

Okehampton and District Canine Society – 3rd May 2025

Afghan Hound

Post Graduate (2, 0)

1st) Finch, Hopper and Parker's Gezancol Hey Jude with Khatira, lovely young hound, good head and eye, correct expression, very well made both ends and good to go over. Most promising. BOB and BPIB.

2nd) Vargen's Alphaville's It's So Easy (IMP SWE), another nice one with so much to like, good head and eye, quite nicely made throughout but not quite so accurate on the move as the winner today.

Basset Fauve De Bretagne

Postgraduate (2, 0)

1st) House and Horn's Mochras Marta, very well made, good head and eye, lovely front, firm topline and used herself well on the move. BOB.

2nd) Carter's Rangali Booty Licious, also a nice hound, very well made throughout, good head and eye, sound up and back and in good coat; just not the profile of the winner today.

Open (2, 0)

1st) Carter's Gouvier Espresso Martini JW, not a new one to me and one I have admired before, still like him a lot, very expressive, good to go over and very accurate on the move. RBOB.

2nd) Horn's Mochras Marionette, different build to the winner, not quite the head or expression and a little more reluctant to open up on the go around; but a typical hound and well handled and presented.

Basset Griffon Vendéen (Petit)

Post Graduate (3, 1)

1st) Granum and Cadmore's Soletrader Prue Leith, lots to like; goes so well and full of life and fun. Very typical and most promising, beautiful head and eye, good to go over and very well made throughout. BOB.

2nd) Crowe's Maudaxi Indy Rocknroll at Elsie, very different to the winner, not the head or eye, not quite so sound on the move and could carry a little more condition. Needs a lot of time. BPIB.

Open (2, 0)

1st) Forham's Elsie Monsieur Oakley, typical hound, well made and good to go over. Good head and expression, enough depth to chest, firm topline and used his tail well on the move. Accurate mover. RBOB.

2nd) Reid, Reid and Crowe's Maudaxi Fonsie Foxtrot, a typical hound, I preferred the head and movement of the winner but this one was in good nick and looked the part going around the ring.

Beagle Junior (1, 0)

1st) Quantick's Parkebreeway Rumour, super hound for shape and balance and still only young; bred in the purple, lovely head and eye, correct expression being houndy but not course. Good forequarters & front, stands on the best of legs and feet and uses himself so very well on the move. Lots to like, BOB. Open Dog (2, 0) 1st) Breeze's Parkebreeway Wyseman JW, another very typical hound, an understated sort but on going over him there is little to want to change, admirable and shapely throughout; very sound on the move and a typical, if careful and considerate mover from all angles. Open Bitch (4, 2) 1st) Hooper's Bijou Tosha Avec Torbers (IMP LVA), only just over two years old and a good sort, won this class on her balance and femininity, well made throughout and good to go over. All of a piece both standing and moving and holds her shape very well. 2nd) Scarlett's Vanitonia Enchanted over Michelroy JW, I thought this one would be the winner at first glance, as she too is a lovely hound and so sound from all angles. Very well made and stands on good legs and feet, I just preferred the femininity of the winner on the day. Evan L Ryan (Cavallibrook/Feorlig)

Bloodhound

Open (2, 1)

1st) Westron's Farlap Kaleb, gorgeous hound, beautiful head and eye, not overdone but so masculine, well made in front, super neck and shoulder, clean underline and firm topline; used his stern well & carried himself with perfect footfall from all angles. Loved him. BOB.

Borzoï

Post Graduate (1, 0)

1st) Pinkerton, Novotny and Cattoni-Sarman's Menigma Rey's Infatuation, lovely puppy, so much to like as he approaches his first birthday he is looking super, beautiful head and eye, so sound on the move and such a beautiful elegant outline standing and moving. SO promising. BPIB.

Open (1, 0)

1st) Pinkerton and Knieschke's Lynx The Magician and Mengima (IMP SWE) just over a year old and another super hound from this kennel, really beautiful to go over, excellent head and eye, good body, in peak fitness and this showed in his sound, accurate movement. Lovely hound, BOB.

Hamiltonstovare

Post Graduate (1, 0)

1st) Adey's The Huntress from Sufayre, lovely Hamilton, super head and expression, well made in front, firm topline, good ribbing & quarters; sound and accurate on the move and in super nick.

Open (2, 1)

1st) Abon Sfora Nordowskiej Knieji at Reubeusbay (IMP POL) ShCEx, feel sure if the breed had CCs this one would be a Ch, loved him and he is a super moving dog from any angle. Excellent head and eye, super body and feet and great quarters. BOB.

Ibizan Hound

Open Dog (4, 1)

1st) Carter's L-Wynd Where The Shadow Ends (IMP USA), another one destined for great things, super head and expression, great ears; lovely front and quarters for the breed; looked a picture on the move with some hover. Ch for sure. BOB.

2nd) Vargen's Jeque La Princesa Rosa De Podi (IMP SVN) rough dog with a lot to like, very typical throughout, liked his head and eye, another with a good front for the breed, stands on good legs and feet and has good quarters. Not quite the typical movement of the winner on the day I thought but another who could gain a title with ease.

Open Bitch (2, 0)

1st) Carter's Ch Afilador Room On The Broom ShCM ShCEx VW, gorgeous bitch, belies her years and looks super. Excellent head and eye, good front, super body & looked great on the move.

2nd) Carter's Amahte's Bewitched VW (IMP CAN) another lovely hound, so typical of the breed, liked her head and eye, not quite the freedom of movement of the winner but given her age I could, of course, forgive this. A real star and a pleasure to see her again. Thank you for bringing her.

Irish Wolfhound

Post Graduate (1, 0)

1st) Warwick and Gregory's Cairnstorm Resolution, super imposing hound, lots to like, good to go over and a really free, powerful mover. Stands on good legs and feet and knows just how to carry herself with ease and accuracy.

Open (1, 0)

1st) Gregory's Killoughery Touchstone, lovely hound, great head and eye, masculine with strength; super body, excellent topline and underline, stands on good legs and feet and is very free and easy up and back and a powerful side mover. BOB.

Pharaoh Hound

Post Graduate (1, 0)

1st) Turton's Doucai's Pagella, nice one, feminine head and eye, some depth to chest, can settle a little in front but is a good profile mover and was very well handled.

Open (1, 0)

1st) Turton's Doucai's I Agwa Habuba at Damoradaxies, sister to Pagella and quite similar in head and eye, this one a little firmer in front action but little to choose between them and I imagine they will change places many times.

AVNSC Hound

Graduate (1, 0)

1st) Tucker's Bavarian Mountain Hound, Porthos Metaxa, lovely hound, beautiful head and eye, such a free and accurate mover and in the peak of musculature condition and fitness. Lots to like and beautifully presented.

Open (1, 0)

1st) Carter's Ir Ch Aabidah De Polvo Magico (IMP AUT) CW24 CJW24, a lovely Sloughi, typical silhouette and head, beautiful carriage and another who was so free and easy, with a considered action on the move. BAVNSC Hound.

Hound Group

1st) Bloodhound – see breed critique.

2nd) Small's Minard Darque Red For Devondax JW, gave this Min Long Dachshund dog a Junior Class in the breed last year and considered him for the ResCC. Coming on beautifully, still admire him a lot and he will carry a title.

3rd) Ibizan Hound – see breed critique.

4th) PBGV – see breed critique.

Hound Puppy Group

1st) Gardner's Vanitonia Sabina Pleasure, lots to like about this Min Smooth Dachs bitch, so typical and good to go over. Great ground covering action and in peak fitness. A lovely one.

2nd) Borzoi – see breed critique.

3rd) Ibizan Hound – see breed critique.

4th) Rycroft's Raajput's Dance Divaa, Standard Smooth Dachs bitch, lots to like & appears to be coming together nicely, beautiful mover and well deserved her place here.

AV Puppy Stakes

1st) Small's Stargang Morrissey For Devondax, M/S Dachs, lots to like, good head and eye, free and easy on the move and a really good prospect for the future.

2nd) Little's Saintharp Can't Stop Me Now, lovely Whippet, good to go over, has curves and elegance and is very sound on the move both ways and in profile.

AV Graduate

1st) Quantick's Parkebreeway Rumour, Beagle – see breed critique.

2nd) Partridge's Pettigans Viva La Vida by Riveroyal, very nice S/L Dachs bitch with a lot going for her, typical of the variety (and of her breeding) and she should do some useful winning in the capable hands of her keen owner.

AV Open

1st) Scarlett's Michelroy Pizzazz, lovely Beagle, excellent head and eye, houndy expression, super front & forelegs, firm topline and good stern, a good mover, particularly in profile.

2nd) Effer's Greyhayne Hector, typical Standard Wire Dachs, very sound and shapely, good head and expression, harsh coat & sound, considerate mover all directions.

Veteran

1st) Carter's Ch Afilador Room On The Broom ShCM ShCEx VW

2nd) Stephen's Dolce Diva Divine N Delary at Jasteal (IMP ITA), typical balance and shape to this Whippet, beautiful head and eye, very expressive. In good body and condition, very accurate footfall and very sound.

Champion

1st) Cadmore's Ch Soletrader Splish Splash JW, pleasure to judge this PBGV; lovely to go over one of this quality. Very expressive, well made in front, super topline and rear, excellent coat texture & a real powerhouse on the move, sound both ways and lovely in profile. Wished she'd been able to compete in the group.

2nd) Carter's Sloughi, Ir Ch Aabidah De Polvo Magico (IMP AUT) CW24 CJW24, see breed critique.

RBOB Stakes winner was Small's Glynlythe's Heirloom for Devondax JW, lovely Mini Smooth, excellent head and eye, super front and keel, firm topline, well ribbed back & a most accurate mover. Beat Partridge's Pettigans Viva La Vida by Riveroyal by a whisker.

Junior Stakes

1st) Bevis' Souska Touch The Sky Over Starlance, super Tibetan Spaniel, so much to admire & a Ch for sure. Nothing to change at this age, excellent head and eye, so well made throughout and a really well bodied, fit dog. Lovely mover and one I very much enjoyed judging.

2nd) McCabe-Bell's Grandtully Biddy Ford, really nice Cocker Spaniel who held her own in this big stakes; liked her head and eye which has work and detail in it, excellent front and chest, super topline, tail well set and used merrily all the time; super mover and one to be proud of.

Evan L Ryan (Cavallibrook/Feorlig)