POINTER CLUB OF SCOTLAND CHAMPIONSHIP DOG SHOW Sunday 6th October 2024

It is an honour to be invited to judge one's own breed at this level and I really enjoyed judging at this lovely friendly show and would like to thank Jon, my stewards, all the hard working committee and especially the exhibitors in the sporting manner with which they accepted my decisions. I was looking for well balanced Pointers with good quarters and correct tail with no upward curl. A few exhibits were too short in upper arm which restricts the dog from fully extending the front leg correctly when moving. Seeing a Pointer move with good reach in front and the rear hocks driving behind is a real pleasure. To generalize I feel the breed is in a good place and I was fortunate to have some really good Pointers to go over in some strong classes and I was really pleased with my final placings.

VETERAN DOG (1, 0)

1st McCudden's Forthbourne Fifth Gear - Sound O/W dog, masculine head with good eye shape and colour, clean in the neck and shoulders with a good lay back, well ribbed and good bend of stifle, correct feet, moved ok. Res.B.Vet

MINOR PUPPY DOG (2, 0)

1st Mair, Mair & McCready's Sharnphilly Coppernob at Glenauld – 6 mth old Lemon/W puppy, attractive head with good eye shape and soft lip, good lines, balanced throughout, well bent stifles & correct tail, moved well for a baby. Res.B.P.

2nd Millett's Laveto Remember When - Well balanced 7mth old dog with lovely head, well defined stop & nice eye shape, well angulated quarters & balanced outline, tail well set on, needs to tighten up in his front movement.

PUPPY DOG - No entries

JUNIOR DOG (1, 0)

1st Bush's Piasharn Rocka Rolla – 17 mth old B/W dog, Attractive head with good eye shape and colour, nice spring of rib and good bend of stifle, I would like a little more angulation in front, moved ok.

YEARLING DOG (5, 0)

1st Tibbs' Raigmore Keep The Faith JW - . B/W dog with a good balanced headpiece, dark eye, clean through the neck & shoulders, well angulated fore & aft, correct couplings, moved well. Two nice youngster could easily change places.

2nd Gerrard, Bell & Galloway's Carmandine Oh C'Mon Then JW - Balanced O/W dog with correct oval bone and good pasterns, good forehand with deep chest and spring of rib, good tail, moved well, just preferred head of 1 at present.

3rd Black's Raigmore Defender Of The Faith.

MAIDEN DOG - No entries

NOVICE DOG - No entries

GRADUATE DOG (1, 0)

1st Heaton's Freebreeze On Location at Brackenstyle - B/W dog just out of yearling, handsome head with good eye shape & colour, neck fitting cleanly into the shoulders, well muscled all through with good quarters, strong hocks giving a sound driving movement.

POST GRADUATE DOG (4, 2)

1st Fraser's Droveborough's Follow Me at Frenetbull - Well presented quality B/W dog, lovely head, correct eye colour & soft expression, arched neck into good shoulders, well sprung ribs, well coupled quarters with good bend of stifle, moved ok.

2nd Morrison's Raigmore Greatest Day - B/W dog with attractive head, good eye shape colour, well angulated fore hand, well bodied with strong loin, good tail & feet moved ok.

LIMIT DOG (5, 2)

1st Adams' Carofel Wings Of Hope JW WW23 Swiss JCh - Compact O/W dog, nothing exaggerated about him, balanced head with kind eye & thin leathers, good depth of brisket, well angulated quarters, neat tail well set on, sound mover.

2nd Wybergh's Stocksfell Chase The Ace - Stylish B/W well balanced dog with a lot to like, good front, clean neck & shoulders, correct bone, powerful hindquarters, well knitted feet, moved ok. 3rd Fraser's Droveborough's Follow Me at Frenetbull.

OPEN DOG (5, 1)

1st Oddie's Sh Ch Chesterhope One Way Ticket (AI) (Imp NZL) - 3yr old well marked B/W dog, handsome head with plenty of work, dark eye, correct amount of stop, good ear shape and carriage, well angulated forequarters with sloping pasterns and well padded feet, well bodied up with good couplings, gentle slope to topline with nice sweep of stifle and strong hocks, sound driving movement won him the C.C. & B.I.S. 2nd Bond's Sh Ch Joneva Just My Style - Another dog I really like and have done well for previously, attractive well balanced head with good eye and ears, arched neck fits smoothly into the shoulders, well constructed forehand, sloping pasterns, good depth of brisket, well coupled with good bend of stifle and short hocks, strode out well. R.C.C.

3rd Gordon's Hawkfield Pemberley.

FIELD TRIAL DOG/BITCH (1, 0)

1st Anderson-Rowell's Little Owl Scandiaca for Daledancer (Imp SVK) – Mature bitch looking in really good shape albeit with a greying mask, pleasing head, good forehand & pasterns, compact & balanced, covered the ground well. B.F/T.

VETERAN BITCH (3, 2)

1st O'Driscoll's SVK Ch Pawprint Flaming Soul to Fowington (Imp Hun) - Sound O/w bitch, attractive head with good eye shape and colour, good over the neck and shoulders, well ribbed up, good bend of stifle and tail set, moved ok. B.Vet.

MINOR PUPPY BITCH (4, 1)

1st Gerrard, Bell & Galloway Riowood C'mon It's Time for Carmandine - 8 mth old b/w, lovely feminine head, dark eye, well balanced with clean lines, well bent stifles & good tail well set on, moved well. 2nd Oddie, Dyer & Erskine's Sharnphilly Elsie Mo to Riowood - Another lovely headed puppy only 6 mths with lovely soft expression, good oval bone and neat feet, well balanced, good quarters and tail, moved well, close decision, one to watch.

3rd Gates' Sharnphilly Dizzy Blonde at Linosa.

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PUPPY BITCH (4, 0)

1st Oddie's Riowood Tick Tick Boom to Sharnphilly - Litter sister to previous class winner and therefore same remarks apply but this one is more mature. B.P.

2nd Dunn's Meadowpoint Hocus Pocus – another attractive headed bitch almost 12 mths, nice dark eye, good overall shape, well angulated, moved well.

3rd Jenkin's Sniperay Ebony Pearl (AI).

JUNIOR BITCH (5, 0)

1st Gordon's Hawkfield Happy Times – a young star, smart o/w girl, feminine head with soft, attractive expression and good head planes, well arched neck into the shoulders, good forequarters, correct topline, well bent stifles, compact feet, good hocks and tailset, moved well with drive. Pleased to find out after that this win gives her the JW.

2nd Edmondson & Robertshaw's Crookrise Sunshine - Attractive well marked b/w youngster, pretty head with dark eye, neck fitting into well laid shoulders, good depth to the chest, well angulated forehand & rear quarters, good tail set, moved well.

3rd Anderson-Rowell's Wilchrimane Silent Sonnet at Daledancer

YEARLING BITCH (4, 0)

1st Tibbs' Raigmore Faith In The Future - B/w bitch of a nice size, attractive head with good eye shape & colour, clean in neck and shoulders, good depth of chest with firm rear quarters, moved ok. 2nd Anderson-Rowell's Wilchrimane Silent Sonnet at Daledancer - Attractive youngster with a feminine head, dark eye and good ear placement, clean in outline, just preferred the movement of first. 3rd Edmondson & Robertshaw's Crookrise Sunbeam.

MAIDEN BITCH (1, 0)

1st Gerrard, Bell & Galloway's Riowood C'mon It's Time for Carmandine.

NOVICE BITCH (5, 2)

1st Fairbairn's Carmelfair Spotcheck - Attractively marked B/w bitch, lovely head piece with gentle expression, good eye shape and colour, sound forehand and strong in loin with well bent stifles and good turn of hock, correct tail set, moved well.

2nd Edmondson & Robertshaw's Crookrise Sunshine.

3rd Gerrard, Bell & Galloway Riowood C'mon It's Time for Carmandine.

GRADUATE DOG (5, 3)

 1^{st} Nelis' Freebreeze Special Effects JW - O/w with attractive expression, good bone, pasterns and feet, carrying right amount of body, well muscled hindquarters, well shaped tail, moved well. 2^{nd} Bush's Piasharn Demelza – L/w bitch, pleasing in head with kind eye, decent length of neck fitting into the topline, good feet, well balanced outline, moved ok.

POST GRADUATE BITCH (2, 2)

LIMIT BITCH (10, 0) An excellent class.

1st Macara & Blackburn-Bennett's Kanix Sooty at Stargang - Striking B/W bitch, true pointer character, alert & outgoing, lovely head, beautiful eye & expression, wide flared nostrils, quality all through, good depth & spring of rib, good couplings & strong in loin, good tail set, moved with panache. A worthy CC. & R.B.I.S. 2nd Jamieson's Carmelfair Bellissima with Glenfinnan - Lovely bitch, feminine head, soft expression, well balanced, good shoulders, strong over loin, neat tail, strongly made all through, good size, positive mover. Res.C.C.

3rd Moss' Davigdor Poppies.

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OPEN BITCH (4, 0)

1st Blackburn-Bennett's Kanix Skyfall - L/W with well balanced head, clean neck & shoulders, well constructed front & rear, good pasterns and feet, carrying right amount of body, well muscled hindquarters, moved well.

2nd Gordon's Hawkfield Happy - Well balanced O/W with a good head shape, attractive dark eye and thin leathers, good flowing lines, well angulated forehand, well ribbed back to strong hindquarters, moved out well.

3rd Bond's Sh Ch Joneva Azelia Banks.

BRACE (1, 0)

1st Anderson-Rowell's - Lovely to see the pair of bitches going round. B.Brace

STEVE MITCHELL - judge