BORDER UNION CHAMPIONSHIP DOG SHOW Sunday 16th June 2024

Firstly, thank you to all exhibitors who braved the inclement weather and entered I truly appreciate it. I was pleased with all my winners but found the bitches better overall. There is such a variance in our breed now. The outside ring tested movement and unfortunately inside it was difficult for the exhibits to get going and move their dogs out freely.

MINOR PUPPY DOG (4 ent, 0 abs)

1st Harrison's Millpoint Watson. 8mth old b/w who is of good size and quite forward. He has a pleasing head, reach of neck, and good front assembly. Strong hindquarters enabled him to move steadily round the ring. 2nd O'Neill's Tenshilling ShBoom. Another promising b/w puppy who was not quite as steady on the move as 1 though sound. He is another well made youngster who is right for his age. Nice head with the kindest expression and built well all round.

3rd Wilcox's Harvestglade Fire And Ice through Merynjen. Another promising puppy worth a mention who could change places on other occasions.

PUPPY DOG (5 ent, 0 abs)

1st Marsh's Alozia Zealandia for Ratchda. This 11mth old liver/white is going through a bit of a 'gangly' stage which often happens with young dogs in our breed. However, this does not detract from his quality and refinement. Standing he has curves and elegance. Nice head and reach of neck into the best of fronts. Good hind angulation and excellent tail. Steady on the move. In maturity he should trouble the best. BPD.

2nd O'Neill's Tenshilling ShBoom.

3rd Harrisons Millpoint Winchester.

JUNIOR DOG (4 ent, 0 abs)

1st Tibbs' Raigmore Keep The Faith JW. Upstanding b/w at a slightly rangy stage. Nice head and expression. He has Pointer type and moved round the ring with reach and drive.

2nd Philo's Sunhouse Black Is Back at Salmonmist JW (ai). Very different type to 1. He is balanced and of a look from times gone by which I say as a compliment. Handsome head, good shoulders and not too long cast. Unfortunately, his handler could not move him to his best advantage. Another nice prospect.

3rd Black's Raigmore Defender Of Faith.

YEARLING DOG (7 ent, 1 abs)

1st Heaton's Freebreeze On Location at Brackenstyle. Another b/w who won on movement. A proper Pointer also needing time but with good type and refinement with overall breed characteristics. Lovely head, good shoulders and general conformation.

2nd Isherwood's Wilchrimane Let's Be Frank. O/w young dog who needs time to get it all together and took time to settle on the move as showed in his 2nd class winning Graduate. Pleasing head and expression. Good shoulder placement, length of back and strong hindquarters. Moved steadily but would like to see him taken round with a bit more speed to allow him to extend.

3rd Gerrard and Bell's Carmandine Oh Cmon Then JW.

NOVICE DOG (1 ent, 0 abs)

1st Marsh's Alozia Zealandia for Ratchda.

GRADUATE DOG (4 ent, 0 abs)

1st Isherwood's Wilchrimane Let's Be Frank.

2nd Phillips' Pencaire Sheeran. O/w young dog who has a pleasing head with good front and sloping pasterns, a well balanced dog who is quite short coupled. He moved steadily round the ring.

3rd Baker's Mattiboo Bohemian Rhapsody.

POST GRADUATE DOG (3 ent, 0 abs)

1st Sarrou & Hall's Gartarry New Kid In Town. Very nice o/w dog who I considered for higher honours. Looking really fit for function. Lovely head and expression, decent reach of neck, good shoulders with compact body and good angulation behind. Moved extremely well.

2nd Webb's Tenshilling Jimmy Mack. Close between 1 and 2 as both good examples of the breed. This dog was not so mature and slightly longer cast. Good head, front and overall conformation. Moved well. Another consistent type from this kennel.

3rd Philips' Pencaire Sheeran.

LIMIT DOG (11 ent, 2 abs)

1st Oddie's Chesterhope One Way Ticket (ai) (Imp NZL). This 2 and half year old b/w dog is really coming into his own. He is of overall medium size, many being too big in my opinion, and has strength and elegance. Kind expression with enough work in head, reach of neck, good shoulders with good return of upper arm. Held his topline on the move propelled by strong hindquarters. Presented so well he looked a picture.

Pleased to award him the DCC and BOB which he gained on maturity.

2nd Pattie's Wilchrimane Two For Tea. Another fine example of the breed. The most handsome head and kind expression. He has good shoulders and decent length of loin and is extremely fit and toned. He is a quality dog who should be looking for higher honours but doesn't always give his best to his owner/handler. 3rd Guy & Tuthill's Cumbrian Night King at Carofel.

OPEN DOG (6 ent, 0 abs)

1st Oliver & Stilgoe's Teisgol Love Is In The Air. This good sized o/w dog really is shown to best advantage by his handler. He has a lovely kind expression; his head is not exaggerated with enough work, good shoulders, very balanced and moves powerfully round the ring holding his top line. I'm sure he will gain his title and I was pleased to award him the RCC.

2nd Henshaw & Goodchild's Sharnphilly Vice Versa with Peteshe Sgwc. Another well built b/w who has recently gained his title. A balanced dog of nice size who is not exaggerated in any way who is certainly fit for function. He moved round the ring with strength and purpose.

3rd Philo's Tenshilling It's My Party for Salmonmist JW OSW ShCEx.

VETERAN DOG (3 ent ,0 abs)

1st O'Neill's ShCh Tenshilling Home Alone JW ShCM. This o/w dog never lets his owner down and does not show any real sign of aging. He has a super expression and is built well throughout enabling him to still power round the ring still being able to give many younger a run for their money.

2nd Gerrard & Galloway's Sharnphilly Santorelli with Carmandine. Smart upstanding b/w who has a nice head and well angulated body who moves as well as many younger than him. Very different in type to 1 who was unfortunately for him, on form.

3rd Mccudden's Forthbourne Fifth Gear.

MINOR PUPPY BITCH (3 ent, 0 abs)

1st Dunn's Meadowpoint Hocus Pocus. My notes say '*what a little cracker*'. This 7 mth old liver/w little girl is, in my opinion, what a puppy should look like. Plenty of substance but with refinement, she was well put together all through. Good head with sweet expression, nice shoulder placement with reach of neck, and held her topline while moving purposefully round the ring. She made me smile and award her BPIB.

2nd O'Neill & Timothy's Tenshilling Sweet Nothins. This nice b/w 7 month old was at a different growth stage to 1, but was an elegant young lady. She was not as well schooled as 1 but a lovely shape with a kind expression and decided she wasn't going to cooperate on the move and have a good look at her surroundings. When settled I'm sure she will do well in the future.

3rd Jenkins' Sniperay Ebony Pearl.

PUPPY BITCH (4 ent, 0 abs)

1st Gordon's Hawkfield Happy Times. Another real sweetie who was very much at home and enjoying herself. Not very tall at this stage of growth with a cracking head and the sweetest of expression. It was more difficult to assess movement in this class as the inside ring was longer grass and difficult to negotiate which didn't faze her. Really nice puppy.

2nd Anderson-Rowell's Wilchrimane Silent Sonnet at Daledancer. A quality b/w who shows real potential but another going through a 'growth' stage. Pleasing head with a feminine expression. Good shoulder placement and extremely well toned body. Lost out to 1 as not as steady on the move.

3rd O'Neill & Timothy's Tenshilling Sweet Nothins.

JUNIOR BITCH (5 ent, 1 abs)

1st Edmondson & Robertshaw's Crookrise Sunbeam. Another' older style' liver/white who oozes type and is obviously fit for function. A real pocket rocket. Shorter cast than some. Pleasing head, good shoulder placement and strength in her hind quarters enabling her to move steadily round the ring.

2nd Tibbs' Raigmore Faith In The Future. Another eye-catching youngster at a different growth stage to 1 and quite different. Very nice b/w who is slightly lighter frame and longer cast. She was very fit and powered round the ring, which she couldn't do if she wasn't built so well. I'm sure she will mature and compete with the best. 3rd Bush's Piasham Breaking The Law.

YEARLING BITCH (6 ent, 1 abs)

1st Nelis' Freebreeze Special Effects. This o/w bitch is not exaggerated in any way and is all Pointer. She is at the right stage of maturity for her age. Well worked head with kind expression, good shoulder placement, not over long with strong hindquarters. She is not flamboyant but moved with strength and drive. A really nice example who should have a bright future. Pleased to award her the RCC.

2nd Boulton's Codnorhawk Starlight on Moreoldglen. A very different type to 1 and maybe not quite as mature. This liver/white has a well worked head with good stop but not overdone in any way. Her front assembly is so good as most are with her breeding. Another who is built so soundly. I'm sure she will mature into a strong prospect. 3rd Guy's Carofel If I Had Wings

NOVICE BITCH (7 ent, 1 abs)

1st Dunn's Meadowpoint Hocus Pocus.
2nd Gordon's Hawkfield Happy Times.
3rd Fairburn's Carmelfair Spotcheck.

GRADUATE BITCH (9 ent, 0 abs)

1st Hinton, Luke & Leman's Fleurfield Black Caviar. This relatively young b/w girl is maturing at the right pace and just oozes quality and type. I have admired her from the ringside and seen her progress when sometimes she has had to give way to maturity. She was on form with her movement which is so true. I loved her from her beautifully worked head through to her lashing tail. Her shoulders are right, her length is not too long and her rear assembly matches giving her balance overall with nice sloping pasterns sadly lacking in many. She reaches and drives which gave me goosebumps. A quality girl I was delighted to award her 1st CC. 2nd Bush's Piasham Demelza.

Another very sound bitch who moved out well. She has a pleasing head and was of good overall construction. She should have a bright future and was unfortunate to be in the same class as 1st. 3rd Matthews Sonham C'est La Vie.

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POST GRADUATE BITCH (5 ent, 2 abs)

1st Rayner, Spinks & Pringle's Spinray Songbird. This b/w was another who I considered for higher honours. I have judged her before, she has matured nicely, and should be 'knocking at the door'. Good well defined head reach of neck and nice angulation fore and aft. A very honest example of our breed who is obviously fit for function. 2nd O'Neill's Tenshilling To Sir With Love. Another well built girl from this consistent kennel. She has a sweet expression and is feminine with enough substance though not course in any way. Her movement is sound because she is balanced. Another great prospect.

3rd Booth's Lundgarth Everest.

LIMIT BITCH (8 ent, 2 abs)

1st Jamieson's Carmelfair Bellissima with Glenfinnan. A quality compact b/w who has a pleasing head with kind expression. Short coupled body looking balanced and moving out with drive. In excellent condition with ring presence. She should do well indeed.

2nd Whitham's Brent Ever Blazing at Sedgekirk. Another feminine o/w girl who has reached maturity. Pretty head with enough work leading into well laid back shoulders. Straight front and curves in the right places presenting a lovely sight in profile. Lost out to 1st who had more animated movement.

3rd Norbury, Adams & Upton's Heartbury Belacqua

OPEN BITCH (5 ent, 0 abs)

1st Bond's Joneva Azelia Banks. Another well deserved show champion recently gaining her crown. She has a pleasing head and is really well constructed throughout and is so balanced. Well deserved winner though felt the move into a small ring didn't show her to best advantage.

2nd Matthews' Sonham Chasing Rainbows. Very elegant heavily marked b/w who was so close to 1 on the day. I love her type and on the stack, she is curvaceous in all the right places. Nice head with elegant neck into well placed shoulders. Holds her topline on the move and has good overall balance. I hope she gains high honours in the future.

3rd Webb's Tenshilling The Wanderer.

VETERAN BITCH (5 ent, 0 abs)

1st Rayner, Spinks & Pringle's Gartarry High Society at Spinray JW. Another lovely bitch not showing her age. A really nice honest example of the breed who could move as well as many have her age. This could only be achieved by her overall good construction. My BVIB.

2nd Lake's Wild Thyme. Another really nice moving liver/w showing younger exhibits sound movement. Pleasing head slightly shorter cast than 1 and unfortunate to meet her on form.

3rd Hawkes & Robinson's Theodom Canopus of Codnorhawk

ELAINE NEWBERRY - judge