

# IRISH TERRIER CLUB OF AMERICA

## BULLETIN

FEBRUARY 1974

The ITCA's Jeremiah J. O'Callaghan Memorial Specialty, and Annual Meeting, in New York February 10, went off well despite the fuel shortage. The entry was 32 Irish Terriers, same as last year, with 4 absentees. At the Annual Meeting there were 34 present, compared with 39 last year.

### The Specialty

Best of Breed was Ch. Glenworth Minute Man, owned by Karen and Edward Worth, handled by Roberta Krohne. His victory earned the first leg on the Martha G. Hall Memorial Trophy. Minute Man took BOB in 1972 at the ITCA Fall Specialty.

Judge Robert Marshall selected as Best of Opposite Sex Ch. Kincora's Kerry-Ann Girl, belonging to Joseph O'Connor and Susan Young, who handled her. Winners Bitch and Best of Winners was John Best's Blackacre Bombshell, handled by Doug McClain. Cocksure Barnee Blue, owned by Robert Clyde (who handled) and Stephen Sundheimer, was Winners Dog.

Mr. Marshall, asked to comment on his entry, said that some chests were wider than they should be, and rear movement on several could have been better. A number were "soft in the rear". On the good side, however, he said backs, eyes, mouths and skulls were generally good. He described his BOB as a "tremendous dog" of excellent temperament who brought animation and an excitement into the ring -- "the dog enjoyed it." His BOS, Mr. Marshall said, was "beautiful -- she had class."

We were pleased to have Jerry O'Callaghan's nephew and his family at this Specialty honoring Jerry's memory, Col. John Boning, USA (ret.), Mrs. Boning and their son John.

We also were pleased to have Mrs. Martha Hall's three daughters at ringside, to present the Martha G. Hall Memorial Trophy at its initial competition: Mrs. Mary Lewis Carey of Baltimore, Mrs. Anne O'Connell of Washington, and Mrs. Katherine Walker, with Dr. Allan Walker, of Washington.

### Westminster

At Westminster, February 12, under judge William Brainard, Richard and Sharie Diamond's Ch. Carris's Watch Me won BOB, Cliff Hallmark handling. John Best's Blackacre Bombshell was BOS and BOW, and Margaret Naughton's Sinn Fein Future Shock was WD. More detailed results of the Specialty and Westminster are appended.

### The Luncheon

The informal buffet, held in an Armory classroom after the morning judging, was a most pleasant affair. Food, provided by several members under the management of Betty Clark, was excellent and the conversation free and easy. The judge, Mr. Marshall, and Mrs. Marshall joined us for lunch, as did the Boning family who also remained for the meeting. Colonel Boning had provided some Jerry O'Callaghan mementos which were displayed during lunch on a table. They included two striking cups won by Ch. Celtic Badger in 1904 and 1905 at Boston and Westminster. The display also included a picture -- the first I had ever seen -- of Father John O'Gorman, Jerry's uncle, owner of Celtic Badger, the key foundation dog of the Kilvara line.

After the dishes were cleared away, President Gately called the Annual Meeting to order.

### Annual Meeting

The meeting began at 2 p.m. The Acting Secretary reported that ITCA members numbered 175, a gain of 4 over last year. The Treasurer reported a total cash balance of \$3,824.36. The Treasurer's report has been mailed to all members, along with the results of the annual competition for ITCA trophies.

The four regional Irish Terrier clubs gave reports. A highlight was the announcement received from Jeanene MacDonald that the AKC has granted official recognition of the ITC Southern California and approved its request to hold a Specialty in conjunction with the Pasadena K.C. show June 2, 1974. This drew a round of applause for the Southern Californians who have worked long and diligently to acquire AKC recognition. Rocky Stone reported that the ITC Northern California has moved its Specialty from the usual Contra Costa show to the Golden Gate K.C. show. Some details of the arrangement still were pending. The New York Club held its Fall Specialty at Westbury as usual. Otherwise Doris Van Dyne reported a quiet year. Ed Chojnowski reported that the Chicago ITC was planning its 1974 Specialty for June 15, again at Grayslake, Ill., Allan Cartwright judging.

ITCA Nominating Committee report for the members of the Board of Governors was submitted by a committee member, Dr. Joseph Sayres. The report recommended reelection of the current Board of Governors. Dr. Sayres stated that the committee's report was a majority report, not unanimous. The report was adopted by voice vote, not unanimously, thus reelecting the present Board. Names of the Board members were listed in the January Bulletin.

ITCA medallions were presented to Club members whose dogs completed their championships or earned obedience degrees in the past year, and who joined the ITCA in time to be eligible.

A list of the new champions, as reported in the January to December issues of the A. K. Gazette in 1973, including those belonging to non-members of ITCA, is appended.

## Board of Governors

The Board of Governors convened shortly after the Annual Meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Traveling Specialty. The Board made an important decision when it agreed to initiate a third ITCA Specialty show, this one to be held in some other region than the East. The location of the present Fall and Winter Specialties, in Pennsylvania and New York, places members not living in the East at a disadvantage. Under the new plan, the two current Specialties would be continued as usual, and a third Specialty would be held, in the summer months, in a different part of the U.S. each year, not in the East. The initial Traveling Specialty is projected for the Chicago area for 1975. John Best and Ed Chojnowski were designated to develop plans and report back to the Board. Tentative planning is for a California site for the Traveling Specialty in 1976.

Method of Selection of Specialty Judges. The Board adopted a motion that the President appoint a committee from the Board to devise a method of selecting judges for ITCA Specialty shows that will provide wider participation of the ITCA membership in the selection process, and provide that judges' fees not be a preclusive consideration in the selection.

Method of Election of the Board of Governors. A suggestion was made that Board members be elected for longer terms (such as three years) the plan phased so that a limited number would be replaced each year. After discussion, the Board decided against changing the present system, for the following reasons: a. The above suggestion can be accommodated under the present procedure of election for one-year terms. It was pointed out that in addition to the Nominating Committee's recommendations, nominations may be made from the floor at the Annual Meeting. b. The proposal would require amendment to the Constitution, a move which should be made only for compelling reasons.

Gary Hammer Project. A committee comprising George Kidd as chairman, Joyce Wilson and Gregor Metzel was named to work with Gary Hammer to compile detailed information, such as proposed format, size, estimates of cost of publication, probable sales, etc., as the basis for a later decision by the Board whether to publish the project. (The Gary Hammer Project is a compilation of four-generation pedigrees for every Irish Terrier in the U.S. that ever became a champion.)

Election of Officers. The Board elected the following officers:

President	Michael Gately
Vice President	George Kidd
Secretary	Joyce Wilson
Treasurer	John Best

The board adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

An Irish Terrier fancier from Finland. The Acting Secretary reported at the Annual Meeting receiving a letter from Miss Anne-Maj Renquist, a Finnish girl presently in this country as an exchange student. Miss Renquist breeds and shows Irish Terriers at home. She would like to trade one of her puppies for an American-bred Irish Terrier puppy. I invited her to write another letter, for publication, telling something about herself and Irish Terriers in Finland. Following is her reply:

"I want to really thank you for your letter, for the pamphlets and for the Irish Terrier Breed Book. Excuse me that I didn't write sooner, but I thought it would be better to wait until my puppies were born. They were born January 15 (1973): four males and three females.

"In my home country there are approximately 150 Irish Terriers. The bloodlines are mostly from Denmark, from which country Mrs. Lucy Söderström brought them 15-25 years ago, also some from West Germany, Sweden and Norway.

"It is not a well-known breed in Finland, but all who see them like them. I acquired mine three years ago (Champion of Finland Birdhill Trixi) when Mr. Hans Lehtinen (you probably heard of him while visiting Finland) told me that there was a beautiful female for sale. My Mother was not very fond of the idea, because we already had two male English Cockers, but we went to see the puppy -- and took it home with us.

"I'm very interested in dog shows, as is my whole family. A dog gets to be a "Champion of Finland" if he wins three certificates from different shows and judges. In order to win a certificate the dog must be the best female or best male of the breed at the show. It often happens, however, that the judge thinks that the dog is not good enough to earn a certificate, in which case he doesn't award it. And that is why the dog usually has been in about 10 dog shows before getting to be a champion.

"Irish Terriers are very nice dogs. They have a brave and aggressive temperament, which gives them a noble look, but it is fortunate that they usually can keep their temperament under control.

"I was really surprised when you asked how Irish Terriers manage in the climate as far north as Finland. I thought that they couldn't manage in the south, what with their thick wiry coat!

"I feed my dogs food from tins, dry dog food, or sometimes I prepare their meal from a recipe I learned when I worked in a famous Swedish French Bulldog Kennel. And they always get some fresh meat before bedtime.

"I came to the U.S. to improve my English, as an exchange student, as English is said to be the international language of the future. As I told you, we have four dogs altogether.

"Last summer we bought a house in Helsinki (capital of Finland). That's why I began to think of buying a new Irish Terrier, so that I can have my own kennel in the future. I have a brother, 20 years old, and step-sisters 14 and 7 years old. While I am in the United States the rest of the family is taking care of the dogs. There is a kennel club in the suburb where I lived before, of which my Mother was secretary (by occupation, she is secretary to the General Manager of a company). Before coming here I was a member of the board of the same club, and president of the Junior committee. I hope that I'll get the same positions when I return to Finland next July. Thank you again, Mr. Kidd. Sincerely,

Anne-Maj Renquist."

Miss Renquist presently is living with the family of a U.S. Naval officer in Pensacola. Fla. Should anyone wish to pursue her proposal to trade puppies, please let me know.

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#### Round-up

Thanks to all of you who sent in proxies for the Annual Meeting.

Marie and Gary have settled in at a new address: 9140 Xylite St. N.E., Minneapolis, Minn. 55433. Gary is attending veterinary school and Marie is teaching.

Nick Calicura reports the following new officers of the ITC Northern California: President, Mary Howard; Vice President, Ellis West; Secretary, Nick Calicura, and Treasurer, Charlotte Brown. The Board of Directors comprises Rockwell Stone, Bonnie Neel, and Tom Lynch. Date of the ITCNC Specialty at the Golden Gate show is July 7, '74.

#### We welcome six new members:

Mr. and Mrs. (Lyle G. and Nakita L.) Moffitt  
1543, South Evanston, Tulsa, Okla. 74104

Mr. and Mrs. (Charles C. and Margaret) Woodard, Jr.  
60 Edgars Lane, Hastings-On-Hudson, N.Y. 10706

Mr. and Mrs. (Robert and Ruth) O'Brien  
16124 Kenny Road, Laurel, Md. 20810

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Mrs. D. G. Richardson has written us of the death of her husband January 2. We send her our sympathy. Tam Richardson has been an ITCA member since 1942. "I've temporarily had to give up my job as Historian for the Sarasota Obedience Training Club which I helped found almost 12 years ago; and which is going strong, as is my Mexican "baby": the one we started very much earlier... 'Bouncy Bridget', Am. & Mex. C.D. & C.D.X. bitch, is now almost 14 years old, and every added day she lives is precious to me."

Show Committee. We have said before: Specialty shows don't arrange themselves. People have to plan, execute, supervise. So, a sincere thanks to Joyce Wilson, Chairman for the Winter Specialty, and her Committee members: Hospitality - Betty Clark, with Doris Van Duyne, Jean Sturdy, Mary Jane Sturdy, Mary Gately and June Kennedy. Trophy - Karen Worth, Phyllis Kendrick, Edward Worth. Advertising - Anne and Klee Dobra. Publicity - Sue Griffiths. Stewards - Gregor Hetzel and Ed Chojnowski, with Sandy Hetzel as assistant.

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Salute to Teddy. As noted on an earlier page, the Board of Governors February 10 elected Joyce Wilson to the post of ITCA Secretary. Joyce succeeds Teresa M. Irving as Secretary and myself as Acting Secretary.

Before signing off this Bulletin I want to express my gratitude to Teddy Irving for her labors of more than a decade in behalf of the ITCA. For years Teddy, alone, did the work of an entire staff. She began her term in 1961 as Secretary-Treasurer. In addition she produced the Club Bulletins, wrote the Irish Terrier column for the A.K. Gazette and, in practice, performed as permanent Show Chairman for our two Specialties each year. Later the duties of Treasurer were separated from those of Secretary, but Teddy's responsibilities and workload continued to be very heavy. No person who is at the same time earning a living at a full-time job, and with a kennel of Irish Terriers to take care of at home, could keep up that pace indefinitely. In mid-1972 I volunteered to help, and was given the title Acting Secretary.

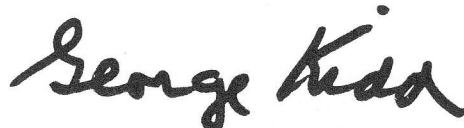
Now, as Teddy Irving and I turn over the chores, pressures, problems -- and fun -- of the secretaryship to Joyce Wilson, I make a bow to Teddy to thank her, warmly and deeply, for her contribution to the Club and its members. I know of no one who has worked longer hours and harder over a 10-year-span in behalf of the ITCA. I'm sure that Teddy joins me in wishing good luck and smooth sailing to Joyce.

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President Gately has just given me the names of the committee he has appointed to develop a method for selecting judges for ITCA Specialties (see page 3, second item). Members are John Best, chairman; Dennis Sheehan, and George Kidd.

Please send your suggestions to the committee members.



George Kidd  
Retiring Acting Secretary

Results of the  
ITCA Specialty, Jeremiah J. O'Callaghan Memorial  
State Armory, New York, N.Y., February 10, 1974

Judge: Robert Marshall

Puppy Dogs

1. Kel-Terre's Up the I.R.A. (Kelly Duncan)

Bred by Exhibitor Dogs

1. Professor Quill of Inisheer (Charles and Laureen Ritter)
2. Kel- Terre's Patrick O'Malley (Kelly Duncan)

American Bred Dogs

1. Chris's Bogie (Phyllis J. Kendrick)

Open Dogs

1. Cocksure Barnee Blue (Robert Clyde and Stephen Sundheimer)
2. Shamos of Lymehills (Barbara and Edward M. Keenan)
3. Sinn Fein Future Shock (Margaret Naughten)
4. Dungarvin's Carey (Edgar S. Carey)

Winner's Dog - Cocksure Barnee Blue  
Reserve - Shamos of Lymehills

Puppy Bitches

1. Cocksure Dun It Again (Robert Clyde)
2. Blazer's Colleen II (Mary Gately)
3. Cocksure Dub-L Trub-L (Robert Paust)

Bred by Exhibitor Bitches

1. Shindygo Dingle (Mrs. E. Eugene Koschara)

Open Bitches

1. Blackacre Bombshell (John S. Best)
2. Ahtram Irish Reflection (Klee C. and Anne B. Dobra)

Winner's Bitch - Blackacre Bombshell  
Reserve - Ahtram Irish Reflection

Veteran Dog Class

1. Ch. Shindygo High Pockets (Carol J. Butterworth)
2. Ch. Glannagalt Anascaul Michael (Joseph O'Connor and Susan Young)

Best of Breed Competition

- Ch. Dungarvin's Miss De Meaner (Teresa Irving and Joyce Wilson)
- Ch. Kincora's Kerry-Ann Girl (Joseph O'Connor and Susan Young)
- Ch. Riley's Tara of Glenworth (Phyllis Kendrick and Edward Worth)
- Ch. Cocksure Bub A Lin Over (Robert Clyde)
- Ch. Soctron's Hooley (Ed Sweeney)
- Ch. Riley's Cocksure Loach (Phyllis Kendrick)
- Ch. Trackway's Trademark (Vincent Scott Salem)
- Ch. Glenworth Minute Man (Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Worth)
- Ch. Blazer's Fusilier (Mary Gately)
- Ch. Carris's Watch Me (Richard A. and Sharie E. Diamond)

Best Irish Terrier - Ch. Glenworth Minute Man  
Best of Winners - Blackacre Bombshell  
Best Opposite Sex - Ch. Kincora's Kerry-Ann Girl

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Results of the Westminster K.C. Show February 12, 1974

Bred by Exhibitor Dogs

- 1. Kel-Terre's Patrick O'Malley (Kelly Duncan)

American Bred Dogs

- 1. Kel Terre's Up The I.R.A. (Kelly Duncan)

Open Dogs

- 1. Sinn Fein Future Shock (Margaret Naughton)
- 2. Cocksure Barnee Blue (Robert Clyde and Stephen Sundheimer)
- 3. Shamos of Lymehills (Barbara and Edward M. Keenan)

Winners Dog - Sinn Fein Future Shock  
Reserve - Cocksure Barnee Blue

Open Bitches

- 1. Blackacre Bombshell (John S. Best)

Winner's Bitch - Blackacre Bombshell

Best of Breed Competition

Best Irish Terrier - Ch. Carris's Watch Me  
(Richard and Sharie Diamond)  
Best of Winners - Blackacre Bombshell  
Best Opposite Sex - Blackacre Bombshell  
Judge - William Brainard

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New Champions, Obedience Degrees, Reported in A.K. Gazette, Jan-Dec '73

<u>Dog</u>	<u>Owner at the Time</u>
Riley's Cocksure Laoch	Pauline P. Puryear
Riley's Mavourneen	Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Ritter
Ryan's O'Malley of Bluffview	Michael L. and Mary Jo Ryan
Denbryl's Bright and Sassy	Dennis M. Barnes
Sheehan's Irish Delight	Victor M. Campilongo
Temrock's Little Drummer Girl	B. Grote and P. Theiss
Gloccomara Gallan	John A. Childers
Rockledge's Lady Cassandra	Peggy J. Veal
Donnybrook's Firecracker	Michael L. and Mary Jo Ryan
Gloccomara W. D. Owl	J. A. and Angela J. Childers
Haywire's Auburn Fancy	Roland G. Bartlett
Kincora's Kerry-Ann Girl	J. M. O'Connor and Susan Young
Sheehan's Irish Dream	Mary Howard
Ridge Road's Mr. R. Flint	Jean C. Anderson
Rockmar Michael Killeen	Rockwell L. and Margaret Stone
Trackways Tradition	Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Klemperer
Carris's Watch Me	Richard A. and Sharie E. Diamond
Glenworth's Erin	Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Worth
Valkrist's Sheila	Robert A. Sanders
Glenworth Minute Man	Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Worth
Sinn Fein Puck of the Irish	Margaret Naughton
Clannagael Kelly MacBrun	A. R. and N. D. Smith, Jr.
Rockledge's Goss	Cruse and Marion Honey
Trackways Trade Mark	Vincent S. Salem
Dungarvin's Miss De Meaner	Teresa M. Irving and Joyce A. Wilson
Kincora's Keeper of the Green	J. M. O'Connor and Susan Young
Trackways Thistle	Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Klemperer
Hi-Flight's Bluffview Mauler	Jerry W. Keefe and Lynn M. Renihan
Johnel's Seumas	John R. Tebbets
Live Oak Rusty Rebel	Ernest E. Massamine
Seamus Sinn Fein	Kevin and Jean Howard
Shantytown Guided Missile	Robert C. and Patricia Peters

Obedience C.D. Degrees

Gloccomara Gallan	John A. Childers
Live Oak Dixie Belle	Ernest E. Massimine
Ruff 'n Rowdy	Mrs. R. C. Mackeown

New champions as reported in the A.K. Gazette, Jan-Feb '74 issues

Blazer's Fusilier	Mary Gately
Cashel Moonrise	Joan and John Elliott
Cocksure Bub-A-Lin Over	Robert Clyde
Soctron's Hooley	Ed Sweeney
Trackway's Theme of Sandpiper	Robert and Roland A. Jordan

Confirmed but not yet reported in A.K. Gazette

Champion - Riley's Tara of Glenworth - Phyllis Kendrick/Edward Worth  
Obedience C.D. - Blazer's Raef - Mrs. Frank A. Fear

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