

Border Union Champ Show Sunday 15th June 2008

Puppy Dog (5)

1 Jones's Dappleline Euphoria With Dottymix, O/W easy winner for his quality and his lovely flowing lines. Well balanced and elegant, has all the essential attributes, lovely head, eye and expression, clean in neck and shoulder, good angulations, when his novice handler gains more confidence they will enjoy I feel a bright future. 2 Whiting's Rodale Ringleader, B/W of much heavier build, strongly made and mature, nice head and deep chest, not as positive in hind movement. 3 Hamilton's Hawkfield Lets Go Rowdy.

Junior Dog (5)

1 Drake's Clamerkin Crystal Mountain, B/W beautiful head, flared nostrils, flowing outline, so clean in neck and shoulder, good driving hind action, well developed 2nd thigh. Have seen and liked this youngster and wasn't disappointed on handling him, he was pushed hard for his place, just had the edge in movement. 2 O'Driscoll's Fowlington Five Bob Note, another quality B/W, close up to I, has a lovely balanced head, kind expression, deep chest and well sprung ribs, good legs, feet and pasterns. Well handled. 3 Edmundson /Robertshaw's Crookrise Floyd.

Novice Dog(3,1)

1 Fowlington Five Bob Note. 2 Rodale Ringleader.

Post Graduate Dog (14,1) Lovely class with several quality dogs but sadly not enough cards to go round.

1 Udale's Freddy Flintoff both handler and dog were new to me but I fell for and loved this B/W, beautiful head, flowing lines, balanced throughout, strong over loins and quarters, well sprung ribs, correct tail set and tail action, moving round the ring he exuded true Pointer character, good neck and shoulders, deep chest, he is a powerful dog and certainly keeps his handler on her toes, was so pleased to award him his first CC and BOB. 2 Beesley's Birchleith Barbican Beau, another quality B/W, of a little finer stature than 1 above, he has lots to like about him and will always be highly considered, he too has a lovely head, eye and kindly expression, clean and flowing outline, he moved with drive and used his tail. A very nice youngster. 3 Walklings Penwest Phineas At Kiswalhili JW

Limit Dog (6)

1 Isherwood's Symitry Russian Roulette, O/W has now matured since I last judged him, loved his head and kind dark eyes, lovely reachy neck and fine shoulders, good depth of brisket, ribs well back, strength in loin area and quarters, has substance without coarseness, loved his overall shape and balance, good angles, has width of 2nd thigh, moved with drive, well handled. Pushed hard for top spot but not just the enthusiasm of the young dog, awarded RDCC. 2 Wilcox's Pipeaway Zonic Tonic For Merynjen JW just seen in catalogue has same sire as above and many same qualities apply, I have previously given him a top puppy award at this level and continue to like him immensely. I felt to-day that he looked a little light and required maturity, its best to mature slowly and last longer. His many qualities, balance, and shape give him his place. Will have better days. 3 Walklings Kiswahili Catcher In The Rye.

Open Dog (2)

1 Kenney-Taylor's Rodale Reflection At Highshann. Liver/White, lots to like about this one, has a lovely head with lots of work, kindly expression, deep chest, held topline on the move, good front and well angulated rear, well let down hocks, moved and handled well. 2 Nelis's Lynwater Javelin Over Freebreeze, an old favourite of mine have loved him from a puppy, now showing his age but he really enjoyed his day and moved with drive. He is balanced, sound, good front, grand head, depth of chest and well sprung ribs, well muscled condition. As a sire I see he had a wonderful day as a son took top award and a daughter best puppy, along with other class winners.

Puppy Bitch (11,4)

1 Mason's Freebreeze As You Like It and I certainly did – beautiful Lemon/White , well chiselled head, soft expression, reachy neck, clean well placed shoulders, correct oval bone, good length of upper arm and well turned stifles with nicely let down hocks. Only 7 months old but she moved with such confidence and style holding her topline, her tail lashing, so happy and positive, was well handled. Best Puppy, wish she was mine. 2 Smith's Hawkfield Lets Cause Truble, quality B/W of 10 months, more mature than winner, of heavier build, has a lovely head, eye and expression ,nice shape, legs and feet, clean in neck and shoulder placement, moved and handled well. 3 Tibbs Raigmore Let it Shine.

Junior Bitch (4) 1 Drake's Clamerkin Crystal Lace love this O/W, her quality shines, litter sister to winner of junior dog class, would love to take this one home, so classical in her lines from her most lovely head to end of her tail, all she lacks is time and maturity to really trouble the best for top awards, she is at the moment in between stages of development but age wise she is just right. Shown in hard condition, strong body properties, stands over the ground well, really pushed very hard for RCC but lacked the maturity. Her day will come. 2 O'Driscoll's Fowlington Six In The City another quality and exciting O/W , a little different in make-up to 1 whose head and shape I preferred, this youngster is shorter coupled and has lots of body and substance , strong in quarters, hard condition, such an extrovert on the move using her tail to the maximum. Two lovely bitches who will change places many times I feel. Again well handled and presented. 3 Tibbs Raigmore Tiger Lily.

Novice Bitch(6,1)

1 Fowlington Six In The City. 2. Baillie / Earl Medogold Speak Softly, much to like about this B/W but today was carrying too much weight which spoiled both her outline and her movement, she is quality and when in correct condition will do well, has a lovely head, good legs and feet, was well handled. 3. Freebreeze Reflected Glory.

Post Graduate Bitch(14,4)

1. Barker's Flinthill Jenny Wren, headed a strong class, this B/W had to pull out all the stops to win, she is striking both in shape and movement, possesses a grand head, reachy neck, clean shoulders, well balanced, has length of fore-arm and stifles, well let down hocks, she was one of the few with a lashing tail. 2. Huxley's Woodfleet Lookin For Truble, was pleasantly surprised to find this pretty B/W is now developing into a lovely youngster, good shape and topline, good neck and fine shoulders, lengthy well turned stifles , good width of 2nd thigh, she looked and moved well. 3. Rigby's Pentworth Peaches and Cream.

Limit Bitch (9)

1 Preece's Pipeaway Nellie Melba Of Harvestglade, have never judged this beautiful O/W previously, in fact don't think have ever seen her before, was certainly bowed by her elegance and charm, most lovely head, reachy neck fitting into fine sloping shoulders, body a series of the required graceful curves, a picture from the side view fitting the standard admirably, so balanced and symmetrical, she moved well, was shown in lovely condition and took the BCC. 2. Barker's Flinthill Wild Thyme. JW a B/W with all the essentials of a quality Pointer, has substance, flowing lines, deep chest, well angulated rear, ribs extending well back, strong over loin, correct tail-set, sound mover. In the challenge she moved with far more motivation and style than in her class, which ultimately won her the RBCC. 3 Edmundson's Crookrise White Lace.

Open Bitch(9,3)

1 Knowles's Sh.Ch. Dovehayes Facsimilie JW ShCM, an old favourite of mine and she always will be, this Lemon/White so deserves her title, has all the qualities of a Champion, I was disappointed that today whilst she looked so lovely standing I felt she lacked sparkle on the move and this lost her a top award. 2 Grime/Byrne, Ansona Fool Britannia At Enryb JW Much to like about this BW, has lots of substance, stands over lots of ground, of much heavier type and build to winner, has depth of chest, lovely head with lots of work, strong quarters, moved well. 3 Blackburn-Bennett's Chesterhope North 'N' Breeze At Kanix (Imp).

Barbara Critchley - Judge