

WELSH KENNEL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

Sunday 21st August 2022

So grateful to WKC for entrusting me with this first CC appointment and to all of you who were able to support and my stewards keeping me up to the mark, 67 exhibits with 10 away - mainly bitches. You were so well drilled and there was quality in depth with excellent young stock to make the future bright. I did find front action the only real 'issue' as we adjusted to the available space for me to compromise. For the record I obtained a JDP credit back in December 2011 and in the intervening 10 years gained 115 hands on with 90 required.

VETERAN DOG (3 ents, 0 abs)

1st Hazeltine/Welch's Sh Ch Just Wilburt by Hookwood JW ShCM. Rising 8 years, b/w, turns out to be full brother to the BOB, fabulously fit and lissom with that truly aristocratic air, lean cheeked with defined stop, chiselling, dished, long neck, clean front, well angulated and coupled, lashing bee sting tail accompanied in his low ground covering action as he maintained his challenge for the top awards, BV
2nd O'Neill's Sh Ch Tenshilling Home Alone JW ShCM. 7½ years, o/w, outstanding breed type and symmetry, lovely clean headpiece including such a kindly eye, so good to go over, lissom, well ribbed back and well coupled, privileged to have the opportunity, less front extension circuiting.
3rd Henshaw's Penbro Under Pressure with Peteshe.

MINOR PUPPY DOG (2 ents, 0 abs)

1st Watkins' Cupid's Halo. 8 months, b/w, fabulous head with dishing and well defined stop, well set ear, wide soft nostril, excellent body lines and ribbing, correct bone and pastern, well angulated without undue exaggeration, good neck and forehead put to good effect on the move with a correct low daisy cutting gait with good follow through and lashing tail, BP & PG3, congratulations.
2nd Webb's Tenshilling Jimmy Mack. 6 months, o/w, who was learning the ropes but still give us some symmetrical style, touch narrow in the muzzle as yet, firm at elbow and pastern, very good outline, good neck and forehead, balanced angulation, plenty of promise and a good debut.

PUPPY DOG (2 ents, 0 abs)

1st Osman's Cattistock Cosmos with Marissolo. 11 months, b/w, truly lovely head and eye, dish faced, definite stop, cleanly fronted with brisket just to the elbow, touch steep in the upper arm, long neck, good backline, oval bone and feet, very well collected and secure on the move, very promising as he enters and should survive the tricky teenage stage.
2nd Abbott's Tenshilling Dock Of The Bay. 6 months, o/w, litter brother of 2nd in MPD, good in skull and eye, not so defined in stop as yet, good shape with some 'scope' and developing lissom, masculinity in his lines, needs time to firm up behind but ample time for that and maturity will enhance this early promise.

JUNIOR DOG (1 ents, 0 abs)

1st Stilgoe's Glenariff Mojito over Teisgol. 13 months, coat coloured not noted, but a did note a shade light in the eye notwithstanding but more to the point scored in forechest, in neck and in backline, correct in bone, in feet and in pastern, firm at elbow, good ribbing, touch exaggerated in rear angulation, smooth moving covering the ground, very promising, this is an awkward age and I'm confident he will emerge a handsome balanced adult well able to hold his own, good luck with him.

NOVICE DOG (2 ents, 1 abs)

1st Stilgoe's Glenariff Mojito over Teisgol. Repeat.

POST GRADUATE DOG (6 ents, 1 abs)

1st Philo's Tenshilling It's My Party for Salmonmist JW. 22 months, l/w, full brother to 2nd in MPD and 2nd in PD, here's hoping they develop along his lines as he certainly ticked all the boxes, dish faced, slight depression under eye, proportionate skull, had curves and symmetry, lissom, scored in neck and backline, scored in bone, feet and pastern but took it all up on the move that was so low and smooth in front reach plus rear drive, would still mature on and will be quickly moving right up the ranks and challenging the very best for his title.

2nd Earl/Wheldon's Caithpoint Kai. 2½ years, b/w, of a different head type, relatively 'abrupt' in stop and a shade light in eye but dish faced, but balance this against his lovely curvy outline sweeping through neck, backline and angulation that maintained his position, came on a tad wide but had rear drive and a 'reachy' side gait.

3rd Martin's Sunhouse You're Nicked.

LIMIT DOG (5 ents, 1 abs) Quality quartet.

1st Layton's Joneva Born To Thrill. 3½ years, o/w, one classic aristocrat with his series of curves and his symmetry, pronounced occiput, dish faced, clean in cheek with some chiselling, has the neck and the angles, has the correct bone, pasterns and feet, ribbed back, short coupled, rare mover, daisy cutting in front with drive from the rear as his tail lashes, of obvious CC quality.

2nd Oliver/Stilgoe's Teisgol Love Is In The Air. Just turned 2 years, o/w, built on such quality lines and no wonder he appealed being half sister to the RDCC, fabulous head and eye, well angulated, long slightly sloping pastern, albeit was insisting on toeing in, excelled in neck and backline, being well ribbed and nicely coupled, really covered the ground so easily, showing off his curves, another I would expect to see challenging at the top.

3rd Henshaw's Sharnphilly Vice Versa with Peteshe SGWS.

OPEN DOG (7 ents, 0 abs) Fabulous full house.

1st Welch/Hazeltine's Pytchley Chasing The Dream for Hookwood JW ShCM. 5 years, b/w, who filled the eye with his static curves and symmetry, excelled in head from skull via dish face and chiselling through to wide and spongy nose pad, excellent neck and backline, firm front, good oval bone, chest not too wide brisket to elbow, balanced angulation to reveal forehead and muscled rear, yet lissom, sheen to fine coat, sound and ground covering so as to 'float with lashing tail' learned later that recently BIS at a club show, DCC, BOB & Group 2 today, congratulations.

2nd Bond's Joneva Just My Style. 2/4 years, b/w, half brother to LD, had judged before and caught my eye to look beyond the heavier non-flashy markings to discover what is beneath as in a series of curves and as in symmetry, so lissom, so clean cheeked, so bright in eye, and so thin in ear leather, arch to neck, excellent forehead, excellent angles, good backline down to croup and tapering tail that was well used on the move, hocks well let down and used once given opportunities to get into his stride, then he looked both well coupled and functional, title should be a formality as marked by RDCC.

3rd Ganney/Norbury/Adams' Fisherbloom Hey Didle Didle at Heartbury.

VETERAN BITCH (6 ents, 1 abs)

1st Oliver's Asterope Lightning Star via Teisgol JW ShCM. 7 years, b/w, classic lines from nose to tail, clean feminine head, ribbed back, balanced angulation, correct in pastern and feet that contributed to her long low reach with rear drive and tail action, rather expected her to be titled.

2nd Skinner's Bonnygate Miss Quiz at Juennerfly. 8 years, o/w, close up, beautiful head enhanced by chiselled cheeks and veining in ears, well filled straight front, balanced angles and moved out so well, really covering the ground, very capable of continuing to compete at the top level when in this form.

3rd Hewitt's Droveborough's Miss Marple.

These next 3 classes contained a dozen exciting youngsters.

MINOR PUPPY BITCH (4 ents, 0 abs)

1st Bond's Joneva Azelia Banks. 7 months, o/w, half sister to LD, so well developed, intense breed type, all curves and angulation, cleanly headed, excellent eye, well coupled, fine and smooth coat, exceptionally sound and ground covering with daisy cutting reach, was just that bit un-cooperative in the final challenges, will surely be challenging for a title.

2nd Burke's Alcazar Eternal Flame. 6 months, o/w, well defined stop, pronounced occipital bone, well placed kind eye, cleanest of fronts, beautiful lines and structure, graceful curves and so overtly feminine, well angulated without undue exaggeration, despite her youth she moved securely covering the ground with lashing tail carriage, one to watch.

3rd Klaiber's Sharnphilly Gingerbread.

PUPPY BITCH (3 ents, 0 abs)

1st Moss/Tobin's Davigdor Poppies. 9 months, o/w, half sister to MPB, and the 3rd class winner for 'Thrill Of T Chase'. Raw but excitingly so, essence of femininity, lovely head and eye that was bright and equidistant between occiput and nostril, excellent forehead, ribbed back, short coupled, moved and freely flowed foot perfect, hope she grows on, just as she is, as nothing worth changing.

2nd Skinner's Raigmore Could It Be Magic at Juennerfly. 10 months, b/w, very good breed type, lovely eye and thin veined ear, touch narrow in the muzzle as yet, that bit heavier built and less certain in front on the move, but all part of the maturing process, has depth without undue width and is well ribbed back, shows plenty of positives for the future.

3rd O'Neill's Tenshilling To Sir With Love.

JUNIOR BITCH (5 ents, 0 abs)

1st Stilgoe/Oliver's Teisgol Heaven Sent. 13 months, b/w, of super type and maturity, not withstanding her youth, dish faced, slight depression under her eyes with some chiselling, dark enough in eye, so stylish, so easy on the eye, balanced series of curves, angulated, well ribbed, correct bone and feet, superior ground covering gait that was low and daisy cutting in front with good follow through from a lissom muscled rear, looked title bound to me and held her form in the challenge to take RBCC.

2nd Stilgoe/Fox's Teisgol Snow Queen. 13 months, o/w, litter sister and so close up, ultra-feminine with a lovely head and expression, excellent forehead, good neck and backline, cleanly fronted, balanced angles and graceful curves, bee sting tail, ground covering 'float' on the move, just needs to mature on as nothing worth changing otherwise when sibling rivalry will chop and change about.

3rd Booth's Lundgarth Everest JW.

NOVICE BITCH (5 ents, 0 abs)

1st Stilgoe/Oliver's Teisgol Heaven Sent. Repeat.

2nd Stilgoe/Fox's Teisgol Snow Queen. Repeat.

3rd O'Neil's Tenshilling To Sir With Love.

POST GRADUATE BITCH (10 ents, 3 abs)

1st Norbury's Heartbury Northern Lights JW. 22 months, o/w, of such symmetry and grace, showed quality in head with an equidistant bright eye, clean cheeked, beautifully flowing neck and backline, balanced angles, well ribbed back with correct depth, oval bone, excellent pastern with slight slope, used herself so well on the move where she so freely covered the ground with lashing tail, will still mature on to advantage but will quickly move up the ranks and rated her of CC quality.

2nd Richards' Brent Break It Off at Richclass. Rising 3 year old, o/w, close up, you have to nit pick to separate these two, just a touch narrow in the muzzle and standing a touch less firm in front but so beautifully bodied and conditioned, all curves and angles, feminine, yet with strength of form, lissom, well muscled rear with good expanse of thigh to give drive behind off a firm hock, with excellent tail carriage, happy to say I also saw her as CC potential.

3rd Radcliffe's Sniperay Edge Of Glory JW.

LIMIT BITCH (6 ents, 0 abs)

1st Gomez's Madison. Just turned 3 years, b/w, it was the detail in her breed specifics that hit me, from the outset and were confirmed, 'hands on' most lovely head and eye, thin and veined ear, clean cheeks, dish faced, clean fronted, excellent forehand with chest enabling heart room, short coupled, quite enough rear angulation with good width of thigh, came on a bit carelessly at times but beautifully fluid and daisy cutting with rear drive so as to cover the ground with tail lashing from side to side, the more you asked of her the more she consistently gave to take BCC.

2nd Perkins' Brent Cheap Thrills. Rising 3 years, o/w, litter sister to 2nd PGB, more publicity for the 'Thrill Of T Chase' progeny, feminine lovely head with good eye, excellent conformation, series of curves, good backline, short coupled, beautifully conditioned with a sheen on her coat, sound and ground covering, little consolation I know but did rate her a 3rd best in the bitch entry, wrote 'just not as balanced' as against the above, CC quality for sure.

3rd Webb's Tenshilling The Wanderer.

OPEN BITCH (4 ents, 2 abs)

1st Harrison's Millpoint Simply Scrumptus JW. 6 years, L/w, certainly striking and well made but of a heavier type, carrying more condition, so as to be less lissom, really noble head and dish faced with defined stop, good in neck and backline to a well muscled rear, good expanse of thigh, nicely coupled, came on a tad proud at elbow but drove so powerfully off a well let down hock.

2nd Pressley/Large's Sniperay Ambrosia. Rising 5 years, o/w, would have preferred eye a shade darker, beautifully clean front, not too broad in chest with a good forehand, long neck into a good backline, short coupled, more erratic on the move fore and aft.

HOWARD OGDEN - judge

