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Quebec Regional Specialty Show  
Date: May 29, 2004  
Conformation Judge: Ika Peiler, Ireland**

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Thank you so very much to the Irish Wolfhound Club of Canada and the hard working Quebec Show Committee for inviting me and giving me the opportunity and the honour of judging their 2004 Regional Specialty at such a lovely, peaceful venue. (a good venue is so conducive to a good atmosphere!) Thank you to my ring stewards which kept proceedings running smoothly. Thank you to the exhibitors, some of whom traveled long distances, for allowing me the pleasure to go over their hounds and for accepting my decision with such grace and excellent sportsmanship. And thank you so very much to Josee and Pierre for their fabulous hospitality which is second to none, and for providing us all with their scrumptious Méchoui dinner at the end of an exciting day. I enjoyed my appointment immensely and wished I had had more time than the officially allocated two minutes for each dog. This is something your club might want to clarify with the relevant body, that this is a breed Specialty where exhibitors and judges should not be under so much time pressure, especially when the judge is required to write individual critiques for the first four placings. I therefore decided to keep my critiques short and will give my more general impressions in a summarily fashion.

The atmosphere inside and out of the ring was splendid, the weather although mostly overcast and at times threatening rain, held out fortunately and the wind kept the hounds cool.

Thank you all very much, I have taken wonderful memories back home with me to Ireland!

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What I am looking for in a hound is what everybody else, breeder and judge alike looks for; a perfect specimen which fits the Standard of our breed and is sound in body and mind to be able to do the job they were once bred and selected for – to chase and bring down a wolf.

There is no such thing as a perfect hound so the challenge always remains to find the hounds that are nearest to the Standard, find their virtues, grade their faults and forgive them where possible. Sometimes there are only minute variations in dimensions and balance which define where a hound is placed, sometimes how a hound looks and how he feels under the hand when going over him differs and might make it difficult for ringsiders to understand the judge's decision.

I hope I managed to find the hounds that were pleasing to the eye, both standing and on the move, that felt good under my hands, and award placings accordingly.

I was pleased to see that bites were correct in all but one hound shown under me. This is a really good sign as I think this belies the erroneous impression that North American breeders do not always pay attention to correct bite and dentition. Scissors bite is excellent, level bite is acceptable, an over or undershot combined with narrow jaws is not as it demonstrates incorrect proportions of the head.

I also put great emphasis on movement and look for an even, daisy-cutting stride with good reach and drive which equally displays power and elegance and endurance. I certainly found this in my winners. Only very few hounds moved true when coming and going, but I know from my own experience as exhibitor that this is very hard to achieve in a ring situation where the slightest unevenness in the ground can throw the handler and subsequently the hound off course and interrupt the flow of straight, forward movement. Instead I put my eye on the overall column of the front assembly, and when I did not find major faults, - like loose elbows, which are out or tucked in too far, toeing in or out, hind movement too close or in some cases even weaving, - I did not penalize it.

Like almost always, the depth of quality in females exceeded the one in the males. I always wonder why this should be so. Perhaps it is the size of our breed and especially the demand on size for males. A bigger and by nature heavier dog needs to have even more balance as every aberration from the correct proportion is amplified so much more. While I don't advocate that males should be smaller or have more feminine lines, size and excess weight alone do not make a good male and breeders should strive for a harmonious animal where all parts fit together, even if it is 'only' of moderate height.

Another point I am looking for is temperament and I am so pleased to say that with only very few exceptions the temperament and disposition of your hounds was very good to excellent. Some youngsters, especially the real babies, found the ring situation a bit overwhelming and were distracted, but this is absolutely normal and will disappear when they gain confidence and experience.

Heads and expression were generally good, most dogs had good pigment and the correct eye colour, I saw only a few eyes, which could have been darker. Some eyes were too big and round, a fact that breeders should watch out for and try to breed away from, as these round eyes give the hound an extremely atypical expression. Since the head is listed almost at the top in our Standard and the gentle, dignified 'Irish expression' is the hallmark of our breed, breeders should be mindful of this when choosing their hounds' breeding partners.

At the other end of the hound – and nearly at the end of the Standard - is the tail. While I can overlook a curly tail of good length when it is carried low on the move and relaxes down when the hound is stacked, I cringe when I see a tail that is carried high and flagged. Some hounds, male and female alike, have a tendency to display excitement and tension that way, but having had multiple entire hounds of both sexes for over twenty years I know that this must not necessarily be so. If the construction of the pelvis, the angle of the croup and the set-on of the tail is correct, a tail rarely goes above the topline when a hound moves, regardless of the state of mind the dog is in.

Feet were generally good, of right shape and tight. Only a few, although of correct round shape, were splayed which might be indicative of lack of exercise and lack of hard surface in their home environment.

I was pleased to see that most hounds had good width over the loin and croup and across stifle, displaying strength and power that is needed were they still to do their job they were bred for. Underlines were generally good, but in some cases the sternum ended too far forward with a short ribcage, resulting in a long loin and rather a straight line to the pelvis. I have yet to come across a hound with too long a rib cage combined with long legs at the same time, but would really prefer this to a short one as the latter makes the hound appear weak and unbalanced.

While most hounds had good or at least acceptable rear angulation, good fronts, with the correct angles and proportion of scapula and upper-arm and a good filled-out forechest, were rare. While the lighter desert sighthounds and greyhounds are certainly straighter in their front assembly our breed needs more and better angles to absorb the shock when on the move and to carry the weight with ease when standing.

The same goes for the pastern joints. Without a spring of pastern, the shock from hitting the ground on the gallop goes straight into the elbow and shoulder and will inevitably lead to problems in these joints when the hound gets older.

Soundness means health in a broader sense, therefore correct construction all over is not only a question of beauty but of necessity.

Of course I was very pleased with my winners; they showed all the attributes I was looking for and I was delighted to see good quality young stock come up in the Reserve Winners Dog and Bitch. I will follow their progress with interest from afar and believe they will do very well.

Ika Peiler (judge)

## REGULAR CLASSES

### Junior Puppy Male

#### 1<sup>st</sup> – No. 7

6 months old raw, strong boned baby with already good front, broad rear and nice width across stifle and good angulation. Correct rise over loin, Good mover, correct coming and going, good reach and drive. Rib cage will come down with age, very nice tail carriage.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> – No. 6

Another baby just over six months with good front and a good topline with correct tail set. Good coat. Would like to see a longer first thigh and more width and angle at stifle. Was not too enthusiastic on the move but still showed promise of good reach and drive.

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> – No. 5

Tall brindle pup in this very gangly beanstalk stage, nice head, profuse coat. Good underline, flat croup, moving very close behind.

### Senior Puppy Male

#### 1<sup>st</sup> – No. 8

Light brindle 9 months old, lovely head with hardly any stop and a nice rose ear. Good length to height ratio, long rib cage with correct tuck-up. Strong rear, hocks well let down. Good confirmation resulting in correct movement. Would like him to have more spring of pastern.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> – No. 10

Wheaten youngster, with nice dark pigment and a lovely expression. Strong bone and good front. Slightly roached topline, correct underline. At this stage lacks length of leg to harmonise with his already well filled out body. Good width of stifle and across rear.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> – No. 11**

Very tall nine months old boy with a nice croup and tail set. Straight coming, but a bit too close behind. Friendly expression. Strong head marred by flathis ears. Ribcage needs to come down and sternum needs to extend. Correct spring of pastern. Would prefer more angulation and stronger bone all round.

### **12 – 18 Months Male**

#### **1<sup>st</sup> – No. 16**

Elegant black brindle, with a lovely houndy outline and curves in the right places, from head to hocks. Excellent and sound mover. Nice long rib-cage and good tuck-up. Good front and forechest, long, strong first and second thigh with short hocks well let down. Good width across stifle. Good tail carriage. Harsh coat. Could carry a bit more weight to round off his excellent conformation. *Res Winners Dog*

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> – No. 13**

Another shapely youngster with good overall quality. Nice head with a dark eye and lovely rose ear. Good front and strong legs, Elegant neck flowing into a long back which would improve with a bit more rise over the loin. Adequate hind angulation, excellent underline. A very pleasing hound.

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> – No. 12**

Wheaten dog with a nice temperament. High set, correctly carried rose ear, but head too broad and could do with longer muzzle and stronger lower jaw. Strong neck and broad loin. Croup short and steep, good first but short second thigh. Ribcage needs to come down which will improve his underline.

#### **4<sup>th</sup> – No. 14**

Light grey brindle with a pleasing head and well shaped eye. Good forechest. Carries too much weight, which affects his movement. Strong neck. Straight topline, underline acceptable and adequate angulation all round.

### **Canadian Bred Male**

#### **1<sup>st</sup> – No. 19**

Two-year-old black who carries too much weight. Good but unenthusiastic mover. Strong neck and good width all over, underline lacking tuck-up. Moderate angulation front and rear.

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> – No. 18**

Three-year-old stocky grey brindle, good spring of pastern, good rose ear. Moves surprisingly well although there would be a lot I would like to see improved in his conformation. Poor top and underline, weak legs and splayed feet.

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> – No. 17**

Grey brindle with a lovely dark eye and black ears. Good underline and correctly set on tail of good length. There is a certain lurcher quality about this hound but he is too fine-boned for a wolfhound, lacking muscle. Strange high stepping movement.

### **Bred By Exhibitor Male**

#### **1<sup>st</sup> – No. 21**

Beautiful, impressive, mature, nearly four year old tall and strong boned brindle who is in his prime. Showing himself with confidence and dignity. Carries his beautiful head proudly on a strong neck that flows into his long, gently curved topline. His excellent angulation serves him well on the move and he also covers a lot of ground standing. Excellent reach and drive, good forechest and nicely ribbed up body. To be critical at all about this lovely hound I would like him to be a little leaner and his coat harsher. *WD BOW BOB BBE.*

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> – No. 20**

Another very nice and balanced hound which displays correct movement. Gentle expression, good dark pigment. Neck could be stronger. A curvy hound but not quite as correct in detail as the winner.

### **Open Male**

#### **1<sup>st</sup> – No. 24**

Shapely, well-made nineteen months old red brindle. Still not quite mature but showing good promise. Lovely head with the nicest high set rose ear. Correct topline and underline,, strong neck. Well balanced proportioned and good angulation front and rear. Good spring of pastern and good feet. A powerful and enthusiastic mover, but not quite together yet, loses his topline on the move.

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> – No. 23**

Nearly five-year-old mature dog with a good topline and underline. Nice expression and good pigment but a weak underjaw and incorrect bite leave his head too fine and too small in proportion to his substantial body. Moves true with reach and drive.

### **Veteran Male**

#### **1<sup>st</sup> – No. 27**

What a lovely old gentleman this is! Nice head with a gentle soft Irish expression, neatly folded ears and a dark eye. Long elegant neck and back, very good angulation all over. Showing good daylight when stacked and still moving with sprite and quality.

## **2<sup>nd</sup> – No. 26**

Another good mover and a credit to his breeder. Nice head of correct proportions, eyes a bit round. Shorter in leg than the winner and not as balanced, steep pasterns, but still a very lovely veteran.

## **Junior Puppy Female**

### **1<sup>st</sup> – No. 30**

Lovely, shapely strong-boned baby with a classic head, nicely folded rose ear and good pigment, dark eye. Long cast and very well angulated. Not too co-operative with her handler but has wonderful reach and drive when she finds her stride. Very promising!

### **2<sup>nd</sup> – No. 31**

Litter sister to No. 1 with the same overall quality. Topline a bit straight. On the move a bit untidy in front when coming. Would wish for a stronger muzzle, but still a very promising baby.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> – No. 29**

7 ½ months grey brindle in this awkward growth stage where the rear has grown faster than the front, resulting in an exaggerated rise over the loin and a high croup. Nice head with good pigment and dark well shaped eyes, ears flat. Good substance.

## **Senior Puppy Female**

I was thrilled to see from the catalogue that the first three in this class are litter sisters. All four are amazingly good movers, considering their young age.

### **1<sup>st</sup> – No. 33**

What a gorgeous baby, so full of promise! Oozes an old fashioned quality, combining beauty with a hunter's air. Very nice mover with excellent reach and drive. Starting with an exceptional long yet strong head and almond shaped eyes she displays all the right curves and angles without being exaggerated in any part. *Reserve Winners Bitch, Best Puppy.*

### **2<sup>nd</sup> – No. 35**

Litter sister to the winner, with the same beautiful head and neck. Slightly longer and stronger in body, but she is not quite as together and does not move quite as well.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> – No. 34**

This one completes the trio of very promising litter sisters. Slightly too long in back, needs to improve in movement, but another nice puppy overall.

### **4<sup>th</sup> – No. 32**

Tall baby at an uneven growth stage. Rear strong and very well developed, front not matching her rear. Neck is weak and out of proportion. Was not very cooperative and seemed unhappy in the situation.

## **12 – 18 Months Female**

### **1<sup>st</sup> – No. 38**

One-year-old youngster with a pleasing head and nice rose ear. Correct underline, good movement. Would prefer more width across and bend of stifle and more overall length.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> – No. 39**

17 months old alert bitch with good side movement, but close behind. Lacking in forechest but this can still improve with age.

## **Canadian Bred Female**

### **1<sup>st</sup> – No. 42**

Nearly two-year-old light brindle with a gentle expression in a very good head carried high. Dark eye and nice rose ear. Nice curves from head to tail with a very good rounded croup, correct easy and active movement. Has good length of leg and good shoulder assembly.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> – No. 41**

Three-year-old long cast grey brindle with enormous depth of chest and correct topline finished off by a nicely rounded croup. Nice high set rose ear and gentle, dark eyes. Movement a bit sloppish and would prefer slightly longer leg to match her long and deep body.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> – No. 46**

Lovely head with good black pigment. Good rear angulation but short croup which affects her otherwise enthusiastic movement.

### **4<sup>th</sup> – No. 43**

Nice head, good ears. Needs more length of leg for her long frame. Good long stride from the side, but moves very wide in front and the whole picture marred by a high tail.

## **Bred By Exhibitor Female**

### **1<sup>st</sup> – No. 51**

Tall, dark brindle four year old mature bitch in her prime with a lovely smooth flow of curves from head to tail. Stands four square with apparent ease and needs no correction by her handler; to me this is always a good indicator for correct conformation. Old fashioned gentle head and expression. Excellent croup and tail set-on

which in combination with a correct front gives her good reach and drive and creates this wonderful easy and active movement. *Winners Bitch*

**2<sup>nd</sup> – No 48**

Another lovely tall and balanced light brindle bitch. Her expression in an otherwise well proportioned head is marred by lightish eyes. Good front with correct spring of pastern, good underline with belly well drawn up, nice rounded croup and good rear angulation with hocks well let down. Would prefer more rise over the loin.

**3<sup>rd</sup> – No 49**

Not quite two year old substantial red brindle with a reasonable front and strong legs, good underline and matching rear angulation. Strong and long neck. One of the few hounds that show their Great Dane ancestry in overall look, head too strong for a bitch and topline sagging. The individual parts of her conformation are nice but they do not add up to a balanced picture.

**4<sup>th</sup> – No. 47**

Good mover, nice neck and topline. Good strong bone. Would prefer a better front and more rear angulation. Not very happy in the ring.

**Open Female**

**1<sup>st</sup> – No. 59**

Powerful yet elegant and well balanced nearly five year old bitch in her prime. She is all curves from head to tail with a correct rise over loin and a nicely rounded croup. Lovely head and gentle expression, with a dark eye. Lovely sweep of stifle and extra long first and second thigh matching her good front. Deep chested and broad over the loin, she is still feminine and very typey.

**2<sup>nd</sup> – No 54**

Another elegant bitch with nice curves. Lovely head with a beautiful, wise expression and dark soulful eyes. Good mover with correct angulation front and rear. Would wish for slightly longer leg.

**3<sup>rd</sup> – No 60**

Tall dark brindle houndy bitch, of medium bone. Good sound mover, good front and adequate rear angulation. Would like to see a stronger neck.

**4<sup>th</sup> – No. 61**

Wheaten bitch of medium size, also a good mover. Good strong rear, deep chest. Lovely typical expression with dark pigment and dark eye. Strong boned.

**BOB No. 21 (see critique in class)**

**BOS No. 70 Also Best Canadian Bred**

This one came from the specials. Not yet two years old she exemplifies the fine balance between strength and houndiness. This one would surely be fast enough to catch a wolf and strong enough to bring him down. Beautiful long head carried high on a wonderfully curved and muscular neck. She is not exaggerated in any individual part but her excellent front and rear together with a well proportioned body give her that elusive quality and harmony. Still not fully matured, this bitch can only develop further towards excellence.

**Altered Males**

Sorry, no notes on these and the Non-regular classes.

1<sup>st</sup> – No. 81 WD

2<sup>nd</sup> – No. 80 Res WD, BOS

**Altered Females**

1<sup>st</sup> – No. 84 WB, BOB

2<sup>nd</sup> – No. 83 Res WB

3<sup>rd</sup> – No. 82

**NON REGULAR CLASSES**

**Best Stud Dog – No. 67**

**Best Brood Bitch – No. 54**

**Best Brace – No.s 34 & 35**

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**Sweepstakes Judge: Emma Ross**

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I was indeed honoured and thrilled to be asked to judge Sweepstakes at the IWCC Quebec Regional Specialty. The venue is wonderful and the hospitality offered by Pierre and Josee is difficult to beat anywhere. The show committee outdid themselves with the warmth and friendliness offered. Many thanks to my wonderful ring stewards Jacqueline and Lysane who helped make my assignment flow so easily. To all the exhibitors who traveled to bring their young hounds for me to go over. It is always a thrill and an education to be able to feel and put hands on these young growing hounds.

I was pleased with the quality of the majority of the young hounds I had in the ring, starting with the just 6 months old classes. There are some very promising youngsters coming up. Temperments on the whole were good, one or two were unsure of themselves and I tried to make their ring experience a calm and happy one. I was looking for the hounds that overall fit my ideal of the standard, could they do the job they were bred for? Could they move with great reach and drive? Movement should be "Easy and Active" I wanted to see hounds with the classic head and gentle expression, a dark eye and correct shape, strong necks, good front assembly, strong pasterns to absorb the shock of the constant pounding when they run. A gentle flow from the top of the head along the topline right down to the tail, width through the loins down through the stifle. Hocks that had strength. I was able to find in my winners many of these attributes and I was pleased.

A few points to ponder...hounds that lacked muscle and were out of condition, as owners of this breed a great disservice is being done to your hounds, it is your responsibility to keep your hounds in the best physical condition possible. A play in the backyard is not enough! Just as overweight hounds could no more do the job they were bred to do. Keep in mind the importance of a spring of pastern, a straight pastern cannot absorb the shock of the tremendous pressure put on those joints. I found a few puppies with very straight pasterns. You have some very promising hounds in the east and it was my pleasure to be able to judge them on the day.  
Thank-you  
Emma Ross

**6-9 MONTH MALE** 2 very different young males, both with lots of quality

7 *Greymist Gryphon, Inscrit à la liste / Listed, 11/24/03 Propriétaire/Owner: Cheryl L. McGraw*  
A strong boned 6 months wheaten youngster with a wonderful attitude, though a bit erratic with his movement, he gradually settled as he moved around the ring. Endearing expression and a nice dark eye and pigment. Lovely outline with a nice length of upperarm and good shoulders. Strong curvy hindquarters. Good bone. Lots of potential for the future.

6 *Kaeylyn Fionnbharr O'Murchadha, Inscrit à la liste / Listed, 11/22/03 Propriétaire/Owner: Pamela J. Murphy*

Another lovely 6 months old dk black brindle puppy with a great attitude, both he and his owner were having a good time. Lovely expression on this tall youngster, good length of upperarm, good topline, would like to see a bit more width through the stifle, strong hocks. Another strong puppy with lots of potential.

**9-12 MONTH MALE** Often this is a difficult age to judge in young hounds, they are growing so quickly and so often, many of their parts do not seem to match at this time

8 *Aotearoa Emrys Chadwick, NQ900240, 08/03/03 Propriétaire/Owner: Evelyne Montpetit, Agent: Barbara Daley*

Lovely wheaten brindle of 9 months old, with a pleasing head and expression, nicely folded ears, good forechest, lovely outline and curvy rear. Correct rise over loin, moved out and used all he had while moving round the ring.

10 *Karontara Starkeeper Fantom, 1081978, 07/27/03 Propriétaire/Owner: Jocelyne Gagne*  
This nice wheaten youngster had a mind of his own today and needed a little more time to settle. Great attitude with a wonderful expression and very dark pigment, strong neck flowing into good shoulders, would like to see a stronger topline. Curvy rear with nice width across stifle. Strong hocks and the potential is all there.

11 *Redtops Brenniam SQ Danagher, Inscrit à la liste / Listed, 08/06/03 Propriétaire/Owner: Brenda Neu & William J. Neu*

Another youngster at a fairly awkward 9 months stage in his development ,a wheaten grey brindle with a good topline, lovely expression. I would like to see a little bit more layback in his front assembly which would enable him to move out with more reach.

**12-15 MONTH MALE** Both of these young males in growth stages, show potential

14 *Demage Hors La Loi, NJ874979, 05/29/03 Propriétaire/Owner: Danielle Renaud & Germain McNeil*  
Light grey brindle of 12 months with a lovely strong neck, good front assembly. Would like to see a stronger topline, adequate curves in rear, strong hocks. Would also like to see this hound carrying a little less weight

12 *Demage Achille L'Aventurier, NG868587, 04/30/03 Propriétaire/Owner: Ginette Auclair*  
Wheaten brindle of 13 months , strong neck, good forechest , very broad across the loin, adequate angulation both front and rear

**15-18 MONTH MALE**

16 *Redtops Celtic Spirit, ERN23002175, 12/20/02 Propriétaire/Owner: Rosemary E. Wortman,Redtop*  
17 month old black brindle with a lovely typey outline, dk. eye, wonderful expression and pleasing head. From the top of his head, flowing down to a strong neck to well laid back shoulders, strong topline and curvy rear with good width across stifle and strong hocks, all the parts fit on this well balanced and sound youngster. Excellent mover in tune with his handler. *Best in Sweepstakes*

13 *Demage L'Enchanteur, NC857357, 02/19/03 Propriétaire/Owner: Carole Boivin*  
another very typy wheaten of app. the same age. Very pleasing head, dk. eye and lovely rose ears. Adequate front and rear, moved well, another hound of good quality.

**6-9 MONTH FEMALE** A very promising class of puppies

31 *Greymist Redtop Touch O' Grace, Inscrit à la liste / Listed, 11/24/03 Propriétaire/Owner: Rosemary E. Wortman,Redtop*  
Lovely feminine head , expression and dk. eye on this 6 month puppy, very shapely with lovely curves both front and rear, moved well

29 *Dunnescroft Mythic Melody, NU903077, 10/08/03 Propriétaire/Owner: Lucille & Victo Pakalnis*  
71/2 months wheaten grey brindle, right now at a bit of the awkward growth phase. Pretty head, dk. pigment, dk.eyes, nicely laid back shoulder with good length to upperarm. A little higher in rear at the moment giving appearance of a dip in the topline. Should correct itself when when her growth levels out.

30 *Greymist Redtops Gabriellagh, Inscrit à la liste / Listed, 11/24/03 Propriétaire/Owner: Rosemary E. Wortman,Redtop*  
Another shapely 6 month puppy. Sister to the 1<sup>st</sup> place. Feminine head, dk. eye and good bone, good reach and drive both fore and aft. Having fun with her handler.

**9-12 MONTH FEMALE**

35 *Castlekeep's Soul of the Earth, NQ899135, 08/27/03 Propriétaire/Owner: Donna L.T. Castle*  
Lovely wheaton, classic head, good ears, strong neck flowing into strong topline. Curvy rear, good hocks well let down, good mover using everything she had. *Best of Opposite*

33 *Jadzia Freesoul of Castlekeep, NQ899133, 08/27/03 Propriétaire/Owner: Linda Wood & Donna L. Tomson-Castle*  
Another beautiful head on this young bitch, rosed ears, lovely curves, strong front and rear, another lovely mover.

34 *Castlekeep's Heavenly Freesoul, NQ899139, 08/27/03 Propriétaire/Owner: Donna L.T. Castle*  
Litter mate to the above 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place. Not quite as strong in topline, lovely head and expression ,would like to see a little more enthusiasm when she moves. all 3 of these littermates show great promise.

32 *Limerick Hannah Sylverwolf, Inscrit à la liste / Listed, 08/25/03 Propriétaire/Owner: Sylvia Tamm*  
Initially a strong contender for a higher placement. Good bone, good feet, would like to see a bit more lay back in shoulder, strong rear, needs to settle into herself and relax. Did not feel she could move to her potential. Another nice youngster

**12-15 MONTH FEMALE**

38      *Curiann Kerry Arc Gem of Aerie, Inscrit à la liste / Listed, 04/20/03 Propriétaire/Owner: Judith Ryan*  
12 month wheaton with a lovely head, expression and dk. eye. Definitely in the growth stage, stronger topline and a little more width across stifle, good feet and strong hocks. good mover

**BEST IN SWEEPSTAKES**

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**BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX IN SWEEPSTAKES:**

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