

## Southern Flatcoated Retriever Club Open Show

7<sup>th</sup> December 2014

It was an honour to be asked to judge at this show and I would like to take this opportunity to thank the committee and officers of the club for asking me. Also I would like to thank my steward for making the day run so smoothly and also to the exhibitors for accepting my decisions so sportingly.

I was delighted with my overall winners.

### **Veteran Dog (1, 0a)**

1) Youens' Sh Ch Perrymel Spring Storm at Riverglide - 10 ½ year old dog who was enjoying his day out. In excellent coat and condition. Lovely head and expression with correct eye shape and colour correct length of neck into well laid back shoulders, lovely straight front, deep chested. Good rear quarters that were well muscled which he used on the move. Moved soundly. **BVIS**

2) Hewison's Casblaidd Little Archer – 7 ½ year old dog who was longer cast than first. Lovely head and expression. well muscled rear end. Moved well with a level topline.

### **Minor Puppy Dog (7,1a)**

Liked all three of these and shall watch their show careers with interest.

1) Durrant's Glenturret Cutting Crew – Nearly 9 mos old dog in good coat. Classic head shape. Lovely flow of neck into well laid back shoulders, deep chested, straight front, good bone with lovely tight feet. Won this class on his movement, he is very together for one so young. **BPD**

2) Millbank's Kvicksans Eve of the Storm of Larksdown – Another lovely puppy who appealed for type. Slighter larger framed than 1<sup>st</sup>, straight front leading to good feet, excellent head shape and ear set. Stood four square. Moved well with a level topline.

3) Wilmhurst's Kulawand Intvtion at Mandamay

### **Puppy Dog (5,0a)**

1) Bowen's Candiliz Black Admiral For Clandrift – Lots to like about this dog. 9 mos old who is very mature in body for his age. Well off for bone. Pleasing head and expression. Correctly angulated front with a deep chest and correct rear assembly. He did not like the surface at all when moving, but once changed handlers he settled more on the move, enough for him to win this class.

2) Evans' Gemswin Relight My Fire – 11 mos old liver dog who was not as mature as 1<sup>st</sup>. Lovely head and expression. Good straight front leading to lovely feet. Level topline which he held on the move where he moved well.

3) Wilmhurst's Kulawand Intvtion at Mandamay

### **Junior Dog (2,0a)**

1) Bowen's Candiliz Black Admiral For Clandrift – As Puppy Dog

2) Evans' Gemswin Relight My Fire – As Puppy Dog

### **Special Yearling (6,2a)**

- 1) Evans' Gemswin Relight My Fire – As Puppy Dog
- 2) Higgs' Feather In My Cap at Higgscroft - Rangier dog who stood four square. Showed and moved well holding his topline at all times. Well muscled, in hard condition.
- 3) Gwilliam's Varingo Boston Bob

### **Graduate Dog (7, 3a)**

- 1) Trotter's Downstream Friar Tuck J.W. – This dog stood out in this class. He has correct head shape and proportions and a lovely expression. Clean neck which lead into well laid shoulders. Straight front leading to good tight feet. Deep chested. Correct fore and aft angles. Level topline which he held on the move. Moved correctly and with drive **RBD & RBIS**
- 2) Youens' Gloi Dubh Deveron at Riverglide – Good size dog with lovely head and expression. Deep chested. Good body proportions. Once moved at the correct pace this dog moved well keeping a level topline.
- 3) Millbank's Dymese Morning Storm of Larksdown

### **Post Graduate Dog (2,1a)**

- 1) Romeo-Dieste's Hopevalley Morning Mayhem J.W ShCM – Smaller framed dog who stood four square. Pleasing head and expression. Moderate length of neck into good layback. Well bodied up. Moved well and in good coat and condition.

### **Limit Dog (2, 0a)**

- 1) Henesey's Swantonwood Lowry at Wrensmead – Lovely dog with a classic head and expression. Correct flow of neck into well laid back shoulders. Straight front. Deep chested. Moved soundly with a level topline.
- 2) Hewison's Casblaidd Quaker – Pleasing head and expression. Stood four square. Deep chested. Showed and moved well with an ever wagging tail. Well muscled, in hard condition.

### **Open Dog (5,0a)**

- 1) Jacobs and Knight's Broomsward Hugo Boss by Gemswin – Dog in good condition and coat who stood out. Excellent head and expression, good depth of chest, Straight front leading to tight feet, well bodied into a short loin and correct tail set. Showed and moved well winning the class on this. **BD & BIS**
- 2) Strudwick's Downstream Fair and Square for Burpham – Another dog I have always admired and of correct size. Lovely classic head and expression. Good front and rear angulation. Not in his best coat today. Sound movement.
- 3) Redpath's Varingo Wild Card at Dufftown

### **Special Working Dog (4.1a)**

- 1) Trotter's Downstream Friar Tuck J.W. – As Graduate Dog
- 2) Higgs Felicity's Feather In My Cap at Higgscroft – As Special Yearling Dog
- 3) Hewison's Casblaidd Out of Order

### **Veteran Bitch (9,1a)**

A lovely class of veteran girls which was joy to judge.

- 1) Davies Clandrift Dirty Dancing at Harlistream – 7 year old girl who is so feminine. She was really enjoying her day out. Classic head with lovely expression. Lovely body proportions. Good front and rear angles, not overdone in anyway. Moved well with drive.
- 2) Romeo-Dieste's Bochilbarley November Mist Over Hopevalley - Another 7 year old girl who again was not overdone in anyway. Correct size with a classic feminine head. Good front with excellent depth of chest. In superb condition, showed really well, her tail never stopped wagging!
- 3) Swan's Swantonwood Rosemadder

### **Minor Puppy Bitch (7,0a)**

- 1) Romeo-Dieste's Yonsaff Vienna By Hopevalley - 7 mos old girl with a beautiful head with a typical dark eye. Correct front and rear angulations. Correct length of neck into well laid back shoulders. Straight front, deep chested for one so young, good square loin. Looks lovely in profile and on the move. This puppy I'm sure will have a bright future. Lots to like about her.
- 2) Durrant's Glenturret Colour Me Crazy - Nearly 9 mos old bitch who I see is litter sister to my BPD. Close up to 1<sup>st</sup> who was more together on the day. I am sure these two will change places many times.
- 3) Hewison's Casblaidd Tea Leaf

### **Puppy Bitch (9,0a)**

- 1) Lutner's Beautyfield's Flashdance at Telurn (Imp) – Larger framed 10 mos old puppy but still balanced. Classic head and expression. Good reach of neck into well laid shoulders. Good bone. Lovely front and rear angles. Has a tendency to jump around on the move which affects her front movement which I am sure will improve with age, but once settled she moves well and soundly. **BPB & BPIS**
- 2) Romeo-Dieste's Yonsaff Vienna By Hopevalley – As Minor Puppy Bitch – Unfortunate to meet 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 3) Clarke's Lussac Copper Under A Spell

### **Junior Bitch (8,1a)**

- 1) Lutner's Beautyfield's Flashdance at Telurn (Imp) – As Puppy Bitch
- 2) Youens' Bitcon Black Cavier At Riverglide - Beautifully balanced bitch with a well moulded head and kind expression. Plenty of bone. Good front. Moved well.
- 3) Wells' Candilz Pink Lady

### **Special Yearling Bitch (6,1a)**

- 1) Macdonald's Spring Time in Deringwood - Correct height girl with a lovely head and expression. Good front with a lovely straight front. Deep chested. Moved well.
- 2) Brown & Hinton's Byeways Cool Danger - Larger framed girl with a classic head and expression. Straight front, deep chested. Level topline which was held on the move. Moved well using her strong rear quarters. .
- 3) Knight and Jacobs' Gemswin Disco Inferno

### **Graduate Bitch (9,3a)**

- 1) Edwards' Broomsward Vera Wang – Appealing head and expression. Good straight front well off for bone. Deep chested. Good front and rear quarters. Moved well which won her this class, holding her topline on the move.
- 2) Stock's Oiyou Maid of Black Magic – Rangier bitch with a lovely head and expression. Good straight front, which is well boned. Good front and rear angles. Moved well.
- 3) Mellor's Charleshurst Ebony

### **Post Graduate (10,1a)**

- 1) Lewin's Vynesbrook Cappa Bleu - This girl stood out as my clear winner. Beautiful bitch although not in her best coat could not be denied this class. Classic head, straight front leading to tight feet, excellent length of neck leading to well laid back shoulders. Matching front and rear angles. Loin square and short. Level topline. Moved well and soundly from every angle. **BB and BOSIS**
- 2) Johnson's Downstream Fait Accompli J.W. - Pretty, elegant bitch of correct size. Showed well, creating a lovely profile picture. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> could change places another day as similar remarks apply to both of them just preferred the movement on 1<sup>st</sup> today.
- 3) Tagg's Oiyou Maid By Lady Muck J.W.

### **Limit Bitch (6,0a)**

- 1) Wells' Gemswin Lily The Pink J.W. - Pleasing girl who present a lovely picture when standing. She has a lovely head and expression, good straight front, good length of neck into well laid back shoulders, level topline. Correct front and rear angles. Won this class on her movement. Moved well.
- 2) Henesey & Ostman's Caci's Posh and Sassy At Wrensmead - Lovely head and expression. Deep chested, short in loin, level topline which she held at all times. Moved well with an ever wagging tail.
- 3) Steer's Beanit Billie Jean

### **Open Bitch (9,3a)**

- 1) Tagg's Gwenadillo Wild Wish at Oiyou ShCM – Lovely bitch who was in good condition and stood four square with an ever wagging tail. Good length of neck into good layback of shoulders, straight front. Deep chested. Level topline. Moved well.
- 2) Lewin's Vynesbrook Annika at Waybeyond - Lovely shaped bitch who was not in the best of coats. Lovely head and expression. Good front and rear angles. Moved well and with enthusiasm. Gave the handler a hard time.

### **Special Working (4,0a)**

- 1) Hewison's Casblaidd Nutka – Medium sized girl that showed and moved well but not in her best coat. Lovely head with good straight front. Well muscled, in hard condition. Moved soundly.
- 2) Hewison's Casblaidd Hazy Daisy – Veteran girl who was enjoying her day out and showed well with an ever wagging tail. Moved well with enthusiasm.

**Judge: Hilary Male (Malenbrook)**