

Midlands Irish Setter Society Championship Show 05/02/23

I would like to thank the committee of the Midlands Irish Setter Society for inviting me to judge at this very well organised Breed Club championship show, it was such an honour. The hospitality shown by this hard working committee was brilliant , and thanks also go to my two stewards Sue & Stephanie for handling the ring duties so well for me.

On the whole , dogs were clean , trimmed to perfection, and all seemed happy to be gone over. I had to make some difficult decisions on the day with some dogs I have given top honours to before, going down the line. I found one or two dogs carrying far too much weight spoiling their overall outline, and also a few exhibits lacking depth of stop in head.

I was very humbled by the fantastic quality entry in these changing times, and thank you all for bringing your fantastic dogs to be assessed by me. It was also nice to hear applause for the winners , and the sporting behavior of most was to be applauded too.

MPD. (6,0a)



1. Parsons - QUENSHA THINKING OUT LOUD AT BRANSETT.

This 8-Mths youngster stood out in a good class of promising quality puppies ,and thoroughly deserved his achievement. A very well boned, and constructed dog ,sound in all departments In outline he is well balanced, a masculine head with correct planes and plenty of work in it, raised brow, dark eye and soft gentle expression, good reach of neck ,shoulders deep and sloping well back providing good front angulation, nice tightness to feet, deep in chest with good spring of rib , gently sloping in topline, strong in rear quarters with good bend to stifle joint, movement was good with lashing tail action, presented in tip top condition and handled to advantage. One I am sure has a very bright and promising future in the show ring and shall watch with interest. **BPD** , and in agreement with my co –judge **BPIS** Welldone!!



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2. Levene`s - QUENSHA REMEMBER THE NAME

Another lovely boy and litter brother to 1 . Well balanced dog and Striking in outline when stacked, Nice in head , and again with correct proportions, dark eye, raised brows, good reach of neck, nice layback of shoulder, sound in front and rear, gently sloping topline, deep in chest with good spring of rib, strong in rear, moved, presented, and handled very well. Preferred the frame of 1 at this stage of growth.

3. Berry & Morris`s – COPPERS MIDSUMMER KNIGHT`S DREAM (Imp Swe) NafTaf
4. Bridgwater`s – BRIDGELLA`S JUBILEE PRINCE.
5. Bentley`s – PENCLIPPIN JUBILEE FLAME

PD (10,2a)



1. Rorke`s – ZAKHAN`S DIAMOND JACK.
11Mths old. In outline he is well balanced, a refined masculine head with plenty of work, raised brow, dark eye and soft gentle expression, good reach of neck ,shoulders sloping well back, good front angulation, nice tight feet, deep in chest with good spring of rib , gently sloping in topline, strong in rear quarters with good bend to stifle joint, movement was good with lashing tail action, presented in tip top condition and handled very well.



2. Harris`s – ZAKHAN`S ROUGH DIAMOND BY KONAKAKELA.
Very close-up to 1 , and litter brother but I preferred the overall conformation and length of my winner today, Again a very well balanced dog with lots to like about him. Nice head with dark eye, and plenty of work in it. Good reach of neck, correct front assembly, good depth to chest , nice gently sloping topline, strong and wide with good angulation in rear quarters, moved out well, presented in gleaming coat.
3. Holehan-Green`s –LOGANRISH OUT ON THE TOWN.
4. Green`s– GLENCARRON SHOW MUST GO ON.
5. Cole`s –RIVERBRUE OPHELIA BOBBY.



1. Lucas`s –ShCh BARDONHILL ETERNAL FLAME AMONG AMBERLIGHT JW.
A dog I have often admired in the show ring, and pleased I had the opportunity to go over him today. Approaching his 9th year, a well boned masculine dog, balanced and of correct proportions, he has an excellent well chiselled head with correct planes and plenty of work in it, neck of moderate length with slight arch, shoulders well laid back giving good front angulation, good depth of chest with well sprung ribcage, and a pronounced sternum, gently sloping topline leading to good set on of tail, wide and strong in rear with good muscle tone, moved with drive and enthusiasm around the ring holding his topline. Presented in good coat & condition. Pleased to award him the **RCC** and in agreement with my co –judge **BVIS**.



2. Edwards`s –ShCh GWENDARIFF PS I LOVE YOU AT BONHOMIE JW. A dog I have previously awarded top honours to as a youngster. It was lovely to go over him again today in his later show years. He is still a refined well balanced dog . Has a super head. Good reach of neck leading into well placed shoulders, deep in chest , strong and wide in rear quarters ,moved well reaching out with drive, presented in immaculate condition and handled to perfection.
3. Pym`s –THENDARA THE WATCH MAKER.
4. Russell`s -STRATHMEAD HUCKLEBERRY OF SETTESOLI
5. Corless`s –SWIFTLARK FIRST KNIGHT

JD(6,1a)



1. Bott`s – BARDONHILL MILLION TO ONE.

A lovely refined, well balanced youngster overall. In proportion and with a beautiful head with soft expression. Good reach of neck leading into well placed shoulders, nice tight feet, good depth to chest with pronounced sternum, good spring to ribs, gently sloping in topline to his good set on of tail, strong and wide in rear quarters with correct angulation, moved well around the ring, presented in good condition with gleaming rich chestnut coat, and handled to perfection, should have a bright future.

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2. Milligan-Bott & Bott`s –THENDARA BIG LOVE.

Striking in outline when stacked, Nice in head with correct proportions, good layback of shoulder, deep in chest with good spring of rib, strong in rear, moved out well.
Preferred the overall frame of my winner today.

3. Lucas`s - GWENDARIFF AR`U READY F`THIS AMBERLIGHT

4. Davison`s –BARDONHILL MILLION REASONS

5. Gratton`s - GLENLAINE NEVER SAY NEVER

YD(8,0a)



1. Macaulay`s – HARREDS LACHLAN AT STYLERSETTS.

Overall, this boy is well balanced and in conformation. Fine in head and with no coarseness, has a good reach of neck, shoulders well laid back , gently sloping in topline, good front angulation, deep in chest with nice spring to rib, correct angulation in rear. Moved out well with enthusiasm. And was presented in immaculate coat and condition handled very well in the stack today. Another with exciting times ahead I am sure .



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2. Hill-Decoster's – VICARY`S UNTIL THE END OF TIME. Loved the length of this boy and overall conformation. Preferred the head of my winner though today. He has good front assembly with nice tight arched feet, nice lay back to shoulder, good reach of neck, nice depth to chest, gently sloping in topline, strong in rear quarters with good bend to stifle joint, moved out really well, presented in good condition.
3. Lucas`s - GWENDARIFF AR`U READY F`THIS AMBERLIGHT
3. Gilbert & Willis`s –THENDARA FIRECRACKER AT CLANOVENTA
4. Needs`s - COVARNEY IT TAKES TIME WITH STOURFORD JW

MD.(6,1a)

1. Bott`s – BARDONHILL MILLION TO ONE.
2. Rorke`s – ZAKHAN`S DIAMOND JACK.
3. Harris`s – ZAKHAN`S ROUGH DIAMOND BY KONAKAKELA.
4. Holehan-Green`s –LOGANRISH OUT ON THE TOWN
5. Chapman`s– SHELDONITE GINGERBREAD MAN

ND.(6,0a)

1. Bott`s – BARDONHILL MILLION TO ONE.
2. Rorke`s – ZAKHAN`S DIAMOND JACK.
3. Harris`s – ZAKHAN`S ROUGH DIAMOND BY KONAKAKELA.
4. Holehan-Green`s –LOGANRISH OUT ON THE TOWN
5. Green`s– GLENCARRON SHOW MUST GO ON

UGD(5,0a)

1. Bott`s – BARDONHILL MILLION TO ONE..
2. Milligan-Bott & Bott`s –THENDARA BIG LOVE.
3. Corless`s– SWIFTLARK INVINCIBLE JW.
4. Lucas`s - GWENDARIFF AR`U READY F`THIS AMBERLIGHT
5. Rorke`s – ZAKHAN`S DIAMOND JACK.

GD(11,1a)



1. Beresford's – JETSETTER WIND OF DREAMS (Imp Rus).
A dog with a lot of ring presence. Lovely well balanced , racy dog stood to perfection complete with a rich chestnut coat. He has a nice well chiselled head with raised brow and dark eye and lovely soft expression, good reach of neck, nice layback of shoulder, good front angulation, deep in chest and well sprung in rib, gently sloping in topline to tailset, good bend to stifle joint, wide and well muscled in rear, strode out with enthusiasm, presented and handled well. Another with a good future ahead of him.



2. Corless's –SWIFTLARK SPELLBINDER
A Slightly heavier dog in head for me but striking in every way. Clean in outline and shown in good coat, Good reach of neck, nicely laid back shoulder and correct length to upper arm giving correct angulation, good depth to chest, gently sloping topline, wide and strong in rear, moved well.
3. Gratton`s– GLENLAINE MOONSTONE
4. Bentley`s - ASTLEYVIEW COMING HOME TO PENCLIPPIN
5. Smith`s – SAMETSUZ YOUR MY HERO(AW1).

PGD.(11,2a)



1. Richardson's – BLUESPRINGS NOW I`M HERE AT FORESTFIRE .
Another one I have given top honours in his class to before. He has matured well and commands attention in the ring. He is a well boned, balanced dog with a beautiful outline when stacked and has a nice soft expression in head with plenty of work to it. Loved the length on this boy. Neck of moderate length, well laid back in shoulder , good front assembly, nice tight feet, gently sloping in topline , strong well angulated rear quarters, moved out very well with reach and drive, presented in immaculate coat and condition, handled very well. His day will come soon certainly.



2. Stuart & Ellrich`s – GWENDARIFF ABSOLUTELY MARWE`LLUS (IKC). This dog oozed quality throughout. A slightly lighter dog in frame than 1 but striking in every way and in conformation. Clean in outline and shown in gleaming coat, Good reach of neck, nicely laid back shoulder and correct length to upper arm giving correct angulation, good depth to chest, gently sloping topline, wide and strong in rear, moved well. It was a difficult decision to make between 1 & 2.
3. Naylor`s– ANLORY DUNCAN JW
4. Henderson & Szwajkowski`s –REDCLYST PERSHING
5. Gisby`s - SUTERESETT RUM TUM TUGGER

MLD.(6,0a)

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1. Milligan-Bott & Bott`s– THENDARA TIGER DANCE.
A well balanced dog with a lovely outline and nice soft expression in head with plenty of work to it. Good reach of neck, well laid back in shoulder providing good front angulation, nice tight feet. Liked the length of this boy, gently sloping in topline to strong well angulated rear quarters, moved out very good with reach and drive, presented immaculately, and handled to perfection.



2. Holehan-Green`s– LOGANRISH LETS GO CRAZY. Lovely well constructed smart dog that has come on during the last 12mths. He has a well chiselled masculine head with a dark eye and raised brow giving that soft expression, good length to body of correct proportions. Good reach of neck ,sound in front , good depth to chest and good spring in rib, gently sloping in topline, strong and well muscled in thigh, moved well around the ring with reach and drive . Presented in full coat, trimmed immaculately and handled to the best advantage.
3. Williamson`s– BLUESPRINGS PICTURE THIS JW.
4. Harris & Hoeksema –BLAZING BRONZE HAPPY CLAPPY SINGS KONAKAKELA (Imp Ned)
5. Macdonald`s –REDCLYST HEAD FULL OF DREAMS



1. Gisby's– SUTERESETT KING OF HEARTS JW.

I have watched and admired this boys progress from when he first entered the show ring as a minor puppy and through to his JW. Thank you for entering him today and allowing me the opportunity to go over him. Overall he is a well boned dog with a super outline when stacked, his head is so well defined and handsome with his raised brow and level planes. He has a moderate reach to neck and placed into good shoulders. He also has correct angulation and correct width to front assembly, nice tight feet, deep chest with pronounced sternum, and spring to rib. Gently sloping in topline to correct set on of tail. He was also presented in good full coat and trimmed to perfection. He moved well in the dog challenge driving from his short hocks around the ring. I was delighted to award him his 2nd **CC** today and wish him luck for the future. Unfortunately later he did not move so well in the BIS challenge conceding to the girls today.

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2. Pym`s– THENDARA MARSHMELLOW JW.

Well constructed smart dog. A lighter frame than my winner but commands attention in the ring and cannot be denied. He has a well chiselled masculine head with a dark eye and raised brow giving that soft expression, good length of neck flowing into correctly placed shoulders, sound in front, good depth to chest and good spring in rib, gently sloping in topline, well muscled in rear with good width, correct angulation, short hocks, moved well around the ring with reach and drive. Presented in full coat, trimmed immaculately and handled to the best advantage.

3. Murchison`s– KERRYFAIR PLEASE PLEASE ME CORPHIN

4. Macdonald`s– REDCLYST MAXIMUS

5. Needs`s –COVARNEY PACO RABANNE AT STOURFORD

A hard class to judge today as it was full of top quality dogs. I felt really humbled and honoured that I had so many top dogs to go over. That said, some exhibits I had given previous honours to went down the line today. Dogs do change over time, and I thank everyone for their sportsmanship on my decisions.

OD. (6,0a)



1. Stockton`s– ShCh RIVERBRUE ALCHEMIST AMIDST KESPAS JW
A quality dog with lots to like. Well balanced ,such a beautiful head and expression with kind dark eye, good reach of neck with slight arch, correct front angulation .Gently sloping in topline to good tailset. Strong in rear with good width. He moved well with reach and drive, and is at one with his handler. Shown in good coat and immaculate condition.



2. Edwards' Sh Ch GWENDARIEFF UCAN`T MISS ME BONHOMIE. Another top quality dog, superbly balanced throughout. Close decision but preferred the head and conformation of my winner today. Excellent front, good depth of chest, strong over loin and lovely sweep to stifle. A sound true mover driving from his hocks, and presented in immaculate coat and condition .
3. Bott, Allan & Morgan`s -ShCh QUENSHA TAKE A BOW
4. Dewar`s - ShCh , IrShCh, SpCh, GWENDARIEFF WILLY WONT HE CW`22, WW`20
5. Russell`s– ShCh LYNWOOD HOCUS POCUS AT SETTESOLI JW.

Judge :- Dave Hemmings (Orlanset)