

Hampshire Gundog Society

27<sup>th</sup> August 2023

Bracco Italiano

Thank you to Hampshire Gundog Society for inviting me to judge Bracco Italiano. Since I last judged the breed 4 years ago heads have improved but toplines in some should not be sloping.. All mouths good and all exhibits clean and well presented.

Thank you to my 2 stewards for keeping things running smoothly.

PUPPY 2 (1abs)

1<sup>st</sup> Colgan's Braccorions Zero She Flies, bitch puppy 6 months old at her first show today. Still a baby, orange and white puppy with lovely head and expression, low set ear good lay of shoulder, chest developing still, nice tight feet and good oval bone. Front and rear angulation good with good bend of stifle. Little lively on the move. Lost out on Best Puppy to an older more mature puppy in the next class. Her day will come

Special Yearling 3

1<sup>st</sup> Pearson's Braccorions You Can Conquer, 11 month old orange roan dog, masculine throughout. Good head with divergent head planes, strong neck leading to correct lay of shoulder and topline, nice tight elbows and feet, good depth of chest and spring of rib compact and balanced Good front and rear angulation. Although still a puppy I gave him RBOB and BP on maturity and pleased to see him get Puppy Group 3. One to watch.

2<sup>nd</sup> Forbes and Sladden's Cannemamans Primo Al Fine JW, orange roan dog, masculine throughout good head and neck into good lay of shoulder, deep chest and good spring of rib, Not as compact as longer cast in body moved ok, does fly his tail on the move.

3<sup>rd</sup> Webber and Sladden's Valcor Killer Queen

Graduate 2 (1abs) Webber and Sladden's Valcour Killer Queen, chestnut roan bitch of 12 months.

Nice head and expression fore chest developing, very fine in stature and did have a sloping topline would like to see the rise over croup, good rear angulation and a little erratic on the move.

Open 2 (1 abs)

1<sup>st</sup> Colgan's Braccorions Va Va Voom caught my eye when she entered the ring and didn't disappoint. Lovely chestnut roan bitch of 2 years, lovely square shape standing and balanced on the move holding her topline, Excellent in profile lovely head and expression, good neck into good lay of shoulder, nice tight elbows and feet, good depth of chest and spring of rib. Powered round the ring with purpose and drive, could not deny her BOB. Shortlisted in BIS.