

DARLINGTON CHAMPIONSHOP DOG SHOW

Friday 18th September 2026

I Would like to thank the committee for the opportunity given to Judge pointers the breed closest to my heart having owned for over 45 years. I would also like to thank my steward for the day who was helpful and efficient at keeping the ring flowing smoothly and last but not least the exhibitors for entering their dogs under me I had some wonderful examples of the breed and some tough decisions in some of the classes particularly p g and limit bitch classes. The breed has changed quite significantly since I first started out some for the better and some not so, My top honours went to dogs I felt were fine examples of the breed standard and although were not all looking the same type were of a good breed standard. I found no bad mouths but unfortunately there was a lot of tails carried high and the breed calls for the tail carried level with the back not like an aerial in minor placings I had to accept this fault, having never owned a dog with a high tail it was my main bug bare.

VETERAN DOG (NO ENTRIES)

MINOR PUPPY DOG (NO ENTRIES)

PUPPY DOG (Entries: 7, Absentees: 2)

1st Bonds Dr K Pharises Drake. O/w dog of lovely proportions balanced masculine head with enough dish and not overdone clean in neck and good forechest correct bone and well arched toes needs to drop in chest a bit more but has time on his side decent spring of rib and well bent stifles, moved well kept his topline on the move best mover in the class BPIB.

2nd Senior Miss H Riowood Cherry Bomb over Alaszdale another lovely dog presented in fit condition I would have liked more length to his muzzle a bit short for me saying that everything else was good front and rear angulation well bodied for a puppy and good shaped feet with plenty of bone when settled moved well but preferred the head of my winner.

3rd Norbury Mrs V Heartbury Caraxes.

JUNIOR DOG (Entries: 5, Absentees: 1, Withdrawn: 1)

1st Gerrard Mrs M & Bell Mrs C & Galloway Mrs L Chesterhope Agent Orange at Carmandine (Imp NZL) JW. Headed this good class of young dogs Lovely head which was of correct proportions lovely dark eyes and jet black nose with flaring nostrils neat ears and lovely clean neck into good front assembly correct oval bone and lovely tight feet good depth of chest nice sweeping quarters and superb condition moved out well holding topline well with a lovely driving action feel he has more to come yet and I'm sure his day is not far away.

2nd Oliver Mrs J & Oliver Miss M & Mr C Oliver Wilchrimane Florian to Olivesong JW. Another lovely o/w dog shorter coupled than 1 his head just a tad broad for me was masculine and has correct ear set and eye colour good depth to his chest and good feet was presented nice rear angulation and in nice fit condition he did hold his topline well on the move preferred the reach and head of my winner today.

3rd SAUNDERS, Miss M & NEWTON, Mr R, Corotine Velvet Tuxedo.

POST GRADUATE DOG (Entries: 7, Absentees: 2)

1st Black Mr V & Mrs S Raigmore Defender Of Faith. Liked this dogs head masculine but not coarse well proportioned with a lovely dark kind eye good reach of neck with good forechest good bone and feet good length of rib and well bent stifles moved out well showing a lovely rear action could just do with going a little faster to show off his true potential but showed enough to win this super class.

2nd Millet Mr L & Mrs S Laveto Remember When B/W with lots to like about different type to my winner Lovely Masculine head with lots of work in it and correct pigmentation clean neck still need to drop a bit more to complete the picture well off for bone and up to size but balanced in height and length correct spring of ribs and in good condition holding topline at one with handler and pushed 1 hard just preferred the width of chest of my winner which in turn had tighter elbows.

3rd Waltons Mrs J Meadowpoint Jack O Lantern at Pointmoor.

LIMIT DOG (Entries: 8, Absentees: 4)

1st Marsh Mrs G Alozia Zealandia for Ratchda. Liver / white Male of quality loved his head with lots of work correct turn of lip lovely eye shape and colour good ear set good length to neck into a lovely front good oval bone with sloping pasterns ribs carried well back and a good bend of stifle well muscled and correct amount of weight not a big lad but so balanced he powered around the ring with his handler with a lashing tail carried in the correct position and holding his topline a well deserved RDCC.

2nd Morrisons Mrs K Raigmore Greatest Day Smart B/W dog of nice proportions balanced head with good kind eye correct muzzle clean in neck moderate angulation in front just pinning in slightly good depth and spring of rib good hindquarters was at one with handler and moved out cleanly and precise unlucky to meet my winner today.

3rd Miss S Wardle Sunhouse All Blacks (ai).

OPEN DOG (Entries: 6, Absentees: 0)

1st Ms W Gordon Davigdor Flanders Field. This 4 year old lad is quality through and through everything i was looking for today his head is masculine yet not course in any way his eyes a beautiful shape and have such a gentle expression there is work in this beautifully balanced head into a good length of neck and a super forechest his front angulation was exceptional and one of the best I saw on the day good depth of chest and correct feet and lovely sloping pasterns nice spring of rib and well carried back his super hindquarters enabled him to power around the ring showing good reach and drive his handler did well to show off his great attributes .I can't believe this was his first CC I'm sure the other 2 are not far away ! Well done DCC & BOB.

2nd Oliver Miss M & Stilgoe Mr & Mrs P& D Sh Ch Tiesgol Love Is In The Air ShCex I have done this boy well in the past and have not changed my mind about him Lovely head with great expression and balanced lovely eye and good pigmentation clean in neck into a good front and good depth the chest ribs well carried back and good rear quarters which enabled him to move around the ring showing good driving action lashing his tail a well worthy champion.

3rd Baker Mrs J Mattiboo Million Love Songs.

VETERAN BITCH (Entries: 5, Absentees: 1)

1st Tibbs Mrs p & Mr J Raigmore Worth The Wait at nearly 8 and looking well for her age feminine bitch who I can't quite believe hasn't got her title such a lovely expressive gentle look about her good pigmentation into a good length of neck and lovely front correct bone and good depth to chest nice spring of rib and ribs well carried back lovely rear quarters in fit muscular condition BV.

2nd Guy Mrs C Carofel On Silent Wings JW Another lovely veteran bitch pretty girl with plenty of work in her head lovely dark eye and correct ear set clean in neck and lovely angulation both front and rear good depth presented in good condition another lovely bitch who should have her title nothing overdone about her at all held her topline when moving around the ring.

3rd Swan Mrs R Millpoint Some Like It Hot.

MINOR PUPPY BITCH (Entries: 1, Absentees: 0)

1st White Mrs C & Hawkes Mr D Bradgate Starlight (Bd2) Stood alone today and just 6 months lemon / white pretty girl with the most gorgeous expression and lovely amber eyes she had cheekiness written all over her face and challenged her handler on the move and standing but She's just a baby so she has time on her side clean neck and well bodied up and enjoyed her day out well done.

PUPPY BITCH (Entries: 5, Absentees: 1)

1st Oddie Miss A Riowood Cherry Jubilee at Sharnphilly 10 month old o/ w bitch mature bitch who's head would benefit from a bit more work but lovely ear set and correct dome shape to the top of her skull but as the head planes are the last to stop growing her head may be different at a later age, clean in neck needs to drop a like more in chest would like a bit more slope to her pasterns good length to rib cage and correct spring of rib for age she had lovely rear quarters and good feet well muscled and moved well around the ring holding her top-line a lot to like though pushed the dog hard for best puppy just got spooked by something in the challenge BPB.

2nd Udale Mrs A Crookrise Tilly Liver / white head of even proportions and feminine lovely thin leathers needs to drop in chest has correct bone and feet and nice hindquarters really drove out around the ring nice to see this handler showing more confidence in the ring well done.

3rd Edmondson Miss H & Robertshaw Mrs C Crookrise Ida.

JUNIOR BITCH (Entries: 6, Absentees: 1)

1st Nelis Mrs M L Freebreeze Carla Lane B/w bitch just out of puppy and showing lots of promise these 2 sisters 1st and 2nd are like two peas in a pod and I was not picking between the 2 of them I loved her head so pretty evenly balances with the most appealing dark eyes and correct ear set lovely length to neck still needs to drop in chest correct oval bone and nice sloping pasterns lovely height / length to body ratio and strong quarters mover well around the ring showing a good driving action.

2nd Macmanus Mr N & Mrs K Freebreeze Gertrude Stein at Luneville as I said not much between these two sisters 2 slightly longer cast and is mature than her sister slightly more work in her head and atm deeper in chest but today was just out moved by her sister sure they will change places all the time very nice.

3rd Smith Mrs A El Fydal del Winepoint Natyava Grove (Imp CZE).

POST GRADUATE BITCH (Entries: 14, Absentees: 4)

1st Wright Ms C & Stilgoe Mr P & Mrs D Teisgol Aurora Borealis at Abbothagg what a super bitch not long out of junior o/w loved her feminine head which was balanced with a lovely shaped eye and correct colour clean and good length to neck with a lovely angulated front and rear to match good depth to chest and ribs well sprung and well carried back just a series of curves I really liked her and I'm sure she's not finished yet on the move she came alive reaching and driving as her superb body allowed her too holding her topline sure her day will come and will watch her progress.

2nd Cobden Mrs J Alozia Zantini another cracking bitch who did not disappoint two totally different types but so much to like about her I loved her head so feminine but yet had the required work in it lovely length to neck and super front angulation good depth and correct oval bone well sprung ribs and excellent hindquarters she moved showing reach and drive at one with her owner today holding her topline on the move.

3rd Dunn Miss D Meadowpoint Hocus Pocus JW.

LIMIT BITCH (Entries: 14, Absentees: 3, Withdrawn: 1)

1st Guy Mrs C Carofel If I Had Wings JW O/w bitch What a cracking bitch this is the prettiest of heads correct dish and well balanced with a lovely dark eye superb long neck into a lovely front with good angulation correct oval bone and feet with well arched toes correct oval shape good depth to chest and ribs carried well back good hindquarters that enabled her to drive around the ring with power super handler at just the right pace held her topline beautifully on the move could not deny her the bitch RCC sure her time will come for top honours.

2nd Gerrard Mrs M & Bell Mrs C & Galloway Mrs L Riowood C'mon It's Time for Carmandine JW B/ W lovely bitch with a feminine head just would like a bit longer in muzzle not as balanced in head as my winner good dark eye and good thin leathers clean in neck with a good forechest and good front good oval bone with nice sloping pasterns and neat well arched feet good depth to her chest and well sprung ribs she had good rear quarters which were well muscled moved at one with handler showing a lovely free action holding her topline well.

3rd Nelis Mrs M Freebreeze Special Effects JW.

OPEN BITCH (Entries: 6, Absentees: 2)

1st Back Ms M Int Ch Wilchrimane Frangipani. This bitch just commanded the ring and nothing could touch her in movement in this class her head is balanced she has a good length to neck and good in forechest she has good angulation in front and correct bone and good sloping pasterns but would benefit having more depth in chest good ribs well carried back and nice rear angulation and in super muscular condition and she moved around the ring showing a lovely reach and driving action well done bcc but for Bob i preferred the dogs head and overall balance.

2nd Wilkinson's Sh Ch Ferndale Sapphire Mist over Stockdale this bitch only lost out on movement today she just wasn't playing ball loved her pretty head which I felt was better than my winners with lots of work and good eye perfectly balanced lovely reach of neck and good forechest good angulation front and rear and lovely depth to her chest correct bone and good pasterns I have seen this bitch move better and it was a shame as she was just not interested which showed in her movement today on a brighter note everything is right about her and took her rightful place.

3rd Dunn Miss D Caithpoint Kora at Meadowpoint ShCex.

JACKIE RADCLIFFE - judge