

## **CRITIQUE ON SCOTTISH BEAGLE CLUB OPEN SHOW: OCTOBER 2014**

I much enjoyed my day with the Beagles at this the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (Autumn) Open Show of the Scottish Beagle Club. There was a lovely happy atmosphere all day which was most appropriate for this the merry hound! All exhibits were presented in good clean condition and the sportsmanship of the exhibitors was appreciated. Thank you all for a lovely day.

VD (2,0) 1) Fraser's Misken Lewis at Wyvisview, t/w 8.5 year old in excellent fettle for his years, sound forequarters, well extended ribcage, a sturdy hound who presents a balanced outline, powered round the ring. 2) Cuthill's Ch Serenaker Trial by Magic, attractive 8 year old t&w and another hound looking well for his years, appealing head, elegant neck, well-angled hindquarters, moved well, preferred ribbing of 1.

MPD (2,0) 1 & Best Puppy) Cuthill's Benroma I'm No Fool, attractive 6 month tri baby of sound construction, bone adequate for his frame, correct forequarters, good legs and feet, extends well in ribcage, lovely hindquarters, true in movement, hope he grows on. 2) Thomson's Wyvisview Huckleberry, more mature and developed 9 month tri who has much confidence, sound enough construction, sturdy legs and feet, a wee bit strong in head.

PD (2,0) 1) Ravel's Tungri Peacekeeper, larger framed tri well-matured for his age, well-boned legs and tight feet, sound ribbing, showed well but croup and tail-set not his fortune 2) Jones' Clairdale Caesar, smaller framed tri maturing at a slower pace, preferred movement of 1.

JD (1,0) 1 & RBD) Findlay's Rhiconich Alfi, most presentable tri hound of attractive breed type and maturing nicely, masculine head, forequarters and hindquarters are well matched, good neckline, well balanced all over, soundly constructed and moves with drive.

PGD (2,0) 1) McGiffen's Fallowfield Master Domenick, masculine tri hound who is balanced all over, correct length of neck, sturdy legs and feet, ribcage extends well back, moved with purpose. 2) Ravel's Tungri Pioneer SHCM, slightly stronger headed tri, well-angulated forequarters, sound legs and feet, sound smooth ribcage, preferred neckline of 1.

LD (2,1) 1) McGiffen's Rhiconich Kirk, respectable tri of sound construction, well-boned legs and feet, smooth ribcage extending well back, could carry a tad less weight to advantage.

OD (3,1) 1 BD & RBIS) Goldberg's Molesend Kaftan JW, almost 3 year mottled t/w of such lovely breed type, attractive head and gentle expression, well-boned legs and sound feet, elegant clean neckline, good ribbing extending well back, forequarters and hindquarters in harmony, covered much ground on the move, quality hound, all of a piece. 2) Cuthill's Serenaker Othello JW, typy 3.5 year tri slightly longer in the couplings who was unlucky to meet 1 today, attractive head and eye, sound legs and feet, smooth ribbing, moved with drive.

VB (2,0) 1) Dean's Ir Ch Barterhound Bouqet for Gempini JW SHCM, 10 year old tri in super condition for her years, sweet head and eye, lovely neckline, smooth ribcage, best of legs and feet, still as sound as a bell, moved round the ring like a youngster. 2) Woodcock's Ch Rossgay Rouska at Roddwood JW SHCM, feminine 7.5 year old t/w and another lovely bitch in fine fettle, attractive head and eye and expression, smooth ribbing, sound shoulders and hindquarters, moved with drive.

MPB (2,0) 1) Fraser's Wyvisview Snowdrop, 8.5 month t/w well developed for her young age, soundly made with balanced forequarters and hindquarters, moved truly, would prefer a little more length in neck. 2) Findlay's Tannahill Odina, 6 month tri baby with an attractive overall outline, sweet head and eye, good proportions, just not the movement of 1.

PB (2,0) 1) Ravel's Tungri Shooting Star, mature 11 month tri, nice head and eye, round boned limbs and sound feet, well sprung ribcage, sound movement, would like a tad more length of neck. 2) Findlay's Rhiconich Dawn, 6 month tri with sweet head and eye, she should fill out with age.

JB (4,0) 1) Hill's Dapperdawg Seven of Nine, tri with sweet yet houndy head and eye, round bone in front limbs and sound feet, well ribbed up, covered the ground well while moving, could do with a shade more length of neck. 2) Morrison's Bowerswell Fara, tri who was close up to 1 and could change places, sound forequarters and hindquarters, well balanced all through, movement true, preferred 1's spring of rib. 3) Murphy's Uptomax Ama Mazin.

PGB (12,3) 1) Bennet's Serenaker Sogni D'Ora at Tacomadream SHCM, tri with lovely head and sweet expression, good neckline and sound well-placed shoulders, ribcage well-developed, correct hind angulation, true movement fore and aft, most respectable. 2) & close up Findlay's Rhiconich Beverley, soundly constructed hound of attractive breed type, appealing head and eye, well-angled forequarters, smooth ribbing, correct hindquarters, moved with drive. 3) Dean's Gempini Flower Girl JW SHCM.

LB (3,0) 1) BB & BIS Jones' Clairdale Bryanie, charming quality tri hound who was the star of the day, sweetly feminine all through yet very much a hound, lovely head and eye with that melting expression, elegant neckline, well-constructed forequarters and hindquarters, best of legs and feet, smooth ribbing, strong loin, she was the best mover on the day, lovely breed type. 2) Woodcock's Roddwood Melody, another lovely tri bitch who was unlucky to meet 1, this hound is also well constructed, nicely balanced forequarters and hindquarters, smooth ribbing, movement true, an honest hound. 3) S D at T.

OB (5,2) 1) & RBB Morrison's Newlin Iona at Bowerswell, lovely quality typy tri bitch with a very sweet yet houndy head and eye, best of legs and feet, commendable forequarters, well ribbed-up, hindquarters balance the forequarters, good proportions and the best mover in the class. 2) Goldberg's Molesend Kashmir JW, attractive t/w, I liked her front assembly and forequarters, elegant neckline, sound legs and feet, lovely smooth ribbing, preferred head of 1 but all of a piece. 3) MacDonald's Newlin Zoe at Finmorlan.

BRACE (3,0) 1) McGiffen's 2) Morrison's 3) Deans'

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Judge