

BLACKPOOL CHAMPIONSHIP DOG SHOW

Saturday 21st June 2025

I find judging this breed is so rewarding and was able to apply my preferences between otherwise good dogs, rather than just placing them in order, which augers well for the breed and illustrates quality in depth. I was mindful of two things today, firstly they are a working breed and as such should always have construction that is sound and efficient and secondly their lissom outline should be just that and not be confused with an homogenised HPR. Thank you to my stewards for their help in keeping my back going throughout judging and thank to all the exhibitors for such a lovely entry.

MINOR PUPPY DOG (2)

1st Wilchrimane Bat's All (Batchelor) Typical O/W youngster, with pleasing angles, oval bone, clean shoulders, enough depth, strong topline, short coupled. well balanced head with dark eyes. True coming and going and held himself well on the move.

2nd Lundgarth Fly The Flag (Booth & Oddie) O/W Glorious head and eye, moderate angulation, curvy outline, clean all through, pleasing type, not as forward as winner, enjoying himself a little too much on the move.

PUPPY DOG (3)

1st Lundgarth Fly The Flag (Booth & Oddie) More settled in this class and moved as he should, a very nice prospect.

2nd Sonham Just The Ticket (ai) (Matthews) L/W Bigger all over than winner and not so settled on the move but has a well balanced head and soft expression, long clean shoulder blades and well angulated quarters, held his topline, just needs to strengthen a little behind.

JUNIOR DOG (6)

1st Stocksfell Soloflight (Wilkinson) O/W Quality head with defined stop and occiput. Clean well angulated shoulders and rear angulation, straight limbed with good feet, moved with drive keeping his outline.

2nd Sonham Just The Ticket (ai) (Matthews)

3rd Teisgol Sweet William (Stilgoe & Fox)

YEARLING DOG (5)

1st Hawkfield Happy Feet at Oramiss JW (Clinton) O/W Very typical boy, with long well angulated shoulders and corresponding rear, super topline and tailset, well balanced head with dark eyes, oval boned limbs with good feet, muscular hindquarters, moved well.

2nd Tenshilling Shboom JW (O'Neill) B/W Different in style to the winner, shapely head with dark eyes, not as angular as winner but very well balanced, curvy muscular body, bee sting tail, a real powerhouse on the move.

3rd Alozia Zealandia for Ratchda JW (Marsh)

POST GRADUATE DOG (9,2)

1st Riowood Orange Twist (Millett) O/W Not a big dog but has enough bone for size. A lovely head and expression with neat ears. Very well made from his excellent shoulder placement and upper arm, strong rear quarters with moderate angulation, good topline and bee sting tail, moved with drive.

2nd Raigmore Defender Of Faith (Black) O/W Difference stamp to winner, good head with dark eyes, well balanced throughout. Not quite the upper arm of the winner, moved well.

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

LIMIT DOG (9,1)

1st Lakewinds Benchmark (Imp AUS) (Watkins) O/W Masculine dog, pleasing head with defined stop and neat ears. High withers, deep though brisket, moderate angulation, comes to life on the move where he is precise and powerful and drops into his curvy frame beautifully.

2nd Raigmore Keep The Faith JW (Tibbs) B/W Different stamp to winner, good head with long muzzle showing refinement. Clean neck and shoulders, tended to lose his rear angles on the stack but another dog that was better appreciated on the move showing tremendous reach and drive.

3rd Dappleline Chance for Anniezu (Weaver)

OPEN DOG (9,2)

1st Carofel Wings Of Hope JW Ww23 Swiss JCh (Adams) O/W Really caught my eye today, still some maturing to go but has it all there. Such a lovely head and spirited expression. Lissom appearance. Prominent occiput and fine leathers. Clean slightly arched neck with long bladed shoulders and elbows tucked in, oval boned limbs enough depth through brisket with strong moderately angulated rear quarters, kept his outline both stacked and on the move. Dog CC.

2nd Sh Ch Sharnphilly Boondoggle JW (Oddie) B/W A beautiful dog in every way and has construction second to none, still love him but my head was turned by the younger dog today. From a breeder's perspective, I can see this boy will do nothing but good for the breed with the qualities he has to offer. Reserve Dog CC.

3rd Kanix Sourdough with Calaquendi JW Bel Jch (Hill)

VETERAN DOG (5,1)

1st Fydal Caprio at Salmonmist JW ShCM OSW ShCEX VW (Philo) O/W Really liked this dog and surprised he isn't titled. Excellent in type, from his super head, neat body, balanced angulations and his sound steady movement, could have easily snatched a green card today if his opposition hadn't been so tough on the day. Best Veteran

2nd Stockfell Chase The Ace (Wybergh) B/W Another good dog, well made throughout, clean head, excellent depth through brisket, strong topline excellent legs and feet, shade fine in muzzle.

3rd Hawkfield Audacity JW (ai) (Gordon)

MINOR PUPPY BITCH (1)

1st Lundgarth Ticket To Fly (Booth) B/W Such a pretty baby with eyes as dark as pitch and the sweetest expression. Well angulated, correct in conformation, sound as a bell on the move, very promising.

PUPPY BITCH (4)

1st Sonham Just A Pretty Belle (ai) (Matthews) L/W Very stylish, stacks a treat and moves with purpose. Good legs, oval bone neat feet, balanced head and eyes darkening, long shoulder blades, strong topline and good tailset.

2nd Raigmore Titania (Tibbs) B/W Beautiful head with refined features and prominent occiput, moderate angulation, excellent depth through brisket, good top line and tailset, just needs to settle on the move.

3rd Lundgarth Ticket To Fly (Booth)

JUNIOR BITCH (7)

1st Ferndel Sapphire Mist over Stockfell (Wilkinson) B/W Loved her for type, super head and dark expressive eye, long upper arms and shoulder blades, short coupled with good topline, curvy outline and bee sting tail. Very sound on the move just a bit lazy today. Best Junior

2nd Teisgol Rose Champion (Stilgoe & Stilgoe & Fox) O/W All of a piece, moderate angles, well balanced good depth, such a pretty head and expression, sound and typical.

3rd Sharnphilly Dizzy Blonde at Linosa (Gates)

YEARLING BITCH (4)

1st Joneva Just One Wish (Adams) O/W Lovely head with refined features, dark eyes, excellent neck and shoulders, well angulated rear, good depth all through, slightly longer all through but held her outline on the move. Moved well.

2nd Teisgol Rose Champion (Stilgoe & Stilgoe & Fox)

3rd Hawkfield Happy Times JW (Gordon)

POST GRADUATE BITCH (9,3)

1st Kananaskis Black Bryony JW (Roberts) B/W Caught my eye when her handler swapped. Reminded me so much of the heavily marked pointers of yesteryear. I loved everything about her from her gorgeous head and eye, long bladed shoulders and upper arm elbows tucked in, lithe body, well angulated rear and a super long easy stride. Sadly, she lost her 2nd handler in the challenge and lost that 'something'.

2nd Hawkfield Black Swan (Pratt) On first appearance looks finer than she is due to her solid black colouring. Refined head with lovely eye, clean well angulated shoulders and excellent dept of chest, strong rear quarters Moved a treat, would have liked just a little more curve.

3rd Freebreeze Special Effects JW (Nelis)

LIMIT BITCH (11,1)

1st Braithwaite Quora (Brigden) Really O/W compact and curvy, Excellent conformation from her moderate angulations, well fitted shoulders, short coupled body and strong rear quarters. Powerful low stride.

2nd Davigdor Poppies (Moss) O/W Preferred her overall style to the winner, most beautiful head full of work with dark eye and melting expression, Well angulated shoulders and good depth all through, strong rear quarters and excellent movement, such a pity she was having a phantom on the day.

3rd Kanix Skyfall (Blackburn-Bennett)

OPEN BITCH (8,2)

1st Sh Ch Wilchrimane Frankly Darlin (Siddle, Siddle & Medeiros) This class was both exciting and heartbreaking in equal measure to judge. O/W She was a Pointer, no more no less, paint her any colour and there is no mistaking it. Possessing style with graceful curves, oval bone, well angulated, enough depth as to still retain that lissom appearance, topped off with a super head with refinement and chiselling. Her light and easy gait just topped it off. I could go on; suffice it to say she won CC and BOB in the best of competition.

2nd Sh Ch Kanix Sooty at Stargang (Macara & Blackburn-Bennett) B/W I also loved this girl, and wished I had 2 CCs. Now at her best, slightly different in type but none the less typical, her head was just divine, with those dark expressive eyes and well worked features, neatly fitted shoulders, strong topline and super lashing tail, good depth all through down to her powerful rear quarters and long low striding gait. Reserve CC.

3rd Sh Ch Chesterhope C'mon Over to Carmandine (Imp NZL) JW (Gerrard & Bell & Galloway)

VETERAN BITCH (2,1)

1st Pennystone Shamrock at Tenbrooksher (Brookes & Brookes-Tennant) O/W At 9 years old has maintained her soundness on the move, excellent shoulders well angulated fore and aft, good depth through brisket, appealing head, just a touch round in eye. Well balanced outline.

SUE HARRIS - judge