## June 2012



## Irish Wolfhound Club of South Australia



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- •Pet Treats
- Walk in the Hills
- •Members Interview
- •Blood Donor
- •Greycroft Match

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Paddy had suffered a growth plate injury early in his life and consequently needs a ramp to assist him getting into our vehicle.

All was fine until he stumbled some weeks ago when getting into the car and slipped off it.

Now he will not even attempt to go near it, and becomes quite frightened, even when we offer treats.

We were wondering if you could ask in the next newsletter if anyone has had a similar problem and did they solve it? Is this possible.

We are in the process of making an even longer and wider ramp, but fear it will have the same reaction.

Kind Regards Julie Britza.

## **Editors Remarks**

Hi to all, before I start rambling if any one has an answer to Julie's problem above please come back to me and I will forward it on to her.

The mag is a little late out this month I do apologise for that but it was imperative that we had the Agm before I closed off to see if any changes in Fees etc, there was and please note the fee is \$25, not \$30 with \$5 discount if you are on time.

This quarter the Mag is quite large 38 pages so thanks a million to all that sent in information that I could use.

That's it from me ,I hope you enjoy the reading

Ivan

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## Dogs Sa Open Day will be the 14th Oct 2012

# The 21st Greycroft Match will be held on the 20th Oct 2013



# 2012 South Australian Shows June

1st (Friday)	Dogs SA Autumn International Championship Show	
2nd (Saturday)	Dogs SAgility Dog Club of SA Inc - Agility Trial 9.00 am	
	Agility Dog Club of SA Inc - Agility Trial 1.00 pm	
	Tracking Dog Club of SA Inc - Tracking Trial 8.00 am	
3rd (Sunday)	Dogs SA Autumn International Championship Show	
	Tracking Dog Club of SA Inc - Tracking Trial 8.00 am	
9th (Saturday)	Gundog Club of SA Inc - Championship Show 9.00 am	
	Collie Club of SA Inc - Championship Show 10.00 am	
	Spitz Breeds Club of SA Inc - Championship Show 9.30 am	
	Shetland Sheepdog Club of SA Inc - Championship Show	
	Setter Club of SA Inc - Open Show 11.00 am	
	Setter Club of SA Inc - Championship Show 1.00 pm	
	German Shepherd Dog Club of SA Inc - Championship Show 9.00 am	
	Spencer Gulf Obedience Dog Club Inc - Obedience Trial 9.00 am	
	Spencer Gulf Obedience Dog Club Inc - Agility Trial 9.00 am	
	Spencer Gulf Obedience Dog Club Inc - Agility Trial 1.00 pm	
	German Shorthaired Pointer Club of SA Inc - Retrieving Trial for Gundogs	
10th (Sunday)	Non Sporting, Working & Utility Dog Club Inc - Championship Show 9.00 am	
	SA Sporting Dog Club Inc - Championship Show 9.00 am	
	Dobermann Club of SA Inc - Championship Show 1.00 pm	
	Chihuahua Club of SA Inc - Parade 10.00 am	
	German Shepherd Dog Club of SA Inc - Championship Show 9.00 am	
	Spencer Gulf Obedience Dog Club Inc - Obedience Trial 9.00 am	
	Spencer Gulf Obedience Dog Club Inc - Agility Trial 9.00 am	
	Spencer Gulf Obedience Dog Club Inc - Agility Trial 1.00 pm	
	Labrador Retriever Club of SA Inc - Retrieving Trial for Gundogs	
11th (Monday)	Port Adelaide Kennel Club Inc - Championship Show 9.00 am	
	Labrador Retriever Club of SA Inc - Retrieving Trial for Gundogs	
15th (Friday)	Riverland Obedience & Kennel Club Inc - Championship Show 9.30 am	
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	Rottweiler Club of SA Inc - Championship Show 10.00 am
	Rottweiler Club of SA Inc - Restricted Obedience Trial 3.30 pm
16th (Saturday)	Riverland Obedience & Kennel Club Inc - Championship Show 9.30 am
	Rottweiler Club of SA Inc - Championship Show 9.00 am
	Noarlunga City Obedience Dog Club Inc - Obedience Trial 10.00 am
17th (Sunday)	Riverland Obedience & Kennel Club Inc - Championship Show 9.30 am
	Rottweiler Club of SA Inc - Championship Show 9.00 am
	Gawler Dog Training Club Inc - Agility Trial 10.00 am
	Gawler Dog Training Club Inc - Agility Trial 2.00 pm
18th (Monday)	Rottweiler Club of SA Inc - Championship Show 10.00 am
22nd (Friday)	Adelaide Kennel Club Inc - Championship Show 10.00 am
23rd (Saturday)	Adelaide Kennel Club Inc - Championship Show 8.45 am
	Munno Para Dog Obedience Club Inc – Obedience Trial 10.00 am
	German Shepherd Dog Club of SA Inc - Endurance Test 9.00 am
	Dogs SA Herding Advisory Committee - Herding Trial
	Dogs SA Herding Advisory Committee - Herding Trial
	Tracking Dog Club of SA Inc - Tracking Trial 8.00 am
	Golden Retriever Club of SA Inc - Retrieving Trial for Gundogs
24th (Sunday)	Adelaide Kennel Club Inc - Championship Show 8.45 am
	Gepps Cross Dog Training Centre Inc - Obedience Trial 10.00 am
	Tracking Dog Club of SA Inc - Tracking Trial 8.00 am
	Golden Retriever Club of SA Inc - Retrieving Trial for Gundogs
	Dogs SA Herding Advisory Committee - Herding Trial
	Dogs SA Herding Advisory Committee - Herding Trial
30th (Saturday)	Junior Kennel Club Inc - Championship Show 9.00 am
	Combined Districts Obedience Dog Club Inc - Obedience Trial 10.00 am

## <u>July</u>

1st (Sunday)	Junior Kennel Club Inc - Championship Show 9.00 am
	Gawler Dog Training Club Inc - Obedience Trial 9.30 am
	Gawler Dog Training Club Inc - Agility Trial 1.00 pm
7th (Saturday)	The Murray Valley Kennel Club Inc - Championship Show 9.00 am
	German Shepherd Dog Club of SA Inc - Agility Trial 8.30 am
	German Shepherd Dog Club of SA Inc - Agility Trial 2.00 pm
8th (Sunday)	The Murray Valley Kennel Club Inc - Championship Show 9.00 am
14th (Saturday)	British Bulldog Club of SA Inc - Open Show 10.30 am
	Dogs SA Agility Advisory Committee - State Agility Championships 9.00 am
	Dogs SA Agility Advisory Committee - State Agility Championships 1.00 pm

	Tracking Dog Club of SA Inc - Tracking Trial 8.00 am
15th (Sunday)	Labrador Retriever Club of SA Inc - Championship Show 10.00 am
	Samoyed Club of SA Inc - Championship Show 10.00 am
	Newfoundland Club of SA Inc - Open Show 11.00 am
	Newfoundland Club of SA Inc - Championship Show PM
	Pyrenean Mountain Dog Club of SA Inc - Championship Show
	Pug Club of SA Inc – Championship Show
	Dogs SA Agility Advisory Committee - State Agility Championships 9.00 am
	Dogs SA Agility Advisory Committee - State Agility Championships 1.00 pm
	Tracking Dog Club of SA Inc - Tracking Trial 8.00 am
21st (Saturday)	Ladies Kennel Club Inc - Championship Show 9.00 am
	Riverland Obedience & Kennel Club Inc - Agility Trial 9.00 am
	Riverland Obedience & Kennel Club Inc - Agility Trial 1.00 pm
	Retrieving & Field Trials Club of SA Inc - Retrieving Trial for Gundogs 8.00 am
22nd (Sunday)	Ladies Kennel Club Inc - Championship Show 9.00 am
	Riverland Obedience & Kennel Club Inc - Agility Trial 9.00 am
	Riverland Obedience & Kennel Club Inc - Agility Trial 1.00 pm
	Retrieving & Field Trials Club of SA Inc - Retrieving Trial for Gundogs 8.00 am
28th (Saturday)	Marion Kennel Club Inc - Championship Show 9.00 am (Int Judges)
29th (Sunday)	Marion Kennel Club Inc - Championship Show 9.00 am (Int Judges)
	SA Obedience Dog Club Inc – Games Trial AM
	SA Obedience Dog Club Inc – Games Trial PM
<u>August</u>	
4th (Saturday)	Colomeke Kennel Club Inc - Championship Show 9.00 am
	Golden Retriever Club of SA Inc - Championship Show (Int Judge)
	Golden Retriever Club of SA Inc - Restricted Obedience Trial
	Agility Dog Club of SA Inc - Agility Trial 9.00 am
	Agility Dog Club of SA Inc - Agility Trial 1.00 pm
	Tracking Dog Club of SA Inc - Tracking Trial 8.00 am
5th (Sunday)	Colomeke Kennel Club Inc - Championship Show 9.00 am
	Rottweiler Club of SA Inc - All Breeds Obedience Trial 10.00 am
	Tracking Dog Club of SA Inc - Tracking Trial 8.00 am
11th (Saturday)	orthern Districts Kennel & Obedience Club Inc - Championship Show 9.00 am
	German Shepherd Dog Club of SA Inc - Obedience Trial 9.00 am
	Labrador Retriever Club of SA Inc - Retrieving Trial for Gundogs

12th (Sunday)	Northern Districts Kennel & Obedience Club Inc - Championship Show 9.00 am
	Labrador Retriever Club of SA Inc - Retrieving Trial for Gundogs
18th (Saturday)	SA Poultry & Kennel Club Inc - Championship Show 9.00 am
	Riverland Obedience & Kennel Club Inc - Obedience Trial 10.00 am
	Dogs SA Herding Advisory Committee - Herding Trial
	Dogs SA Herding Advisory Committee - Herding Trial
	Retrieving & Field Trials Club of SA Inc - Retrieving Trial for Gundogs 8.00 am
19th (Sunday)	SA Poultry & Kennel Club Inc - Championship Show 8.30 am
	Riverland Obedience & Kennel Club Inc - Obedience Trial 9.30 am
	Dogs SA Herding Advisory Committee - Herding Trial
	Dogs SA Herding Advisory Committee - Herding Trial
	Retrieving & Field Trials Club of SA Inc - Retrieving Trial for Gundogs 8.00 am
25th (Saturday)	Canine Fanciers Kennel Club Inc - Championship Show
	Para District Obedience Dog Club Inc - Obedience Trial 10.00 am
	Tracking Dog Club of SA Inc - Tracking Trial 8.00 am
26th (Sunday)	Canine Fanciers Kennel Club Inc - Championship Show
	Gawler Dog Training Club Inc - Games Trial 10.00 am
	Gawler Dog Training Club Inc - Games Trial 2.00 pm
	Tracking Dog Club of SA Inc - Tracking Trial 8.00 am





## An Email Received by our President Barbara

I hope that this message find you and your hounds well? Finn has become a bit of a superstar around here! He comes to all the signings and school visits I've been doing over the past year – he recognises the boxes now as I'm loading them into the car and stands by the back door to prevent me from leaving without him!

I thought I'd drop you a line to let you know that Book 2, Moon Crossing, is now out – launched Saturday. I've already had some really enthusiastic feedback too ③

I'm not sure if you would want to order any, but I thought I'd let you know. You can order from my website now which should make things easier. If you do decide to order but have a query feel free to email me.

I've attached a picture of Finn and I too – hope you like it

Take care

Cathy

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## Irish Wolfhound Club Of SA

John and Albert delivered 14 bags of blankets to the Animal Welfare League at 10 am on the 3rd March 12 blankets to a bag should keep the animals warm for the winter CuFiain Irish Wolfhounds CELEBRATE Grand Champion Greycroft Memphis

2011 No. 1 Irish Wolfhound - Best of Breed\*





Congratulations to his Breeders J&S Lewington - Greycroft 2011 No. 1 Irish Wolffiound - Breeders of the year\* Congratulations to Aengus's cousin Gr Ch Glenfels Finola 2011 No. 1 Irish Wolffiound - All Breeds\*

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## 14 October 2012 21st GREYCROFT IRISH WOLFHOUND MATCH

Everyone and their hounds are welcome – this is a fun day so please join us

 When: Sunday, 14th October, 2012
Where: 'Greycroft' One Tree Hill Road, Golden Grove (Opposite Falkenberg Road) (mobile on the day 0407 390 293)
Time: 10.00 am
Judge: Our "judge" this year is Albert Reading

A silent auction will be held to raise funds for the Rescue Fund. Please bring along any donations, can be wine, cakes or any IW paraphernalia.

BYO shade, chairs, drinks, etc. A gas BBQ will be available. Do not forget your water bowl for hounds. All dogs must be kept on leads.

#### We thank our sponsors:

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Please call John or Sue on 08 8251 2505 or 0407 390 293 for any inquiries or directions.

## A Message from the West

Our first hound, Ch Greycroft Devlin was also the Lewingtons first home-bred champion, and we have always stayed friends, hence membership of the IWC of South Australia all these years. I actually named Cuid Fios, and got a year's free membership!

We are currently owned by our two young boys Limavady Declan and Wulfgar Zethus, from Soilie's first wonderfully successful AI. We went over to South Island New Zealand to the breeders' farm where our Deccy was born, using it as a base while we travelled around for three weeks, and had an amazingly good time. Missed the boys dreadfully, but our friends who flew out from the UK especially to house-sit for us in the north-west of Western Australia, affording us this holiday, stayed in close contact. Having eight wolfhounds helped with the ache of not having the boys with us. (also, a bulldog, a clumber spaniel, six cattledogs, hundreds of sheep, goats and poddy calves).

Kim and Maree actually have FOUR generations of males still with them, which is kind of amazing, I think. It proved too hard to get all four boys in the same shot, altogether too exciting...however, we still managed to get a few shots with three at once - no easy task

Paula Pugh Schipp



Edward Dairine & Blaik

Dathi & Blaik's rear end



Blaik & Dathi

Nillie, Blaik & Muskit

## Helping others - give life

Have you ever wondered what happens when an animal needs a blood transfusion? Like humans, sometimes our furry companions need an urgent blood transfusion to help save their life.

The blood donor program has been established to enable Adelaide Animal Hospitals to give blood transfusions to critically ill and injured patients in our care. It is frequently life saving. We have put together a group of staff and privately owned pets that regularly donate blood in rotation. This enables us to keep a constant supply on hand. We are always looking for new recruits to join our group of donors.

## What is involved?

An admission into hospital is required where we will do a physical examination and a small blood test to assess your pet's health status.

The blood donation procedure is very similar to that for people, except that the jugular vein (the one in the neck) is used, rather than the vein in the arm. A patch of hair over this area must be clipped and cleaned. (The hair will grow back!) Your dog or



cat must sit quietly for about 15 minutes, while the pack of blood is collected. Blood donors can safely donate every 4 weeks, however we normally leave at least 6-8 weeks between donations (often longer, depending on demand).

#### Who makes a good donor?

#### Dogs

- Larger dogs (over 30 kg),
- Aged between one and seven years of age
- In good health and with a friendly calm disposition
- Donors must be up to date with vaccinations, on heartworm prevention and regularly wormed for intestinal worms
- Donors should not be on any form of medication other than those mentioned above
- Have not received transfusions in the past
- Have not had a litter of pupples.
- Live within 15 minutes of the hospital

#### What happens to the blood?

The blood is stored for up to a month in a fridge. It is agitated daily to prevent it separating. When it is required, it is heated to 37 deg Celsius in warm water, a quick blood test is done on it to ensure it is still viable, and it is then transfused into the patient, using special filters just like in

humans. The most common reason for a blood transfusion being needed is blood loss, either through a disease process such as anaemia, or through trauma such as an animal being hit by a car.



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## Ingredients

- 1 sweet potato
- 2 1/2 cups whole wheat flour
- 1/4 cup unsweetened applesauce
- 2 eggs

## Directions

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Prick sweet potato several times with a fork

Heat sweet potato in a microwave on high until tender, about 6 minutes. Cut potato in half and scoop flesh out of the skin into a bowl; discard skin. Mash potato with a fork or potato masher and transfer about 1 cup to a large bowl. Save any remaining sweet potato for another use.

Mix whole wheat flour, applesauce, and eggs in the large bowl with the sweet potato until a dough forms. Turn dough out on a well-floured surface and roll dough to about 1/2-inch thick. Cut out shapes using a cookie cutter or cut dough into strips with a pizza cutter. Arrange cookies on an ungreased baking sheet. Bake until crisp, 35 to 45 minutes. Cool in the pans for 10 minutes before removing to cool completely on a wire rack.

## St Pat's Day Parade

We had a great turn out weather was perfect 16 Wolfhounds Sue and I went out to dinner with the Bull terrier club on the Friday and met the English Judge Frank Dyson, his wife, and young son, he told me he was Judging on the Sunday so had a day free. I invited them to join us on the walk through the City with the wolfhounds. They were thrilled with the invite and took part in the march the next day walking one of Jeannine's dogs I think. All the dogs did a parade round in the club in front of a lot of cheering people. When we got to Irish Club I went in with Frank for a beer he ordered 2 pints for himself and asked me if I wanted 2 pints to kick off with (that's very English they love their beer ) Frank emailed me when he got back to England and asked me to thank all the club members for there wonderful hospitality, I am sure they will visit Australia again one day

John













## Dear St Pat's Festivities volunteers

Thank you so much for your generous volunteering at the club last weekend for St Patrick's Day.

Volunteers undertook a variety of tasks and roles at the Irish Club during the St Pat's festivities and we appreciate that some of it was quite demanding at times. This thank you is especially for all those volunteers who added significantly to the Parade or worked behind the scenes over the week of festivities. Below are some of these roles, but of course there were many more.

• Thank you to the volunteers who looked after the correspondence and media items, inviting participants and VIPs, creating our wonderful poster, notifying the radio stations and organising to have TV crews at the Club. All of this positively highlights our culture and community in Adelaide.

• Thank you to those who facilitated and/or participated in the pint pulling challenge on Friday 9 March. It was great to have this during the 'Open Mic' night which has lots of young musicians and patrons attending.

• Thank you all who volunteered assistance at the Parade with banners, flats, floats, balloons & decorations, taking photos, music, pipers and especially for coming along and wearing you green so proudly.

• Special thanks to the fantastic *leprechauns* and Roses, and of course to St Patrick himself. If you brought along any leprechauns to the parade, please tell them that everyone thought we thought they were fantastic and they did a great job on and after the Parade.

• Thanks again to the Irish Breed owners who kindly showed off the superb Irish Setters and Irish Wolfhounds on the Parade and at the club. These dogs are a real highlight for the community and create stunning entries in the Parade.

• Thanks to our anthem singer, who performed at the club and at the Gaelic Games Finals in St Mary's on 10 March, instilling us with pride in Ireland and Australia.

• We sincerely thank all those who worked prior to and post St Pat's day, setting up the

bars, decorating the Club and rearranging furniture for St Pat's day and then putting it all back to normal again. These were all enormous tasks which patrons sometimes take for granted but involve many days of work.

• Thanks to all of you who helped greet patrons to the Club on St Pat's Day, either by taking admission money, welcoming new members, selling merchandise and raffle tickets or just generally assisting people as they came to the Club. You all helped patrons feel welcome on this special day and we really appreciated this.

• Thank you to the volunteers who meticulously looked after the finances on St Pat's day. You really were the back room volunteers but your contribution was critical. You also created a refreshing recovery zone for those who were working all day, which was most appreciated.

Thank you to the many volunteers who monitored and tidied the toilets and constantly mopped ups spills, and disposed of the empties. This was critical to maintaining an environment to help our members and the wider community feel comfortable in our Club.

Many people contributed to making the festivities successful, however the contribution of the 'background' volunteers was immeasurable and we sincerely appreciate all volunteers who helped. The Parade and Irish Club program went smoothly and all volunteers are congratulated for this. It is a wonderful example of community when so many willingly volunteer to make these events, and the Club in general, run smoothly.

We also hope you enjoyed St Patrick's Day, celebrating with friends and family, meeting new people and reconnecting with others.

For some family and friendship groups, we only have one email contact. We want to extend this note of thanks to them, so if you invited family or friends to volunteer, or have family/friends who volunteered but do not have email addresses, would you be kind enough to pass this on to them on our behalf as we want to thank all volunteers? Thank you.

On behalf of the St Patrick's Festivities team and the Irish Australian Association thank you sincerely and most appreciatively.

Warm regards



## Walk in the Hills

A great day had by all 16 wolfhounds plus a few other breeds we walked along the creek for about an hour then had lunch at the pub food was okay and the drinks were not over priced the staff were excellent and made us very welcome. Lots of people came to see the dogs not one growl or grumble these pictures should go to other pubs with beer gardens 20 people for lunch food and drink the pub did okay out of it.

John Lewinton











## This interview conducted with Dave and Janet, June 2012

Hi Dave and Janet,

Nice of you both to agree to the interview. It will give our members a chance to get to know who is responsible all the terrific fund raising that you do and looking after the **Club's rescue hounds**.

Janet, I understand you were born in England, whereabouts? *The Capitol of Ireland.....Liverpool....home of the Beatles* 

Dave, are you a "dinky-di" Aussie? **Right back to Convict Stock with Irish Heritage....probably why I don't mind a** drink

Janet, How long have you lived in Australia? Came over as 10 pound poms in 1962 I was 6 months old

Have you always lived in Adelaide? Yes....Been a proud Elizabethan ever since

What made you own an Irish Wolfhound? **Wanted a large breed dog but something different...Didn't know they existed till** I saw one in a magazine and that was it love at first sight

How long have you had Wolfhounds? 10 years

Where did you get your first Wolfhound? *N.S.W. Soile Gendle* 

You also own other breeds, what are they?

**Chiuhauha/Pomeranians that think they're Wolfhounds, A Greyhound/Lounge** Hound

How do you find the Wolfhounds and the other breeds get along together? *Brilliantly....one big happy family....top feeders and bottom feeders* Have you ever had a problem bringing rescues into the family? *Yes...but there was always a solution to be found so nothing terminal* 

Whereabouts do you live and how long have you lived there? Macdonald Park for close to 30 years

Do you show your dogs or are they purely pets? *Tried the show thing but our dogs didn't really take to it so purely as pets* 

Dave, I remember you judging the Greycroft match one year and you awarded your own dog Best in Match which goes to show what a fun day it really is, do you think you will ever take up dog judging?

Judging was fun....as for taking it up full time all the travel you do sounds like a blast so worth thinking about

Is the Greycroft Match the extent of your involvement with the show scene? Yes....my kind of Dog Show....Good food great friends and the odd beverage or two....what more could you ask for Are you a member of any other dog clubs? No

You had a band called Elwood Road that was very successful on the pub circuit in Adelaide, are you still involved in the music business?

Still have the studio (Banshee Studios) going...we have bands in recording demos and tracks for itunes and other social media sites plus our new band The Cadillacs which is strictly covers doing 50's rock n roll and 60's surf guitar and it's a heap off fun

Do you have any other hobbies outside of your dogs and the music? *Gardening....Renovating the home....Socialising* 

Would you say that the dogs have changed your life?

In a huge way...no pun intended....Dogs are the only creature on the planet that love you more than they love themselves...no conditions....no expectations....just love them and they love you back

Most people with find they need to buy a new vehicle to suit the dogs, has that happened to you?

### Yes....bought a Tarago Van and a bigger bed.....

Are you both retired from work? If not, what work do you do? Dave works in the Theatre and Janet is a Transport/Logistics Manager still need 6 numbers in lotto

How do you manage to fit in holidays with the dogs? What holidays? Ha ha.....tried travelling with the dogs...too much of a headache

As rescue officers and fund raisers, do you find this very time consuming? Not really.....the fund raising can be....The rescue side fortunately does'nt happen all that often but even if it did we'd still do it

Do you believe health issues are a problem with our giant breeds? **Yes...and its heartbreaking....our time with these magnificent hound is far too** short What do you feed your dogs and how often?

## Dry biscuits and Mince....and they have a Shmackoes habit.....

What is the oldest Wolfhound you have owned? 7 yrs old

Can you relate a special time that stays in your memory with one of your dogs? *Its all been special and they've all had their own unique personalities* 

Have you ever bred a litter? Just the once...we had 7 pups....kept 1...Dobro and he's been a joy to know probably the best one yet

Thank you both, it has been lovely talking to you. Our pleasure cheers John









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# President's Report

#### 2011/2012

It's AGM time again when we review the club's activities and achievements for the year. The year seemed to pass all too quickly.

I would like to thank all the 2011/2012 Committee members for their commitment to the continued success of the club, their attendance at meetings and their prompt replies to emails when we had to change meeting dates and times.

Thank you once again to Ivan and Mercie for their excellent work producing the magazine regularly. It was interesting to read member profiles and I hope that this feature can be continued. As always they would like input from members for it is your magazine.

Club members attended several events during the past twelve months including, the Greycroft Match in September, in March there was the St Patrick's Day Parade and in May an Adelaide Hills walk followed by lunch at the Bridgewater Hotel. I was delighted to see how well all these events were attended. Lets keep it up for the next twelve months. Details of all events are reported in Cuid Fios.

Thank you goes to club members who manned the BBQ and canteen for dog shows at SACA Park in December and June. These are worthwhile fund raising events for the club and all helpers thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

This year we again used some of our funds to donate blankets to the Animal Welfare League. These were much appreciated.

I hope all members continue to support the events we plan for the coming year. They will be advertised in future issues of the magazine.

I am looking forward to another successful year.

Barbara Miskelly President Irish Wolfhound Club of South Australia

## Secretary's Report, JUNE 2012

The last 12 months have seen the club participate in a number of functions. The Greycroft match was once again well supported with 24 Hounds, and 16 attended the St Patrick Day's March. A great turnout out and the weather was kind to us for a change.

Thanks to Michelle, our events officer, for organising the walk and lunch in the hills. Again 16 Wolfhounds took part and we had a lovely meal in the beer garden with the dogs. Dog news Australia gave it a mention in their National paper, so its all good positive publicity for the club and our beautiful breed.

The club manned the BBQ and canteen again at SACA Park raising money to help pay our insurance and keep the club solvent.

A big thank you to Pete Andrews, Albert and Gale Reading, Sarah and Phil Baker, Barb Miskelly, Michelle Thomson and Sue Lewington who gave up their time to help. Thoughts were with John and Evelyn McCardle who could not attend. We missed his smiling face at the BBQ.

The club donated \$200.00 worth of blankets to the Animal Welfare League. Many thanks to Albert for arranging the pick up and for his assistance in helping me deliver them. They were once again very grateful and sent the club a certificate of appreciation (printed elsewhere in the newsletter).

Thanks to Barb our president for keeping our meetings in order and to Gale for cooking the books and making sure all the columns add up.

Dave and Janet our rescue officers have had a quite year again with no rescues to report.

Sad that we have lost two of our lovely hounds Rooney went much too young from a suspected spider bite and Dobro made it to 7 still too young to lose him.

Finally a big thank you to Ivan for his work producing the club magazine, not an easy job and for his time spent on the web page.

On the show side of things, congratulations to Sarah Baker for achieving the title of GRAND CHAMPION with her lovely home bred girl GRAND CH Glenfels Finola, she was also the first female Irish Wolfhound to gain this title in Australia. Also congratulations to Michelle Thomson for achieving GRAND CHAMPION with her boy Grand Ch Greycroft Memphis known as Aengus. He is the first male in South Australia to achieve this title. Nice to see South Australia's Irish Wolfhounds #1 in the Country.

Thanks to her indoors for helping me with the typing (I do struggle a bit). Let's hope next year will be as successful as the last and I look forward to catching up with everyone and their hounds in the near future.

John

## Irish Wolfhound Club of South Australia

## MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

SUNDAY, 17 June 2012

VENUE: Gale and Albert's, 8 Amber Street, Salisbury East. Meeting opened at 12.30 pm.

## Attendance

Dave Cooley, Barbara Miskelly, Sam Miskelly, Albert Reading, Gale Reading, Michelle Thomson, John Lewington, Sue Lewington

## Apologies

Janet Peers, Ivan and Mercie Coombes, Richard Croser

## **Previous Minutes**

It was proposed by Gale Reading and seconded by Albert Reading that the Minutes of the previous meeting be accepted as a correct and true record of the previous meeting.

## **President's report**

It was proposed by John Lewington and seconded by Dave Cooley that the President's Report be accepted and a copy was provided for publication in the newsletter.

## Secretary's report

It was proposed by Dave Cooley and seconded by Michelle Thomson that the President's Report be accepted and a copy was provided for publication in the newsletter.

## **Treasurer's report**

It was proposed by Sue Lewington and seconded by Michelle Thomson that the Financial Report and the Treasurer's Report be accepted and a copy was provided for publication in the newsletter.

## **Rescue Officer's report**

Dave Cooley reported that he was very happy to report that there is nothing to report, i.e., there have been no rescues again for the past financial year. Fund Raising continues.

Moved Barb Miskelly, Seconded John Lewington.

## **Positions vacant**

The Secretary and President stood down

Albert Reading took over as Chair for the purpose of re-election and asked for any nominations.

Sue Lewington nominated Barb Miskelly for President, seconded by Dave Cooley.

Barbara Miskelly asked that it be noted that although she was willing to stand she would be happy also if there was a change. Since there were no other nominations Barbara accepted the position.

Dave Cooley nominated John Lewington for Secretary, seconded by Michelle Thomson, John accepted the position.

## Committee

The Committee remains the same with the exception of Richard Croser who has resigned from the Committee due to work commitments interstate.

The current Committee is:

Barbara Miskelly - President

Janet Peers - Vice President

John Lewington - Secretary

Gale Reading – Treasurer

Dave Cooley and Janet Peers - Rescue Officers and fund raising committee

Michelle Thomson - Events Coordinator

Ivan Coombes - Editor of newsletter and Website coordinator

Sue Lewington – Committee Member

Mercie Coombes - Committee Member

## **Membership Fees**

Discussion followed regarding whether or not the club membership fees should go up. The Committee decided that the Membership Fee should be a flat \$25 as there has been some confusion as to the amount that should be paid because of the additional \$5 late payment fee. The renewal notice should only show \$25 as the annual membership fee. Proposed: Barbara Miskelly, Seconded: Dave Cooley.

## Any other Business.

With no further business the meeting closed at 1 pm.

#### **IRISH WOLFHOUND CLUB OF SA COMMITTEE MEETING**

#### 17th June 2012 Minutes

Meeting opened at 1.10 pm

## Attendance

Dave Cooley, Barbara Miskelly, Sam Miskelly, Albert Reading, Gale Reading, Michelle Thomson, John Lewington, Sue Lewington

## Apologies

Janet Peers, Ivan and Mercie Coombes, Richard Croser

## **Previous Minutes**

It was proposed by Albert Reading and seconded by Cooley that the Minutes of the previous meeting be accepted as a correct and true record of the previous meeting.

## Actions arising from previous minutes

All actions as listed have been carried out.

## A new action arising from the Actions

The Secretary is to check with Ivan whether he linked the Overseas Health Survey file to the website.

## **Treasurer's report**

It was proposed by Sue Lewington and seconded by Michelle Thomson that the Treasurer's Report be accepted.

## **Future events**

Michelle Thomson advised that the Greycroft Match is going to be held on the 14<sup>th</sup> October. Action: Sue to send Michelle the previous page so that an advert can be prepared.

On the 20<sup>th</sup> October the Dogs SA Open Day will be held at SACA Park.

Action: Michelle to send an advert to Ivan for publication in the magazine.

Action: Michelle to request Ivan to put the website address in the newsletter.

Discussion followed regarding the website and ease of finding information on upcoming events. It was decided to include the South Australian events in the South Australian section of the website as well as under the Calendar which can be found under "Index".

Action: Michelle to request Ivan to include events in the South Australian Section of the Web Page and also to add a link to the Club Facebook page.

## Correspondence

The Secretary advised that the following correspondence had been received.

Letter from a trophy company – no action.

Letter from Dogs SA including cheque for \$220 for manning the BBQ and canteen. Cheque passed to Treasurer.

Certificate from Animal Welfare League - Sent to Ivan for publication.

Email from Dog News Australia re advertising in the Irish Wolfhound supplement in July – for discussion.

The Committee approved a half-page advert from the Club.

Action: Sue to coordinate with the Committee by email.

Dogs SA Invoice for the insurance for \$276.50 – Moved Dave Cooley and seconded John Lewington that this account be paid. Account passed to Treasurer.

Melbourne IT Invoice for \$44.00. This had to be paid by credit card and is for the domain name "irishwolfhound.org" and was paid for by Gale as the club does not have a credit card.

Moved by Dave Cooley and seconded by John Lewington that the club reimburses Gale.

## Any other business

Richard Croser donated a copy of the Greycroft Match Days 2007-2010.

Action: John to send a letter of thanks to Richard. Michelle to provide Richard's address in WA.

## **Next Meeting**

Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September. Venue: Michelle Thomson, 14 Barrdickson Crescent, Happy Valley, SA.

Meeting closed 1.55 pm.

## The Irish Wolfhound Club of South Australia Financial Report 17<sup>th</sup> June 2012

OPENING BALANCE	\$7962.22
<u>INCOME</u>	
Interest from Bank	69.42
	\$8031.64
EXPENDITURE	
Kylie Blankets/Donation to Animal Welfare	200.00
Canine Association Insurance	276.50
BALANCE	\$7555.14
BALANCE AT BANK	\$7790.14
Memberships for 2012-2013 deposited	130.00
Direct Credit Membership 2012-2013	55.00
Donation/Alexis Mulhearn	50.00
Reconciled with Bank	<u>\$7555.14</u>
Gale Reading	
Treasurer	

Treasurer's Report – 16<sup>th</sup> June 2012

Well another year has gone and we are looking forward to another year with the beloved wolfhounds and getting to know our new members.

Welcome and look forward to seeing you in the next year.

The Greycroft Dog match was successful, although it would have been nice to have caught up with a few more of the members. The Walk in the Hills and lunch at the Bridgewater Mill was a great success. I am sorry I missed it. I believe there were 14 Wolfhounds present with their owners. It was a lovely day and from all the feedback I heard that it was a very pleasant afternoon sitting on the back veranda with the dogs lying down on the lawn and not a growl in sight. I guess they were all too tired after the walk.

Keep your eye on the upcoming events and it would be lovely to see you there

**Gale Reading** 

## Irish Wolfhound Club of NSW Championship Show trip.

Sue Lewington and I had been planning for months to travel up to Sydney for their speciality show at Easter. Unfortunately as the time approached we had one problem after another to deal with and it was beginning to look like we would have to abandon our plans. One of the **problems was Finola's mother came in season early and I thought Finola** might follow suit but she managed to hold off long enough. The final hurdle was the floods in NSW had closed roads along part of our journey so we would have to travel via Broken Hill. That in itself was possible but then we were not able to find dog friendly accommodation for an overnight stop. At the last minute I rang the Nicholas Royal Motel in Hay which has a house available for guests travelling with dogs. The television news had stated that Hay was flooded but the hotel informed me that the town was unaffected and also that the road to Canberra was going to be re-opened in the next couple of days.

We set off on the Wednesday with Finola and Annie aiming to arrive at friends, Michelle Patison and John McKay's home on the Thursday evening. Sue hadn't stayed at Hay before and was very pleasantly surprised firstly at how easy the drive was and secondly at how lovely the house that we were booked to stay at was. It is a very comfortable three bedroomed home in the town with a fully fenced garden and best of all......dogs are welcome inside the house on the non carpeted areas.

The next morning we made good time and were well on our way by lunch time so stopped to give the dogs a walk and had something to eat ourselves. I had bought a pass for the Western Link freeway round Sydney and we were both amazed at just how easy the route was and also **at how early we arrived at our friends' house. They were showing their younger dogs (both bred by Sue and John Lewington), Kaj (Annie's brother) and Teekay (Tully and Gypsy's brother) at the Sydney Royal that** day so we actually arrived before them. Their two older dogs, Harvey and Usna, gave us a lovely greeting and were perfectly happy to have Annie and Finola join them in their home. John and Michelle returned **from their show triumphant......Kaj had won Best of Breed and Teekay** Best Puppy so we had a few drinks to celebrate and enjoyed a meal together.

Friday was a rest day for the dogs and Jacky Harnett was flying in that

day to show Finola for me. We fetched her from the airport and took her **back to John and Michelle's as they had very kindly offered to have her** stay as well. Michelle Thomson had also flown in from Adelaide that day to show Annie for Sue but she had planned to catch up with an old friend so was to meet us at the Speciality show the following day.

Saturday finally arrived and we all made our way to the show. Peter and Joan Wright also from Adelaide had driven over for the show with their dog, Toby who at almost three years old was to make his ring debut. When we arrived at the showground, a gazebo had been put up for us to use and chairs were set out too, it was wonderful, we were so spoilt, all we had to take were the dogs and our grooming things.

The judge was Elisabet Janzon from Sweden who has been involved with the breed for about 40 years though she now breeds Whippets. All the exhibitors were very friendly and there was an excellent atmosphere at the show.

Teekay won his class and then Kaj won his with Toby getting 2<sup>nd</sup> to him. We were all entertained by Toby's ring behaviour......he was clearly VERY unimpressed with what was expected of him and almost towed Jacky out the ring when he was asked to move! Annie also won her class and then Finola won hers. The final result was Finola won Best in Show, Teekay won Reserve Best Dog as well as Best Puppy in Show and Finola's half sister, Wulfgar Zeta Jones won Reserve Best Bitch. Runner up Best in Show went to the Best Dog, Ch Wulfgar Starman who was looking great for his age, just two months short of his 7<sup>th</sup> birthday. Sue and John's Roni won the Dam class and Kodi won the Sire class. These are judged on the offspring at the show.

It was great to catch up with Doug and Chris Wylie and Jenny Benjamin, all from Christchurch, New Zealand. They had travelled over for the specialty and a short holiday in Sydney.

To top off the day, there was a second show for Sighthound breeds and Annie (beautifully handled by Michelle) won Best of Breed, Kaj won Best Dog and their brother, Halvar won Reserve Best Dog with Finola Reserve Best Bitch. So all in all it was an extremely impressive result for South Australian Bred Irish Wolfhounds. The following day the club had organised a BBQ get together at Ray and **Margaret South's house for everyone to meet the judge and her husband,** Leif, informally. That was a fabulous afternoon and judging by the raucous laughter around the room, everyone else enjoyed the day as much as me.

Sue and I set off for home on the Holiday Monday and had just as easy a journey back. The accommodation in Hay was thoroughly enjoyed by Annie and Finola who spent much of their time chasing each other around the garden. We arrived home on Tuesday afternoon and Finola came into **season three days later.....what a clever dog! We agreed that of all the** road trips we have done together with the dogs this was the best. Of course, winning is great but we just had the best time on the whole trip, we were so lucky to have been able to stay with John and Michelle we both really appreciated their kindness.

Sarah Baker.



Best in show "Finola" Runner Up "Ch Wulfgar Starman"

Best In Show "Finola"



Wulfgar



Annika



Best Puppy Teekay

Champion Bitch "Finola"



Champion Dog "Starman"



"Finola " & "Starman"



Roni x Kodi offspring



Star & Teekay

Bring your best mate and join in the fun of

DOGS SA OPEN DAY Saturday October 20<sup>th</sup> 2012 1pm – 9pm Cromwell Road Kilburn



Members of The Irish Wolfhound club of South Australia will be taking their dogs to introduce our lovely breed and share information to the public. The dogs will enjoy many pats and cuddles. There are dog themed stalls, face painting, catering and entertainment.

BYO folding chair and hound.

Enquiries: Michelle Thomson (IW Club Events Coordinator) AH ph 8322 3353



Signature (s)

## Fees: Single / Family membership / renewal

## <u>\$25 (Australian )</u>

Direct Deposits can now be made to the Bank SA BSB 105-192 Acc No 028188940 Irish Wolfhound Club of SA Please use your name as the Ref

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Please complete this application form and send with cheque payable to "The Irish Wolfhound Club of South Australia" for 1 year's membership of the club to:-

#### The Treasurer

Irish Wolfhound Club of South Australia

c/o Mrs. Gale Reading

11 Amber St,

Salisbury East

SA 5109

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