

HAMPSHIRE GUNDOG SOCIETY

Premier Open Show

Sunday 9TH April 2023

I should like to extend my sincere thanks to the Officers and Committee for inviting me to judge at this Premier Gundog show. It was a very enjoyable day and I very much appreciated the opportunity and the support from the exhibitors to assess some lovely dogs.

Many thanks to my 2 stewards (one of which was a student Steward) for their efficient running of my ring and their jovial approach.

ITALIAN SPINONE

Special Yearling (2)

1ST Anderson & Mayne, Mrs J & Miss L, Annilann Temptress Del Michiamo: A beautifully presented and handled bitch of just over 15 months of age. Of very good breed type and excellent proportions and bone throughout. Good head with clear divergent head planes, deep muzzle and kind expression. Correct mouth with clean and complete dentition, powerful neck, good shoulder and corresponding return of upper arm, correct topline rising gently to broad loin, good bend of stifle, moved very well but a little close behind. **Reserve Best Of Breed.**

2ND Wakeling, Mrs J, Fioralba Angelina: Another very pleasing exhibit of 23 months of age. Well balanced all through. Typical head. Dentition correct, clean and complete. Loin of optimum length for me. Deep chest and good forehand construction. Well made hindquarters. Coat of good texture. Not as one with handler when moving which led to some inaccuracy and untidiness.

Post Graduate (2, 1 abs)

1ST Collett, Mr I, Stagerun Matteo: A clearly much loved and adored male of nearly 3 years of age. Shown and handled well. Correct head and kind expression, correct ears set on level with corner of eye and carried low, correct mouth, powerful well muscled neck that appeared to be too short – this is an illusion created by him be far too heavy and overloaded across the shoulders, slightly short in upper arm, good body proportions, strong hindquarters, coarse dense coat, moved soundly.

Open (2)

1ST Allum, Mrs R J, Macarica Fair and Square JW: Absolutely stunning bitch of excellent quality. Good head with clear divergent head planes, dentition correct, clean and complete, deep muzzle and kind expression. Powerful neck, good shoulder and corresponding return of upper arm, correct topline rising gently to broad loin, well muscled hindquarters, good bend of stifle, sound and accurate on the move. **Best of Breed**

2ND Collett, Mr I, Stagerun Kestrel: A male of 4½ years of age. Lean skull and pronounced occiput, well up to size, kindest of expressions, correct mouth, strong shoulders correct forehand assembly, deep broad chest, broad croup, coarse dense coat, moved soundly if not a little close behind.

LAGOTTO ROMAGNOLO

Special Yearling (2)

1ST Tindall, Miss S, Greenbanks Kara: Feminine bitch of 23 months of age, very clean in outline, presented and shown well. Pleasing head, strong muzzle and correct, clean and complete dentition, strong, slightly arched neck into well placed shoulders with elbows that are close fitting. Compact body with short loin of optimum length for me and strong hindquarters. Moved very well and accurately. **Best of Breed.**

2ND Roberts, Mrs K, Havana King Of The Truffles To Byphar (IMP SRB): Bitch of 18 months of age, good proportions, pleasing all through, good bone for age, head of correct skull to muzzle proportions. Dentition correct, clean and complete, Strong neck. Deep chest. Well ribbed back. Well angulated hindquarters. Good coat. When stacked, she

has a tendency to be over-stretched. When moving, there is no doubt that this bitch is very sound but she was moved too fast, which in turn lost accuracy. **Reserve Best of Breed**

Open (2, 1 abs)

1ST Drake, Mrs J, Mikette How Far I'll Go To Clamerkin: I absolutely loved the type and stature of this 3 year old bitch – the best exhibit of this breed on the day in terms of conformity to breed standard but sadly she moved very close behind on the day, something which I could not overlook. Presented an excellent outline. Good head correct proportions with strong muzzle. Correct, clean and complete dentition. Short, muscular and slightly arched neck into shoulders that are moderately laid back. Well ribbed back leading to short loin. Good topline and correct tailset. Strong well-muscled hindquarters. Moved well. Very good coat texture.

SPANIEL (AMERICAN COCKER)

Puppy (1)

1ST Woolley, Mr K & Mrs W, Partisky Platinum Black At Challeymead: A male of 10 months of age. Well presented and shown. Good well developed and rounded head, correct, clean and complete dentition, long muscular neck into well placed shoulders, deep chest with deep ribs, strong hindquarters, presented to a very high standard, moved very well. **Best of Breed & Best Puppy**

OPEN (1)

1ST Woolley, Mr K & Mrs W, Chesvik Top If You Wish You Can At Challeymead (IMP): A bitch of 5 years of age. Again, presented and shown very well. Pleasing and rounded head with lovely expression correct, clean and complete dentition, long, clean neck into good forehead assembly, deep chest, strong hindquarters, moved well and soundly. **Reserve Best Of Breed**

SPANIEL (CLUMBER)

Puppy (1)

1ST Baird, Mrs K & Mr S, Etheridge Penarth: A male of 11 months of age. An extremely nice and specimen of the breed, presented in super condition, showing very clean lines all through. Large square head, dark amber eyes with kind expression, clean, large ears. Complete, clean and correct dentition, strong jaws. Neck thick into excellent front with well placed shoulders and corresponding return of upper arm, body moderately long – ideally he will thicken in his loin - deep chest, hindquarters powerful, hocks low, large, round feet with short nails, moved very well, true fore and aft. **Best of Breed & Best Puppy**

Special Yearling (2)

1ST Baird, Mrs K & Mr S, Etheridge Penarth

2ND Sainsbury, Mr J & Mrs C, Wooliebourne Nick Of Time: A much loved exhibit, with a clear and touching bond with her owner. The presentation of this youngster was faultless and much appreciated by myself – thank you. A young Clumber Spaniel that demonstrates good breed type. Well balanced, quality bone all through, correct, clean and complete mouth and dentition, clean ears, large square head that is not overdone in any way, dark eyes, correct shoulder placement and corresponding return of upper arm, powerful hindquarters, large round feet. For me, his loin is of optimum length. Moved soundly but not quite at one with her handler. **Reserve Best of Breed**

SPANIEL (COCKER)

Puppy (2)

1ST Griffin, Mrs J, Griffial Make It Count: A very pleasing bitch of 11 months of age. Merry nature with tail wagging, pleasing head, expression and eye, ears set low, correct, clean and complete dentition, neat set neatly into well placed shoulders, compact body and well rounded hindquarters, nice feet, moved very well. **Best Puppy**

2ND Hutton-Baber, Messrs J & D, Esqueen I'm Iconic For Babtonkelpie (IMP POL) NAF: Another puppy of 11 months of age with much to like. Well-balanced. Lovely head with square muzzle, lobular low set ears, correct, clean and complete dentition. Moderate length of neck into well placed shoulders and corresponding return of upper arm, well sprung ribs, short loin, good bend of stifle, tight neat feet with short nails moved well.

Special Yearling (3)

1ST Taylor-Kistner, Mrs P, Black Lord Wildest Dream At Frieljoanipa (IMP HRV): A bitch of just over 12 months of age, presented in outstanding condition. Shown and handled well. Presented a very pleasing picture. Very smart, well-balanced and compact. Pleasing head, expression and eye, ears set low, correct, clean and complete dentition, neck set neatly into well placed shoulders and corresponding return of upper arm, compact body and well rounded hindquarters and good bend of stifle, nice feet, moved very well.

2ND Anderson & Foster, Mr B & Mr A, Zakova Baloo Moonshine At Sabaloo: A bitch of 16 months of age. Again, presented and shown well. Pleasing head, expression and eye, ears set low, correct, clean and complete dentition, neck set neatly into good forehand assembly, compact body and well rounded hindquarters and moderate bend of stifle, moved very well.

3RD Clifford, Miss R, Tomarisroan Shining Star Of Chamford

Post Graduate (5, 2abs)

1ST Blackley & Salero, Ms C & Mr I, Wightroche The Bee JW: A bitch of 27 months of age. Such a beautiful and so very well balanced exhibit. She is the epitome of feminine. Dentition, correct, clean and complete, super head with square muzzle, full eyes, moderate length of neck into very well placed shoulders and corresponding return of upper arm, well sprung ribs, short loin, good bend of stifle, presented a lovely picture. Tight neat feet with short nails. Moved very well, accurate fore and aft and demonstrating a lovely side gait. His tail never stopped wagging. Presented to the very highest of standards. **Best of Breed**

2ND Anderson & Foster, Mr B & Mr A, Zakova Sundance Kyd At Sabaloo JW: Impressive male of 20 months of age. Dentition, correct, clean and complete, good head with square muzzle, lovely eye and expression, moderate length of neck into well placed shoulders, well sprung ribs, short loin, good bend of stifle, moved well and soundly.

3RD Taylor-Kistner, Mrs P, Black Lord Wildest Dream At Frieljoanipa (IMP HRV)

Open (2)

1ST Blackley & Salero, Ms C & Mr I, Cooleela Operation Dynamo Wightroche: A beautiful bitch of just short of 6 years of age. Extremely well balanced, dentition, correct, clean and complete, good head with square muzzle, moderate length of neck into very well placed shoulders and corresponding return of upper arm, well sprung ribs, short loin, good bend of stifle, presented a lovely picture. Tight neat feet with short nails. Moved very well, accurate fore and aft and demonstrating a lovely side gait. **Reserve Best of Breed**

2ND Taylor-Kistner, Mrs P, Black Lord Wildest Dream At Frieljoanipa (IMP HRV)

SPANIEL (IRISH WATER SPANIEL)

Open (1)

1ST Bradley, Mrs L A & Mr P, SH CH Stanegate Stage Debut (AI): It is no secret that having Judged this exhibit on a number of occasions that I am a huge admirer of her outstanding quality and virtues. Of 3 years of age. She is beautifully balanced. Typical head with slightly aloof expression. Strong neck to well laid shoulder and barrel ribcage right on the elbow. Short back with strong hindquarters and well let down hocks. In excellent coat and condition. On the move she

demonstrated the correct roll from the ribcage and showed an excellent length of stride when viewed in profile. **Best of Breed and Reserve Best In Show**

MARTYN J REES (JUDGE)