

Southern Pointer Club Champ Show Sunday 20th July 2008

Bitches: I was honoured to be elected to judge bitches at this prestigious breed championship show held at the Hand Equestrian Centre, Clevedon, near Bristol.

Best –in –show, in agreement with my co-judge Miss Sylvia Harms-Cooke, was O'Driscoll's Fowington Five Bob Note, Reserve Best in Show Knowles' Sh Ch Dovehayes Facsimile, JW SHCH, Best Puppy in Show Tibbs' Raigmore Let it Shine. My thanks to the hardworking Officers and Committee of the Southern Pointer Club for their kind hospitality, to my two very capable stewards who looked after me so well, and to the exhibitors for their entry.

Minor Puppy Bitch (5, 1)

1st Mason's Freebreeze As You Like It, pretty lemon/white, balanced sweet head, correct ear, decent shoulder, well angulated behind, correct bee-sting tail, moved steadily for a youngster.

2 Nelis' Freebreeze Reflected Glory, b/w litter sister of winner, nice head and expression, very good forehand, feet and pasterns, good depth for her age, correct tail, lost out to winner in topline.

3 Mangham's Heatheryhall Emily's Rainbo.

Puppy Bitch (10, 1)

1st Tibbs' Raigmore Let It Shine, stylish and very feminine o/w, typical head, kind expression, long reachy neck, balanced with especially good hind angulation, good feet and pasterns, tail and tail set, just needs to drop a bit in brisket but this will come as she matures, sound mover with plenty of drive, Best Puppy in Show.

2 Westron's Aurichalcum Oh Mon Dieu, stronger made o/w, scored in head and expression, clean neck, overall balance and depth, correct tail set, sound mover, hope she doesn't get any stronger in front.

3 Smith's Tomlow Daydream Believer of Blueyonda.

Junior Bitch (11)

1 O'Driscoll's Fowington Six in the City, well made o/w, good overall shape and balance, nice head and expression, correct Pointer coat, short and hard, well muscled and moved with drive.

2 Symonds' Medogold Kalandra at Tandfei, b/w balanced bitch, well angulated, lovely head and expression, good shoulders, depth of brisket, correct front, good topline, presented a pleasing picture.

3 Westaway's Penwest Phedra.

Yearling Bitch (11, 1)

1st Drake's Clamerkin Crystal Lace, very feminine young o/w, has many virtues, reachy neck, excellent topline, feet and pasterns, correct tail set, good width of thigh and moved well driving from her short hocks. Would prefer better shoulder angulation.

2 Siddle's Wilchrimane Fleur-de-Lys, well made medium sized b/w, typical head and nice expression, clean neck, good width of thigh and well let down in hock, correct tail, moved with verve.

3 Eldridge's Bradgate Mystic Mawake.

Maiden Bitch (9, 3)

1 Westron's Aurichalcum Oh Mon Dieu.

2 Smith's Tomlow Daydream Believer of Blueyonda, nice medium size b/w, very pretty head and kind eye, clean neck, correct shoulder and hind angulation, good depth of brisket, correct feet.

3 Mason's Freebreeze As You Like It.

Novice Bitch (6, 2)

1 Westron's Aurichalcum Oh Mon Dieu.

2 Smith's Hawkfield Lets Cause Truble, heavily ticked b/w, good overall shape, nice eye and expression, clean neck, correct front, depth, feet and pasterns, neat tail.

3 Welch's Hookwood Blonde Bombshell.

Under Graduate Bitch (9, 2)

1 Yeo's Wilchrimane Desert Rose at Trexon, lovely balanced o/w of pleasing type, typical head, fine leathers, clean neck leading into correct shoulders, deep ribcage extending well back, correct couplings, covered ground well standing and on the move.

2 Williams and Rose's Ridanflight Rupara at Kanix, another pleasing o/w, classical head, nice finish of muzzle, well angulated, deep ribcage and a good topline, well-turned stifle, correct tail set, steady mover.

3 Drake's Clamerkin Crystal Lace.

Post Graduate Bitch(12,4)

1st Tibbs' Raigmore Quest, typy, well balanced b/w built on elegant lines, gorgeous head and eye, correct front, feet and pasterns, correct underline and tuck-up, good bend of stifle, good tail and use of tail showing lots of Pointer character in her sound light movement.

2 Young's Hawkfield Tiara, slightly bigger b/w, good make and shape, nice head proportions, kind eye, good front assembly and depth but could not match 1's hindquarters.

3 Milford's Haramander Tangerine Dream.

Mid Limit Bitch (6, 2)

1 Edmondson's Crookrise White Lace, won this class easily on her movement which is so pleasing, classic head of correct proportions and showing dish, clean neck, nice front, feet and legs, neat Pointer tail, but in the challenge her topline spoiled her on the stack.

2 Wilkinson & O'Neill's Hurwyn I Heard a Rumour, typical head, good neck, shoulder and hindquarters, steady accurate mover, carrying too much weight and doesn't help her handler.

3 Theobold's Juennerfly Amber Tycarreg.

Limit Bitch (9, 2)

1 Siddle's Wilchrimane Dark Silk, very nicely balanced b/w, not flashy, but a good make and shape, deep and well angulated. Typical head and expression, strong topline, good ground covering action, considered her for higher awards in the challenge.

2 Wilkinson's Hurwyn Eau de Cologne, another smart, balanced bitch, good in neck and shoulder, depth of brisket, tail and set, moved out well with purpose. Wish she had more length of foreface and preferred lengthier upper arm of 1.

3 MacManus' Crookrise Arran at Luneville.

Open Bitch (7, 1)

1 Knowles' Sh Ch Dovehayes Facsimile JW SHCM, I was impressed by this well balanced, elegant lemon/white, symmetrical and well built all over. She has a pleasing head of correct proportion and planes, lovely eye, correct eye placement, well turned lip, neat ears, clean neck let into well angulated shoulders, good front, feet and pasterns, deep ribcage extending well back, nice topline and croup, correct tail set and rear angulation, smooth, light mover, CC and Res. BIS.

2 Westaway's Sh Ch Penwest Paza, typy o/w many similar qualities as 1st, again lovely head piece, well defined stop and correct eye placement, fine ears, well set on, excellent forehand, lengthy upper arm and deep ribs extending well back, short couplings, neat tail, excellent muscle tone, powerful mover, preferred hind angulation of winner, Res CC.

3 Mason's Crookrise Touch of Gold.

Veteran Bitch (6, 3)

1st Naden's Sh Ch Trendmere Dark Star over Wychwood, lovely 8 year old b/w, pleasing head and expression, kind eye, neat ears, good neck and well laid shoulders, correct depth, strong topline and correct tailset, well angulated behind, sound mover.

2 Isherwood's Pipeaway Focus Fixation with Symitry SHCM, another 8 year old, flowing lines, long clean neck, good shoulders, feet and pasterns, deep body, good rear angulation, preferred head and expression of 1.

3 Drake's Clamerkin Certain Style

Susan Brophy – Judges (Bitches)

Dogs:

I would like to thank our two stewards who worked so tirelessly for myself and co judge, Mrs Sue Brophy. I enjoyed my day, but do feel the breed in dogs are lacking quality and animation on the move, no hackney action and only one level bite, all in good muscular condition.

Minor Puppy Dog (5)

1 Wilkinson & O'Neill's Hurwyn Some Might Say. 8 months, he really stood out in this class, sweeping outline, classic head, long reach of neck, excellent shoulder placement, deep brisket, great quarters, good reach of stride in front with drive from behind. RCC, BPIS.

2 Kelleher & Waters' Teisgol Sacerre. 8 months, very full of himself, which I like in a puppy, when he settled, his movement was smooth and flowing, soft expression, wide, moist nostrils, had good bone, tight feet, plenty to fulfill in body as he develops.

3 Simmons' Hurwyn Morning Glory At Honeywood.

Puppy Dog (7, 1)

1 Hamilton's Hawkfield Lets Get Rowdy. Took my eye immediately, nothing overdone, balanced head, soft expression, depth of lip, wide nostrils, well set ears, well laid shoulders, deep brisket, good ribcage, strong loin leading to good quarters, nice width of thigh, holds himself well on the move.

2 Wilberg's Jilony Freedom With Kanix. Another nice youngster, correct head, well laid shoulders, strong quarters, good bone, tight feet, powerful on the move.

3 Hurwyn Morning Glory At Honeywood.

Junior Dog (13, 1)

1 O'Driscoll's Fowington Five Bob Note. He really did show animation when moving around the ring, at 15 months he shows such promise, well put together, all flowing into the next part, he comes into his own when moving, CC, BIS.

2 Drake's Clamerkin Crystal Mountain JW. Preferred head of winner. Straight front, plenty of heart room, tight feet, well muscled, covered the ground on the move.

3 Hamilton's Hawkfield Let's Get Rowdy.

Yearling Dog (8)

1 O'Driscoll's Fowington Five Bob Note.

2 Siddle's Wilchrimane Obe Gold. balanced head, occiput to eye to nostrils, depth of lip, deep chest, good spring of rib, well let down hocks, promising youngster.

3 Eldridge's Bradgate Magic Maestro.

Maiden Dog (7, 1)

1 O'Neills' Hurwyn Some Might Say.

2 Eldridge's Bradgate Now Or Never. Just over 9 months. I liked his head, soft expression, nice shoulders and quarters, flowing pace with reach and drive, good for a youngster.

Novice Dog(5)

1 Warford's Hampsbeck Newtons Pride. He was more settled and relaxed in this class, consequently his action was smoother, pleasant head with reach of neck, deep chest, width of loin, good spring of rib, strong quarters.

2 Thomsett's Joneva Shadow Dancer. Balanced d, good spring of rib, carried well back, boosting tail, really covered the ground.

3 Canson & Dunn's Moorpoint Only The Lonely.

Under Graduate Dog (9, 2)

- 1 Jones' Tafakis Stargazer. Good to see a l/w, he really used his tail when moving, nothing overdone, gives a nice picture who could work.
- 2 Yeo's Trexon Tick Tack. Clean head, straight front, plenty of heart room, good bone, tight feet.
- 3 Hamilton's Hawkfield Let's Get Rowdy.

Post Graduate Dog (17, 2)

- 1 Reynolds Pipeaway Afrosted Glo over Sananselmo. Sweeping lines, well set ears, good occiput, soft expression, wide nostrils, reachy neck, has good shoulders, ribcage and quarters, good pasterns.
- 2 Yeo's Trexon Travellers Trick. L/w, only two of this colour of all the dogs I judged, well balanced, has good reach and drive, stands well over the ground.
- 3 Gloyn's Thorncross Barracuda.

Mid Limit Dog (4)

- 1 Stilgoe's Teisgal Tazanite. Won this class on his movement, correct fore and aft, so many do peculiar things with their feet, has a nice outline with good muscle.
- 2 Westaway's Penwest Palamedes. Good occiput, well set ears, has reach of neck, good shoulders and quarters, sloping pasterns, tight feet.
- 3 Drake-Lee's Alonzia Jakitu.

Limit Dog (7)

- 1 Stilgoe's Teisgal King Henry ShCM. Mature dog, everything in proportion, you need hands on to appreciate him, well muscled, used himself on the move.
- 2 Wilcox's Pipeaway Zonic Tonic For Merynjen. Has the flowing lines with classic head, as expected with the Pipeaway line, pushed winner hard, just lacking on the day muscletone in the quarters.
- 3 Theobold's Tycarreg Shotto Fame ShCM.

Open Dog (9)

- 1 Masters & Pavey's Sh Ch Manchela Innuendo. Has balance, not the flowing lines but looks the part, had no sparkle when moving, in muscular condition.
- 2 Howes Medogold Funtime Frankie. Lovely condition, rather long cast, so looked unbalanced, good reach of neck, well set shoulders, muscled quarters, good bone, tight feet.
- 3 Gordon's Hawkfield Let's Go Crackers.

Veteran Dog (4)

- 1 Macmanus' Crookrise Wide Awake. 9 years, so fit, he flowed around the ring using his tail, loved his soft expression, so well muscled, in lovely condition.
- 2 Welch's Sh Ch Ir Sh Ch Hookwood Top Man JW. 10 years, he looks well and fit, carrying a little more weight, good condition, lost out in movement, lacking animation of the winner.
- 3 Macmanus' Vossmead Jester of Crookrise.

Sylvia Harms-Cooke – Judge (Dogs)