Setter & Pointer Club Championship Show Saturday 6th November 2010.

It was a great pleasure, and an honour to judge Pointers at this show with its unique tradition of friendliness and atmosphere, particularly as it is the last show at the current venue. I sincerely hope that it retains its character wherever it is held next and I wish it every success for the future. I have to say a very big "thank you" to my stewards, Jean and Henry Hall, for their tireless and extremely helpful work during a very long day as a result of a large entry.

VETERAN DOG. (8, 2 absent)

1st Martin's Sh.Ch. Jilony Believe in Sunhouse. Seven and a half years old blanket black and white, still in excellent show condition. Clean head with well-placed eyes and ears, close coupled, short hard coat, kept his outline on the move, best veteran.

2nd. Goode's Handsway Sultan of Swing. Longer and rangier than 1, stood well over his ground, good eye and lip, deep forechest and ample rib cage. Well-muscled, looked happy and used his tail.

3rd Fowler's Scobec Cuttin A Dash

MINOR PUPPY DOG. (7, all present)

1st Welch's Hookwood Top This. Nicely made spotty black and white, smart little mover but tends to fly his tail a bit. Good depth of body, adequate bone, shortish hocks and pasterns coming along nicely, a kind head that is about to develop, everything just about right for age. Best Puppy.

2nd Stilgoe's Teisgol Go Your Own Way. Well put together but lacking maturity of 1and of lighter build, Presented a pleasing outline, elegant head, good pasterns and feet, good rib cage but gives the impression of longish loin, however this could fill.

3rd Barford & Booth's Brynamadean's Osprey.

PUPPY DOG. (6, all present).

1st Grantham & Moss` Kiswahili Quantum of Solace at Kingspoint. Just what you would expect and hope for at nearly ten months. Head classy and developing well. into good length of elegant neck, needs a little more depth of body but has a tidy front construction and tidy front movement. Well laid shoulder blade, good muscling all round, a confident mover.

2nd Theobald`s Tycarreg Strangely Familyr. Good depth of body and in rather better overall condition than 1, but less angulation in shoulder and rather too straight in pasterns down to smallish feet. Head a little broad in skull and short in foreface, Moved effortlessly and was well bodied up.

3rd Tarling's Esrews Here's Gordon.

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JUNIOR DOG. (8, all present).

1st Tait's Moordale beach boy. Lovely orange and white youngster, nice size, flowing lines all through from broad nose to well set on tail. Elegant head with well-placed eyes and ears, good stop, enough width and depth of forechest, good front angulation but pasterns need to strengthen. Almost perfect topline (becoming rare) which he held while moving. Maturing nicely.

2nd Guy's Carofel Just a Minute. Smart black and white, flowing lines giving him an elegant profile standing and moving. Neat head with nice turn of lip, and clear sensitive eyes not too large. well-constructed front assembly and sound strong movement coming and going. well-muscled.

3rd Anthony's Jilony Thriller.

YEARLING DOG. (7, 2 absent).

1st Adams & Grimes` Ansona Simple Simon JW. Good sized neat and tidy young dog. Enough bone of correct shape, nice topline incorporating tail of acceptable length and being well attached, classy outline, shapely head with keen expression and balance, shortish tight coat over well-muscled body. Good lay of shoulder and general front end construction, purposeful movement on good legs and feet.

2nd Atkins Hawkfield Mischief Maker for Guanabara JW ShCM. Smaller version of 1, and of similar quality with perhaps a slightly more elegant head. Somewhat lacking in stature, and his movement was not easy to assess as he played around too much.

3rd Wolstenholme's Arabetom Black Velvet

NOVICE DOG (6, 1 absent).

1st Hookwood Top This.

2nd Tarling's Esrews Here's Gordon. Well built orange and white of eight months, plenty of bone, neat clean head, pasterns coming, well-turned stifle joint, tail OK and well used. All about right for age. 3rd Ram's Gempoint Boot N Toot.

GRADUATE DOG (7, all present).

1st Warford`s Lappakia Dessert Passion for Lakespar. Nice type, if a little coarse, needs to body up a bit, nicely modelled head and ears with correct eye placement, clean elegant neck into well made shoulders, good bone and pasterns.

2nd Wilson's Joneva Regal Reflection. Another decent dog, with a pleasing head, neck and depth of body, nice topline and underline, shortish coupled with acceptable angulation front and rear. Tail set and croup not as good as 1, but dug in and got around the ring very well.

3rd Moore's Pharises Sirius

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POST GRADUATE DOG. (14, 3 absent).

1st Goode's Handsway Then There's Horris. Very nice strong orange and white dog, definitely a dog's head (as distinct from a bitch's) elegant and muscular, into well positioned shoulder assembly. Quality bone falling to shapely pasterns and short hocks which gave him powerful driving movement. Tail set could be better but didn't detract too much from the overall picture, ears set a little low but of good size and shape.

2nd Whistance's Esrews Serious Lord Jack. A happy black and white, slightly smaller than 1, but very sound and well made. Neat and balanced head with correct eye and ear placement, sufficient bone of good quality. Some slope of pastern but a bit up on his toes. very good neckline and body topline and with a better tail set. 3rd Batchelor's Goma Jesse James

LIMIT DOG. (20, 3 absent).

1st Kirby's Haramander Shabby Chic. Nothing shabby about this one, and a lot of chic. A cracking orange and white of great quality. Not over big, but very neat and tidy with flowing body lines. masculine head without coarseness, clean neck into well angulated strongly constructed front, long, well-shaped pasterns and strong proportionately sized oval feet. Powerful driving hind quarters topped by a happy tail. A tidy package wrapped in a quality coat. Res Dog CC.

2nd Fowler's Shanandi Masterpiece. Quite a few similarities to 1, although pasterns not as good, steady, precise movement.

3rd Anthony's Jilony Just Amazin JW

OPEN DOG. (11, all present).

1st Wilson's Sh. Ch. Joneva Shooting Star at Djankay. A very good type. Black and white dog of great stature and presence, nothing much has changed since I last saw him, no major faults, nothing overdone, all the bits fit together and are in proportion to give a handsome picture. My only wish would be for a little more shape in the pasterns but one very good specimen. Dog CC.

2nd Martin's Sunhouse After Shock. Another good one, clean headed upstanding and elegant with some similarities to one, seemed a little sluggish on the move but a commanding presence when stacked. 3rd Atkins' Hawkfield Mischief Maker For Guanabara JW Sh. CM.

VETERAN BITCH. (7, all present). So good to see the elderly ladies of the breed looking so well. 1st Young's Aurichalcum Two to Tango. I heard someone afterwards say 'a nice little bitch' and they were right. Neat, nicely constructed, happy liver and white staying the course and enjoying the outing. 2nd Theobald's Juennerfly Amber Tycarreg. Nine year old orange and white still going strong and in good condition, covered the ground well but seemed to forget she had a tail, which I forgave 3rd Cobden's Alozia Jakiambia.

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MINOR PUPPY BITCH. (12, all present).

1st Tuite's Porschet Snowflake TAF. A well grown, heavily ticked black and white with breathtaking movement when settled. Longish slim head which is about right for now, good topline and good tail setting. enough bone of the right sort, presented a pleasing outline with lots more to come,

2nd Booth's Teddyhawks Its Phyliss. Blanket black and white of stylish construction, neat and feminine head with kind expression, slender neck and well laid shoulder blade giving good front angulation. Tail a bit long but will grow into it. Lovely when stood, needs to settle on the move.

3rd Wilberg's Lokmadi Martina at Kanix.

PUPPY BITCH. (8, 1 absent).

1st Smith and Hook's Blueyonda Whitty Banter. orange and white, quite mature and well assembled from quality parts. Head taking shape, strong but elegant neck, through to clean shoulder placement. Balanced front and rear, all the makings of a good sort.

2nd Smith and Hook's Blueyonda Dixie Chick. Black and white litter sister to 1. Well boned and strong in all parts but slightly 'doggy', pleasing head and expression, good depth of body, loin not too long, croup a little low but tail well set on.

3rd Purdy's Medogold Starry Night

JUNIOR BITCH. (9, 2 absent).

1st Barford & Booth's Afterglow Angel Face. Lightly marked black & white, very stylish, well bodied and moving true. Feminine head when seen through the markings, neck and shoulders just about right, strong front with straight legs, good bone all through, very good rear angulation, well let down on to short strong hocks.

2nd Elrington, Green, Cannon, & Mann's Ansona Lucy Locket. Similar type but not as happy on the move, neck, shoulder, body, limbs and tail all good, but a little p[lain in the head.

3rd Rankine's Jilony Heaven Can Wait for Fyldefair.

YEARLING BITCH. (5, all present).

1st Vicarey`s Jilony Just Unique. Well balanced black & white, quite a lady, feminine and elegant throughout, clean head, nice oval skull, thin medium sized leathers well attached, clean throat and well-constructed front assembly. shapely neck and good topline, tail a little long but well set on.

2nd Rankine's Jilony Heaven Can Wait for Fyldefair. Quality liver and white, sound and well built, but being younger than 1, needs time to develop. not quite as up on the legs, but a very sound and accurate mover. 3rd Gordon's Tomlow Look Who's Here at Hawkfield.

NOVICE BITCH. (6, 3 absent).

1st Smith and Hook's Blueyonda Dixie Chick.

2nd Dunmore's Groma Rio Star. Strong moving black and white, big and slightly coarse appearance, good pasterns and feet but lacks overall angulation.

3rd Hughes 7 Bradley's Lockmadi Chanelle Yang.

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GRADUATE BITCH. (15, 3 absent).

1st Fallan's Medogold Velvetini. Very nice black and white of classic construction, well placed and correctly shaped eye giving kind expression, sufficient bone of correct oval shape, long well sloping pasterns and good feet. Lean and elegant neck, good shoulder angulation and well laid scapular down to strong straight legs. Great hind angulation with nicely turned stifle all complimented by a good tail set, but I bet she enjoys her food!

2nd Dunn's Meadowpoint Spirit Dancer. Another good one with head, neck and topline all pleasing to the eye, but with less front and hind angulation than

1. Movement a little sloppy on the day.

3rd Weaver's Anniezu Everlasting Love JW.

POST GRADUATE BITCH. (22, 2 absent).

1st Fallan's Medogold Velvetini.

2nd Shaw's Sativus All About Eve. Very nice black & white of a type dating back a few years, and none the worse for that. Well-proportioned with a kind head and good eye and ear placement. Good length of neck, and plenty of depth to the body with well sprung rib cage and proportionate length of loin, Croup and tail set first class, very stylish and graceful on the move.

3rd Goode's Handsway Tanya Zoom.

LIMIT BITCH. (13, 3 absent).

1st Harrison's Medogold Be My Baby at Millpoint. Super ticked liver and white, a beautiful feminine bitch that really filled the eye in every particular. Elegant from head to tail with everything in place and proportion, but without exaggeration. Reserve Bitch CC.

2nd Hinton's Fieldstone Fascination with Fleurfield

3rd Smith and Hook's Medogold Pearl Power over Blueyonda JW Sh. Cm.

OPEN BITCH. (10, 1 absent).

1st Howes' Medogold Double Dizzy JW,

2nd Evans and Rawlings` Sh. Ch. Joneva Waiting in the Wings. Here the cream really came to the top. So close, but with differences, Heads, tails, shoulders, fronts, rib cages, toplines, hind angulation, hocks, and feet, all with slight variations one from the other but point for point about equal. In the end it was condition that swung it and Double Dizzy walked away with CC and eventually, Best of Breed. Two great bitches that are a credit and a major asset to the breed.

3rd Stangroom's Medogold Wannabeposh for Lappakia ShCM.

David Everington - Judge.

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