HITCHIN, 15/10/16

Thank you to the officers of the society for inviting me to judge – it was an honour & thank you to my steward, Debbie McDonald, for keeping the ring running so smoothly.

COCKERS – P (1) 1 **Creaney's Kalispell Krystalize,** b/r bitch of 7 months, happy baby with an ever-wagging tail, lovely head & expression, short backed with good ribcage, short coupled. Movement a little erratic but showing promise. **BP**. **J** (3,1a) 1 **Hutson's Stobytill Shake Ya Booty**, b/r bitch of 17 months, beautiful head with well developed, clean skull, expressive eyes – bright with a look of cheekiness! Correct forequarters with strong, compact body. Moved with purpose covering the ground well;

2 Rothchild's Rothmia Right Madam.

PG (4,3) 1 **Wildman's Harbethol Look Rockmaster with Chanmalo**, b/r dog, 3 years, mature boy in beautiful coat & condition, level topline, strong body with correct proportions, moderate length of neck, moved with good reach & drive.

O (5,2) 1 **Carpenter's Bel Sh Ch Lynwater Belgian Chocolate**, c/roan dog, 4 years, this is a stylish dog who took my eye for his unexaggerated type, he is presented & shown to perfection. Compact, squarely built, well angulated fore & aft, balanced. On the move he excels with super reach & drive, correct tail carriage completes the picture. BOB;

2 **Forfar's Abiwrose Satsuma at Glasdin**, lovely bitch who was close up to 1, she was just carrying a touch too much weight & was not putting in her all on the move. **RBOB**;

3 Hutson's Stobytill Eliza Dolittle.

ENGLISH SPRINGERS – L (1) 1 **Wilson's Peasblossom Luna at Zawspring**, b/w bitch, 3 years, lovely head with dark, kind eyes, straight front, well boned, up to size for me but is balanced, tight feet, well angulated rear used to good advantage on the move, correct movement with good drive from behind. **RBOB**.

O (2) 1 **Wallis & Levene's Torbeck Penrhyn** Bay, I/w/t dog, 5 years, old-fashioned type that greatly appealed to me. Super head showing correct proportions, kind expression. Good depth of chest with well sprung ribs. He is a good mover showing the drive & reach that is desired but he could have moved with more zest in the group. **BOB**;

2 Wilson's Mosi Mahbub for Zawspring.

WELSH SPRINGERS – J (2,1) 1 **Woodward's Sarabande** Billie Jean, 10 months bitch, shown in lovely coat & condition, correct, attractive head, brisket deep, needs to balance off in body as slightly long in proportion to height but is still a baby. Moved soundly. **BP**.

L (2) 1 **Thomas' Bowdonia Anastasia**, 21 months bitch, beautiful young girl who filled my eye for her type & style. Coat of rich red, silky in texture & flat. Lovely head with clearly defined stop, covered the ground well on the move. **RBOB**;

2 Burchmore & Hagger's Bowdonia Bedazzled at Lenamore.

O (3) 1 **Thomas & Upton's Bowdonia Seraphina**, 21 months bitch, litter sister to winner of previous class & similar remarks apply. She is also a very balanced young lady with correct angulation at both ends allowing her to move with some style. I was drawn to her by her style on the move & felt she just had the edge on her sister on

the day. Both are a credit to their breeder. **BOB**, **G3**;

2 Burchmore & Hagger's Kidenoan New Season at Lenamore;

3 Woodward & Thomas' Bowdonia Time To Dream.

GUNDOGS NSC – P (2) Two nice puppies. 1 Jones' Elgert Starman at

Redbornstoke, Field Spaniel, black dog, 8 months, this little lad stole my heart! Refined head with long, lean muzzle, gentle expression. Body developing well, hocks well let down. On the move he really impressed for such a baby – straight & true, coming & going, long stride covering the ground well. Loved him & will watch his future with interest. **BP**, **PG4**;

2 Griffith's Amicizia Mio Juliet.

PG (2,1) 1 **Griffith's Yesi Del Turco Andaluz**, SWD, brown bitch, 19 months, smart girl who moved well, body slightly longer than height, skull & foreface in correct 3:2 proportion. Short neck, well sprung ribs, deep chest & short coupled. Rustic in appearance. Brisk movement covering the ground well.

O (2,1) 1 **Osborn's Reedmace Sweetbriar Floss for Elgert**, Field Spaniel, liver bitch, 5 years, lovely outline that is so balanced, rectangular body, topline level & firm. Good feet, strong & round, good mover with that unhurried style typical of the breed. Slightly lacking in feathering but this did not detract from her quality. Later learnt that she is the dam of the puppy class winner. **BNSC**.

GUNDOGS – P (5,1) 1 **Norman & Robertson's Yennadon Kyllachy**, Gordon dog, 8 months, lovely headed raw baby who has great potential, happy & positive on the move, already dignified & noble but with a cheeky streak! BP;

2 Whalley's Enoki Tarten under Highwings, F/c Retriever;

3 McAuliffe's Tivalake Temptation, NSDTR.

J (4,1) 1 S Shake Ya Booty;

2 McAuliffe's Tivalake Temptation, NSDTR;

3 Oxbury's Sabisabi Cherokee Yona, Am Cocker.

PG (8,2) 1 H Look Rockmaster with C. BAV gundog;

2 Wells' Pearlbarn Pot Of Gold, Golden Retriever;

3 Ram's Gempoint Mr Findly, Pointer.

O (7,2) 1 **Barry's Sh Ch Rustasha Golden Rapper**, IRWS dog, 2 years, super quality dog of athletic build, strong & powerful. Clean well balanced head, muscular body with deep chest, movement effortless & covered the ground easily;

2 Hutson's Stobytill Eliza Dolittle, Cocker;

3 Spillane's Belatarr Charlie Parker, W/h Vizsla.

V (11,4) 1 Macpherson's Macarica Cavelone Di Mare at Rishona, Spinone dog, 10 years, belied his age! Robust & square, correct divergent head planes with typical 'human' expression, heavy body with well sprung ribs, high withers with typical topline, moved with a pounding trot driving from well developed quarters. BV; 2 Walker's Kensalroag Angus Macleod to Falkeshall, Golden Retriever;

3 Fox's Settaside Jelly Bean, Irish Setter.

GUNDOG GROUP What a fantastic group this was – spoilt for choice.

G1 **Hutchinson's Casblaidd Queen Bee at Waverton**, F/c Retriever bitch, 4 years, took my eye immediately for her balance & correct construction, she could not stand wrong! Racy, clean outline, short coupled. Moderate rear angulation. On the move she was just stunning – stylish free mover, good reach & drive, moving ahead of her handler but still in complete control. Delighted to award her the group in hot

competition;

2 James' Sh Ch Inostricani Fiorella, Spinone bitch, 2 years, a real favourite of mine who is super all through. Great mover & excellent breed type. Close up to 1; 3 Thomas & Upton's Bowdonia Seraphina WSS;

4 **Waverton's Sandstream Welcome Breeze**, Irish Setter bitch, 2 years. PG1 Burchell's Tivalake Make 'Em Laugh, NSDTR dog, 10 months, well, what a little stunner! Confident young boy who is so well put together. Balanced body proportions, lovely wedge-shaped head with look of alertness. Jaunty mover who demanded attention & could not be denied this puppy group;

2 **Pudney's Pitwit Winter Glow**, GSP bitch, 11 months, smart youngster who moved with style; 3 Hutchinson's Quills Mint Julep with Waverton, F/c Retriever bitch, 8 months; 4 Field Spaniel.

BRIAN GOODYEAR MEMORIAL P STAKES (32) 1 Bannister's Holbam Celtic

Nuala, Irish Terrier, 6 months at her first show, what a stunning young girl, took my eye the moment she entered the ring. Graceful both stood & on the move, v-shaped ears, deep chest, well ribbed back. Coat harsh & wiry, moved correctly & with some style. Will watch out for her as I am sure she is destined for great things 2 **E Starman at R**:

3 Phillip's Elizar Bright Angel at Asbit, Pomeranian.

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