

Midwest Wolfhound

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Irish wolfhounds and their people.
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**Best of Breed
Keltair's Halo Legend
SPRING MATCH**

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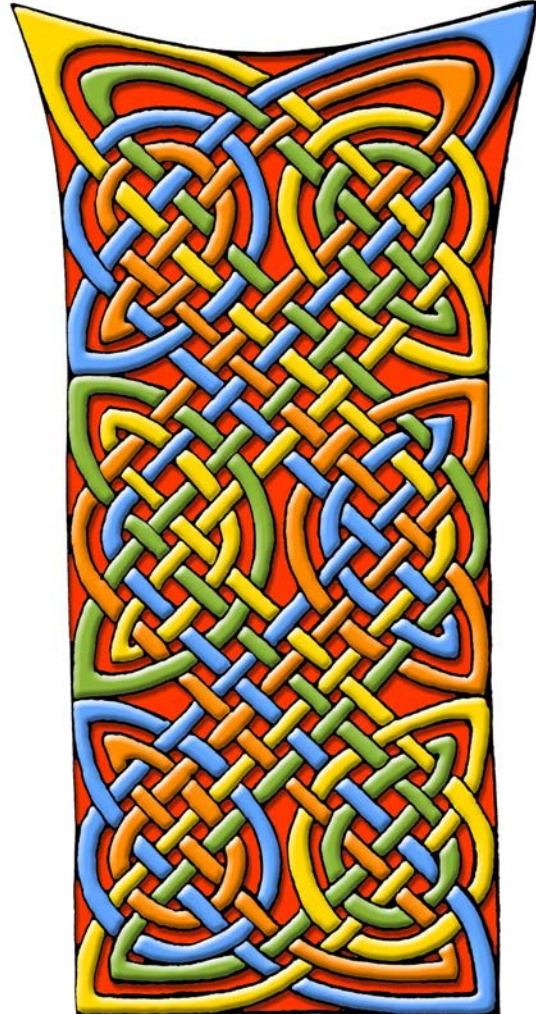
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President's Report

Our annual Fun Match was held on Saturday, April 13 at Pilcher Park in Joliet, IL. The weather was "challenging" – wind, cold, occasional snow, occasional sun. However, any day out with Wolfhounds and their people is a good day and we enjoyed it.

Judge Gretchen Bernardi was wonderful. She went above and beyond her role of judge, including all who were present in her activities. She invited the audience into the ring to explain why she had picked a particular hound as a winner. After the showing was done she took time to go over anyone's dog who wanted her opinion. She always referred us back to the standard as she told us what she saw and felt in a particular dog. Her graciousness and wealth of experience made the day educational and enjoyable for all of us, showing or not. Thanks, Gretchen!

Thanks also to all of the volunteers who made the day run smoothly:
 Chris Krowzak, Match Chairman
 Maria Lubera, Match Secretary
 MB Kinsella-Topping, Ring Steward
 Claire Morrison and Madeleine Mahoney, Boutique
 Joe Mahoney and Douglas Morrison, set-up
 Debbie Greene, location and lodging
 Barb Pische, meals
 And everyone else who pitched in on the day.

The LGRA meet on the following day was cancelled due to insufficient entries.

The Board decided at its last meeting that GLIWA will not conduct a Fun Match in 2014. Unfortunately, over the past 10+ years, entries and attendance of members

have steadily declined and few new volunteers have been added to those who have made it work. Your Board is planning for other activities which we hope will interest the membership and encourage people to attend. Please let us know what interests you!

A calendar of events is included in this issue. Join us at one or more of these activities. We always enjoy the comradeship of our group, and the response of the public is heart-warming.

The breeding and sale of Irish Wolfhounds without due regard to the welfare and improvement of the breed is something we watch with concern. By joining GLIWA, we have become ambassadors for the breed. Your participation in events where we educate the public goes a long way to promote and protect the welfare of the breed. Getting the message out in the Chicago area is essential. Please help by participating in GLIWA activities. I look forward to seeing you there.

This is your newsletter, and we all look forward to seeing what is happening in our membership. Don't forget to send pictures, brags, and anecdotes about your dogs to Pat Powers for inclusion in the next publication.

Jane



Great Lakes Irish Wolfhound Association

Board meeting of Sunday, June 2, 2013

Jane Brown, President called the meeting to order at 12:33 p.m.

Board Members present: Jane Brown, Leslye Sandberg, Claire Morrison, Doug Morrison, Joe Mahoney, Debbie Habian, Maria Lubera.
Debbie Greene, Bill Hurless
Guests present: Madeline Mahoney, Linda Hurless

Reports

President: No report

Vice President: No report

Secretary: Motion made and approved to accept 3/3/13 mtg minutes as corrected

Treasurer: Report available upon request

Activities:

- Mike Cherry on CBS and Fox News with wolfhounds
- June 14th and 15th Highland Games, Itasca
- June 22 meet-up Palos Heights
- July 14th & 15th Irish Heritage Center, 46th & Knox, Chicago

Chris Krowzack to give IW lecture

- Oct 12 GLIWA picnic at Pilcher Park

Ways and Means: No report

Publications:

- Mike Philpott and Jane Brown updating GLIWA website
- New IW pictures needed for website face page

Rescue:

- Two IWs placed.

- Board consensus to decline request from Randy Kirk to include GLIWA on his website about Irish Wolfhounds;
Jane Brown & Debbie Habian to periodically monitor website content.
- GLIWA insurance does not cover rescue liability for placement; Hurless' homeowners will cover Rescue dogs with no liability to GLIWA once dogs are placed.

Old Business

After continued discussion on Fun Match 2014, due to entry decline, motion made and approved to suspend GLIWA Fun Match for one year; there will be no 2014 Fun Match
Possible match replacements:

Fun Show open to club & outside; just LGRA and no match with GLIWA needing to invest in coursing equipment;
seminars geared to IW health and care.
Replacements to be advertised on GLIWA website and Facebook page

New Business

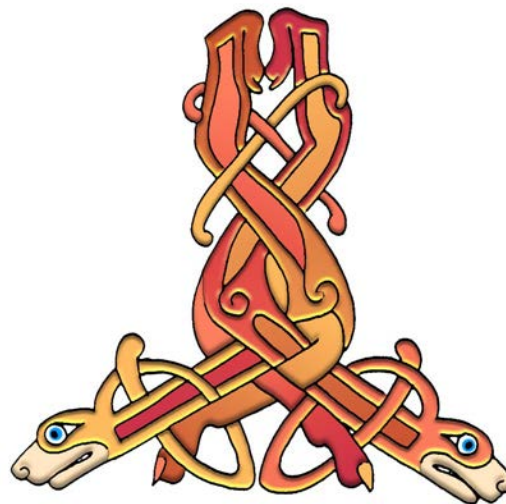
Friday Sept 27 GLIWA trial - AFSCA lure coursing, Racine, WI

Midwest Coursing Club all breed coursing, Karen Frederick Secretary

Next meeting date TBA

Motion made and approved for adjournment at 1:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Debbie Habian, Secretary



**GREAT LAKES IRISH WOLFHOUND
ASSOCIATION FUN MATCH**
Pilcher Nature Park, Joliet, Illinois, April
13, 2013
Photos by Branden Kerr



BEST IN MATCH - Keltair's Halo Legend
Breeder/Owner: Joel Mattson



BEST PUPPY - Howlin's Praline
Breeder/Owner: Dave and Risha Berzins

Reserve Best Adult - Keltair's Punisher
Breeder/Owner: Joel Mattson



BEST TYPE –

Brimstone's Boondocks Serenity

Breeder/Owner: Jeannie Pitzenberger and
Laurie Morris



Veteran Bitch - CH Hanta Yo's Cree of Tomahawke (also Best Veteran)

- 1). CH Hanta Yo's Cree of Tomahawke, b 04/19/04, Robin and Mike Pline,
- 2). Rockhart Jeressa, CGC/TDI, b 08/15/06, Beth Renstrom,
- 3). Tomahawke's Falling Leaf, b 01/07/06, Robin and Mike Pline, and
- 4). Lonnkyle Powder, b 08/15/06, Karen Frederick.

**Veteran Dog - Harmony Loki of GLIWA
No picture available**

Harmony Loki of GLIWA, b 8/29/06, Mike Cherry and Kim Oliver



**Puppy Dogs, 3 to 6 months -
Megkelken's Dirty Harry Callahan (also Reserve Best Puppy)**

Breeder/Owner: Kelly Frey and Julie Glenn



**Yearling Dogs, 15 to 18 months -
Caraglen Emmett of Avalon**

Breeder/Owner: Courtney and Ryan Smith and Sue Stobart



Novice Dogs - Barrington's Valdemar of Caraglen

- 1). Barrington's Valdemar of Caraglen, Birgittaaa Stolpe, Kevin Sprouse, and Sue Stobart
- 2). Prairie Creek Mulligan, MB Kinsella-Topping, Jack Topping, and Connie Smalley.



American Bred Dogs - Barrington's Kooganjilika of Caraglen

- 1). Barrington's Kooganjilika of Caraglen, Birgitta Stolpe, Kevin Sprouse, and Sue Stobart
- 2). Nightwing's Ianina's Baloo, Al Gottsch and Gayle Curtis, and
- 3). Cwn Annwns Sully of Avalon, Courtney and Ryan Smith



Bred By Exhibitor Dogs - Nightwing's Conspiracy

Breeder/Owner: Joel and Wendy Mattson



Puppy Bitches 3-6 months - Howlin's Praline (also Best Puppy)

Breeder/Owner: Dave and Risha Berzins



Puppy Bitches 6-9 months - Megkelken's Miss Molly's Irish Dance

Breeder/Owner: Julie Glenn and Connie Smalley

Novice Bitch - Nightwing's Atonement
No Picture available

- 1). Nightwing's Atonement, Joel Mattson
- 2). Rockhart Mara of Tresmorn, FCH, Beth Renstrom.



Yearling Bitches 12-15 months - Brimstone Boondocks Serenity (also Best Type)

1). Brimstone Boondocks Serenity, Jeannie Pizenberger and Laurie Morris

2). Tomahawke's I Can Only Imagine, Robin Pline and Debbie Sharpe.

Bred By Exhibitor Bitches - Nightwing's Breathless

- 1). Nightwing's Breathless, Joel and Wendy Mattson
- 2). Slaine Marietta Robusti, Chris Krowzack.



American Bred Bitches - Rockhart Naraya, JC

Breeder/Owner: Beth Renstrom



**Open Bitches -
Keltair's Halo Legend (also Best in Match)**

- 1). Keltair's Halo Legend, Joel Mattson
- 2). Tomahawke's Arrluk for Wolfhaven, Robin Pline and Donita Osborne, and,
- 3). Cochoabar Jolie, Lynn Simon, MD.



**Coursing Champion -
Stoneybrook Odin of Harmony**

Owner: Mike Cherry and Kim Oliver

**Best Altered –
Slaine Acapella**

Breeder/Owner: Chris Krowzack
No picture available



We get Mail

The Irish American Alliance

When we awoke on 'Sunday, March 10th it was to a steady drizzle. But it did NOT rain on our parade!

Thanks to the Great Lakes Irish Wolfhound Association and many others for coming out and braving the weather for the Southside Irish Parade. The wolfhounds were as popular as ever and especially with the younger parade watchers.

There was no mistaking that despite the "softness" of the morning the afternoon proved to be another "Great Day for the Irish" on Western Avenue!



Rescue News

The Decatur St. Patrick's Parade was held on 3/16 and a good time was had by all. We had 4 Wolfies in the parade, Claire and Orla, who were rescued before Christmas, our little girl Fiona and of course, Ardyn. This was Claire and Orla's very first parade and they did very well.

The Highland Games were held in Chatam, IL on 5/18, and rescue was well represented with 5 rescued IWs and of course, Ardyn. The hounds were a big hit with everyone who stopped by. There were many kisses given out to little kids that day! The nice thing about Chatham, is that you can walk around with your dogs, so people who might not even know they are there, get to meet them.

On 5/23 we drove down to Edwardsville to pick up 4 yr. old Riley. He had been a barn dog his whole life, and finally decided he wanted to live in a house with a couch! We made the uneventful trip to Hickory Hills, where his new owner, Mike, was waiting for him. Mike is retired, so he can give Riley all the love and attention he needs, and Mike has owned IWs in the past. It was pretty much love at first sight on both counts. According to Mike, they are pretty much inseparable, but a lot of that has to do with the fact that Riley won't let Mike out of his sight!

All's well that ends well.

Rescue Pictures





Decatur St Patrick's Parade





Highland Games



Calendar of Events 2013

July 13, 14 Time to be determined

Irish American Heritage Center

4626 N. Knox Ave. on Chicago's Northwest Side

A two day event and all are welcome to join us at the fest with your wolfhounds. Water will be provided but bring yourself a chair.

Directions; The Center is just east of the Eden's Expressway, Wilson Ave exit. (see map location on their web page.

Date to be determined

Mike and Helen Philpot 26 County Road 1800 N, Seymour, IL 61875

Invites us to their home for a meet up with our hounds. What a great time it will be walking your hounds on their five acres of land with open unpaved trails that go down to the Sangamon River. Afterward, they invite us to stay for a wonderful homemade lunch. All you will need to bring is a lawn chair. Water will be available for the dogs. Mike and Helen Philpot, 26 County Road 1800 N, Seymour, IL 61875

Sept. 27 GLIWA's all breed ASFA trial

Sept. 28 ASFA Region 6 Invitational

Sept. 29 MWCC 50th Anniversary ASFA trial

Racine Kennel Club, Racine Wisconsin

Does your wolfhound love to run and chase? Come to our lure coursing trial and see if your hound is interested in chasing the "bunny" (a plastic bag) you can sign up for a practice run after the trial. Great fun for the hound and owners!

Volunteers are always needed at this event. Any help you can give will be greatly appreciated--no experience necessary! To learn about lure coursing; <http://www.asfa.org/> Midwest Coursing Club website; <http://midwestcoursing.homestead.com>

October 12 10 AM

GLIWA Annual Fall Picnic

Held at Pilcher Park, Joliet, Illinois

Always a fun time with good food, wolfhound games and the popular wolfhound costume contest. All are welcome to bring either a side dish or dessert. Gliwa will provide the main entree.

October 19

Locust Grove Match, Edwardsville, Illinois

Hosted by Robert and Gretchen Bernardi, Berwyck Irish Wolfhounds

Judge; Donita Osborn, Wolfhaven Irish Wolfhounds

All Irish wolfhound enthusiasts are welcome.

Check our web sites or FB page for updates on all events and in case of inclement weather

Hoffman Estates Irish Fest



GENTLE WHEN STROKED ~ FIERCE WHEN PROVOKED

Gaelic Park



Did you know that in Illinois it is illegal to leave a dog in a locked car when it is warm outside? As you can see from the chart it becomes deadly in just a short while. Just this week I saw a car with a small dog locked in it on a very warm day, the windows barely open. So I called the police (safest thing to do- only break windows when the animals are in distress). I also had an announcement done in the store. Well, the owner came out and wasn't nice but left with the dog. Hopefully he won't do it again.

IT'S TOO HOT TO LEAVE YOUR DOG IN THE CAR

Dogs suffer from heatstroke and die every year when owners leave them in parked, hot cars. Leaving the windows down or parking in the shade is not enough to prevent this.

AFTER JUST 10 MINUTES...	
OUTSIDE	IN CAR
70°	90°
85°	102°
90°	109°



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PET FOOD RECALL

June 18, 2013 – Natura Pet Products of Fremont, Nebraska, has today announced it is voluntarily recalling specific lots of dry pet food because they may be contaminated with Salmonella.

The recall includes specific lots of these brands...

Innova
EVO
California Natural
Healthwise
Karma
Mother Nature

No canned food is affected by this announcement.

The news of the event has been confirmed in a news release posted by the FDA.

The affected products are sold in bags through...

Veterinary clinics
 Select pet specialty retailers
 Online in the USA and Canada
 About Salmonella

Salmonella can affect animals eating the products and there is risk to humans from handling contaminated pet products, especially if they have not thoroughly washed their hands after having contact with the products or any surfaces exposed to these products.

Healthy people infected with Salmonella should monitor themselves for some or all of the following symptoms:

Nausea
 Vomiting
 Diarrhea or bloody diarrhea
 Abdominal cramping
 Fever

Rarely, Salmonella can result in more serious ailments, including arterial infections,
 Or go to <http://www.fda.gov/petfoodcomplaints>.

endocarditis, arthritis, muscle pain, eye irritation, and urinary tract symptoms.

Consumers exhibiting these signs after having contact with this product should contact their healthcare providers.

Pets with Salmonella infections may be lethargic and have diarrhea or bloody diarrhea, fever, and vomiting.

Some pets will have only decreased appetite, fever and abdominal pain. Infected but otherwise healthy pets can be carriers and infect other animals or humans. If your pet has consumed the recalled product and has these symptoms, please contact your veterinarian.

These products were packaged in a single production facility. During routine FDA testing, a single lot tested positive for the presence of Salmonella.

There have been no reports of pet or human illness associated with this product. In an abundance of caution, Natura is voluntarily recalling all products with expiration dates prior to June 10, 2014.

What to Do?

Consumers who have purchased the specific dry pet foods listed should discard them.

For further information or a product replacement or refund, call Natura toll free at 800-224-6123, Monday–Friday, 8:00 AM to 5:30 PM CT.

You can report complaints about FDA-regulated pet food products by calling the consumer complaint coordinator in your area.

Looking for a new puppy?

For breeder referrals call
Maria Lubera
630-279-7179

Or contact the Irish Wolfhound Association
Of America
www.iwclubofamerica.org

We can help you find a reputable breeder who cares about health and temperament. We also have a Breeder Referral section in our website www.gliwa.org.



Reputable breeders want to meet the people who are going to have their puppies. Please be careful to check out any breeder before getting your new puppy and beware of buying a puppy over the internet sight unseen.