



IRISH TERRIER CLUB OF AMERICA

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NOTE:—This is the fifth of a series of bulletins your officers will issue from time to time on activities believed to be of interest to the membership. If you have bulletin material send it to the secretary.

BULLETIN NO. 5—DECEMBER, 1944

REMINDER OF THE 1945 SPECIALTY—DATE OF THE ANNUAL MEETING— ODDS-ENDS OF INTEREST TO MEMBERS

By reason of the temporary absence from this country of the club president your secretary is faced with the somewhat embarrassing duty of "promoting" a show at which he has been selected to act as judge. He hopes, however, that the membership will pardon him if he adds to what Gen. McKinley wrote about the event in the previous bulletin to the extent of recalling:

1, That the Irish Terrier classes at Westminster in New York Feb. 12 and 13, will be the club specialty for 1945;

2, That the club has put up for its members \$156 in cash specials in addition to the President's Trophy valued at \$100;

3, That Mr. Charles Thomae of Attleboro, Mass.,—an Airedale man who appreciates a good "Mick"—has given four exquisite metal and enamel paper-weights bearing the club monogram which will be awarded for Winners and Reserve Winners in each sex.

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This bulletin ought to reach members at a time when it should serve as a reminder that now is about the date to begin getting their dogs ready for the winter shows. In other words, it's "stripping time" for Westminster.

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Your officers have made arrangements to hold the annual meeting of the club Sunday evening, Feb. 11, 1945, in Hotel Capitol, 8th Avenue and 51st St. The date, you will note, is the night before the Westminster show opens. The place is opposite Madison Square Garden. Formal notices of the meeting will go out later.

Your secretary is glad to report that contributions to the club's Specials Fund have reached a total of \$255, which will enable the club to carry out its purpose to support Irish Terrier classes at various shows, particularly in localities where it has members. There is no "closing date" on contributions to this fund. They will be welcome at any time, and the more we get the more support we will be able to provide.

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Evidence continues to point to a definite revival of interest in the breed to whose advancement the club is devoted. During the past nine months 19 new members have been added to the roll, including several from the Pacific Coast, and more are in prospect. The annual financial report will show the club to be in an extremely healthy condition.

Breed Book purchases have exhausted the supply of the 1941 volume (except for a few file copies) and one of the things members should be thinking about is the appointment of a committee to prepare a new edition. For the past two months the club has run no Breed Book advertising in the kennel press, but inquiries about the breed and the club continue to come in, and it is difficult for the secretary to answer them adequately (although he does his best) without something in the way of literature to send.

The scope of the inquiries is interesting and significant. They come from all over the U. S. as well as from Canada and Mexico, and the majority are not just "curiosity" inquiries.

HOWARD C. RICE, Secretary.

P.S. If there were an annual trophy for the best "member getter" in the club there is no question where it would land for this year—in the clutches of Ed O'Keefe of Chicago.