

SETTER NEWS

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English Setter: Irish (Red) Setter: Gordon Setter: Irish Red & White Setter



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Autumn Supplement: CAUGHT IN A WAR ZONE by Aleksander Hemon

The story of the Hemon family and their Irish Setter Mek during the Bosnian War in Europe

THE CHINESE YEAR OF THE DOG

2018 is the Chinese year of the Dog which began on Friday 16th February and ends on the 4th February 2019. The Dog is the eleventh sign in the 12 year cycle of zodiac animals in the Chinese calendar. Those born under the Dog are defined as independent, sincere, loyal, decisive. who aren't afraid of the difficulties in life. Due to these characteristics they also enjoy harmonious relationship with those around them Chinese astrologers assert that 2018 falls under the element Earth which also brings healing, stability and focus on nutrition.



This Chinese child rubs the image of the Dog for luck in 2018

Staff at the Paolo Memorial Hospital Chokchai in Thailand rang in the Year of the Dog by dressing newborn babies in canine outfits. The babies in blue and brown crochet hats with dog ears and matching outfits were photographed and parents were given a framed photo as a memento. .

The colour red is significant in Chinese New Year celebrations and people decorate their homes with red paper, and give red envelopes stuffed with "lucky money" to children. So a good year to celebrate all dogs especially our Irish RED Setters

BARDOT 'RED CARDS' PUTIN OVER ANIMAL CRUELTY

Brigitte Bardot, the French film star who became an animal rights activist is using the upcoming football World Cup hosted by Russia to express her concerns about the fate of stray animals in that country.



Setter owner Bridgette Bardot

Renowned for her sterling work fighting for Animal Rights.

Bardot (Setter owner) tweeted a letter to President Vladimir Putin on Thursday 8th February 2018 referring to what she called “culling campaigns” and other animal cruelty in Russian cities. She said: “By accepting this mass killing, you favour barbarism!” She implored Putin to replace “this revolting slaughter” with sterilisation campaigns. Bardot noted that with the June 14 to July 15 2018 World Cup, “the eyes of the international community are turned towards you”.

Putin wrote to Bardot in 2000 saying leaders should be heeding her “alarm signals”.

(Acknowledgements to SA's Cape Argus 11.02.2018)

DOGS PROTECT KIDS AGAINST ASTHMA

Growing up with a pet dog protects children against asthma, but owning a cat increases the risk, researchers suggest. A study of 20,000 children found having a dog before the age of three cuts the chance of asthma by 40%. But having a cat in those early years increases the risk by half, the Imperial College, London researchers found.

Study leader Silvia Colicino believes this is because dogs are dirtier than cats, so they expose children to bacteria. Cats tend to be much cleaner and less affectionate and less likely to give a child a slobbery lick, so do not pass on their bacteria.

Acknowledgements to the UK Daily Mail and SA's Cape Argus 30.12.2017)

BLOAT/GVD : JANSEN & JANSEN NEWSLETTER (Netherlands)

Wilko Jansen has been involved with Irish Setters in the Netherlands for nearly half a century and has promoted all forms of health screening. He has also spent many frustrating, years researching Bloat/GVD in Irish Setters and whether it is inherited. To this end he has been involved in breed surveys and enlisted the aid of European institutions, Clubs and breeders in other countries.

On 20th February we received an e-mail from Wilko and Jansen & Jansen Newsletters. Our response was as follows:

‘ In response to concerns regarding health issues in Irish Setters over the years and our situation currently, Mark (my husband) and I are co-ordinators of health screening for the breed in South Africa and attached is the 2017 Irish Setter Health Review for your interest. This review does not cover epilepsy or GDV/Bloat as these conditions occur only rarely within our Irish Setter population.

In 50 years of involvement in the breed we can only report on a couple of cases of GDV/Bloat both involved elderly dogs which were euthanized and a similar situation regarding epilepsy – one of which was an imported dog and not used at stud. If this sounds too good to be true let me assure you that we are in close contact with the small breeder fraternity in SA on a regular basis and promote openness between them to discuss health problems they encounter without fear of them, or their dogs, being ostracised - bad things happen to good dogs and people.

We can confirm that the “younger set” of Kennel Union members/ breeders are very supportive of all our schemes despite the difficulties and costs we face in effecting DNA testing. There have been no cases nor carriers of PRA1 or CLAD for years we are also slowly working our way through LOPRA rcd4 with most opting to use only clear dogs and bitches when breeding – thankfully we were able to put the brakes on the spread of LOPRA early before it decimated the entire breeding stock in SA . Hip and Elbow Dysplasia scores have greatly improved over the last five years with more A's for hips and all 0:0 for elbows (scored under KUSA/SAVA/FCI scheme). So fair to say that we have a pretty stable population of Irish Setters regarding health issues.

In the last five years we have had a welcome influx of imports (which can only be registered with out Kennel Union if they are proven clear of PRA rcd 1, CLAD and LOPRA rcd4. One stud dog and one bitch from Australia – these with heavy American lines in their background. One Swedish bitch (also with some Australian/American bloodline on the sire's side and a stud dog from UK. These have extended our South African gene pool.

We observe from a distance the strides being made with breed genomes at AHT and below we give a short piece which will be included in our Autumn

Setter News due for issue in March which maybe of interest to you, They have already sequenced Gordon Setters and Irish and English Setters are in the first 77 breeds due to be sequenced and this may provide insight into the GDV/Bloat and Epilepsy mode of inheritance.

(The extract Give a Dog a Genome below was e-mailed to Wilko Jansen)

GIVE A DOG A GENOME

In a previous edition of Setter News we covered the Give a Dog a Genome project of the Kennel Club Genetic Centre at Animal Health Trust (UK) Their research team, headed by Dr. Cathryn Mellesch, aims to improve dog health for generations to come by using the latest technology in genetic research to find disease mutations in dogs and develop DNA tests to eliminate these conditions faster.

77 dog breeds have joined the scheme and by using surveys from Club's Breed Health Co-ordinators key concerns have been identified, The most common of these are Progressive Retinal Atrophy, Glaucoma and Epilepsy but in total 81 disorders have been listed.

The Gordon Setter heads the list of the first 11 breeds which have been sequenced (all 2.4 billion letters of DNA) and now the task of identifying the mutations that are responsible for the third form of Progressive Retinal Atrophy in the breed which is NOT PRA rcd1 or LOPRA rcd4. Whether this third form is lurking in English and Irish Setters is currently unknown, but both breeds are in the 77 which are due for genome sequencing and analysis.

NEED FOR CAESAREANS IN DOGS

It's sometime since we heard from Dr. Kurt de Cramer and the team at Rant 'n Dal Animal Hospital in Gauteng, but an interesting study entitled Need for Caesarean Section arrived in our mailbox recently. This study is particularly relevant since it deals with dogs in South Africa. While the necessity for Caesarean births in Irish Setters is low, (indicated on Dr. de Kramer's graft at 0.05% probability) the necessity does arise.

Secondary uterine inertia is the most common cause for an Irish Setter to need help whelping.-the uterine muscles become exhausted after prolonged contractions during the birth of a large litter. If Fentocin (Oxytocin) injections do not increase contractions then a caesarean is urgently needed. It is our experience that Irish Setters seldom develop uterine inertia when whelping their first or even their second litter, but may on their third which is why we recommend a maximum of three litters for an Irish Setter bitch in their lifetime. The first at approximately 2years, the second at 4 years and the third and last litter at 6 years old. Editors

Dr. de Cramer's study states - 'difficulty in labour (dystocia) occurs in approximately 5% of all whelpings in dogs of a variety of breeds (general

obstetric population), but maybe considerably higher in some dog breeds. Conservative obstetric treatment (oxytocin, drip and glucose and calcium) does not always succeed in delivering all the foetuses and may be associated with stillbirths. Bitches treated conservatively for dystocia may still require a caesarean section. In fact of all dogs that show problems at labour 60% to 75% of them will end up having a caesarean section. Also when bitches have difficulty at labour 31.9% of their puppies on average will be stillborn. A prompt decision for a Caesarean will considerably improve the prognosis for survival of the puppies. Therefore a strong argument can be made for a Caesarean at first indication of dystocia in high-risk pregnancies. High-risk pregnancies are considered those occurring in English Bulldog bitches and some other brachycephalic (short faced) breeds, those with a history of dystocia, those with known large litters, those with singletons, those with small litters (in large breeds) and those with a history of prior caesareans.'

Dr. Kurt de Cramer's full study Need for Caesarean Section can be read at www.rantendal.co.za

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM KUSA

EXTRACTS from KUSA Federal Council Meeting Minutes 2/3rd December 2017

7.3. SAVA/KUSA HD & ED Scheme

Having surveyed the clubs for breeds that routinely screen for HD, ED, or both, it became apparent that the new scheme proposed by SAVA was unacceptable to the majority of KUSA stakeholders.

Fedco directed PM to inform SAVA that, unless it was able to devise a scheme with greater appeal, KUSA would elect to remain with the current scheme. This course of action was unanimously **approved**.

PM enquired about the destiny of the journal article received from Prof Robert Kirberger which, unfortunately, arrived too late for inclusion on Fedco Agenda. The Chairman requested Clrs Hubbard and Robinson to consider the article and for possible dissemination to targeted recipients.

.4. Introduction of DNA Profiling (Fedco 06-2017) *In accordance with international practice, mandatory DNA profiling should be introduced for imported and exported dogs. An amendment to Schedule 2 is to be prepared for the agenda of Fedco 12-2017. With regard to the introduction of DNA profiling for dogs registered in the KUSA area of jurisdiction, breeders should, in the meantime, be encouraged to do this on a voluntary basis. It was suggested that Dr Cindy Harper of the Onderstepoort Veterinary Genetic Laboratory be requested to write an article on the current trends, merits and benefits of DNA profiling. It was further suggested that additional information should be obtained in respect of DNA profiling from imported frozen semen. To be carried forward to next agenda. 6.*

After discussion it was **agreed** that, to commence the process, DNA profiling will become a requirement for the issue of a Show Clearance Certificate or Registration Certificate of imported dogs and for the issue of a three-generation Certified Export Pedigree.

Schedule 2 amendments:

Schedule 2 Reg. 3.1.5 Remove [] Insert underlined

All imported dogs must be micro-chipped and have a standardised international marker DNA profile before acceptance for registration on any KUSA register.

Schedule 2 Reg.4.2 Remove [] Insert underlined

In the case of a mating having taken place in any country, the Canine Control Body of which is in reciprocity with or recognised by the Kennel Union, a separate mating certificate signed by the owner of the sire, veterinarian and any witness to the mating in the country of origin will be acceptable, if fully completed with the essential details of the dog (including microchip number and standardised international marker DNA profile.) [and], details of the bitch and the dates of mating [and otherwise in order]. In such cases the name of the owner(s) of the sire must coincide with the registered ownership certificate issued by the foreign canine control body.

Schedule 2 Appendix E Remove [] Insert underlined

Breed Specific Requirements for imported and exported dogs

KUSA recognised breeds

A Certified Export Pedigree may only be issued to a dog that has been micro-chipped and has a standardised international marker DNA profile.

Unanimously **approved**.

proposed JH, seconded CI

Effective 01.04.18

Ed. Note: – It has been proposed to WP Provincial Council for discussion that KUSA Federal Council revisit these regulation as ‘an individual profile on its own is not worth the paper it is written on in respect of proof of who the parents are’.. A further query regards the position of the 14 Countries which form SADC for which no KUSA Export Pedigree is required currently.

KUSA MEMBERSHIP & EVENTS

After discussion it was **resolved** not to extend the membership requirement to handlers and to exempt Specialist Club Championship Shows for Breed from the requirement, the latter exemption to be accommodated in Schedule 3.

New Article 12.2.1 will thus be amended to read:

12.2.1 Only members of the Kennel Union shall be entitled to enter dogs in their registered ownership in any Championship Dog Show, Obedience Class, Working Trial, Field Trial or other Championship event licensed by the Kennel Union, subject to any additional provisions contained in Schedule 3 Regulation 7.

The corresponding amendments to Schedule 3 were **approved**:

Schedule 3 Regulation 7 – Entry for Exhibition

Insert the following at the beginning of Regulation 7:

Only Members of the Kennel Union shall be entitled to enter dogs in their registered ownership in any Championship Dog Show, Obedience Class, Working Trial, Field Trial or other Championship event, licensed by the Kennel Union, save for Breed Classes offered at Specialist Club Championship Shows, where entries will also be open to non-members. All Entries shall be submitted...”

Schedule 3 Regulation 42 – CHAMPION DOGS

Insert underlined.

42. CHAMPION DOGS

Upon written application being made by a member on an official Kennel Union form, accompanied by the fee prescribed in terms of Schedule 7.

Effective 01.02.18

Proposed JH, seconded FM

It was further **agreed**, unanimously, that the Membership Entrance Fee be waived from 01.1.2017 to 01.02.18.

The Show Entry Form to be amended to reflect the membership requirement for registered owners, with Breed Classes at Specialist Clubs Shows excepted.

4.5.8. Schedule 3 Regulation 42 Champion Dogs - Introduction of a proposed Junior Champion in Breed

Proposal by DOGSPC:

Insert NEW Regulation 42.1.5 (para number to be confirmed):

The Federal Council may award the title of Junior Merit ~~Champion~~ in breed to any dog on the full Breed Register of the Kennel Union or any National Canine Organisation recognised by KUSA which has won a minimum of eight (8) Best Puppy in breed and/or Best Junior in breed awards, as well as at least one Best Puppy in Group or Best Junior in Group award at Championship Shows licensed by the Kennel Union.

Motivation:

“A lot of exhibitors leave their Puppies and Juniors at home till they are 9 months old when the CCs start counting, and then at 18 months old when they need the final CC for KUSA Championship. A JUNIOR CHAMPION title would encourage exhibitors to bring their Puppies and Juniors out, since most shows already offer a BJIS. The show entries (and KUSA’s levies) would increase.

For a dog or bitch between 6 – 18 months to qualify for the title of JUNIOR CHAMPION they must attain 8 x Best Puppy and/or Best Junior awards in breed and also win at least either 1 Puppy Group and/or 1 Junior Group.”

After discussion the following was **approved**, with three votes against:

That the proposal be accepted subject to the title being changed to JUNIOR MERIT.

No certificate will be awarded, only the title.

Title to be recorded on the Registration Certificate as “JM” as a Suffix.

Effective 01.04.2018 (Only certificates issued after 01.01.2018 will count towards the title.)

Ed. Note: According to the last sentence above only awards after 1st January 2018 will count towards the Junior Merit award which is unfair to dogs born during 2017. The following is a hypothetical example:

A dog born on 1st January 2017 dog won numerous Best Puppy awards and Best Puppy in Group. . From 1st January to 30th June 2018 the dog has only 12 opportunities nationally to win a Best Junior – obviously it would be ineligible for some of these shows - so assume that the dog was able to win four Best Junior awards. Thus because of the dog’s age the limit of awards is only 4 whereas if the Best Puppy awards were included then the dog would qualify for the Junior Merit Award.

It has therefore been proposed to WP Provincial Council that the regulation be amended to read. *Only dogs born after 1st January 2017 are eligible to qualify for the title of Junior Merit.* . 9.

IRISH (RED) SETTER LITTERS

Note: All litter parentage advertised in this section have been cleared of Progressive Retinal Atrophy rcd 1 – Canine Leukocyte Adhesion Deficiency and Late Onset Progressive Retinal Atrophy rcd4. Scoring grades for Hip and Elbow Dysplasia under the KUSA/SAVA/FCI scheme are given in brackets after the names of Irish Setter parentage. All puppies will be micro-chipped and registered with the Kennel Union of Southern Africa. Certificates of Registration and Certified Pedigree and KUSA Health Screening Certificates (Annexure to aforementioned) will be handed//forwarded to new owners. Air transportation can be arranged by the breeders to all SA provinces at additional cost to purchase price of a puppy. .

2018 FIRST HALF YEAR

Karisah – Gauteng



After several anxious days Karisah Holly Molly presented Chris and Karen Black with just one pup. Above the proud Mum with her spoilt newborn baby girl on 29th January. She is sired by Beldigo Ever After and will remain in the Karisah household

Bloemfontein, Free State

Velka Laubscher's **ARDMORE MISS D/ARSY** whelped her first litter on 9th/10th March 2018 and produced a staggering 18 pups!!!!!! 7 bitches and 8 dogs survived and are doing well with lots of extra bottle feeds from Velka. They are sired by **KARISAH JUST JAMES** (HD & ED scores awaited) Velka can be contacted at landline 051-4360841 or cell 082-7470743 or e-mail velka@creativeaxis.co.za

Beldigo – Plettenberg Bay, Western Cape

Marinette Teeling is breeding “Eva” **SA CH. CAEMGEN EVER SO CLEVER** (Imp Sweden)(HD A2:B1 ED 0:0) to Marinda Human’s **MEIOMIE LUCKY STAR** (HD A2:A2 ED 0:0) with a litter expected early May 2018 Marinette can be contacted on cellphone 072-7424694 or e-mail mteeling@gmail.com

2018 SECOND HALF YEAR

Fenris – KwaZulu Natal

Gail Green intends breeding her homebred **FENRIS LATEST EDITION** (HD A2:A1 ED 0:0) mid-year to Karen & Chris’ **CH. SHINEON ABLE AIDAN OF KARISAH** (HD B2::B2 ED 0:0) Gail can be contacted at landline 033-3261743 of cell 082-8064008 or e-mail fenrisdobermanns@gmail.co.za

Meiomie – Gauteng

Estelle Meiring and Teigue Payne intend mating their partnership bitch “Flame” **MEIOMIE MYSTIC DREAM** (HD A2:A2 ED 0:0). Sire yet to be decided For further information contact Estelle at cell 072-3480080 or e-mail estelle@setters.co.za

BEWARE OF SCAMS

Nothing raises the anger of genuine breeders faster than to see their breed used to scam money from a gullible public and this would seem to be the case with an advertisement that appeared on the web recently.

The “breeder” purportedly resided in Eastern Cape, but during one weekend the “litter” moved from Port Elizabeth to Queenstown. The purchase price of these “puppies” was half that of reputable breeders. The “seller” sent a one line e-mail to those who made enquiries with a few individual photos of Irish Setter pups that could have been downloaded from a number of sources on the web. Anyone that foolishly paid for one of these phantom pups lost their money.

There is very little genuine breeders can do to stop these scam practices, except advise prospective puppy purchasers to avoid websites like Gumtree and Olyx. . .

HOW TO TELL YOUR DOGS YOU LOVE THEM IN THEIR OWN LANGUAGE

Dogs live for our love and approval, try showing them your devotion in a language they can understand.

Gaze deeply into their eyes Dr. Brian Hare, Professor of Cognitive Neuroscience at Duke University topped the New York Times best seller list with his book, *The Genius of Dogs*. In an interview with Anderson Cooper he told the dog-loving newsman that when your dog stares at you he is “hugging you with his eyes.” This doesn’t mean you should stare deeply in the eyes of the dog that guards your local junk yard. Direct eye contact is still considered a challenge or threat in many situations, but with your own, trusted pet, try gazing into his eyes when the two of you are calmly relaxing. Speak softly, stroke him gently and maintain eye contact. According to Hare these quiet moments stimulate the release of Oxytocin in the canine brain – the same hormone that bonds mother and child

A Japanese study published in the September 2013 volume of Behavioural Processes found that dogs raise their eyebrows – especially the left one – when greeting their owners. Using a high speed camera, they scrutinized the facial movements of the dogs when seeing their owners versus seeing strangers

When the strangers came along to greet them, the test dogs displayed far less facial activity and most of it was right sided. The significance is that the right brain controls the left side of the face and is tied to emotion, while the left brain controls the right side of the face and is tied into analytical behaviours. Basically, the more facial activity you display when greeting your dog, the more they know they are loved. If you are able to raise one eyebrow then make it the left one – your pup will really feel special.

Lean on them, not just figuratively, actually press your weight against your dog physically. Not to the point where he feels cornered (or crushed !) just a little to show that you trust him. This is something our pups do to display their affection to us that is often overlooked. Have you ever had your dog press up against the backs of your legs, which you’re busy in the kitchen? That’s a type of dog hug! Try giving him one right back.

Let them sleep with you. Emory University neuroscientist Gregory Berns is the author of *How Dogs Love Us* and he has spent decades studying the canine brain using MRI. According to his research, sleeping with a human is the ultimate display of love and trust our dogs can give because that is when they are at their most vulnerable. It also shows that they consider us a member of their pack. If you have a No Dogs in Bed policy, then snuggling up on the sofa or the floor for a few minutes each day to show your affection

Just be Yourself. Throughout his extensive research Dr. Berns has found that although it’s sometimes hard for us to tell what our dogs are thinking, they

definitely do not have the same problem reading our emotions. If you love is true for your dog, they already know it, just by reading your voice, body language and actions. So just keep doing what you're doing and your dogs will reward you by showing their affections in their own special ways.

(Acknowledgements to heartdogs.com.)

FAMILY GALLERY



Ros Pammenter is best known in Natal for her Cocker Spaniels. but couldn't resist adding redhead "Amy" to the family four years ago



**Garrett Rainier and his son with “Finley” Karisah Fine Flynn and
“Fergus” Karisah Gentle Gulph in Gauteng**

SOUTH AFRICAN SHOW RESULTS – First quarter GAUTENG

17/02 SA LADIES KC (Show 1) – Judge Mrs. Carol Mulcahy
Irish Setter Dogs

BOB Mrs. Petra. Hullen’s **CH. & INT CH. MEIOMIE WILDFIRE.**

CC & RBOB Mr. Doug Robinson’s **ARDMORE SYDNEYS RILEY OF
SOUTHERNSTAR**

18/02 SA LADIES (Show 2) Judge - Ms Jackie Browning
Irish Setter Dogs

CC & BOB Mr. Doug Robinson’s **ARDMORE SYDNEYS RILEY OF
SOUTHERNSTAR**

WESTERN CAPE

3.03 KENNEL ASSOCIATION – Judge Mrs. A. Sheasby

Irish Setter Dog

CC & BOB Marinette Teelings **BELDIGO NEVER SAY NEVER**
BEST GROUP JUNIOR & BEST JUNIOR IN SHOW ALL BREEDS
C O N G R A T U L A T I O N S !!!!!

4.03 LIESBEEK KC – Judge Ms. C. Gilmour WC)

English Setter Bitch

Best Baby Puppy Class Rowena Wonfor's **ROZEL GUNS AND ROSES**
BEST GROUP BABY PUPPY & BEST BABY PUPPY IN SHOW ALL BREEDS

Irish Setter Dogs

CC & BOB Marinette Teelings **BELDIGO NEVER SAY NEVER**
BEST GROUP JUNIOR & 3RD BEST JUNIOR IN SHOW ALL BREEDS

RBOB Anthony Wonfor's **CH. OAKDALES BOREAS**

10.03 WHALE COAST KC – Judge Ms. A. Banks (WC)

Irish Setter dog

CC & BOB Marinette Teeling's **BELDIGO NEVER SAY NEVER**
BEST GROUP JUNIOR & 3RD BEST JUNIOR IN SHOW ALL BREEDS

10.03 OVERBERG KC – Judge Mr. Mark Simpson (WC)

Irish Setter dog

CC & BOB Marinette Teeling's **BELDIGO NEVER SAY NEVER**
2ND BEST GUNDOG JUNIOR & 4TH GUNDOG GROUP
C O N G R A T U L A T I O N S !

142ND WESTMINSTER KENNEL CLUB DOG SHOW New York USA



The hotel after which the Club was named

In 1877, New York was well on its way to becoming the world's greatest city. This was the year that a group of sporting gentlemen decided that this would be a good time to hold a dog show in Manhattan. It didn't take long before the Westminster Kennel Club, following the lead of its home town, would be on its way to becoming the world's greatest dog show.

With its spectacular beginnings and extraordinary growth in the years to follow, the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show was quickly reflecting the growth and success of New York City. As the dog show grew every year, so did the Westminster Kennel Club's position as the symbol of the purebred dog, with its influence being felt in show rings everywhere, and eventually in millions of television homes across the country. Westminster has become America's Dog Show.

"Westminster gets its name from a long gone hotel in Manhattan. There, sporting gentlemen used to meet in the bar to drink and lie about their shooting accomplishments. Eventually they formed a club and bought a training area and kennel. They kept their dogs there and hired a trainer. They couldn't agree on the name for their new club. But finally someone suggested that they name it after their favorite bar. The idea was unanimously selected, we imagine, with the hoisting of a dozen drinking arms."
– Maxwell Riddle, from a newspaper story quoted in "The Dog Show, 125 Years of Westminster" by William Stifel

It was at one of those meetings that the members decided that they would stage a dog show so that they could compare their dogs in a setting away from the field. The First Annual New York Bench Show of Dogs, given under the auspices of the Westminster Kennel Club, was staged in 1877 at Gilmore's Garden (the forerunner of Madison Square Garden) in New York City, drawing an entry of 1,201 dogs.

(Acknowledgement to the Westminster Kennel Club)

Westminster Kennel Club show took place between 12th & 13th February 2018 with day and evening events in Madison Square Gardens. USA.
Californian, Ms Gretchen K. Schultz, who is approved to judge 13 Sporting (Gundog) breeds judged English, Gordon and Irish Setters. She has the distinction of breeding the 1974 Westminster Best in Show winner Ch. Gretchen of Columbia River, a German Shorthaired Pointer

Setter Results:

English : BOB GCh. Winchester's Made My Day

BOS GCHG CH. Aerden's Free Fallin With Honeygait

Gordon BOB GCHJ Ch. Timbaray n'Sastya's Outlae CD JH CGO TKN

BOS CH. Bran ILnn Amulet

Irish Red & White

BOB CCH Maltby Lakes Aislingcudo Brichneach

BOS CH Ehman's Redwood Princess of Hearts Kairi

Irish (Red) Setters

BOB CHCHB CH Mi Jean's You Mad Bro?

BOS GCHS CH Jadestar Touch 'n Twang

CRUFTS 2018 – National Exhibition Centre, Birmingham UK

The largest dog show in the world held between Thursday 8th March and Sunday 11th March 2018. 22,000 qualified dogs were competing for top honours this year with 3623 of them from overseas countries as far apart as Canada, Australia, Peru and Thailand. English Setters were judged by Mr. J. Barber, Gordons by Mrs. K. Macara, Irish Red & Whites by Mrs. M.R. Justice, Irish Setter dogs by Mrs. W. Morley and Irish Setter bitches by Mrs. A.M. Howes.

The Gundog Group was won by the Pointer KANIX CHILLI owned by Miss Blackburn=Bennett who went on to be judged Res. BEST IN SHOW ALL BREEDS. Group 2nd was the Cocker Spaniel owned by Ms S. Arnos-Jones Veratey Vincenzo, 3rd was the Flat coat owned by A Dyren and 4th the Irish (Red) Setter COPPER'S WAR OF ROSES owned by B. A & Miss A.C. Crocker & Siddle



**LH Mr B. Crocker & Miss A Siddle's SH CH. COPPER'S WAR OF ROSES (d)
CC BOB & 4th GUNDOG GROUP**

**RH. Nr, J. & Mrs.J. Lippett's SH.CH.NEATHAMILL ISABELLE AT CLONAGERRA
Bitch CC**

**with
Judges Mrs. W. Morley (dogs) & Mrs. A Howes (bitches)**



**2018 Crufts highest placed Setter Mr.B.Crocker & Miss A.Siddle's
Irish (Red) Setter SH. CH. COPPER'S WAR OF ROSES
CC BOB & 4th Gundog Group**



**2018 Crufts CC & BOB English Setter Mr.N. R, & Mrs. J.K. Kelly's
SH. CH. RICHELLA SHADES OF GREY JW (D)**

**2018 Crufts CC English Setter bitch Mr. & Mrs. Grimsdell's
SH.CH.GILLANCETTEE PEBBLES FOR TATTERSET JW.**



**2018 Crufts CC & BOB Gordon Setter Dr. M. & Dr. L.S. Ivaldi's dog.
SH.CH.?ITA/INT.CH. LUDSTAR FREDERICK FRANKENSTEIN**

CC Bitch M. Sklorz SH.CH. HERNWOOD CAUSIN A STORM FOR TOGIPOTO



**2018 CRUFTS CC dog & BOB Irish Red & White Setter Mrs. N. Mikhavlova's
CORNADORE ARRO (W W17 EUW17)**

CC Bitch Mr/.G. & Mrs J.J. Bayme's SH.CH. CORRANROO CRUZ

ALARM =, RABIES SCARE IN SA

Dr J. Weyer of the National Institute of Communicable Diseases reported on TV eNews on 8th March 2018 that there is growing concern about the upturn in the transmission of Rabies to humans from dogs and cats, particularly in the north of the country. **Rabies is a lethal disease to all mammals BY LAW ALL OWNERS OF DOGS AND CATS are required to vaccinate their pets against Rabies on an annual basis Check your pets inoculation cards for date of re-vaccination**

This brings us to the end of the first 2018 edition of Setter News. We enjoy hearing from our readers so drop us a line at mss01@telkomsa.net or 'phone us at 028-4233934 with all your news, views and pictures for the Winter issue.

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