

**The Flatcoated Retriever Society Open Show
Saturday June 11 2011**

I would like to thank the committee for inviting me to judge. I would also like to thank my stewards Stephen and Suzi for keeping the ring under control.

Minor Puppy Dog (3)

1. P A McQuillan Gemswin Black Magic

7 month old puppy caught my eye as he came in the ring (later found out he was sired by my BIS winner so no wonder). Lovely head with a good length of muzzle. Dark eye correct shape. Good length of neck into well placed shoulders. Level topline standing and on the move. Moderate bend of stifle. Moved very well for a youngster with such attitude, he moved true with reach and drive. One to watch in the future.

2. Mr B & Mrs G Broadbent Hallbent October Toccata

7 1/2 month old puppy. I preferred the length of neck and front construction on 1, but still a nice puppy. Kind expression with good length of muzzle. Dark eye. Well bodied. Feet ok. Shown in good coat. Moved well, not the reach and drive of 1.

3. Mrs J Shields Ollersett Black Jacobin

Larger 7 1/2 month mature looking puppy. Shown in good coat. Stronger in the head than 1 & 2. Would prefer more rear angulation. Unsettled on the move.

Puppy Dog (5)

1. Mrs M E Romeo-Dieste Hopevalley Morning Mayhem JW

9 month puppy well coated. Good length of muzzle with a dark eye. Neat triangular ears. Pronounced forechest. Correct front and rear angulation. Feet ok. Moved well.BPD

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Junior Dog (6 1 absent)

1. Ms H Fox Steelriver Blazin Hot at Blacktoft

Upstanding dog. Lovely head with dark eye. Good length of neck into correct front construction. Deep chest, short coupled. Well let down hocks. Feet ok. Moved well with reach and drive

2. Mrs J A Showell Finans Gael by Cleovine

Smaller workmanlike dog. Classic head with a dark eye. Very dense coat which has the effect of making him look stuffy in the neck and thus changing his outline. Good rear angulation with short hocks. Feet ok. Shown in gleaming coat. Unsettled on the move.

3. Mr C & Mrs C Hewison Pepsmark Jet Stream at Casblaidd
Taller racier dog, with lovely head. Tight feet. Correct angulation. Well muscled moved with drive. Shown in good coat.

Yearling Dog (8 1 absent)

1. Mr & Mrs E Fisher Maijerond Black Magic of Sawbrook
Attractive young dog of correct size with a typical flatcoat head, leading into a good length of neck with correct front construction. Deep chested with plenty of heart and lung room. Dark eye. Moderate bend of stifle. Feet could be better. Moved with drive.

2. Ms H Fox Steelriver Blazin Hot at Blacktoft

3. Ms S Pingree Castlerock Northern Moon at Heatheridge
Taller racier dog, needs to fill his frame. Good head with lovely reach of neck. Still needs to tighten in front. Good feet. Moved ok.

Novice Dog (7 1 absent)

1. P A McQuillan Gemswin Black Magic

2. Miss HL Bostock Gemswin Wish Me Luck
Going through the rangy stage. Kind expression. Would prefer more length in upper arm. Moved well. Shown in good coat.

3. Mrs J A Showell Finans Gael by Cleovine

Graduate Dog (4 2 absent)

1. Mr G & Mrs S Collins Steeplehouse Dance in Thyme
Typical extrovert flatcoat. Correct size. Good head and dark eye. Correct angulation front and rear. Constant wagging tail on the move. Moved with reach and drive.

2. Mrs A M Gulbis Gayplume Vital Spark
I preferred the raciness and angulation of 1. Good head. Shown in good coat. Moved ok.

Post Graduate Dog (5 1 absent)

1. Mr & Mrs S J Hammersley Stranfaer Doctor Foster
Correct size dog. Classic head with dark eye. Lovely length of neck into well placed shoulders. Can sometimes stand like a rocking horse which causes him to dip in his topline. Shown in good coat. Has correct feet. Moved with reach and drive.

2. Mrs E A Brook Culmquill Makin' Whoopee
I preferred the front angulation of 1. Good head with kind expression. Well muscled.

Moved well.

3. Mrs J A Bird Shiredale Black Sabbath

Workmanlike dog. Classic head with dark eye. Not in the best of coats. Unhappy to be gone over. Moved well in profile. Feet could be better.

Limit Dog (9 1 absent)

Three very nice dogs which could change places on a different day

1. Miss H S Walker Rainesgift Huckleberry Finn

It was his day today. Caught my eye as he came in the ring with his look at me attitude. Correct size with a classic head and dark eye. Small triangular ears set close to his head. Good length of neck leading into well placed shoulders. Deep chest with well defined brisket. Good quality bone. Loin short and square. Short tail. Standing on the best feet of the day. Moved so true coming and going, with such reach and drive. Level topline held when stood and on the move. With constant wagging tail. BIS

2. Mr R & Mrs L Ashcroft & Long Beanit Ned Kelly to Keepersway

Another quality dog close to 1, just preferred the head of 1. Well made dog shown in gleaming coat. Correct front and rear angulation. Tightest of feet. Level topline when stood and on the move. Moved with reach and drive. Res BD

3. Mrs A Youens Contar Shade of Dusk with Riverglide

Another lovely dog. Super head. Shown in good coat. Extremely well and soundly constructed dog. His youth showed today and he did not quite have the maturity of 1 & 2. Moved with reach and drive.

Open Dog (4 1 absent)

1. Miss K L Holland Calzeat Causa Commotion at Flatcharm (Imp)

A dog I have admired from the ringside. Just felt today he didn't hold his topline. Lovely head. Front construction ok. Deep chest. Loin short and square. Reachy movement in profile. Shown in gleaming coat.

2. Mr R & Ms L Ashcroft & Long Levelmoor Bowermans Nose at Keepersway

Another quality dog just preferred the head of 1. Would like more length in his muzzle. Well made with tight feet. Moved well. Shown in good coat.

3. Mr B & Mrs G Broadbent Blackshyne Super Trouper JW ShCM

Workmanlike dog. Nice head dark eye. Not holding his topline on the stand and moving. Outmoved by 1 & 2. Shown in good coat.

Veteran Dog(6 1 absent)

1. Mr S A & Mrs A E Huckle Ladyleys Collis Beau ShCM
7 ½ years dog not showing his age. Medium size. Good head with dark eye. Short coupled. Correct angulation. Well muscled. Very animated. Moved with reach and drive.

2. Mr C J Woolner Telsmoss Mattias JW ShCM
Preferred the drive of 1. Pleasing head with dark eye. Well made. Shown in full bloom. Moved well.

3. Mrs M E Romeo-Dieste Hopevalley Morning Xplorer
Finer headed dog. Neat ears. Correctly made. Feet could be better. Moved well.

Special Open Liver Dog (3)

1. Mr EW & Mrs P J & Miss N E Colson Windyhollows Brere Bear
Would prefer more layback of shoulder. Nice head correct eye colour for liver. Not in the best of coats. Moved ok.

2. Mr R G & Mrs V K Burroughs Wizardwood Tawny Tracker at Rokaness
Preferred the head of 1. Lovely dark liver. Stronger in the head would have preferred tighter eyes. Correct front and rear angulation. Moved well.

3. Mr S A & Mrs A E Huckle Gayplume Fly by Night
Would preferred a more masculine head. Well made. Not in the best of coats. Moved with reach and drive.

Special Working Dog (1)

1. Mr C & Mrs C Hewison Maddistream Indigo Jack at Casblaidd
Workmanlike dog of medium size. Would prefer better front angulation. Kind expression with dark eye. Moved ok. Little too proud of his tail.

Minor Puppy Bitch (1)

1. Mr DC & Mrs GM Simons Coedylan Visi D'Arte
Stood alone very pretty puppy bitch .Lovely head .Just right for age. Good length of neck

into well placed shoulders. Moderate bend of stifle. Shown in good coat. Feet could be better. Just lacked confidence today. When settled moved with reach and drive. One to watch.

Puppy Bitch (2)

Two very pretty bitches of similar type

1. Miss A Barnett Pajanbeck Welcum To My World

More workmanlike than 2 well constructed. Kind expression with a dark eye. Straight front with pronounced forechest. Quality bone. Feet could be better. Loin short and square. Moved with reach and drive. Shown in good coat. BPIS

2. Mrs ME Romeo-Dieste Hopevalley Morning Mist

Lovely head with good length of muzzle. Correct eye shape and colour. Very nice outline when stood. Feet could be tighter. Just preferred the hind movement of 1.

Junior Bitch (12 3 absent)

1. Miss S Stevenson Steelriver Heatwave JW

Lovely outline very pretty head with dark eye. Correct angulation front and rear. Shown in good coat. Moved with reach and drive.

2. Mrs JS Montandon Calswish Happy Ending

Slightly bigger bitch all over. Feminine head with good length of muzzle. Well muscled. Feet ok. Flat dense coat. Moved with reach and drive.

3. Walker & Roberts EJ & Dr L Gloi Celtic Legacy

Pretty head with dark eye. Neat ears. Longer in body than 1 & 2. Tends to stand 10 to 2. Impressive movement in profile. Lack enthusiasm today.

Yearling Bitch (11 5 absent)

1. Mrs L Walker Lizzlog Lacey's Engima JW

Lovely head with dark eye. Good length of neck carrying a little excess weight across the shoulders making her look heavy. Well constructed front and rear. Shown in hard condition. Moved with reach and drive.

2. Mrs JS Montandon Calswish Happy Ending

3. Walker & Roberts EJ & Dr L Gloi Celtic Legacy

Novice Bitch (17 4 absent)

1. Mr & Mrs CJ Jorgensen Paviland Cariad Mor Brialen

Taller bitch but balanced. Very feminine head with kind expression. Racy in outline with

good length of neck into well placed shoulders. Correct rear angulation. Shown in hard condition. Tight feet. Moved with reach and drive.

2. Walker & Roberts EJ & Dr L Gloi Celtic Heritage

Feminine head with dark eye. Well constructed. Viewed in profile reach and drive, just a little loose in elbow when coming towards you.

3. Mrs J Jones Yonsaff Beautiful Breeze

Smaller bitch to 1 & 2. Pretty head. Not quite the angulation front and rear as 1 & 2. Feet ok. Shown in good coat. Moved well.

Graduate Bitch (6)

1. Mr D & Mrs K Joyce Stranfaer Lucy Locket JW

Liked this bitch as she came in the ring. Smaller bitch so very feminine. Very pretty head with dark eye. Well constructed. Tight feet. Moved with reach and drive. Constant wagging tail with look at me mentality. Shown in good coat. RBB

2. Mrs SJ McDonnell Seastones Black Diamond

Slightly larger bitch. Pretty head with dark eye. Deep chest. Well pronounced forechest. Feet ok. Moved well. Shown in good coat.

3. Mrs HC Murray Gayplume Tickled Pink

Pretty bitch. Nice outline. Well made. Just lacking animation today. Moved well.

Post Graduate Bitch (6 2 absent)

1. Ashcroft & Long Mr R & Ms L Beanit Luka to Keepersway JW

Close decision between 1 & 2. Taller bitch but balanced. Very feminine head with dark eye. Good length of neck into well placed shoulders. Racy outline. Correct angulation. Tight feet. Shown in gleaming coat. In hard condition. Moved out well. BB & RBIS

2. Lane & Lane-Ridyard Mr R & Mrs S & Mrs P Kulawand In No One's Shadow JW

Just preferred the head of 1. Heavier bitch all through compared to 1. Kind expression. Well angulated. Moved out well in profile just a little loose in elbow when viewed from the front.

3. Mrs SJ McDonnell Catalina Star at Seastones

Smaller bitch. Lovely shape pretty head. Not in the best of coats today. Moved with reach and drive.

Limit Bitch (6 3 absent)

1. Mr JD & Mrs ME Pendleton Goldingale Winter Rose

Mature bitch in full bloom. Feminine head with kind expression. Correct eye shape. Deep chest with well defined brisket. Quality bone. Moderate bend of stifle with well let down hocks. Feet ok. Moved well.

2. Mr D & Mrs K Joyce Rainesgift The Dawn of Tyme for Stranfaer JW

A bitch I have always liked. Lovely outline. Very pretty. Very much an extrovert. Tightest of feet. Moved well. Not in the best of coats.

3. Mr DC & Mrs GM Simons Marjosi Silver Lining at Coedylan

Mature bitch. Feminine head with good length of muzzle. Correct angulation front and rear. Feet ok. Shown in good coat. Moved ok.

Open Bitch (6 2 absent)

Very difficult decision between 1 & 2

1. Ms DA Hall Ghilgrange Magic Maiden JW

Very happy girl. Pretty head with dark eye. Would prefer a better lay of shoulder. Tight feet. Shown in good coat. Moved with reach and drive.

2. Miss S Stevenson Steelriver Sunny Spell ShCM

I have always liked this bitch. Super outline. Beautiful head . Long neck into well constructed front assembly. Correct rear angulation. Shown in good coat. Was outmoved today by 1.

3. Mrs HC Murray Ebon Flow

Pretty bitch. Nice shape. Well constructed. Moved ok.

Veteran Bitch (7 2 absent)

1. Mr C & Mrs C Hewison Harvest Moon of Casblaidd

Another bitch I have always admired from the ringside. She doesn't disappoint when you go over her. Pretty head with correct eye colour for a liver. Well constructed. Tight feet. Shown in hard condition. Moved with reach and drive. Not in the best of coats today.
BVIS & Best Liver

2. Mrs SJ McDonnell Braemist Cara Isle at Seastones

Heavier bitch. Pretty head. Nice outline. Feet could be better. Not showing her age very excitable. Moved well.

3. Mr G & Mrs S Collins Rainesgift Summer Thyme at Steeplehouse JW

Pretty bitch. Overall nice shape. Workmanlike. Moved ok.

Special Open Liver Bitch (4 2 absent)

1. Mr C & Mrs C Hewison Harvest Moon of Casblaidd

2. Miss EA Branscombe Taranbeck Sorrel May Day

Lovely dark liver with correct eye colour. Pretty head. Attractive shape. Not quite the angulation of 1. Shown in very muscular condition. Moved well.

Special Working Bitch (1)

1. Ms DA Hall Blacktoft I'm No Angel for Ghilgrange

Heavier bitch all through. Feminine head. Well coated. Ever wagging tail. Moved with reach and drive.

Judge Jane Calverley (Gwenadillo)