

IRISH TERRIER CLUB OF AMERICA

Now in its 52d year

OFFICERS, 1948

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NOTE.—This is the 26th of a series of bulletins your officers will issue from time to time on activities of interest to the membership. If you have bulletin material send it to the secretary.

CLUB HAS A NEW PRESIDENT

Alfred M. Niese of Englewood, N. J., an Irish terrier fancier since childhood, former secretary and A. K. C. delegate, became president of the club at the annual meeting of the board of governors Feb. 10, when he was chosen to succeed Gen. E. B. McKinley. Mrs. M. Carter Hall of Washington Grove, Md., was named vice-president at the suggestion of Marcus Boyd, who had previously held that office. Howard C. Rice was re-elected to the post of secretary-treasurer and Thomas H. Mullins to that of A. K. C. delegate.

General McKinley's refusal to serve longer was based on his belief in rotation in office plus the fact that he is leaving his present post as commandant of the College of the Armed Forces in Washington to take a position with the Harvard School of Business Administration. What he has done for the club during his four-year term as president is evidenced by the flourishing condition it is in at present, and the membership will be glad to know that he not only remains on the board of governors but expects to resume active breeding before long.

Twenty-four members were present at the club's annual meeting, marked by interesting discussions concerning interpretation of the standard and the proposal that the club sponsor a program under which owners of stud dogs would agree to give free services to bitches whose owners would promise to show at least one of the litters so produced. The

plan was not adopted although it was the consensus of opinion that such an offer was a good one for stud dog owners to make individually, as many of them stated their intention of doing.

Discussion of the standard centered about the sentence, "The three-quarters dock is about right," in regard to the tail, and it was finally agreed that pending a thorough standard revision, the sentence be clarified by an explanatory note.

The report of the secretary-treasurer supplementing the annual auditor's report showed a balance of something over \$2,600 in the treasury, close to \$700 of it on account of payments for advertising in the forthcoming Breed Book. Membership as of Feb. 4 stood at 96, with one new member voted in at the annual governors' meeting and two more now under consideration.

Governors elected were Marcus Boyd of Pittsburgh, Thomas F. Bolton of Lakewood, O., Richard F. Dalton of Long Island City, Dr. L. W. Goss of Columbus, O., H. G. Haggerty of Cleveland, O., Mrs. M. Carter Hall of Washington Grove, Md., Gen. E. B. McKinley of Washington, D. C., Thomas H. Mullins of New Canaan, Conn., Edward O. Keefe of Chicago, Alfred N. Niese of Englewood, N. J., Alexander Palmer of Toronto, Dr. J. B. Richardson of Louisville, Ky., Howard C. Rice of Brattleboro, Harrison Spangler of Cedar Rapids, Ia., and W. A. E. Woods of Ft. Worth, Texas.

1948 SPECIALTY SHOW

Although well below that of the record-breaking anniversary event of last year, the entry at the 1948 Specialty Show in New York was on the whole satisfactory. Certainly the quality was good. Disorganized train schedules required a last-minute shift in judges, but the show officials were fortunate in securing the services of Thomas H. Carruthers,

III, of Glendale, O., to act in place of Ed. Keefe, who failed to reach the city until late in the afternoon, much to his annoyance. Irish at the Garden the following day were judged by Dr. L. W. Goss, and the placings there in the main followed those at the Specialty. Complete awards for both events are given below.

ODDS AND ENDS

The new Breed Book is now in the production stage; that is, part of the copy is in the printer's hands. Thanks to liberal advertising support, it will be larger than the 1941 volume probably 96 pages, and should be a valuable contribution to the history of Irish Terrier. Distribution date is indefinite, but should be sometime next month. Every club member will receive a complimentary copy. Additional copies will be sold for \$1 in single orders and 25c in lots of 10 or more. The edition will be 1,500.

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Here is a 35-year-old comment on Irish, from the Kennel Gazette of London, which is as pertinent today as when it was written: "What the breed appears to be losing is the small, dark eye and the keen terrier expression that was so fascinating in the earlier dog shows, and the hard, game, reckless, daredevil character that is peculiar to the breed. It was the gameness and all-around sporting qualities of the Irish Terrier that first attracted people on this side of the water, and

it is essential these qualities be kept up if the breed is to maintain its popularity."

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Through the loss and recovery of the secretary's Specialty and Garden entry, Alehouse Annie, the breed secured a lot of publicity via the metropolitan press and the radio. Stolen from a loading ramp the last night of the Westminster Show, the bitch was found two night later through an anonymous tip to the New York police, none the worse for her experience.

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To members who have neglected to pay their 1948 dues this is a gentle reminder that they should be sent to the secretary-treasurer.

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And don't forget that if Irish are to remain on the Morris & Essex classification after this year an entry of 50 will be required, W. Ross Proctor has been selected to judge Irish at this famous fixture, and the club is offering generous cash specials.

H. C. RICE, Secretary.

SPECIALTY AWARDS

Puppy, dogs—1st, Mrs. Lorna Wright's G. D. Tim; 2d, H. S. Burrows' Stewartstown Dandy; 3d, Elizabeth Noonan's Head of the Bay Fleet Marine; absent, M. D. Earle's Early Bat.

American-bred, dogs—1st, Michael Gately's Son of Blazer; 2d, Rusthall Kennels' Rusthall Renegade; 3d, Miss Rose Cassidy's Rose O'Dundonnell.

Limit, dogs—1st, Dundonnell Kennels' Dundonnell Blamey; 2d, Miss Margaret Morehouse's Finian's Rainbow of Ballycliff; 3d, Miss Marion Beckert's Derg Dabster; absent, A. Palmer's Ballycliff Bellhop.

Open, dogs—1st, Mrs. M. Carter Hall's Kilvara Magic Master; 2d, R. W. Bemis' Blackthorn Beau Brummel II; 3d, A. Palmer's Ballycliff Beacon; 4th, John Naughton's Jamestown Surprise; absent, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. E. Woods' Ballywood Gille McCoul.

Winners, dogs—Kilvara Magic Master; reserve, G. D. Tim.

Puppy, bitches—1st, A. Palmer's Ballycliff Ballerina; 2d, Mrs. George Kohl's Rose of Carrickmore.

Novice, bitches—1st, Henry Rawes' Sheila; 2, H. S. Burrows' Stewartstown Sentiment; 3d, Patrick McMalley's Mac-Malley's Florida; absent, R. E. Thomas' Illala Bell and Miss Beckert's Derg Peggy Midget.

American-bred, bitches—1st, H. C. Rice's Alehouse Annie; 2d, D. T. Dempsey's Irish Dream Girl; 3d, J. J. Hughes' Carrickmore Lass; 4, T. H. Mullins' Bernagh Red Hot.

Limit, bitches—1st, Stewartstown Sentiment; 2d, Irish Dream Girl; 3d, J. J. Gibney's Midtown Judy Begorra.

Open, bitches—1st, Rusthall Kennels' Ballycliff Blanche; 2d, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Bohr's Topsham Star; 3, James and Esther McIver's Irish Lass of Monty-Air; 4th, Andrew O'Neill's Kelvin Glorious of Carrickmore.

Winners, bitches—Ballycliff Blanche; reserve, Topsham Star.

Best of winners and best of breed, Kilvara Magic Master.

Best of opposite sex, Ballycliff Blanche.

Special class of American-bred and Canadian-bred dogs and bitches, Topsham Star.

WESTMINSTER AWARDS

Puppy, dogs—1st, Mrs. Lorna Wright's G. D. Tim; 2d, Dundonnell Kennels' Dundonnell Convention; 3d, H. S. Burrows' Stewartstown Sandy; 4th, Mrs. Elizabeth Noonan's Head of the Bay Fleet Marine.

American-bred, dogs—1st, Michael Gately's Son of Blazer; 2d, Mrs. Rose Cassidy's Lyons O'Dundonnell; 3d, Rusthall Kennels' Rusthall Renegade; 4th, Miss Marion Beckert's Derg Dabster.

Limit, dogs—1st, Dundonnell Kennels' Dundonnell Blamey; 2, Miss Margaret Morehouse's Finian's Rainbow of Ballycliff.

Open, dogs—1st, Mrs. M. Carter Hall's Kilvara Magic Master; 2d, A. Palmer's Ballycliff Beacon; 3d, R. W. Bemis' Blackthorn Beau Brummel II; 4th, J. J. Corcoran's Castlebar Casey.

Winners, dogs—Kilvara Magic Master; reserve, Ballycliff Beacon.

Puppy, bitches—1st, H. C. Rice's Alehouse Annie; 2d, A. Palmer's Ballycliff Ballerina; 3, Mrs. George Kohl's Rose of Carrickmore; 4th, Michael Gately's Irish Jigger.

American-bred, bitches—1st, Miss Beckert's Derg Colleen Belle; 2d, T. H. Mullins' Bernagh Red Hot; 3d, A. O'Neill's Kelvin Glorious of Carrickmore.

Limit, bitches—1st, Stewartstown Sentiment; 2d, Dundonnell Kennels' Dundonnell Sweetheart.

Open, bitches—1st, Rusthall Kennels' Ballycliff Blanche; 2d, Mr. and Mrs. Bohr's Topsham Star; 3d., Jas. and Esther McIver's Irish Lass of Monty-Aye; 4th, J. J. Hughes' Carrickmore Lass.

Winners, bitches and best of opposite sex—Ballycliff Blanche; reserve, Topsham Star.

Best of Winners, Kilvara Magic Master.

Best of breed—A. Palmer's Ballycliff Blizzard.