Show Darlington Dog Show Society – 16th September 2007 Judge Val Kelly (Kelval)

Thanks to all exhibitors for making my first judging appointment such a pleasure. The weather was perfect and we had a double ring, which enabled the dogs to really show their paces.

Class Minor Puppy Dog (2)

1st Smith's TOBERDONEY FERGUS Just 7 mths this pup has a pleasing outline, masculine head with plenty of work for this stage of development, kept his topline on the move and used his tail. Best Puppy Dog.

2nd Graham & Denwood's LYNDFIL KRAKATAU At a different stage of development than 1 such a baby, time on his side.

Class Puppy Dog (2, 1a)

1st Prince's GROMA ROCK LEGEND At that rangy stage, but a nice head with good stop and occiput, well angulated and lay of shoulders, prominent haunch bones, good bend of stifle, well muscled.

Class Junior Dog (7, 1a)

1st Gordon's HAWKFIELD DAPPER IN BLACK This b/w has a lot of potential, lovely head and expression. Correct tail shape and set, which he used on the move. Good spring of rib and bend of stifle, free flowing movement to win this class.

2nd Beesley's BIRCHLEITH BARBICAN BEAU Stylish b/w has a lovely head, good depth of brisket and reach of neck, good bone. Correct rear angulation, moved well. 3rd Walkling's KISWAHILI CATCHER IN THE RYE

Class Yearling Dog (10, 1a)

1st Wilson's JONEVA SHOOTING STAR AT DJANKAY Quality b/w, arched neck, excels in shoulder angulation and placement, well ribbed back, good depth of chest, strong powerful hindquarters, moved effortlessly with reach and drive.

2nd Wood's STOCKEND WINCHESTER

This I/w has a balanced head, excellent spring of rib, fine short dense coat. Superb on the move with excellent forward extension and rear drive.

3rd Walkling's PENWEST PHINEAS AT KISWAHILI JW

Class Post Graduate Dog (11, 1a)

1st Lockwood's BONNYGATE INDIAN CHIEF AT LOCKENNA Balanced b/w in hard condition, moved with drive and purpose. Excellent spring of rib and rear angulation. Good stop, dark eye and soft expression.

2nd Boyd & Hinton's FLEURFIELDS FLAME FOR GLOWMIST

Lovely head and expression, nice set tail, in hard condition but could carry more weight to complete the picture.

3rd Hinton & Richards' FLEURFIELDS FROSTY JACK

Class Limit Dog (8)

1st Fall's JILONY WHITE DIAMOND

Gave this b/w Best Puppy last time and he has matured into a handsome dog. Balanced in outline, short coupled, good shoulders and pasterns, excellent bone, well sprung ribs, prominent haunch bones. Moved with positive driving action. Res CC.

2nd Smith & Carter's MEDOGOLD DAN TASTIC SHCM Excellent coat and condition, good spring of rib, plenty of heart room, good pasterns and shoulder angulation. Moved positively with purpose.

3rd Wood's STOCKEND JAMESON

Class Open Dog (5)

1st Tait's SH CH TOMLOW WINDTALKER Mature, masculine, striking I/w, loved his head and expression. Carrying correct weight and in rock hard condition. Clean, muscular arched neck, short dense gleaming coat. Correct shape and set tail. Sound free effortless mover. A pleasure to award him the CC.

2nd Howes' MEDOGOLD FUNTIME FRANKIE JW An impressive dog to go over, good spring of rib, length of neck, well laid back shoulders, excellent front extension and rear drive.

3rd Moulding & Marsh's BILLSBOROUGH'S BRIGHT MOON

Class Veteran Bitch (1)

1st Wright's DUIKER OF MOREMI FROM DERVORSTEH Lovely head and expression, good feet, shown in excellent condition.

Class Minor Puppy Bitch (3)

1st Brown & Cockerill's ZAVIAN HEART N SOUL Very promising b/w, good front angulation and quarters, excellent tail set, feminine head with enough stop and pronounced occiput. Pleasure to award her Best Puppy in Breed.

2nd Graham & Denwood's LYNDFIL TALLAHASSEE Such a baby, at that roly-poly stage but promising outline and showed and moved with confidence.

3rd McGrath's SANMARLITCH CAIRNS OPAL

Class Puppy Bitch (4)

1st Wilkinson's HURWYN SISSOR SISTER Nice body shape, spring of ribs, good feet and pasterns, liked her head with pronounced occiput, shown in excellent condition.

2nd Eldridge's BRADGATE MYSTIC MAWAKE Excellent spring of rib for this age, good tail shape and set, correct bone. Close up to 1.

3rd Rigby's PENTWORTH PEACHES AND CREAM

Class Junior Bitch (8, 2a)

1st Evans & Rawlings' JONEVA WAITING IN THE WINGS So feminine and balanced, such breed type, excels in pasterns, shoulder angulation and upper arm. Well-developed 2nd thigh, correct bone, shown in superb condition. Stylish on the move with lovely head carriage and reach and drive. Should have a very bright future. Res CC.

2nd Dyer's SHARNPHILLY COMPLIMENTARY Another lovely bitch, liked her depth of body and spring of rib, excellent quarters. Presented an elegant yet powerful picture on the move using her tail. Well handled.

3rd Smith & Carter's MEDOGOLD PEARL POWER OVER BLUEYONDA

Class Yearling Bitch (10, 1a)

Luke's SNIPERAY AMBER GAMBLER Liked her depth of body and width of thigh, good shoulders, spring of rib. Moved with reach and drive. Balanced in head with soft expression.

2nd Barker's FLINTHILL WILD THYME JW Good spring of rib, well developed forechest, good quarters and tail, held topline on move.

3rd Wilkinson's HURWYN EAU DE COLOGNE

Class Post Graduate Bitch (15,2a)

1st Ormerod's JILONY SPLASH ME Feminine, excellent body shape, good tail and spring of rib, well developed hindquarters. Shame she became unsettled in the challenge.

2nd McGrath's ESREWS SONNET Close to 1 liked both these bitches very much. Nicely balanced, head with plenty of work but still feminine.

3rd Huxley's WOODFLEET SIENNARAIN

Class Limit Bitch (6, 1a)

1st Guy & Walker's TEISGOL PHOENIX AT CAROFEL JW Stylish, feminine bitch. Classic outline. Lovely head and expression, fine leathers. Good feet and bone, Excellent rear angulation and depth of brisket. Moved freely with drive covering lots of ground. Well muscled and coat in gleaming condition.

2nd O'Driscoll's FOWINGTON ALABAMER SLAMMER Pleasing head and expression, good spring of rib and well developed forechest. Active and alert on the move.

3rd Howes' MEDOGOLD SUNNY DAZE JW

Class Open Bitch (13, 2a)

What a class!

1st Hinton's SH CH HOOKWOOD PRETTY WOMAN BY FLEURFIELD Just what I was looking for, this mature o/w was my star of the day. She has such type and balance, excels in shoulder angulation and pasterns. Excellent spring of rib, width of thigh, feet and bone. Beautifully balanced head with that all-important soft melting expression. She powered round the ring driving from her muscled quarters and strong hocks. Delighted to award her the CC & BOB. She looked a picture in the group ring.

2nd Howes' SH CH MEDOGOLD VANILLA FUDGE L/w Lovely head and expression, clean muscular neck, good shoulder angulation, feet and bone. Flowing lines, good depth of chest, well ribbed back. Moved well to be awarded 2nd in this hotly contested class.

3rd Westaway's SH CH TYCARREG SARAH FORTUNE BY PENWEST