LEEDS CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW Sunday 28th July 2019

I humbly apologise for the delay in submitting this critique. It is a long story!

PUPPY DOG - 3 (1 ABS)

1st Layton's – Joneva Born to Thrill. Nicely balanced who has good length of leg and maturity for one so young. Well moulded head with kind, well shaped dark eye. Reachy neck flowing into well laid shoulders. Good straight front with tight fitting elbows. Strong bone with tight feet. Well ribbed body. Strong over the loin. Carried himself well on the move. Well handled.

2nd Sillince's – Hawkfield Officer Dibble. Not nearly as mature as 1 and will need some time to come together. Good straight front, short in couplings. Moved soundly but needs more confidence.

JUNIOR DOG - 7 (2ABS)

1st Oddie's – Sharnphilly Boondoggle. Quality boy who had all the essentials. Attractive masculine head with well defined stop and good depth of muzzle. Strong neck flowing into well laid shoulders. Good straight front with tight fitting elbows. Well angled and developed hindquarters. Strong over the loin. Excellent forward reach but carrying his tail a bit low today.

2nd Gorrian & Henry's – Penwest Peroni. Not as mature as 1. Loved his head and dark expressive eyes. Good length of leg. Strong backline. Slightly arched loins. His hindquarters need to develop. Despite this he moved with great drive and enthusiasm and carried himself well.

3rd Booth's – Lundgarth Finch.

YEARLING DOG - 6 (1ABS)

1st Jamieson, Macara & Blackburn-Bennett's – Kanix Peri Peri with Glenfinnan. This boy is now coming into his own. Presents a balanced picture with no exaggerations. Masculine head with well shaped dark eye. Correct oval bone with well arched toes. Nice reach of neck flowing into well laid back shoulders. Deep in brisket and strong over the loin. Good width of thigh and bend of stifle. Strong hocks. Carried himself well and covered the ground with ease. RCC,

2nd Fox & Stilgoe's – Olivesong Chase The memory to Teisgol. Well proportioned head with dark eye and well defined stop. Good earset. Would prefer a bit more lay-back of shoulder. Strong topline held on the move. Needs to drop into himself and this should come with maturity. Moved truly and with a nice flow. 3rd Wilkinson's – Stocksfell Humdinger.

POST GRADUATE DOG - 6 (1abs). Found this a difficult class to judge.

1st Ram's Dacan Sharp Spear. Well up to size boy who is very mature. Pleasing head with deep muzzle. Good reach of neck but would prefer more lay-back of shoulder. Good straight front with adequate bone and tight feet. Deep in brisket. Strong over the loin. Careless with his hocks whilst standing. Moved soundly.

2nd Luke's – Teisgol Far Horizon for Fleurfield. Good height to length proportions on this boy who has a masculine head. Would prefer his eyes to be less bold. Good reach of neck with adequate shoulder placement. Straight forelegs with oval bone. Quite long cast. Well developed hindquarters. Moved soundly in both directions.

3. Booth's – Lundgarth Teal.

LIMIT DOG - 5 (1ABS) 1. Sillence's – Medogold Clown Prince for Tomlow.

Liked the balanced shape of this one. Super angles at both ends with no exaggerations in between. Attractive head with good shaped hazel eye. Good straight front with tight fitting elbows. Well muscled body with short couplings. Moved with purpose.

2nd Stilgoe's – Teisgol I am The One and Only JW, ShCM Was presented in totally hard condition. Liked his length of leg and substance. Good shaped head with nothing overdone. Good straight front. Well ribbed body. Slightly arched loins. Good width of thigh and bend of stifle. Moved soundly in both directions. 3rd Gordon's – Hawkfield Audacity (ai) JW.

OPEN DOG - 6 (OABS) 1. O'Neill's – Sh Ch Chesterhope Thrill of T Chase (Imp). Judged him two years ago when I awarded him 2nd in Limit. I now find him at the top of his game, and I feel that his head has become more masculine in that time. Good size and proportions giving him great balance. Good straight front with tight fitting elbows. Strong pasterns and feet. Short in couplings with well sprung ribs. Excellent width of thigh and bend of stifle. Covered the ground with ease and style. No exaggerations in any form. CC & BOB. 2nd Jamieson, Macara & Blackburn-Bennett's – Sh Ch Kanix News Flash at Glenfinnan. Attractive, masculine head with intelligent expression. Lovely flow of neck into the withers. Good layback of shoulder. Good front with excellent feet. Deep in brisket. Strong topline. Well developed hindquarters. Strong drive from rear with excellent forward reach.

3rd Hazeltine & Upton's – Sh Ch Hookwood By George JW ShCM. Another quality title holder.

VETERAN DOG - 1

1st Evans & Pavey's – Sh Ch Joneva Diamond In The Rough JW. What a great ambassador for the breed this dog is. Showing little sign of his years. Such a pleasing head with kind expression coming from his dark eyes. Well sloping shoulders with good straight front. Strong, well muscled body. Carries himself so well on the move which is so positive. BV.

SPECIAL BEGINNERS DOG/BITCH - 3 (Oabs).

1st Webster & Goodwin's – Millpoint Air Wave. Nice type and shape. Good hazel eye. Feminine head with kind expression. Correct front assembly. Moderately developed hindquarters. Moved out well from strong hocks.

2nd Booth's – Ragus Go Truly at Lundgarth. Shorter coupled and not quite the front of 1. Pleasing head. Well ribbed body. Good width of thigh and bend of stifle. Moved truly in both directions. Confident nature. 3rd Collins' – Saregresi Ventulus Lemon Drop at Collholme (Imp).

PUPPY BITCH - 5 (Oabs)

1st Harrison's - Millpoint Sound Wave. What a stunning youngster, quality from nose to tail. There was nothing that I didn't like about her. Balance and elegance personified, and I loved her height to length proportions. Classical feminine head with all the characteristics of the breed. Strong level topline with correct tail set and carriage. Well developed hindquarters. Effortless stylish mover. Best Puppy in Breed. 2nd Tibbs' – Raigmore Worth The Wait. Made life difficult for her handler. Nicely made throughout. Slightly finer head than 1 but pleasing nonetheless. Good straight front with tight fitting elbows. Good shoulder placement. Shorter coupled than 1 with strong topline. Needs to settle on the move. 3rd Whitehead's – Joneva Esmeralda of Stridview.

JUNIOR BITCH - 4 (0 abs)

1st Oddie, Dyer & Cole's – Sharnphilly Serendipity. So well put together with excellent balance and no exaggerations. Absolute gorgeous classical head with kind expression. Nice flow of neck into the withers. Good layback of shoulder and upper arm. Deep in brisket with well ribbed body. Strong over the loins. Well developed hindquarters. Covered the ground with ease and style. Well handled. Must have a bright future. 2nd Wilkinson's – Stocksfell Seldom Seen. Preferred the more feminine head of 1. Good straight front with tight fitting elbows. Strong pasterns and feet and well off for bone. Strong, well muscled body properties with excellent topline. Super width of thigh and bend of stifle. Strong hocks. Not quite together on the move.

3rd Ragus Go Truly at Lundgarth.

YEARLING BITCH - 1

1st Radcliffe, Faulder & Jone's - Sniperay Maiden's Blush. Stood alone. Stands four square. Would prefer darker eye. Good reach of neck. Strong topline. Short coupled. Not quite together on move.

POST GRADUATE BITCH - 3 (Oabs)

1st Fox & Stilgoe's – Alcazar Bewildered of Dappleline. Very attractive feminine head with good coloured eye. Adequate lay of shoulder. Liked her height to length proportions giving her balance. Good straight front with strong pasterns. Well ribbed body and strong loins. Good width of thigh and bend of stifle. Neat, strong hocks. Very stylish on the move and at one with her handler.

2nd Rayner, Spinks & Pringle's – Gartarry All That Jazz at Spinray. Similar shape and dimensions to 1. Nice overall type. Pleasing head but prefer darker eye. Strong, reachy neck flowing into withers and good layback of shoulder. Well up to size. Good forward reach but would prefer to see more drive from the rear. 3rd McGilp's – Forthbourne Front Page.

LIMIT BITCH - 8 (3abs).

1st Blackburn-Bennett & Macara's – Kanix Pertunia at Stargang. Quality all through. Workmanlike with the elegance to go with it. Super, balanced outline with no exaggerations. Pleasing head with intelligent expression. Reachy neck with well laid shoulders. Good straight front with nice bone and strong pasterns. Deep in brisket with well ribbed body. Strong over the loins. Well developed and muscled hindquarters with well let down hocks. Covered the ground with ease and style. BCC.

2nd Metcalf's – Darkridge Busy Bein Fab'u lus. Another quality bitch with all the essentials. Feminine head with kind expression. Good ear-set. Well laid shoulders with plenty of upper arm. Tight fitting elbows on good front. Slightly longer cast than 1. Strong topline with correct tail set. Good width of thigh and bend of stifle. Moved well in both directions.

3rd Tibbs' – Sharnphilly Escada at Raigmore JW

OPEN BITCH - 9 (1 abs)

1st Blackburn-Bennett's – Kanix Orient at Stargang.

Classical, feminine head with dark eye. Soft expression. Elegant, balanced and clean outline with no exaggerations. Good straight front with strong pasterns and feet. Well constructed forehand. Presented in super, firm condition with well muscled hindquarters. Elegant mover with excellent forward reach. True breed type. RCC.

2nd McGilp's – Sh Ch Ridanflight Ruby Tuesday at Forthbourne. Slightly taller and shorter coupled than 1. Attractive head with pleasing expression. Good straight front with tight fitting elbows. Strong pasterns and feet. Deep in brisket with well sprung ribs. Strong over the loin. Good width of thigh and bend of stifle. One of the best movers of the day with strong rear action and good forward reach.

3rd Harrison's – Millpoint Hopes N' Dreams JW ShCM.

VETERAN BITCH – 1

1st Madigan & Fairbairn's – Misperros Jumanji of Carmelfair.

Pleasing head with kind expression and dark eye. Correct ear-set. Good well placed shoulders and upper arm to match. Short in couplings. Strong topline. Good straight front. Did enough on the move for her age. Nice overall type.

JIM RICHARDSON (Judge)