

Richmond Championship Show

Sunday 13th September 2009

Firstly I must thank Richmond Dog Show Society for inviting me to judge and for making me so welcome and secondly I thank the exhibitors for such a quality entry, and for the way they sportingly took my decisions in some close run classes. I found the quality of male dogs much improved since my previous judging appointment and movement much improved with very few exhibits with hackney action, which is most encouraging for the future of the breed.

VETERAN DOG: No Entries

PUPPY DOG (5,1a)

1st Siddle's Wilchrimane Black Ice: B/W, pleasing all through and well balanced. Typical head with dark eye and well set ears, long clean neck and well set shoulders. Well bodied for age with strong quarters and correct tail set. Moved with drive. BP

2nd Yeo.s Thorncross Cornish Crusade at Trexon: B/W built on similar lines as one and pushed hard for first placing. Not quite so tidy on the move, but will mature. These two could change places at any show.

3rd Marsh's Sharnphilly Redshank for Ratchda.

JUNIOR DOG (4)

1st Tibb's Raigmore Dusk Till Dawn Cjw09. B/W very rangy at the moment, but liked his head carriage and outlook. Has all the essentials, but need to settle and mature on.

2nd Theobald's Kiswahili Kai at Tycarreg: B/W smaller and more compact than one, and a nicely built dog, but refused to give his best and co operate with his owner, so had to pay the penalty.

3rd Mole's Bluemantle Alfie Garnet.

YEARLING DOG (3,1a)

1st Westron's New Fragrance Do Vale Carvoeiro at Aurichalcum. O/W tall and rangy at the moment, has a lovely quality head, balanced body and quarters with well bent stifles and low set hocks. Movement needs to tighten up. He needs time to mature.

2nd Simmond's Hurwyn Morning Glory at Honeywood. O/W built on similar lines as one and similar type. Lost out on movement to one and again needs time to mature.

POST GRADUATE DOG (12,2a)

1st Naden's Wychwood Love over Gold O/W Beautiful, quality dog, stood out in this class. Classic head, with gentle expression. Long, clean neck into well angulated shoulders. Good spring of rib and let down brisket. Strong angulated quarters. Correct bone structure. Moved soundly using his tail. Pushed hard for res CC.

2nd Smith's Lypal Pukka Tukka. B/W. These two dogs took my eye on entering the ring. Well balanced dog with good head, shoulders and strong quarters. One of the few shown in hard condition. Strong, sound mover, but in this high quality company missed out on first because of his high tail carriage, which spoilt his outline on the move.

3rd Yeo's Trexon Tick Tack.

LIMIT DOG (11,1a)

1st Yeo's Trexon Travellers Trick Sh.CM L/W medium sized dog, but what quality. Stood out in the ring and wasn't disappointed going over him. Typical head, expression and good ear set. Long, clean neck let into angulated shoulders. Good body and spring of ribs, strong muscled quarters and correct tail set. Moved soundly and with drive off low set hocks. Shown in hard condition. Res CC in this company, but should surely gain his show title.

2nd Wood's Stockend Lewis B/W another medium sized dog just full of quality. Liked his head and expression. Good body and quarters and again very sound on the move and shown in hard condition. Unlucky to meet one.

3rd Wood's Stockend Winchester.

OPEN DOG (10) An excellent class of top quality dogs.

1st Wood's Stockend Jameson B/W haven't seen since a puppy, but has matured into. A super dog. Medium size and not over done in any way. Filled the ring with his presence and sound movement, driving hard off his hocks and using his tail. Shown in hard condition. A dog fully "fit for purpose", having won an award in a field trial, Today, I was told made him into a Ch, winning his 3rd CC and BOB. Well Done.

2nd Swift's Hampsbeck Chaos Sh.CM Very similar in type to one, a dog difficult to fault and full of quality. Well balanced all through and very sound on the move. Unlucky to meet one.

3rd Wilson's Bonnygate Imperial Choice.

VETERAN BITCH (1)

1st Naden's ShCh Trendmere Dark Star over Wychwood Sh.CM. Stood alone in this class, but a very worthy winner. Still shows her quality lines, with lovely head and expression and still very sound on the move. A privilege to judge her. Best Veteran.

PUPPY BITCH (4,1a)

1st Welch's Hookwood Back to Back B/W medium sized puppy. Good body for her age, but her head need to break and there is plenty of time for this. Tidy and sound on the move, but didn't have quite the quality I was looking for in the puppy challenge. I am sure that she will improve as she matures.

2nd Coombe's Wilchrimane Doodlebug. Lovely headed puppy with gorgeous expression, but just a real baby and needs time to come on, but the quality is there and her day will come I am sure.

3rd McFarlane's Sharnphilly Avocet.

JUNIOR BITCH (6)

1st Kiddy's Meadogold Be My Baby at Millpoint L/W Substantially made bitch. Pleasing head, clean neck and well angulated shoulders. Mature in body with strong quarters. Very sound on the move. Would like her to fine off as she matures.

2nd Simmon's Calderside Songbird at Honeywood: L/W built on quality lines. Liked her head and expression. Medium size and true pointer type. Thought that she was my winner, but her movement let her down and had to pay the price. Two very promising bitches.

3rd Smith's Raigmore Dawn Chorus.

YEARLING BITCH (7,1a)

1st Tibb's Raigmore Let it Shine: O/W Lovely typey bitch, have watched since a puppy. Medium size, but full of quality. Gorgeous head and expression. Good body. Bright and happy on the move. Needs to mature, but one to watch for the future.

2nd Turnbull's Bonnygate Krystal Roses at Beridew: B/W Unlucky to meet one. Slightly larger bitch than one, but built on the same lines. Another lovely headed bitch, with lovely body shape. Very sound on the move. Her day will come.

3rd Blowers's Bonnygate Karriage Queen of Deadaway. A trio of lovely bitches and will always change places for top awards.

POST GRADUATE BITCH (20,1a) What a lovely class and so sorry that so many good ones had to go cardless.

1st Smith's Hawkfield Lets Cause Trouble JW: B/W headed this quality line up. With her true pointer style. Excellent head and expression. Good balanced body and very sound on the move. Pushed hard for res CC, but her hind movement let her down in the challenge. Her day will come.

2nd Paton & Jones's Scarlet Sceptre with Bunnahabhain: B/W another medium sized bitch. Not quite the style of one, but couldn't leave her out. She was placed on her true pointer character and sound movement. Never stopped wagging her tail and was really enjoying her day out.

3rd Cardiff's Prosperity Sheer Elegance.

LIMIT BITCH (12,1) Again, what a class! I was spoilt for choice

1st Cardiff's Prosperity my Fair Lady: Lem/W Could not take my eyes off her. Her quality stood out. Built on classic lines, with plenty of scope. True Pointer head and expression. Balanced body. Good angulated shoulders and strong angulated hind quarters, which produced sound movement, driving off her hocks. Couldn't deny her the CC with that sort of presence and movement. Hope that she goes on to win the other two.

2nd Wilson's Bonnygate Just Diana: Another good O/W, excels in head. Has true Pointer character, as they all do from this kennel. Has matured into a lovely bitch. Shown in good hard condition. Just failed on her hind movement. She again was unlucky to meet one.

3rd Yeo's Wilchrimane Desert Rose at Trexon

OPEN BITCH (15,4) What a class! I was honoured to have so many top quality bitches to judge. I needed two sets of prize cards to do them all justice.

1st Evans & Rawlings ShCh Joneva Waiting on The Wings: B/W top quality bitch and very difficult to fault. True Pointer character and what a show girl. Really enjoying her day out. Just asked to win this class, but didn't give her best in the challenge when on the move, so in this company had to pay the price. Res CC. Will always be at the top.

2nd Turnbull's Juennerfly Angelica at Beridew: B/W Very close to one and very similar in type. Just preferred the outline of one when standing. Sound on the move and will always be up with the best. Unlucky to meet one, but her day will come.

3rd Huxley's Woodfleet Siennarain.

Maggie Northcott - Judge