

IRISH WOLFHOUND CLUB OF NORTHERN IRELAND- CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW - 23 SEPTEMBER 2016

Firstly, I should like to thank the IWCNI for the invitation to judge the Club Show 2016 for the second time. It was a great honour and pleasure for me. I really enjoyed my stay in all ways. My special thank goes to my wonderful stewards, Rachel Shaw-Rainey and Margaret Martin for all their help.

The quality of the dogs was very good and the most of them were well presented. Compliments to their owners. I did not find any big faults, only in one puppy a bad bite. My best dog was a young male with a very powerful movement and BOB was a beautiful bitch without any exaggerations but a lot of type.

My judging critique is as follows:

Dogs

Puppy (1,0 absent) Fleming's Fionn of Derrada. Good body and bone, nice head with dark eyes, good angulation and movement. Very undershot bite. Award withheld.

Junior (1,0) Marr's Isnalera Hansel. Heavy type, very masculine head, wide and deep chest, good angles. Could not assess movement as needs more training and he is carrying too much weight. Award Reserve

Yearling (1,0) 1st Macaulay's Gartlove Galenlogan. Excellent type, lovely head and expression. Good body, excellent angulation. Excellent movement.

Post Grad (3,1) 1st Gartlove Galenlogan. 2nd Allison/Faulkner's Stonestorm Web of Dreams. Nice type, good head with flat ears. A little bit steep in upper arm. Good body, correct hindquarters, good movement but carried tail a little bit high.

Limit (4,2) 1st Finney's Gulliagh Lir. Very good type, good head and expression, long neck, excellent angulation. Excellent movement just a little bit anxious today. 2nd Tebbutt's Caredig Barbarian. Good type, masculine head and strong neck. Deep chest, very good angulation and excellent movement.

Open (3,2) 1st Tomasovicova's IrCh Kill Bill Roan Irish. Excellent type, lovely head, little bit light eyes, strong neck, deep chest and excellent angulation. Fantastic & powerful movement. Delighted to award CC and RBIS.

Veteran (1) Finney's Int/IrCh Cuknocklong Henry Higgins. Wonderful type. Excellent in all departments, excellent movement, beautiful head and expression. Awarded RCC and Best Veteran.

Bitches

Puppy (1,0) 1st Macaulay's Whiteglen Gala Queen from Gartlove. Lovely youngster. Nice head and expression. Good body, excellent angulation. A little straight in upper arm. Excellent movement. Needs more ring training. Best Puppy.

Junior (2,0) 1st O'Neill's Hydebeck Echo of a Ruler in Ballyvonair. Lovely young lady, good head and good body and angulation. Good movement. 2nd McDonnell's Isnalera Gretel. Nice type, lovely head, strong neck, good front and hindquarters. Today she is carrying a little too much weight. Good movement but a little loose in front.

Novice (1) 1st Macaulay's Gaeltarra Eireann Holy Holy Gartlove (Imp). What a sweetie. Nice head and expression, good body, good bone, very good angulation and good movement.

Post Grad (2,1) 1st Finney's Gulliagh Aella. Beautiful type, wonderful head and expression, strong neck, deep chest, well balanced, very good hindquarters, excellent movement. Pleased to award CC, BOB and BIS.

Limit (6,1) 1st Finney's Gulliagh Boom Bang a Bang. Beautiful type, excellent head and expression, long neck, deep chest very good hindquarters and excellent movement. 2nd Tebbutt's Brachan Dolig Wen Caredig. Very good type, correct head, excellent chest and forechest, very good hindquarters, good bone. Very good movement. Little bit close in front feet. 3rd Potter's Ballygrans Hafwen Haley at Aussolas. Lovely type, excellent head and expression, good ears, correct in front and hindquarters. Good movement.

Open (6,1) 1st Tomasovicova's IrCh Bloody Mary Tullamore Good Stuff. Excellent body and good head, little bit light in eye. Strong neck, excellent in front and behind. Excellent movement. Awarded RCC. 2nd Flynn/Finney's Gulliagh Macha. Very good type, nice head and expression, good length of body and correct shoulders and hindquarters. Excellent movement. 3rd Finney's Gulliagh Alfjr. Good type, nice head and expression, strong neck, good shoulders but a little straight in upper arm. Good movement but a little close behind.

Veteran (5,2) 1st Poole's Tarlog Tiger Lilly from Marlaw. 7 years old, typical bitch, lovely head, very good length of body and good angulation. Nice movement. 2nd Tomasovicova's Ch Grania Roan Irish. 8 years old, excellent type, nice head and expression, strong neck and excellent angulation. Fantastic movement but a shame she was a little lame behind today. 3rd Potter's Tarlog Juno of the Valley. 7 years old, good type very nice head very good body, carrying a little bit of weight, good movement.

Brace: Finney's Gulliagh Aella and Gulliagh Boom Bang a Bang

Team: Finney's Gulliagh

Stud Dog: Finney's Int/IrCh Cuknocklong Henry Higgins

Best NI owned Hound: 1st McDonnell's Isnalera Gretel. 2nd Potter's Ballygrans hafwen Haley at Aussolas. 3rd Potter's Tarlog Juno of the Valley

Best Head: Flynn/Finney's Gulliagh Macha

Best Movement: Tomasovicova's IrCh Kill Bill Roan Irish

Judge: Fr Marion Marpe

