

Southern GRS, 5th May 2024.

Dog Critique, Judge: Melissa Loverock.

Thank you to the society for inviting me to judge at this lovely show. So well run and the weather was kind to exhibitors. My stewards were fabulous and kept everything running smoothly.

I was thrilled with my final line up. I found what I was looking for in most classes. A balanced dog with no exaggerations who moved with precision and drive. All temperaments were excellent, as they should be.

Baby Puppy, 1,0abs.

1st. Mrs Clarke-Gear, Dewmist Danzatore with Ousevale. Naf Taf.

What a poppet to start the day. Just 16 weeks old and showing like he was a seasoned professional. Lovely blonde baby with a super head and pigment. Good length of neck, balanced front and rear angles, level topline and good tailset. Excellent bone and super tight feet. Loved his neat short hocks that were totally straight and he moved so well for such a baby holding his lovely shape. So together for a puppy of this age and handled really nicely. He was clearly enjoying his day out. Such a shame there was no bitch puppy to challenge him. Best Baby Puppy in Show.

Special Veteran, 2,1abs.

1st, Mrs S Webb, Fletlanders Billy Flynn at Hectson.

10 year old boy in nice coat and lovely condition. Gentle head and expression with good pigment. He had a nice length of neck and layback of shoulder. Good depth of chest and short coupled, a

strong level topline which he held well on the move and a correct tailset. Moved with enthusiasm covering the ground well from well muscled quarters. A lovely gentleman not showing his age at all.

Veteran, 6,1abs.

1st, Mrs J Gerhold, Sh Ch Jaymrdy Indigo Pacific JW.

9 year old boy in lovely blonde coat, super hard condition and beautifully presented. Such a masculine boy with lovely substance and size. Handsome head with a kind expression and good length of neck. Super front construction, good forechest and good depth of body. Short coupled and with a dead level topline. Good bend of stifle and neat hocks which he uses well on the move. Hes quite the character and keeps his owner on her toes but his super ground covering movement is still obvious to see. BVD and BVIS.

2nd, Mrs A Stallard, Maplerose All Tuckered Out.

Mid gold boy who was smaller framed than my winner. Compact and balanced throughout. Good angulation and level topline, deep body, short coupled with good spring of rib. Neat tight feet and good bone, his tailset was correct and he moved nicely from strong quarters at one with his handler.

3rd, Mr I Roper, Catnels Inside Story for Brensham SGWC VW.

Minor Puppy, 5,0abs

1st, Mrs L Linfield, Tonara Yellowstone.

7 month old boy in nice mid gold coat, attractive head and expression with dark eye. I really liked his good length of neck and

front construction, his level topline and good depth of chest. He is short coupled with a good spring of rib. He looks just right for this stage of development and has a good length of leg to grow into. Neat tight feet, tight pasterns and straight front and rear. He won this class and beat a lovely puppy dog winner for Best Dog Puppy on his sound and steady movement. BPD.

2nd, Mrs J Holmes, Ashbyglen Excalibur.

Really attractive outline on this young boy of just 6 months. Balanced all through with good front and rear angulation and all the fundamentals for a bright future. Carried a level topline and held his shape on the move. I am sure these 2 will change places many times.

3rd, Miss S and Mr J Jayakumar & Rajendran, Zeneveiva Bolder than Brass.

Puppy Dog, 6,1abs.1st, Mr G and Mrs T Foreman, Ambersun Summer Son.

10 month old boy in lovely mid gold coat, nicely handled to get the best from him. A lovely head and expression, good pigment and correct dark eye. He has a super length of neck leading to a well laid back shoulder and correct length of upper arm. He is balanced and compact with a strong topline and good depth of body for a youngster. His tailset is correct and he stands foursquare on neat tight feet. Once settled he has a good free, ground covering stride, straight front and rear. He can be a little over excited on the move which makes hard work for his handler at times. Sure he must have a bright future.

2nd, Mrs M A & Miss S Porter, Shearstone Janna.

11 month old mid gold boy. Most handsome head with a soft expression. Presented a balanced picture with good front and rear angulation. Good depth of body and forechest, short coupled and correct tailset. He comes to life on the move with a good stride and so light on his feet, really covering the ground well. A very close decision between this young boy and my winner, I just preferred the strength in topline of 1.

3rd, Mrs A Stallard, Ballybarkin Jack Daniels at Maplerose.

Junior, 8,0abs

1st, Mrs R & Mr D Middleton-Collins, Berrymeade A fool in love of Jasperleigh.

This young boy caught my eye immediately and the more I looked at him the more he appealed. He presented such a balanced outline with no exaggerations. In lovely mid gold coat, so well presented. He has a good length of neck and and correct front and rear angulation. Deep through the chest, short coupled, with a level topline leading to a correct tailset. He stands foursquare on straight neat feet with a constant wagging tail. He covers the ground well driving from strong quarters. Handled so well and totally at one with his handler. I shall watch his progress with interest.

2nd, Ms B Angell, Linirgor Seven Up at Millanza.

Another cracking boy who is so eye catching. Such a close decision between these 2 boys who are quite different in type but both as equally well made. 15 months old and in profuse blonde coat which is presented really nicely. I really liked his handsome head and expression and excellent pigment. A good length of

neck, layback of shoulder, correct length of upper arm, level topline, excellent bone and neat feet. He moved really well with accuracy and precision from strong quarters.

3rd, Mr G & Mrs T Foreman, Ambersun Summer Son.

Yearling, 9,1 wd.

1st, Mrs P & Mr S O’Gorman, Berrymeade Bill Summers (AI) JW.

Another lovely boy from this kennel, in beautiful dark golden coat, presented so well. A picture of balance with such a super outline. A lovely masculine head with super pigment. He has a nice length of neck, excellent layback of shoulder and correct length of upper arm. Deep through the body, short coupled, good bone with the neatest of feet. He carries a dead level topline at all times and has a correct tailset. Lovely straight feet and neat short hocks. His movement is accurate and he moves with good reach and drive when he isn’t bouncing on 2 legs. His handler does a great job curbing his inner kangaroo. One I considered for the RCC and sure he will pick up plenty of those in the future.

2nd. Mrs R & Mr D Middleton-Collins, Berrymeade a Fool in Love of Jasperleigh.

3rd, Mrs S & Miss M Lewis, Fairwinds In Space Man JW

Maiden 6,1abs

1st Mrs M A & Miss S Porter, Shearstone Janna.

2nd, Mr & MRs R S and Mrs P Lane & Lane-Ridyard. Hardylic Jack of Diamonds with Kulawand.

Attractive blonde boy in nicely presented coat, in good hard condition and handled nicely. I liked his balanced outline. He has lovely bone and substance, a nice length of neck and layback of shoulder with good length of upper arm. Level topline, straight front and rear, he carried his tail level and held his shape well on the move. He moved Steadily and accurately with good drive.

3rd, Miss E & Mr A Rounce & Tye, Berrymeade Winter Love.

Novice, 7,1abs

1st, Mrs R & Mr D Middleton-Collins, Berrymeade a Fool In Love of Jasperleigh.

2nd, Mrs M A & Miss S Porter, Shearstone Janna.

3rd, Miss E & Mr A Rounce & Tye, Berrymeade Winter Love.

Undergraduate, 7,1abs,2w/d.

1st, Mrs R & Mr D Middleton-Collins, Berrymeade a Fool In Love of Jasperleigh.

2nd, K J Williams, Berrymeade Kilternan of Busheyhall SGWC.

This boy really appealed for his outline and balance. Compact and balanced, presented in lovely mid gold coat. In good hard condition and so unexaggerated. Lovely gentle head with soft expression, nice front and rear angulation with good layback of shoulder and upper arm. Level topline with short coupling and well sprung ribs. Moved well with good reach and drive, a lot to like about this young man.

3rd, Mrs M A & Miss S Porter, Shearstone Janna.

Graduate 7,0bs

1st, Mrs C L Lockley, Steval Whathappenedwas.

Mid gold boy in really nice quality coat and presented well. Liked his gentle head, appealing expression and dark eye. A nice length of neck and good front angulation. He also has a good forechest and deep body, looking mature and balanced. Nice strong bone and super tight feet. Good bend of stifle with neat short hocks. Moves really well once he was settled and covered the ground with an accurate stride.

2nd, Mr I M & Mrs A Black, Bencoe Just in Time del Avrain JW Ir JCh.

I really liked the outline of this boy and when he is showing himself off he really is eye catching. He often spoils his outline by not engaging properly with his handler but when a treat was offered he changed completely. I would suggest looking at him in a mirror and looking at how he changes when handled different ways. He has the loveliest blonde coat in super condition. A good masculine head and nice length of neck. He has super bone and substance , deep chest, level topline and correct tailset. A lovely bend of stifle with good width of thigh. He moves well covering the ground easily with a strong stride. Liked him a lot.

3rd, Mrs M & Mrs S Fleet & Webb

Post Graduate, 10, 1abs.

1st Mr R C & Mrs J Bolton, Megarvey Still Game for Shiresmill JW.

This boy caught my eye on my first look around the ring and his outline was everything I was looking for. He is so lovely to go over with every point flowing effortlessly to the next. Lovely mid gold

boy in nice coat that looked in super condition. He has correct length of leg and excellent angulation front and rear, his topline is so solid and dead level and he gives a super picture of balance. He has a large frame to fill and will take time to mature but im sure in the coming years he really will be something special. He moved well from strong quarters and covered the ground with ease. Frustratingly this boy was determined to throw his chances of a cc or rcc away by playing his handler up on the move. If this can be corrected im sure it wont be long until he is collecting green cards. One I will watch.

2nd, Ms F & Mr P Morriss-Garget & Morriss, Goldmarker Coming Home to Garvin (AI) JW.

Another quality boy who was really unlucky to meet 1 in this class. I have judged him before and he has come on so much, presenting a pleasing picture of balance. Compact and unexaggerated in lovely golden coat. Loved his strong masculine head and gentle expression, good front and rear angulation with a nice length of neck. Strong topline with a correct tailset. Good bone and substance, neat feet and short hocks. He moved steadily at one with his handler who handled him quietly to get the best out of him.

3rd, MrsJ Gerhold, Navilis Vivat Vivaldi JW (Imp UKR)

Minor Limit, 4,2abs

1st, Miss K Clunie, Warrentor Bold As Brass.

2 quality boys in this class which made my life difficult as I liked them both and really had to split hairs to make decisions. This golden boy was in super coat and hard muscular condition, he

was exuberant and standing foursquare, giving an eye catching picture. A decent length of neck and nice layback of shoulder with correct length of upper arm , he was short coupled and compact with a strong topline and deep chest and good spring of rib. Excellent bend of stifle and neat straight hocks which he used to power around the ring, effortlessly covering the ground with correctly carried tail. He would benefit from being shown on a longer lead so it doesn't cut into his front.

2nd, Mrs W & Mrs V Collis & Tregaskis, Rendez Vous avec Steval Du Bois de la Rayere.

Another super gold boy who presented a lovely picture of balance. His Head was appealing and masculine with a gentle expression. Balanced front and rear angles , good length of leg and deep through the body, strong level topline, neat tight feet and was straight front and rear. He moves well with precision and accuracy but was unfortunately flying his tail today which was the deciding factor in my placings.

Limit,

11, 2abs.

1st, Mrs P A Simms-Stelling, Penbridge Play Fast and Loose for Stvincent.

3 super boys headed this class and gave me a real headache deciding between them but this young man really is the definition of moderation and balance. Everytime I looked at him he appealed more. Nothing stands out he is just so well made from the top of his head to the tip of his tail. Mid gold in lovely coat , he has a correct length of leg and balanced front and rear

angulation. A super length of neck and the strongest of toplines which he held at all times. Deep mature body, short coupled with a correct tailset. He moves steadily covering the ground with an effortless stride but sadly lacked a bit of enthusiasm in the challenge.

2nd, Mrs A L Mcgeoch, Nedzelah Lochlea

Another lovely boy who I have done well before. He is still everything I thought when I judged him 2 years ago but now has a bit more maturity on his side. He has a lovely outline with excellent front and rear angulation. Good length of neck and correct layback of shoulder and length of upper arm. He has a good forechest, deep through the body and is short coupled. His tailset is correct and he moves well from strong quarters and short hocks. Unfortunately today I thought he wasn't as positive in front movement as I have previously seen which cost him this class. Never the less a super boy who I really liked.

3rd, Mrs C Haxton, Dantassie Double Take.

Open, 6,2abs

1st, Mr P & Mrs T Kinchella, Sh Ch Honeymill Elder Warrior.

I have judged this young man before and he played his handler up on the move and paid the price with a 2nd in his class. You can imagine my delight when he didn't put a foot wrong. He has a fantastic outline and was in super gold coat. He was presented and handled so well and never stopped wagging his tail and showing off. A cracking head with a gentle appealing expression, dark eye and good pigment. His excellent length of neck just flows into a well laid back shoulder and correct length of upper arm. He

is deep through the body, giving a mature picture of a dog in his prime. Short coupled with excellent well muscled quarters and good width of thigh. He has straight feet and good bone and substance. Strong and masculine and no doubting he is a male. He moves with precision and accuracy, covering the ground easily with an effortless stride. Totally straight coming and going. I have long admired him and it was a pleasure to award him the CC.

2nd, Mr W Bernaert, Grey Goose Back in Black.

I judged this young man as a puppy and it was a pleasure to see him again now he has matured. He is certainly fulfilling the promise I saw in him. Very unlucky to meet the winner of this class and many similar comments apply. Another super compact boy who is so balanced with no exaggerations. Super front and rear angles, mature in body with a strong topline and correct tailset. Super bone and substance, neat feet and straight strong hocks. He moves with great reach and drive , straight coming and going with an effortless stride. Considered him for the RCC.

3rd, Mrs Clarke-Gear, Ousevale Tobermory.

Special Open 4, 0abs

K J Williams, Berrymeade Coeur Blimey at Busheyhall SGWC
WGC

1st, Well this is a boy I have watched many times from the ringside and he is truly a delight to get your hands on. He has such a great outline, so compact and balanced with excellent proportions. He is so well made from his head to his tail, each part flowing to the next. A handsome head with the softest of expressions, super length of neck and totally balanced front and rear angles. Deep

mature body, correct length of leg, nice spring of rib and short coupled. His movement is a joy to watch as he powers around the ring with an effortless ground covering stride, so light on his feet but strong and accurate at the same time. Delighted to award him the RCC and im sure he will go on to take his crown.

2nd. Miss K Clunie, Warrentor Bold as Brass.

3rd, Mr I Roper, Catnells Inside Story for Brensham SGWC.

Special Working, 1,0abs.

Mrs S & Mr I Phipps-Baker & Baker, Tenfield Night of Thunder for Maddouse SGWC.

A super boy who is very compact and was shown in lovely dark golden coat and so nicely presented. He has balanced angulation with a nice length of neck and a good strong, level topline. Short coupled and with good feet and neat short hocks. Stood foursquare and so attentive to his handler. Clearly having a lovely day out and he moved round the ring totally at one with a good ground covering stride from well muscled quarters.

Good Citizen, 6,1w/d

1st, Mrs R & Mr D Middleton-Collins, Berrymeade a Fool In Love of Jasperleigh.

2nd, Mrs V Clarke-Gear, Ousevale Tobermory.

Mature blonde boy in lovely coat and condition. Beautifully presented. He has a lovely outline with good angles front and rear, a strong level topline and well muscled quarters with correct tailset. He has super bone and the neatest of feet. Neat short

hocks which he uses to advantage on the move, covering the ground well.

3rd, Mrs M & Mrs S Fleet & Webb, Waterbabies Sonic Boom to Eastbury and Hectson (imp Ita)