The Pointer Club Championship Show Saturday 16th April 2016

DOGS

VETERAN DOG (5)

1st O'Neil's Hurwyn Some Might Say, well balanced b/w shown in excellent condition. Good body proportions & substance. Pleasant head, nice flared nostril. Good depth & bend of stifle. Moved well;

2nd Edmondson & Robertshaw's Crookrise Floyd, stylish b/w, lovely eye & expression, nice thin ears well set on. Good feet & legs. Shown in hard condition with firm muscletone. Just a shade loose in front action; 3rd Gordon's Hawkfield Dapper In Black.

MINOR PUPPY DOG (4,1a)

1st Oddie & Dyer's Sharnphilly Secretariat, just 6 months old. Exudes class. Lovely head, kind eye. Good front, neck & shoulders, nice width of thigh. Good topline. A free happy mover using his tail. Needs to grow on but loved his overall quality & presence;

2nd Batchelor's Wilchrimane Clickety Click of Kielderpoint, smart puppy with lovely flowing lines. Pleasing head, good shoulders. Strong over loin. A promising young dog with all the essentials;

3rd Sillince's Medogold Clown Prince for Tomlow.

PUPPY DOG (7)

1st Kirby's Pipeaway Master Design, attractive dog with appealing head & nice flared nostrils. Good neck, shoulders & front. Strong hindquarters. Good feet & legs. Neat tail;

2nd Stilgoe & Harrison's Enzo Del Almojon, another nice youngster. Very athletic & agile. Well balanced & strong all through. Good topline & well set tail. Just seemed a little shy. A likeable puppy who should gain confidence with age;

3rd Luke's Fleurfield Jack Daniels.

JUNIOR DOG (4)

1st Macara, Jamieson & Blackburn Bennett's Kanix Legend at Cromasaig, smart young dog with plenty of substance & good bone. Good depth & spring of rib. Well muscled hindquarters. Shown & presented in first class order. A lot to like, just a little strong in the head;

2nd O'Neill's Ten Shilling Home Alone, pleasing head, good reach of neck, good shoulder placement. Ribcage carried well back. Strong over loin. Still needs to mature. Sound positive mover;

3rd Tibbs' Fydale Beeswing at Raigmore.

YEARLING DOG (9)

1st Saunders' Teisgol Double Trigger, well constructed with nice lines. Good front depth & spring of rib. Nice feet & legs. Strong hindquarters. Good bone. Covered the ground well;

2nd Luke's Teisgol Far Horizon for Fleurfield, not so classical in head but compensates in other departments. Good turn of stifle & width of thigh. Strong over loin. Nice tail carriage;

3rd Wilson's Bonnygate Master Ghillie.

MAIDEN DOG (3)

1st Kirby's Pipeaway Master Design;

2nd Wilson's Bonnygate Master Ghillie, nice overall balance, good bone & good depth of chest. Seemed unsettled on the day so did not show to advantage, but pleasing all through; 3rd Sillince's Medogold Clown Prince for Tomlow.

NOVICE DOG (5,1)

1st Oddie & Dyer's Sharnphilly Secretariat.

2nd Kirby's Pipeaway Master Design.

3rd Ainsworth's Soxette Regal Mae Kafuss.

DEBUTANT DOG (3,1)

1st Kirby's Pipeaway Master Design. 2nd Ainsworth's Soxette Regal Mae Kafuss.

GRADUATE DOG (1)

1st Wall's Meadowpoint Spirit of Fire, nice head, strong quarters and a good width of thigh. Happy and outgoing attitude.

POST GRADUATE DOG (10,3)

1st Hinton and Lennox's Musbrae Theodore by Fleurfield JW. Attractive and well balanced dog with nice lines. Classic head with good flared nostril. Correct tail carriage and tail action when on the move. Covered the ground well. Would just prefer tighter feet.

2nd Brown's Teisgol Carioca. Stylish b/w, not overdone in any department. Good body proportions with good bone. Lovely head with kind eye and expression. nice neck and shoulders, positive mover.

3rd Thorpe's Sharnphilly Forrest Gump at Braegorse.

MID LIMIT DOG (9)

1st Stilgoe's Teisgol I Am The One And Only, lovely head & expression. Good spring of rib & good depth. Nice topline. Strong over loin. Good feet & legs. Very well constructed & no exaggeration anywhere. Pleasing in all departments. Sound positive mover;

2nd Huxley's Aurichalcum Evan Knows Its Woodfleet, good head, neck & shoulders. Strongly made all through with excellent muscletone. Powerful hindquarters & nice width of thigh. Just let himself down today by flagging his tail on the move;

3rd Anderson-Rowell's Daledancer Silver Fame.

LIMIT DOG (13)

1st Mitchell's Gartarry Moonshine over Staxyll, appealing o/w with lovely head, correct earset. Good front, strong over loin. Nice feet, legs & pasterns. Compact & well balanced. Athletic & alert covering the ground with ease. Nice size, not overdone in any department. Pleased to award him the CC;

2nd Hazeldene & Upton's Hookwood By George, smart agile o/w, kind eye, good neck & shoulders. Has all the essentials. I liked his outgoing attitude. Nice tail. A happy fluent mover;

3rd Smith's Lypal Deeply Dippy.

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OPEN DOG (10)

1st Harrison's Sh Ch Millpoint Heat Wave, an elegant dog with lots of presence. Shown in first class order. Super head, kind eye & expression, good neck & shoulders. Nice spring of rib, strong over loin. Combines strength with class. Pleased to award him RCC;

2nd Welch's Sh Ch/Ir Sh Ch Moolou Minstrel at Hookwood, strong balanced dog with good body proportions. Nice depth, good ribcage, good width of thigh. Powerful well-muscled hindquarters, good bend of stifle. Positive mover;

3rd Evans & Pavey's Sh Ch Joneva Diamond In The Rough.

SPECIAL WORKING GUNDOG DOG (1)

1st O'Neil's Hurwyn Some Might Say.

BEGINNERS DOG (4)

- 1st Saunders' Teisgol Double Trigger;
- 2nd Anderson-Rowell's Daledancer Silver Fame;
- 3rd Tregaskis' Moenfair Spicewood Summer.

Judge (dogs) Mrs Julie Organ.

BITCHES

Thank you to the Pointer Club for inviting me to judge at this prestigious show and to my two very capable stewards who kept everything moving smoothly.

Unfortunately weather conditions meant judging was inside. The concrete surface was unforgiving when it came to movement and many paid the price. The trend seems to be move at excessive speed but this does not make movement better, rather the reverse. In a large ring it can look impressive, but in smaller areas it unbalances both the handler and the dog.

I have been concerned for some years about the lack of shoulder and upper arm angulation, but now overangulated hindquarters are also present resulting in steep toplines. This spoils the whole outline - which should be symmetrical and a series of graceful curves. High tail carriage was not in evidence as much as I expected, but where has the lashing action gone?

Some exhibits were dirty and I had one level bite.

On the positive side, temperaments were excellent. I was pleased with my class placings and in some cases, I was splitting hairs – particularly in the later classes. I thought my final line up was lovely and produced the BIS, RBIS and BPIS.

VETERAN BITCH (12 Entries, 5 Abs)

1st Dunn's Meadowpoint Spirit Dancer ShCM. 7 years old but she doesn't look it nor does she act it. Lovely balanced outline with correct angulation front and rear. Well shaped head with dark eye and soft expression. Good muscle tone which showed in her free movement covering the ground with ease.

2nd Anderson-Rowell's Wyndhead Mette Marit ShCM. 8 years old and similar remarks apply. Very pretty bitch with lovely flowing lines, a picture of femininity from nose to tail. Liked her length of neck and shoulder angulation. Good depth of brisket and balanced in length. Moved soundly covering plenty of ground. Preferred the hind angulation and width of second thigh of the winner.

3rd Sh Ch Medogold Be My Baby at Millpoint JW

MINOR PUPPY BITCH (9 Entries)

1st Oddie and Dyer's Sharnphilly Makybe Dive. 6 months old on the day, showed like a veteran. Beautifully constructed baby, flowed from her beautiful feminine head to her lovely bee sting tail. Her head is balanced with a deep stop and dark eye. Super length of neck into clean, correctly angulated shoulders balanced with well angulated quarters. Moved well for her age, straight and true, very promising.

2nd Hewitt's Droveborough Miss Marple. 8 months old. Very pretty baby. Liked her head and expression, good stop and dark eye. Correct length and depth of muzzle in balance with skull. Good length of neck and excels in lay back of shoulder and upper arm angulation. Front movement was straight and true but needs to develop and strengthen in hindquarters. Nice bee sting tail.

3rd Norbury's Medogold Milk Shake.

PUPPY BITCH (9 Entries)

1st Evans and Pavey's Joneva Mrs Bridges. 11 months old. Now starting to fill her frame. A pretty feminine bitch with a correctly proportioned head, dark eye and soft expression. Good length of neck, should and upper arm angulation are in balance with hindquarters – which are well developed and muscular. Would like a better tuck up and feel she needs to grow on more to balance up her length – this should come with age. Steady mover covering plenty of ground. BP Bitch and BPIS in agreement with my co-judge. Congratulations.

2nd Bond's Joneva Astrea, 11 months old. Little sister to 1 and many of the same remarks apply. I preferred the head of 1 which has more width and depth across the foreface, but this bitch has the better spring of rib and tuck up at this time. Shown in excellent muscular condition. Not as precise on the move today as her sister which was my deciding factor. The 2 will change places many times I am sure.

3rd Stilgoe's Alcazar Amazing Grace via Teisgol

JUNIOR BITCH (12 Entries, 1 abs)

1st Smith's Fydal Bedazzle, 16 months old. A beautifully constructed youngster. Feminine head well proportioned, dark eye and soft expression. Good length of neck which flows into correctly angulated shoulders. Width and depth balanced, ribs well back/ Short tail used well on the move which was straight and true, driving from strong quarters and covering plenty of ground.

2nd Blowers' Fydal Blown Away to Deadaway – litter sister to 1. Not as forward and finer all through than 1, but has similar body qualities. Preferred the strength and hind angulation of 1 and on the move she was not as free flowing.

3rd Goode's Medogold Bonny Ivy

YEARLING BITCH (11 Entries)

1st Booth and Asjad Malhi's Protanto First Direct. Lovely headed bitch with well defined stop and correctly proportioned foreface and skull. Adequate length of neck into good shoulders. Brisket well developed and good length of rib. Strong quarters used well on the move. Nice short tail correctly set and carried well. 2nd Mackay's Woodglade Fanfare at Woodglade. Very similar in head to 1. Deep stop and good balance, with dark eye and soft expression. Neck flows well into correct shoulders. Not as developed in depth of brisket as 1 but is 3 months younger and lacked the strength in hindquarters. I believe she has just finished her season. 3rd Roberts' Fanmatrix Oh What A Night

MAIDEN BITCH (11 Entries)

1st Evans and Pavey's Joneva Living The Dream. Litter sister to 1 and 2 in Puppy and very similar in construction, with balanced angulation both front and rear. Head has a deep stop with dark eye, is shorter in length of foreface than her sisters but is still developing. Straight front and well bodied all through, would like a better tuck up to give a neater line. Well-muscled quarters which she used well on the move. Neat tail, set on correctly.

2nd O'Neill's Fyldefair Sky Full of Stars. No doubt this is a young lady, lovely feminine head with good balance between skull and foreface, dark eye and soft expression. Correctly angulated shoulders and upper arm. Not as developed in body or hindquarters as 1 and hind action was not as positive. Neat tail.

3rd Norbury's Medogold Milk Shake

NOVICE BITCH (9 Entries)

1st Bond's Joneva Asterea 2nd Smith's Fydal Bedazzle 3rd Stilgoe's Alcazar Amazing Grace via Teisgol

DEBUTANT BITCH (12 Entries)

1st Bond's Joneva Asterea 2nd Booth and Asjad Malhi's Protanto First Direct 3rd Goode's Medogold Bonny Ivy

GRADUATE BITCH (11 Entries)

1st Hinton's Fleurfield Dances On A Dream JW. The lovely clean lines of this bitch stood out in this class. Well proportioned head, deep stop and soft expression. Good length of neck flowed into well laid back shoulders with balanced angulation of upper arm. Needs to drop in brisket which should come with age. Hindquarters are well muscled and used to advantage on the move. Straight front action and good length of stride covering plenty of ground. Nice short tail.

2nd Wilkinson's Stockfell Remember Me. More compact than 1 but everything in balance. Lovely expression and dark eye. Excellent front angulation complimented by string muscular hindquarters. Neat and tidy on the move but not the length of stride of 1.

3rd Salt's Pennine Passion

POST GRADUATE BITCH (12 Entries)

1st Ayres-Cousin's Medogold My Kinda Girl by Viracocha. Won this class on her sound, positive movement. Lovely length o neck and balanced in depth and width of body. Head not as well defined as others in the class but this was compensated for by correct front and rear angulation, giving her lovely flowing movement around the ring. The picture completed by her lovely bee sting tail.

2nd Westaway's Penwest Pica Pica. Has a lovely head of correct proportions, soft expression. Good length of neck. Brisket well let down, well bodied with goo spring of rib and muscular hindquarters. Preferred the should and upper arm angulation of 1. Moved on a shorter stride.

3rd Pimblett's Pennine Pastiche

MID LIMIT BITCH (6 Entries)

1st Brooksmith and Adams' Medogold Kiss N'Tell. Very feminine bitch, but still has strength and substance. Strong well defined head of correct proportions. Soft expression and dark eye. Neck of good length into well laid back shoulders. Well bodied, plenty of depth and heart room. Finished off with a good sweep of stifle and short hocks. In excellent muscular condition, drove around the ring using her tail.

2nd Welch's Hookwood Solar Star. Longer cast that 1 but is balanced with height. Would have liked more definition to he head but has a dark eye and soft expression. Adequate length of neck and has good front and rear angulation. Well bodies, straight hocks and short tail. Moved well when at a steady pace, straight and true.

3rd Howes' Medogold Here Comes The Girl JW

LIMIT BITCH (7 Entries)

1st Roberts' Woodfleet Lasoo The Moon. Now fully mature presents a lovely picture of balance, femininity and strength, she flows from nose to tail. Well defined head, good length of neck and excelled in shoulder and upper arm angulation. Strong muscular quarters, total 'fit for purpose'. Moved on a good length of stride using her tail.

2nd Dyer's Sharnphilly Lulu Guiness JW. Another top bitch from this kennel and could change places with 1 on another day. Lovely feminine head of correct proportions with a dark eye and soft expression. Front and rear angulation balanced, well muscled quarters. She was giving her handler a hard time and when stacked did not have the flow of my winner.

3rd Kiswahili You Live In Me for Protanto.

OPEN BITCH (9 Entries)

What a class, headed by 2 beautiful bitches - it really was a difficult decision to separate them and came down to minute details.

1st Stuckley's Medogold Coralie of Pendan JW ShCM. She oozes quality and femininity from her lovely balanced head to her bee sting tail. Lovely length of neck into well laid back shoulders in correct balance with upper arm angulation. Good depth of body and correct width. Strong muscular quarters used to advantage in the move. Her movement was straight and true, her stride was steady and even, a lashing tail completed the picture. Pleased to award this bitch her 3rd CC. Congratulations, and to see her go BIS on the referee's decision.

2nd Dyer's Sh Ch Sharnphilly Juci Cuture JW. There have been so many superlatives written about this lovely bitch and I don't disagree with any of them. She is not the breed's CC record holder for nothing. Stronger built all through than 1, but still has quality and presents a lovely picture stacked and on the move. On the day, I felt my winner was more feminine and was in harder muscular condition. She also has a better tail. Pleased she went RBIS in agreement with my co-judge. Well done.

3rd Smith's Sh Ch Fydal Ava.

SPECIAL WORKING GUNDDOG BITCH (2 Entries)

1st Edmondson and Robertshaw's Crookrise Agathis. Well made bitch who looked as if she could go all day. Head needs to be gone over as it is solid black but she has a deep stop and equal length of foreface and skull. Excellent depth and plenty of heart room. Strong quarters finished off with a neat tail. Moved well.

2nd Anderson-Rowell's Little Owl Scandiaca for Daledancer (Imp Slo). Fineer all through than 1 but again looked like she could go all day. Sweet feminine head, nice dark eye. WEkk developed body with enough depth and width. Moved well.

FIELD TRIAL BITCH – no entries

BEGINNERS BITCH

1st Roberts' Fanmatrix Oh What A Night. 3rd in a strong Yearling class. Nicely made bitch, presents a well balanced outline with good angulation fornt and rear. She has a lovely head with correct proportions with a soft expression. Straight front and well muscled quarters. Moved well.

2nd Anderson-Rowell's Wyndhead Mette Marit ShCM

Judge (Bitches) Mrs Glynis Marsh.