

# Irish Setter Association, England

# SETTER SHOT



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## I.S.A.E. Update

It's great to be able to report that since the last issue of Setter Shot our calendar of events and activities has largely returned to normal following the COVID19 pandemic. In the time since the last issue we have held our 2021 championship show, held in-person committee meetings and an AGM, published and circulated the 2021 Annual Review, our field trials have been organised in accordance with their usual timetable and we've just celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee at our 2022 open shows (see next page for more details of these).

The Committee has taken on board some of the learning from the last two years and will continue to use technology to hold some virtual meetings to deal with specific issues. However, as many of us are finding in other aspects of our lives, people are really enjoying being able to meet up with friends again and we have a renewed focus on delivering great shows and trials where our Members can gather and enjoy spending time with their friends and dogs.

As a result of elections held earlier this year Mary Gurney was re-elected as our President and Linda King was re-elected as our Treasurer. Existing Committee Members Becky Box and Richard Bott were both re-elected for a further three years and we were delighted to welcome two new Committee Members Pat Stockton and Blake Crocker. This means that for the first time for some years we now have a full committee.

You may also have noticed that we have a new website. The address is still the same but if you have saved this as a link you may need to refresh and re-save it in order to access the new site – the new link is <https://www.isae.org.uk/ISAE/Home.html>. The new site contains all up-to-date information regarding the Association, the Committee and our events and activities, including results from the shows held over the past few years. Over time we will be adding more background and historical information which we hope Members will find interesting and useful. If there is

information you think is missing from the site or that you would like to see included please let us know when you see us or drop an email to Tania Gardner at [tania.isae@yahoo.com](mailto:tania.isae@yahoo.com)

The Committee is currently looking at ways to enhance our shows for the benefit of Members and exhibitors. In 2023 it will again be the ISAE's turn to host the Joint' Irish Setter Breed Clubs show and this will be held in conjunction with our own championship show at Stoneleigh at the beginning of October. This will in fact be the last 'Joint' Show – the ISAE having hosted the first such show back in 2009. This is because from 2024 until 2028 the Kennel Club will be allocating two sets of CC's per year to the ISAE (and some other breed clubs). For 2024 at least this will involve us running two championship shows on the same day.

As always, we'd like to receive feedback from Members so please get in touch if you have any comments/suggestions you feel would be useful to us.

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## 2022 Championship Show

Accompanying this newsletter are full details of our championship show to be held on **SUNDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2022** at the Kennel Club Building at Stoneleigh. For 2022 only we have had to move our date to the first Sunday in October due to SKC holding their second championship show on our traditional Saturday date. Please note the show is UNBENCHED.

Our judges this year are Mr Gerald Condron (Covarnay) dogs and Mrs Brenda Berry (Brinara) bitches. We also stakes classes to be held in the lunch break and these will be judged by Dr Hefin Jones. The closing date for entries for the championship show is **3<sup>rd</sup> September (postmark) and 11<sup>th</sup> September (online at [www.fossedata.co.uk](http://www.fossedata.co.uk))**

As usual if anyone would like to volunteer as a trainee steward at the show please contact Peter Hall on 01227 752986 or at [harredsirish@gmail.com](mailto:harredsirish@gmail.com)

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## Open Shows with a Platinum Jubilee Theme

As this year's open show dates coincided with the bank holiday weekend to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, the decision was taken to have a street party theme for the day. So, despite a disappointing weather forecast, the show was decked with bunting, union jack flags, and red, white and blue tablecloths, flowers and rosettes. Your committee members also joined in by wearing red, white and blue clothing.

At lunchtime a plate of buffet/ploughman's style food was offered, free of charge, to all, along with a glass of fizz and celebratory cake. To add to the atmosphere we were treated to music from across the decades of the Queen's reign, performed live by Ivor Novello award winning artist, Charlie Bates. Thanks to Suzy Roffey the Queen herself made an appearance – and it was great to see exhibitors taking the opportunity to have their photo taken with Her Majesty in Suzy's photo booth area! Special thanks also go to our sponsors for the show, Gilbertson & Page Ltd-Dr John Kibble and Drayton Construction.

Although the day was cooler and windier than we would have liked everyone appeared to enjoy the festivities and it was great to see many of you staying to watch the best in show awards. As usual, a full report on the shows will appear in the Annual Review and the results from both shows are published online at [www.isae.co.uk](http://www.isae.co.uk). For now here is a summary of the key winners:

### **Show 1 – Judge: Jean Collins-Pitman**

Best in Show – Sh Ch Alolfrana Hotter Than U'Know JW  
Reserve Best in Show & Best Opposite Sex– Twoacres Promise of Spring with Avacet  
Best Puppy in Show – Lynwood Rather Scrumptious  
Best Veteran in Show – Lochlorien True Detective Is Andley



### **Show 2 – Judge: Brian Beaton**

Best in Show – Thendara Strictly Samba  
Reserve Best in Show, Best Opposite Sex and Best Veteran in Show – Sh Ch Bardonhill Eternal Flame Among Amberlight JW  
Best Puppy in Show – Bardonhill Carry On Dick



## Reminders

If you've recently changed your e-mail address please remember to let us know by dropping a message to Linda King at [kirkavaghirishsetters@gmail.com](mailto:kirkavaghirishsetters@gmail.com). We're keen to send out our circulars by email where possible to help manage costs and having an up-to-date email address for you is essential for this.

Do you need to update your listing on the joint judging list?? If you need to check the list it can be found at [http://www.isae.org.uk/ISAE/Judging\\_files/Judges%20list%20Publish%20JAN%202022%20Sheet1.pdf](http://www.isae.org.uk/ISAE/Judging_files/Judges%20list%20Publish%20JAN%202022%20Sheet1.pdf) ). For any queries about the judging list or application/updating process please contact Richard Bott at [richardbott@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:richardbott@hotmail.co.uk)

## Eye Clinics

The Association has often organised eye clinics in conjunction with its annual championship show. However, there is now a greater availability of eye clinics generally and the KC publish details of clinics being held across the country so it is easy to find out where and when they are taking place. Because of this we're interested to hear from Members whether an eye clinic is something you would support on the day of our show. It would be helpful if Members could let Rosie Dudley [rosie.dudley@btopenworld.com](mailto:rosie.dudley@btopenworld.com) or Tania Gardner [rania.isae@yahoo.com](mailto:rania.isae@yahoo.com) know their views on this – thank you.