WELSH KENNEL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP DOG SHOW Sunday 20th August 2023

A lovely quality entry from both of my breeds, thanks all the exhibitors for all the support and my final decisions and choices. I wish to thank both my stewards lan Gordon and Mrs Michelle Arnold.

VETERAN DOG (2)

1st O'Neill's Sh Ch Tenshilling Home Alone JW. Such a lovely dog with a super stance, with a graceful outline to this 8 year old in fabulous condition and certainly very nice to go over. Presented in a clean very attractive O/W lightly marked jacket with a lovely sheen. Of a very nice size and shape with a correct well proportioned masculine head with high set well carried ears, dark eyes with nice dark rims, good stop and correct dish. Clean slightly arched long neck with sloping well laid back shoulders into a firm level slightly sloping back to a well set thrashing tail. Sprung ribs well back into a short strong loin with a slight tuck. Muscular hindquarters, excellent stifle and let down hocks Powerful well boned legs and compact feet, a very strong mover with a strong stride and powerful drive. BVIB RDCC

2nd Henshaws' Penbro Under Pressure with Peteshe. Another attractive O/W well presented in a clean coat with a nice sheen. Good head shape with correct balance, well hung and set ears, good stop and dish. Dark alert kind eyes. Nice neck shape to sloping shoulders and with a firm topline and a nice happy used tail. For a 7 year old male I would have liked more body weight and ribs further back into his short loin that did have a slight tuck-up. Lacked in the depth of chest and brisket, but his elbows were held well in on straight well boned legs, and feet which were slightly flat. Correct strong hindquarters enabling him to have the Drive and a free forward action.

MINOR PUPPY DOG (7) A quality class some going home without a card.

1st Watkins' Lakewinds Benchmark (Imp Aus) NAF TAF. A stunning puppy dog just 6 months but very well grown and bodied for his age and so well schooled by his talented owner handler: Very stylish to look at across the ring with his very white and lightly patched LIW coat making him a standaway, on going over he proved to be just as nice to go over as he was to look at. Lovely well proportioned head, well set and held ears, good stop and dish. Kind dark eyes and rims with a friendly look. Having a nice happy temperament too. Lovely body with ribs well sprung back into a strong short loin with a nice tuck- up. Well balanced straight well boned legs and compact feet. Very free sound mover with correct action and tail action. 2nd Millett's Riowood Orange Twist. Another stunning puppy who caught the attention for his outstanding clean lines and overall balance plus super build. Lovely head so well constructed with a nice ears set and use, excellent stop and dish with appealing dark eyes. Having a slightly arched neck of good length, sloping shoulders, a firm backline and correct tail with lovely lively action. Super body lovely rib cage, nice depth and substance. Well presented in a clean smooth O/W coat with a lovely sheen. Angulated front and rear too with strength. Straight well boned and balanced legs and nice feet but these could be tighter. Sound action with lovely side stride.

3rd Philo's Sunhouse Black Is Back at Salmonmist (ai)

PUPPY DOG (3)

1st Hill's Kanix Sourdough with Calaquendi. A lovely symmetrical 10 month old puppy so well proportioned all over. For a male puppy he had an elegant strength about him and carried himself well. Lovely outline and held his well defined head on a lovely long clean neck into sloping shoulders, angulated upper arm and good depth of chest and brisket. A body with depth and substance with a clean skin covered in a well-conditioned O/W coat with a lovely sheen. Nicely ribbed back into a strong short loin with muscled hindquarters and excellent thighs with a correct return of stifle and let down hocks. Well balanced and boned legs and compact feet, which carried him freely with a good side gait and so soundly coming and going. BPD

2nd Sunhouse Black Is Back at Salmonmist (ai) another very attractive puppy who was placed 3rd in minor puppy, correct size and overall shape. Very nice head but for me, I would like more strength of skull, but this should come with maturity. Nice colour eyes, shape, correct rims, good stop and dish. Strong long neck into sloping shoulders and firm backline into a nice rump and correctly set on a used tail. I would have liked a better upper arm but did have a good depth of chest and brisket, a body with nice weight and well ribbed back. Strongly built quarters with good return of stifle and let down hocks. Very attractively marked solid black patches over white with a super sheen to the coat. Well boned and balanced legs and compact tight feet moved so well.

3rd Lewis' Kanix Snapdragon at Fallowfield

JUNIOR DOG (1)

1st Kanix Sourdough with Calaquendi

NOVICE DOG (3)

1st Bell and Maddox's Brent Deville's Advocate at Owlspoint (ai). VHC in the minor puppy class line up. He did look a nicely balanced and built puppy but who finished up in 5th place. Unfortunately, was a little nervous but did allow me to handle him, hopefully he will grow out of this. With a correct head shape with good pointers for his age, head held well on a slightly arched long neck into well laid sloping shoulders and a firm backline and tail. With a nice body shape but lacking in chest and brisket depth, for me he also needed much more body weight and substance. Presented in a clean B/W ticked coat in lovely condition. Straight legs need more bone and much tighter feet. Moved out but was narrow in his rear action.

POST GRADUATE DOG (3)

1st Welch's Hookwood Starman JW. This very smart 2 year old certainly was the same shape and build as my other class winners but his dark well marked solid B/W coat made him look different, until you put your hands on him to find that well put together dog. Masculine correctly shaped darkly marked head, nice set ears on a good skull. Good stop, dish, dark expressive eyes with nice rims. Clean long neck into well hid back slightly sloping shoulders, a firm level backline to a good rump well set on happy tail. Correctly angulated front with depth to chest and brisket, nice elbows well in on straight well boned legs with tight compact feet. Lovely body with depth and well ribbed back, good tuck up, covered in a beautifully condition jacket with gloss sheen. Muscular hindquarters with a return of stifle and let down hocks. Stylish powerful mover with great side stride and sound coming and going.

2nd Philo handling for Webbs' Tenshilling Jimmy Mac JW. Very attractive O/W 18 month old youngster very well developed for his age and more the style and type I like to look at but lacking the bone substance of my winner. Masculine well shaped head, lovely skull and ear set, nice stop, dish. Slightly arched clean neck into sloping shoulders and a firm backline to his nicely set tail. Good shoulder angulation and enough upper arm with depth to his chest and brisket. Nice body well ribbed back covered in a smart well marked flashy O/W jacket in lovely condition with sheen. Hind quarters well developed and toned, straight legs compact feet stylish free sound moving dog with true breed action. 3rd Collins' Collholme Balthasar

LIMIT DOG (4)

1st Philo's Tenshilling Its My Party for Salmonmist JW OSW ShCM. A very handsome, elegant and stylish 2.5 years old impressive male who stood well over the ground. Having a lovely balanced outline of correct size. I loved his masculine correctly worked head, best of skulls using his ears well, correct stop with expressive dark alert eyes. Had a proud head carriage, on a long, slightly arched neck, sloping shoulders and topline held firmly. So well angled at both ends of his toned and ribbed back body, having a lovely depth and substance. Excellent presentation and condition to a perfectly marked O/W smooth textured coat. Correctly balanced his boned legs and tight compact feet, his stunning powerful movement was a joy to watch having a fabulous side stride, so sound with reach and drive, with a lovely thrashing tail. My DCC and BOB

2nd Martin's Sunhouse Banged To Rights. A lovely upstanding nearly 3 year old with a very attractive balanced graceful outline certainly takes the attention and he is very nice to over, having good substance to a super body, well ribbed his angulation is correct both front and rear. His head is good too, slightly stronger than my winner but so well worked, expressive dark eyes with a nice alertness. Proud head carriage on a correct neck, nice shoulders, firm back and nice tail action on the move. Beautiful condition and correct smooth texture to his well marked patched B/W coat with a fabulous sheen. Correct balance and bone to his legs and tight well knuckled feet. A sound positive mover with reach and drive. 3rd Lowe's Lowsmoor Crazy For You JW.

OPEN DOG (4)

1st Oliver & Stilgoes' Teisgoi Love Is In The Air. Very good size and correct overall shape and balance to this very attractively marked O/W ticked jacket in excellent condition. Another dog with an impressive masculine head just a little flat on skull, needing more occiput but the rest was so well worked. Lovely expression from his correct dark eyes separated by good stop, correct dish. Head held well on strong slightly arched neck, best of sloping shoulders and a firm backline over a lovely body so well ribbed back with a strong loin. Correct front angulation with depth of chest and brisket. Rear angulation was powerful with good return of stifle and let down hocks. Good legs well boned tight compact feet, a very free stylish mover, unfortunately moved a little close behind.

2nd Henshaw & Goodchild's Sharnphilly Vice Versa with Peteshe Sgws. A lovely overall type to this well constructed and balanced 5 year old masculine of good breed build. A nice head and skull, good stop, dark expressive eyes and rims, dish ok but was slightly finer in foreface. Good head held well on strong arched neck of good length into sloping shoulders, firm backline. Correctly angulated front with a deep chest, nice body well ribbed back, strong rump and hindquarters with good bend of stifle and let down hocks. Presented so well in a ticked B/W smooth textured coat. Balanced legs need a little more strength of bone, correct pasterns and feet. A stylish sound mover once he settled into his stride. 3rd Bond's Sh Ch Joneva Just My Style

VETERAN BITCH (2,1)

1st Lowe's Lowesmoor Shiralee JW. Well built and balanced 8 year old holds herself well on the stance and still moves correctly across the ground. A well constructed head slightly strong in skull, has a good stop and eyes still retaining good colour, nice dish and muzzle. Her O/W head marking just starting to lose its colour she carries her head well on a good neck, into well laid shoulders with a correct backline, over a body well angled front and rear and still muscled, having depth to chest and brisket, her ribs well sprung and back into a strong loin. Nice O/W coat was in nice condition. Balanced legs and compact feet, moved out well just a little close behind.

MINOR PUPPY BITCH (5, 2)

1st Martin's Sunhouse Black T'square One (ai). Very attractive and so well balanced for one so young and so very nice to go over. Loved her very feminine well worked and constructed head, good use of ears, nice stop, expressive dark eyes, good dish too. For 7 ½ months she has a lovely sound temperament and stands happily covering the ground. Has a nice long neck, good shoulders and a firm backline. Her front and rear angulation was excellent on a body with nice weight and good depth, nicely ribbed back into a short strong loin. Beautifully presented in a well conditioned O/W coat so nicely marked. Good straight boned and tight compact feet with a lovely breed action and was so sound coming and going.

2nd Mason's Heartbury Tormenta over Nosam. Another very attractive 6 month old who carried herself well and was a real showgirl. Nice head well shaped but I would have liked a better stop, sweet look from well set apart dark alert eyes, good foreface and dish. For her age she has good strength in her body, well ribbed, nice depth and weight. Beautifully presented in a pretty well marked and ticked O/W coat. Nicely boned straight legs with tight feet moved out well and soundly.

3rd Lewis' Riowood Blackberry at Fallowfield.

PUPPY BITCH (2,1)

1st Macara & Blackburn-Bennett's Kanix Sooty at Stargang. A stunning very elegant and feminine youngster just 10 months old a looking very impressive for her age, stood alone but has a very stylish look as she stacked well covering the ground. Has a lovely body shape making her very nice to go over, she also has a very nice temperament and character. Sweet feminine head of a good build, correctly placed ears used well, nice stop and well set apart dark eyes and rims, good dish. Lovely well angled body with good substance and depth, correctly ribbed back into a strong short loin. Her forequarters are well angled as are hindquarters being well muscled for her age. Beautifully conditioned well marked patched and ticked B/W coat with a lovely smooth texture, nicely balanced and boned legs correct pasterns and compact feet. BPB BPiB

JUNIOR BITCH (4,1)

1st Hinton, Luke & Leman's Fleurfield Black Caviar. Very attractive on the stack with a lovely build and balance with that lovely to look outline on the stance. Very attractive pretty head needing to develop as she matures, correct skull shape well set and used ears, giving nice expression to her alert dark eyes with good rims, good stop and nice dish. Strong muscular neck to clean sloping shoulders into a firm topline to well shaped rump and tail. Nicely bodied with ribs well sprung back into a strong loin. Well angled both ends of her body with depth which is covered in a lovely clean short smooth ticked B/W jacket. Balanced and boned legs and compact feet and moved out so well with a nice side stride but although sound was still a little closer than I liked coming and going.

2nd Guy's Carofel If I Had Wings. Slightly worried to be handled but did settle. Shorter in back than my winner and lacked the overall scope but still has a nice outline. Did look elegant on the stance although in her body she was deeper in her chest and brisket than my winner which is where she also lost out. A correctly defined head slightly stronger in skull, well set and used ears, nice eye shape and colour. Correct neck to shoulder and topline to tail, over a well ribbed back body with good legs and arched feet, nicely presented in a ticked O/W smooth flat coat. Once she settled was sound with a nice action and stride. 3rd Mulryne's Byphar Star Of Bombay at Frenetbull.

NOVICE BITCH (6,3)

1st Hinton, Luke & Leman's Fleurfield Black Caviar. 2nd Guy's Carofel If I Had Wings. 3rd Mason's Heartbury Tormenta over Nosam.

POST GRADUATE BITCH (8,1) A lovely class with super type throughout.

1st Norbury, Mateus & Adams' Heartbury Northern Lights JW. Very attractive well balanced quality bitch with an elegant outline, on the stack she looked very impressive and had that nice feminine look. Lovely head of correct shape and balance, a sweet look to her dark eyes. Long clean neck into well laid sloping shoulders well angled to her upper arm with depth to her chest and brisket. Lovely body with ribs well back into a short strong loin. Muscular hindquarters with good thighs, stifle and let down hocks. Very attractively marked O/W patched coat with a nice clean look and excellent texture. Well boned and balanced legs with nice compact arched feet on which she moved out so soundly with correct action coming and going.

2nd Booth's Lundgarth Everest JW. A very attractive head with correct balance, well hung ears, good stop and set apart dark eyes. Head held well on long clean slightly arched neck into sloping shoulders and a firm backline to strong quarters and used tail on the move. Nicely angulated front and rear of a good body that is nicely ribbed back, having good depth and nice substance. Her presentation was good having a lovely fine smooth textured clear O/W coat. I would have liked tighter elbows into her brisket on her straight well boned legs, has nice compact feet. Moved out well and was sound enough with good stride. 3rd Welch, Drake & Hazeltine's Clamerkin Jubilee Surprise at Hookwood.

LIMIT BITCH (7) Quality class.

1st Bond's Joneva Azelia Banks JW. This stunning bitch headed a quality class. Such a beautiful and elegant girl of a lovely type. She looked very impressive on the stack and stood so graceful with a good overall balance and then was so very nice to go over. I loved her head with such a sweet expression from lovely dark bright eyes correct rims, defined stop, a correct dish. Very proud head carriage on a good clean arched neck into well laid shoulders nicely angulated to her upper arm. Super topline over a well developed body covered in a beautifully conditioned skin and flashy O/W coat that was smooth and finely textured. Muscular hindquarters with good thighs and return of stifle and let down hocks. Well balanced and boned straight legs with arched feet, she had a lovely side stride and correct action which was so sound with front, and rear drive. BCC BOS

2nd Booth's Sharnphilly Ginger Fizz at Lundgarth. Lovely outline to this slightly smaller but well put together and balanced just 4 year old with a very attractive head, nice skull and well set ears, defined stop, and expressive bright eyes of good colour. Good arched neck into nice sloping shoulders and into a firm backline with good rump and well set on tail. Super muscular body with substance and depth nicely angled both ends with depth to chest and brisket. Hindquarters with strong thighs and turned stifles with strong hocks. Straight well boned legs and tight arched feet, a very sound free mover with correct action. 3rd Matthews' Sonham Chasing Rainbows.

OPEN BITCH (4)

1st Siddle's Sh Ch Wilchrimane Frankel (ai). Aery talented handler and breeder showed this stunning bitch so well. Beautiful outline and balance to this very feminine 6 ½ year old bitch such a lovely symmetrical outline and so graceful, presented well in a clean brightly marked O/W fine coat. Typical head with a stronger skull and correctly set and hung ears, lovely expressive eyes with good colour, defined stop and correct dish. Holds head proudly on long strong slightly arched neck into well laid back strong shoulders into a firm backline with a muscular rump and well set on and held ail. Lovely depth to her muscular well ribbed back body with strong loin and slight tuck up. Correctly balanced well boned legs, arched feet super sound mover with correct action once she settled into her stride. RBCC

2nd Philo handling for Webbs' Sh Ch Tenshilling The Wanderer. a very attractive lightly marked O/W presented in a fabulous fine smooth coat over a body with a super balanced outline and a lovely build. Sweet well worked head, correctly set and used ears, dark expressive bright eyes good rims, good stop and dish to her fore face. Super head carriage on a good neck length, well angulated shoulders, a firm topline to muscular rump and thighs. Lovely well ribbed back body to strong loin with slight tuck up. Great legs and feet moved out so freely with very sound correct action with lovely drive. 3rd Harrison's Millpoint Simply Scrumptus JW

JENNY MILLER - judge