

CRITIQUE - RICHMOND DOG SHOW SOCIETY

Judge: Mr J Horswell

Always an enjoyable breed to judge, very much a functional Gundog, with nothing hidden. I found some to be slightly long in back but generally the quality was high and some super winners.

Veteran Dog (1). **1 Marsh & Hoad's Koolwaters Pacific At Kilnrae.** Really lovely 8-year-old dog to start. Beautifully muscled up, he has a lovely head, lengthy neck, well laid shoulder, well filled deep chest, fairly short in back, strong rear, stands over plenty of ground, accurate out and back with a fairly long stride.

Special Beginners Dog (1). **1 Stopforth's Taftazini Cesar Chance With Serenymor.** Well balanced, masculine dog, if slightly moderate in his angulation, slight stop, lengthy neck, liked his depth and fill to chest, firm topline, nice feet, he is fairly accurate out and back, correct coat texture.

Minor Puppy Dog (2). Two promising pups, each with lots of different things to like about them. **1 Harris' Barleyarch Pringle.** I found him slightly shorter in back and better in topline than second. He has a good head, correct stop, lengthy neck, well laid shoulder, could have a better return of upper arm, well sprung ribs, could have a little more hind angulation, accurate on the move. **BP. 2 Goff & Dale's Seasham Live Wire At Shoshoni.** Slightly rangier dog but that's no bad thing in a minor puppy, he too has a very good head, lengthy neck, he is straighter in front angulation than the winner, but has a better turn of stifle, low hocks, lengthy stride.

Junior Dog (2,1). **1 Sielski's Orchidstar Bonds Of Speed JW.** He looks really good moving round the ring, like his proportions, masculine head, correct stop, ears could be carried better, lengthy neck, just a little heavy over his shoulders, lovely legs and feet, well sprung ribs, which go well back to a short loin, well bent stifle with low hocks, could be slightly tidier out and back.

Post Graduate Dog (3). **1 Stopforth's Taftazini Cesar Chance With Serenymor.** Won this class on his proportions and movement. **2 Watling's Drysika Dasher.** Quite a free moving dog, he is just a little long in back, masculine head, correct stop, kind expression, lengthy neck, quite a good front, upright in pastern, very good feet, level topline, he is a bit flat in croup, good hind angulation. **3 Marsh & Hoad's Winterwell Same Spade At Kilnrae.**

Limit Dog (3). **1 Pitman's Pitwit Noble Opal.** Masculine dog with a very good head, strong neck, well laid shoulder, upright in pastern, liked his depth and fill of chest, super topline, well bent stifle and low hocks, moved well. **2 Milligan's Jessophia's Oberynt Martell.** Liked his proportions, he too has a very good head, lovely eye and expression, enough neck, fair front, needs a bit more chest, not the topline of first, moderate rear. **3 John's Keigame Jigsaw.**

Open Dog (8,2). Very strong class which made it a great pleasure to sort out. **1 Mervyn's Ir Sh Ch Lux Ch Tomanipoint Celtic Knight An Ch'15.** Powerful and fit dog who moved really well, such an easy stride. Gave the impression of being able to work all day. Masculine head, slight stop, moderate neck, well laid shoulder with a good return of upper arm, tighter in elbow than second, super body, firm topline, slight slope to his croup, well made rear, low hocks, short backed and stands over a lot of ground and is in super hard condition. Was in great form. **DCC & BOB. 2 Trow, Smith & Reichmuth's Sp Gr Ch Grand Arosa Ur Upperclass.** This dog is so impressive in profile action and he too was on top form today. He has a very good head, correct skull, slight stop, eyes are ok, liked his neck, well laid shoulder, he is slightly upright in upper arm, but has a long stride, short back, well made rear, low hocks, his tail carriage on the move could be more appealing. Another in the hardest condition. **RDCC. 3 Brown & Burns' Sh Ch Magregor Threesacrowd At Pothouse JW ShCM.**

Veteran Bitch (2,1). **1 Pudney's Stairfoot Skye.** Quality feminine bitch, she has a very good head, lovely eye and expression, enough neck, decent front, short level back, well bent stifle, moved with a lengthy stride.

Special Beginners Bitch (3). **1 Milligan's Isara Kurzhaar All Spice.** Good honest sort of bitch who moved well, liked her head very much, lengthy neck, quite a good front with lovely legs and feet, short back, firm topline, well-made rear. **2 McCulloch's Winterwell Oh So Sharp.** Still looks raw and needs to develop in chest still, lengthy feminine head with slight stop, lengthy neck, quite good front, well made rear, just needs time to mature up. **3 Orr Dickens' Tywivale Amaranthus.**

Minor Puppy Bitch (2,1). **1 Gain & Gain's Molkara Quids In.** Very much a baby, just looks a bit tubular in body as yet, but plenty of time. She has a lovely head, eyes can darken, strong neck, balanced angulation, topline is level, moves very well.

Puppy Bitch (4,2). **1 Warrington's Zakova Amaretto.** Liked her short, firm backline, she has a feminine head, eyes are ok, moderate neck, slightly short in upper arm and a little exuberant with her front feet as yet, well made rear, in lovely hard condition. **2 Orr Dickens' Tywivale Amaranthus.** Very much a baby still, she has a well-balanced head, lengthy neck, moderate but balanced in angulation, just needs to body up.

Junior Bitch (6,1). **1 Squire's Taftazini Honour Wynna JW.** Really super young bitch, so very feminine, she has a super outline, short in back and stands over plenty of ground, she has a lovely head, well balanced, slight stop, lengthy neck, well laid shoulders with a good return of upper arm, chest to her elbow, firm topline, short loin, well-made rear, very accurate out and back and lengthy stride, real quality girl. **BCC.** Congratulations on her title. **2 Mervyn's Tomanipoint Annie Mazurka Jun Ch.** She too is a super bitch, she has a lovely head, correct eye, lengthy neck, well laid shoulder, chest to elbow, short firm topline, well-made rear, super muscle, low hocks, very good profile action, not quite as clean coming towards as first, ever so slightly better in rear. **3 McCulloch's Winterwell Oh So Sharp.**

Post Graduate Bitch (9,1). **1 Blay's Barleyarch Skye At Longbarrow.** She is a very typy bitch, liked her shortness of back, she has a feminine head, well balanced, would prefer darker eyes, very good neck, her angulation is very well balanced giving an even and lengthy stride, well bodied, firm topline, nice low hocks. **2 Bellinger & Felstead's Cushatlaw Chaos At Woodhawk.** Very good bitch, younger than first and just needs to mature in body, she has a well-balanced feminine head, good eye and expression, enough neck, nice front, short back, well made rear, moved well, just needs to muscle up. **3 Upton-Lovett & Upton's Seasham A Kind Of Magic.**

Limit Bitch (7,1). **1 Rose & Gaffney's Kavacanne Vixen JW.** Free moving bitch of very good proportions, she has a super head, lovely eye and expression, lengthy and crested neck, well angulated front, well ribbed, well bent stifle and low hocks, just needs a bit more body and muscle as she matures. **2 Ellis' Soellis Fannie Annie JW.** Liked her proportions, topline slopes away very slightly, she has a good head, strong neck, just a bit heavy over the shoulder, well sprung ribs, strong rear, went well. **3 Thompson's Redmires Bedazzled.**

Open Bitch (5,2). Three very typy ladies. **1 Harris' Sh Ch Barleyarch Playtime (AI) JW.** Liked her proportions, she has a lovely head, super eye and expression, lengthy neck, quite a good shoulder, good legs and feet, well bodied, firm topline, well bent stifle and low hocks, accurate out and back, could just have a little more power in her rear. **RBCC. 2 Trow's Ch Winterwell Inca Trail JW.** Super outline, she isn't quite as fluid as first on the move, lovely head, strong and lengthy neck, good front, short back, well ribbed, maybe just a little too much hind angulation. **3 Stewart, Currie & Boyle's Winterwell Dominique At Levagrad.**