

BORDER UNION CHAMPIONSHIP DOG SHOW SATURDAY 20TH JUNE 2009

I was delighted to be asked to judge at my 'local' championship show and had a quality entry. On the whole I found movement to be much improved, our large ring showed off reaching front and driving hind action. Delighted with my line-ups.

Puppy Dog (10)

1st Hinton's Fleurfields Flambeau Mature 10 months. O & W of excellent body proportions, good muscle tone. Beautifully schooled moved well and should have a bright future.

2nd Martin's Sunhouse Believe It or Not Pleasing head good muzzle and kind eye, nice all through and moved well. Just preferred hindquarters of 1.

3rd. Edmondson and Robertshaw's Crookrise Forest.

Junior Dog (4. 1abs)

1st Tibb's Raigmore Dusk Till Dawn Stylish youngster well shaped head, good muzzle and eye, clean sweeping lines, good fore and aft and correct tail set. When settled into his stride moved well, at 13 months still a bit raw but one for the future.

2nd Westron's New Fragrance Do Vale Carvoeiro at Aurichalcum. Admired his attitude and pointer type and am sure he & 1. will change places on many occasions.

Super head and expression and clean lines a mature dog for his age who might benefit from a little less weight to show off his many attributes.

3rd Bond's Pharises Perseus

Novice Dog (4.1abs)

1st Yeo's Thorncross Cornish Crusade Compact puppy much more settled in this class. Nothing exaggerated, attractive head good top line which was held on the move where he strode out. Nice sort and an easy winner in this class.

2nd Wallace's Lokmadi On Fire Maguire At an in between stage but nicely made and a sound mover. In hard condition, handler not getting the best out of this dog.

3rd Hambling's Calderside Co Pilot for Chaseover

Post Graduate (9 2abs) Quality class.

1st Wood's Stockend Winchester Liver and white Head of medium breadth and correct proportions neat thin leathers, intelligent eye wide nostrils solid body well sprung ribs. Not a big one but very muscular and powerful, best mover of the day. R.C.C.

2nd Edmondson & Robertshaw's Crookrise Floyd B & W, maturing slowly with everything in the right place just needs more time to reach his full potential.

A good honest sort .Moved well.

3rd Rose & William's Kanix Ace at Ridanflight

Limit Dog (8 1.abs)

1st O'Neill's Hurwyn Some Might Say J.W. Just out of junior showed like an old pro never put a foot wrong. Loved his outline stacked and on the move. Well chiselled and proportioned head with kind dark eye, correct muzzle and lip, clean neck flowing into angulated shoulders, good topline and tail set. DCC & BOB

2nd Udale's Freddie Flintoff Chased hard for top spot. Lovely shape and topline, moved v. well with drive and purpose, in hard muscular condition. Intelligent and aristocratic dog, Just preferred front assembly of 1.

3rd Wood's Stockend Lewis

Open Dog (8)

1st Wilson's Bonnygate Imperial Choice. Business-like, not a big one but beautifully constructed with a lovely outline. Kind eye and expression deep chested moved with drive and worked hard in the challenge, just preferred head shape of my CC winner.

2nd Wilberg & Blackburn-Bennett Sh Ch Kiswahili Martin at Kanix Lovely headed young O & W, soft kind eye and lovely wide nostrils and thin leather. Hard condition. Stylish . .

3rd Masters & Pavey 's Sh Ch Manchela Innuendo

Puppy Bitch (11, 2 abs)

1st Edmondson's Crookrise Free & Easy Difficult to ignore this pretty 6 month old. O & W Head of good shape dark eye clean neck, good topline and excellent angulation. Played her handler up on the move but gave glimpses of a strong sound movement.

Naughty but a class act. B.P.

2nd Glendinning's Crookrise Freelying. Lemon & w litter sister to 1. Same stamp of type and quality. Clean in outline lovely curves and good lay of muscled. Handled very well and moved truly. Just prefer head of 1 at the moment. Two for the future.

3rd Langford's Papermill Black Dahlia

Junior Bitch (9, 1 abs)

Unfortunately the rain became heavy during this class so we had to retreat to the wet weather tent for this and N.B.

1st Anderson-Rowell's Wyndhead Mette Marit Attractive O & W of flowing lines which she held well on the move. Well proportioned feminine head dark eye soft lip and thin leathers. Correct tail set. Has time on her side to body up which will complete the picture.

2nd Smith's Raigmore Dawn Chorus Pretty B & W of more compact lines, well balanced in body angulation and a pretty head with lovely dark knowing eye. I get the impression she has been here before. Not as settled on the move but has plenty of promise.

3rd Turnbull's Bonnygate Krystal Roses at Beridew (AI)

Novice Bitch (3)

1st Smith's Raigmore Dawn Chorus

2nd White's Tomlow Celica Lemon and white of good body proportions and clean lines. Would prefer more work in head moved enthusiastically.

3rd Fewster's Kiswahili Kimi

Post Graduate (16, 3 abs)

1st Tibb's Raigmore Let it Shine JW. Classy young O & W oozing quality . Well proportioned head and expression thin leathers kind expression and dark eye. Sweeping lines correct bone, good pasterns and feet, super outline which she held on the move. Drove around the ring commanding attention. Pushed hard in the challenge - just beaten by maturity. R.C.C.

2nd Hall's Hurwyn Angelis of Gartarry. Eyecatching O & W who motored round the ring handled to perfection. Excellent head and expression, arched neck good front and rear angulation , deep chest, strong but feminine, curvaceous body in hard condition, a really good sort, tough to meet 1 in such good form.

3rd Mason's Freebreeze As you Like It

Limit Bitch (14, 3 abs)

1st Edmondson's Crookrise White Lace . Not my initial winner but as she settled and relaxed just oozed type and character. Plenty of work in head correct angulation clean lined and raring to go, well muscled. An exciting one to watch just a bit over enthusiastic on the move.

2nd Barker's Flinthill Jenny Wren More substantial than 1 but of lovely type and well put together, good angulation front and rear and attractive head of correct shape, lovely expression, neat ears. Powerful mover.

3rd Siddle's Wilchimane Dark Silk.

Open Bitch (8, 4 abs)

1st MacManus's Crookrise Arran at Luneville. Have never seen her look better, at 5 yrs of age in her prime. Built on classic lines well constructed good topline correct tail shape. Enough work in head thin leathers and kind eye. A complete picture when asked to stride out she drove round the ring in unison with her handler delighted to award her 1st C.C.

2nd Robertshaw's Lynwater Hurdler of Blackcraig Nicely put together with good head shape and clean flowing lines. Sound mover but not overall picture of 1.

3rd. Blackburn-Bennett's Chesterhope North 'N Breeze at Kanix (Imp)

Best Breeder in Breed

Heading a lovely class

Mrs C Robertshaw well matched orange and white Crookrise pointers. Peas in a pod, moved in unison, a delight to judge.

Geraldine O'Driscoll - judge