

Southern Flatcoated Retriever Club Open show

1st December 2013

Judge: Lauren Vincent (Rosslake)

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the committee for asking me to judge at such a well run show. It was an honour to be asked to judge at a club that's close to my heart and one that I have seen grow over the last few years.

I was thrilled at the quality of the entry and delighted with my overall winners.

Veteran Dog (1, 0a)

1. Mrs Ann Youens – Sh Ch Perrymel Spring Storm at Riverglide
Bright and active 9 ½ year old dog, in great condition and full of ring presence. Head nicely moulded with correct eye shape and colour. Sound movement and shown very well. Stands true with strong muscular hindquarters and moderate bend of stifle.

Minor Puppy Dog (10,0a)

1. Miss L S Jones - Blacktoft American Smooth at Braemist
A superb class with some very promising youngsters which I really enjoyed judging. At just six months old this young man stood out from the moment he came into the ring. He has plenty of bone with good spring of rid, beautiful head with a kind expression. His movement was well co-ordinated for one so young. Showing plenty of breed type, I will watch this boy with interest.

2. Mrs S Enticknap - Bochilbarley Ballabriggs with Tessera

Another lovely puppy with good bone, more mature than number one. Really liked his head, nicely moulded with a dark eye and a mischievous expression. Another youngster showing excellent movement. Well bodied but would like to see him carrying a little less weight.

3. Mr & Mrs R A & M Millbank - Brightstart Morning Magic of Larksdown

Puppy Dog (5,2s)

1. Miss H S Walker - Lizzlog Sweeney Todd.
This puppy has a look of class about him creating a beautiful profile picture both when standing and on the move. His movement was free and flowing, showing reach and drive. Beautiful head with a typical dark eye. Correct front and rear angulations. Really promising puppy. BPD BPIS

2. Mrs L Mastroianni - Possingworth Kekoa
Well balanced liver puppy with a good quality coat. Went well on the move but was a little nervous, with it being his first show.

3. Mrs S J Price – Wagglewater Croxton Buck for Ruddleberry

Junior Dog (5,2a)

1. G & J Jacobs & Holmes – Charming Melvin Oasis
Well bodied youngster with a good spring of rib, deep chest and good quality of bone throughout, not over done in any way. Showed really well, I liked his active enthusiastic character. Another good class.
2. Mr & Mrs M C & F A Mayne – Kingsisla Glen Urquhart
Correct size dog with a typical head. Good bone and in great condition. Moved well. Great feet. Just preferred the front of one.
3. Mrs Ann Youens – Gloi Dubh Deveron at Riverglide

Special Yearling (6,3a)

1. Mrs L Strudwick – Downstream Fair and Square for Burpham
Three promising yearling dogs in this class. Liked all three of them but felt that one showed more breed type. Good bone and correct size. Sound mover. His head is long and correctly moulded, with a dark eye and kind expression. Nice reach of neck, in gleaming coat and to top it off he had good feet.
2. Mr & Mrs R A & M Millbank –Dymexe Morning Storm of Larksdown
A bright youngster, his eagerness affected his movement at times, but once settled moved well with a strong top line. In good condition, well bodied and full of ring presence.
3. G & J Jacobs & Holmes – Charming Melvin Oasis

Graduate Dog (2, 1a)

1. Mrs S J Price – Blacklake Oberon of Ruddleberry
Good size dog that showed and moved well holding his topline at all times. Well muscled, in hard condition.

Post Graduate Dog (4,0a)

1. Miss J Reading – Sastrugi Beautiful Sunrise at Sabarka
Loved this dog's showmanship, correct size with good bone. Nicely moulded head with a kind expression and correct ear set. Moved with drive. Well presented in gleaming coat.
2. Mr & Mrs M C & F A Mayne – Simarfield Explorer
Preferred size of one. Another dog with good bone and head. Deep chest with well defined brisket. Moved O.K. In good condition and coat.
3. Mrs J.H Hewison – Casblaidd Out of Order

Limit Dog (3, 1a)

1. Mrs S Henesey – Swantonwood Lowry at Wrensmead
Hard to split these two beautiful dogs. Just preferred the size of one, he's not over exaggerated in any way. Sound movement. Strong topline, held on the move.

Deep chest with well laid shoulders. Slightly out of coat but still created a lovely picture.

2. Mr A, Mrs H & Miss M Osborne-Brown – Cassiopi Phynns Tribute by Perrymel ShCm
A bright active dog with a cheeky expression, with an ever wagging tail. In gleaming coat and showed well. Moved around the ring with drive and purpose, strong hindquarters. Correctly angulated front with a deep chest.

Open Dog (5,0a)

1. G, M & Mrs S Jacobs and Knight – Broomsward Hugo Boss by Gemswin
I enjoyed judging this open dog class. Charming head, well moulded, with dark almond shaped eyes creating that soft Flatcoat expression. Good depth of chest, well bodied into a short loin and correct tail set. Lovely bone and good feet! Moved and showed well. In fabulous condition. BD BOS
2. Mr & Mrs R A & M Millbank – Brightstart Maximillion of Larksdown
Another dog free from exaggeration and of good size. Good front and rear angulation. Sound movement. In super condition, just preferred the head of one. RBD
3. Miss L S Jones – Braemist Ocean Kestrel JW BVD

Special Working Dog (3.1a)

1. Mrs J.H Hewison – Casblaidd Out of Order
Full of Flatcoat enthusiasm this dog has good bone, with a strong topline. He moved, well muscled. Not in the best of coat.
2. Mrs J.H Hewison – Casblaidd Little Archer
Moved well, keeping a good topline. Well muscled with a good hindquarters, stood true. Close decision, just preferred character of one.

Veteran Bitch (4,0a)

1. Mrs V A Jones - Madison Rose Orchid for Braemist
An exuberant 8 year old bitch. Loved her the moment she came into the ring. Correct size with a classic feminine head. Movement was free, flowing and she moved with drive. Good front with excellent depth of chest. In superb condition, showed really well, her tail never stopped wagging! BVB BVIS
2. Miss K, E & R Taylor – Pinebank Eskimo Dream
Sound mover for 9 ½, covering the ground with ease and whilst on the move she held her topline. Good front. Showed really well, but preferred the head of one.
3. Miss I Kulczycka – Pl Ch Bela Black & White

Minor Puppy Bitch (6,2a)

1. Mrs P Bellamy – Bochilbarley Across The Bay
This young lady showed really well considering her age and her movement was well co-ordinated. Pretty head with a dark eye, kind expression and ears correctly set. Good bone and feet.
2. Helen Fox – Blacktoft Burlesque
At just six months this puppy had a superb front and plenty of bone. Classic head with a dark eye and kind expression. In good coat.
3. Mrs P Bellamy – Bochilbarley Izzy's Legacy

Puppy Bitch (2,1a)

1. Mrs L Walker Lizzlog Annie Get Your Gun
Impressive puppy. Moved exceptionally well for her age with sound, co-ordinated movement. Good size for a bitch puppy and not over exaggerated in any way. Good reach of neck into well laid shoulders. Fab topline, correct tail set. Good bone and tight feet. Just lost out to her brother on maturity. BPB

Junior Bitch (5,1a)

1. Mrs D E Edwards – Broomsward Vera Wang
Beautifully balanced bitch with a well moulded head and kind expression. Plenty of bone. Good front, showed well with plenty of enthusiasm. In gleaming coat and condition.
2. Miss C & Mr S Tappenden & Head – Lornabbel Fancy Free
Not as balanced as one, good bone and front. Moved well once settled. Also in good condition, just needs time on her side to mature. Will watch both with interest.
3. Mrs S J Price – Casblaidd Queen of the Sky Over Ruddleberry

Specail Yearling Bitch (11,2a)

1. Mrs N C Stock – Oiyou Maid of Black Magic
Lovely Special Yearling bitch class with some promising youngsters. Tight between 1 and 2, preferred type of one. Presented in impeccable condition. Plenty of bone but still remaining elegant. Correct front and rear angulations. Nice depth of chest and well bodied. Moved exceptionally well.
2. Ms C Ostman – Cac'i Posh and Sassy

Loved this girl's movement, moving with drive and precision. Showed beautifully, with an ever wagging tail and holding her topline at all times. Not over done in any way. Like one she had strong front and hindquarters.

3. Ms B Johnson – Downstream Fait Accompy JW

Graduate Bitch (8,3a)

1. Mrs Suzi Tagg – Oiyoun Maid by Lady Muck
Moved well with plenty of drive. Good bone, strong topline. Dark eye with a kind expression. In good coat and condition. Creates a good profile picture.
2. Mr B & Mrs G Izzard Bryshot Never Say Never
3. Mrs C. A Bunyan – Duchess of Cambridge Kate

Post Graduate (5,0a)

1. Mrs L Walker – Lizzlog Lacey's Enigma JW
One stood out as my clear winner. Pretty, elegant bitch of correct size. Showed well, creating a lovely profile picture. Nicely moulded head, with correct ear set and lovely dark eye with a kind but cheeky expression. In top condition.
2. Mrs Brenda Thomas – Stranfaer Oranges 'n' Lemons
Well balanced bitch of good size. Well bodied with good bone. Pretty head with dark eye. Moved well.

3. Mrs V Bowen – Bochilbarley Dark Moon Over Clandrift JW

Limit Bitch (5,2a)

1. Miss R. C. Davies – Clandrift Dirty Dancing at Harlistream
I loved this girl's enthusiasm. Showed well creating a lovely topline. Her body is well-ribbed and with a gradual spring. Lovely elegant head with correctly set ears and nice dark eyes. Good front. In gleaming coat.
2. Mrs J. H Hewison – Casblaidd Nutka
Liver bitch with an abundance of enthusiasm and ring presence. Medium sized with good bone, and a lovely dense coat. Good head. Preferred the movement of one.
3. Mrs Lindsey Swan – Swantonwood Rosemadder

Open Bitch (9,3a)

1. Miss Catherine Wells – Gemswin Lily the Pink JW
I really loved both one and two in this strong open bitch class, with both showing excellent breed type and quality. Moved exceptionally well, true from the front and the rear – my best mover of the day. Lovely size, full of feminine lines and totally free from any exaggeration. For me she is perfectly balanced, with a classic head and beautiful kind expression. Fantastic front, depth of chest and strong hindquarters. In great condition and coat. BB BIS

2. Ms B Johnson – SH CH Downstream Poetic Licence JW
Another top quality bitch. More workmanlike than one but still remains feminine. She moved around the ring with drive. Fantastic front and strong hindquarters. Well balanced. Both one and two create beautiful profile pictures and stood out from the rest today. RBB RBIS
3. Ms D Hall – Ghilgrange Magic Maiden JW

Special Working (3,0a)

1. 1. Mrs J. H Hewison – Casblaidd Nutka
2. Mrs J Thomas – Tygwyn Ulmus Glabra
Showed well with plenty of enthusiasm. Well balanced bitch with good bone, well bodied with good spring of rib. Good condition and well muscled
3. Mrs J. H Hewison – Casblaidd Hacy Daisy