

BELFAST DOG SHOW SOCIETY CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

Saturday 23rd September 2023

I would like to express my sincere thank you to the committee of the Belfast Dog Show Society for my wonderful appointment. Judging in the UK and many of the native Gundog breeds is the greatest of honour for an overseas judge. The show was very well run and organised by the hard-working committee. I thoroughly enjoyed going over some lovely dogs. I will cherish the memory for a very long time. My two excellent stewards made my day very easy. I would like to thank the exhibitors for sportingly accepting my decisions. When reading the catalogue, I realised that it turned out to be a very much family affair as the dog CC is a son of the veteran who achieved the res CC and the bitch CC winner had three progenies winning their classes.

PUPPY DOG (2,0)

1st Hill's Kanix Sourdough with Calaquendi. Topflight puppy with many good points. Attractive head in good balance with correct dish and kind expression, reachy neck which is well set on, correct front assembly, oval bone, well sprung ribs, very good topline, strong rear, good second thigh, short hocks, moves with great drive and correct coming and going. correct tail carriage.

2nd Lewis' Kanix Snapdragon at Fallowfield. Nice puppy with a lovely outline, head needs to develop, nice dish, long neck and good forehand construction, correct bone, lacking a little in body substance, good topline standing, very strong rear with good angulation, needs to settle on the move.

JUNIOR DOG (1,0)

1st Hill's Kanix Sourdough with Calaquendi

LIMIT DOG (2,0)

1st Hill's Kanix Sourdough with Calaquendi

2nd Wybergh's Stocksfall Chase The Ace. Nicely balanced dog who is well presented, masculine head with a nice dish, alert expression, very good neck and front assembly, oval bone, good spring of rib, short back, strong topline, good turn of stifle, correct tail, smart mover

OPEN DOG (5,0)

1. Cummings' Ir Sh Ch Hipoint Foreign Affair with Sevenhills (ai) (Imp Aust)

Quality dog with an aristocratic look, well chiselled head with correct dish, kind expression, reachy neck which is well set on a good shoulders, correct oval bone, nice substance with brisket well let down, correct strong topline, powerful backend, as his construction suggested he moved out with reach and drive with slashing tail action, handled to perfection CC, BOB.

2nd Jamieson, Macara & Blackburn-Bennett's Sh Ch Kanix Peri Peri with Glenfinnan. Beautiful male with lovely curves, attractive balanced head with good dish and alert expression, good reach of neck, excellent front and bone, plenty of heartroom, short coupled, well angulated rear, strode out really well with correct tail action. RCC.

3rd Layton's Sh Ch Joneva Born To Thrill.

VETERAN DOG (2,0)

1st Cummings' Sh Ch/Ir Sh Ch/int Sh Ch Kanix Kroner at Sevenhills Jnr Ch Cw 16,17 An Ch 15,16,17 Ww17 TAF. Fabulous veteran of 10 years shown in excellent muscle condition. Lovely head with a well-defined stop and correct dish, reachy neck, good layback of shoulder, oval bone, well sprung ribs, the best of topline, strong rear and short hocks, excellent driving action. BV.

2nd Henshaw & Goodchild's Penbro Under Pressure with Peteshe. Veteran of 9 years with a nice head, good dish, nice neck, moderate front angulation, good bone, would like more depth of brisket, good topline, well angulated rear, should move with more drive.

PUPPY BITCH (3,1)

1st Macara & Blackburn-Bennett's Kanix Sooty at Stargang. Marvellous puppy from the top drawer with graceful curves, lovely head and kind expression, good fore and aft, oval bone, excellent body for one so young, very strong topline, correct tail, good turn of stifle, short hocks, covering plenty of ground, I predict a very rosy future for her. BP

2nd Layton's Heartbury Estrellita. Nice puppy with a nice head, bright expression, good reach of neck, moderate front angulation, good bone, could do with a touch longer ribcage, excellent topline, sound behind, rail is a bit high, needs to settle on the move.

JUNIOR BITCH (1,0)

1st Blackburn-Bennett's Kanix Smoochie at Stargang. Most attractive junior with many good points, feminine well-balanced head with a nice dish, excellent set of neck, good layback of shoulders, correct oval bone, well sprung ribs and depth of body, excellent strong topline, well bent stifles, short hocks, very stylish on the move with a slashing tail, pressed hard for top honours, expertly handled.

POST GRADUATE BITCH (1,0)

1st Jamieson's Carmelfair Bellissima with Glenfinnan. Well-presented bitch in good condition, lovely head and alert expression, reachy neck, very good front angulation, correct bone, good spring of rib, strong back, could do with slightly more bend of stifle, moves with ease.

LIMIT BITCH (2,0)

1st Bond's Joneva Azelia Banks. Appealing bitch in excellent muscletone, well balanced head with a good dish, nice expression, very good length of neck, good forehand construction, oval bone, nicely bodied, good topline standing, excellent rear and second thigh, effortless mover.

2nd Rossiter & Fewster's Joneva Just A Kiss JW. Lovely head and dish, excellent neck, moderate front angulation, good bone, would prefer more depth of body, good topline standing, strong rear, moves Ok.

OPEN BITCH (3,0)

1st Blackburn-Bennett & Macara's Sh Ch Kanix Petunia at Stargang. My eyes were drawn to her like a magnet for her beautiful outline, balance and lines, lovely head with correct dish, alert expression, plenty of neck, very good front construction, good forechest, correct oval bone, plenty of heartroom, the best of topline, good turn of stifle, hocks well let down, free flowing driving movement with a slashing tail, handled to perfection, CC and BOS.

2nd Siddle's Sh Ch Wilchrimane Frankel (ai). Classy female who has all the essentials, excellent head, bright expression, lovely dish, correct slightly arched neck, lovely forehand construction, excellent oval bone, deep through the heart, short coupled, very strong topline, hind assembly mirrored that of her front. Moved seemingly without effort with a slashing tail action, perfectly handled. RCC.

3rd Cummings' Ir Sh Ch Glenariff Black Tomato at Sevenhills.

HENRIC FRYCKSTRAND (Sweden) - judge