

Championship Show October 2009

DOGS

Judge: Meriel Hathaway

The venue had been transformed into a veritable Halloween atmosphere. Pumpkins galore, bats and ghosties and ghoulies, orange and black decorations - obviously hours of preparation by a dedicated committee. My general impression of the dogs, although there was sufficient quality to make for some very close decisions, I felt there was a tendency for some to be somewhat short on the leg, well rounded rib structure sometimes went with overlong couplings, and overangulated, exaggerated rear quarters led to some very unsound rear movement. Some were very much overcoated, but I did not penalise this on otherwise well constructed typical examples of the breed. I was very impressed with the absolutely first class temperament of the dogs and the pleasant sporting attitude of the exhibitors.

SpP AOC. (1) 1. Pretty Shanaudvarn Steady Eddy at Joaldy. Presented a very impressive outline. Head developing well, good eye shape, set and colour, bright expression. Good bone and feet, rib developing well, good length, short couplings, balanced rear. Nothing overexaggerated. Beautifully presented, shown to great advantage. Moved with style, true front and rear, plenty of reach and drive in profile. Excellent steady, confident character.

SpN (3, 1) 1. Amos-Jones Cassom Rock Star. Lovely youngster. Liked his size and overall balance. Well developed, masculine head, grand alert expression, Clean, impressive outline, strong reachy neck, good length depth and spring of rib for such a youngster, short strong loin, muscular quarters. Good bone and feet. Very confident temperament. Scored with strong rear movement. 2. Driver Beckaby Lunar Eclipse. Lot to like. Liked his head and expression. Overall, unexaggerated balance appealed, really excelled in shoulder construction, good length and angulation of blade and upper arm. Not very happy today with the environment, which affected his movement.

SpG (2) 1. Lill Robbercon Relight My Fire. Liked his size, particularly good length to height and length of leg proportions. Atheletic, nothing over exaggerated. Liked his head proportions and balance, bright expression. Good front and teet, plenty of strength of bone, good length depth and spring of rib, well balanced, muscular quarters. Excellent coat texture. A little wayward on the move today, very typical sound temperament. 2. Pearce-Gudger handling for Mrs D Raquin Weeping Willow's Daylami. Another with a super temperament. Head developing well, the most lovely expression. Impressive outline, well balanced body, not as mature as 1 and not moving to advantage - still to tighten up in front pasterns and elbows.

SpO (4, 2) 1. Marris-Bray Merryhaze Blue Moon over Helenwood. Liked his outline, Clean masculine head, good front and feet. Strong neck into well constructed shoulder, good length and angulation of blade and upper arm, enough rib, strong short loin. Tidy on the move, handled to perfection. Not very happy today. 2. Smith Craigdean Franks a Million Compact, well boned, good length depth and spring of rib. Straight front. Strong loin, muscular quarters. Good coat texture. Moved well front and rear, not quite the reach, but strong drive in profile.

SpP R. G. L (1) 1. Thomas Claramand Back in Time. Full of potential. Thought his head quite lovely, clean, balanced, lovely eye shape set and colour, best of expressions. Good bone and feet. Grand line of clean strong neck into firm topline. Good length and angulation of blade and upper arm, enough rib, just needing to develop and mature at this age. In excellent well presented coat. Just needing to gain a little confidence today in the echoing venue.

SpG (4) Very little to separate the first three - potential for the future. 1. Needham Jannor's Last Samurai at Merryhaze. Very compact outline. Balanced clean head, bright expression. Firm topline, proportioned body. Excellent coat. Strong rear, needing to tighten in front movement today. 2. Rowland Sharemead Golden Syrup. Close up. Lovely expression, well ribbed, in good coat. Liked his overall balance, at this age still needing to tighten in movement 3. Pretty and Carpenter Totenkopf Pure Moonlight

SpO (2) 1. Wyeth Claramond Rough Diamond. For me, looked as though he could do the job he was designed for. Quality, elegance and strength combined. Liked his overall body proportions, ratio of length to height, length of leg. Nothing overexaggerated, atheletic, strong appearance. Lovely biddable, gentle, but alert expression. Clean balanced head, clean line of neck into firm topline, good length of blade and upper arm, balanced quarters. Good length depth and enough spring of rib, strong loin. Moved true front and rear, impressive reach and drive in profile. Somewhat unsettled on the move in the challenge, otherwise very

much in contention for top honours today. 2. Marris Bray and Welch Helenswood Watsisname Among Carhowel. Masculine, clean head, grand expression, Strong bone, good feet. Well ribbed, strong loin, muscular quarters. Good coat. Not moving to advantage, could be more positive in rear movement today

SpPB BRTS (4, 1) 3 lovely puppies, all with plenty of breed type. 1. Rowland Perrytree Midnight Sky. An absolute baby poppet Very compact body. The most lovely head and expression. Good bone, front and feet. Good length of rib, balanced quarters. The most delightful temperament, coat coming well of correct texture. Moved with great style for such a youngster. 2. Gain Molkara Exige. Great confident, character. Head developing well, grand appealing expression, well developed rib, strong short loin. In good coat of correct texture 3 Amatt Molkara Night Spell

SpGB (7, 2) 1. West Sheigra Starstruck. Not a big one, very balanced all through. Very appealing expression, balanced, clean head. Compact body. Scored here on movement, true front and rear, reach and drive in profile, very happy waggy character. 2. Worgan Rayol Dark Legend for Luthame. Very close up. Liked his size, overall construction and conformation, Balanced head, very placid appealing expression, in good coat. Not quite the rear movement today 3. Hillier Coedcernyw Campion

V (2) 1 Pearce-Gudger Marquell Moving Glance at Brimbeck. Typical 'merry' Cocker. Tail just did not stop wagging. Liked his overall size, construction and conformation. Elegance with strength, looking as though he could do the work he was designed for. In hard muscular condition, nothing overdone or exaggerated, moved soundly, reach and drive in profile. 2 Costello Sh Ch Judika Prairie Gold. Very compact. Lovely gentle expression, impressive outline, solid, muscular condition. Not as positive in movement as 1

MP (5) Good class of very promising puppies. 1. Lill Rosbercon Rigadoon. First show, but taking everything in his stride, absolutely confident, happy temperament. Head developing well, appealing expression. Attractive outline, clean neck into firm topline, rib developing well, short loin, balanced quarters, Good bone and feet. Coat of correct texture. Very true and happy on the move for such a youngster. BMP. 2. Pretty and Carpenter Totenkopf Slave to Love. Very close up. A real sweetie - the most endearing gentle expression Balanced compact body, rib developing well, well off for bone, good feet. Presented and handled to perfection. Confident on the move. 3. Adams Tillarn the Chocaltier

P (3) 1. McCaffery Chasonnie Hero BDP. Really impressed. I forgave him the 'kink' in his tail for his outstanding breed type features. The most lovely head, excellent eye shape, set and colour. Liked his overall body proportions and properties, good front, in firm condition, nothing overdone. Beautifully presented, moved so soundly with great reach and drive, and such a biddable, determined to please attitude. 2. Gain Molkara Exige

J (9, 2) 1. Masters and Pavey Manchela Born to be Wild. All male, but with no exaggeration. Impressive outline. Masculine, clean head bright expression. Good front and feet. Good length, depth and spring of rib, short, strong loin, muscular quarters. Moved soundly with good reach and drive in profile. 2. Ewan Craigdean Axle. Made in a smaller mould, very compact and well balanced. Liked his head and expression, and very impressive outline. Not as positive in front as 1. 3. Pearce-Gudger Weeping Willow's D

Y (5) 1. Nugent Nulea Over the Moon. Under the very heavy coat, there is a very well constructed body. Liked his head and expression, good front and feet. Well off for bone. Good length and angulation of blade and upper arm, enough rib, strong, short loin. Very collected and tidy on the move. 2. Reed Molkara Tangerine at Reemif Loved the overall outline and body properties. Lovely line of neck into firm topline, good length and angulation of blade and upper arm, enough rib, short loin. Slightly more angulation at rear than at front, not as tidy on the move as 1 3. Kidd Cardamine Bright Destiny

N (11) Surprising to have such a depth of quality in this class. 1. Wyeth Fendrove King of Clubs. Absolutely lovely. Substance, no trace of overweight, plenty of muscle. With all his glamour, he still looked and had the construction and conformation to do the job he was designed for. The most lovely clean head with the best of expressions. Strong neck, firm topline, good length and angulation of blade and upper arm, good length, depth and spring of rib, short loin, strong muscular quarters. In excellent, beautifully presented coat. Moved with style, sound front and rear, good reach and drive. Even at his young age, in contention for top honours today. 2. Pretty and Carpenter Totenkopf War Games at Joaldy. Only just out of puppy, but a little cracker. Happy confident temperament so associated with this breed. Head developing well, lovely bright expression. Good bone, front and feet. Compact balanced body, good length, depth and spring of rib. Very steady and sound on the move. Presented and handled to perfection 3. Spencer Terriles Tessin

UG (3, 1) 1 Forfar Glasedin Grenadier. Liked his balanced, clean head, well ribbed compact, balanced body. Presented a very attractive outline, Very happy, confident temperament. 2. Hartnett Glentree Grenadier. Another with impeccable temperament. Very clean head, lovely expression, at this young age still to balance out in body. In excellent coat.

PG (7, 1) Difficult class to separate, some dogs I really liked, just were not liking the echoing hall, not moving to advantage, not giving of their best today 1. Driver Courtmaster Totem at Beckaby, Nothing overdone, a really well constructed compact dog, looking as though he could cope with a days work in the field. Thought his head quite lovely, so clean and well balanced, strength of muzzle, lovely expression, good eye shape, set and colour, enough bone, nothing cloddy, good feet. Impressive outline, with strong neck into firm topline, good length and angulation of blade and upper arm, good length, depth and spring of rib, short strong loin, correct angulation of muscled quarters. Moved true with reach and drive in profile. 2. Baker Annashonn Mr Trick a Treat Compact, balanced body, scored with his shoulder construction, cleanhead, cleanstrong muzzle. In good coat. Moved OK front and rear, slightly over reaching at rear in profile. 3. Share-Jones Sharemead Squadron Leader.

L (13) 1. Weirdene Winning Sweep. Headed a cracking class. I liked his compact, solid body. Well constructed, nothing overexaggerated. Grand clean balanced head, strong muzzle, grand bright expression. Strong neck, well ribbed, strong loin, muscular quarters, impressive at rear, nothing overangulated. Good bone, nails could have been shorter, but well padded feet. Excellent coat. Moved steadily positive front and rear, enough reach and drive in profile. R. C.

C 2. Thomas Claramond Chioico Time. Very close up. Loved his head and expression. Good bone, solid well constructed body, in hard muscular condition, not a trace of fat. Well ribbed, in good coat, beautifully presented. The most appealing typical temperament. OK on the move. 3. Young Canyon Classic Welcome.

O (9, 1) Very impressive class. 1. Wyeth Claramond on Fire at Fendrove. CC. Most impressive, clean workmanlike outline, nothing cloddy or overexaggerated, just elegance, substance and looking as though he could last a days work. Liked his head, lovely eye shape set, colour and expression. Enough strength of muzzle to do his job. Strong reach of neck, good length and angulation of blade and upper arm, good bone and feet. Firm topline, good length, depth and enough spring of rib, short loin, muscular quarters with correct balanced angulation. Beautifully presented in gleaming coat and condition. Absolutely positive and true front and rear, good reach and drive in profile. Presented and handled to perfection. 2. Gilmour Sh Ch Chavez Royal Liason. Looking every bit a Champion. Compact, plenty of substance, beautiful head and expression, in full coat. Very mature, well ribbed strong body. Moved OK. Just seemed to be carrying a little extra weight today. 3. Glennester Sh Ch Glenntree Zanette

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