

BATH CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

Saturday 28th May 2016

What a thrill to be asked to evaluate Pointers in England, where it all began. I remember watching the breed at Windsor many years ago when my good friend Tom Bradley was judging thinking that must be the pinnacle for a breeder. Well I am not a breeder of Pointers but whatever you are all doing please don't stop. It was fun when I looked at the catalog to see many familiar kennel prefixes from years ago. Thank you all for the lovely dogs. You made my day!

MINOR PUPPY DOG

1st Oddie's Sharnphilly Secretariat. What a way to start the day! Beautiful make and shape with lovely front and correct turn of stifle. His head screams pointer with correct planes and length and a lovely shape eye. Proper bone down to lovely feet. Carries a perfect topline on his easy way of going with correct slashing tail. Best Puppy on the Day.

2nd Wilberg's Kanix Mario. Attractive puppy with a proper outline, head and good bone. Felt he didn't move as easy as first.

PUPPY DOG A difficult class to evaluate as they are puppies and change by the moment.

1st Kirby's Pipeaway Master Design. Today this handsome fellow took first, although a naughty boy, he showed a lovely overall shape with a correct length to his head. He has a desired short loin, beautiful feet and a correct tail.

2nd Batchelor's Wilchrimane Clickety Clack To Kielderpoint. This puppy is lacking the correct angle in front which results in a higher wither and rounding off his topline when he moves. He has a lovely shaped head and eye and great bone. I believe time will be on his side!

JUNIOR DOG

1st Lathwell's Tinchitamba A Waiting Game

2nd Wilcox's Objet D'Art Du Morcaro at Merynjen (Imp)

NOVICE DOG

1st Batchelor's Wilchrimane Clickety Clack To Kielderpoint.

2nd Caravaggio Alchemy By Trosnant. An attractive dog with all the potential ready as he ages. Good balance with pleasing head. Really just a baby.

POST GRADUATE DOG

1st Walkling, Grantham & Moss' Aspyre Counting Sheep At Kiswahill (Imp) JW. Beautifully made and balanced dog floating around on the move. Beautiful finish to a correct head, correct angle to shoulder and stifle. Considered hard for top honours.

2nd Henson's Just Wilburt By Hookwood JW. A dog of gorgeous balance but would improve his return of upper arm. Lovely head, correct length of neck into a good topline, lots of well muscled second thigh, correct bone, wonderful tail. Not as clean coming and going as first.

LIMIT DOG

1st Oddie's Wilchrimane Igoyougo At Rio. From the moment I laid my eyes on this striking dog I was smitten. Whether standing or moving he is classic pointer. Beautiful head with good planes to dark, expressive eyes. Beautiful body with gorgeous ribbing, terrific bone and feet. In fit, well muscled condition, moving with tremendous reach and drive. Pleased to award him the CC.

2nd Welch's Hookwood By George JW ShCM. Handsome dog of correct size. Beautiful angles front and rear, proper length of body, good bone and correct tail and set. Gorgeous length of neck, well laid in. Different style than first, pushing him hard RCC.

OPEN DOG

1st Harrison's Sh Ch Millpoint Heat Wave JW ShCM. So very balanced standing or moving. Lovely head of correct proportion, great eye and correct planes. Short loin and proper tail. I needed more awards!

2nd Ir Sh Ch Kanix Fate Of Brent Cw15 JW ShCM CW15. I'm sure all those titles are correct! Beautiful dog of similar make and shape to first. Correct head, beautiful bone, lovely coming and going.

VETERAN DOG

1st O'Neill's Hurwyn Some Might Say JW. Well-proportioned dog with lovely expression standing on excellent bone. Best Veteran.

2nd Hoffman's Texas Ebony At Camairo. Also pleasing outline but showing his age a bit.

MINOR PUPPY BITCH

1st Dyer & Oddie's Sharnphilly Maybe Diva. Oh my, wish I Had room in my suitcase for this 7 month old baby. Do you think they would miss her? Beautiful balance front and rear, Lovely expression with dark eye. So sound on the move with beautiful reach and drive. I predict a fabulous future.

2nd Perkins' Glenariff Aristocrat Of Brent. Lovely puppy of good construction. Beautiful head and expression. Just not as good on the move today as number one.

PUPPY BITCH Always a challenging class with everyone at a different stage.

1st Norbury's Medogold Milk Shake. Love her name! Well balanced with correct return of upper arm and perfect short loin. Great tail, looks the part.

2nd Hinton & Knowles' Fleurfield Finlandia. Felt this is an outstanding puppy with beautiful lines and a super head but want to shorten that loin, a problem I found in many dogs. She has lovely head planes, dark eye and a good front.

JUNIOR BITCH

1st Stilgoe & Oliver's Asterope Lightening Star Via Teisgol. Attractive bitch, lovely outline, beautiful shoulder, balanced in rear, correct tail, lovely lean head and dark eye.

2nd Siddle, Crocker, Mederios & O'Neill's White Squall Seasyde Iced Tea (Imp). Pushing first hard, this bitch showed more maturity but lacked the front angles of number one. she has a lovely outline, pretty head with correct eye shape, good feet, carries tail a bit high.

NOVICE BITCH

1st Norbury's Medogold Milk Shake.

2nd Hinton & Knowles' Fleurfield Finlandia.

POST GRADUATE BITCH

1st Swannel's Sharnphilly Rio Bella. Stylish, beautifully made bitch with gorgeous head of correct planes. Proper bone, correct fill in front with a strong loin.

2nd Stilgoe & Oliver's Asterope Lightening Star Via Teisgol.

LIMIT BITCH

1st Bell's Ridanflight Runedd With Balintyne. Outstanding bitch of lovely balance both front and rear. Wonderful head planes and beautiful eye shape and color. She says Pointer in no uncertain terms! No excess anywhere, moving well.

2nd Smith's Lypal Once Upon A Time JW. Another lovely bitch of good balance with lots of nice things about her. Would give her better return of upper arm.

OPEN BITCH

1st Dyer's Sh Ch Sharnphilly Juci Culture JW. Leading a line of exquisite Pointer bitches, I could not deny this bitch the CC and BOB. She is beautifully balanced from her correct front to her wonderful turn of stifle and well made second thigh. Beautiful bone, feet and tail. Still feminine but glides around the ring. She gives you that picture and holds it on the move. Thrilled to have had this lineup with her at the front.

2nd Stuckey's Medogold Coralie Of Pendan JW ShCM. Imagine my surprise when I was told these first girls were half sisters. Not hard to believe. This bitch pushed first hard for her beautiful body and outstanding virtues. Preferred her darker eye but she was just not as finished as first. Reserve Bitch CC.

VETERAN BITCH

1st Stangroom's Lappakia Dune Song. Lovely senior with beautiful style and good on the move.

2nd Brooksmith's Smartbay Vintage Gold ShCM. Well made bitch of good virtues. Today not as smart on the move as first.

Mrs Ann F Yuhasz - judge