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 NEWSLETTER OF THE IRISH TERRIER CLUB OF AMERICA  
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 May-June, 1979  
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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

John Marvin recently addressed a serious message about the gasoline problem to the Dog Writers' Association of America, Inc., of which he is president. It merits repeating here. Mr. Marvin wrote, in part:

"Increasing gasoline prices together with the dire predictions of ever-lessening supplies and possible rationing, cause those of us who were active in dogs during World War II to harken back to the problems that such a shortage created then. . .

"The present gasoline shortage with escalating prices for the precious fuel will bring many problems to the dog fancy and these should be acknowledged now, together with thoughts as to how best to cope with the situation, which will grow much worse before it becomes better. Possibly the most desirable means of 'beating the rap' is to double up in the matter of transportation. Two exhibitors can ride for the price of one, and this will surely benefit the pocketbook of both. Further, it will help ease the gasoline shortage. Many will say, 'What's one more car more or less got to do with it?' and this is very shortsighted. If thousands of exhibitors across the land followed this path, many thousands of gallons of gas would be conserved, to say nothing of the saving on tires and lessening of traffic. I am sure that most will do nothing about this critical situation until government controls are imposed, but a word of warning as to what will surely happen is not out of place. I have seen too many vans arrive at a show with two or three dogs in them not to realize how wasteful we can be. . . ."

*George Kiss*

EDITORS' COMMENTS

There are a couple of items in this issue of the Newsletter that are important because they require your response. One, which appears on the last page, is a note from Jim Reed announcing the opportunity to contribute to the trophy fund for the Montgomery County Specialty. There is a deadline of June 20, so this time please read the last page first!

Second, Joe Sayres, chairman of the committee for presentation of the Irish Terrier standard during next February's judges symposium, has requested suggestions from the members. If you've ever complained that the judges don't understand the standard, here's your chance to set them straight. The committee would like some constructive comments to tell the judges.

Send information to:

Dr. Joe Sayres  
 15 Everymay  
 Williamsville, NY 14221

There has been too little commentary on the standard in the Newsletter, too. If you prepare something for Joe, consider sending us a copy and we'll share it with the rest of the members.

Marie and Gary Johnson  
 Editors  
 6232 Gardner Road  
 Altamont, NY 12009

CLUB NOTES

The Board of Governors has chosen Margaret Stone, Gary Johnson and John Childers to comprise the ITCA Nominating Committee for 1979, with Margaret Stone as chairman. Linda Honey and Richard Diamond are alternate members. The Committee has begun its deliberations and will be reporting to the membership by July 1, as required by the ITCA constitution.

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John Best received the most votes in a poll of the ITCA Board members for the selection of Sweepstakes judge for the Montgomery Specialty, October 7, 1979. John has graciously agreed to forego--or perhaps get a late start--his annual fall hunting trip. He has accepted the Board's invitation and has subsequently been approved by the AKC for this event. The judge for the regular classes at Montgomery will be Board member Dennis M. Barnes.

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Ed and Nell Earlen recently turned over the John Best their collection of Irish Terrier books and requested that John dispose of them for the benefit of the Club, the receipts to cover their dues and the balance to be a contribution to the Club's general funds.

The books were offered to those members who had shown interest in completing a collection of Club breed books. There are still on hand a couple of copies of the 1948 and 1959 breed books on which the minimum prices are \$15 and \$7, respectively.

This contribution, which will total approximately \$225, is certainly appreciated by all.

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As many of you already know, tragedy struck the family of our Board member Jeanene MacDonald and her husband Alan. Their youngest son, Joel, was killed in an automobile accident on Easter weekend. A card of sympathy was sent to them on behalf of the ITCA membership. The following note was received from Jeanene and Alan to all of us.

"Dear Friends in the ITCA:

"We wish to thank all of you who have written and sent cards for your kind thoughts. We deeply appreciate being remembered at this very sad time in our lives.

"We are very grateful in saying that John has recuperated from his injuries and is back at work.

"Again, thank you all for your thoughts and prayers."

Sincerely,

Alan and Jeanene MacDonald

PROSPECTIVE JUDGES FOR ITCA SPECIALTIES

The Judicial Selection Committee of Marion Honey (Chairman), Tem Frahmman and Ed Chojnowski have tabulated the ballots received from the ITCA membership for judges for our next three specialties. In case of a tie vote, the person receiving the higher number of first choices determined the winner. There were three ties: Tom Gately and David Merriam tied for third place; Barbara Keenan and Dr. David Doane tied for fifth place; Mike Gately and James Kelley tied for seventh place.

1. Dr. Joseph Sayres
2. Nick Calicura
3. Tom Gately
4. Hon. David Merriam
5. Barbara Keenan
6. Dr. David Doane
7. Michael Gately
8. James P. Kelley, Jr.
9. Annemarie Moore
10. John W. Hillman

The Board presently has under consideration inviting Joe Sayres and Tom Gately to judge October, 1980, or February, 1981, whichever is most convenient for each one. (Mrs. Riggs will judge February, 1980). It is suggested that we invite Nick Calicura to judge the 1980 Traveling Specialty which it is hoped will be in the Northern California area.

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The 1979-80 edition of "Touring with Towser" is now available from Gaines. The 64-page book lists more than 2,000 independently-owned hotels and motels that accept pets plus nationwide chains that will accept dogs and cats.

The book costs \$1, and can be ordered from: Gaines TWT, P.O. Box 1007, Kankakee, IL 60901.

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NEW ITCA MEMBERS

Kathleen M. Shea  
154 Lovell Street  
Worcester, MA 01603

Margaret L. Duff  
237 Forrest Drive  
Chalfont, PA 18914

Kenneth A. Crips  
322 East Third Avenue  
Cheyenne, WY 82001

Frances Madinn  
59 Tipton Drive East  
Shirley, NY 11967

WELCOME!!

## ITCA HOLDS SPECIALTY IN MICHIGAN

Lots of good dog talk, a successful grooming clinic, and the comraderie that goes with old and new friends getting together, characterized this year's ITCA traveling specialty held for the first time in Michigan. The three shows, held over the Memorial Day weekend, brought together a group of people from the Midwest as well as a rather large contingent from the West Coast. Results of the shows appear below.

Several items from the weekend deserve special attention. Ellis West conducted a grooming clinic, attended by about 15 people. Without a doubt, anyone who has seen the results of Ellis' efforts would want to learn his secrets! The traditional pre-specialty dinner was arranged by Ann and Tom Johnson, and reports are that this was a great success. The trophy table contained a lovely display of imported Irish items, arranged by Trice Smith. And, last but not least, to commemorate the event the Irish Terrier Club of Greater Detroit published a special issue of their publication, the Daredevil Messenger. This effort was spearheaded by Duayne Koltowicz, with Anne Kelly, Jim Duffy and Mary Jane Gudendyk assisting. It's available for \$2.50, + 25¢ for mailing, from Jan Miller, 1597 Foley, Ypsilanti, Michigan 48197.

### Grand Rapids Kennel Club

Judge: Mrs. Edna Joel

Winners Dog, Best of Winners:	Sheehans Irish Hellion
Winners Bitch:	Tralees Folly of Trackways
Best of Opposite Sex:	Ch. Sheehan's Irish Heather
Best of Breed:	Ch. Rockledge's Mr. Morgan

### Kalamazoo Kennel Club

Judge: Mrs. Ann Stevenson

Winners Dog, Best of Winners:	Sheehan's Irish Hellion
Reserve Winners Dog:	Shannon Mist Riley
Winners Bitch:	Tyterry Ramblin' Rose
Reserve Winners Bitch:	Tralees Folly of Trackways
Best of Opposite Sex:	Ch. Telstarr Ya Gotta Believe
Best of Breed:	Ch. Sheehan's Irish Heather

### Battle Creek Kennel Club

Judge: Mr. Richard Renihan

Results on next page.

To top off a terrific weekend, Ch. Sheehan's Irish Heather went on to Group 2 on Sunday, and Ch. Rockledge's Mr. Morgan capped his win with a Group 3 on Saturday. A good weekend and a good showing for the Irish!

### Other recent group placements include:

Group 1	Ch. Sheehan's Irish Heather	Packerland KC	Judge: Mrs. Lydia Hutchinson
Group 2:	Ch. Sheehan's Irish Heather	Sheboygan KC	Judge: Mr. Glen Sommers
Group 2	Ch. Irish Showstopper	Wyoming Valley KC	Judge: Mrs. Anne Clark
	owner: Dr. Joe Sayres		

**IRISH TERRIERS. Puppy, Dogs, 9 mos. and under 12 mos.**

- 1 13 **Birys Lord of Trackways.** RA485527. 7-15-78. Breeder, Pat Casey. By Ch. Telstarr John Henry—Ch. Mullaghboy Bad N Beautiful. Walt and Cory Klemperer.

**IRISH TERRIERS. Open, Dogs**

- 2 14 **Sheehan's Irish Hellion.** RA334508. 11-27-76. Breeder, Dennis Sheehan. By Ch. Sheehan's Irish Dennis—Ch. Glannagalt Love Peace. Cory Klemperer and Mary Roberts.
- 3 24 **Shannon Mist Riley.** RA372072. 4-28-77. Breeder, P. J. Kendrick. By Ch. Riley's Cocksure Laock—Ch. Riley's Tara of Glenworth. Ed. Chojnowski.
- 1 32 **Gloccomara Muzak Master.** RA424327. 8-31-77. Breeder, Owner. By Ch. Glannagalt Now Peace—Ch. Gloccomara Centrifugal Mama. Ellis F. West.
- 0 24 **Gloccomara Tax Master.** RA456300. 7-7-78. Breeder, Ellis West. By Ch. Glannagalt Now Peace—Ch. Gloccomara Centrifugal Mama. John Childers.

WINNERS DOG 32 Reserve 14 Points ..... Dogs .....

**IRISH TERRIERS. Puppy, Bitches, 6 mos. and under 9 mos.**

- 1 25 **Knocnarea's Polly.** RL584940. 9-5-78. Breeder, Mary Jane Oudendyk. By Ch. Kincora's Out of My Way—Culliedown Shahean. Mary Jane Oudendyk.

**IRISH TERRIERS. Bred by Exhibitor, Bitches**

- 1 27 **Antara's Keltic Aura.** RA481140. 8-14-78. Breeder, James S. and Ann M. Kelly. By Ch. Professor Quill of Inisheer—Culliedown Bright of Morn. James S. and Ann M. Kelly.

**IRISH TERRIERS. Open, Bitches**

- 4 12 **Carlbeth's Mavoureen.** RA451904. 1-10-77. Breeder, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Barnes. By Ch. Gloccomara Redrick O'Farin, UD—Clonmel's Tara of Bunratty. Suzanne N. Griffiths.
- 1 15 **Tralees Folly of Trackways.** RA429021. 7-24-77. Breeder, C. A. and M. R. Roberts. By Ch. Telstarr Ya Gotta Believe—Ch. Tralees Kerry Dancer. Walt and Cory Klemperer.
- 20 **Blackacre Best Bet.** RA411677. 6-27-77. Breeder, Gary R. Jacob. By Ch. Blackacre Barrister—McKie of Cork. John S. Best.
- 2 22 **Culliedown's Gaelic Mist.** RA381500. 7-10-77. Breeder, Elizabeth Wilson. By Ch. Kincora's Out of My Way—Ch. Culliedown Gaelic Girl. Tom and Louise A. Hickey.
- 3 26 **Tyterry Ramblin' Rose.** RA441105. 8-7-77. Breeder, Thomas M. Johnson. BY Ch. Gallagher of Bluffview—Ch. Blackacre Bellringer. Janice and Chris Bush.
- 37 **Baystone Firelight.** RA433113. 2-13-77. Breeder, John Childers. By Glannagalt Now Peace—Ch. Glannagalt WD Owl. Steve and Carolyn Roberson.

WINNERS BITCH 15 Reserve 22 Points ..... Bitches .....

**IRISH TERRIERS. Veteran Dog Class**

- 23 **Ch. Kincora's Keeper of the Green, CD.** RA971407. 4-14-72. Breeder, Joseph O'Connor and Susan Young. By Ch. Foxglove Barnaby—Ch. Riley's Meggin O'Shay. Ann Reed, Susan Young and Joseph O'Connor.

**IRISH TERRIERS. Best of Breed Competition**

- 11 **Ch. Sheehan's Irish Heather.** RA334509. 11-27-76. Breeder, Dennis Sheehan. By Ch. Sheehan's Irish Dennis—Ch. Glannagalt Love Peace. Bitch. Patricia A. Kostal.
- 16 **Ch. Rockledge's Mt. Morgan.** RA338776. 7-18-76. Breeder, Owner. By Ch. Antram Bonus—Ch. Rockledge's Siobhan O'Goss. Dog. Linda M. Honey.
- 17 **Ch. Telstarr Ya Gotta Believe.** RA332137. 7-28-76. Breeder, Betty Morton. By Trackways Something Extra—Tralee's Thumbelina. Dog. Mary R. Roberts and Cory Klemperer.
- a 18 **Ch. Rockledge's Miles Dylan.** RA413526. 6-4-77. Breeder, Linda M. Honey. By Ch. Ahtram Bonus—Ch. Rockledge's Siobhan O'Goss. Dog. Laureen and Charles Ritter.
- 0 19 **Ch. Inisheer's Irish Eyes.** RA368962. 9-9-76. Breeder, Joseph P. Sayres. By Ch. Irish Rebellion—Ch. Irish Ms. Bitch. Laureen and Charles Ritter.
- 21 **Ch. Blackacre Barrister.** RA316159. 3-8-76. Breeder, Owner. By Ch. Tyterry Paddywack—Blackacre Bracken II. Dog. John S. Best.
- 0 29 **Ch. Hornpipe Promises Promises.** RA429183. 9-27-77. Breeder, R. James Wilson and Est. of James R. Murdock. By Ch. Kincora's Out of My Way—Ch. Culliedown Coleen of Markris. Bitch. Jean M. Hall and R. James Wilson.
- 35 **Ch. Culliedown Dame Ryanne.** RA364807. 6-27-77. Breeder, R. James Wilson. By Ch. Kincora's Out of My Way—Ch. Culliedown Coleen of Markris. Bitch. R. James Wilson and P. Jean Smith.

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IRISH TERRIER CLUB OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SPECIALTY

September is THE month to see San Francisco: balmy weather, azure skies, and the Irish Terrier Club of Northern California Specialty. This show is held September 15 on the grounds of the Marin Center, designed by Frank Lloyd Wright. ITCA member Dr. Joe Sayres will be judging. The following day the Hon. David Merriam will judge the Irish Terrier classes at the Sir Francis Drake All Breed Show, held on the same show grounds. Those interested in obtaining entries or advertising information, please contact Diana Martin, 189 San Luis Road, Sonoma, CA 95476.

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LITTER BASKET

Marion Honey  
16470 Wagon Wheel Dr.  
Riverside, CA 92506

Gary and Marie Johnson  
6232 Gardner Road  
Altamont, NY 12009

2 Males      4/24/79  
4 Females

1 Male, 1 Female  
3/3/79

Ch. Rockledge's Mr. Morgan ex  
Ch. Rockledge's Norah Ann

Gloccomara Muzak Master ex  
Alchemy Original Cinnamon

Ellis West  
53 Holly Heights  
Petaluma, CA

2 Females      6 weeks old

Ch. Glannagalt Now Peace ex  
Ch. Gloccomara Centrifugal Mama

Remember, the person to contact about puppies is:

Mr. Pat Casey  
5628 Kriscliffe Court  
Boise, Idaho 83704  
(208) 377-5265

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The following correspondence, printed verbatim, refers to an issue that was recently brought before the Board by John Elliott. The Board's action and reasons for the action follows.

March 27, 1979

Mrs. Nancy Hetzel, Sec.  
Irish Terrier Club of America  
4876 Keithdale Lane  
Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48013

Dear Nancy;

Thank you for your prompt answer to my letter of March 20th. If I understand your answer to my questions correctly, the Board of Governors did not appoint any committee to oversee balloting for the selection of judges for future specialties, nor did it extend to any club members a grace period for the payment of annual dues.

The ITCA By-Laws do not authorize the club President to appoint committees. Committees are appointed by, and subject to the authority of the Board. See Article 5, Section 1. As the Board had not appointed any committee for judicial selection prior to March 9th, no such committee existed at the time the notice and ballots were sent out.

The ITCA By-Laws do not authorize the officers of the club to grant any grace period to members who are delinquent in payment of annual dues. Grace periods may only be granted by the Board. See Article 4, Section B. As the Board did not grant any grace periods to delinquent members, all persons whose dues remained unpaid 60 days after the first day of the fiscal year were in fact no longer members of the club at the time the March 9th notice was sent out.

Article I, Section 4, (b)

Also, please note that there is a fundamental procedural flaw which follows as a result of the above-noted violations of the ITCA By-Laws. It appears that the notice and ballots of March 9th were sent out to non-members as well as members. This renders the tabulation of returned ballots useless, because it is doubtful that the ballots of members can be distinguished and separated from the ballots of non-members. Surely a respect for the rights of members requires that every reasonable care be taken to guarantee that non-members do not take part in any club elections. The Board has a serious obligation in this regard.

The Board should take prompt action to appoint a committee to poll the members in good standing on the election of judges for our club specialties in 1980 and 1981. Please let me know what the Board intends to do about this. Time is growing short!

Sincerely,

*John*

John J. Elliott, Jr.

Box 227  
Riverton, Virginia 22651

Following the Board's receipt of John Elliott's letter, John Best studied the situation in detail and presented several questions to the Board in order to resolve the matter. Board members Best, Hetzel, Honey, Kelley, Kendrick, Kidd, Peters, Ritter, Sayres, Welch, Joyce Wilson and Jim Wilson (12) voted in unanimous agreement with "yes" for questions 1 and 2 and "no" for questions 3 through 6. Replies and votes were not received from Barnes, Kennedy, MacDonald (this coincided with the loss of her son) and West.

The questions were:

1. Was a 30-day grace period for the payment of dues granted for the year 1979?
2. Was a judicial selection committee validly appointed by the president either under his appurtenant powers or under a delegation of authority by the Board of Governors?
3. Shall the treasurer return to those persons who were late in paying dues the sums they have now paid to him?
4. Shall the treasurer refuse to accept payment of dues for 1979 and prior years and advise persons tendering them to submit applications for reinstatement?
5. Shall the secretary and treasurer refuse to accept membership applications and funds accompanying such applications from persons sponsored by a former member whose membership had at the time of sponsorship lapsed for nonpayment of dues?
6. Shall any persons who have been approved as new members whose applications were sponsored by persons whose memberships had lapsed for nonpayment of dues at the time the application was submitted be notified that they had not been duly accepted into membership and should the funds forwarded by them be refunded?

May 16, 1979

Mr. John J. Elliott, Jr.  
Box 227  
Riverton, VA 22651

Dear John:

The ITCA Board of Governors has reviewed your letter of March 27, 1979, carefully considered the challenges therein, and agreed as follows on the various issues:

Judicial Selection Committee - This committee conducts the poll on judges for our Specialties, counts the ballots, and reports the results. Then it disbands. No personal discretion or judgement is involved for its members. The Board considers this committee to be ad hoc, with purely ministerial duties, as distinguished from a "standing committee," appointment of which is specifically assigned by the By-laws to the Board of Governors. Article III, Section 2(a) states that the President "shall have powers and duties normally appurtenant to the office of president in addition to those specified in the By-laws." The Board considers that the "appurtenant" powers of the president encompass appointment of this ad hoc committee.

Furthermore, the Board took a position on this specific question last January. Robert Peters submitted to the Board, for comment and action, proposed guidelines for the selection of Specialty judges. This draft provided that the president appoint a three-person committee to roll the membership for the selection of Specialty show judges. Five Board members approved the Peters draft without change. Other Board members proposed certain changes. No member objected to the provision that the president appoint the committee. The Board is still working on the Peters draft.

The ITCA Board of Governors considers that the 1979 Judicial Selection Committee was legally appointed and supported George Kidd's choices.

Grace Period - Although the Board took no formal vote before March 2 to invoke the grace period provided for in the By-laws, it was taken for granted that we would give delinquents that extra time, as the Club has invariably done for the past twenty years and probably longer. In April 1979 the Board formally voted that a grace period had been granted.

Did Non-Members Vote? - The judicial selection ballot clearly stated that only paid-up members were entitled to vote. This statement assumed honesty on the part of ITCA members, and confidence that no member would attempt to vote unless dues had been paid at least by the time he mailed his ballot.

Delinquency - For many years it has been the practice of the ITCA to accept dues after expiration of the deadline. For the past five years, for example, at least forty to fifty members each year have been late in payment, and the money accepted and the members treated as in good standing. This practice was continued under the new constitution in 1978.

This year the delinquency rate was exceptionally high. I am personally positive it was because the ITCA Annual meeting took place last October and not in February 1979, as had been the custom. We faced the question whether to drop the delinquents forthwith -- roughly one-third of the Club membership -- as required by strict interpretation of the By-laws, or to stretch the deadline with expectation that a majority of these members would pay up.

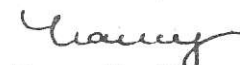
The Board chose the latter course.

Granted that Club members should pay dues when they are due, in light of past policy it seemed unrealistic and unfair to start a course of rigid compliance without prior warning. As for the future, planning is now under way for more energetic measures, aimed at eliminating delinquency in payment of ITCA dues.

The Board plans to inform the ITCA membership via a forthcoming Newsletter of the points you have raised and the Board's consideration and action on them. Please let me know immediately if you have any objection to your letter of March 27 being published verbatim.

Thank you for your alertness in noting the various points raised in your letter.

Sincerely,



Nancy L. Hetzel, ITCA Secretary

James C. Reed  
5852 La Jolla Corona Drive  
La Jolla, California 92037

May 28, 1979

IRISH TERRIER CLUB OF AMERICA

Dear Fellow Members,

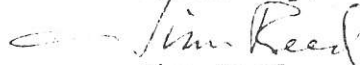
The ITCA will present the Irish Terrier classes as it's fall specialty at the Montgomery Co. Kennel Club Show on October 7, 1979 at Ambler, Pa. As usual, this is a three show weekend, with Hatburo and Devon preceeding the Montgomery Co. show.

Pursuant to your instructions, the club has obtained the services of Dennis Barnes, long time ITCA member and breeder of Irish Terriers as judge for the regular classes and John Best, past president, breeder and member of the ITCA for 20 years, for the sweepstakes.

Under the guidance of Show Chairperson Sue Griffiths, with Frank Kennedy handling advertising and June Kennedy hospitality, we can anticipate this to be the best weekend ever.

All that is needed to assure this; is your usual generous response to our solicitation for contributions for our trophy table. Permit me to thank you in advance for your support, and remind you to keep in mind the deadlines shown on the tear off portion of this letter.

Cordially;

  
Jim Reed

P.S. Sue has contacted the weatherman, who assures her that we can count on the usual Montgomery weather - come prepared.

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I/we \_\_\_\_\_ wish to contribute \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (check enclosed)  
or \_\_\_\_\_ to the trophy fund.  
description of trophy and class

If you contribute cash to the trophy fund, please make all check payable to the IRISH TERRIER CLUB OF AMERICA, and forward to James Reed, 5852 La Jolla Corona La Jolla, CA. 92037 DEADLINE - June 20, 1979

If you contribute a trophy, please arrange to send the trophy to Sue Griffith, RR#1, Urbana, Il, 61801 to arrive no later than September 5, 1979