

# LADIES KENNEL ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

## Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2013

My thanks to the officers and committee for the invitation to judge, and to my stewards, Mr & Mrs Jenkins, for keeping the ring ticking over allowing us to finish in good time. Not having judged the breed at this level for a few years all of the dogs bar a couple of the veterans were new to me. On the bright side, there has been an improvement in tail set and therefore tail carriage, also a vast reduction in the amount of high stepping or hackneyed front movement, unfortunately this has come at a price we now have a lot of short stepping or lack of forward reach. Pleased also to report that no eye problems were evident, and only one marginal bite.

### **MINOR PUPPY DOG (6)**

1<sup>st</sup> McGilp's Kanix Irving At Forthbourne. Super o/w youngster, just six months, took my eye the moment he came in the ring, still has some growing to do, but so well balanced, correctly proportioned head, dark eye and pigmentation, long clean neck, properly assembled forequarter, nice short loin, strong muscled rear allowing drive from behind and reach in front, on the up and back he was neat and tidy. If he matures as he is now will have rosy future.

2<sup>nd</sup> Preece's Harvestlade Royal Diamond. 9 month o/w going through a leggy stage but has the essentials, defined head, clean muscular neck, correct front and hindquarters, moved with drive, not so well balanced as first today.

3<sup>rd</sup> Hinton's Mursbrae Theodore By Fleurfield.

### **PUPPY DOG (8, 1)**

1<sup>st</sup> Walkling's Aspyre Follow Your Dreams To Kiswahili (Imp). 11 month b/w. Here's one to watch, best of heads much in the mould of 30 years ago, as yet unfinished, but has a lot of chiselling, kind dark eye, ears set fairly high, flared nostrils, strong arched neck, has the front assembly that allows him to reach forward as he is powered from behind by well constructed hindquarters carrying plenty of solid muscle. A balanced powerful yet elegant youngster who, with average luck, will make the upper house. BP.

2<sup>nd</sup> Adams & Elrington's Ansona Albert Einstein. Another 11 month b/w of more compact type, well worked head without exaggeration, correctly assembled front and rear, short coupled, neat tail, handled and moved well. Promising.

3<sup>rd</sup> Weaver's Anniezu My Guy.

### **JUNIOR DOG (5)**

1<sup>st</sup> Blackburn-Bennett & Wilberg's Coralwood Kanix Mr T (Imp). Top drawer 13 month o/w, absolutely oozes quality. Excellent head length to breadth proportions, dished face and stop correct but not excessive, neck long arched and muscular, good sloping shoulder with correct length of upper arm allowing full forward reach. Sufficient heart room, ribs extended well back. Really nice quarters and ample width of second thigh. Moved very well, at one with his handler, considered for higher honours but as yet not quite the finished article.

2<sup>nd</sup> Isherwood's Symitry Red Rascal. 17 month o/w. Precisely the type one would expect from this kennel. Elegant, well conditioned, really good well moulded head, sloping shoulder, straight front, oval bone, balanced throughout, when he gets it together he can move very well both in profile and up and down.

3<sup>rd</sup> Tait's Moordale Manhatton.

### **SPECIAL YEARLING DOG (8)**

1<sup>st</sup> Booth's Kanix Garfunkel. 19 month b/w, liked the work in his head, length and arch to his neck, has correct sloping shoulder, ribs extended well back, strong well muscled hindquarters, good oval bone, moved well with reach and drive.

2<sup>nd</sup> Westron's Tenshilling Making Whoopee At Aurichalcum. O/w, almost two, gave his handler a hard time. Has some real quality about him, head correctly proportioned with pronounced stop, dark eye, ears set on reasonably high of correct texture and medium length. Balanced body, when he wants he can move correctly reaching forward and driving from well muscled quarters. Always going to be there or thereabouts.

3<sup>rd</sup> Anthony's Jilony Red Arrow.

**POST GRADUATE DOG (13, 2)** Not the depth of quality of previous classes, although the placed dogs were all of good type.

1<sup>st</sup> Tobin & Moss' Davigidor Rough And Tumble JW. Another quality o/w, liked his head with flared nostrils, dark eye and well set ears, sloping shoulder and equal upper arm allowing correct forward extension, properly constructed rear quarters low set hocks giving him drive from the rear.

2<sup>nd</sup> McManus' Luneville Harvest Moon. Typical progression of his Crookrise breeding, his head, eyes and ears are all one would expect, correct shoulder construction, slightly rangier through the body, well muscled and moved with purpose, close up just lost out on width of second thigh.

3<sup>rd</sup> Hazeltine's Hookwood Will I Am.

### **LIMIT DOG (10, 2)**

1<sup>st</sup> Welch's Moolou Minstrel Of Hookwood. B/w of excellent type, head shape in proportion, good dish, stop, and pronounced occiput, dark eye of correct shape, long neck, sloping shoulder, sufficient heart room, well sprung ribs and short loin, good legs with oval bone. Moved with drive and forward reach, extremely well handled. Will have his day.

2<sup>nd</sup> Golding's Sharnphilly Louis Vuitton. Very nice l/w who on another day may well change places with first. Of slightly heavier type without being in any way coarse. Liked his head, front and quarters, balanced throughout, moved with drive and purpose, retaining his elegance.

3<sup>rd</sup> Wilcox's Scobec Man In The Mirror At Merryjen.

### **OPEN DOG (9, 3)**

1<sup>st</sup> Blackburn-Bennett's Sh Ch Kiswahili Martin At Kanix. Absolutely superb o/w about whom everything has been said over the last six years. I found him to be Pointer through and through. Head is as good as they come flared nostrils, concave muzzle, dark eye, pronounced stop. Long muscular arched neck, sloping shoulders, correct straight front, oval feet, ribs extended well back, short loin, hindquarters well muscled, excellent angulation and width of second thigh. His movement is as good as any I have seen up and back he is straight and true, and in profile he drives round with effortless power. Well deserved CC, in the challenge with the bitch he seemed a little excited and his tail came up a shade which cost him the top slot.

2<sup>nd</sup> Hinton's Sh Ch Fleurfields Flambeau. Worthy o/w Champion, similar to above in a lot of respects, well proportioned head with nice dark eye, defined occiput, and decent stop, well laid shoulder, straight front, muscular quarters moved very well, preferred the outline of first in profile on the move, RCC.

3<sup>rd</sup> Tibbs' Raigmore Dusk Till Dawn JW CJW09.

### **VETERAN DOG (3)**

1<sup>st</sup> Wilcox's Sh Ch Pipeaway Zonic Tonic For Meryngen JW ShCM. Have done him well in the past, liked him then and like him now, a quality dog from any angle, correctly proportioned head, arched neck, straight front, well developed quarters, correct movement showing both reach and drive.

2<sup>nd</sup> Collins' Medogold Typhoon Ginger At Collholme ShCM. Another good o/w, sound, well put together, not the presence of first.

3<sup>rd</sup> Thorpe's Scotchbrook Stands Proud At Braegorse.

### **GOOD CITIZEN DOG SCHEME DOG (5)**

1<sup>st</sup> Collins' Medogold Typhoon Ginger At Collholme ShCM.

2<sup>nd</sup> Brown's Teisgol Carioca. B/w with kindly eye, clean neck, decent spring of rib, moved soundly.

3<sup>rd</sup> Weston's Teisgol Buraco.

### **MINOR PUPPY BITCH (6)**

1<sup>st</sup> Barker's Saregresi Iced Black Rose At Flinthill. 8 month b/w bitch with the most beautiful head for one so young, flared nostrils, dark eye, well defined stop and pronounced occiput. Arched neck correct fore quarters, ribs extended short loin, powerful hindquarters, moved with drive and purpose.

2<sup>nd</sup> Green's Kanix Hyacinth. Very nice b/w, 8 month bitch, has the essentials, nice head, not as developed as first, arched neck, decent body and good front and rear, moved well driving from behind reaching well forward.

3<sup>rd</sup> Burke's Kanix leasha With Alcazar. Liked this bitch and her litter sister who was fourth. Unfortunately today was a month too early for them.

### **PUPPY BITCH (8)**

1<sup>st</sup> Dyer & Dyer's Sharnphilly Legally Blonde. Heavily ticked o/w, really nice head, flared nostrils, dished face, dark eye, strong neck, well laid shoulders, could be a shade shorter through the loin, strong hindquarters with well bent stifle and low set hocks.

2<sup>nd</sup> Wilkinson's Hurwyn Rock On Ruby. O/w, typical of this kennel, really nice head with no exaggerations, correct straight front and sloping pasterns. Hindquarters of correct construction and angulation, appeared to be a little leggy today which spoilt her overall balance.

3<sup>rd</sup> Roberts & Roberts' Ansona Isadora Duncan At Byphar.

### **JUNIOR BITCH (7, 4)**

1<sup>st</sup> Howes' Medogold Here Comes The Girl. Really promising b/w, correct head with well defined stop, dark eyes, balance between breadth and foreface is spot on, straight front, correct shoulder angulation, plenty of heart room, hindquarters strong and well muscled, moved true going and coming, in profile has good forward extension and rear drive.

2<sup>nd</sup> Guy & Hinton's Carmandine Cookie Crumble By Fleurfield. Another o/w and one I really liked, head, eye, stop, all as per the standard. Has a well balanced body, ribs extended well back, decent quarters, preferred the ear set and second thigh of one.

3<sup>rd</sup> Duckett's Symitry Damask Rose.

### **YEARLING BITCH (12, 6)**

1<sup>st</sup> Howes' Medogold Here Comes The Girl. This win apparently gave her the final points for her Junior Warrant, well done, well deserved.

2<sup>nd</sup> Rankine's Tenshilling Rumour Has It At Fyldefair. Quality o/w, really dark eye, flared nostrils, good stop, ears set fairly high, well arched neck, balanced body. Well constructed front and rear quarters, moved and handled very well.

3<sup>rd</sup> Wilkinson's Hurwyn Black Caviar.

**POST GRADUATE BITCH (12, 3)**

1<sup>st</sup> MacManus' Luneville Strawberry Moon. Lovely lem/w, well proportioned head, good stop, correct eye colour for pigment, balanced body, ribs extended well back, straight front, correctly angulated quarters front and rear, moved well using her neat tail.

2<sup>nd</sup> O'Neill's Tenshilling Viva Las Vegas. Quality o/w, similarly constructed to first but of slightly heavier build without being in any way coarse. Balanced head, dark eye, good stop, well muscled all through, moved well.

3<sup>rd</sup> Isherwood's Pipeaway Satin Fire With Symitry.

**LIMIT BITCH (10, 2)**

1<sup>st</sup> O'Neill's Tenshilling Do It Again. O/w, older sister to second in previous class, really nice classic elegant bitch, liked her well worked head with good stop, dark eye, correct ear set, arched neck, balanced throughout. Well angulated quarters giving her drive from the rear and excellent front and shoulder assembly allowing to forward reach. Very pleasing outline in profile. Unlucky to meet the open winner, her day will come, RCC.

2<sup>nd</sup> Dyer & Dyer's Sharnphilly Juici Cuture JW. Cracking 2 yr liv/w, balanced throughout, correctly proportioned head, arched neck, good length of upper arm, straight front, well angulated hindquarters, good width of second thigh, movement in all directions, was very good and in profile showed plenty of scope.

3<sup>rd</sup> Rankine's Tenshilling Rags To Riches At Fyldefair JW ShCM.

**OPEN BITCH (9, 5)** On paper a very good class but unfortunately marred by a high absentee rate.

1<sup>st</sup> Siddle's Sh Ch Wilchrimane Ice Maiden JW. A beautiful o/w bitch from any angle. One of the best heads I have seen on any Pointer in the last forty years, she has everything the standard demands. Dark eyes, well defined stop, flared nostrils, Ears high set of correct texture. Shoulder construction is excellent, the front is straight, oval bone, pasterns long strong with correct slope. Good body with well sprung rib, ample heart room, short coupled leading well angulated hindquarters, hocks well let down, neat tail. Today she came in as if she owned the ring and left with CC, BOB and later a well deserved Group 1. Presented and handled to perfection.

2<sup>nd</sup> Tibbs' Sh Ch & Ir Ch Raighmore Let It Shine Lovely o/w of quality. Has all the essentials as her titles indicate. Correct head, dark eye, neat ears, arched neck, balanced throughout. Forequarters and hindquarters are correctly angulated allowing very good movement up and back, in profile has excellent drive and reach.

3<sup>rd</sup> O'Driscoll's Fowington Six In The City.

**VETERAN BITCH (2)**

1<sup>st</sup> Cardiff's Prosperity My Fair Lady ShCM. 9 year old o/w, nicely put together, decent head, neck and shoulder. Compact body, good quarters and angulation, moved well, not showing her age. Her owner should be very proud. Well presented.

2<sup>nd</sup> MacManus' Crookrise Moondance At Luneville. 7 year old o/w, similar remarks to above but not in such hard condition.

**GOOD CITIZEN DOG SCHEME BITCH (1)**

1<sup>st</sup> Brooksmith's Smartbay Vintage Gold. VHC in a strong limit class. Decent quality o/w well put together, nice head, dark eye, ok stop, good body with spring of rib and sufficient heart room, hindquarters are good, front could have more angulation.

**Malcolm Kent - judge**