



## **Third Championship Show**

**Mr John Lewington (South Aust)**

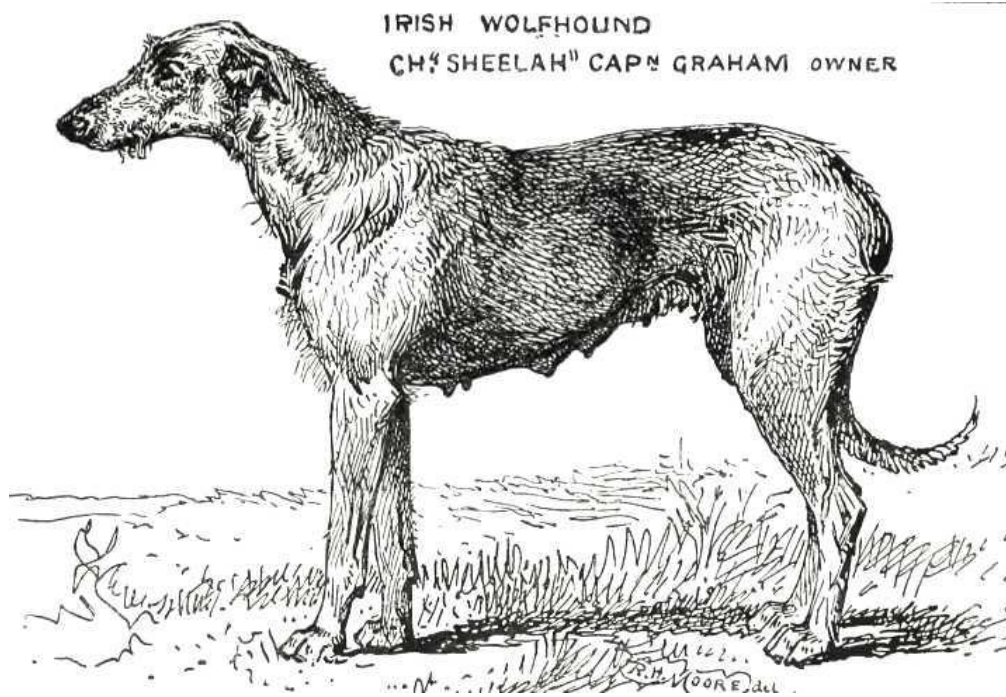
**Mrs M Morphett (Queensland)**

**&**

## **Third Open Show**

**Mrs T Dennis (Queensland)**

**Saturday 6 August 2022**



## 2019 Best In Show



**AUST CH WULFGAR KERRIGAN (AI)**

# **Irish Wolfhound Club of Queensland**

**6 August 2022 C.C.C. Complex Durack**

## **Third Championship Show**

**Judges: Mr John Lewington (South Australia)**

**Mrs M Morphett (Queensland)**

**&**

## **Third Open Show**

**Judge: Mrs T Dennis (Queensland)**

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<b>Class</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Donated by</b>
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Best Puppy In Show		Neil & Helen Shorrocks
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Best Intermediate In Show		Deborah Morrison
Best Australian Bred In Show		Pauline Stevens
Best Open In Show	Maclaomainn Trophy	Rona Moss
Best Neuter In Show		Pauline Stevens & Louise Cox
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# Judge's Biography – John D Lewington



John has been judging dogs since 1984 and is licenced by the Australian National Kennel Council to judge All Breeds and Best In Show.

He has judged All Breeds Shows in England, Ireland, United States of America, Canada, Philippines, Malaysia, Borneo, New Zealand, all states of Australia, Canadian Irish Wolfhound National Specialty 2000, Northern California Irish Wolfhound Speciality, New England Irish Wolfhound Specialty in Rhode Is, The Rocky Mountain Specialty twice, and specialties in New Zealand and Australia.

He is a member of the Australian National Kennel Council; Irish Wolfhound Clubs of NSW, SA (current Secretary), USA, Rocky Mountains; Hound Club of SA.

John has owned Irish Wolfhounds for 46 years and admired and studied them since he was nine years old. He has served as a Councillor for the SA Canine Assoc for three years and has been Secretary of the Irish Wolfhound Club SA for the past 26 years. In 2015 he published his book "My Incredible Journey with Irish Wolfhounds" which has been reprinted in November 2020 by Austin McAuley London. He is a past SA correspondent for Oz Dog.

John has been privileged to have given many Irish Wolfhound and Deerhound lectures to trainee judges in a number of states in Australia.

He is now retired from the theatre after working backstage for many of the major shows, and have had small roles in both TV series, films and some commercials. He has also done live commentary for Fox Sports Boxing. He was privileged to represent Australia as part of the boxing team at the Kings Club, Thailand.

John and his wife Sue now run a small boarding cattery on their property, Greycroft.

## **Judging The Irish Wolfhound**, by John Lewington, Greycroft Irish Wolfhounds (2016)

Being a member of the hound group the Irish Wolfhound is one of the old ancient hunting breeds. Of great size and commanding appearance is a pre/requisite when first assessing the dogs / bitches (hereafter called the dogs). A Wolfhound without size is not true to the breed. The breed standard calls for the males to be a minimum of 32" 81 cm and bitches a minimum of 30" 76 cm. Most full grown males will average between 34" 86.36 cm and 36" 91.44 cm and bitches average between 31" 78.74 to 33" 83.82 cm. Weight for males can be 75 to 85 kg and 62 to 65 kg for bitches. Some large males can reach as much as 95 to 110 kg but these are exceptions. This is more than the average height than for any other breed. There is quite a lot of latitude present as regards size, a slight variation either way is acceptable but this does not present a problem provided that the proportions are retained.

The Irish Wolfhound temperament calls for a natural gentle instinct but possessing a protecting and guarding demeanour. He is courageous without aggression being very affectionate and a wonderful companion.

There is absolutely no weakness in the makeup of the mature Irish Wolfhound, in body or in mind he is a supreme athlete and stands his ground with confidence. With his huge size it is quite obvious he is more than capable of performing any of the various functions which have been developed over many years hunting, coursing, protector and guardian.

The body is very powerfully built showing a well-defined and evident strength of musculature whilst at the same time retaining the harmonious and satisfying arrangement of portions and parts to the outline, expressing balance and symmetry. The length to height ratio is longer than tall about as 10 is to 12, providing enough space to present an efficient two beat diagonal gate with extension and drive handled on a loose lead. This allows the proudly carried head and top line to be lowered to adopt the correct position to overcome lateral displacement. The footfalls are in harmony with each other and there should be an almost imperceptible period of suspension. The width of the stride pattern front and rear ensure that the diagonal pair are in the air for the same length of time, I call it unification. The reach and drive should not be excessive but easy and active. Head not in the upright position as in the Great Dane.

A superb top line is also an indication that the correlation front and rear are also correct to ensure there is no wasted energy. For me there is nothing more impressive from a Judge's perspective than observing a line-up of mature Irish Wolfhounds in the ring in their typical side-on posed position with the elbows carried just below the brisket in conjunction with a well let down powerful chest. This presents the characteristic long legged hunting hound with the distance sternum to ground being slightly more than the depth of chest to withers. The powerful deep chest ensures that adequate lung room for the hound is possible.

The muscular forelegs flat rather than round bone should not taper toward the pastern which should have a slight lean when viewed from the posed position. The old standard referred to the head as very long but not too narrow gradually getting broader evenly up to the back of the head. Long and level proudly carried the frontal bones of the forehead very slightly raised and little indentation between the eyes. Level plains and no receding back skull. The muzzle should be slightly longer than the eyes to the occiput with width and strength in the underjaw. The bite should be scissor but a level bite on an excellent specimen should not be penalised. The almond shape eye should be dark and set on slightly to the side of the head not front on as in many other breeds this spoils the expression of the Wolfhound but once again a light eye should not be penalised on an excellent dog. Ears set on high small and rosed.

The Irish Wolfhound is a very powerful dog with a most impressive well balanced muscular build. The unique top line is a feature of the breed and whilst it has to be as level as possible the rise over the loin has to be maintained to give the croup a gentle rounded appearance when slopping.

down to the low set of the tail which is fairly thick and reaching the hock .When gaiting in the ring the tail should be carried low but if a number of large males are in the ring together the dominant factor may kick in and the tails may come up when in close contact.

The ribs have good spring and should be ribbed well back this is created by a good length of sternum ensuring that the underline starts its gentle rise up at the correct position ensuring it is complementary to the top line The rise over the loin should start where the last rib curves round at the start of the loin not where the last rib joins the spine as this will give a roach top line if the rise starts too early.

Shoulder and hind angulation are important but should not in any circumstances be extreme and over angulation in a giant breed is a weakness and should be heavily penalised. Strong hocks should stay parallel when moving away.

In the standard there is no reference to the lay back of shoulder however the layback of the Irish Wolfhound should not be 45 degrees to the vertical. With a scapula/ humerus (shoulder upper arm) articulation at the apex of 120 degrees. Knowing these facts determine the return of the upper arm with forelegs in the upright position at 180 degrees will be approx. 30 degrees both shoulder and upper arm of the vertical these angles will ensure that the strong forelegs well under the body offering support and stability to the forehand and at the same time expose an evident fore chest with sound conformation of the forehand. If the angle at the shoulder upper arm was 130 degrees and shoulder blade 30 degrees then the upper arm would be 20 degrees creating an upright front assembly, i.e. the shape, size and condition to muscle in association with correct handling good extension of the forelegs will be evident when gaiting. The hind legs are very strong and well developed showing defined musculature to the first and second thigh when viewed from any angle they are well angulated showing good width of thigh and turn of stifle. The hock angle is slightly open and well let down when viewed from the rear the hocks are positive showing no signs of weakness standing back from the pelvis. The coat is harsh to the touch rough and hard all over. The recognised colours are grey , brindle, red, black, pure white, fawn or any colour that appears in the Deerhound.

In summing up the Irish Wolfhound is a large hunting dog of athletic appearance

When the Wolfhound enters the ring the balanced out-line should be evident at first glance starting with the head carriage the crest of the neck flowing down to the shoulders and the unbroken top line that rises slightly over the loins to the rounded croup (unlike the deerhound falling croup) The two beat diagonal gait should be easy and active with no displacement of the top line. Wolfhound temperament is paramount in the breed any signs of shyness nervousness or aggression should not be tolerated. This magnificent breed is a pleasure and privilege to judge so enjoy your judging if you get the opportunity.

This just my personal opinion on Judging the Irish Wolfhound.

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### Best Gait - Judge: Mrs Toni Dennis (QLD)

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5	Aaron Brooker & Rona Moss: <b>AUST. CH. MACLAOMAINN DERRYS DREAM</b> 2100563533 30-03-2021	Irish Wolfhound
18	Mrs M Lazzar & S Gendle: <b>WULFGAR KACIE</b> 2100090785 30-01-2020	Irish Wolfhound
19	J.A. & S.W. Donaldson: <b>CH. DONGUNYA IONAH</b> 4100313731 18-10-2018	Irish Wolfhound
20	S. Gendle: <b>WULFGAR TYCHE</b> 2100499897 27-04-2018	Irish Wolfhound
23	S. Gendle: <b>WULFGAR KAISU (AI)</b> 2100536744 30-01-2020	Irish Wolfhound
24	Mrs Diann Hart: <b>IRISHROCK BELLAYNA</b> 4100279905 08-09-2016	Irish Wolfhound

**1st      5      2nd      23      3rd**

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### Best Head - Judge: Mrs Toni Dennis (QLD)

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5	Aaron Brooker & Rona Moss: <b>AUST. CH. MACLAOMAINN DERRYS DREAM</b> 2100563533 30-03-2021	Irish Wolfhound
7	Mr M Paraskevopoulos & Mrs S Gendle: <b>WULFGAR AUSTEN OF SHALICO (AI)</b> 2100536745 30-01-2020	Irish Wolfhound
17	J.A. & S.W. Donaldson: <b>DONGUNYA MAURA HOLLY A.I.</b> 4100358535 15-07-2021	Irish Wolfhound
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26	J. & S. DONALDSON & S. GENDLE: <b>AUST. CH. WULFGAR KERRIGAN (AI)</b> 2100470237 01-02-2017	Irish Wolfhound

**1st      5      2nd      23      3rd**

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**Group 4 - Hound Group**

Mrs Toni Dennis (QLD)

Start Time: \_\_\_\_\_

**Irish Wolfhound****Class 1 - Baby Puppy Dog**

- 1 Mrs Diann Hart: ~~IRISHROCK DU CU CHULAINN~~ pending 30-04-2022  
Absent
- 2 Mrs Diann Hart: ~~IRISHROCK DE NELSONS VICTORY~~ pending black collar 30-04-2022  
Absent

**Class 2 - Minor Puppy Dog**

- 3 Shana and Ben Skinner: **CUFIAIN NIGEL AT DONGUNYA**  
1st 5100130552 28-01-2022

**Class 4 - Junior Dog**

- 4 Rona Moss & Karina Harrison: **MACLAOMAINN DUKEOFEDINBURGH** 2100563531 30-03-2021  
2nd
- 5 Aaron Brooker & Rona Moss: **AUST. CH. MACLAOMAINN DERRYS DREAM** 2100563533 30-03-2021  
1st\*
- 6 Ms C Maciver & Mrs S Gendle: ~~DONGUNYA MAGNUS (AI)~~ 4100358533 15-07-2021  
Absent

**Class 10 - Australian Bred Dog**

- 7 Mr M Paraskevopoulos & Mrs S Gendle: **WULFGAR AUSTEN OF SHALICO (AI)** 2100536745 30-01-2020  
1st\*

**Class 11 - Open Dog**

- 8 Sylvia Munro & Rona Moss: ~~SUPREME CH ORNUMFLOW XAKERY~~ 2100410188 27-06-2014  
Absent
- 9 Mrs S Munro & Mrs R Moss: ~~SUPREME CH MACLAOMAINN BY BRYANS LATINO~~ 2100474889 31-03-2017  
Absent
- 10 J McKay & M Patison & S Gendle: ~~WULFGAR TALLOW AT CLARIONVALE (AI)~~ 2100533643 30-11-2019  
Absent
- 11 Mr J & Mrs S Donaldson & Mrs S Gendle: **DONGUNYA IGHNEACHAN** 4100313730 18-10-2018  
Absent

Best 5 R/Up 7**Class 1a - Baby Puppy Bitch**

- 12 Mrs Diann Hart: ~~IRISHROCK DENEOS DUCHESS~~ pending dalmatian collar 30-04-2022  
Absent
- 13 Mrs Diann Hart: ~~IRISHROCK DEMARKS GIRL~~ pending Red Collar 30-04-2022  
Absent

**Class 2a - Minor Puppy Bitch**

- 14 J.A & S.W Donaldson and C.Gorman: **CUFIAIN NIAMH AT DONGUNYA(AI)** 5100130553 28-01-2022  
1st\*

**Class 3a - Puppy Bitch**

- 15 J.A. & S.W. Donaldson: **CUFIAIN NEESHAY AT DONGUNYA A.I.** 5100130555 28-01-2022  
1st\*

**Class 4a - Junior Bitch**

- 16 Mrs J Arnold & Mr J & Mrs S Donaldson: **DONGUNYA MOIRA BELLA (AI)** 4100358531 15-07-2021  
1st
- 17 J.A. & S.W. Donaldson: **DONGUNYA MAURA HOLLY A.I.** 4100358535 15-07-2021  
2nd

**Class 5a - Intermediate Bitch**

- 18 Mrs M Lazzar & S Gendle: ~~WULFGAR KACIE~~ 2100090785  
Absent 30-01-2020

**Class 9a - State Bred Bitch**

- 19 J.A. & S.W. Donaldson: **CH. DONGUNYA IONAH** 4100313731 18-10-2018  
1st\*

**Class 10a - Australian Bred Bitch**

- 20 S. Gendle: **WULFGAR TYCHE** 2100499897 27-04-2018  
1st

**Class 11a - Open Bitch**

- 21 Rona Moss: ~~SUPREME CH. MACLAOMAINN AUTUMN RAIN~~ 2100441014 23-11-2015  
Absent
- 22 Rona Moss: ~~SUPREME CH. MACLAOMAINN BRIGITTE JE TAIME~~ 2100474892 31-03-2017  
Absent
- 23 S. Gendle: **WULFGAR KAISU (AI)** 2100536744 30-01-2020  
1st\*
- 24 Mrs Diann Hart: ~~IRISHROCK BELLAYNA~~ 4100279905 08-09-2016  
Absent
- 25 J Arnold: **DONGUNYA JACOLIN** 4100320443 16-04-2019  
2nd

Best 23 R/Up 19Best 23 Bitch R/Up 19 Bitch**Class 18 - Neuter Dog**

- 26 J. & S. DONALDSON & S. GENDLE: **AUST. CH. WULFGAR KERRIGAN (AI)** 2100470237 01-02-2017  
1st\*
- 27 M White & S White, JA & SW Donaldson: **DONGUNYA JOAVIN (AI)** 4100320445 16-04-2019  
2nd
- Best 26 Dog R/Up 27 Dog

## **Group 4 - Specials**

**Best**

**R/Up**

**Baby**

**Minor**

**Puppy**

**Junior**

**Inter**

**State Br**

**Aus Br**

**Open**

## **Neuter**

**Best**

**R/Up**

Finish

\_\_\_\_\_

Absent

**17**

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# General Specials

Judge:

**Best In Show**

**Runner Up In Show**

**Baby**

**Minor**

**Puppy**

**Junior**

**Inter**

**State Br**

**Aus Br**

**Open**

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**Best Neuter In Show**

**Runner Up Neuter In Show**