

*Schedule of The
Irish Breeds Society
Championship Show*

(under licence of the Irish Kennel Club Ltd.)

at

**National Show Centre, Cloghran, Dublin
Saturday, 12th September, 2026**

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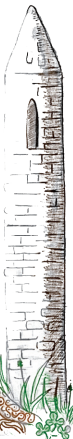
Cathy Delmar, Elaine Butler, Marion Finney, Ross Delmar

Entries Close 28th August 2026

**Online entry at www.showguidesystems.ie
closes at midnight on the 1st September 2026**

**All Breeds
Will Be Judged Outdoors
Judging Commences
at 1.30 pm Sharp.**

With IKC Approval



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This Show is licensed by the Irish Kennel Club Ltd. And as such is governed by its Rules and Regulations regarding Dog Shows.

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Show Commences at 1.30pm

Ring Numbers MAY BE DOWN LOADED FROM THE 10th September 2026 .

Show Date Saturday 12th September 2026

Sponsored by



**Venue: National Show Centre,
Cloghran, Dublin**

National Intangible Heritage Status

The announcement by the Government Department that the 9 Irish Pedigree Dog Breeds have been granted National Intangible Heritage Status is a great achievement and results from the dedication of a few committed individuals.

From the time The Irish Breeds Society started their national program for the promotion of the Irish breeds by organising presentations at Game Fairs and Agricultural Shows nationwide, by interacting with the Connemara Pony and The Hawking Society and by holding events celebrating the place of Irish Breeds in history and mythology and hosting The Heartland Heritage Festival in the Moate the momentum was building up. Through all of this Eddie Burke, Vincy Flannelly, Sean Delmar and I drove it with a passion.

As no club could make this application it required a national organisation i.e. The Irish Kennel Club to be the umbrella Group to represent all of this and make the formal submission. This was driven by Sean with great assistance from the IKC Staff and required a lot of form filling, a lot of background information and a commitment to make it happen.

Céad Míle Fáilte.

Cathy Delmar (Hon Sec)

Irish Breeds Society

A big thank you to the Irish Glen of Imaal and the Irish Red and White Setter clubs who have nominated the society to hold their Breed Ch Shows with the society, have nominated the society classes for their Breed Ch Show.

This year the All Ireland Irish Terrier Club are holding their breed show in the morning also the Dublin Irish Blue Terrier, The Irish Water Spaniel and The Kerry Beagle

These breed shows will commence at 11.00am followed by the Irish Breeds Society which will commence at 1.30 pm where the clubs who have nominated the Society will be holding their breed shows in conjunction with the Society.

A warm welcome to all

There will be some presentations on the day

SHOW REGULATIONS

- 1) **JURISDICTION:** The Show will be held under the licence and rules of the Irish Kennel Club Ltd. as in force in June 2026.
- 2) **REGISTRATION etc.** All dogs entered for competition or otherwise, must be registered or transferred at the Irish Kennel Club. Entries for Greyhounds already registered with the Irish Coursing Club will be accepted without further registration.

VENUE: The Show will be held at National Show Centre Cloghran, Co. Dublin judging 1.30pm

- 1) **ENTRIES: First Dog first class €28 includes car park, Any amount of dogs in the same ownership €33 includes car park.** Fees of exhibitors arriving late or failing to arrive or rejected on veterinary grounds will be forfeited. No entries will be accepted without the appropriate Service Charge, which cannot be refunded under any circumstances. The Committee reserves the right to reject any entry.
- 2) **Entries for All Stakes Classes- €5.00 per entry**
Junior Handlers, - Free one class only.
Entries will be received up to and including the 28th August, 2026 by the Show Secretary, Mrs. C. Delmar, "Shilleagh" 18 Wheatfield Rd, Palmerstown, Dublin 20.
Enter online at www.showguidesystems.ie Online entry closes at midnight on the 1st September 2026
- 6) **Special prizes** offered for competition by or through a specialist club shall be collected and distributed by that club.
- 7) **Judges:** In the event of any appointed Judge failing to keep his or her engagement the Committee shall have the right to appoint another Judge or Judges.
- 8) **JUDGING:**
Breed Judging will commence at **1.30pm**. No claim will be considered in the event of any exhibit being late.
No person will be allowed in the Judging ring except the Judge, Show Officials, or an Exhibitor taking in a dog for adjudication.
The exhibition number of each dog must be clearly displayed by the handler, who shall not wear a badge or other decoration in the judging ring.
The Club will not be responsible for the exhibition of any exhibit in the ring at the time of judging.
In the event of an exhibitor requesting a steward or other official to remove his/her exhibit when required from the bench and to handle it in the ring, any such official may voluntarily do so, only on the distinct understanding that any such action is on behalf of an exhibitor and does not involve any responsibility whatsoever on the Club for loss or damage, consequential or otherwise.
- 9) **Interpretation:** The Committee of the Irish Breeds Society shall be the Show Committee within the meaning of the Irish Kennel Club Ltd. rules, and all disputes (if any) shall be dealt with by the Committee. Parties to any such dispute shall have the right to appeal to the Irish Kennel Club Ltd..
- 10) **The Show Committee:** shall not be responsible for any loss direct or indirect, occasioned by any mistakes in the Catalogue which may bring within the purview of the I.K.C. Ltd. rules. Exhibitors shall be supplied with free passes to the show on the following scale: one pass for one or two dogs; two passes for three or four dogs and so on.

If your dog fouls the Show Venue and you do not clean it up, you will be fined €50.00.

ALL CHEQUES TO BE MADE OUT THE IRISH BREEDS SOCIETY

DO NOT SEND CASH IN POST

Irish Kennel Club Sportsmen

- Sportsmen respect the history, traditions and integrity of the sport of purebred dogs.
- Sportsmen commit themselves to values of fair play, honesty, courtesy, and vigorous competition, as well as winning and losing with grace.
- Sportsmen refuse to compromise their commitment and obligation to the sport of purebred dogs by injecting personal advantage or consideration into their decisions or behaviour.
- The sportsman judge judges only on the merits of the dogs and considers no other factors.
- The sportsman judge or exhibitor accepts constructive criticism.
- The sportsman exhibitor declines to enter or exhibit under a judge where it might reasonably appear that the judge's placements could be based on something other than the merits of the dogs.
- The sportsman exhibitor refuses to compromise the impartiality of a judge.
- The sportsman respects the Irish Kennel Clubs bye-laws, rules, regulations and policies governing the sport of purebred dogs.
- Sportsmen find that vigorous competition and civility are not inconsistent and are able to appreciate the merit of their competition and the effort of competitors.
- Sportsmen welcome, encourage and support newcomers to the sport.
- Sportsmen will deal fairly with all those who trade with them.
- Sportsmen are willing to share honest and open appraisals of both the strengths and weaknesses of their breeding stock
- Sportsmen spurn any opportunity to take personal advantage of positions offered or bestowed upon them.
- Sportsmen always consider as paramount the welfare of their dog.
- Sportsmen refuse to embarrass the sport, the Irish Kennel Club, or themselves while taking part in the sport

Note: The term sportsman and sportsmen in this context is gender neutral.

**SCOOP THE POOP
AND BIN YOUR BAG**

OR YOU WILL BE FINED €50

CLASSIFICATION

Dogs	Baby Puppy	Puppy	Junior	Intermediate	Adult	Open	Champion	Veteran	F/Trial
Bitches	Baby Puppy	Puppy	Junior	Intermediate	Adult	Open	Champion	Veteran	F/Trial

Neuter D/B

Stakes Classes: Puppy Stakes Veteran Stakes, Brace Stakes, Junior Stakes

Other Classes: Junior Handling (One Class only €2.00)

Ring 1: **Judge: Mr. M. Falsey**
 Irish Red Setter
 Irish Wolfhound
 Irish Red and White Setters Club Show
 Kerry Beagle Club of Ireland

Ring 1: **Judge: Mr. S. Delmar**
 Irish Water Spaniel

Ring 2: **Judge: Mr. B. O'Hara**
 Irish Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier
 Irish Terrier
 Kerry Blue Terrier
 Irish Glen of Imaal Terrier Club Show

Ring 3: **Judge Mrs. E. Hurley**
 All Stakes Classes
 Best Irish Native Breed in Show

Thank you Ian Finney DVM MRCVS for being our 'Vet on call'

Irish Water Spaniel Club of Ireland, 2 Sets of Green Stars on the day
The Kerry Beagle Club or Ireland, 2 Sets of Green Stars on the day
The All Ireland Irish Terrier Club are having their Breed Show independently with 2 sets of Green Stars on the day for Irish Terriers.
The Irish Red and White Setter Club, and The Irish Glen of Imaal Terrier
Have nominated our classes for their Breed Club Shows.

Dear Exhibitors,

We really value your entries and your commitment to the native breeds. In these challenging times we really need people with passion for our canine heritage.

Cathy

Our Judges

Mr. Sean Delmar

Sean is a world renowned for his knowledge of pedigree dogs

He has a great passion for the breeds of Irish origin and has served as chair of the society for almost 40 years.

During this time he has led a campaign that resulted in Heritage Status been granted to our 9 Native Breeds.

At IKC level he has served on many committees and was President for 22 years.

Mr. Martin Falsey

Martin is a well respected homegrown judge specializing in Gundogs.

He has judged before for us and we are delighted to have him back.

Mr. Brien O'Hara

A gundog and Terrier specialist Brian has had huge success in the Field and Show with Springer Spaniels and Glen of Imaal Terriers.

He served as Chair of the board of the IKC and was one of the longest Chairs of the Field Trial Committee.

Mrs. Evelyn Hurley

A true friend of the Irish Breeds. Evelyn has contributed so much in terms of energy, enthusiasm and her media contacts allowed us to raise the awareness and profile of our Irish Breeds. She has also served as President of the IKC.

CLASS DEFINITIONS

(The word 'Dog' includes both sexes)

Baby Puppy Class is confined to puppies of four months of age and under six months of age on the first day of the show.

Baby Puppies are confined to this class and may not compete for any other award other than Best Baby Puppy in Show.

A Puppy Class is confined to dogs from six to twelve months of age on the day of the Show computed from and inclusive of the date of its birth.

A Junior Class is for dogs between 9 and 18 calendar months of age on the first day of the Show, computed from and inclusive of the date of its birth.

An Intermediate Class is for dogs between 15 and 24 calendar months of age on the day of the Show, computed from and inclusive of the date of its birth.

An Adult Class is for dogs between 24 and 36 calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

An Open Class is for dogs over 15 months of age on the day of the Show, computed from and inclusive of the date of its birth.

A Champions Class is for dogs who have gained the Title of Champion under Irish Kennel Club Rules or under a recognised Kennel Authority **confirmed by the date of closing of entries.***

A Veteran Class is for dogs over eight years of age on the day of the Show, computed from and inclusive of the date of its birth.

FIELD TRIAL CLASS is confined to dogs that have won at least a reserve in a Novice, Puppy, Derby or Open Stake.

BRACE CLASS is for two exhibits of the same or different sexes of the same breed belonging to the same person, each exhibit having been entered in some class other than Brace or Team.

* **Please Note: A Veteran Dog who is a Champion may enter in either Veteran or Champion Class but not both.**

N.B.: A Dog or Bitch may be entered in ONE BREED CLASS ONLY (No double entries)

Dogs entered in restricted classes must also be entered in one of the Standard Classes for the breed. All dogs entered must be registered or transferred at the Irish Kennel Club in the name of the Exhibitor.

Junior Handling: shall be confined to those under 17 years of age on 1st. January 2026 and shall be judged on the handling ability of the exhibitor and not the quality of the dog.

Parental/Guardian Consent for Junior/Child Handler Entries

**Parents/Guardians please sign this form and return with
your entry.**

I acknowledge and accept unreservedly that any child attending or otherwise participate at any Event organised by, licensed by or otherwise under the auspices of the Irish Kennel Club CLG (IKC) remains the responsibility and in the care of their parent or guardian at all times.

I confirm all details supplied are correct, I have read the document, and I am entitled to give Parental or Guardian consent for the named child.

Name of Child: _____

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian

Name in Block Capitals:

Address:

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Date: _____



**Parental/Guardian Consent for Photographic/
Video/Video Images on named Child's participa-
tion in IKC Events.**

If you wish to opt in:

**Parents/Guardians please sign this form and return with
your entry.**

I consent to photographic/video/video images on the named child's participation in the licenced Event organised by, licenced by or otherwise under the auspices of the Irish Kennel Club CLG (IKC) being utilised for the promotion and celebration of IKC activities on the IKC Website, IKC Facebook/Instagram page and in local and national media.

I confirm all details supplied are correct, I have read the document, and I am entitled to give Parental or Guardian consent for the named child.

Name of Child: _____

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