

WELSH SPRINGER SPANIEL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW 31/8/19 – DOGS' CRITIQUE

Thoroughly enjoyed my day judging dogs today. My decisions were all on the day and the condition of the floor meant some dogs were not happy and either moved close behind, and stilted, or carried heads low. On the whole dogs were presented well and happy temperaments. Thank you to all the exhibits for entering. My co-judge Jan Rees and I agreed on all the final placing:

BIS Oliver's Glenbrows Royal Dragon

RBIS & BOS Frosts, Sh Ch Bushwacker Something About Mary

BPIS Revil & Monday's Julita Ryveeta

BVIS Barkley, Sh Ch Cherryheath Mr Mischief JW Sh CM

VETERAN. 4,1a. 1st, Barkley Sh Ch, Cherryheath Mr Mischief JW Sh CM, have judged this boy before and he has not lost his style and attitude, super well balanced head, kind eye, strong neck, well laid shoulders, straight front and legs, thick padded round feet, strong short coupled body, used his well rounded muscular rear to drive, moved true from all directions, topped off with a wagging tail. BVIS. 2nd Howard's, Morganstar Moondust, hadn't seen this 11½ year old for a long time, but another oldie to aged well, similar type my winner, lovely outline, good angulation front and rear. Good spring of rib arched in loins well set tail, moved out well on good legs. Great for age. 3rd Nicolas, Amblelight Suhail At Antreth, another 11 year old who belies his age, not quite the bone and substance of 1 and 2, but good angulation front and back, tidy thick padded feet, firm topline, short coupled moved out well.

MINOR PUPPY. A very mixed class of types and maturity. 4, 1st Graham's, Nyliram Let's Twist Again, won here on Breed type and temperament, balanced head, strong moderate length of neck leading into well laid shoulder, Good body properties, great spring of rib for age, strong rear which he used to advantage, lovely happy outgoing temperament BPD. 2nd Harrison's, Glenbrows' Revolution, just 6 months and at the wings and legs stage, balanced head, dark eye, straight front, good leg bone, deep in chest, well let down hocks, strong over rear. 3rd Buckwell's Killena In The Air Tonight, liked his overall outline, unfortunately he wasn't enjoying his day, so wasn't relaxed on the move. Good front assembly, straight well boned legs, firm topline, good depth of chest, well balanced, let's hope he comes out of his shell.

PUPPY 3, 1 & 2 as MP Class, 3rd Primmer's Amanshe Lone Ranger, 8½ months, very apprehensive today, but I'm sure will get there. Promising youngster, balanced head, strong neck leading into good lay of shoulder, well balanced body, straight front good leg bone, strong rear end, super coat and condition.

JUNIOR, 5, Hard Class close decisions, first 3 could change places on another day. 1st Knowles', Menstonia Minstrel, 16½ months, my favourite head of the day, well balanced, good chiselling, soft kind expression, good lay of shoulder, strong firm topline, best of legs and feet, good angulation front and back, strong in rear end, moved out with plenty of reach and drive. 2nd Murray's, Madsprings Drogon From Priestbeck, not quite as mature as 1 at the moment, balanced expressive head, super straight front, note says best legs and feet so far, good lay of shoulder, spring length and depth of rib, well balanced, moved out true from all angles with definite purpose, happy outgoing temperament. 3rd Harrisons', This Is Me, A little apprehensive today, balanced head, good square muzzle, strong neck leading into good lay of shoulder, straight front, plenty of forechest, good leg

bone, floor didn't suit this lad which showed in his movement today, good length and depth of rib, super condition.

YEARLING 2, 1st Cemís's Taimere's Talk About Me, a real find when I got my hands on him, all Male without being coarse, good head shape and balance, best of legs and feet, strong neck, well layed shoulders, good length depth and spring of rib and topline, strong rear quarters, moved out well covering a lot of ground, happy lad. 2nd Phillipson, Menstonia Meteor, kind well balanced head, straight front, good leg bone and feet, lovely outline, firm topline, well muscled good rear angulated quarters, super coat and condition, hope he regains his confidence again soon to enable him to move up the line.

NOVICE. 4, 1st Barkley Chanangel Mr Whodat At Cherryheath , well balanced type head with chiselling, dark eye, best of legs and feet, good forechest, body front and rear angulation, strong rear quarters and second thigh, super rich red coat, moved out well. 2nd Graham's, Nyliram Let's Twist Again, 3rd Harrison's, Glenbrows Revolution.

GRADUATE 3, 1st Wrens, Llon Lewys At Gwynmarren, lovely headed boy, soft kind expression with a glint of mischief in his eye, straight front excels in forechest, good leg bone, super outline and angulation, great reach and drive, carried and used his tail well. 2nd Phillipson, Menstonia Meteor. 3rd Johnstone's, Glenbrows Valentino For Gilpeta, heavier made Dog all through, all Male head, strong muscular neck, excels in forechest, straight legs and thick padded feet, good angulation front and back, would like more ring presence.

POST GRADUATE 9, 1a, 1st Worth's, Sarabande Lord Of The Dance (a.i.) loved this boy for his type, kind eye, expressive chiselled well balanced head, strong muscular neck leading into well placed shoulders, firm topline with good width across the back. Excels in forechest and front angulation, best of legs and feet, good spring, length, and depth of rib, strong rear quarters which he used to advantage, in rock hard condition, super outgoing temperament, pushed hard for top spot. RCC. 2nd Taylor's, Julita Rhyne, lovely lad to go over, well balanced Male head but not coarse, strong arched neck into well layed shoulders, best of forechest , legs and thick padded feet. Super angulation front and back, moved out well. 3rd Lucket-Roynons, Solva Captain Vere, this boy's lines just flowed, kind dark eye, balanced head with chiselling, straight front, well off for leg bone, cracking feet, good spring of rib, moved true coming and going and in profile.

MID LIMIT 4, 1st, Worth's, Sarabande Man In The Mirror (a.i.), well chiselled and expressive head, great lay of shoulder topline and balance throughout. Excels in forechest and upper arm , straight front legs and good feet, strong rear quarters with second thigh, moved out well and with attitude, happy chap. 2nd Stones, Stedigan All In Good Time For Merrem RLIEX Sh CM, Out of a different mould to 1, stronger all through but not coarse, strong arched neck into good lay of shoulder, well off for forechest, straight front, good leg bone and feet, well sprung ribs, firm topline, strong powerful rear, moderate bend of stifle, moved out true. 3rd, Lucket-Roynons' Solve Captain Vere.

LIMIT 10, 1a, 1st Oliver's, Glenbrows Royal Dragon, have watched this boy from the ringside throughout the year and got to say he filled all my expectations when I got my hands on him. Still only 2½ but just loved him, nothing overdone about him, dark eye, kind balanced head with square muzzle, strong arched neck into good lay of shoulder, forechest fills the hand, straight well boned legs, thick padded feet, super upper arm, strong muscular body with good depth, spring and length of rib, and muscular in loin, great width and second thigh on the rear, moderate bend of stifle, a picture of on the stand and moving full of purpose with reach and drive, all topped off in super coat and fabulous temperament, delighted to award him CC and with my co judge BIS. 2nd Browns Bowdonia Ozzie, All Male, stronger in head than 1 but not coarse, has a kind and soft expression,

good lay of shoulder, well off in forechest, straight well boned legs, good angulation front and back, hard muscular body with good ribs, strong rear quarters, well let down hocks, moved true from all directions, super coat and temperament. 3rd, Mcllwaines & Reynolds, Glenbrows Van Gogh For Benoveor JW, unfortunately left the ring without a critique, but was close up to 2nd and in super coat and condition.

OPEN 11, 1a, 1st Howarth's, Quensha You've Got a Friend At Arkview Sh CM, well balanced slightly domed head, with a square muzzle, muscular strong neck into well layed shoulders, excels in forechest, well boned legs, thick padded feet, deep well sprung ribs, short coupled, strong wide rear quarters with moderate angulation, well let down hocks, pushed for top honours, didn't give his all on the move, possibly the floor, which was a shame as he looked the part on the stand, in super coat and condition. 2nd Graham's, Dons Statement To Nyliram JW, loved the outline of this boy, another balanced expressive head, straight well boned legs, good round thick padded feet. Good angulation front and back, firm topline, strong rounded rear quarters, well let down hocks, moved true and with good reach and drive, lovely outgoing temperament and in good condition. 3rd Mcllwaines & Reynolds, Kamunting Castaway to Benoveor JW, slightly stronger all through than 1 & 2, head well balanced, arched well muscles neck, well off in forechest, great legs and feet, good depth and spring of ribs, firm topline, strong rear quarters, good width across the back and over loin, moved out true, super condition.

CHAMPION 4 lovely examples of the breed. 1st Clarke's, Ferndel High Fidelity With Tigerrock Sh CM SHCEX, Lovely looking dog from any angle, handsome Male head with balance, good length of neck, leading into super shoulders, forechest fills the hand, best of legs and feet, good body properties, short coupled, firm topline, strong rear quarters with plenty of width, moved and presented well. 2nd, Harrison's, Glenbrows Picture Me Now JW, a favourite of mine, unfortunately the floor seemed to hinder movement today. Appealing expression, balanced head, best of straight legs and feet, slightly longer cast than 1, good depth of chest, strong rear with good second thigh, in super coat and condition. 3rd Graham's, Sh Ch Taimere's Twister Round Nyliram JW Sh CM, a pleasure to go over this lad again, body properties are great. Male all through without being coarse, good angulation front and back, good depth, length and spring of rib, best of legs and feet, strong rear quarters, another that don't think liked the floor, just didn't sparkle on the move today.

SPECIAL BEGINNERS 4 1st Taylor's, Julita Rhyne, 2nd Leaches', Islanza Sprinter, finer-made dog than 1. Long neck leading into good lay of shoulders, balanced outline, firm topline, good rear angulation, moved with enthusiasm and strode out well. 3rd Gough's, Julita Rukester, all Male head with square muzzle and balanced proportions, good lay of shoulder, best of legs and feet, held topline on the move, moved out well in profile and with enthusiasm, in lovely coat and condition, happy boy.

SPECIAL NEW MEMBERS 0

FIELD TRIAL 0

SPECIAL WORKING 3, 1st Sutherland's, Jacrenella Solo, this dog has really come on since last time I judged him when a youngster. Male head, strong muscular neck, good lay of shoulder, forechest and upper arm, strong leg bone, thick padded feet, compact well ribbed body, moves with enthusiasm, would just like a longer stride, but moves true coming and going. 2nd, Barkley's, Cherryheath Mr Mojito, impressed when I got my hands on this boy's body, good lay of shoulder, well off in forechest, good spring of rib, strong rear quarters with good angulation, moves out well coming and going. 3rd Smith's, Isfryn Peeping Tom JW, got his silly head on today on the stand, but loved his attitude really, lost out on maturity to 1 & 2, muscular neck, good lay of shoulder and front assembly, straight legs and padded feet, firm topline, compact well ribbed, strong rear quarters,

moved true coming and going.

SPECIAL SHOOTING 1. 1st Smith's Isfryn Peeping Tom JW

GOOD CITIZEN DOG SCHEME 3. 1st, Jenkins', Cwmbelli Morgan, lovely outline with flowing lines and curves, good head shape. Long neck, lovely straight front, best of legs and feet, deep chest, held topline on the move, strong rear quarters, longer cast than some, moved out with plenty of reach and drive, in super condition. 2nd Caldwell's, Bowdonia Only The Brave For Cerysan, compact well balanced dog, lovely head with kind expression, square muzzle, straight front, well boned legs, deep padded feet, deep in chest, strong rear, moved with drive and purpose, in super condition.

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