

OKEHAMPTON & DISTRICT CANINE SOCIETY Open Show
30th April 2022

I would like to extend my thanks to the committee for inviting me to judge at this show, I thoroughly enjoyed judging this lovely entry. Many thanks also to my knowledgeable steward Angela O'Connor who kept the ring moving seamlessly throughout the day. Last but not least my biggest thanks to the fabulous bunch of exhibitors for giving me such a great entry and allowing me to judge their dogs. All were presented in clean condition and were sympathetically handled. It was a long and eventful journey across the country but every minute of the 1000 mile roundtrip was worthwhile. Thank you all.

Irish Setters

Puppy (3,1)

1st Coleman's Camaling Rose Royale - pretty little girl who moves really well for her age. Good head with a sweet expression. Lovely low ear set. Excellent forechest. Built on nice lines, I like her length of body. Well ribbed back and solid topline that she kept on the move too. Stands on nice neat feet. Beautiful coat coming through. Excelled on the move and was very well handled. Looking forward to see her mature. **BP**

2nd Cooper's Redclyst Sail Seven Seas To Hugared - nice head proportions and arch of neck on this puppy. Well constructed throughout, nothing overdone on her. Nice depth and well ribbed back, balanced angulations. Falling away over the croup a bit. Moves well but a bit untidy behind. Nice colour of coat.

Junior (4,0)

1st Henderson, Sz wajkowski's Grenada Lofty Czerwony - New one to me although I saw her name before. Everything just flows. Nice head with kind expression. Very good front, ample forechest, nice shoulder lay-back. Firm over the loin and holding her shape well on the move. Just the right amount of angulation. Well muscled, nice thighs. Nothing overdone about her. Moved a tad close behind and could do with a pound or two less. Cleverly handled. Would love to see her fully matured, I really liked her.

2nd Hall's Glennara Cherry Cola - Another nice girl who moved well on a loose lead. Longer cast than 1st. Nice head, preferred 1st's eye shape and expression. Long neck, good forechest and depth of brisket, long ribcage, good over the croup. Strong, well muscled quarters, would prefer better feet. Lovely dark coat of good texture. Confident, steady mover.

3rd Needs' Covarney It Takes Time

Graduate (7,2)

1st Beresford's Jetsetter Wind of Dreams (imp Rus) - What a beautiful boy who matured nicely since the last time I judged him. So elegant and unexaggerated, presented a well balanced picture. Very nice head with that typical cheeky expression in his eyes. Good length of neck, very good front assembly, decent forechest, well sprung ribs and strong topline. Nice feet. Good width of thigh and correct angulation fore and aft. Carried himself excellently on the move - a sound mover with good reach and drive from his well muscled quarters. **BOB** and went on to win Group4 later on.

2nd Pike & MacDonald's Redclyst Glenury Oiche Chiuin - Well made girl. Nice long lean head. Good forehead construction with nice forechest, very deep throughout. Well ribbed back, strong topline, but falls away over the croup. Stands on neat feet. Nice dark colour. Moved on a long and easy stride which won her this placing in the class.

3rd Pike's Redclyst The Celt

Limit (8,3)

1st Meadows' Gwendariff Justalkaboutme - Very nicely made dog. Good head proportions with a beautifully soft expression. Arched neck of good length, flowing into well laid back shoulders. Great forechest, good depth of brisket. Firm topline, would prefer a slightly better croup. Nicely arched feet that could be smaller. Presented a balanced picture with no exaggerations. Sound mover with good tail carriage, outmoved the competition to gain the first place. Nice coat colour.

2nd MacDonald's Redclyst Head Full Of Dreams - Good looking boy in superb coat. Very nice head with a great expression, dark eyes and raised brows. Very nice front assembly with the best of forechests, clean neck into shoulder. Deep all through, with slight slope to his topline. Well muscled rear. Would prefer a less steep croup. Moves with enthusiasm. Lots to like.

3rd Covarney Paco Rabanne At Stourford

Open dog (8,3)

1st Rutherford & Judge's Riverbrue Galliano Fizz to Clonageera - Very typy boy built on nice lines. Long and lean pretty head. Good length of neck, very nice forehead, well laid shoulders and nicely ribbed back. Another one with neat feet, rarely seen these days. Excellent over the croup. Sound mover, went really well with good reach and drive, covering the ground with ease, holding a superb topline. **RBOB**. Delighted to hear that we went on to win Best RBOB in Show.

2nd Condron's Gwendariff D'ya Fancy A Fling with Covarney - What a nice boy this is, dark coated and appealing. Very nice masculine head, proper forechest, good front construction. Very good bone. Deep all through and slight slope to his topline. In very good muscle and coat condition. Moved well enough with his matching front and hind angulations to gain him this place in the class.

3rd Pike's Redclyst Boris

Open Bitch (7,2)

1st Mugford's Sh Ch Lynwood Abracadabra - What a beautiful girl. Lovely feminine head with a soft expression. Superb conformation all over, great forechest, clean over the shoulders. Very firm topline and powered around the ring with her well developed quarters. Super tail carriage. Shame she was completely out of coat after her litter.

2nd Coleman's Devacott Rose Creek at Camaling - different style to 1st. Nice head with good expression, super forechest, good depth all through, nice spring of rib. Well developed thighs, very sound mover. Lovely coat condition, colour could be a tad deeper. Nice girl, lots to like.

3rd Meadows' Gwendariff D'ya Likeme Best JW - Have to mention this girl as she'd have been the one to win it all that day. I absolutely loved her head, so very pretty and Irish. Superb construction, perfectly balanced angles fore and aft. Lovely dark coat. Unfortunately she wasn't sound behind due to a paw injury and it broke my heart.

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