

Beagle Association Open Show, Saturday 25th February 2023

Thank you to the Beagle Association Committee for the invitation to judge today. Having been delayed due to Covid I have been looking forward to this appointment for a long time. Thank you to the friendly, efficient stewards who kept the ring running smoothly all day and a huge thank you to the exhibitors for supporting me with a wonderful entry. The puppy classes were full of quality, which is promising for the breed.

Minor Puppy Dog (8,2)

1st. Parker & Stevens' Serenaker Saltydog, 6 month open marked tri oozing quality. Eye catching boy who looks a picture at all times. Gorgeous head with nice dark eye to give a soft expression. Lengthy neck into correct shoulders, level topline, which he holds on the move with a correct set stern. Good bone down to nicely padded tight feet. He is balanced in angulation and moved accurate in all directions. Stood out in the final line up. RBD & BPD.

2nd. Goldberg's Rossut Villein at Molesend, 8 month old tri who is maturing nicely. Nothing exaggerated about him. I liked his balanced outline and sound movement. Masculine in head yet soft expression. Very good feet.

3rd. Jacklin's Triecap Emperor Alvin

Puppy Dog (6,2)

1st. Harvard's Annavah Nickleby, 9 month old tri of lovely type with nothing overdone. Nice domed head with a soft expression, and correctly placed ears. Good length of neck into well laid back shoulders, level topline and correct tail set. Good front movement and moved freely in profile.

2nd. Webster's Rossut Vizier for Houndscoast 8 month T/W litter brother to 2nd in MPD and many of the same qualities. He has an appealing head, soft yet masculine, good length of neck and a level topline. Presents a balanced outline and moved well in all directions with a merry disposition. I realise he is only a baby but would have liked a little less weight on him today.

3rd. Gladstyle Tell Me When.

Junior Dog (3,1)

1st Bridgeman & Logue's Kingswin Bug 'A' Lugs, 14 month richly coloured eye-catching tri. This smart boy is all hound and looks a picture stacked. Balanced angulation, which shows in profile movement with good reach and drive. He moved effortlessly around the ring. He has a melting expression, nice arched neck leading to a solid level top line, held on the move. He stands on super feet! Moved a little close behind today.

2nd. Starbrook, Hunt & Norris' Koorbrats Highwayman 10 month tri with a lot to like. Masculine head with dark eye. Lengthy neck into level topline. Would benefit from a bigger ring, like many, to give him chance to settle into his stride but I saw enough to see him cover the ground with ease.

Novice Dog (2)

1st. Goldberg's Rossut Vilein at Molesend, 2nd in MPD.

2nd. Jacklin's Triecap Emperor Alvin, 6 month old tri puppy presented in excellent condition. He is a quality looking puppy, 3rd in MPD in good company. Lovely kind expression, lengthy neck leading into level topline. He has excellent feet. He was a little erratic on the move today but did well for one so young.

Graduate Dog (6,2)

1st. Leader's Molesend Dice JW, 18 month T/W with so much to like and not exaggerated in any way. He has a very pleasing outline and especially pleased me while on the table, showing off his lengthy neck. Nice head with a lovely soft expression. Level topline, correct set on and carriage of stern. Very good feet. He is a good honest hound who moved soundly and steady in all directions.

2nd. Taylor's Deaconfield Lancer, 20 month blanket tri with the nicest of heads. Good straight legs, well under him with very good feet. He has a nicely balanced outline and moved effortlessly in profile. Not the rear movement of 1 today .

3rd. Bridgeman & Logue's Kingswin Bug 'A' Lugs

Post Graduate Dog (4,2)

1st. Leader's Molesend Dice JW, 1st GD.

2nd. Barrvale Hunter at Awreidge, Tri male of almost 4 years old. He is a lovely type, just to my liking. Lots to like about him. Lovely soft expression and head shape. Lengthy neck leading to level topline when stacked. Good turn of stifle and tight feet. Preferred the movement of 1 today.

Limit Dog (4,1)

A challenging class with three very different types, all with many different attributes.

1st. Bridgeman & Logue's Kubik Csiki Kopo at Kingswin (Imp Srb). Head of equal proportions with good pigment, although stronger than I would like. Nicely arched neck, level topline, correct set on of stern and carriage. Good turn of stifle, strong bone down to tight feet. Won this class on his ground covering free movement and overall balance.

2nd. Hunt's Bonlea Woodlark. At just over 2 years old this tri boy is maturing well and I believe coming into his prime. He is nicely balanced with correct length to height ratio. Nice head proportions and dark eye. Correctly carried stern. Preferred the rear movement of 1 today.

3rd. Parker & Stevens' Serenaker George Gently.

Open Dog (4,3)

1st Taylor's Deaconfield Kingcraft, This 5 year old blanket tri is looking as good as ever, especially on the move with no exaggeration. He is so well balanced and covers the ground with effortless ease and true fore and aft. He has a lovely soft expression and nice dark eye. Holds his level topline on the move and carries his tail correctly. Good fore chest Pleased to award him BD.

Veteran Dog (6,1)

1st Hunt & Norris' Ch. Shercroft Apollo JW Sh.cm, 8 year old T/W . As sound a moved as ever he was with strong rear movement. Heavier in head than 2nd but head of equal proportions and he has good pigment. Good layback of shoulder into level topline and good turn of stifle, which all contributes to his good profile movement. Carries his tail correctly and he is merry hound. BVD

2nd. Ch. Annabah Felix. It was a pleasure to judge this 8 year old tri who I have always admired. He has so much to like and is still in super condition. Masculine appealing head with good length of leathers. Good length of neck, solid topline, balanced angulation and moved very well in profile. Preferred the strong rear movement of winner.

3rd Phillip's Lanesend Segenhoe JW Sh.cm

Special Beginners (3,1)

1st. Jacklin's Triecap Emperor Alvin, (3rd MPD, 2nd Novice).

2nd. Bell-Thomas & Thomas' Amorpapaver Jupiter, 3 year old tri of a very nice type who presents a very pleasing outline on the stack. Masculine head with a dark eye, arched neck into well laid shoulders and a level topline. Good turn of stifle and good feet. Preferred the movement and tail carriage of 1st.

Minor Puppy Bitch (9,2) A very nice class.

1st. Craig's Annabah Belinda of Davricard, 8 month old tri. This puppy has quality all through and I could have quite easily taken her home. She caught my eye from all angles. Lovely head, neck and shoulders. Level topline and correct set on of stern. She moved soundly in all directions covering the ground well in profile. I predict a successful future ahead. RBB & BPIS.

2nd. Harvard's Dufosee Julianna avec Annabah, 7 month T/W with the most beautiful head. Another quality puppy who pushed hard for first place. She has a lovely outline with everything in the correct place; lengthy arched neck, level topline, good turn of stifle and moved well in profile. Not as settled as winner today. One I will watch with interest.

3rd. Jacklin's Triecap Empress Apricot.

Puppy Bitch (6,1)

1st Kingsland & Stevens' Winner Takes It All to Redcap NAF, 7 month old tri who caught my eye on the first go around with her super profile movement. Feminine head with correct dark eye. Arched neck of good length into level topline, held on move. Good spring of rib for one so young. Moved well fore and aft but it was her ground covering profile movement, which won her this good class. She moved with such confidence & energy.

2nd. Coates' Gladstyle Mid Summer Dream, 8 month old T/W with lots to like. Lovely feminine head with good pigmentation. Lengthy neck into well laid shoulders and good topline. Preferred front movement of 1st today.

3rd. Baker's Koorbrats Meadow

Junior Bitch (8,1)

1st. Harvard's Angel Delight, 11 month open marked tri who really is a delight. I liked her very much. She has a very pretty head. Good length of neck, level topline and good turn of stifle. Excellent feet. Her movement was accurate fore and aft, a little erratic on the go around but I saw enough for her to win this good class.

2nd. Coates' Gladstyle Too Close to Call, 15 month T/W who has always caught my eye, especially on the move. She has a feminine head of good proportions with a nice dark eye. Nicely arched neck, good top line and balanced in body. Lovely ground covering profile movement. I would have liked a little more weight on her today.

3rd. Hardisty's Bluncherall Kiss me Quick.

Novice Bitch (9,2)

1st. Kingsland & Stevens' Winner Takes it All to Redcap, (1st PB)

2nd. Parker & Stevens' Serenaker Manhattan, 8 month T/W. Quality puppy with a feminine head of equal proportions and good pigmentation. She has a lovely outline with nicely arched neck balanced angulation front and rear, level top line and well let down hocks. Excellent padded, tight feet. Unlucky to meet 1 today.

3rd. Peach's Rossut Zoomy

Graduate Bitch (5)

1st. Goldberg's Molesend Dormouse JW, This 18 month old T/W bitch is quality all through, balanced and not overdone in any way. Pretty head with good pigmentation. Good neck into lovely shoulders, topline and a good turn of stifle. Nice tight feet. She moved true fore and aft and pleasing in profile movement. Considered for RBB

2nd. Bell-Thomas & Thomas' Amorpapaver Juno, 3 year old tri who is slightly finer all through. She is a nice type with a feminine head and lovely kind expressive eye. A true mover in all directions and again very good feet.

3rd. Langman' Madika High Flyer at Bonwillan

Post Graduate Bitch ((3,1)

1st Websters' Michelroy Pimpernell With Houndscoast JW, 4 year old T/W in her prime. Feminine head with good pigment. She has a lovely topline from her head to her tail and is nicely angulated front and back. Hocks well let down. Moved accurately around the ring driving from her strong rear.

2nd Kimber's Coachbarn Crier, 4 year old open marked tri. Feminine head, good reach of neck, not quite the top line of 1. Correct tail set and carriage. A good honest hound.

Limit Bitch (11,3) What a super class!

1st. Goldberg's Molesend Crumble (AI) Just my type, she wouldn't look out of place with my girls at home. I have always liked the look of this bitch and believe she is coming into her prime. She has bodied up lovely and although can give her owner a hard time on the stack I saw enough to

award her BB and BIS. She has a very feminine domed head, kind eye with good pigmentation. Nicely arched neck into good shoulders, well laid back, and level solid topline, Straight legs on excellent well padded tight feet. She has enough fore chest without being overdone. Tail set and carriage was correct. She moved true fore and aft and her profile movement was effortless.

2nd. Hunt's Dufosee lyla at Bondlea JW, 20 month old blanket tri is a good honest hound again of a type I am drawn to. Feminine head, good length to neck leading to level topline, held on move. Good rear movement to drive around the ring.

3rd. Hunt & Norris' Shercroft Liberty JW

Open Bitch (2) Two very different types, both moving well in profile together around the ring.

1st. Harvard's Annavah Lady Gaga, This bitch stands four square and looks a picture stacked. Nice dark eye, good reach of neck and strong topline. Well ribbed back. I very much liked her straight legs and tight feet. Showed good reach and drive.

2nd. Taylor's Deaconfield Lively, Lovely head, which I did prefer to 1 but not quite the topline of winner. Compact in body and moving true out and back and a lovely free mover in profile.

Veteran Bitch (10) A lovely class of older girls all representing our breed in good condition.

1st. McBain & Stevens's Redcap Bella Sorella JW Sh.cm VW I have judge this girl before and at 10 years old I liked her just as much today. She is such a merry hound and demands a second look. Shown in good muscular condition, which is evident on the move. She moves with such vigour, reaching out well in front and strong driving action from the rear. She is OK in head, good reach of neck, nicely arched. Strong topline and she has balanced angulation front and rear. Pleased to award her BVB and BVIS.

2nd. Brown's Ch. Raimex Brittany JW, It was a pleasure to judge this pretty open marked bitch of 9 years old. She has a beautiful head and is good through the body with no exaggerations. Moved well fore and aft and a sound steady mover in profile.

3rd. Jacklin's Triecap Queen Ruby

Special Beginners Bitch (6,2)

1st. Bell-Thomas & Thomas Amorpapaver Juno (2nd GB)

2nd. Langman Madika High Flyer at Bonwillan

This 13 month open tri is just my cup of tea. Very pretty head, lovely neck and shoulders. She has strong pasterns and nice tight neat feet. She really does look a picture stacked and holds her outline in profile movement. Correct tail set and carriage. Preferred the coming and going movement of 1 today.

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