

The Pointer Club Championship Show

Saturday 20th April 2013

DOGS:

I was delighted to be invited to judge Pointer dogs at this Breed Club Championship show. My co-judge Lynne Hinton and I were in total agreement on our joint decisions:

B.I.S. Bedson & Earl's Caithpoint Sugar Babe

R.B.I.S. Alcorn & Lynn's Sh Ch Afterglow Bare Face Lie at Kanix ShCM

B.P. Harrison's Millpoint Hopes N'Dreams

B.V. Wilkinson's Ch Hurwyn Eau de Cologne

I was looking for sound stylish dogs correctly made. A few lovely exhibits were penalised for tail set and tail carriage which ruins the graceful outline. General condition was not as I would have hoped, muscle tone lacking in many. However, I was happy with my final line-up and I thank you all for giving me the opportunity to go over your dogs.

VETERAN DOG (7, 2abs)

1st Udale's Freddie Flintoff. Beautiful headed dog who strode around the ring in super hard condition, balanced and strong and fit as a fiddle.

2nd Wilson's Bonnygate Imperial Choice ShCM. Business like dog of smaller proportions but of excellent type, solid black head and dark eye added to his appeal. Well angulated.

3rd Wilcox's Sh Ch Pipeaway Zonic Tonic for Merynjen JW ShCM.

MINOR PUPPY DOG (6, 0)

1st Tait's Moordale Manhattan, 6 months old. B&W baby nice head, dark eye, good lip and neat ears. Correct angles, hindquarters and tail, when settled on loose lead showed a nice stride. Will have to keep it together to hold off his litter brother. BPD

2nd Tait's Moordale Muskateer, liver & white, much same comments as 1, but more developing to do in head, plenty of promise will watch those two with interest.

3rd Sillince's Tomlow Deja Vu.

PUPPY DOG (6, 2abs)

1st Welch's Hookwood Only Me. Strong upstanding dog, nice all through, good pasterns and feet, front, tail and set, moved well, just preferred head shape of M.P.D.in challenge.

2nd Booth's Kanix Garfunkel. Solid head, good expression, strong body just coming into a teenage stage which showed on the move.

3rd Isherwood's Symitry Red Rascal. Naughty but nice, what a shame he couldn't keep his feet on the ground.

JUNIOR DOG (15, 3abs) Lovely class.

1st Watkins & Davies Hurwyn Law N Order. Very balanced b&w with beautiful clean lines, eye catching head. Not a big one, but super showman moving with drive, given a little more time to fill his frame should be top notch. Best Junior.

2nd Tobin & Moss' Davigdor Rough and Tumble JW. Beautiful headed o&w, good eye with intelligent expression. More mature than 1. In body but not as yet the ring presence. Covered the ground well.

3rd Adams' Ansona Peter Pan.

YEARLING DOG (11, 3abs).

1st Dodd's Raigmore Light up the Sky for Lyncarda. Lit up my day, how this boy has come on. Medium sized O&W, kind expression, intelligent eye, clean lines with lovely outline and graceful curves, well coupled, powerful hindquarters, easy purposeful movement. Serious contender for top spot.

2nd Adams' Ansona Peter Pan. Love the character of this youngster, he is stuffed with pointer type, just a bit raw, another year at least to see maturity.

3rd Gordon & Stokes' Wozopeg Sesame (Imp Hun).

MAIDEN DOG (3, 1abs).

1st Westron's Tenshilling Makin Whoopee at Aurichalcum O&W stylish young dog with super head shape dark points, clean lines throughout. One of the few today in hard condition, covered the ground on the move with youthful exuberance.

2nd Sillince's Tomlow Deja Vu. 3rd in M.P, more settled on the move in this class. Well turned out pup in good bloom just needs time and unlucky to meet 1.

NOVICE DOG (5, 3abs)

1st Brown's Teisgol Think About It. B&W well balanced slightly lighter in frame but all in right place. Nice youngster who moved well.

2nd Tregaskis' Moenfair Choirboy. Upstanding B&W slightly broader in skull to 1 but still held kind expression. Strong hindquarters and nice tail set and shape. Didn't put his all in on move.

DEBUTANT DOG

1st Watkins & Davies's Hurwyn Law and Order.

2nd Adams' Ansona Peter Pan

3rd Booth's Kanix Garfunkel

GRADUATE DOG (11, 2abs)

1st Bedson & Earl's Caithpoint Hot Chocolate compact liver and white of medium build, pleasing head and expression, good angulation, Moved with drive and grand lashing tail but lost it a bit in next class.

2nd Mitchell's Gartarry Moonshine over Staxyll. O&W Pulled out all the stops to impress unlucky to meet a more mature dog in 1. Just needs more time to fill his frame and complete the picture. The very best of heads, super flues and leathers, dark kind eyes melting expression, lovely clean lines.

3rd Adams' Ansona Peter Pan.

POST GRADUATE DOG (14, 2abs)

1st Gordon's Hawkfield Let's go Crackers . Mature male put down in fine condition. Well defined head, fine small leathers, correct lip, admired his body shape and clean flowing lines, strong hindquarters good tail and set. Moved well but flagged in the challenge.

2nd Tarling's Esrew's Sir Walter Raleigh. Well-proportioned B&W covered his ground well standing and on move. Enough work in head and kindly expression. Best of feet and pasterns.

3rd Bedson & Earl's Caithpoint Hot Chocolate.

MID LIMIT DOG (8, 1abs). Excellent class

1st Harrison's Heat Wave JW Caught my eye on entering the ring and was not disappointed going over him. All in proportion, attractive head and expression, medium build, deep brisket, good feet and pasterns, top line and tail and set. Moved powerfully with long stride Put down in first class condition. Still under 2 yrs old he needs a bit more time to reach full maturity but am sure we have a new star in the making.

2nd Best's Shadesett Keep on Believin for Bestina. How tough to meet 1. Another lovely boy, excellent head shape and expression, balanced body, shoulders, good feet and pasterns. Moved well with a forward stride but did not have the showmanship of 1.

3rd Miller's Better Believe It.

LIMIT DOG (13, 0)

1st Tycarreg Strangely Familyr JW ShCM. Business like B&W in excellent condition. Not a big one but so well put together, flows from head to tail carries his top line on the move. Very attractive picture and handled well. Unfortunately just could not match my two stallions for top honours.

2nd Marsh's Sharnphilly Redshank for Ratchda. Pushed 1 hard. Have never seen him move better really taking the ring on. Best of heads and kind expression, correct front, feet & pasterns and one of few using his tail.

3rd Tait's Moordale Beach Comber

OPEN DOG (7, 0)

1st Alcorn & Lynn's Sh Ch Afterglow Bare Face Lie at Kanix ShCM. Delighted to have the opportunity to go over this dog at last having admired him from ringside. Filled my eye standing over his ground and on the move where he strode out as one with his handler. Well chiseled head, clean neck and body, well coupled, neat tail. All male aristocrat in his prime. DCC / RBIS

2nd Evans & Pavey's Sh Ch Joneva Diamond in the Rough JW. Pushed 1 all the way, best of heads, melting expression, excellent body shape, feet and pastern. Free flowing action on move. RDCC.

3rd Adams' Sh Ch Ansona Simple Simon JW ShCM.

SPECIAL WORKING GUNDOG DOG (3, 1abs)

1st Marsh's Sharnphilly Redshank for Ratchda

2nd Westron's Aurichalcum Lord Beckett of Castlepoint. O&W In his prime well muscled up with just right covering, Beautiful head and expression.

BEGINNERS DOG (10,0)

1st Miller's Better Believe It. b&w of good proportions, mature, kind expression good head shape, feet and pasterns moved very well. Stood 3rd in strong mid limit class.

2nd Smith's Fydal Ace nice sort good all through but still needs to finish and tighten on movement.

3rd Coombes's Wilchrimane Xsytin. Fit dog in hard muscular condition not matched today. Shame he didn't enjoy the standing part!

Geraldine O'Driscoll – Judge (DOGS)

BITCHES

It was an honour to judge a lovely entry at the breed club show. A warm sunny day and good atmosphere made it complete. My final bitch line up was very pleasing and the top classes had quality in depth, and as always some of my favourites were together in the same classes and then it came down to performance on the day.

VETERAN BITCH (12, 4)

1st Sh Ch Hurwyn Eau de Cologne, Liked her type, eye and expression, though less animated than 2 she moved soundly. BVIS

2nd Sh Ch Tomlow Night and Day, bigger bitch also with lovely balance, head and expression, moved out well.

3rd Lowsmoor Echo Falls, nicely made bitch, steady mover in excellent condition.

MINOR PUPPY BITCH (9)

This was a very nice class, some of the younger puppies were of lovely type but just had to give way to performance and maturity.

1st Millpoint Hopes n Dreams, Good head, lovely construction, best of feet and pasterns, she flows from her nose to correctly set and used tail, strode out with reach and drive, hope she's finished growing, but presented a most pleasing picture and with co-judge, no hesitation in awarding her BPIS

2nd Medogold Putting On The Style, she also is very well made, lovely lay of shoulder and upper arm, fine ears and very alert expression not yet as controlled on the move as 1 but promising.

3rd Lowsmoor Little Karoo, not nearly so mature, but holding a lovely shape on the move, correct through out and has refinement.

PUPPY BITCH (9, 3abs)

1st Tenshilling Rumour Has It, Lovely chiseling in the head and kind expression, well sprung rib, correct bone, moved out well, just felt not as precise on the move as the minor puppy, but very pleasing.

2nd Bestina Betty Boop, Good head and eye, liked her neck, shoulders and upper arm and balance to stifle and neat hocks, but she was quite unsettled at times, which spoilt the picture.

3rd Dovehayes Gavotte, insisted on standing on tip toe and stiffening herself when stacked but on the move when she relaxed, looked very different, then she a very nice shape and held her topline.

JUNIOR BITCH (11, 2)

1st Hurwyn Black Caviar, full of pointer type, most lovely head with plenty of work, bright expression and slight dish, flowing outline with no break from nose to a good tail, took time to settle on the move and get her tail up, but when she did moved well and drove well off her neat hocks.

2nd Radcliffe's Sniperay Sacred Lily, bigger make than 1, head pleasing nice eye and expression, arched neck, best of shoulders, very well muscled, strong loin and though she did play up a little on the move she strode out on a long low stride.

3rd Tomlow I Hope You Dance Very similar in type to 2 and she also was pleasing on the stack, not yet as coordinated on the move as above

YEARLING BITCH (10,1)

1st Hawkfield Giddy Kipper Very balanced with lovely work to head and melting expression, good spring of rib, depth of chest, nice arch to neck, lay of shoulders, strong over loin, well muscled, moved freely, correct shaped and carried tail, thought her lovely, just needs time to complete the picture.

2nd Dyers Sharnphilly Lulu Guinness Liked very much her for her lovely overall make and shape, just preferred the head and eye of 1.

3rd Hawkfield Spinayarn Over Indicum

MAIDEN BITCH (5)

1st Medogold Putting on The Style

2nd Hawkfield Spinayarn over Indicum

3rd Bradgate Ready To Rock

NOVICE BITCH (9)

- 1st Medogold Puttin on The Style
- 2nd Bradgate Ready to Rock.
- 3rd Crookrise Golden Slipper.

DEBUTANT BITCH (4)

- 1st Tomlow I Hope You Dance
- 2nd Teisgol Foxy Lady. Lovely moulded head with bright expressive eyes, nicely made all through, moved with lashing tail.
- 3rd Caithpoint in Excess

GRADUATE BITCH (10, 2)

- 1st Sharnphilly Juicie Cuture JW, loved her type and style make and shape, bright alert expression well proportioned head, fine ears, correct bone, in gleaming condition, stepped out from best of feet and pasterns and moved on a light free stride holding her topline, just needs a little more maturity.
- 2nd Fydal Ava, different in type but all pointer, lovely head with flared nostrils and slight dish, fine well placed ears, short coupled, correct oval bone, good tail and action, just preferred the shoulder of 1, but she also was most pleasing.
- 3rd Bonnygate Lady Annie, Liked her gorgeous expression full of mischief, neat compact body with good spring of rib and nicely made all through and moved really well with neat lashing tail, though handler had a job to keep up.

POST GRADUATE BITCH (17, 1)

- 1st Keepersfield Mama Mia, Won a big class on her lovely breed type, nothing overdone from a well chiseled head with gentle eye, through well sprung ribs to strong loin, in lovely muscled condition moved out with precise gait.
- 2nd Luneville Strawberry Moon. Really liked her. Has a lovely head and good eye colour, strong muscular neck, lovely feet and pasterns, good rib, a real fidget stacked but it was on the move when she came into her own, moved on a light stride, very typy and close up to 1.
- 3rd Handsway Lola Bel Aire, another well made bitch, lovely head and overall balance, not putting all in today.

MID LIMIT BITCH (11) A lovely class

- 1st Caithpoint Sugar Babe, Thought she lovely, has quality, type and such balance, from her well worked head with lovely eye, and neat ears, through neck to her excellent lay of shoulder and return of upper arm, this matched by same angle at stifle and second thigh, enabled her to move on a long, low, powerful stride, finished with well shaped and correctly carried tail, was pleased to award her 2nd CC and with my co judge BIS over the lovely dog.
- 2nd Hookwood Solar Star, another I really like, beyond her unusual head markings is nice work and gorgeous kind expressive eye, has the same balance and excellent movement, all parts flowing into the next, much younger and today not the maturity of 1, just needs time.
- 3rd Freebreeze As You Like It, another I have always loved for her real Pointer character and style, lovely head with dish and much work, fine well set ears, she has quality and on the move is lovely, full of breed character, very pleasing.

LIMIT BITCH (11)

- 1st Joneva Hazy Hazy Dream, Lovely head, slight dish, gentle eye, flared nostrils into arched and muscled neck, lovely shoulder and return of upper arm, giving extensive reach over the ground when she settled and co operating with handler, has quality but today just preferred size, flowing line and finish of the winner. RBCC
- 2nd Plasllyn Strike A Pose over Esrews. Was very taken with this bitch and she was very close up to 1, loved her type and general conformation, very well made and has an air of quality, was quite unsettled particularly on the move but thought her most pleasing.
- 3rd Tenshilling Do It Again, very nice head, lovely spring of rib, good coat generally pleasing all through well carried tail.

OPEN BITCH (12, 5)

1st Sh Ch Raigmore Let It Shine. Has much breed type, lovely work in head, she flows right through everything in balance, correct pasterns and feet, fine coat, and as always on the move never fails, strides out with lashing tail and exuberance. Close up, just marginally preferred the substance of cc winners but a quality bitch.

2nd Wychwood Midsomer Dream, Found her so correct throughout, from well worked head, bright eyes, good lay of shoulder, depth of chest, turn of stifle, good quality bone but with refinement, just not quite the exuberance on the move of 1 today.

3rd Sh Ch Ansona Lucy Locket, always liked her and she is very balanced and correct, today though precise in stride she seemed to just lack enthusiasm on the move.

SPECIAL WORKING GUNDOG BITCH (2, 1)

1st MacManus' Crookrise Arran at Luneville. Happy girl with very well defined head, nicely made through and moved well, with good tail carriage.

FIELD TRIAL BITCH (2)

1st Sh Ch Woodfleet Siennarain, most feminine balanced bitch, in excellent muscle and condition, fine coat, neat ears, kind expression, moved very well, driving off neat hocks with good tail action.

2nd Bonnygate Karriage Queen at Deadaway, also of nice size with refinement, liked her head and expression, tail and type.

SPECIAL BEGINNERS BITCH (6)

1st Fydal Ava

2nd Meadowpoint Spirit Dancer ShCM. Have done this bitch well before and presents a pleasing picture stacked, moved out freely on a long stride, today giving away a lot in maturity.

3rd Teisgol It's your Chance for Tichitamba. Liked her balance, head and general type.

Lynne Hinton – Judge (BITCHES)