

The Pointer Club of Scotland Champ Show

Sunday 3rd October 2010

How thrilled I was to be invited to judge this show and I thoroughly enjoyed my day. There was a friendly and welcoming atmosphere, and the audience was very appreciative of each class. There were some lovely pointers present and some difficult decisions. I was looking for soundness and true Pointer type, Heads were varied, but there were some excellent ones. The quality of the entry was high. Several very good exhibits had incorrect front action, which cost them their places.

Best in Show was Sh. Ch. Ansona Fool Britannia at Enryb JW.

Reserve best in show was Sh.Ch. Pipeaway Sugar Raye.

Best puppy was Bonnygate Lady Annie.

VETERAN DOG (5,1) lovely class of 4 good dogs.

1st Martin's Sh.Ch. Jilony Believe In Sunhouse SH.CM. A worthy Sh.Ch. of superb make and type. Strongly constructed with good masculine head, very good angulation and outline. Really drove round the ring.

2nd Wilson's Bonnygate Imperial ChoiceSH.CM. Different type. Lighter in build and so fit with flowing outline, good correct oval feet, short tail, lovely gentle, yet masculine expression. Another one which drove elegantly round the ring.

3rd Mason's Aurichalcum The Renegade.

PUPPY DOG (1)

1st Sutton's Whinbarrow Persian War. 11 month old b/w of good type. Soundly constructed which resulted in correct movement. Well laid back shoulders, good bend of stifle, neat tail, correct oval bone, pleasing head with well-defined stop. His handler persevered in 3 classes, and his movement settled as he went on. Just needs more ringcraft.

JUNIOR DOG (4,1)

1st Adams' and Grimes' Ansona Simple Simon J.W. A really elegant young dog with such presence. Super outline, good tailset, long, slightly arched neck, well constructed throughout. Moved soundly and with style. Presented in immaculate condition and handled so well.

2nd Tibbs' Raigmore Skeewiff JUN Ch Loved his type. Excellent outline, good angulation front and back. What a lovely head with bright, kind eyes. Short tail which he used on the move. Another lovely dog, pushing no.1 hard.

3rd Whitham's Moordale Maritime At Sedgekirk.

YEARLING DOG (5,1)

1st Robertshaw's Crookrise Forest This dog exhibited true Pointer type for me. Such a well proportioned head with true dish, well developed soft lip and plenty of work in the head. Such a kind eye which I was looking for. A neat dog, sound and balanced throughout.

2nd Hall's Gartarry Peregrine Another dog showing true Pointer type. Strongly made throughout with well bent stifles and pleasing head and expression. Strong, oval bone, correct feet. Appealed to me!

3rd Hamilton's and Gordon's Hawkfield Loves A Scoundrel.

MAIDEN DOG (1)

1st Sutton's Whinbarrow Persian War.

NOVICE DOG (5)

1st Robertshaw's Crookrise Forest.

2nd Gordon's Hawkfield loves A Scoundrel This dog is particularly well constructed. Settled well in this class and moved out very well. Very good length of neck and excellent well laid shoulders. Very good oval bone and correct Pointer feet. Masculine expression.

3rd Tibbs' Raigmore Alladin Sane.

GRADUATE DOG (3)

1st Yeo's. Thorncross Cornish Crusade at Trexon Super outline. Racy yet with the graceful curves that are so typical. He is so balanced and free moving, with correct oval bone and resilient pasterns and feet. Really liked his head and expression.

2nd Robertshaw's Crookrise Forest.

3rd Wilkinson's Flinthill Jumping Jack.

POST GRADUATE DOG (10)

1st Hinton's Fleurfields Flambeau Excellent dog from all angles. He really commanded this class from the start. Stunning outline with overall strength, but graceful right down to his correct tail. Very good shoulder placement, front and rear angulation. Lovely, masculine head with soft expressive eyes. Excellent feet and pasterns, and his movement was so sound. R.C.C.

2nd Simmons' Galema Highlander. Another eyecatching dog. Just my type and his head and expression made me melt. Good body properties and moved out well. Correct oval bone and feet.

3rd Martin's Sunhouse Believe It Or Not JW. ShCM.

LIMIT DOG (9) Strong class.

1st Raigmore Dusk Till Dawn J.W.CJW09 Everything was just right with this dog. Really loved his character and type. Good angulation which allowed him to move with purpose. A stylish dog with a truly masculine, yet gentle expression. Really liked him and he pushed hard for the Res.CC.

2nd Boyd's and Hinton's Fleurfields Flame For Glowmist another one that caught my eye. Masculine head with correct stop and kind expression. Good body properties with flowing topline, good angulation and excellent tailset and neat tail. Feet were made for the purpose.

3rd Walkling's Penwest Phineas For Kiswahili JW.

OPEN DOG (7) 3 lovely dogs - all very different in type.

1st Parsons' Sh.Ch. Pipeaway Sugar Raye To go over this dog is to experience something special. , from his beautiful head to his superb body properties, legs, feet and tail. He is a true pointer and has that bit extra in the style league. What a shame that he was unsettled on the move, but I deliberated, and decided that I liked him too much to deny him the C.C. I did see him move out soundly.

2nd Beesley's Birchleith Barbican Beau. Have given this dog a Res.C.C. and haven't changed my opinion of him. Excellent outline, very good neck and shoulders and correct angulation. Deep body, neat tail, correct feet and moved out so true. Another strong contender for top honours and is such a good all round Pointer.

3rd Gordon's Hawkfield Sunkissed Sea.

SPECIAL BEGINNERS DOG

1st Whinbarrow Persian War.

VETERAN BITCH (2,1)

1st Mason's Crookrise Touch Of Gold. What a beautiful bitch! Her head is superb in shape, so much work, just enough dish, and her eyes truly lovely, with that fullness and brightness. Such fine ears and everything correct in outline, feet, bone and short, neat tail. Really loved her and shortlisted her for the C.C. Best Veteran.

FIELD TRIAL BITCH (1)

1st Blowers' Bonnygate Just A Madam For Deadaway. Very fit and active reflecting her good sound conformation. Pretty, feminine head, grand outline, neat tail, excellent feet. Moved out soundly and happily.

PUPPY BITCH (3,1)

1st Wilson's Bonnygate Lady Annie

2nd Coone's Bonnygate Lady Whisper Of Valleypoint

Splitting hairs between these two. So much alike, with a lot to like about them both. Both very feminine and moved out well. Could change places at any time. Slightly appealed to me more in head, while 2 seemed stronger in front.

B.P.I.S.

JUNIOR BITCH (7,4)

1st Andrews and Ledger's Aurichalcum Miss Tified Ledgands Ir.Jun.Ch. A stunning bitch with superb outline and strength. Very true to type and well-constructed. Pretty expression and excellent profile to head. Flowed around the ring. One to watch.

2nd Tibbs' Raigmore Bawbee. Another nice bitch from this kennel. Lovely type and with the sweetest of heads and that lovely eye I was looking for. Good front assembly, topline and neat lashing tail.

3rd Grime's and Byrne's Ansona Jenny Wren.

YEARLING BITCH (10,2a)

1st Andrews and Ledger's Aurichalcum Miss Tified Ledgands.

2nd Hall's Gartarry Chiff Chaff. This bitch also appealed. So very well constructed with correct oval feet and short tail. Excellent neck and shoulder placement and sound, strong stifles. Moved out well.

3rd Robertshaw's Crookrise Rushlight.

NOVICE BITCH (5)

1st Madigan's Misperros Jumanji. Surprised to see this very nice bitch still in novice. Pretty head with lots of work. Good topline, front assembly and well angulated hindquarters. Moved steadily and soundly.

2nd Wilson's Bonnygate Lady Annie.

3rd Coones' Bonnygate Lady Whisper Of Valleypoint.

GRADUATE BITCH (10,2)

1st Anderson-Rowell's Wyndhead Mette Marit. What a sweet bitch!. Loved everything about her. Full of pointer character from her gorgeous, feminine head, fine, well set ears, long neck, and so balanced throughout. Moved well. I would just like a little more strength and size, but she is a beautiful bitch.

2nd Barker's Flinthill Daisy Chain. Very appealing bitch of quality. Strong and well made throughout. Not quite as settled as 1. But a beautiful bitch in construction, type and with the kind of head I was looking for with true Pointer expression.

3rd Fewster's Kiswahili Kimi.

POST GRADUATE BITCH (8,3)

1st Craik's Scobec Pure Passion. I have simply written 'exquisite'. Her head is truly beautiful, with those bright, soft eyes. She combines strength with femininity and balance. The angulation both front and back is so balanced and this shows in her sound, settled movement. She has correct feet, oval bone and a short neat tail, which she used on the move. R.C.C and well deserved.

2nd Heaton's Brackenstyle Deuce. Bigger bitch but balanced and full of Pointer type. She, too, had that expression and eye that I was looking for. Correct front, good topline which she held on the move. Drove soundly round the ring.

3rd Nelis'Freebreeze Reflected Glory.

LIMIT BITCH (8,2)This class caused me the biggest headache as they were all quality bitches and I could have done with several first prize cards.

1st Macmanus' Crookrise Moondance At Luneville. Won on her sheer lovely Pointer type. Beautiful head of outstanding proportions. That superb 'full'eye that is so special. Good body shape, feet, short correct Pointer tail. Moved out well. An eye catching bitch.

2nd Hinton's Fieldstone Fascination With Fleurfields. Loved her sound and excellent conformation. A truly quality bitch with feminine expression, particularly good neck and shoulder placement, strong body and well ribbed. Grand bend of stifle and moved out so well. A difficult decision.

3rd Mason's Freebreeze As You like It.

OPEN BITCH (10) What a beautiful class which I was honoured to judge.

1st Grimes' Sh.Ch. Ansona Fool Britannia At Enryb JW. She came! She saw! She conquered! At least she came and conquered my heart as soon as I saw her. One of the most feminine bitches I have set eyes on. She certainly has that special something which sets her apart. Not only is she 'Pointer' all through, but she has a certain elegance in her head carriage and movement which is a joy to behold. She has the sweetest of heads, again with that beautiful eye, fine leathers, good reach of neck, the most perfect of well laid shoulders. Completely balanced with good bend of stifle, correct tail, super feet and pasterns. My worthy B.I.S.

2nd Huxley's Ch. Woodfleet Siennarain Another super bitch, scoring on absolute soundness and style. Lovely head properties, excellent topline and tailset. Movement free and absolutely correct. Liked her a lot!

3rd Tibbs' Sh.Ch. Raigmore Let It shine JW CW.

Brace (5)

1st Robertshaw's beautifully matched pair, moving and showing off their true Pointer Character.

2nd Stangroom's attractive and well matched, free moving pair.

3rd Mason's pair.

K.C. Breeders competition: Robertshaw's excellent type of Pointers.