

## Champ 10 Critique

My thanks to the Committee for the invitation to judge at this prestigious show, and thank you to all exhibitors for your super entries. Also I must thank my ring stewards, they looked after me very well as I had a streaming cold.. The temperaments of the Ridgebacks I judged gave a very good account of themselves. That is most important for this, a strong minded hunting breed. I was however a touch disappointed to see off-set crowns creeping in. The ridge after all is the “escutcheon” of our breed, and should be of high consideration when planning your breeding programs All hounds were shown in clean condition. Thank you.

### MINOR PUPPY DOG 4 (3)

#### A CLASS FULL OF NAUGHTY PUPPIES HAVING A GREAT DAY OUT

1. Clarke’s TAGG YOUR IT. Light wheaten 7 month baby. Strongly built with good legs and feet helping him to move ok for one of his tender age. Very appealing typical head, correct angulation front and rear, correct ridge, well set on tail. Needs to settle on the move but has potential.

2. Castell’s DRUIMDERG FIRE ME UP. Almost 9 month puppy. He had good shoulder construction and rear angulation. Strong legs and feet, good depth of chest. I would have liked a longer ridge. Correct tail carriage. Moved well enough when he put his mind to it.

3. Bray & Feltham’s LOBENGULA LAKA AT CURSUS. A puppy of 6 months , and very much the baby here, but also very promising. Correct head and eye, good ridge, nice depth of chest. Movement erratic as he was having a good day out with his friends!

### PUPPY DOG 5 (4)

1. Parker’s REJAN ROLEX. A 10 months old, very balanced puppy. Correct, typical head with dark round eyes and well set ears. Good shoulder placement, correct legs & feet. Strong topline with excellent

ridge. Strong well-muscled rear quarters giving powerful driving movement. Correct tail carriage. Still a baby but with a lot going for him Best Dog Puppy.

2. Pearce & Parke's VELDTKAMMER WORTH DA HASSLE. 9 months old red wheaten. A nice young dog.. He has an expressive head and eye, and huge ears! Correct angulation fore and aft. Would just have preferred a little more length of loin. Good feet. Moved very well. Shown and presented very well.

3. Campbell's NYASSA FAROUK. just 9 months old and boy did he play his handler up!! Neck flows into correct shoulders, top line OK for age Well developed rear quarters, with good turn of stifle, strong legs with correct feet

#### JUNIOR DOG (5)

1. Lawson's JENGACHENGA BY DESIGN. 12 months old brown nosed dog with a good colour combination although at the top side for size a very balanced young dog, which I like very much. Very attractive head with kind expression. Correct shoulder angulation. Good depth of chest, correct ridge. Nicely angulated rear quarters. Moved with reach in front & drive at the rear.

2. Parrish's VELDTKAMMER GOING FOR GOLD. 16 months old and another dog at the top of the standard. Red Wheaten. Attractive, typical head. Powerful neck and shoulders nice depth of chest. Correct rear quarters. Well made and balanced. Moved with drive.

3. Rhode's VOORLOOPER RUDE NOT TO. A smaller dog whose type I like Loved his head, very typical of our breed. Good ear placement, Shoulder placement not as good as winner, but correct on the rear quarters. Movement OK

## GRADUATE DOG 2 (1)

1. Selby's EILACK CHATO. A very elegant boy who will take time to mature. Typical head with kind expression good ear placement, elegant neck shoulder correct but needs a touch more width of chest, correct ridge, hind quarters and tail carriage. Moved with power and drive.

## POST GRADUATE DOG 6

1. Walton Haddon's MWENGA'S SPECIAL BREW. I judged this dog as a minor puppy, and boy was he naughty! He has learned some, if not all his ring craft lessons, and still gives his handler a hard time... Self coloured wheaten. A touch heavy in head. Strong neck into well laid shoulders. Correct legs and feet. Ample depth of chest with correct ribbing. Good ridge. Moved well when he had to, and carried tail correctly.

2. Burrows' KIRROMOL KUUMBA. A very nice moderate dog. Good typical head. Correct front He has a super ridge and top line.. A good deep chest, Correct angulation fore and aft. Correct tail carriage on the move.

3. Carlton's UMHLANDLA BUKEKAYO. Brown nosed dogs of super colour, a very happy dog having a great day out winding up his handler. Of moderate but strong build and balance. I am sure could do the job his ancestors were bred to do.

#### MINOR LIMIT DOG 3 (2)

1. Friend's NYUKI SHARPSHOOTER. 3 years old. Old fashioned sort of dog..I just loved his head and type. Correct angulation on the shoulders, Nice depth of chest, correct ribbing. Powerful rear quarters, with correct angles. Moved positively coming and going. .

2. Carlton's UMHLANDLA BUKEKAYO.

#### LIMIT DOG 7 (1)

A very good class

1. Reid & Meikle's REJAN TOP GUN .A 2 year old wheaten dog I have admired before from the ring side, he is a slow maturing boy and is now coming into his own. Excellent head, correct neck and shoulders. A good depth of chest. Very good top line held when moving. Good ridge. Correct angulation on rear quarters giving powerful movement, correct tail carriage. He presents a picture of a very sound, well balanced hound. Pipped his sire for the CC & BIS. DCC & BIS

2. Brien & Young's JENGACHENGA ATSAMA FOR IMANJI. A similar type of hound. Has a well-proportioned head. Strong neck and shoulders, Good legs and feet. Capacious chest. Strong topline with correct ridge. Correct tail set. Accurate, driving movement.

3. Hicks' NUTHOUSE MANHATTON. Another of similar type. Mid wheaten with dark mask. Correct head and neck. Very good shoulder and return of upper arm. Good deep chest and length of loin. Correct ridge. Moved well with correct tail carriage.

OPEN DOG 9 (2)

1. Ratcliff's CH FLAMETREES KYPHER OF GODOLPHIN. A well known dog. Very typical hound. Lovely head & expression. Excellent neck flowing smoothly into clean well angulated shoulders. Firm topline with correct rise over the croup. Rear quarters have correct angulation and well let down hocks. A very strong and free, active mover. Looking through the catalogue at home, he is the sire of my BIS, Best

male Puppy, and several other class winners and placed dogs, His owner must be very proud of him.  
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2. Webster's CH NGOMA UZURI OF UMBARI JW. A dog at the top of the standard Red wheaten. Very appealing in head. Well laid-back shoulders, good topline deep capacious chest, strong topline with correct ridge. Strong, well muscled rear. Moved very true. Presented a very balanced picture.

3. Woodrow's MIRENGO'S MUKWELA. A wheaten dog of smaller build. I liked his strong, masculine head but I could see the gentle temperament in his eyes. Well angulated forehand and strong rear. Best of ridges, A strong athletic mover. Overall a balanced hound.

#### VETERAN DOG 4 (3)

This class has real depth of quality in all exhibits.

1. Woodrow's CH. MIRENGO'S MUKO MAKO. 10 years old in October and still on form. A dog that fits the standard well. He has a typical head with soft, gentle, dark eyes. Correct angulation fore and aft, he still holds his topline when moving, and moves still with a true, straight driving action.

2. Smith's CH EVERGRACES MAGIC MAESTRO AT LILONGEWE. (Imp Swed.) Just 7 years old and not looking his age at all.. A great type of dog in very good form, he has all the breed attributes he needs. Moves out well and true.

3. Bowlus' CH SOFALA JEFFERSON. Another good one in good form. Fit and in good condition. He has a lovely head with dark eyes and correct ear placement A touch rangier than the other 2 but in no way disgraced standing 3rd to the ones above.. All 3 of these dogs are a credit to their owners.

#### SPECIAL VETERAN DOG

1. LUKULU UMNQOBI AT MSULWA. 10 years old and another of our older gentleman in super condition, a touch of distinguished grey just gives away his maturity. A great Ridgeback head with pools of dark eyes. Lovely body and topline, excellent strong hindquarters, and still has true movement.

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#### MINOR PUPPY BITCH 12 (11)

1. Bates' GUNTHWAITE DISCO DEVA. Very pretty baby. Feminine head with lovely dark eyes. Lovely front for her age. Well bones legs and feet correct depth of chest and ribbing. Nicely angulated rear. Movement positive for age. Expertly handled to. B.P.B & BPIS

2. Cunningham's KOLOLI STAR OF WALAMADENGIE. A smaller type of bitch but a balanced

girl. Good quarters front and rear. Best of ridges and crowns. Again positive movement for a youngster. She will take time to be at her best, but a good prospect and should do well, these two will change places in the future I am sure

3. Nix's KITOKO GOOD GOLLY MISS MOLLY. Attractive wheaten, balanced, athletic puppy.

Good ridge, correct quarter front and rear. Well set on tail. Moved OK. Another that will take time, but be worth the wait.

#### PUPPY BITCH 9 (7)

1. Maylor's KAMILI BUSARA. Beautiful head and eye, strong neck, correct shoulders. Deep chest and good length of loin. Strong and well angulated rear quarters. Correct tail set. Sound and positive movement.

2. Salmon & Bowlus' FAAHAC FLORAA AT LOBENGULA. A similar type of bitch just not quite as mature and will take time. Loved her head and dark eye. Pleasing symmetrical outline. Movement steady for her age just lost here to a more mature bitch.

3. Pearson's SAJUMIKA KALI. A typical lighter wheaten girl She has a sweet head with correct proportions, dark eye and good ear set.. Good length of neck into well angulated shoulders, good bone & feet, well proportioned body & a lovely type. Moved well..

#### JUNIOR BITCH 12 (10)



1. Smith's NEELANJALI PREMIER ROSE AT LILONGWE. A very feminine and balanced bitch of correct type, and of full of quality. Very appealing in head. Correct neck into clean shoulder. Strongly boned legs with good feet. Nice depth of chest, correct topline, ridge and crowns and tail set. Well-angulated rear quarters with well let down hocks. Fore and aft. Good Very sound on the move. Shown and handled well.RBCC

2. Brien & Young's JENGACHENGA BOLD AS BRASS FOR IMANJI. Medium mid wheaten bitch with a very pretty head with good ears and expression. Lovely front, legs well boned, feet with well arched toes. Firm topline and powerful rear quarters. Free active mover.

3. Craven's HESPA HELOISE JW ShCM. Red wheaten girl of medium size. A balanced picture. Pretty head & expression, well made neck & shoulders Excellent depth of chest. Good angulation for and aft. Correct tail set. Moved with drive.

#### YEARLING BITCH 5 (4)

1. Maidment's KIROMOL KOKOMO OF AMAHLE. Substantial wheaten bitch, she has breed type with good overall balance.. Strong head with a broad skull and absence of wrinkles. Correct front, muscular neck, firm body, good quarters and moved on strong legs and correct feet. Confident easy mover.

2. Harrower's JIMMANS TWICE NIGHTLY. Reserve in junior. A nice type of Ridgebacks with all the breed points, showed better in this class. Nothing exaggerated about her. In very good

condition. Sound moving bitch.

3. Gleeson's VELDTKAMMER ROCK ON CHICK. A smaller built bitch who just needs to mature and fill out more. A typical bitch for the breed who has everything in place for the future.

#### GRADUATE BITCH 7

1. Parson's PRIORPARK YAKINI. Wheaten bitch of correct type, make, shape & balance. Typical head with a kind expression Very balanced in body, with correct angles front and rear. Correct ridge. A very free active mover.

2. Lipman's KIROMOL KAMILI OKA. I would prefer more stop on this bitch. Strong neck Well angulated shoulder.. Very balanced in body, with correct angles front and rear. Correct ridge. A very free active mover.

3. Webster's JANAK JASMIN. A nice type of bitch. .Correct head and expression Still needs to fill in, in front. Correct angulation front and rear. Good length of loin Free and easy movement, with correct tail carriage.

#### POST GRADUATE BITCH 9 (6)

1. Whitelock's MATABELLE MUTAMARED. A very pretty bitch in good coat and condition Nice head with correct ear set. Strong neck, clean shoulders, strong top line. Very good

ridge. Well muscled rear quarters. Powerful, active movement, with tail carried correctly on the move.

2. Tredwell & Symond's SHOMBAY SHAAMONE. A similar type of bitch with the best of heads and expression. She is a quality Ridgeback with all the breed points and qualities. Moved very well.

3. Gilfillan's REJAN HIGH FLYER. Wheaten bitch of correct type, make and shape. Typical head with a kind expression Very balanced in body, with correct angles front and rear. Correct ridge. A very free active mover.

#### MINOR LIMIT BITCH 6 (3)

1. Walshe's MONDURI KASULU KASINDRA. A nice workman like bitch of standard build now coming into her own. Very nice balance in body Best of heads with sweet expression. Correct angulation fore and aft. Easy free, flowing movement.

2. Farleigh's KINABULA AKUA BAHATI. A very attractive bitch in super condition. Would just like a little more fill in fore-chest. I loved her head and dark eye. Pleasing symmetrical outline There is a lot to like about her, another very sound hound.

3. Ensor's MONDURI HENJE SHUGEE. A rangy girl with the best of heads and expression. Today I would have liked more of her all round, but she is still a quality Ridgeback with all the breed type and qualities.

#### LIMIT BITCH 10 (7)

1. Woodrow's MIRENGO'S MUTANDA. A good type of bitch very well presented. So balanced and in proportion Nice head with correct ear set. Strong neck, clean well angulated shoulders, strong top line, held firmly on the move Very good ridge.. Good width and depth of chest. Strong legs and feet. Correct tail set. Powerful rear quarters, giving straight, accurate movement Delighted to award her, her 1st CC & Res. BIS

2. Morris' BRUET SING THE BLUES TO KASENGA. A rangier type of bitch with the best of heads and expression. She is a quality Ridgeback with all the breed type and qualities. Angulation correct front and rear giving a good reaching stride from the front and power from the rear.

3. Hicks' NUTHOUSE MARTINI. A similar type to 2.. Very good head and eye, Correct forehead, depth of chest, and length of loin. Sound but more finely constructed than other winners, with lots to like about her A sound mover.

#### OPEN BITCH 9(7)

1. Miles & Parke's CH VELDTKAMMER RED HOT CHICK AT JALOUMI. Medium sized red wheaten bitch. A beautiful bitch with the required substance, but also elegance and a look of quality. A beautiful head and expression. Good strong neck. Angulation correct front and rear

giving a good reaching stride from the front and rear. She covered the ground with ease when going round. Presented in tip top condition.

2. Bates' CH GUNTHWAITE DIAMOND LIL. She was my Best Puppy in 2008 and has matured into a very feminine adult. A similar type of bitch to 1, and similar comments apply. A good type who moved very well. Another presented in good order.

3. Lawless' CH FAAHAC FARENIA JW ScHM. A bitch that combines strength with femininity. Super head, strong neck and shoulders good top line correct angulated rear quarters. Good front movement but she was a bit lazy when going away Another presented in good form, and well shown.

#### VETERAN BITCH 8 (6)

The depth of quality in this class made it hard to judge and I had to harshly split hairs between my 3 winners. This was truly "The Clash of the Titans"

1. Parke's CH. Ir. CH VELDTKAMMER LADY DONE A BUNK. There is not much I can write about this bitch which has not been written already. As the breed record holder, she is obviously a quality bitch. Loved her front with plenty of fore-chest. Nice body length and angulation front and rear, fabulous depth of chest. Firm topline and still showing strength in the rear quarters At 8 ½ she is still showing and moving well and a credit to her owner, handler. BVIS

2. Hewson's CH.INT. BEL.IR.CH. REKAYLHAN BLAZE JW SHcM. A firm favourite of mine and

one I have judged before. It's hard to think she is now a veteran, but it must be true, as I gave her the Res. CC in 2004! She shows no signs of aging. A super Ridgeback in all ways, She excels in type, has a balanced outline and feminine head. Her top line is good and her tail set correct. Well muscled rear quarters. One little slip up when moving away, cost her the class.

3. Morris' CH BRUET SONG OF KASENGA. There is a lot to like about this 9 year old bitch. A hound with plenty of feminine charm, moving correctly, and sympathetically handled she well deserved her win here today.

#### SPECIAL VETERAN BITCH 2

1. Webster's CH JANAK SULA. 10 yr old wheaten bitch of excellent type and size. Very nice head, good ear, and eye. Strong neck and topline. Angulation front and rear are in balance. Very good bone and feet. Lovely temperament. Correct crowns and ridge.. Moves very well for her age. Excellent bitch.

2. Carlton's FLAMETREES ZULI AT UMHLANDLA. Another 10 yr old strong and powerful girl of standard size. She has eyes only for her handler. Body proportions are good. Could be more feminine in head. Nice dark eye. Very good ridge. Nicely angulated front and rear. Deep capacious chest. Strong bone and very good feet. Moves (and bounces) well for her age.

#### K C BREEDERS COMPETION

1. PARKES'. A group of Ridgebacks who complimented each other very well .

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(Judge)