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Please send address and phone changes to Judy LaBash, 7047 Harrington Road, Lexington, MI 48450.

Editor's Note: Deadline for article submission for the November newsletter is November 4, 1991.



THE IRISH TERRIER CLUB OF AMERICA

**NEWSLETTER** 

SEPTEMBER, 1991

Editor: Beth Childers Route 2, Box 889 Scurry, TX 75158 (903) 498-7754

## President's Column

Dear Fellow Members.

Good luck to the Northern Californians whose Specialty will be held the weekend of September 14. They will have a tough standard to meet coming off the heels of the Southern California Club's spectacular shows in June. However, we all know that the Northern California club has always met the challenge.

There was one additional thanks owing to the participants at the June shows that I failed to acknowledge in my last letter and that goes to Greg and Nancy Hetzel who so expertly served as Stewards on Friday and Saturday. They have become a trademark at so many of our specialties. Having served at Westbury and Montgomery for several years, they have made our Club the envy of most others. Thanks to both of you for enabling the shows to run smoothly for the exhibitors, handlers and judges; and, spectators too.

It is almost time to pack for the Montgomery weekend. I urge all of you to make your best effort to attend this wonderful Terrier weekend. We all learn a lot about a lot of things there and at the same time enjoy the company of our fellow members.

The Board intends to implement a Rescue Policy for the National Club at the Board Meeting next month. Guidelines for this policy were prepared by Mary O'Brien and circulated to the Board, Officers and Regional Chairpeople. Their comments have been solicited and will be considered. It is not too late to voice your concerns or offer input. You may do so by writing to Mary O'Brien who will convey your comments to the Board.

Please call or write to me if you have suggestions as to how we may improve our Club or better conduct its affairs.

Stephen Sundheimer, 3421 Bayou Sound, Longboat Key, FL 34228

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## Secretary's Report

The Board voted to hold a Board meeting on Thursday, October 3, 1991 at the Holiday Inn-Lionville, PA. The Board also shared thoughts and opinions on issues in the AKC Gazette that our delegate will be voting on and gave her the Board's feedback as requested.

Ballots and the agenda for the General Membership meeting have been sent to all members requesting return of the ballots by September 20, 1991.

Judy LaBash, 7047 Harrington Road, Lexington, MI 48450

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George Ade said, "Anyone can win, unless there happens to be a second entry."

Treasurer: Jeanene MacDonald, 1034 Mullaghboy Road, Glendora, CA 91740 Call: (818) 963-9871

## **Balloting Note**

The ITCA constitution states that a mailing envelope and a ballot envelope are to be included with ballots mailed to members in the election of Board Members and Officers. The members are to put their name and address on the outside of the mailing envelope prior to returning it to the Secretary. The mailing envelope was inadvertently left out of the recent mailing. Please insert the ballot envelope into a mailing envelope and put your name and address on the outside and return to the Secretary by mail or hand deliver prior to the annual meeting on October 5, 1991. I apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Judy LaBash, 7047 Harrington Road, Lexington, MI 48450

Dear Fellow I.T.C.A. Members,

As you all know, I have been responsible for drawing up the proposed Guidelines for Irish Terrier Breed Rescue. A lot of time and effort went into this project. Hours spent studying other pure breed club rescue guidelines to get an idea of how they operated. Hours spent on the telephone and in correspondence with chairpeople and members of rescue committees to determine what these people felt had worked well for their organization and what had not. Hours spent visiting Humane Societies and Animal Shelters within an 100-mile radius of the San Francisco Bay Area to discover how a breed rescue group can most effectively work with these organizations. I do not think this time was wasted as I was able to draw on the expertise and working experience of all these people when writing our guidelines.

You have received correspondence from a concerned member regarding our Irish Terrier Breed Rescue Program which undoubtedly has raised some questions and concerns in you mind, and I would like to address the questions and doubts Mr. Cassity has raised in the hopes that you will realize that your Executive Board is acting only with deep concern for the best interests of our beloved Irish Terriers.

I will start with Mr. Cassity's concern that my appointment as Breed Rescue Coordinator was political. I do not think so. I became an Irish Terrier breeder and exhibitor and member of the I.T.C.A. back in the 60's and like most of you, was only a dues paying member and not an active, working member. Het my membership lapse for a number of years when I was out of active breeding and exhibiting, and re-applied for membership in the 1980's, but a political animal I am not and never have been. I have, however, been very active for a number years as a volunteer with local Humane Societies, particularly the San Francisco S.P.C.A. which is known nationwide for its innovative programs in the field of dog rescue. I think this was probably the main concern for my appointment. The second reason, probably equally valid, I was not at last year's Annual Meeting. Any of you who are active in any kind of organization know what happens if you do not attend a meeting. You get appointed to committees!

Mr. Cassity has expressed concern that our guidelines will be cumbersome and unworkable. I worked very hard to make them as simple as possible, and still cover all contingencies. A national organization cannot function without some kind of guidelines. That organization is accountable to the general membership who has every right to expect them to act for them in a responsible, rational manner, and to do this, we must have some sort of structure.

Another of Mr. Cassity's concerns is that we may be more interested in the dollar bill than in a humane approach to our rescue program. Nowhere in our guidelines is there a minimum or maximum dollar amount set for the rescue of a dog. It does state that each rescue will be handled individually. There is a suggested amount to be charged to the prospective adopters of \$100 or fees incurred in the rescue, whichever is greater. And even this is negotiable, since the right home for a homeless dog is more important than the money received for the placement.

Mr. Cassity's biggest concern is a concern to us too, which is why it is included in the guidelines - Evaluation and Euthanasia. I will quote the paragraph covering evaluation as set forth in the proposed guidelines:

"Keep in mind that not all dogs are adoptable. Dogs with chronic health problems, long-standing skin conditions, severe injuries, or determined bad temperaments, should be euthanized to spare them future suffering. If a dog has a problem or condition which would be expensive to cure, could not be cured completely, and/or which would cause stress to a potential adopter, (i.e., frequent trips to the veterinarian, long term financial strain to the new owner, or constant worry concerning the dog's condition or temperament) then the dog should be euthanized. Always determine the method of euthanasia used by the shelter. If it is not done by humane injection, request permission to take the dog to your own veterinarian. No dog should be euthanized until the situation has been discussed with the Regional Committee and Breed Rescue Chairpersons."

Nearly every dog owner has been faced at some time with the loss of a beloved pet. For me that loss has been a little easier to bear when it has come peacefully from natural causes. The necessity to euthanize has always made it more painful. Proper evaluation of the rescue dog can prevent the adopter of the dog from being faced with this painful decision after they have had time to form an attachment, or prevent a dog from having to live with a possibly painful physical condition because medical treatment is too expensive. Proper evaluation can prevent a phone call from an Animal Shelter saying the dog has been turned in to them, and what do you want to do. Mr. Cassity says that the I.T.C.S.C. has never considered euthanasia in connection with their rescue dogs, but is it possible they passed this painful decision along to someone else? Have all of their rescues been successful? Are all of these dogs healthy and happy in their adoptive homes? I hope so. An unsocialized dog or a dog with a demonstrable bad temperament represents a great risk. We live in a very litigious society and people, understandably, are quite unforgiving if a child is severely bitten. A signed contract is not going to forestall a lawsuit under these circumstances. Will the contract hold up in court? I do not think we want to test it. And how will the owner treat the dog who did this to his child.

Finally, Mr. Cassity has questioned the necessity of having all rescue dogs spayed or neutered before adoption, but in his letter he mentions the growing power of the animal rights groups, particularly here in California where legislation has been passed to attempt to limit the breeding of all dogs. Many responsible dog breeders are already selling their pet puppies under spay/neuter contracts, and many pure breed clubs have established breeder education and responsibility programs which emphasize this practice. Since the papers are not available on many rescue dogs, why should they be bred? We feel that this stipulation is only in the best interests of our breed. If the rescue person comes upon a dog that he feels is a candidate for breeding or the show ring, and the papers are available, then the rescuer takes responsibility for this dog, it is no longer a rescue dog, and this provision is covered in our guidelines.

I hope I have answered any questions you may have had and allayed your fears about the Irish Terrier Breed Rescue Program. We <u>all</u> love our breed or so many of us would not have devoted so many years to it. After all, are not we the caregivers to God's special dogs?

Mary O'Brien, 2101 Shoreline Dr. #245, Alameda, CA 94501

**Breeders:** Please send puppy news to Mary R. Roberts, 10503 Cheddar St., Norwalk, CA 90650, or call her at (213) 864-5080. Dogs will be listed one time only unless the Puppy Coordinator is notified to continue the listing.

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Phyllis Kendrick	ex	1 M, 1 F
Route 1, Box 216 Providence, NC 27315 (919) 388-5195	Greencastle's Wonder Woman	
Marilyn/Peter Shaw 20 Vista Dr.	Ch. Tralee's Storm Warning ex	2/11/91 3 M
Kentfield, CA 94904 (415) 453-4015	Ch. Begorra Jewel O'Donedaire	
Ray Ruiz	Ch. Tralee's Storm Warning ex	4/11/91 3 M
820 Kozera San Jose, CA 95135 (408) 267-4937	Ch. She's Rough N Ready	
Betty Clark	Ch. Guidaleen's Mac O'Roney	5/18/91 6 M
209 West St. Harrison, NY 10528 (914) 698-8119	ex Ch. Mella-D O'Tipperary	UW
George Wright (908) 966-3024		
John Childers Rt. 2, Box 889	Ch. Trackways Finn Again ex	6/17/91 1 F
Scurry, TX 75158 (903) 498-7754	Ch. Baystone Fire Starter	
David C. Brown	Ch. Hyperactive of Saradan	7/14/91 3 M, 1 F
11 Raven Hill Rd. Phoenixville, PA 19460 (215) 933-9741	ex Ch. Eirenoch Encore	0 IVI, 1 T
Mark Eskridge	Ch. Rough N Ready Rock N Roll	7/1/91
RR5, Box 0 Abbott Rd. Kemptville, ONT. K0G 1J0 Canada (613) 258-9348	ex Ch. Donegal's Double Dare	4 M, 5 F
Cory Rivera	Trackways Wind Walker	7/28/91 1 M
22720 Perry St. Perris, CA 92370 (714) 943-4396	ex Redlands Rebel Rouser	1 101

Ellis West 887 W. 41st St. Houston, TX 77018 (713) 697-5050	Ch. Tipperary Killian's Red ex Gloccomara B-Movie Baby	8/2/91 5 M, 2 F
Susan Nolen 2909 E. Linden Tucson, AZ 85716 (602) 323-0721	Slemish Statesman ex Padraic's Lady Ayres	8/4/91 5 M, 5 F
James/Elizabeth Wilson 1965 Davison Lake Rd. Oxford, MI 48371 (313) 628-1535	Ch. Knocknareas Zacharius ex Ch. Cullydown Kathleen of Eire	8/13/91 4 M
Jeanene MacDonald & Dennis Bryson 1034 Mullaghboy Rd. Glendora, CA 91740 (818) 963-9871	Ch. The Irishman's Rolling Stone ex Ch. Devilaire's Pixie	8/19/91 4 M, 3 F
Diana Martin 189 San Luis Rd. Sonoma, CA 95476 (707) 938-4698	Begorra N-Drummer O'Donedaire ex Ch. Begorra Glenagarey Grainne CDX	8/19/91 2 M, 4 F

## Older Irish Terriers Available

Kathy Reno 8724 E. Hubbell St.	Ch. Rockledge's Brian Browder ex	3/27/86 1 M
Scottsdale, AZ 85257	Reno's Katie Scarlet	
	Ch. Trackways Time and Again	9/2/90
	ex	1 F
	Reno's Rosie O'Grady	
Ruth Cudigan	Ch. Tralee's Storm Warning	Male
2351 Snow Ave.	ex	4 Yrs.
Oxnard, CA 93030 (805) 485-2364	Trademark's Venus de Baystone	
Terri Willner	Male Champion, Neutered. Has had obe	dience training
9106 Cricklewood Ct.	5 years old. Good with older children.	aronoc training.
Vienna, VA 22182	, and a sum of the sum	
(703) 356-8268		

## Courageous, even to death

It happened unexpectedly on Tuesday, January 15. It was at Glade, a small, rural community in the Kootenay region of southern British Columbia, a wild and sparsely populated area.

Ghillie (Baltic Red Sabino) was purchased in Salmon Arm, B.C., from Rolf and Erica Heym of Baltic Kennels, in the fall of 1986 by Rod Retzlaff and family. They knew they preferred terriers. They did their homework at the library and decided on the Irish Terrier. The books all said, "excellent family dogs and very courageous." That he would be an excellent family dog was immediately apparent. Ghillie loved the three boys and accompanied them everywhere. But what about courage?

Mortal danger happens suddenly. There's seldom any warning. It was about 3:15 p.m. Ghillie and Aaron, age 10, were nearly home. The sidewalk was narrow with high snow banks on either side. They rounded the last corner and came face to face with a full-grown female cougar. The cougar, hungry and on the prowl, could hear them coming. She was ready, but not for the likes of Ghillie. One look and Ghillie instinctively knew the danger and his responsibility. Without hesitation, he attacked. The fact that the cougar was many times larger than he and that he was surely about to die did not deter him. Ghillie attacked with such swiftness and ferocity that it caught the cougar off guard. Cats are fast. They grab their prey by the neck and kill instantly but there was no time for that. Ghillie came head on, straight into the cat. The cougar, suddenly on the defensive, with more than she had bargained for, lost her opportunity for an easy victim.

Missionaccomplished. Aaron made it to the house. He was safe. But Aaron was not about to abandon his friend. He bravely rushed back, armed with ski poles and snowballs to the one-sided battle. It was not enough, so he rushed next door for help. Debbie Girard quickly came to the rescue, banging a snow scoop on the patio to make loud noises and finally, in desperation, flinging the scoop at the cat. The cougar had Ghillie by the head and was tearing at it but she was now threatened on all sides. She decided on retreat, dropped the dog and took refuge in the open garage. Debbie ran to the phone.

After a few minutes, Ghillie staggered to his feet, gravely injured. His eye was hanging down his cheek, his skull was torn open and the brain exposed but he knew danger was still nearby. In spite of his injuries, he gamely entered the garage, ready to do battle again. Mercifully, the authorities arrived and destroyed the cougar.

Moments later, Mrs. Retzlaff arrived. There was Ghillie, by now in shock, his eye hanging down and bleeding, but wagging his tail in welcome. On examining the extent of his injuries, the eye, the exposed brain and battered skull, the vet was highly skeptical but Ghillie was so gritty, no quitter. Two days later, he was eating and wagging his tail. Two weeks later, he was running around, albeit blind in one eye, but happy and playful as if nothing had happened. Courage had saved the day. The Irish Terrier Association of Canada is very proud of Ghillie. We're also very thankful and grateful for the quick actions and bravery of Aaron and good neighbour Debbie Girard.

David R. Carscadden, President, ITAC, 82 Alamosa Dr., Willowdale, Ont. M2J 2N9

## In The Ribbons

Ch. Airlies Coole Mean Mikalean, Bred by Pat Kostal, owned by L. Kostal Group 2, 5/10/91, Kewanee KC, Judge C. M. Harris

Ch. Dungaire's Quiet Man, Co-bred by T. W. Morris McGuire & L. B. McGuire Group 3, 6/30/91, Greater Muskegon KC, Judge Lorraine Masley

Ch. Laochragh's Classy Molly, Bred by Chris & Ken Marsh, Owned by Amy & Minor Sumners

Group 4, 5/5/91, Metairie KC, Judge B. D. Smith Group 4, 8/31/91, Bayou KC, Judge Robert Moore

Ch. Rough N Ready's Rock N Roll, Bred by Ray Ruiz, Owned by Jim Cassity

Group 4, 7/7/91, DFA of Orange Count, Judge Naomi Eberhardt

Group 2, 7/14/91, Greater Clark County KC, Judge Joanne Dutton

Group 2, 8/11/91, South Bay KC, Judge Roger Hartinger

Group 2, 9/1/91, Cheyenne KC, Judge J. A. Wood

Group 1, 9/2/91, Colorado KC, Judge R. R. Krohne

#### **NEWS FLASH!**

Canadian Ch. Maplestar's Idefix, Bred by Mark Eskridge & Nan Bruner, Owned by Rejean Charlebois & Mark Eskridge

Group 1, 4/28/91, Ottawa KC, Judge Mrs. H. Glendinning

Group 1, 4/29/91, Ottawa KC, Judge Dr. I. La Ham

Group 1, 5/13/91, Arnprior KC, Judge Ann R. Clark

Group 2, 5/16/91, Kingston KC, Judge Unknown

Group 2, 7/20/91, Kars KC, Judge Mrs. Don Attis

Group 2, 7/21/91, Kars KC, Judge W. Jacobs

Group 4, 7/22/91, Valley KC, Judge Mrs. D. Cole

Group 2, 7/23/91, Valley KC, Judge M. Van de Kinder

Group 4, 7/26/91, Kingston KC, Judge A. Garland

Group 1, 7/27/91, Limestone KC, Judge E. Bivin

Group 2, 7/28/91, Limestone KC, Judge Mrs. A. Brunotte

Since the French verb "gazouiller"means "towarble, chirp, or babble," can we assume that this dog's call name, "Gazou" translates to "Mouthy?" (Oh, surely not an Irish Terrier!)

Whatever Gazou's name means, he has been awarded by the Canadian Kennel Club and "Dogsin Canada" magazine as:

1990's top Irish Terrier in Canada, and; Top-pointed Canadian-bred Irish Terrier of all time!

Maplestar's Beag Ruadh, Bred by Mark Eskridge & Nan Bruner, Owned by Mark Eskridge

Group 2, 8/18/91, Thousand Islands KC, Judge G. Payton

Group 3, 8/31/91, Cornwall KC, Judge Mrs. Marion Wait

Group 2, 9/2/91, Cornwall KC, Judge L. DeBruyne

Please send news of In the Ribbons directly to Martha Salem, P. O. Box 6404, Ventura, CA 93006.

## **New Champions**

#### Ch. Glennerin Drogheda's Aramac (D)

by Ch. Tralee's Storm Warning ex Glennerim Brigit

Bred by Rich & Dottie Deems

Owned by Rich & Dottie Deems and Ann Marie Kasuboska

#### Ch. Glennkelly Tara of Dungarvin (B)

by Ch. The Irishman's Mr. Rockledge ex Ch. Rockledge's Glennkelly Bred by Penny Mason Owned by Joyce Wilson

#### Ch. Kalaney's Irish Coffee (D)

by Ch. Kalaney's Sir Dublin ex Devilaire's Little Annie Bred & Owned by Judy LaBash

#### Ch. Kalaney's Shillelagh (B)

by Ch. Kalaney's Sir Dublin ex Ch. Aberglen Aileen Bred by Judy LaBash Owned by Richard H. Wilson

#### Ch. Kilwinning Ever Sure (D)

by Ch. Tralee's Rowdy Red ex Ch. Ben's Heir Liz Bred & Owned by Betty Clark

#### Ch. Kridan Sir Norton of Orange (D)

by Ch. Airlies Coole Mean Mikalean ex Rough N Ready's Raspberry Bred by Woody & Becky Scherer Owned by non-member

#### Ch. Snowtaire's Bobby McGee (D)

by Wyrelee's Little Bit of Luck ex Edrington's Red Pepper Daisy Bred by non-member Owned by Dale Gordon

#### Ch. Sunny's Leopold Bloom (D)

by Ch. Cocksure Eye of the Storm ex Ch. Sunny's Miss Mulligan Bred by Steve & Lorri Sundheimer Owned by Bob Clyde

#### Ch. Wyrelee's Emerald Rose (B)

by Ch. Tralee's McGraw ex Ch. Ballymoor Annie Banahan Bred by non-member Owned by Pat Lowrey

## **Obedience News**

According to the Delaney System, based on points scored, #1 in the Terrier Group in 1990 was Barbara Henry's Begorra Katie Scarlet O'Henry, CD, CDX.

Under the First and Foremost Rating System, #9 in the Terrier Group in 1990 was <u>Begorra Glen Antrim Fenor</u>, CDX, TD. Fenor is proudly owned by Renee and Walt Bullard.

#### Obedience Exhibitors Please Note

All qualifying scores, shows and dates should be forward to:

Cory Rivera 22720Perry Street Perris, CA 92370

Traveling Specialty 1992 March 21, 1992





... in conjunction with the Texas Kennel Club. We'll get back to you with more details!

#### Education

In an effort to improve responsible dog ownership, the American Kennel Club has produced an assortment of articles which we may submit to our local newspapers and has asked us to support a grass-roots media blitz:

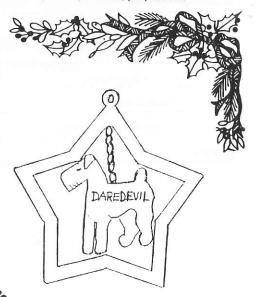
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What You Should Know Before You Breed Your Dog
Tips on Trips
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Dealing with "The Dog Days"
Don't Forget the Basics
Sick As A Dog
Local Shows Offer Fun and Excitement
AKC Hunting Tests Are Fun For You And Your Dog
Test Your Herder
Be A Good Neighbor
Canine Good Citizen Test
Leads On Training Your Dog

I will have these packets on hand for distribution at our Holiday Inn in Pennsylvania during the Montgomeryweekend in October. Please follow the simple instructions and submit this material to your local newspaper. If you do not plan to join us next month, but are willing to support this worthy effort, write or call to request a packet.

Martha Salem, Education Coordinator, P. O. Box 6404, Ventura, CA 93006, (805) 642-3418

## **Christmas Ornaments**

Once again, Martha Salem will be taking orders for Christmas Ornaments. Each of these golden ornaments will be engraved with the name of your dog or your kennel. Profits, as in the past, go to ITCA. Martha will be taking the orders - \$6.30 each ornament - over the Montgomery weekend. If you prefer, send a check with your choice of name to be engraved, to Martha Salem, P. O. Box 6404, Ventura, CA 93006, by the end of September.



## Top Ten Irish Terriers January 1 thru May 18, 1991

**Group System** 

Ch. Rough N Ready Rock N Roll	578
Ch. Gloccomara Movie Mogul	239
Ch. Airlies Coole Mean Mikalean	104
New Springs Snoozy Recruit	80
Snowtaires Bobby McGee	77
Ch. Trackways Time And Again	72
Gloccomara Stardust Express	50
Ch. Tralee's Rip Tide	30

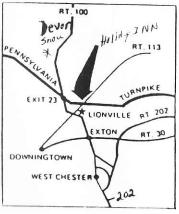
**Breed System** 

Ch. Rough N Ready Rock N Roll	66
Ch. Tarcrest Red Neck McLaoighis	52
Ch. Airlies Coole Mean Mikalean	46
Ch. Aran Isles Outlaw Raparee	38
Ch. Kalaney's Irish Coffee	28
Ch. Shanahy's Cinnamon	28
Ch. Dunquaire's Quiet Mann	24
Baystone Parallax View	18
Ch. Gloccomara Mama's Memory	18
Snowtaires Bobby McGee	18

# **Montgomery Weekend Update**

The shows are to be held October 4-6, 1991. It has been pointed out by some of our newer members that in the excitement of our publicity for these shows, no actual dates were given.

Following is the map to the Holiday Inn of Lionville at exit 23 of the Pennsylvania Turnpike:



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Limousine service will be available from Royal Limousine (215) 367-9390. Cost of service Airport to Holiday Inn is \$19.00.

Kate M. Johnson, 2079 Maplewood Ave., Abington, PA 19001

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Dinner reservation MUST be received by September 20!