

## Hitchin and district canine society open show.

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2022

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the committee for inviting me to judge at this superbly run show. I was extremely well looked after and the atmosphere was wonderful. I'm very grateful to the exhibitors for their entries, particularly as there were three rottweiler championship shows running over this Easter weekend. Thanks to my ring steward for ensuring the smooth running of the classes. The show ground is a fantastic venue and it was great to have a large ring for moving the exhibits with a good surface for the dogs.

It was great to see such good temperaments from all of the exhibits and to see the younger dogs really enjoying their day out with happy, exuberant attitudes.

**J (3)** A really lovely class of quality exhibits.

1. Lee's Hanbar Franzy via Leebee. Loved this young bitch. 13 months old. Fantastic construction and proportions. Lovely clean outline. Clean, well defined markings. Lovely feminine head with good breadth of skull and correct ratio of skull to muzzle length. Dark eyes, although slightly round and lovely calm gaze. Correct dentition with scissor bite. Would prefer slightly more fore chest. Good front and rear angles. Powerful hind thrust Beautiful lay of shoulder. Correct tail. Was slightly reluctant to move out fully today. Superbly presented and handled. **RBOB**

2. Byrne's Maraj Moon. 11 months old puppy dog .Substantial young male with strong bone and substance. Well balanced masculine head with broad skull and well-defined stop. Correct length of muzzle. Dark eye but would prefer tighter eyelids. Well-developed broad chest with well sprung ribs. Would prefer more fore-chest. Slightly long in body. Strong back with a firm top line held on the move. Excellent tail set & carriage sustained when on the move. Good angulation fore and hind. Well-muscled hind with good hocks, good hind thrust when on the move Two normal, fully descended testicles. Super, happy young pup – was most keen to take his best puppy rosette for himself. **BP**. Was thrilled to see he went on to get PWG1 under judge Julia Sims.

3. Nicholl's Roychamps Fireball. 13 month old male. What a happy, exuberant young male – loving his day out. Made his handler work hard. Beautiful strong head with excellent breadth of skull, dark eye although slightly rounded. Correct ear set, dark flews, lovely calm gaze. Good proportions and substance. Still very loose behind but that should improve as he matures.

**PG (0) no entries**

**O (1)** 1. Wheaton's Ausries the real thing for Acinonyx JW. Loved this male. 3-year-old male. Self-assured, powerful male of substance. Loved his proportions. Clean tan markings. Strong, broad masculine head, with good stop and straight, level muzzle, and correct 60/40 ratio. Dark almond eyes with lovely calm gaze. Correct dentition and lovely dark flews. Strong, muscular slightly arched neck. Good breadth of chest and deep broad rib cage. Excellent top line held on the move and good underline. Superb hindquarters, strongly muscled, with correct hocks but would prefer more angulation to stifle. Good width between hind legs and strong hocks, moving with propulsion and thrust. Correct tail. Two normal, fully descended testicles. **BOB**. Was so pleased to see he went on to get WG2 under judge Julia Sims

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