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The Newsletter of the Potomac Valley Irish Wolfhound Club

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PVIWC FUN DAY

Sunday, September 21, 2014

Highland Lodge, The Rebas',

5519 Old National Pike, Frederick MD

Entries open at 11:30; Judging at 12:30

Judge: Dane St Clair

FUN for EVERY Dog*!

Puppy 3 months to veteran.

Fun classes; puppy, adult; & a fun education program.

NO Points awarded. \$5/class.

Games! Food! Raffle! Fun!

Please contact Judith Chantelois - judithchantelois@hotmail.com or (262)818-2025 to volunteer for food!

Contact Jodie (jodie@jewelerfamily.com or 410-266-8062) for info. *Non-hounds welcome!

From 270 N take I-70 W toward Hagerstown and take exit 49 Middletown/Braddock Heights on Old National Pike. Go right toward Frederick for 0.4 miles and turn right into 5519 Old National Pike From the West I-70 W as above.

From US 15 North take I-70 W exit as above

There is an opening in the brown fence—take it—follow the drive/"allee" of trees to the parking area designated

HEART TESTING! IWADV will host the Irish Wolfhound Foundation for heart testing, October 5, 2014! http://www.iwfoundation.org/news_detail.html?item_id=26 WIN— WIN— check your hound's heart health while saving money AND helping the Foundation learn about IW hearts!

Thoughts From The President

It seems like I was just writing the article for the early summer newsletter and here it is, time to write one for the late summer/early fall newsletter.

I want to thank Jodie Jeweler for taking on the difficult task of compiling a newsletter every few months. It is a challenging, and often seemingly thankless task. Prodding people, myself included, to get articles in, on time, could be a full time job! I, personally, love that we have a newsletter and would really like to see more people contribute to it. If you have ideas for articles, but aren't comfortable writing them, please let Jodie know your ideas. Often someone can be found to either help you put your thoughts in order, or, to do research and write an article on your chosen topic.

I want to take a minute to remind you about the Fun Match coming up in September. This is not an AKC sanctioned match, but a day where we all get together, show off our dogs and have a lot of fun. Huge thanks to Diane Reba for opening her home to us for this event, as well as Jodie Jeweler and Judy Chantelois for coordinating the events of the day. As with all events, please remember to respect the property owners, and the others attending, and clean up after yourself, and your dogs.

Now on to my regular plea for help with the upcoming specialty show. As most of you know, we have a new Show Chair for 2015, Linda King, as well as a new Show Secretary, Ce Hoffman. I know they are already looking for volunteers to fill key roles for the show, so please contact one of them to volunteer to help out! While the weather is sometimes a challenge, there is absolutely no substitute for the camaraderie the people putting on the show experience.

Just a reminder that we have a webpage that the club works hard to keep up to date. Please remember to check www.pviwc.org, for meeting locations and updates to the events calendar. Events are so much more fun for club members, and the public, when we have a good number of people at each event. People love seeing our gentle giants, and the more Wolfhounds they get to see, the more they become aware that these are wonderful, gentle animals. In an age where negative press can lead to breed bans, the more familiar the public is with our easygoing companions, the better it is for all of us.

Another activity to keep in mind is the IWADV specialty show coming up quickly. It's scheduled for October 4-6. Please check their website www.iwadv.org for details on what's happening each day. If you are intending on entering, please note that it has an early closing date of Sept. 10th.

I hope to see all of you at the Fun Match, DeVal and the October meeting!

Lisa R. McKinney

President

Potomac Valley Irish Wolfhound Club

From Linda King, Judge's Selection Committee Chair:

Please contact a committee member with your input for judges for our upcoming specialty shows. Any ideas or suggestions are welcome!

Linda King: ardrhis@aol.com

Tammy Aube: elkhorniws@gmail.com

Carole Silverthorne: wolfeez@comcast.net



SHOW NEWS!

Our annual specialty show is coming up! You KNOW you want to help— but what needs to be done, and where do you fit in?

Contact Linda King— she'll help you find the perfect fit!

If you already know what you want to do, please contact that committee chair, or Linda.

ANY and ALL help is needed and appreciated! Help is specifically needed with set up Saturday, tear down Monday, & stewarding Sunday AM for Obedience & Rally! (contact Jodie)

wELCOME!



Prospective members Denise & John Franchetti, and their new puppy Karontara Bronagh of Briarhill! Bronagh joins Khaki (wanna be wolfhound) and BB(toy poodle). Bronagh came from Gasport, NY, bred by Karon Volk Ozols & Linda Souza.

Members Sharon Benjamin Bothwell & Robert Bothwell welcomed a new rescue, Cyan Here he models with Sharon's wedding gown, at a recent shower for a friend!



And we welcome prospective member Regis Gould & her new boy Darwin!



The Wolfhound world was saddened to learn of the sudden death on August 19, of Jean Malley, longtime member and officer of the Irish Wolfhound Club. She served as secretary for many years, as well as being a trustee for the Rescue Trust and a founder of the Irish Wolfhound Health Group. Jean also bred many champion wolfhounds under the kennel name of Ainsea. She judged our specialty in 2013.

On August 16, members of Capital Dog Training Club gave a demonstration at the Montgomery County (MD) Agricultural Fair. For the first time, Corky and I volunteered to participate. Despite a long line to get into the fair, the evening started out perfectly. We got a parking spot right near the pavilion where the demo was being held, so we didn't have to carry our equipment (jumps) too far. Once at the demo site- a cow show arena, lined with bleachers and with a wood-chip covered floor- we socialized, while other dogs did their demonstrations. I brought a bag of cheese cubes and invited many little kids (and some not-so-little ones, too) to feed Corky. I was so proud of my "cheesehound" for gently taking food from tiny little fists! (we did advise children to feed him open-handed!) He had his photo taken with hundreds of fair-goers before we went and did our demonstration. First, we had a heeling "race" against a fellow trainer and his Shih Tzu. I will claim that the uneven footing was why tiny Bear beat us! Then Corky demonstration his Drop on Recall and his retrieving skills. The audience found him quite hilarious, since he got distracted by cows mooing and dropped his dumbbell on my feet.

After the demonstration we walked around the fair- well, we TRIED to. We actually covered about 300! In 3 hours. We ate locally made ice cream (he enjoyed his from a bowl, with a spoon!) and grilled cheese sandwiches from local cows. Then we drove home through Montgomery County- seeing shooting stars and fireworks on our way!

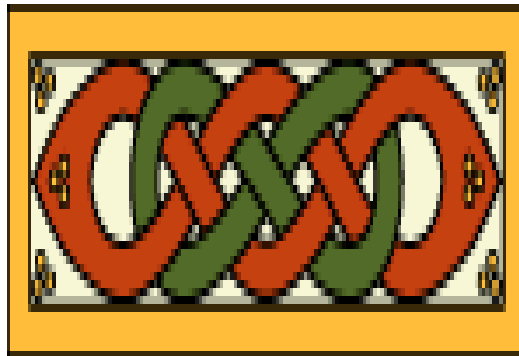


UPCOMING EVENTS!

Fun Day! September 21, 11:30 AM at the Rebas' - \$5/class, everyone is welcome, Contact Judy Chanteloise (judithchanteloise1@hotmail.com) or Diane Reba (dcreba@comcast.net) to sign up to bring food. Contact Lisa McKinney or Jodie for raffle donations, or with questions

October Meeting! 10/12– back to the Rebas'! Annual nomination of the slate for next year.

Quiet Water's Howl– oween Bark N Bash! October 25th Quiet Water's park, Annapolis. This is a SMALL festival which is lots of fun. if you are interested in attending, please contact Jodie!



Have you read our Standard of Excellence lately? Do you know what all of the terms or body parts mentioned mean?

Points of discussion:

Can an IW be too long in the back? Loin? What about too long in the leg?

Are any colors more valuable? Special? Undesirable?

What is NOT mentioned in our standard? (2 body parts)

There will be a test!

