

IRISH WOLFHOUND CLUB OF NORTHERN IRELAND

SCHEDULE OF 23 CLASS UNBENCHED BREED CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

(Held under Kennel Club Limited Rules & Regulations)

EIKON EXHIBITION CENTRE
Balmoral Park, Halftown Road, Lisburn BT27 5RF

SATURDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Show opens: 7.00 am

Show Manager: Mr J Flynn

Judge: Mr Bert Easdon (UK)

JURISDICTION AND RESPONSIBILITIES: The Officers and Committee members of the society holding the licence are deemed responsible for organising and conducting the show safely and in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of The Kennel Club and agree to abide by and adopt any decision of the Board or any authority to whom the Board may delegate its powers subject to the conditions of Regulation F17. In so doing those appointed as officers and committee members accept that they are jointly and severally responsible for the organisation of the show and that this is a binding undertaking (vide Kennel Club General Show Regulations F4 and F5).

***Hon Vet Surgeon: Liam Fitzsimons, MRCVS, Newry Veterinary Centre, Ltd.
39a Patrick Street, Newry, BT35 BEB TEL 028 3062266***

The Judge at this show agrees to abide by the following statement:

"In assessing dogs, judges must penalise any features or exaggerations which they consider would be detrimental to the soundness, health and wellbeing of the dog".

Postal Entries close: Friday 28th AUGUST 2026 (Postmark)
On-line entries to be made until midnight Monday 14th September 2026

www.DogShowEntry.ie

***Postal entries sent to Mrs MA Finney, Gullagh House, Ballyboughal, Co.Dublin,
A41 WN30 Tel: 00353 87 2752270***

"A dog which had its tail docked on or after 1 January 2013 cannot be shown at events where the exhibitor pays a fee or members of the public pay an admittance fee."

THE IRISH WOLFHOUND CLUB OF NORTHERN IRELAND WISHES TO THANK BELFAST DOG SHOW FOR ALLOWING US TO HOLD OUR BREED CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW WITH THEM

EXHIBITORS ARE REMINDED THAT THEY SHOULD WEAR APPROPRIATE CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR FOR THE PREVAILING CONDITIONS ON THE SITE. EXHIBITORS SHOW AT THEIR OWN RISK IF CONDITIONS ARE NOT IDEAL.

NOTE - CHILDREN SHOULD BE SUPERVISED AT ALL TIMES.

• EXHIBITORS INFORMATION •

Prior to the show, exhibitors will receive email notification confirming your entry.

Belfast Dog Show Society will have a car park charge of **£8.00 prepaid to BDSS**, or **£10.00 on the day**.

Please Note: No seating will be provided at the show

• OFFICERS & COMMITTEE •

Patron	Mr L Scott
President/ Chairman	Mr T.N Finney
Hon. Treasurer	Mr I Finney
Hon. Secretary	Mrs M.A. Finney
Committee	Mr J Flynn
	Mr T Rainey
	Mrs. R Shaw-Rainey
	Ms. Siobhan Sweeney

•FEES•

ENTRY FEES:

First entry per dog including catalogue: €35

Each subsequent entry with same dog: €4.00

Second Dog: €22.00

Three or more Dogs: €80.00

CLASS ROSETTE SPONSORSHIP: €10.00 per class

CLUB ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION: Single €15.00; Joint €20.00

Entries, online www.DogShowEntry.ie

JUDGES PROFILE •

Mr Bert Easdon (UK)

Bert Easdon has shown dogs since he was at school starting with Boston Terriers, King Charles Spaniels, Shih Tzu's and finally Pekingese and has bred over 80 UK Champions in these Breeds. Bert awarded his first set of CC's in 1978 and now awards CC's in 22 Toy, 23 Utility, 16 Terrier, 6 Working and 7 Pastoral Breeds also the Toy, Utility, Terrier and Working Groups and Best In Show at Championship Shows. He bred the 2003 Crufts Best in Show winner and Top Dog all Breeds both in the UK and USA. He is an International Championship Show Judge with experience in many countries all over the World with countless overseas champions.

This is his fourth time awarding CC's in Irish Wolfhounds and very much looks forward judging this prestigious Show.



• CLASSIFICATION •

IRISH WOLFHOUND – *Mr Bert Easdon (UK)*

Kennel Club Challenge Certificate - Dog

Kennel Club Challenge Certificate - Bitch

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| 1. Puppy Dog | 09. Puppy Bitch |
| 2. Junior Dog | 10. Junior Bitch |
| 3. Yearling Dog | 11. Yearling Bitch |
| 4. Post Graduate Dog | 12. Post Graduate Bitch |
| 5. Limit Dog | 13. Limit Bitch |
| 6. Open Dog | 14. Open Bitch |
| 7. Veteran Dog | 15. Veteran Bitch |
| 8. Champion Dog | 16. Champion Bitch |
| 17. Brace | 18. Team |

Special Classes to be judged after Best in Show

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| 19. Iso Aiken memorial Best Northern Ireland Owned Hound | |
| 20. Stud Dog | 22. Best Head |
| 21. Brood Bitch | 23. Best Movement |

• ROSETTES •

BEST IN SHOW
RES BEST IN SHOW

CC WINNERS
RES CC WINNERS

BEST PUPPY IN SHOW

BEST VETERAN IN SHOW

(Selected from winners of veteran classes ONLY)

BEST STUD DOG * BEST BROOD BITCH * BEST TEAM
BEST BRACE* BEST HEAD* BEST MOVEMENT

First - Reserve in all classes

• RULES & REGULATIONS•

1. The Show will open at **7.00 am**.
2. Dogs will be received at any time, but it is the exhibitor's responsibility to ensure that exhibits are available for judging when required.
3. Judging will commence at - Start time to be arranged
4. This is an Unbenched show. Exhibits may be removed from the show after their judging has been completed. The show will close half an hour after all judging has been completed.
5. **Entry Fees: First entry per dog including catalogue: €35.00; Each subsequent entry with same dog: €4.00; Second Dog: €22.00; Three or more dogs including catalogue: €80.00; Brace Team, Stud Dog, Brood Bitch: Free; Best Head, Best Movement: Free; Special awards: Free; Catalogues: €4.00 (on-day); Catalogue Adverts: €10.00 per page; Class Rosette Sponsorship: €10.00 Per Class; Club Annual Subscription: Single €15.00; Joint €15.00**
6. **Prize Money:** There is no prize money on offer at this show.
7. The Committee reserves to itself the right to refuse entries.
8. Puppies under four calendar months of age on the first day of the show are not eligible for exhibition.
9. The mating of bitches within the precincts of the show is forbidden.
10. **Best Puppy in Show** - Where a Best Puppy in Show competition is scheduled the Best Puppy in Show is a puppy which has competed and is unbeaten by any other puppy exhibited at the same show. A puppy is a dog of six and not exceeding twelve calendar months of age on the first day of the Show. The selection of Best in Show may follow the selection of Best Puppy in Show and Best Veteran in Show (if scheduled) respectively. Where the Best in Show is a puppy it may, at the discretion of the judge, be awarded Best Puppy in Show. Where the Reserve Best in Show is a puppy which has only been beaten by an adult dog it may, at the discretion of the judge, be Best Puppy in Show.

A Baby Puppy is a dog of four and less than six calendar months of age on the first day of the show. Baby Puppy classes may be scheduled at any breed club show. Any Variety Baby Puppy classes may be scheduled at any breed club show. Best Baby Puppy in Breed may be declared in each breed from the dogs entered in the Baby Puppy breed classes. There must be no progression to further competition
11. **Best in Show** must be selected from the exhibits declared Best of Sex. If a Reserve Best in Show is to be selected, the eligible dogs are those declared Best Opposite Sex and Reserve Best of Sex to the exhibit declared Best in Show.
12. Exhibits will not be admitted to Best in Show competition after a period of ten minutes has elapsed since the announcement that exhibits are required for judging, unless they have been unavoidably delayed by previous judging not completed on time, and then only with the special permission of the Show Management.
13. Exhibitors must not pick up dogs by their tails and leads when lifting them **nor handle a dog in a manner which causes its feet not to touch the ground when on the move.** This is not acceptable. Exhibitors should note that such practice would constitute harsh handling and reports of such practice will be referred to the Committee under Kennel Club Show regulation F11.
14. All exhibitors must be familiar with Kennel Club regulation F (Annex B) - Regulations for the Preparation of Dogs for Exhibition.
15. All dog's resident outside the UK must be issued with a Kennel Club authority to compete number before entry to the show/event can be made. All overseas entries without an authority to compete number will be returned to the exhibitor/competitor.
16. **DOGS IN VEHICLES ON HOT DAYS**

Your dog is vulnerable and at risk during hot weather and The Kennel Club offers the following guidance to help guide you through the dos and don'ts travelling to and whilst at Kennel Club licensed events.

When travelling to a show please take a moment to consider whether the route to the show is on a busy holiday route and leave earlier to avoid increased time in traffic jams.

If your vehicle is not air-conditioned, seriously consider whether travelling to the show is a good idea at all. The vehicle should be as fully ventilated as possible, and plenty of stops should be taken, with lots of water available to drink.

Ensure your dog is not sitting in full sunlight. There should be plenty of free-flowing air around the dog.

When at the show, never leave your dog in the vehicle.

Keep the dog in the shade - take your own shade for example a large umbrella and always have plenty of water available to drink so your dog stays well hydrated.

Avoid your dog taking part in unnecessary exertion, or from standing in exposed sunlight for extended lengths of time.

Remember, if you feel hot your dog is very likely to feel much hotter and dehydrated, and this could lead to dire results. Please look after your dog's welfare.

WARNING: IF YOUR DOG IS FOUND TO BE AT RISK FORCIBLE ENTRY TO YOUR VEHICLE MAY BE NECESSARY WITHOUT LIABILITY FOR ANY DAMAGE CAUSED.

17. Anyone whose dog is entered at a Kennel Club licensed event should take all reasonable steps to ensure the needs of their dog(s) are met and should not put a dog's health and welfare at risk by any action, default, omission or otherwise. Breach of Kennel Club regulations in this respect may be referred to the Board for disciplinary action under The Kennel Club rules and regulations. The use of pinch collars, electronic shock collars, or prong collars, is not permitted at any show licensed by The Kennel Club. This shall apply at the venue or within the precincts of the show.
18. Not for competition entries not accepted. **No spectator dogs are permitted at this show.**
19. No modifications will be made to the schedule except by permission of the Board of The Kennel Club, which will be followed by advertisement in the canine press wherever possible.
20. An exhibitor or competitor should ensure that contact details for any handler are available and must be provided upon request in any investigation of a breach of this regulation by such handler.

• ADVISORY NOTES - ADDITIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS •

- i. Should any judge be prevented from fulfilling their engagement, the Committee reserves to themselves the right of appointing other judges to fulfil their duties. Exhibitors are at liberty to withdraw from competition, but no entry fees can be refunded.
- ii. Any owner, competitor or other person in charge of a dog is required to remove as soon as possible any fouling caused by their dog(s) at any Kennel Club licensed venue and within the environs of that event including car and caravan parks and approaches. Adequate receptacles for the disposal of such fouling will be provided.
- iii. The Committee will do its utmost to ensure the safety of the dogs brought for exhibition, but it must be clearly understood by exhibitors and all other persons at the show that the Committee will not be responsible for the loss or damage to any dogs or property, or personal injury whether arising from accident or any other cause whatsoever.
- iv. An announcement prior to the date of closing of entries in Our Dogs of any alteration or addition made by the Committee to the schedule or in these Rules shall be sufficient notice thereof.
- v. All children must be kept under control and parents will be held responsible for any damage caused and charges incurred.
- vi. Please do not obstruct gangways with cages, pens, grooming tables, trolleys, and dogs. Storage space will be made available for trolleys/ cages.
- vii. If in the opinion of the Show Secretary, Show Manager or Judge any dog is considered not in a fit state for exhibition owing to a disease, savage disposition, or any other cause, the dog may be excluded or removed from the show the dog must not be brought into the show at any time under any circumstances.
- viii. No animal other than an exhibit duly entered at the show will be allowed within the precincts of the show during its continuance.
- ix. The owner, exhibitor, handler, or other person in charge of a dog at a Kennel Club licensed event must always ensure that the dog is kept under proper control whilst at the licensed venue, including its environs, car and caravan parks and approaches. This regulation applies before (at any time during the set-up period at the venue), during the event and afterwards (at any time during the breakdown of the event)
- x. A dog may be disqualified by the Board from any award, whether an objection has been lodged or not, if proved amongst other things to have been a) registered or recorded as having been bred by the scheduled judge, this shall not apply to a judge appointed in an emergency; b) exhibited without payment of the appropriate entry fees.
- xi. Every exhibitor shall ensure that whilst the dog is being exhibited, its handler shall display the correct ring number.

Please note: Best Veteran in Show will be selected from the winners of Veteran Classes only

The chalking, powdering, or spraying (with exception of water) of exhibits within the precincts of the show is forbidden.

• DEFINITIONS OF CLASSES •

In the following definitions, a Challenge Certificate includes any show award that counts towards the title of Champion under the Rules of any governing body recognised by The Kennel Club.

Wins at championship Shows in breed classes where Challenge Certificates are not on offer shall be counted as wins at Open Shows.

In estimating the number of awards won, all wins up to and including the seventh day before the first closing date entries shall be counted when entering for any class i.e. **(28th August 2026)**.

Wins in Variety classes do not count for entry in Breed classes but when entering in Variety classes, wins in both Breed and Variety classes must be counted. A first prize does not include a Special Prize of whatever value. If an exhibitor reports before the judging of a class or classes that a dog has been entered which is ineligible, the exhibitor may choose one of the following options: -

- (1) **Withdrawal**
The dog may be withdrawn from competition subject to the conditions of Regulation F (1)19.
- (2) **Transfer**
 - A. If a dog is ineligible for a class or classes as regards its colour, sex, weight, or height the Show Secretary shall transfer it to the equivalent class or classes for the correct colour, sex, weight, or height and, in the event of there being no equivalent class, Minor Puppy and Puppy excepted to the Open class for the correct colour, sex, weight or height.
 - B. For an exhibit entered incorrectly in a Minor Puppy Class, Puppy Class or Junior Class, which is over age but under twelve calendar months of age, eighteen calendar months of age or 24 calendar months of age respectively, the Show Secretary shall transfer the exhibit to the Puppy Class, Junior Class or Yearling Class respectively for the correct colour, sex, weight or height and in the event of there being no Puppy, Junior or Yearling Class to the Open Class for the correct colour, sex, weight or height.
 - C. For any reason other than the above, the Show Secretary shall transfer it to the Open Class for the correct colour, sex, weight, or height.
 - D. If an exhibit arrives late and misses a class, even if it is the only class in which the dog is entered, the dog may not be transferred to any other class.

PUPPY - For dogs of six and not exceeding twelve calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

JUNIOR - For dogs of six and not exceeding eighteen calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

YEARLING - For dogs of twelve and not exceeding twenty-four calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

POSTGRADUATE - For dogs which have not won a Challenge Certificate/CACIB/CAC/Green Star or five or more First Prizes at Championship Shows in Postgraduate, Minor Limit, Mid Limit, Limit and Open classes, whether restricted or not where Challenge Certificates were offered for the breed.

LIMIT - For dogs which have not become show Champions under The Kennel Club Regulations or under the rules of any governing body recognised by The Kennel Club or won 3 or more CC/CACIB/CAC/Green Stars or won 7 or more First Prizes in all at Championship Shows in Limit or Open Classes confined to the Breed, whether restricted or not at Shows where Challenge Certificates were offered for the breed.

OPEN - For all dogs of the breed for which the class is provided and eligible for entry at the Show.

VETERAN - For dogs of not less than seven years of age on the first day of the Show.

CHAMPION - For dogs which have been confirmed a Champion or Show Champion under Kennel Club Regulations or under the rules of any governing body recognised by The Kennel Club.

STUD DOG For stud dogs and at least two progeny of which only the progeny must be entered and exhibited in a breed class at the Show

BROOD BITCH For Brood Bitches and at least two progeny of which only the progeny must be entered and exhibited in a breed class at the Show.

BRACE- For two exhibits (either sex or mixed) of one breed belonging to the same exhibitor, each exhibit having been entered in some class other than Brace or Team.

TEAM - For three or more exhibits (either sex or mixed) of one breed belonging to the same exhibitor, each exhibitor having been entered in some class other than Brace or Team.

BEST HEAD For the dog which, in the opinion of the judge have the best head

BEST MOVEMENT For the dog which, in the opinion of the judge, is the best moving exhibit



A VERY BIG WELCOME TO THE ISLAND OF IRELAND TO OUR ESTEEMED
JUDGE

Mr Bert Easdon (UK)

WE WISH ALL OUR EXHIBITORS A VERY ENJOYABLE WEEKEND AT OUR
SHOW AND BELFAST DSS.