

Driffield Championship Show Friday 21st September 2012

I was pleasantly surprised at the quality on the day. Heads are still very mixed. Tails still too long but I didn't feel they were too coarse. Some movement left a lot to be desired, dogs with hackney action! A Pointer should daisy-cut, covering plenty of ground with drive. All the exhibits were presented in tip-top order and were well handled.

MINOR PUPPY DOG (6,1)

1st Perkins' Kanix Fate Of Brent. b/w, balanced head with a good stop and eye. Arched neck flowing into well placed shoulders, deep in chest and good front assembly and bone.

Sloping pasterns, pleasing quarters with good width of first and second thigh. Correct tail carriage on the move.

2nd Watkins and Davies' Hurwyn Law NC6 Order. Pleasing head with a good stop. Level topline flowing into a good tailset and quarters, with well let down hocks. Forelegs straight with oval bone and tight feet. Not so deep in brisket as the winner.

3rd Anthony's Jilony Red Arrow.

PUPPY DOG (4)

1st Martin and Martin's Sunhouse Anything Goes. Head of good shape with pronounced occiput bone and a lovely eye. Straight front with good bone, tight oval feet and sloping pasterns. Good topline and tailset, well turned stifle. Presented in good order.

2nd Westaway's Sobranya Perception. Balanced head and a good eye shape and ear placement. Arched neck of correct length, flowing into a good shoulder. Strong back assembly, still needs time and not as mature as the winner.

3rd Anderson-Rowell's Daledancer Silver Fame

JUNIOR DOG (5)

1st Coggins and Coggins' Droveborough Born To Bound At Gemrose. L/W, balanced head with a pronounced occiput, good turn of lip and ears set high. Good shoulder placement, ribs well sprung and topline, level with good haunch bones. Hindquarters were muscular with expanse of first and second thigh. Moved out well with a lashing tail. I understand this gained him his JW.

2nd Tibbs' Raigmore Shine From Afar. O/W with a pleasing head and eye. Good reach of neck and topline, also good tailset. Well let down hocks, deep in chest. Would have liked a better front, moved well.

3rd Goode's Handsway Perfect Storm.

YEARLING DOG (8,1)

- 1st Bell's Crookrise The Medlar At Owlspoint JW. O/W, body of good shape, also a good head with a good stop and nose, pronounced occiput and fine ears set high. Ribs well sprung with depth, oval bone and good legs and feet. Sloping pasterns, moved out well.
- 2nd Mitchell's Gartarry Moonshine Over Staxyll. This o/w also has a good head and muzzle, good turn of lip and correct eye. Straight front, good legs and feet. Pleasing quarters, not the body of the winner.
- 3rd Flint's Casilex Crescendo.

POST GRADUATE DOG (6)

- 1st Marsh's Sharnphilly Redshank For Ratchda. B/W, lovely head and eye, ears fine and set high. Good legs and feet, correct topline and well sprung ribs. Good turn of stifle, moved out well.
- 2nd Best's Shadesett Keep On Believin For Bestina. Head of good shape and a dark eye, soft and moist nose. Good bone, oval feet and deep in body. Not the topline of the winner. Moved well.
- 3rd Stilgoe and Oliver's Teisgol Go Your Own Way JW.

LIMIT DOG (11)

- 1st Harrison's Millpoint Top Hat N'Tails JW ShCM. This b/w dog has a lovely outline, his head is balanced and he has a kind expression. Good neck and topline, deep in body and well turned stifle. Good first and second thigh, would have liked better movement.
- 2nd Kirby's Haramander Shabby Chic ShCM. Good head and topline, deep in chest and good bone. Would like better feet. Strong quarters with well let down hocks.
- 3rd Martin and Martin's Sunhouse Believe It Or Not JW ShCM.

OPEN DOG (9,2)

- 1st Hinton's Sh Ch Fleurfields Flambeau, This o/w really took my eye, he had everything I was looking for. Head not overdone, kind dark eye, ears set high and fine. Good bone, straight front and arched neck flowing into well placed shoulders. Level topline, good tailset and a deep chest and well sprung ribs. Oval bone, tight feet and strong quarters. Movement a joy, covering plenty of ground with a daisy cutting action. CC and BOB.
- 2nd Gordon's Hawkfield Dapper In Black JW. This b/w is the sire of the winner and I liked him a lot. He is full of quality with lovely lines, super head and a kind expression. Good neck, shoulders and topline. Quarters are strong with well turned stifles. Good legs and feet, moved out well. Res CC.
- 3rd O'Driscoll's Ch Fowington Five Bob Note JW.

MINOR PUPPY BITCH (5,1)

1st Anthony's Jilony Here's Hoping. 8 month old b/w bitch with a balanced head with good ear placement and turn of lip. Straight front, oval bone and tight feet. Sloping pasterns, good shoulder and ribcage. Pleasing quarters with well let down hocks. Moved out well.

2nd Rose's Ridanflight Rhonwen. 6 month old o/w and very much a baby. Has a lovely outline, head is balanced with a good stop and super dark points, soft expression. Good bone, front and feet. Moved well for one so young.

3rd Sillince's Tomlow I Hope You Dance.

PUPPY BITCH (6)

1st Dyer and Dyer's Sharnphilly Juici Cuture. What a lovely quality bitch, full of graceful lines. Head is balanced with plenty of work. Good reach of neck flowing into correct topline and tailset. Although a bit long is of a good shape. Strong, sweeping quarters. Moved well covering plenty of ground. Best Puppy.

2nd Martin and Martin's Sunhouse I Am What I Am. B/W, head of correct shape with pronounced occiput, good ears set high and a lovely eye. Correct topline and tailset, good first and second thigh. Good turn of stifle, moved well.

3rd Stilgoe's Teisgol Foxy Lady.

JUNIOR BITCH (9,1)

1st Goode's Handsway Lola Bel Aire. B/W, lovely head with plenty of work, good eye with a soft expression. Well placed shoulders, level topline and a good ribcage. Deep in brisket, straight front with oval bone and feet. Sloping pasterns, pleasing and strong quarters. Moved well.

2nd Dyer and Dyer's Sharnphilly Lulu Guinness. Litter sister to the winner in the last class. Lovely shape, head is balanced with fine ears, set high. Good neck and lay of shoulders, straight front and tight, oval feet. Good hindquarters, just needs time.

3rd O'Driscoll's Fowington One Won One.

YEARLING BITCH (7)

1st Edmondson and Robertshaw's Crookrise Agathis. B/W with plenty of work in her head, lovely expression. Neck flowed into strong topline and sweeping quarters and tailset. Good shape, straight front with oval bone.

2nd Gordon's Hawkfield Giddy Kipper. I loved this o/w but she did not have the depth of chest of the winner. Super head and expression, fine ears. Good shoulder and topline, pleasing quarters. Full of herself on the move.

3rd Turton's Tanglebrook Madrilen.

POST GRADUATE BITCH (9)

1st Edmondson and Robertshaw's Crookrise Trinity. Litter sister to the winner of the last class. Same remarks very much apply. Has lovely dark points, head is balanced. Good topline and straight front, overall a good shape and the best mover in the class.

2nd Barford and Booth's Kanix Calypso By Kiswahili. Would have liked more length of foreface, although had a good turn of lip and a good shaped nose. Good shoulder and ribcage, well turned stifle and well let down hocks.

3rd Cooper's Keepersfield Mama Mia.

LIMIT BITCH (13)

1st Blower's Bonnygate Karriage Queen Of Deadaway. Most difficult class of the day, type was very mixed. B/W with a good shape in body and size. Good front assembly with correct bone, well sprung ribs and short coupled. Tight and compact feet, strong quarters and she moved well.

2nd Martin and Martin's Shadesett Unbelievably Sunhouse. B/W who also has a good shape and bone, deep in chest and a pleasing head. Good shoulder placement, straight front and good feet and backend.

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

OPEN BITCH (8)

1st Blackburn-Bennett's Kanix Chilli. O/W, full of quality. I liked the shape of her head, but would like a little more length of foreface, but her other attributes outweighed this. Has a good reach of neck, sitting into well placed shoulders, deep brisket and good ribcage. Lovely topline and well turned stifles. Good bone and feet, moved with drive. CC.

2nd Rose's Sh Ch Ridanflight Rangiora. Very close up. Balanced head and a good eye and dark points, soft eye. Good topline and front with oval bone and tight feet. Deep in chest, ribs well sprung and strong and well turned quarters. Moved out well but not the panache of the winner.

3rd Anthony's Jilony Dancing On Air.

GOOD CITIZEN BITCH (3)

1st Blower's Bonnygate Karriage Queen Of Deadaway.

2nd Anderson-Rowell's Wyndhead Mette Marit ShCM. Pleasing lines and good quarters. Moved well.

3rd Ward's Kiswahili Timley Nu Edition To Jakobstown.

Janet Richards - judge