

Many thanks to the committee of Leeds Championship Show for inviting me to judge in these prestigious surroundings also to the exhibitors who presented their dogs for judging and placed or not will always take home the best dog at the end of the day.

Quality was high and in the larger classes while there are only five places, there was some very good dogs who had to be left out and will I am sure be in the placings at other shows.

Many thanks to my stewards, no shows would ever take place without these dedicated volunteer's.

Bob Allen Judge.

Minor Puppy Dog

1st - Ms Foxes Satinbaze Cracksman for Blacktoft (A.i.)

A promising 6-month-old with a very typical head liked his confirmation and balance even at this tender age, moved as young puppies do and should, will watch his progress with interest.

2nd - WHITAKER Mrs R Jimi Choo Optimus Canis (Imp)

Another puppy with all the right essentials not quite as balanced a 1st but still with a very good outline lots of promise

Puppy Dog

1st – Ms Foxes Satinbaze Cracksman for Blacktoft (A.i)

2nd _ Feldkirk Armani Di Kazval TAF

A mature dog for his age less racy type, very typical head and well-constructed, ample bone and good depth of brisket just preferred the raciness and movement of 1st but both look to have a bright future.

Junior Dog

First - Stevenson Miss Plainfire's The Captain of My Heart Is Steelrive

Lots to like about this dog very good head and super outline liked his overall construction, racy but no sign of weakness, well-muscled and able to cover the ground with ease when on the move. Sure, he will be one to watch for the future.

Second – Walker Miss SH Lizzlog Granny Won't Like It

A smaller type but well-constructed lovely head dark eye colour and kind expression excellent bone and level topline and tail set super feet well-muscled hind quarters difficult decision for first place but just liked the overall outline and quality of the winner.

Yearling Dog

First. – Stevenson - Miss Plainfire's The Captain of My Heart Is Steelriver

Second - PLUMMER, Mrs N J & MCPHERSON Miss RA Lochkander Bhuachail

Not yet as mature as winner but well-constructed with a good outline time will improve him

Moved soundly fore and aft and had a pleasing profile.

Post Graduate Dog

First - WRIGLEY, Mrs V S & WRIGLEY Dr J Oiyou Harum Scarum a class of 21 dogs presented a considerable challenge this dog while not yet ready for top honours had all the qualities required for the future, very good one-piece head super reach of neck into well laid shoulders, level topline correct in rib and balanced outline when fully mature will challenge the best, sound in movement both fore and aft.

Second - ADAMS Mrs B M Fordingham Viking Warrior

A similar type to first not quite as racy and more mature quality head dark eye and good depth of muzzle correct bite good front ample bone and tight feet would prefer slightly more length of second thigh. But still covers the ground well when moving.

Limit Dog

First - JONES Mr & Mrs B Arminzeras Infomania By Benvellyn (Imp Nor)

Super dog, fully mature and presented in excellent condition, very pleasing head masculine skull but balanced showing no coarseness good depth of muzzle dark eye and that very important kind expression.

Good length of neck into well laid shoulders level topline and tail set. His overall out line while being powerful was balanced still keeping that smooth flowing profile, when moving round the ring. Please to award him the CC and best dog today.

Second - ARMSTRONG Mrs K Bitcon Tic Tac (ai)

Another quality male, mature with a pleasing outline very good head, neck and shoulder placement strong in loin well-muscled hindquarters covering the ground well when on the move difficult decision for first or second but just liked the outline and presence of my winner and well-deserved reserve c.c.

Open Dog -

First - BLAIN Mrs W-Sh Ch Rotherfield First Request JW

Medium sized dog with a super profile, very good front construction, topline and tail set strong well-muscled hindquarters with a good length of second thigh carried him effortlessly round the ring

Second- HOLMES, Mrs J & JACOBS Mrs G **Charming Melvin Oasis Of Peace JW**

Mature liver with a super head neck and shoulder deep in rib and strong well-muscled hindquarters carried him smoothly round the ring. not as classical in outline as first but possibly due to not being in his best jacket today.

Veteran Dog

First - DOUGLAS Mr R F Sh Ch Greenbayhill Black Tuxedo

A dog I have liked for many years smaller type but full of quality very good head has a lovely balance giving that moulded one piece and a dark eye to finish it off. Liked his angles both fore and aft deep in chest with plenty of heart room well-muscled hindquarters propelled his racy outline smoothly round the ring congratulations to him for winning best veteran in show.

Second - WARRINGTON Miss D A Sh Ch Woodavens Water Archer JW

Another very good oldie super head would have liked a little more reach of neck although heavy in coat off set his outline slightly very good brisket and lion giving good driving action. Two different, but two quality gents a pleasure and a privilege to have judged.

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Minor Puppy Bitch

First - HEDGES Miss J Satinbaze Cirque Du Lumiere (Ai)

A puppy of just six months with a typical balanced head and lovely outline correct lay of shoulder giving a good reach of neck into a level topline finished off by a very good tail set. Loin and brisket developing correctly, and a good length of second thigh provided sound driving movement.

Second - Mrs J Bonnyhilbrae Love of Joy

At 8 months a little more mature than first but not as balanced starting in that gangly stage but has all the qualities just needs time to develop her movement was sound with good driving rear action

Puppy Bitch

First - ANDERSON Ms K Feldkirk Dior Of Kazval TA

This young lady nearing the end of her puppy classes, will challenge the best as she goes forward. Super out line with lovely feminine head, her balance and structure fitting all the correct criteria can, only get better with maturity. A pleasure to watch as she effortlessly moved around the ring. Delighted when she later went Best Puppy in show.

Second - Mrs C A Bonnyhilbrae Lasting Joy

A hard act to follow, not as mature as my winner but has a super head and a lovely expression. Good outline still needing a little more substance, hind quarters showing a good width and length of second thigh well-muscled and used to good effect when on the move.

Junior Bitch –

First – Jones Mr & Mrs B Blacktoft Sapphire Ice At Benvellyn (ai)

16month old very balanced young lady just right in size and maturity for this class very good reach of neck into a well laid shoulder, gradual spring of rib and correct in couplings.

Super hind quarters providing lots of effortless drive.

Second - Lizzlog Brewing Bettie

A very mature 12-month-old pleasing outline not quite as racy as I would like but has everything in proportion super head and expression. Forehand correct with a strong rear construction, moved straight and true both coming and going.

Yearling Bitch

First - COLSON, Mr E W & Mrs P J & COLSON Miss N E **Blacktoft Frozen In Time By Windy hollows (ai)**

Only one in this class but from the same kennel as the junior winner she is racy but not lean well balanced both fore and aft very good reach of neck well laid shoulder and a super topline

Excelled in hind quarters with good length of second thigh well-muscled providing reach and drive to a sound ground covering movement.

Postgraduate Bitch –

First - WARRINGTON Miss D A Bochilbarley Jasmine By Woodavens

A very typical mature bitch with a super head dark eye and a moulded skull well-constructed very good in upper forearm hence a well laid-back shoulder just enough room behind the elbows to allow clean free movement when going forward a gradual spring of rib and short loin with good length of second thigh driving her soundly away and in profile when moving.

Second - ASHCROFT, Mr R & LONG Ms L **Stranfaer Take It Easy to Keepersway**

Another quality bitch again a different type racy and super in outline lovely head and clean lines with a good depth of muzzle maturing slowly, a very good front construction good reach of neck into a well laid-back shoulder strong rear quarters enabling her to move with drive and a good side gait.

Limit Bitch

First - ROMEO-DIESTE Mrs M E - **Yonsaff Vienna By Hopevalley JW Sh.CM**

This bitch caught my eye as she entered the ring, terrific one-piece Flatcoat flowing from tip of her nose to the end of her constantly wagging tail, racy but no sign of weediness.

Lovely moulded head dark eye and super expression, balanced throughout with a level topline and well-muscled hindquarter enabling her to cover the ground with ease when on the move. Delighted to award her the **CC and BOB** today.

Second - KNIGHT, Mrs & JACOBS Mr & Mrs M **Never Ending Story By Gemswin**

Another quality bitch, in this class all of a very good standard not quite as mature as the winner but in excellent condition very good outline and not quite as mature as winner but covered the ground well moving with purpose.

Open Bitch –

First - JACOBS, Mrs G & BRUNNSTROM, Ms G & DROTTSGARD Ms

Moonstruck Macadamia JW

This very racy lady the best of 6 quality bitches in this class lovely moulded head clean in neck and well-placed shoulders plenty of heart room and well-defined brisket correct in loin and very good hind quarters driving her soundly both coming and going challenged hard for the Reserve CC

Second - JONES Mr & Mrs B **Sh Ch Seaheart Anneliese By Benvellyn**

A top-quality bitch whom I have watched and admired many times not quite at her best today but still has that balance, confirmation and style, excels in head with that melting expression super topline and tail set moved soundly with good driving action.

Veteran Bitch –

First - ROSS Mr R & Mrs S M Sh Ch Islstrom Torrachilty JW

5 present and 1 absent a class of youthful oldies all ready and waiting to do their best our veterans never grow old just fade away gracefully the winner today was in top form classical and in super condition soundly constructed so well balanced with that flowing outline a very good reach of neck and that melting expression from a very typical head dark eye and strong jaw. Fit and in hard condition presented a pleasing outline, level topline super tail set and moderate bend of stifle, effortlessly propelling her round the ring.

Just lost out today for best veteran to a male in top form who went on to Best Veteran in show

Thank you all for a special days judging.

Bob Allen

Judge.