

Border Union Championship Show Saturday 20th June 2015

Generally speaking was delighted to find many dogs of correct type, & my principal winners were all lovely dogs that I was very pleased with. On the negative side, there were a number of tail kinks, several dogs with very poor tail carriage, a number of generic show dogs who showed good general construction but lacked the type that makes a Pointer so distinct in among the other gundog breeds, & a few dogs who paid the price on this occasion because unsoundness in movement was evident. That said, there were some classes where I really was spoiled for choice.

PUPPY DOG (2)

1st Tibb's Fydal Beeswing at Raigmore, 6 month o/w baby who had a lovely outline with everything in the right place at this stage in development. Head yet to break with enough foreface but sweet expression, sloping pasterns, correct topline, good sweep of stifle. Not quite the maturity on the move as 2nd but a promising youngster with a delightful character;

2nd Black's Raigmore Kismet, larger framed b/w dog. Not quite the general shape of 1 & a little plain in head at this stage, but developing along the right lines & showed his maturity on the move where he covered his ground steadily.

JUNIOR DOG (4,1a)

1st Rayner, Spinks & Pringle's Freebreeze Over The Top at Spinray, liver/w dog who was shown in good bloom, just right for weight & condition. Of sound honest type, when he settled on the move showed a very good ground covering action with reach & drive;

2nd Perkin's Brent Ticket For One, b/w dog, well bodied & with pleasing depth to brisket. Well handled, just not quite the scope on the move as 1;

3rd Tregaskis' Moenfair Spicewood Summer.

NOVICE DOG (3)

1st Tibb's Raigmore Astronomer Royal, o/w dog of medium size. Broader in skull than I prefer but a very athletic looking dog who had a strong topline, good rearquarters & a neat tail. Needs to settle on the move;

2nd Tregaskis' Moenfair Spicewood Summer, b/w dog who gave much away in age. He has yet to mature & develop in front although has plenty of time ahead of him, he has a good general shape & kind expression;

3rd Tibb's & Chisholm's Raigmore Cosmic Star.

POST GRADUATE DOG (11,1)

1st Theobald, Phillips & Westaway's Penwest Pallaton, athletically built b/w dog of medium size. A little upright in pastern. Well ribbed, good depth of brisket, moved out with purpose & drive;

2nd Siddle's Wilchrimane C'mon Nobert, well presented o/w dog shown in super condition, lovely head with kind expression, well made all through with a strong topline. Not quite the extension in front action as 1;

3rd Timothy's Anniezu Magic Moments.

LIMIT DOG (10,1)

1st Gyfaras' Saregresi Infinite Love In The Mist, liver/w dog, loved his size & athletic build, he was masculine without being heavy or coarse. Typy boy who is well put together all through being very balanced, firm in topline & good underline with just enough tuck up. Carried himself well on the move where he strode out covering his ground well & had a good tail carriage. With a little more maturity could've done even better, I really liked him. RCC;

2nd Mitchell's Gartarry Moonshine over Staxyll, very glamorous headed o/w, with the best of expressions and a gentle kindly eye. Loved him for type. Moved out with great enthusiasm but not quite the scope of 1 as a little straighter in stifle;

3rd Martin's Sunhouse Anything Goes.

OPEN DOG (4)

1st Evans & Pavey's Sh Ch Joneva Diamond In The Rough, o/w dog with an outstanding headpiece, lovely melting expression. Upstanding male in his prime being fully mature, all dog without being overdone in any way. Well constructed all through, great topline & went very well with a well carried tail. Would like to see him carrying a tad less weight to advantage, but it could not detract from the overall picture he presented on the day. CC;

2nd Siddle, Medeiros & O'Neill's Am/Can Ch Seasyde Chesterhope Bingo, young b/w dog with a fabulous profile, so clean & shapely in outline. Well presented & moved out very well. Yet to firm up but once age brings this maturity, he will be troubling the best. One to watch for the future;

3rd Perkin's Ir Sh Ch Kanix Fate of Brent.

VETERN DOG (1)

1st Tibb's Raigmore Dusk Till Dawn, b/w dog with kind head & eye, correct topline & neat well set tail. Happy showman who moved out well.

PUPPY BITCH (6)

1st Smith's Fydal Bedazzle, 6 months o/w who was a picture of elegance. Well balanced & very feminine. Head yet to break. Moved well for one so young, just felt the dog pup was slightly more forward in body development in the challenge for BP;

2nd Lowe's Lowsmoor Shiralee, this o/w pup was more mature with a very attractive head & eye, well bodied. A lovely character who moved out well but not with quite the graceful carriage of 1 on this occasion. Close decision & could easily change places another day;

3rd McGilp's Ridanflight Ruby Tuesday at Forthbourne.

JUNIOR BITCH (5)

1st Martin's Sunhouse Do You Feel Lucky, b/w bitch of nice size with good bone & substance. Good head shape with soft expression. Well constructed all through, just a little overawed on the move & needed to relax, however showed enough to win this class;

2nd Booth & Asjad Malhi's Prontanto First Direct, liver/w bitch who was more settled on the move than 1 where she strode out well. Clean outline but straighter in front angulation than 1, & not quite the expression. Decent pasterns, good bend of stifle & well ribbed back;

3rd Tregaskis' Moenfair Tinpenny Tod Tails.

NOVICE BITCH (6,1)

1st Ward & Blackburn-Bennett's Kanix Just A Rumour by Jakobstown, well presented b/w bitch with a very pretty head & eye. Shapely all through with good stifles, she covered the ground well on the move with drive & purpose;

2nd Dodd's Raigmore Starshine for Lyncarda, o/w bitch who was stronger in head. Clean outline with a firm topline, well used neat tail, active happy mover but not quite the rear angulation or scope on the move of 1;

3rd Booth & Asjad Malhi's Prontanto First Direct.

POST GRADUATE BITCH (11)

1st Guy & Hinton's Carmandine Cookie Crumble by Fleurfield, feminine o/w bitch of good size & substance. Well laid shoulders, firm topline held well on the move, neat tail. Presented a very attractive picture;

2nd Barker's Flinthill Suzy Sunshine, o/w bitch with an elegant clean outline although not quite the layback of shoulder of 1. She came into her own on the move where she showed a very free flowing action, covering the ground well;

3rd Nelis' Freebreeze Providence.

LIMIT BITCH (11,2) What a lovely class this was.

1st Rose's Ridanflight Rhonwen, very pretty o/w bitch of ideal size. Beautiful head with lovely dark eye, nicely boned, balanced in angulations & had lovely depth of body finished with a neat tail. Moved out with great enthusiasm but was slightly erratic in front action at times;

2nd Smith's Fydal Ava, very close decision. Refined o/w bitch of lovely type & super character. Presented a clean outline & moved out well with a fabulous tail action, would just prefer a little more forward extension;

3rd Kelly's Fleurfield Faith of Kelval.

OPEN BITCH (3)

1st Siddle's Sh Ch Wilchrimane Ice Maiden, lovely o/w bitch in her prime, fit & well muscled. Lovely size with good substance & bone without losing any femininity. As the Standard requires, she really is a series of graceful curves. She has a super front with good forechest, well laid shoulders, excellent topline, correct well bent stifles. She is balanced from nose to tail. Shown in beautiful condition & has an excellent gait, with superb reach & drive, all the while using her tail well. Delighted to award her the CC & BOB, & really pleased that she went on to win the group;

2nd Perkin's Sh Ch Luneville Honey Moon at Brent, elegant o/w bitch with lovely breed type. Not quite the depth in brisket or front angulation of 1, but her Pointer charisma & superb carriage on the move meant she could not be denied the RCC. Very classy;

3rd Edmonson & Robertshaw's Crookrise Trinity.

VETERAN BITCH (4)

1st Mason's Freebreeze As You Like It, lemon/w bitch with a beautiful head, full of type with a kind expression. Balanced standing & loved her tail action on the move where she covered the ground well & belied her years;

2nd Anderson-Rowell's Wyndhead Mette Marit, o/w bitch with sweet head & expression, clean in outline, good topline & was an active steady mover;

3rd Rayner & Spinks' Spinray Miss Saigon.

LINDA WESTRON - Judge