

## **Hitchin & District Canine Society 15 October 2017**

Thank you so much to the Committee for inviting me to judge at their excellently run show. Wonderful venue with lovely large rings allowing the dogs to show themselves off at their best. Thank you to my very able steward and to the exhibitors for giving me the opportunity to judge their lovely dogs.

### **Irish Red & White Setters**

#### **Junior (0)**

**Limit (2, 2abs)**

#### **Open (3, 1abs)**

1<sup>st</sup> Barry's ShCh Rustasha Rhapsody in Red ShCM : What to say about this lovely dog. Oozes quality and ring presence, this dog took my eye. Good overall balance and breed type. Masculine head with lovely expression. Correct angles throughout which he used to wonderful effect when moving. He was true fore and aft and strong quarters allowed him to drive powerfully around the ring. Pleased to give him BOB & later to hear he'd taken Gundog Group 1. Very well deserved.

2<sup>nd</sup> Barry's ShCh Shireoak Hurricane Ruby Rustasha (IMP CAN): I have to say something about this girl, who at 12 years old, totally belied her age on the move, is still in the most wonderful condition and clearly showed her enjoyment of the day. Thank you for allowing me the pleasure of going over her. A lovely example of the breed and RBOB.



### **Irish Setters**

#### **Puppy (4)**

1<sup>st</sup> Gisby's Suteressett King of Hearts JW: Lovely 11 month old dog. Masculine head with very expressive eyes. Lovely arch to neck of correct length flowing into well laid back shoulders. Good angulation front and rear. Sufficient forechest with good depth to chest, lovely spring of rib and not loose at elbow. I liked his topline and tailset. Moved very well with reach and drive. BPIB

2<sup>nd</sup> Box's Fernstart Galway Girl: This very pretty headed 6 1/2 month old bitch has it all going for her. Lovely type who moved very well for her age. Will watch her future with interest.

3<sup>rd</sup> Anthony & Stuart's Staratlanta Je t'Adore Paris



#### **Junior (1)**

1<sup>st</sup> Anthony & Stuart's Staratlanta Je t'Adore Paris: Stood alone but this 9 1/2 month old bitch has a lovely head with typical cheeky irish expression. Good front angulation with deep chest and good spring of rib. Enough rear angulation which allowed her to move with drive.



### Post Graduate (4, 1 abs)

1<sup>st</sup> Lewis & Levene Bardonhill Ginger Nut at Valasarch: 18 month old dog with masculine head and gentle expression. Good length of neck leading into well laid back shoulders and flowing through a gently sloping topline to correct tailset. Nice in forechest, well laid back shoulders. Well ribbed and deep chested. Not overdone in loin moved well and happily. RBOB

2<sup>nd</sup> Nicholls' Romarne Under Orders JW: Good dog with nothing out of place. Just preferred topline of the winner today.

3<sup>rd</sup> Ashley-Turner's Jonola Moonshine



### Open (1)

1<sup>st</sup> Waterton's Sandstream Welcome Breeze JW: An elegant girl not exaggerated in any way. Very pretty head with correct planes, earset, eyeshape and expression which gave the typical Irish Setter look. Lovely length of neck flowing into good shoulders. Adequate spring of rib and sufficient length of loin. Good bone and nice tight feet. Gently sloping topline into correct tailset. Presented in lovely muscular condition and with enough coat to present a satisfying picture. Front and rear angulation and good width of thigh. Moved freely with drive. Very feminine bitch with lovely overall balance. Pleased to give her BOB.



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