

Profile: Colin N Waddell (Riqitta)

I was born in Northern Ireland and lived there for the first thirty years of my life.

In partnership with my wife Pamela, we have bred and shown Irish Setters for 34 years. We purchased our first Irish Setter puppy, the day after returning from honeymoon. We moved to England in 1986 with our two young sons and have made some wonderful friends in the world of dogs.

Our most successful and best known dog was a son of the famous Show Champion Kerryfair Night Fever – English & Irish Champion Reddins Fintan of Riqitta, who qualified in the field and gained both his titles before he was three years old. Among his many wins in Ireland & England he also won a challenge certificate at Crufts.

I have served on three breed club committees, Belfast & District Irish Setter Club (Hon Secretary), North East of England Irish Setter Club, Irish setter Breeders Club (Hon Secretary) and now Irish Setter Association, England, I am responsible for the Club Website & Photography).

I am also approved by the Kennel Club to award Challenge Certificates at Championship Shows in the UK, I have awarded 8 sets of CC's to date. I am also approved by the Irish Kennel Club to award Green Stars in eight gundog breeds and judge the gundog group at Championship shows.

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