

POINTER CLUB Championship Show 2009

DOGS.

A good solid entry of around 80 dogs of somewhat mixed quality in parts. I was pleased to note the improvement in the males since I last judged at this level. Just one slightly suspect bite, and much improved side dentition. Still a shoulder, pastern, and front feet problem in some but overall, movement was generally good, some very good. Tails were flying a bit but this was probably due to the cold breeze early in the day. A potential major fault lies with some of the handlers themselves, who insisted on overstretching their exhibits while stacking, thus destroying the topline by too much slope, and losing the slight rise over the loin. The old adage `hocks should ideally be vertical` still holds good and the outline of a dog can easily be spoiled by placing the back feet too far from the front. First impression of a stacked dog gives a clue as to whether the dog is well,(or poorly) constructed, also it is sensible to find a piece of level ground as nothing unbalances a dog so much as having one foot in a hole. With the gripes out of the way, I was very pleased with the dogs placed and feel that the Challenge line would have been impressive anywhere.

Veteran Dog Stakes. 5 - 2 absent.

1st. Flint's Sh. Ch. Casilex Bucks Fizz JW Sh. CM. 10 yr old blanket black & white who does'nt seem to age. Classic head with just the right length of neck into well laid shoulders and down to strongly boned legs and long sloping pasterns. Powerful body and hindquarters covered in short glossy coat. Tail carried slightly high on the day, but lashing.

2nd, Jilony White Boots, 8 yr old of lighter build, well angulated all through, short coupled, slightly shorter on the leg, hocks well let down. Clean head, presented a good picture.

3rd. Smith's Sh. Ch. Tzaziki Diamond Royale JW.

Minor Puppy Dog. 10 - 1 absent.

1st. Desmond's Medogold Damaroon over Kajesola. Sound moving B/w puppy, well boned for age, slightly long cast but carrying a very nice head and neck. Good angulation front and rear with tail properly set on and using it. Gentle expression and dark eye of correct shape. Looks to have a good future.

2nd. Stangroom`s Lappikia Oasis Dream. Generally well made O/w presenting a good outline, if slightly low in croup. Decent head waiting to develop, pasterns stifle joint and bone quality all good enough. Strode out well. Will probably take longer to develop than 1, but the makings are all there.

3rd. Siddle's Wilchrimane Black Ice.

Puppy Dog. 4 - all present.

1st. Evans & Rawlings` Joneva Stubbs. A bit less in stature than 2 & 3 in class but younger and richer in quality. Very neat and tidy throughout . Well sprung rib cage, clean, hard muscle tone, good width and depth of chest to give ample heart room without being wide in front. Correctly placed shoulder blades, flat bone, sloping pasterns, and tight, well shaped feet. Still a baby head and expression but all that waiting to happen. Strong loin and quarters with good tail set and grand turn of stifle. Stood over his ground and covered it well on the move. Best Puppy Dog.

2nd. Tibbs` Raigmore Dusk Till Dawn. Another good one. Larger, rangier B/w of quality, more developed head than 1 (three months makes a big difference), but less tidy on the move. Enough bone and good angulation back and front. Good body depth although longer with neat tuck-up emphasising shape of hind leg. 3rd. Wilson`s Joneva Regal Reflection.

Junior Dog.

12 - 1 absent.

1st Goode's Handsway Ten Teres Horris. Good all round O/w dog. Clean, well developed head, not too broad in skull with chiselling starting to show around kind eyes. Enough neck starting to arch nicely, shoulders well laid and shaped, down to sloping pasterns and good feet. Would have preferred a little more angulation all round, though movement was sound and accurate. well covered, and with clean short coat.

2nd. Anthony's Jilony Just Amazin'. B/w with solid black head which brought out all the good features. Slightly behind 1 in development but quality nevertheless. Clean neck and close coupled body with good hind angulation. Not happy with the wind, but got around the ring O K.

3rd. McBurnie & Nicholls` Stonesview Henry.

Yearling Dog.

14 - 1 absent.

1st . Flint's Casilex Chinook JW. Blanket B/w of similar type and quality to his kennel mate. Good size, elegant and stylish, well assembled with everything coming together and all in the right place. Smart head on well shaped neck, strong chest and front, deep body, with good topline carried well. Tail set and carriage pleasing but perhaps a little long. front and rear angulation just about right.

2nd. Smith's Lypal Pukka Tukka. In a similar style but lighter in build. Good body shape and depth of brisket. Shown in good condition with no major faults. Flew his tail a little, as did a number. 3rd. Luke's Sniperay Solstice Son.

Maiden Dog.

6 - all present

1st. Handsway Then Theres Horris.

2nd. Joneva Stubbs.

3rd. Wilson's Bonnygate Kindred Spirit.

Novice Dog.

10 - all present.

1st. Martin's Sunhouse Aftershock. 12 mths blanket B/w of elegant proportions. Finely built but masculine. Pleasing head without any sign of coarseness, well placed thin leathers and a kind eye. Reaching neck into longish sloping shoulder. Tail straight off the topline, good angulation all round.

2nd. Handsway Then Theres Horris.

3rd. Raigmore Dusk Till Dawn.

Graduate Dog.

9 - 1 absent.

1st. Casilex Chinook JW.

2nd. Smith's Carmelfair Corbie. 3 yr old B/w of good overall construction, but a little raw in condition.

3rd Dyer's Sharnphilly Just a Breeze.

Post Graduate Dog

10 - 3 absent.

1st. Adams-Heighway's Burslygrange Hugo. Well proportioned 2yr old B/w of lightish build. Presented a good profile when stacked. Clean lines from head to tail, good all round angulation, nothing exaggerated. Proportionate bone of correct shape, good feet and pasterns, shortish hocks, moved over the ground in a relaxed and easy manner. Took the class to the surprise of his stand-in handler.

2nd. Lomax` Teddyhawkes Tyler at Meldarly JW Sh.CM. Strong L/w dog of generally good construction. Decent shoulder placement and chest dimensions, rather spoiled by straight pasterns and button feet. Good old fashioned well proportioned head, nice curve of lip, Well shaped and placed eyes. Coat in good condition. 3rd. McBurnie & Nicholls` Stonesview Aces High.

Mid Limit Dog.

6 - 1 absent

1st. Shaw`s Azophi Moonthunder for Millpoint. Strong rangey O/w dog with good depth of body. Older type of head, but quite acceptable. Front and rear angulation sufficient with just enough slope to pasterns. Correct topline held on the move, covered the ground well enough but was a little close behind.

2nd. Goode's Gempoint Dark and Sharpe at Handsway. Smaller and slightly lower B/w with adequate angulation. Travelled over the ground fast but cleanly. Only just enough bone but of good shape. 3rd. Walkling's Catcher in The Rye.

Limit Dog.

11 - all present.

Best Dog Class of the day. Closest in quality with several who could swap places another time.

1st. Swift's Hampsbeck Chaos Sh CM. The Type I had been waiting for Right size, compact hard condition, nothing extreme and nothing wrong. Stood out from the rest. Fast moving, ground eating, tail lashing and level, losing nothing in his trips around the ring. Grand head, ears well placed, nice curve of lip, clear keen but not hard, eye, long well sprung rib cage, I could go on! A very good show dog that could work all day. CC and Best in Show.

2nd. Walkling's Penwest Phineas at Kiswahili JW. Elegant and old fashioned,. Classic Head with well set ears, broad nose, and correct shape of lip, topped a strong arched neck leading to strong front and good shoulder placement. Enough angulation all round, moved with some style and kept his topline. Quality Dog. 3rd. Beesley's Birchleith Barbican Beau. Another classy mover in good condition, sound and graceful.

Open Dog. 7 - 1 absent.

1st Martin`s Sh. Ch. Jilony Believe In Sunhouse Sh. CM. Sound blanket B/w of moderate build and good size. Topline held on the move, but lost it slightly when stacked through over stretching. Good angulation all round with short hocks and elegant pasterns. Correct type of bone throughout and enough of it Good head, neck, and well sprung ribs. clean, powerful quarters. The whole finished with hard, glossy coat. Res. Dog C C. 2nd. Tuite`s Porschet Dark Knight. B/w of bigger type, Medium sized head on clean shapely neck followed by strong but not bossy shoulders neatly placed. Good bone, and strong limbs, angulation and muscle tone very good. strong hindquarters. Sound and steady mover using his tail. stacked fair and square. Bit of a fidget. 3rd. Wilberg and Blackburn-Bennett`s Sh. Ch. Kiswahili Martin at Kanix.

Field Trial Dog. 0 Entries.

Beginner's Dog. 2 - both present.

1st. Lowe's Bradgate Never a Dull Moment 2nd. Warford's Hampsbeck Newton's Pride.

David Everington, Judge.

BITCHES

I have read so much recently regarding the want of good dogs in some judging critiques. I was uncertain of what I would find, however, I can say that on this occasion, just as it was the last time I judged, I was extremely pleased to find so many with good construction and balance, strength lies here with the bitches and movement was generally good especially with my winners. On the decision of the Referee, Frank Sutcliffe, BIS was awarded to Hampsbeck Chaos.

My co judge David Everington and I agreed for **RBIS** on Sharnphilly Complimentary, **BPIB** went to Scobec Pure Passion, **RBPIS** to Joneva Stubbs and BVIS was awarded to Sh Ch Casilex Bucks Fizz JW Sh CM

VETERAN Bitch (9, 2 abs)

1 Kelly's Ch Peakdale Joy of Kelval

This b is sound and headed a line of 3 quality bitches. She has an excellent forehand, deep chest well ribbed back, oval bone and a slight slope to pastern moderation all through dark eye worthy Ch moved with style.

2 Dyer's Sh Ch Sharnphilly Simply The Best Sh CM

Made in a lighter mould than 1 but is strikingly elegant pretty head crest to neck flowing into clean shoulder. Certainly top class

3. Stuckey's Adstock Regale of Pendan

Well made, excellent head and eye clean shoulder flows through.

MINOR PUPPY Bitch (15, 1 Abs)

1 Calendar's Fleurfields Felicia of Shambellie

So naughty this smart o/w with a pretty head, all in proportion with lots to like, she gave her handler such a hard time, correct front although she lacks spring at the moment this will come with age as she is well ribbed back, her movement was straight and forward reaching when settled.

2 Ingham's Calderside Yours Truly

Head was just lovely with clean neck and shoulder her body curves throughout, she is deep though brisket and well ribbed back, excellent tail set and her tail is thick at the root tapering to a point, would like a little more definition to hock, lashed tail on move

3 Dyer's Sharnphilly Skylark

Not as forward as 1 & 2 at the moment but is balanced in the head and has excellent body proportions

PUPPY Bitch (10, 2 abs)

1 Craik's Scobec Pure Passion

Pleasing o/w feminine in head with kind expression clean neck and shoulder, has fore chest depth to rib a picture of balance, is a little loose at the front at the moment BPB. Did enough to impress my co-judge taking BPIS

2 Lowe's Lowsmoor Storms River (AI)

Elegance and symitry, clean lines all through moderate coupling, excellent let down behind positive on move.

3 Tibbs' Raigmore Dawn Chorus

Classy youngster did not make the best of herself as she seemed to be feeling the early morning chill, correct bone, head neck and movement.

JUNIOR Bitch (12, 2 abs)

1 Bond's Pharises Aphrodite

So pleasing to go over this balanced b/w with feminine head and dark eye moderation in body, coupling and bone one of the best movers of the day really drove off of the hock and has forward reach should have a good future

2 Anthony's. Jilony Dancing On Air

Another with correct balance preferred forehand of 1 so similar in body with correct coupling moderate turn of stifle excellent tail set, moved out with reach and drive.

3 Hinton's Fieldstone Fascination with Fleurfield

Lots to like here oval bone and clean lines with strong quarters is short from hock to heel positive mover

YEARLING Bitch (7, 2 abs)

- 1 Pharises Aphrodite
- 2 Crawte's Bestina Black Opal at Leascliffe JW Sh CM

Heavier made than 1 but all in proportion showing good balance, slightly straighter in pastern she has depth of brisket to elbow and is well ribbed back, moderate coupling and turn of stifle, short from hock to heel, well presented

3 Tibb's Raigmore Let It Shine

Loved her type and head, fine leathers to ear, moderate length of neck fitting cleanly into shoulder, not the maturity of 1 or 2

MAIDEN Bitch (7, 2 abs)

1 Eldridge's Bradgate Party Popper

Placed in Puppy, although very naughty, she is balanced and should do well when settled liked her head, front and feet excellent muscle tone

2 Miller & Cross' Shadesett I Ain't Bovered

Balance in head, clean neck, shoulder and back moderate turn of stifle preferred tail set of 1

3 Stangroom's Lappakia Dune Song

All legs at the moment petty head, tight feet strong quarters

NOVICE Bitch (12, 1 abs)

- 1 Lowe's Lowsmoor Storms River (AI)
- 2 Tibbs' Raigmore Dawn Chorus
- 3 Hinton's Fieldstone Fascination with Fleurfield

GRADUATE Bitch (11, 1 abs)

1 Rayner & Spink's Spinray Miss Saigon

Scopey I/w although handler tends to overstretch she is quite heavily made, but sound and has lovely lines all through deep through rib and well ribbed back strength in quarters, head is balanced and eye in keeping with coat colour.

2 Weaver's Anniezu Reet Petite

Nicely put together with pretty head, clean neck, and best of fronts deep through brisket short coupled and moderate turn of stifle.

3 William's & Rose's Chaseover Shamrock at Ridanflight

Feminine and stylish in outline

POST GRADUATE (16, 2 abs)

1 Shaw's Sativus All About Eve

This smart b/w headed a lovely class although heavier than some all is in moderation she is balanced in head moderate length of neck with crest and her neck fits cleanly into her shoulder strong over loin and powerful quarters that she drove off of short well let down hock

2 Westaway's Penwest Phedra

Pleasing l/w I have seen before, she has presence and lovely curves to her outline her head is feminine and she has good eye colour, moved out well

3 Tibb's Raigmore Quest

Another quality b from this kennel, best of heads, pleasing when hands on finer made than 1 and 2

MID LIMIT Bitch (9, 1 abs)

1 Cooper's Fleurfield First Star over Keepersfield

Such a happy B her tail did not stop, well presented she has excellent head and neck clean shoulder giving forward reach oval bone and well padded feet with arch toes deep brisket well ribbed back strong quarters and moderate turn of stifle

2 Kelly's Kelval Kay

Lovely head and eye giving soft expression excellent reach of neck, clean shoulder, moderate coupling and strong quarters, clean straight mover.

3 Swift's Hampsbeck Maybe Mabel

Lots to like balance and oval bone, moved steadily

LIMIT Bitch (16, 1 abs)

1. Dyer's Sharnphilly Complimentary

I found my CC winner here this is an outstanding b all in moderation. Correct balance in head, she has good reach of neck has good lay of shoulder and her upper arm is correct giving true forward reach on the move excellent body with depth and spring of rib, underline curves as it should, correct coupling croup and tail set, good quarters, her movement was a joy to behold, the more she moved the better she went RBIS I understand this was her 3rd well done.

2 Wilkinson & O'Neill's Hurwyn I Heard A Rumour

Quality all through, with pretty head, oval bone feet well padded with slightly longer middle toes. Pleasing outline and balance all in moderation, depth to brisket and well ribbed back, nothing overdone my RCC winner 3 Isherwood's Pipeaway Steel Magnolia of Symitry

This bitch has always caught my eye; the real essence of a good pointer, so true and of excellent balance still refuses to use her tail.

OPEN Bitch (6, 2 abs)

1 Edmondson's Crookrise White Lace

Classic outline excellent balance, depth, muscle tone which shows in her excellent movement, greatly admired

2 Evan's Sh Ch Joneva Waiting In The Wings JW

All in moderation and so well presented oval bone deep through rib short coupling strong quarters moved out well

3 Clifton 's Tzaziki Diamond Cascade over Moorglen JW

So sound with excellent bone balance in head with good reach of neck, clean shoulder through to well set on tail used on the move and ground covering action.

FIELD TRIAL BITCH (0)

BEGINNERS Bitch (7)

- 1 Weavers Anniezu Reet Petite
- 2 Stangroom's Janeryl's Desert Flower of Lappakia

Balanced outline, good head and eye, arch to neck, clean fit to shoulder has layback moved with style

3 Tannahill's Wynbury Isabella

Lots to like is slightly longer cast than 1 she has a pleasing head moved with reach and drive

Signed Pidine Howes Dated. 1 May 2009