

# National Gundog Champ Show

## Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2008

It was a privilege to judge such a superb entry, both in quantity & quality, for my first appointment. There were several classes where I could have done with more cards, decisions were very difficult & often movement was the deciding factor.

### **Veteran Dog (3,1a)**

1 Flint's Sh Ch Casilex Bucks Fizz, b/w in beautiful fit condition & moving soundly & fluidly, strong dog with a good outline & well angulated quarters, gleaming coat & pleasing expression;  
2 Macmanus' Crookrise Wide Awake, loved the head on this dog, kind eye & expression, correct dish, neat well set ears, in good condition, neat tail, close up to 1.

### **Minor Puppy Dog (3)**

1 Anthony's Jilony Just Amazin', striking b/w, so well made & this showed in his true, flowing movement, outline is stunning, excels in flow over shoulder & angulation just right, attractive masculine head, dark eyes, very promising;  
2 Sellin's Aurichalcum Lord Beckett of Castlepoint, only 6 months but very attractive in type, good angulation, strong topline, clean neck & well laid shoulders, correct bone, kind gentle expression. Needs to settle on the move;  
3 Kelleher & Waters' Teisgol Sancerre.

### **Puppy Dog (7,3)**

1 Gordon's Hawkfield Sunkissed Sea, o/w, what a thrill to see this puppy go BPIS, as soon as I saw him I was impressed with his superb outline, beautiful head & expression, such a lovely eye, plenty of work coming, excelled in front assembly with such good angulation & he just flowed right through to his short tail, correct oval bone & good feet, moved out freely & kept topline well, still very young, so congratulations, BP, PG1 & BPIS;  
2 Pattie's Hurwyn Macdonald, very attractive head with good stop & balance, dark eyes, nice topline, oval bone, sound on the move, very pleasing;  
3 Stagg & Sansom's Teisgol Pinot Noir.

### **Junior Dog (6,1)**

1 Wilberg's Jilony Freedom with Kanix, b/w impressive young dog with a splendid outline, masculine in expression, good angulation throughout & very strong over loin & in hindquarters, moved freely & soundly, plenty of time to mature but very well balanced for age;  
2 Edmondson & Robertshaw's Crookrise Floyd, b/w, lovely type, very young & needs to mature but this is how it should be, plenty of work in head, beautiful eye & expression, correct dish, very good neck & shoulders & balanced angulation throughout, moved soundly with lashing tail, correct oval bone & feet;  
3 Flint's Casilex Chinook.

### **Yearling Dog (6)**

1 Wilberg & Blackburn-Bennett's Kiswahili Martin at Kanix, o/w, very mature & tons of ring presence, masculine head with very kind eye & expression, strong hindquarters, good topline, moved out very well on good legs & feet, lovely character, handler gets the best out of him;  
2 Siddle's Wilchramine Obe Gold, attractive dog with same sire as 1 but quite different, shorter coupled & very strongly made throughout, well balanced head with pleasing expression, good topline & short, neat tail scored with strength over loin & hindquarters, will always be in contention;  
3 Hegarty's Whipspan Shane Warne at Foxhaven.

### **Novice Dog (3,2)**

1 Stagg & Sansom's Teisgol Pinot Noir, rather raw puppy, moved soundly as he settled in his movement, pleasing expression. Needs time.

### **Graduate Dog (7,1)**

1 Yeo's Trexon Tick Tack, the most balanced & free moving in this class, everything about him was pleasing to the eye, correct well proportioned head, good stop & eye, clean shoulders & level topline finishing with a neat tail, moved out steadily & soundly;

2 Gordon's Let's Go Crackers, b/w, very different type to 1, striking youngster with very nice proportions to head & kind expression, super flowing topline & good body properties, excellent hindquarters & he strode out freely & soundly;

3 Wilcox & Preece's Harvestlade Rolar Rhapsody for Merynjen.

**Post Graduate Dog (13,1)** Then the headache began. A class with some quality dogs who had to go cardless, two dogs looked superb standing but didn't move out as I had hoped.

1 Beesley's Birchleith Barbican Beau, hadn't seen this dog before but he took my eye with his superb outline & balance, really quality dog with gentle masculine expression, long neck, well laid back shoulders, just flowed through to well angulated hindquarters & short tail used on the move, such a lovely carriage at all times. RCC & he had to beat some beautiful dogs;

2 Walkling's Kiswahili Catcher In The Rye o/w, very different but a beautiful dog, his head is his fortune, possessing the most glorious of expressions & so much work, masculine but such beautiful eyes, soft lip & correct dish, strong, well made body, moved soundly. Unlucky to meet 1 in such dashing form;

3 Barrs-Gordon's Panoply Dare To Dream.

### **Limit Dog (11,3)**

1 Parsons' Pipeaway Billy Bling, had everything I was looking for, I have watched & studied Pointers for 24 years, & feel that everything about this dog shouts Pointer. Superb head with true expression, there is something about his gentle eyes which, combined with the work & balance, is outstanding & quite rare, excellent front assembly, great depth, balanced angulation, outline & conformation are amazing & he totally commanded the ring when moving with such a powerful, ground covering stride, on such good form today. CC, BOB & shortlisted in the group, can only get better & deserves his title;

2 Wilcox's Pipeaway Zonic Tonic for Merynjen, a lovely dog deserving top honours, has the most beautiful outline & superb neck & shoulders, so very well constructed & strong on the move, lovely bone & short tail used so well, in immaculate condition & well handled;

3 Walkling's Penwest Phineas at Kiswahili.

### **Open Dog (9,3)**

1 Isherwood's Symitry Russian Roulette, a classy dog winning on his outstanding movement & excellent conformation, kind eye & expression, beautiful neck & front assembly, flowing topline & tailset, so much strength in hindquarters, correct bone & feet, pushed hard for top honours;

2 Simmons' Sh Ch Crookrise Macawly at Galema, just my type & has that special expression, lovely eyes, correct dish, very well made & balanced throughout. Didn't move out today as I have seen him before but a beautiful dog;

3 Parsons' Pipeaway Gold Radiance.

### **Veteran Bitch (4,1)**

- 1 Isherwood's Pipeaway Focus Fascination with Symitry, o/w, dam of OD winner, such a well put together bitch in every department, & this shows in her free flowing strong movement, she stormed round the ring, very pretty head & kind eye, correct bone, short tail. BV overall;
- 2 Naden's Sh Ch Dark Star over Wychwood, b/w, such a beautifully balanced bitch, her head is quite lovely & with the most feminine of expressions, quality throughout & has just the right amount of angulation, flowing topline, neat feet & short tail. Was feeling the heat & didn't move out as I know she can;
- 3 Cardiff's Hello Dolly at Prosperity.

### **Minor Puppy Bitch (8,2)**

- 1 Isherwood's Symitry Gold Brocade, a beautifully made bitch, was pleased to find this when I assessed her, lovely head & expression, super outline, good front & hindquarters, won on her soundness & drive;
- 2 Mason's Freebreeze As You Like It, a very pretty ,sound puppy, very close up to 1, really lovely, typical expression, pretty eyes & plenty of work in head, moved steadily & used her tail, very promising;
- 3 Anthony's Jilony Dancing On Air.

### **Puppy Bitch (7)**

- 1 Tibbs' Raigmore Let It Shine, eye catching puppy with the most beautiful, feminine head & expression, kind eye, soft well developed lip, balanced body, lovely outline, clean shoulder line & moved soundly, just right for age;
- 2 Westron's Aurichalcum Oh Mon Dieu, a super outline on this puppy, pretty head, strong well constructed body, reachy neck, good depth, moved soundly, well handled;
- 3 Smith's Hawkfield Let's Cause Truble.

### **Junior Bitch (11,2)**

- 1 Crawte's Bestina Black Opal at Leascliffe, b/w, has the sweetest of heads, a really elegant, eyecatching bitch, her overall construction is very good, good front & shoulders, sweeping outline, good quarters, moved with drive & kept her elegance on the move;
- 2 Berkeley's Casilex Black Ice, same sire as 1 & he has put his stamp on both, much to like, scores in construction & so moves out soundly, pretty feminine head, good front, fine shoulders, well angulated hindquarters, correct tailset;
- 3 Westaway's Penwest Phedra.

### **Yearling Bitch (8,1)**

- 1 Siddle's Wilchrimane Fleur-De-Lys, b/w, nothing exaggerated about this bitch, presented a pleasing picture, classic Pointer head with well defined stop, kind eye, strong body, deep chest, well balanced, very striking on the move;
- 2 Barker's Flinthill Jenny Wren, beautiful head, loved her feminine expression, kind eye & real Pointer character, well balanced throughout with good angulation, correct oval bone, neat tail, sound mover;
- 3 Stangroom's Medogold Wannabeposh for Lappakia.

### **Novice Bitch (6,2)**

- 1 Casliex Black Ice;
- 2 Welch's Hookwood Blonde Bombshell o/w, very pretty puppy with beautiful eye. Not the angulation of 1. Good topline, correct bone, neat tail, moved well & used her tail;
- 3 Swift's Hamsbeck Persuasion.

### **Graduate Bitch (5)**

1 Yeo's Wilchrmane Desert Rose at Trexon, o/w, litter sister to yearling winner & this bitch also appealed in every way, sweet head & feminine expression good topline, front & hindquarters, well set tail, moved out well;

2 Stangroom's Medogold Wannabeposh for Lappakia, striking bitch, excelling in conformation & movement, pleasing head, very good front & strong over loin, excellent hindquarters, resulting in driving, positive movement;

3 Jones' Tafakis For My Love.

### **Post Graduate Bitch (16,5)**

1 Barker's Flinthill Wild Thyme, b/w, super bitch & had everything I was looking for in a Pointer bitch, classic head with that lovely eye giving such a gentle expression, flows from her strong well angulated front, level topline & stands on well angulated hindquarters, immaculate tailset completes the picture, typical oval feet, substantial oval bone, when she moved she displayed such verve, lashing her short, correct tail, a top quality bitch. CC;

2 Bastin's Shanandi Katarina to Jarobede, very pretty bitch with lovely eyes, good dish & lots of work in head, reachy neck, lovely body shape, good depth, neat tail set on well, moved out very well;

3 Milford's Haramander Tangerine Dream.

### **Limit Bitch (16) What a class.**

1 Evans & Rawlings' Joneva Waiting In The Wings, different to CC winner but another one deserving top honours, excels in outline & is completely balanced throughout, conformation is flawless, flowing topline is completed with a short, well set tail, has a particular presence about her as she stands & maintains this on the move, sweet expression on this bitch & very feminine;

2 Edmondson's Crookrise White Lace, what a special bitch, has a head which very few possess – that special eye shape & melting expression that is true Pointer, absolutely gorgeous, very close up to 1, well made body, balanced throughout, sound movement;

3 Young's Aurichalcum Two To Tango.

**Open Bitch (13,2)** All the bitches in my line-up were top quality &, sadly, several lovely bitches were cardless, I could have shortlisted most of the class & was utterly spoilt for choice.

1 Parsons' Pipeaway Polly Garters, b/w, this bitch took my breath away, stunning in outline, oozes quality & type, pretty head, correct amount of dish, reachy neck & good flow over shoulders, grand depth, scores in hindquarters, covered so much ground & kept her elegance simultaneously. RCC;

2 Grime & Byrne's Ansona Fool Britannia at Enryb, loved this bitch, has that true Pointer character in her make up, lovely gentle, feminine expression, strong balanced body, short Pointer tail, had that lovely flow on the move & is so elegant;

3 Preece's Pipeaway Nellie Melba of Harvestlade.

### **Judge - JANET DRAKE**