

CRUFTS 2008 – Judge: Miss M E H Marshall (Menwinnion)

It was an honour to be invited to judge our breed, an experience I shall never forget. Lovely entry, all coats and colours represented.

VD (2): 1. Burr & Davies' Ch Marquant Wil Smith, r/b in excellent coat and condition, good head, firm body and topline, moved well and enjoyed himself; 2. Goldin's Fleetgold Django Reinhardt, r/b/t, very good coloured coat, rich tan markings, nice head, firm body, in good condition. Just did not have as well muscled hindquarters as 1.

PD (3): A somewhat disappointing class. 1. Laidlaw & Cook's Roamaycee Double Take, r/s, small dog, bright red jacket, nice head. Would like a smaller ear. Firm body, short back and tail well set. He was the more balanced of the three and showed well; 2. Ogden's Beauview Cheque's In The Post, b/s rather immature at present, needs to develop in head. Very showy so was throwing his front about. Topline firm, tail well set; 3; Whipp's Sabai Fantabulosa, r/s very immature at present. Lovely true smooth coat of nice colour, sound moving and showed well. Time is on his side.

JD (5,1): 1. Chapman's Aprick Edoras at Cilleine b/s, his head still needs time to broaden but he has good front, neck and shoulders. Firm body and topline, showed well; 2. Gray's Astirok A Time To Tell r/r in super coat and colour has improved consequently. Most lovely head, front good, body well ribbed. Just failed in topline. Sound on the move; 3. Fletcher's Millbone Will Scarlett r/r, larger dog, head of nice size but needs more brow. Front assembly good, good coloured harsh coat. Slightly longer cast. A pity he didn't show with more enthusiasm.

PGD (7,1): 1. Barney's Santarra Salsa to Cilleine, r/r, beautiful head and expression, lovely front, neck and shoulders, firm topline. Could be slightly shorter in loin. Movement a joy to watch, just flows around the ring, **RCC**; 2. Thompson's Beauview Troop The Colour, b/t/r in wonderful condition, coat shining colours second to none. I hope these won't be lost in the next generation. Very nice head. Ears a little heavy. Neck arched, short well developed body. Sadly he has his own ideas about moving, a bit stop-go-stop, a pity; 3. Spurr's Santarra Highlander for Sutton Elms, r/r beautiful headed dog, I see litter brother to 1 and same remarks apply but he was slightly larger. Nevertheless very nice all through.

LD (12,2): 1. Andrews Beauview Tell Me A Story, r/r, smallish, in beautiful condition and new coat of good colour and texture, lovely head, strong deep firm body, showed well here in spite of the distractions at the time but flagged in the challenge; 2. Laidlaw & Cook's Double Or Quits at Roamaro, s/r, nice square dog of good colour, well ribbed, deep body, showed well. Preferred head of 1; 3. White's Cilleine Strathspey Over Whistleyhill, s/r, nice strong well made dog, good large head. Would like a slightly wider muzzle. He started to show well then seemed to get a bit upset which was a shame.

OD (11,2): 1. Moore & Connery's Ch/Ir Ch Santarras Swing to Cilleine, r/r, immaculate presentation and condition, coat of good colour, at its best, large head, lovely features, ears so well carried, good neck and shoulders, firm topline and tail on top, moved effortlessly, very sound. Could be slightly shorter in loin. **CC**; 2. Mercer's Fennymore Pinkie Royale, r/r, what a lovely dog, large masculine head, good front assembly, body well ribbed, firm topline, showed so well. Sadly completely out of coat; 3. Ogden's Ch Beauview Out Of The Closet, b/t/r, still looking good and showing well, typical head, excellent body, just wish tan markings were a better colour;

GCD (3): 1. A A Tale To Tell at O; 2. Ballard's Stormjac Hasselman Onix at Bajalon, b/r, nice in all departments, showed and moved well, coat and colour perhaps not at its best; 3. F Django Reinhardt.

VB (3): 1. Barney's Ch Broomleaf Beguine of Cilleine, r/r 9yrs, enjoying it all. Good head, firm well muscled body, moved well; 2. Barney's Ch Tuttlebees Fascinating to Cilleine, r/s, so enthusiastic. A little portly which spoilt outline; 3. Murray's Operastar My Fair Lady, r/s, pretty small one but sadly was not enjoying her day out at all. It was nice to see all the veterans again.

PB (4): 1. Payne's Checar Coz I'm Gorgeous, r/b/t, lovely large head, nice features, strong well developed body, firm topline and good

tailset, looked well on the move **BP**; 2. Scott's Samaranda Taylor's Made, r/b, smaller than 1 but delightful. Prettiest of heads, firm body. Coat needed tidying up to improve outline. Very jolly on the move; 3. Ogden's Beauview Spot Check, s/b/t, lovely temperament. Needs time to fill out in body and for head to develop. Showed well.

JB (8,2): 1. Price's Marquant The Dream Girl, r/b, aptly named, I found her quite delightful. Presented so well, harsh black coat gleaming, lovely head, front, neck, shoulders all good, body deep and firm, excellent topline, responded to everything her eyes sparkling, moves with such enthusiasm that she gets a bit carried away from time to time but I was drawn back to her all the time. **CC & BOB** and I was so glad to hear she got picked out in the final few in the group; 2. Payne's Checar Cos I'm Irresistable, r/b/t, well made bitch, same remarks apply as to 1 of puppy, her litter sister. Just wish tan was a brighter colour; 3. Dommett's Sabai Honeysuckle at Ribbleknapps, r/s, developing slowly and in good muscular condition. Pretty head, good front, topline well held on the move, showed very well.

PGB (14,6): 1. Mercer's Fennymore Atomic Kitten, r/r, liked her a lot, large head, nice front, firm body, moved so well covering a lot of ground. Sadly out of coat, such a pity; 2. Murray's Operastar Rhapsody in Red, s/r, lovely head and expression, lovely front, good tight feet, she has matured and come together well, sound moving, nice temperament; 3. Ogdens Beauview Not Bothered, r/r, pretty small one. She had a lot of qualities but lacked a little bone and substance. Outgoing and moved well.

LB (10,2): 1. Rundle's Applegarth It's N Illusion, r/r, I was quite taken by her today. Presented well and has bodied up, lovely head even if ears are a little heavy. Held topline so well on the move and really but her best foot forward; 2. Price's Marquant Ultra Violet, nice black if a little finer than some. Nice head and body, moved really well with enthusiasm; 3. Mercer's Fennymore Peek-A-Boo, r/r, nice bitch from this kennel. Coat not at its best. Lovely head but lacking pigment as were a lot. In fact this applied to all coat colours.

OB (9,2): 1. Barney's Ch Gaystock Just A Thought, r/r, really lovely bitch, glorious head, large round eyes, sound as a bell which shows in her movement, sort strong body. Coat colour lets her down. **RCC**. In the challenge the sheer joie de vivre of the junior winner won the day; 2. Burr & Davies' Ch Liamford Miss Jet, r/b, delightful black of excellent colour, put down beautifully as usual, lovely head, sound all through and moved so well; 3. Newitt's Ch Debmar Cherry Brandy, r/r, lovely headed bitch, deep red coat, presented well. Seemed not to have as much body condition as usual. Showed well but lacked a little drive when moving.

GCB (3): 1. Goldin's Fleetgold The Beansprout, s/b/t, what a lovely coat and condition, tan nice rich colour, sweet head but pigment not good. Moved and showed well.; 2. Harvey's Round the Rosey via Emirarae, r/s, looking well, nice head if a little narrow in muzzle, body firm, good ribbing. Just wish she would show a little more enthusiasm ; 3. Ballard's Orlock Hot House Flower at Bajalon, r/s of good colour, nice large head, short body. Very portly which made her look unbalanced. Showed well.

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