

## Birmingham National Dog Show Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2009

I was delighted to have such an abundance of quality exhibits both dogs & bitches. It is well known that I appreciate the finer points of the breed and so on the whole that's what I had. I look for 'a strong but lissom appearance; symmetrical & well built, a series of graceful curves', I look specifically for the points which set the breed apart from any other, correct balance & shape in head & overall construction, correct feet & pasterns, & bee sting tails. In most of the classes my winners & those placed, had the specific characteristics I was looking for & my line-ups showed the aristocratic elegance, flowing lines & style of the Pointer.

### **MINOR PUPPY DOG (7)**

1st Ward's Pipeaway Dizzie Rascal, b/w, just right for age, lovely eyes, kind expression, clean lines, good reach of neck, well placed shoulders, well angulated in body, good sweep of second thigh, correct feet & pasterns slightly sloping, promising youngster;  
2nd Martin's Sunhouse Believe It Or Not, b/w, attractive puppy, loved his head & expression, ears well set & fine in leather, deep through the chest & body, good conformation. Would prefer a little more length in leg to balance;  
3rd Hinton's Fleurfield Flambeau.

### **PUPPY DOG (3)**

1st Harris' Scobec Man About Town, smart, typy o/w, loved his head & melting expression, lovely reach of neck, well placed shoulders, well balanced angulations, good sweep of second thigh, good front, oval bone, slightly sloping pasterns & correct feet, short & strong from hock to ground enabling him to move with drive, very promising; BP  
2nd Theobald's Kiswahili at Tycarreg, b/w, pleasing head & expression, good reach of neck, deep through the chest & body, good layback of shoulders, well angulated in quarters, short & strong from hock to ground. Preferred the flowing lines of 1;  
3rd Walkling's Kiswhalhili Kato.

### **JUNIOR DOG (6)**

1st Westron's New Fragrance Do Vale Carvoeiro at Aurichalcum, o/w, loved his head, so balanced skull to foreface & well chiselled, good lines & balanced angulations, deep through the chest, good width in thighs, short & strong from hocks to ground he moved well;  
2nd Kirby's Haramander Shabby Chic, o/w, head well proportioned & well chiselled, good reach of neck, correct lay of shoulders, strongly built & well muscled in quarters, good tail in set & shape, moved well;  
3rd Tibb's Raigmore Dusk Till Dawn.

### **GRADUATE DOG (7)**

1st Pattie's Hurwyn Macdonald, o/w, very attractive head & expression, rich in colour & well chiselled, flowing lines from nose to tail, good reach of neck, well laid shoulders, excellent feet & pasterns, nice sweep of second thigh, moved quite well. Worthy winner but he could have been handled better, to show off his many attributes;  
2nd Haramander Shabby Chic;  
3rd Jone's Dappleline Euphoria with Dottymix.

### **POST GRADUATE DOG (9)**

1st Drake's Clamerkin Crystal Mountain, b/w, superb head in balance & chiselling, beautiful eyes with gentle intelligent expression, reminded me of my Kestrel. Flows from head to tail, lovely sweep of second thigh, short & strong from hock to ground, well set bee sting tail which he lashed as he moved with drive around the ring, very striking young dog;

2nd Naden's Wychwood Love Over Gold, o/w, quality dog, good head, lovely reach of neck, well laid shoulders, well balanced angulations, deep through the chest, correct feet & pasterns, nice sweep of second thigh. Just preferred the style & presence of 1;

3rd Prince's Groma Rock Legend.

### **LIMIT DOG (13)**

1st, RCC, Wilcox's Pipeaway Zonic Tonic for Merynjen, o/w, quality throughout, fits the Standard well, lovely head lots of work in it, balanced skull to foreface, ears well set & fine in leather, balanced in angulations, deep through the chest, good spring of rib & width in quarters, correct oval feet, pasterns lengthy & resilient, moved with good reach in front, driving hind action & lashing tail. A fine example of a Pointer;

2nd O'Neill's Hurwyn Some Might Say, b/w, very similar in style to 1. Good head, well chiselled & balanced in skull to foreface, clean lines, deep in chest & well balanced in conformation & angulations, good tail in shape & set, moved well with drive. Just preferred the flowing lines of 1;

3rd Beesley's Birchleith Barbican Beau.

### **OPEN DOG (6)**

1st, CC & BOB, Parson's Pipeaway Billy Bling, o/w, this dog oozes Pointer type, aristocratic, symmetrical, well built, a series of graceful curves, masculine head in shape, balance & chiselling, gentle expressive eyes, ears set correctly & fine in leather, excels in balanced angulations, strong muscular slightly arched neck, clean well laid shoulders, strong in loin & quarters, lovely sweep of second thigh, hocks short & strong giving the power needed to propel him forward, covers the ground with great reach & drive lashing his bee sting tail;

2nd Isherwood's Symitry Russian Roulette, o/w, pleasing head well balanced conformation, good reach of neck, well laid shoulders, correct feet in shape & cushioning, strong, lengthy, resilient pasterns, deep through the chest & body, good width of first & second thigh, short & strong from hock to ground giving him the power to cover the ground well;

3rd Speakman's Whipsan Namatjira.

### **MINOR PUPPY BITCH (7)**

1st Martin's Sunhouse Believe In Me, attractive b/w, pretty head with lovely eyes & expression, clean neck falling into good shoulders, deep through the chest & body, good width in quarters, moved well;

2nd Dyer's Sharnphilly Skylark, pretty b/w, very feminine, nice head & kind expression, good topline finishing with lovely bee sting tail, nice sweep of second thigh, well balanced in angulations. Just preferred the movement of 1;

3rd Knowles' Bluemantle Sea Pearl to Dovehayes.

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

1st Craik's Scobec Pure Passion, o/w, beautiful headed bitch, so chiselled & balanced, lovely eyes in shape, set & expression, ears well set, medium in length, gentle arch of neck, clean shoulders, well constructed with balanced angulations, good width in quarters & lovely sweep of second thigh, good topline, correct bee sting tail. One for the future;

2nd Lowe's Lowsmoor Storms River, pretty b/w, feminine in head, ears correct in shape & set, balanced in conformation, good lay of shoulders, deep through the chest & body, short & strong from hock to ground, lovely tail in set & shape, very promising;

3rd Weaver's Anniezu Everlasting Love.

### **JUNIOR BITCH (8)**

1st Preece's Haramander Diamond Lil of Harvestslade, typy o/w, lovely head, well chiselled & balanced, kind expression, balanced angulations, deep through the body, series of graceful curves, oval bone, lengthy, resilient pasterns & well padded feet, moved well with reach & drive;  
2nd Turnbull's Bonnygate Krystal Roses at Beridew, b/w, pretty headed bitch, well put together & balanced angulations, well placed shoulders, correct topline, slightly arched over loins, well set tail, thick at the root & tapering to a point, short & strong from hock to ground, moved with drive;  
3rd Isherwood's Symitry Gold Brocade.

### **GRADUATE BITCH (7)**

1<sup>st</sup>, CC, Tibb's Raigmore Let It Shine, o/w, classic head, beautiful eyes, in set, shape & melting expression, clean slightly arched neck, well laid shoulders, well constructed & balanced in outline, correct feet & bone, lengthy, strong & resilient pasterns, series of graceful curves well describes her, oozes quality from her head to the tip of her lovely bee sting tail, flowed around the ring a picture of elegance & true Pointer type;  
2st Critchley's Whipspan Bondi Peach, o/w, quality bitch, very similar to 1 in head & style, clean arched neck, well placed shoulders, good topline, tail well set & tapering to a point, body well constructed & a series of curves, moving well;  
3rd Drake's Clamerkin Crystal Lace.

### **POST GRADUATE BITCH (15)**

1st Naden's Wychwood Midsomer Dream, o/w, very typy bitch, well chiselled head & balanced skull to foreface, melting expression, ears well placed & fine in leather, good reach of neck falling smoothly into well laid shoulders, a series of curves, good sweep of second thigh, hocks well let down, moved well with drive;  
2nd Rose's Ridenflight Rupara at Kanix, o/w, pleasing head, balanced skull to foreface, gentle expression, well angulated body, deep through the chest, good width & sweep of second thigh, short & strong from hock to ground, giving her good driving action on the move;  
3rd Gordon's Hawkfield Sea Siren.

### **LIMIT BITCH (10)**

1<sup>st</sup>, RCC, Preece's Pipeaway Nellie Melba of Harvestslade, o/w, lovely head, well chiselled, balanced & kind in expression, balanced in angulations, feminine but strong, deep through the body, a series of graceful curves, oval bone, good length & resilience in pasterns, nicely padded feet, moved well with reach & drive;  
2nd Fox's Whipspan Cathy Freeman of Dappeline, stylish o/w, pretty head, balanced in proportions, kind melting expression, flowing lines, deep through the chest & body, clean arched neck, well laid shoulders, nice sweep of second thigh. Has the length but not quite the resilience in pasterns as 1;  
3rd Rose's Ridenflight Ruahine at Kanix.

**OPEN BITCH (8)**

1st Wilkinson's Hurwyn Eau De Cologne, last judged her & gave her BPB. I said o/w, so feminine & typy, loved her head which already has a well defined skull & foreface, what beautiful eyes & melting expression, ears set correctly & fine in leather, slightly arched neck falling into well laid shoulders, well balanced conformation & moving well for her handler, very promising puppy for the future. She has fulfilled that promise & deserves her title, however for overall balance would prefer more length in foreface;

2nd MacManus' Crookrise Arran at Luneville, lovely o/w, beautiful head, kind eye with melting expression, elegant in outline, neck slightly arched, well placed shoulders, correct in bone, feet & pasterns, has matured into a pleasing example of the breed. Hasn't quite the overall balance of 1;

3rd Blackburn-Bennett's Chesterhope North Breeze at Kanix.

**LOUISE OXLEY - Judge**