

HITCHIN AND DISTRICT CANINE SOCIETY OPEN SHOW

19TH APRIL 2025

I thank the committee for the invitation to judge this lovely show. I had some top quality dogs to judge.

LAGOTTO ROMAGNOLO

A favourite breed of mine, shame there was only one but she was gorgeous!

PUPPY D OR B (2/1)

1ST BEDESLEA PRADASPHERE (NORBURY/ATKINS FRY)

Lovely type of Lagotto. Lively young lady who is well proportioned, with a typical head of pleasing shape and balance. Good eye of reasonable size and required shape giving the desired expression. Shapely outline with everything where it should be. Strong body with the required topline. Copybook coat, weatherproof, with well shaped curls. Moved really well with decently set tail. Really impressed me. Will watch her career with interest! BOB and PG3

JUNIOR D OR B (2/1)

1ST BEDESLEA PRADASPHERE (NORBURY/ATKINS FRY)

POST GRADUATE D OR B (0)

OPEN D OR B (0)

POINTER

Interesting entry with a variation of types. The strong breeze didn't help the toplines of some of the dogs so I moved them more than usual so I could see them with relaxed outlines.

PUPPY D OR B (0)

JUNIOR D OR B (1)

1ST EVALUNA FOR YOUR EYES ONLY AT MISTIN (PERREN)

B/W bitch. Typical shape with balance and symmetry. Pleasing enough head, good in profile. Strong and well developed body, well ribbed back, with decent quarters. Oval bone with sloping pasterns. A casualty of the weather, looking most uncomfortable when stood, but relaxed into a lovely shape when moving, and has correct footfall.

POST GRADUATE D OR B (3)

1ST JONEVA DAZZLE AND DAZE (SHARPE)

well proportioned, masculine and all Pointer. Decent head with good profile, well built body with strong hindquarters. Correct bone and good feet. Best mover in this class, gaiting with drive and purpose.

2ND NIGHTGOLD PIPKIN (BROOKSMITH)

Sweet feminine L/W bitch, exhibiting nice lines and well made all through. Has a reasonable head with lovely dark eyes. Moved well in profile with a ground covering stride but needs to tighten coming and going.

3RD ALOZIA ZEPHRYNE (BARHAM)

OPEN D OR B (6)

2 super bitches headed this good class.

1ST MILLPOINT GOLDEN PIPPIN JW (BROOKSMITH)

O/W quality bitch. Built on classic lines, and full of breed type. Really lovely head and expression, with good profile. Well constructed forehand, strong topline and excellent quarters. Oval bone and good feet. Sound and pleasing on the move when she got going. BOB

2ND HEARTBURY NORTHERN LIGHTS JW (NORBURY/ADAMS)

O/W bitch and so close in type, shape and quality to winner. Not quite the maturity in body but a lovely bitch with a super head profile, excellent graceful outline and strong quarters. Moved purposefully and with animation.

3RD EVALUNA CHASING RAINBOWS AT HOOKWOOD JW (PERRIN)

RETRIEVER (NOVA SCOTIA DUCK TOLLER)

PUPPY D OR B (2)

1ST ARTHUNDUR FIRECRACKER (TOWNSEND-BEAN)

most pleasing puppy bitch, good type with correct balance and dimensions. Clean correctly shaped head with almond shaped eye and kind expression. Strongly made all through, with decent substance for her age. Well presented in lovely coat that was weatherproof. Lively mover with spring and purpose and soundness. Best puppy.

2ND ARELECHEN GALILEO FIGARO (DAVIES)

Mature young man with lots to like. He is certainly powerful in body, with a broad skull and pleasing expression. Super weatherproof coat and moved out well. Today the winner had better length of leg.

JUNIOR D OR B (5/1)

1ST DANEHAVEN LAGRANDE (COLLINS/POWLEY)

Most typical young bitch. Well balanced in outline, very pleasing head of the correct shape with good eye and lovely expression. Lovely forehand with level topline and strong well muscled quarters. Good bone and feet. Shown in super weatherproof coat. On the move she displays all the required jauntiness with strength and drive. Close to Res BOB.

2ND ARTHUNDUR FIRECRACKER (TOWNSEND-BEAN)

3RD COEDHELYG THIMBLEBERRY (WINDLER)

POST GRADUATE D OR B (7/1)

1ST DANEHAVEN MADELEINE (COLLINS/POWLEY)

Great for breed type, with a feminine head and kind expression with almond shaped eyes. Well proportioned outline, with a strong and well muscled body and quarters. Her forte is her typical Toller movement, happy, with plenty of reach and drive.

2ND ARCADIABYRNE TIBETAN CORAL OF QUACKANOVA (SALMON)

Mature dog of good type with plenty of substance. He needs to be handled to be appreciated as he can sink his neck into his shoulders on the stack, making him look stuffy but on examination and when moving he has a good length of neck. Very typical head and expression, balanced outline and very well made. Another very good mover, and pushed winner hard.

3RD DANEHAVEN HAHA (POWLEY)

OPEN D OR B (5/1)

1ST DANEHAVEN MCDONALDS (FINCHAM)

Mature dog of class and quality and balanced all through. Masculine head, broad but clean, well set eyes of correct shape with a kind and alert expression. He is well angled in front with decent length of upper arm and a good length of neck. Strong level topline, sensible, well muscled hindquarters with good bone and feet. Moved out well covering the ground. Well presented weatherproof coat. BOB and Group 4

2ND DEVERON DUCHESS OF DANEHAVEN (COLLINS/POWLEY)

A lovely neat bitch, compact and nicely made, with well proportioned outline. Feminine balanced head with pleasing eye and expression. Strong muscular body with enough chest, and well angulated both ends. Holds herself together perfectly on the move with strong topline, plenty of reach and drive and perfect footfall. Not in her best coat but that's a mere detail! Res BOB.

3RD CATCH FIRST YVLA GARONERA OF ARELECHEN (IMP CZE) (DAVIS)

WALLY TOPHAM MEMORIAL AV OPEN STAKES (29/13)

What a fabulous quality class! Some excellent dogs in here and many top ones had to go cardless. If I had shortlisted at all, I would have shortlisted just about everyone so I had to be tough and just pick the 5 placegetters.

1ST SH CH PINSEEKER PEP GUARDIOLA (HEATH/ROBINSON) GSP

A gleaming stallion of a dog! Typical headpiece, clean and powerful with a correct side profile and intelligent expression. Graceful balanced outline, with excellent front construction with a super neck, muscular and clean. Well developed chest, deep ribs and a strong topline. Pleasing quarters with correct tail set. Well boned with super pasterns and feet. Sound and effortless mover covering the ground as he should, with animation and drive. Not only did he head this quality class but he also topped the Gundog group!

2ND IRISBEL THE GREATEST SHOWMAN AT TYMORA JW (TYE) FIELD

Liver, what a lovely typical dog! Well balanced Field outline, no mistaking him for any other spaniel. Decent head with strength and length. Well constructed forehand, good ribs and plenty of substance. Flat bone and good sized feet. Muscular throughout. Moved well at a sensible speed. Plenty of glossy weatherproof coat. Gundog Group 3.

3RD CARODAL JACOBS LADDER (TYSTERMAN) DALMATIAN

Kate Keely

JUDGE