SOUTH WALES KENNEL ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW SUNDAY 7TH OCTOBER 2018

I was very pleased to get the opportunity to go over some lovely dogs and beautiful bitches. I found the limit and open classes for both dogs and bitches to very competitive with all of the final line up in each class without exception deserving more recognition than is available to be given on the day.

Some of the exhibits struggled with the cold temperature in the morning and found it difficult to maintain an outline whilst being stacked. This robbed them of an opportunity to show themselves at their best and without doubt the bitches benefitted from the warmth as the day went on. I was able to see the well reported differences in quality between dogs and bitches but overall was really pleased with the entry and would like to thank all the exhibitors for entries and support ringside.

I would also like to thank the committee and steward for the invite to give my first set of CCs at this well organised and friendly show.

PUPPY DOG (2, 1)

1ST WILCHRIMANE NIFFLER (MISS A & MRS A & Mr B SIDDLE & CROCKER) Lovely young orange and white dog expertly handled into a beautiful outline, kind eye and expression, drive and reach on the move. I am sure he has a promising career ahead of him. Best puppy.

YEARLING DOG (3, 1)

1ST PYTCHLEY CHASING THE DREAM FOR HOOKWOOD JW (MISS C & MRS S HAZELTINE & WELCH) Very classy young dog, lovely evenly proportioned head, elegant neck and shoulder, good length of rib, slightly arched loins and well muscled and presented in hard condition. Very nice in outline on the stack with nothing exaggerated. Beautifully handled and given some maturity will be one to watch for higher awards in the future.

2ND KANIX OTHELLO (MR J & MRS S A ROBERTS) Heavier set than 1st and possibly was affected by the cold as he struggled to remain in shape whilst being stacked. Nice depth of brisket, not exaggerated in his topline and sound on the move.

POST GRADUATE DOG (8, 1)

1ST MEDOGOLD BURN BABY BURN AT VINEPOINT (MRS A BIRD) Very nice liver and white dog, kind expression and eye, beautiful work in his head, not overdone but strong and striking in outline, brisket to the elbows and good angulation through his shoulders. Driving action on the move and considered for top honours.

 2^{ND} BESTINA BALBENACH (MRS J BEST,) Smaller in stature to 1^{st} , but lovely head and dark eye, nice oval bone and good feet. Good topline and a lashing bee sting tail, which demonstrated, he was happy whilst showing off his straight action on the move. A little inconsistent in his outline when stacked which lost him to no 1 today.

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LIMIT DOG (9, 2)

1STMILLPOINT SIMPLY SMASHING JW SHCM (MRS L ADAMS) Striking up to height black and white dog whose beautiful outline can not be denied in this very competitive line up. Kind eye and expression and elegant arched neck. Shoulders perfectly angulated and well laid allowing a lovely placement of his neck. Good length of rib and loin leading to a well muscled upper thigh, nice width of second thigh and turn of stifle which allowed a driving action round the ring. Well presented in hard condition. Very pleased to give him his first CC and wish him the best in getting his other 2.

2ND KANIX NEWS FLASH AT GLENFINNAN (MRS L, MR A, MRS J & MRS J JAMIESON, MACARA & BLACKBURN-BENNETT) Very unlucky to come up against no 1 looking in such good form. Very nice liver and white dog, lovely elegant neck and angulation of his shoulder allowing him to really drive round the ring. Preferred the length of rib of the 1st but this was a close class. This dog was handled beautifully and was well presented in good condition.

OPEN DOG (8, 1)

1ST SH CH WILCHRIMANE C'MON NORBET (MRS A & MISS A SIDDLE) Very nice orange and white dog heading a very competitive top 5 line up. Beautiful head and expression, clean and elegant neck, good shoulders. Lovely topline, no exaggerations making a pleasing outline on the stack. Moved true and with drive in his class but lost his sparkle a little in the challenge, still very pleased to make him my RCC.

2ND SH CH MILLPOINT HEAT WAVE JW SHCM (MRS J M HARRISON) Slightly older dog but still out moves most of his contemporaries. Lovely head and neck, just starting to carry a little weight over his shoulder as comes with age but presented in hard condition. Kind eye and head and clean neck leading down to well angulated shoulder which enabled his outstanding front ground covering action.

VETERAN DOG (7, 2)

1ST SH CH MILLPOINT TOP HAT N'TAILS JW SHCM (MRS J M HARRISON) Very honoured to have the opportunity to go over this dog and his age does not detract from his quality one bit. Beautiful expressive eye and head, wide chest with a good depth of brisket, lovely straight forelegs with oval bone and correctly sloping pasterns. Movement was straight and true from behind and keeping his owner fit with his large powerful stride driven from a muscular rear end. In the best of conditions for a dog of his age. Best veteran and well deserved.

2ND SH CH/IR SH CH MOOLOU MINSTREL AT HOOKWOOD JW SHCM (MRS S WELCH) Unfortunate to come up against no 1 in such good form because he was another older dog who covered the ground well, strong driving action, well balanced and showing why he is a Sh Ch. Well proportioned head and clean lines through his neck. Good lay of shoulder and without any exaggerations. What a lovely pair!

GOOD CITIZEN DOG SCHEME DOG (3)

1ST KANIX DANTE'S INFERNO (MR J & MRS S A ROBERTS) Well proportioned head and kind eye, clean neck, moved straight and true.

2ND CASILEX COGNAC (MRS E M FLINT) Lovely kind eye and like no 1 struggled to get a consistent outline stacked. Moved with drive and reach.

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MINOR PUPPY BITCH (3, 1)

1ST KENAITEEN THRILLER (MRS B & MRS E TURTON & WILSON) Lovely young orange and white bitch, kind expressive eye, clean neck with well laid shoulders, good depth of brisket and unexaggerated topline. Precise movement and a bee sting tail set well into muscular quarters.

2ND BRADGATE VIEWPOINT (MRAND MRS C CARSON) Pretty but very young immature bitch. Nice head and kind eye, elegant neck and correctly angled shoulders. Was able to show a nice topline but not able to hold a stack position long enough to show an overall outline. Shows promise.

PUPPY BITCH (7, 3)

1ST TYREMY SAMAROLI AT LAMBLEAZE (MR N A & MRS C A SHERWOOD) Really liked this puppy, pretty head and kind eye, clean neck and lovely sloping shoulders, graceful curve to her underline and lovely unexaggerated curves. She will need to practice her performance and stack to continue to remain in the cards as she contends the older age classes but very promising.

2ND KENAITEEN THRILLER (MRS B & MRS E TURTON & WILSON) See 1st in minor puppy

JUNIOR BITCH (6, 0)

1ST CAROFEL ON SILENT WINGS (C GUY) Eye catching from entering the ring. Beautiful head, eye and expression, lovely neck and well laid shoulders. Gorgeous in profile on the stack, outline showed a lovely topline and elbows, which sit close to her chest, lovely depth of brisket, oval bone and sloping pasterns. A graceful series of curves. Straight and true on the move, tracking up properly with a powerful gait. Still needs time to mature but her confirmation and movement is there to see now. Her qualities on the day shone past her age and I felt compelled to recognise her with the reserve CC.

2ND MEDOGOLD BAMALAM (MISS V NORBURY) Very nice bitch and again unfortunate to be against no 1 in such good form. Everything to like about her, lovely head, kind eye and clean neck. Well laid shoulders, good depth of brisket and lovely topline working through to her bee sting tail with the best of carriage. Moved straight and with power from behind. Beautifully handled and contested hard for 1st place. One to watch.

YEARLING BITCH (3, 0)

1ST KEEPERSFIELD CHRISTELLE WITH FLEURFIELD JW (MRS M & MRS A HINTON & LENNOX) Eyecatching bitch with a dark kind eye and soft expression, clean neck and lovely shoulder furnishings. Topline unexaggerated and lovely length of rib, quite an exceptional soft graceful outline. A little inconsistent on the move today which cost her in the CC line up. Well handled and presented.

2ND WILCHRIMANE PIROUETTE (MISS A & MRS A & Mr B SIDDLE & CROCKER) Lovely head and kind eye, well laid shoulder, correct oval bone and nice overall picture. Ached loins and muscular hind quarters allowing good drive form behind on the move.

POST GRADUATE BITCH (8, 2)

1ST RIDANFLIGHT A ROSE (MRS C A BRIDDON) orange and white bitch, expertly handled into a lovely outline on the stack. Kind eye and elegant neck sitting on well angulated laid shoulders. Moved with drive matching her handler's stride around the ring.

2ND JONEVA REGAL LILLY (MR K MASSON) Lovely black and white bitch smaller in stature to no 1. Pretty head and eye, lovely shoulder furnishings, nice length of rib and well developed first and second thigh. Moved with drive and lovely ground covering front reach.

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LIMIT BITCH (9, 3)

1ST SUNHOUSE CHEERIO (MRS R MC & MISS R MARTIN) Gorgeous unassuming bitch, feminine but well muscled and powerful on the move, she was in good company in this class with the top 3 pressing her hard. Beautiful head and eye, clean elegant neck flowing gracefully into well laid shoulder furnishings, straight front legs with the right amount of oval bone, beautiful length and spring of rib, muscular and well developed thighs and a bee sting tail. Although very pleasing to the eye in outline she was every bit as pleasing to watch on the move. Powerful drive from behind with the smoothest ground-covering gait, well balanced and a pleasure to watch her match her handlers pace around the ring. Beautifully presented and handled. Undeniable. Never faltered in giving her crowning 3rd CC and then Best of Breed.

2ND MEDOGOLD MILKSHAKE AT HEARTBURY JW SHCM (MISS V NORBURY) Another very nice bitch unfortunate to meet no 1st in such tip top condition today. Lovely head and elegant neck, well laid and angled shoulders, nice topline without any exaggerations, well-muscled and with a good turn of stifle. Moved straight and with drive and was well presented by the handler. This bitch was considered for top honours and will have her day without a doubt.

OPEN BITCH (10, 4)

1ST SH CH MEDOGOLD CORALIE OF PENDAN JW SHCM (MRS E STUCKEY) Lovely liver and white bitch I have admired from ringside on many occasions heading a top class line up of bitches. Beautiful head and neck, lovely lay of shoulder and oval bone. Graceful yet driving movement, maintaining her poise and topline. Tail carriage low and lashing and covered the ground with ease. Well contested win.

2ND MILLPOINT HOPES N'DREAMS JW (MRS J M HARRISON)2nd Lovely head and expression, straight front with sloping shoulders, good length of rib, strong and in good muscular condition, moved straight and true covering the ground well. Preferred her tail carriage to 3rd but was pressed hard in this quality class.

VETERAN BITCH (2, 1)

1ST NIGHTGOLD BLACKAVAR (MS A BROOKSMITH) Kind eye and expression, well laid shoulder, elbows set into her chest and good depth of brisket. Moved straight and with drive. Lashing tail, looked happy to be showing her stride around the ring, which was nice to see.

GOOD CITIZEN DOG SCHEME BITCH (1, 0)

1ST WYNBURY GOLDEN CHALICE BY FLEURFIELD (MRS E M FLINT) Pleasing expression and kind eye. Clean neck and good lay of shoulder. Moved straight.

KIRSTEN BOND - judge

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