experience we had with our first, as a companion for our ageing IRWS and also it gave us

happy times with a new puppy, along with sad times when our old girl died,

However, things changed when our puppy, named Princess, had an accident with some barbed wire fencing and obtained an injury to her chest and mouth which bled. Eventually, leading to the time when she starting losing her puppy teeth and her bleeding problem came to the front, after weeks of worry and vet visits it was finally diagnosed as Von Willebrand's Disease by our vets, who advised that we inform the puppy breeder, which I did and the comment from the breeder was just to confirm that my puppy was insured, therefore I took it upon myself to contact the genetic subcommittee, Ann Millington, about the condition and she became instrumental in tracking this condition in the breed,

So, to read in the newsletter that we are now 10 years free of both VWD and CLAD in our breed is absolutely fantastic and gives me pleasure to know that my little girl had a purpose on this earth and not just for me and my husband and family but to help all her canine breed family long into the future.

The life lived with Princess was filled with stress, anxiety, fun and laughter. Like any other pet owner the unfortunate end eventually came along after 12years 5months and it was hard to consider thinking of another puppy, especially as I was 12years and 5months older and had lost my beloved husband, it was my youngest daughter who still lives at home with me that said to me that we owe it to Princess' memory to have another IRWS which would be VWD clear thanks to the work undertaken by Ann and her team in eradicating it from the breed, so we are now 12 years into the life of Tula our 3rd IRWS, who is a total poppet and so vocal, lives life in the fast lane completely different to my Princess.

So, it was right for me, a Pet Owner, with nothing to gain, only the hope that no other owner or puppy should experience this, that I was thrilled to read that the breed is clear of these conditions and hope long may that continue.

Special THANKS most go as well to Ann Millington who listened to my concerns and dealt with it all those years ago.

Season's Greetings



Merry Christmas and we wish all our members and their dogs a happy, healthy and prosperous 2024. We look forward to an exciting 2024 with events planned to celebrate the IRWS Club of GB's 40th anniversary.

Best wishes from the officers and committee.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to one and all, I hope 2024 brings you happiness, health, and all you may hope for. Enjoy the year ahead and the time spent with your lovely dogs.

Best wishes from Tania Gardner (Chairman)



Obie and I would like to say, 'Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year to you all!'

Cath Jackson

Christmas wishes to friends near and far. Hope you all have a Merr Christmas and Happy New Year.

Diane, John and the Berryessa Bunch



Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from Mary, Tony and the Charnborough girls.

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