

Hampshire Gundog Society Open Show –Sunday 19th March 2017

Judges report - Labrador Retriever – Sue Faulkner (Lewisan Labradors)

Many thanks to the committee for inviting me to judge Labradors at this show. I had the pleasure of judging this show back in 2001, this year a change of dogs, handlers and certainly a change of weather. I must thank the competitors of 2017 for presenting some lovely dogs and putting up with the bitter cold wind – I have seldom felt so cold at a show before.

Puppy 6(2). 1. Metcalfe's Baileydale Piccallili – A well boned and nicely balanced yellow bitch. A pretty head and nice neck leading to good shoulder placement. Well covered body, correct coat and a good top-line held both standing and on the move. B.P. 2. Ludlow's Saranden Rock a Scott – Happy yellow boy at 8 months of good size with kind head, not overdone in any way. Moved well. 3. Metcalfe's Baileydale Fancy Pants. 4. Goodman's Lulukella's Hometown Glory

Junior 5(1). 1. Goodwin and Bishop's Centenalee Polly Anna – Yellow girl, balanced with a good front and shoulders. Well boned with strong quarters. Deep through the brisket. Excellent bone. 2. Davis's Berolee Princess Beatrice at Tanglemead. A strong bitch who showed and moved well but she is a bit heavy and short in the front legs. Soft feminine head and a good topline. 3. Jenner's Lyjansen Midnight Star. 4. Cox's Ramalley Flutter.

Yearling 3(0). 1. Sadler's Beautiful Ella Firestorm – A yellow girl that I know well. Very balanced and a good mover. Strong head with good pigment. Nice front and top-line held on the move. Coat needs to develop. 2. Goodwin and Bishop's Centenalee Polly Anne – 1st in Junior. 3. Jenner's Lyjansen Lydia's Whisper.

Graduate 6(1). 1. Ludlow's Roboshalee First Gunner – Black dog, so balanced with super head and expression. A good front and deep chest with barrel ribs and strong thighs. A nice type. Moved well. 2. King's Linthwaite Cleopatra J.W. Yellow bitch with pretty, feminine head. Super front with excellent lay of shoulder. Short coupled and tail straight off the topline. Covered the ground well. 3. Burnell's Rotherburn Ulysses. 4. Autey's Ryedown Karactere of Chadfrith. 5. Goodman's Lulukella's Tokyo Joe.

Post Graduate 5(0). 1. King's Linthwaite Louisiana J.W. Yellow girl with so much to like about her. Feminine well proportioned head. Good balanced body with well sprung ribs. Great top-line and tail-set, A pleasure to watch her move. R.B.O.B. 2. Ludlow's Roboshalees First Gunner – 1st in Graduate. 3. Goodman's Lulukella's Kiss and Tell J.W. 4. Metcalfe's Baileydale in a Pickle J.W. 5. Hobby's Icarus Rhinestone Cowboy.

Limit 1(0). 1. Kings Linthwaite Cosette – a very sensible yellow girl. A little overweight but so balanced and a sound mover. Pretty feminine head. Strong front and good return of forearm. Strong thighs gave good movement.

Open Dog 2(0). 1. Jenner's Rossacre Trail Blazer at Lyjansen – I couldn't take my eyes off this dog. Just my typewith a lovely head and kind expression. A super

Labrador type. Balanced and not overdone in any way. Good neck and shoulders, short coupled with strong quarters. In good coat. Moved freely and impressively. I've never met him before but will look out for his great future. B.O.B. 2. Hobby's Icarus Dizzie Rascal – A lovely veteran yellow dog in super condition. Moved strongly. A lovely type , unlucky to meet 1st today.

Open Bitch 3(3)

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