BORDER UNION CHAMPIONSHIP DOG SHOW Saturday 17th June 2023

The journey to Border Union passed the beautiful Scottish landscape is special. The show itself has a lovely venue and as always very well laid out, although the sun did appear it was not so hot as to make showing uncomfortable for the dogs. Pointers were in main ring C which was enormous and enclosed by a small picket fence. The entrance gates did open out into the ring, which made moving around slightly awkward if exhibitors were not looking where they were going. I was very pleased with my entry of 60 with only few absentees. I was also pleased with the quality of the Pointers present all in such hard condition, with few exceptions, my BOB and Best Veteran being pulled out in their respective groups.

BCC & BOB Millpoint Simply Scrumptus JW (Mrs J Harrison)

DCC Sh Ch Joneva Just My Style (Dr K Bond)

RDCC Sharnphilly Vice Versa with Peteshe SGWC (Miss A & Mr J Henshaw & Goodchild)

RBCC Heartbury Northern Lights JW (Mrs V & Mr M, Mr K Norbury & Adams)

BPIB Kanix Snapdragon at Fallowfield (Mrs C Lewis)

BVIB Sh Ch Droveborough's Miss Marple (Mrs A & Mr C Hewitt)

MINOR PUPPY DOG (5,0)

1st Kanix Snapdragon at Fallowfield (Mrs C Lewis). O/w at 8 months has excellent body proportions with depth of brisket reaching his elbow, clean neck moderate coupling strong quarters, tail well set on, needs to settle on the move as he tends to throw his left elbow in his exuberance. Best Puppy

2nd Kanix Sourdough with Calaquendi (Miss. & Mrs A Hill). O/w Up against it as 1 is more together in body for the fuller body, he has the best of curves, moderate coupling good over croup and tail set has the edge on the move, clean gait strode out well.

3rd Sedgekirk Ever Been Had (Mr E & Mrs G Whitham)

PUPPY DOG (2,0)

1st Carofel Wings Of Hope (Mrs A & Mrs L Matthews & Adams). O/w taller cast but all in balance, will be a force to contend with when his body fills, excellent head and eye, reach to neck everything flows with graceful curves, neatest tail well set on, moved steadily.

2nd Kanix Sourdough with Calaquendi (Miss. & Mrs A Hill).

JUNIOR DOG (1,0)

1st Wyndhead Charisma (Ms M Mcdougall). O/w such a lovely mover he used his tail well on the move. Pleasing in head ear and eye blends with coat, clean shoulder moderate coupling, good turn of stifle.

YEARLING DOG (1,0)

1st Raigmore Greatest Day (Mrs K Morrison). Just my cup of tea, classy b/w his head is yet to finish as I would expect, dark eye. In body he has the graceful curves, strong back correct to his tail tip, just lacking a little in forechest at the moment, but is young clean in front with gentle slope to his pasterns, so much to like, moved out steadily and well.

NOVICE DOG (1,0)

1st Kanix Sourdough with Calaquendi (Miss. & Mrs A Hill).

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GRADUATE DOG (1,0)

1st Hookwood Starman JW (Mrs S Welch). He is balanced in head with clean neck that flows into his shoulder, he has depth of brisket and forechest to be envious of he, is moderately coupled with strong quarters, so well presented, he moved out positively and well.

POST GRADUATE DOG (4,0)

1st Jilony Bobby Ball at Dorbury (Mrs D Astbury). One I have seen before, smart b/w, I just love him, but his handler needs to show him off to his potential. In his first stack, he was so well presented, not sure if he is a difficult boy, but did not show well in the challenge. It helps to walk around to check the side presented to the judge. He has the classic outline, he is well ribbed back with moderate coupling, strong over croup, his tail set flows, he has moderate turn to his stifle, well defined hock and is nicely short from hock to heel. In front he has correct oval bone with a gentle slope to his pastern. His movement is positive with a true Pointer action.

2nd Heartbury Lord Asriel (Mrs V & Mr M, Mr K Norbury & Adams). So pleasing in head clean, neck of moderate length, in front his legs are parallel to the ground with gentle slope to pastern, he is well ribbed with the desired brisket reaching to his elbow, nice curves to his bodywork moved out well.

3rd Lithespirit Karens Comet (Mrs C Duncan)

LIMIT DOG (4,0)

1st Fisherbloom Hey Didle Didle at Heartbury (Mrs V, Miss S, Miss G & Mr K Norbury, Ganney, Adams & Adams). Another smart B/W, he is so elegant balanced in body with a good head, kind eye and expression, he has moderate turn to stifle and drove off well in his clean cut movement.

2nd Ragus Let's Get Moving at Flinthill (Mrs F & Mrs E Barker & Hart-Simm). B/W. Best of heads, kind eye and expression, smaller cast than 1 but all in proportion, clean neck and shoulder, depth to brisket, well ribbed back, his handler moved him much too fast, he was in hard condition, drove off of strong quarters, was straight but speedy.

3rd Stocksfell Chase The Ace (Mrs A J Wybergh)

OPEN DOG (4,0)

1st Sh Ch Joneva Just My Style (Dr K Bond). In outline this b/w is so correct, he is eye catching in his elegantly balanced body, strong in his topline with moderate reach to neck flowing into his shoulder, well ribbed back with forechest, strong over the loin with such hard condition, he powered around the ring with such symmetry in his action. Pleased to award the CC.

2nd Sharnphilly Vice Versa with Peteshe Sgwc (Miss A & Mr J Henshaw & Goodchild). Such an eye-catching B/W, his colour giving bright contrast, unlucky to meet 1, he has style throughout with good bodyworks, fore and aft in balance, moved out with drive and clean front action, seriously considered and could not be denied the RCC.

3rd Penwest Peroni Jun Ch Cen W (Mr T & Mrs C Gorrian & Henry)

VETERAN DOG (2,1)

1st Penbro Under Pressure with Peteshe (Miss A & Mr J Henshaw & Goodchild). Smaller o/w at 8 years, he has the sweetest head, clean neck, short coupling and turn to stifle.

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MINOR PUPPY BITCH (0,0)

PUPPY BITCH (1,0)

1st Flinthill Hot Shot (Mrs F Barker). O/w Such a pretty pup with soft eye and kindly expression, in body she is maturing nicely for her age, she has the curves, is moderately coupled, shown in lovely condition, steady mover BPB.

JUNIOR BITCH (6,0)

1st Joneva Just A Kiss (Miss S & Mrs G Rossiter & Fewster). This O/W has the kindest eye giving melting expression, moderate length of neck, she is good in front, her legs are straight with a slight slope to pastern, fore and aft is balanced with moderate turn to her stifle, powered around the ring.

2nd Tyremy Glory Daze (Mrs W & Mr I Goodwin & Smallwood). Liver/w. On the stack as I did my first walk around she caught my eye, she is of such a lovely kennel type I was sure she was my winner, but she just would not put her all into the task. Best of heads, clean slight arch to her moderate length of neck, excellent coupling and strong quarters. In outline when she did stand still, she was very very nice, over excited on the move.

3rd Clamerkin Jubilee Surprise at Hookwood (Mrs S & Mrs J & Miss C Welch & Drake & Hazeltine)

YEARLING BITCH (1,0)

1st Codnorhawk Dolly Daydream (Mrs C & Mr C White & Keith). Much to like here, she is so sound in body with balance fore and aft, she was positive and true on the move.

NOVICE BITCH (3,0)

1st Tyremy Glory Daze (Mrs W & Mr I Goodwin & Smallwood). So much more settled in this class. 2nd Clamerkin Jubilee Surprise at Hookwood (Mrs S & Mrs J & Miss C Welch & Drake & Hazeltine). Pleasing in head dark eye and soft lip, on the forehand she is so correct, she has forechest, slightly sloping shoulder, well ribbed back with strong quarters, moved out soundly with an even gait. 3rd Flinthill Hot Shot (Mrs F Barker)

GRADUATE BITCH (4,1)

1st Sniperay Mattiboo Killer Queen (Mrs J Radcliffe). Lem/W. Old fashioned kennel type which really appeals, I could clearly see the lines that she came from and that had been handed down the generations. True in front, ribbed well back with strong back end, she was moderately coupled with good turn of stifle, clearly defined hock and short from hock to heel, moved so soundly.

2nd Kimifleur Gold Standard (Miss A & Mrs J Storey & Dyer). More heavily built than 1 but in body she flows, her brisket is deep to elbow, strong in top moderate coupling, strong quarters, such a positive mover.

3rd Raigmore Limelight at Daledancer (Mrs S Anderson-Rowell)

GRADUATE BITCH (5/3)

1st Heartbury Northern Lights JW (Mrs V & Mr M, Mr K Norbury & Adams). Balanced O/W. In profile she filled my eye, there is nothing overdone, for me she is true to the standard lithe, curvy and balanced clean through the neck into nicely sloping shoulder, she is deep the brisket and well ribbed back to strong quarters, yet retains that femininity from head to tail, movement was effortless and true. My RCC winner. 2nd Stocksfell Shockwave (Mrs B Wilkinson). B/W more heavily built, body that flows from head to foot, well sprung in rib, has depth and forechest moderate coupling clean over croup with strong quarters, she moved out covering the ground well.

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LIMIT BITCH (6,0)

1st Sniperay Edge Of Glory JW (Mrs J Radcliffe). O/w. Well made all through, she has a sweet head and expression, in front she has plenty of forechest, clean neck, strong back moderate coupling, she stands well over the ground, has lovely oval bone good feet with arch to her toes.

2nd Fowington Lar Ti Dar at Deadaway (Mrs J Blowers). Smaller cast than 1, she is so together with appealing head eye and expression, curvy in body, oval bone, tight feet, her stifle is well defined in hock and is short from hock to heel, she moved with a positive gait and drive.

3rd Brent Ever Blazing at Sedgekirk (Mr E & Mrs G Whitham)

OPEN BITCH (4,0)

1st Millpoint Simply Scrumptus JW (Mrs J Harrison). A vision in liver/W, she is put down in perfect condition, in profile she is balanced almost statuesque, shown to perfection, she moved faultlessly out on an even gait with drive from behind. In head she has a kind expression, clean from her slightly arched neck into her sloping shoulder strong in back spring to rib, moderate coupling and turn to stifle, she is short from hock to heel with the best of tails. Please to award the CC and BOB.

2nd Sonham Chasing Rainbows (Mrs A Matthews). This striking B/W is elegant and for me she needs time to finish but is so nicely made, she has soft expression, balance of scull to foreface, clean neck strong back, well ribbed back, well-muscled quarters driving faultless movement.

3rd Tyremy Samaroli at Lambleaze Sgwc (Mr N & Mrs C Sherwood)

VETERAN BITCH (3,1)

1st Sh Ch Droveborough's Miss Marple (Mrs A & Mr C Hewitt). Oh my, such a typy liver/w. At 8 years she has the most lovely expression, kind eyes and soft lip, well sprung rib moderate coupling moved straight and true. BVIB.

2nd Ir Sh Ch Oxfordacres Trinity by Hookwood JW ShCM (Mrs S Welch). B/W. I remember this bitch so well, she is quality with an adorably greying head, strong though the body and well ribbed with strong quarters, age has not dulled her movement, she is straight and true.

AIDINE HOWES - judge

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