

RHODESIAN RIDGEBACK CLUB OF GREAT BRITAIN

Championship Show 23 September 2001

Judge BRIAN FIRTH

My thanks to the committee for the invitation to judge at this special event in the show calendar, and many thanks to the committee members who, on the day of the show, worked hard to ensure it's success. The weather, as if anyone who was there needs any reminding, was overcast with a very cold wind, inevitably some exhibits did not give their best. Overall the presentation and handling was good. There were some very promising exhibits on show that will play a significant role securing the future of this dignified and sometimes misunderstood breed. Thank you all for your support.

Minor Puppy Dog 4 entries 0 absent

- 1) Williamson's **Nkulu Tambo**, confident 6 month old with lovely expressive head and clean neck, good bone, firm feet, good movement, well handled.
- 2) Hayman's **Kiromol Kiamba**, very relaxed 7 months old with good bone. Neck and shoulders blended well, showing nice top line and tail set.
- 3) McCarthy-Booth's **Jariba Rourkes Ridge**

Puppy Dog 6 entries 0 absent

- 1) **OPD & Best Puppy** Woodrow's Mirengo's **Muko Mako**. Sturdy 11 month old with good round eyes harmonising with coat colour, nicely proportioned head. Confident active gait demonstrating strong level top line, correct tail carriage. Well balanced exhibit who will succeed in the future. Well Handled.
- 2) Selby's **Eilack Eliakim Similar** overall build to 1st. Very nice head, clean neck, strong forequarters, nothing exaggerated on this youngster. Little unsettled on the day, another who will do well as he matures.
- 3) Shepherd's **Kuwinda Super Trooper**

Junior Dog 9 entries 2 absent

- 1) Baldwin's **Mangwe New Edition**. Strong exhibit correctly proportioned with deep brisket. Good pasterns and tight feet. Firm hindquarters with pleasing loin, croup & tail set. These good points were confirmed by balanced active movement.
- 2) Johnston's **Faahac Fjaala**. Another well proportioned young dog, pleasing symmetrical outline, nice expressive round eyes. Good neck and shoulders. Hindquarters strong, well let down hocks, correct angulation. Unsettled on the day.
- 3) Burgess's **Lukulu Umnqubi at Msulwa**

Special Yearling Dog 4 entries 0 absent

- 1) Parker's **Rejan Great Expectations**. Nicely balanced dog with good head & expression. Good forequarters, level top line & correct angulation. Feet very tight.
- 2) Jones's **Premier Piper**. Good length of neck and lay of shoulders, level firm top line, good ridge. Pleasing dark eyes and expression.
- 3) Cotterill's **Jarhiba Ster Van Goud**

Graduate Dog 5 entries 1 absent

- 1) Hutcheson & Ogilvie's **Sonstraal Baron Samedi**. Balanced elegant exhibit with good head & length of neck blending smoothly with the shoulders. Nice feet, confident powered drive around the ring, well handled.

- 2) Ellis's **Satnall Sorcerer**. Another with good head, eye colour and expression. Deep chest, firm top line, nice turn of stifle with good angulation. Efficient movement.
- 3) Cotterill's **Jarhiba Ster Van Goud**

Post Graduate Dog 5 entries 1 absent

- 1) Dunn's **Flametrees Obeche at Khananga**. Happy temperament, Sturdy bone, free active balanced movement with correct swing & extension, good tail carriage, very nice compact feet, strong pasterns. In excellent condition. Well handled.
- 2) Jones's **Premier Piper**.
- 3) Maitland-Jones's **Mtwapa Kirafiki**

Minor Limit Dog 7 entries 2 absent

- 1) Raymond's **Sofala Sebakwe**. Sparkling personality with good expression, firm forequarters, free & active movement with nice drive, good tail carriage.
- 2) Grayson-Wood's **Isiqa's Ijsa**. Compact confident individual with good expression & head, good chest with firm front, carried top line & tail nicely. Balanced movement, well handled.
- 3) Brown & Ringer's **Flametrees Oberon**

Limit Dog 6 entries 2 absent

- 1) Baillie & Ringer's **Flametrees Aereol**. Correct proportions, good strong bone, nice ridge, good depth of chest, correct angulation, well handled.
- 2) Patterson's **Rocksham Moonshine**. As 1st good proportions, strong frame, deep powerful chest, nice arch over loins, little unsettled.
- 3) Wilcox's **Belstone Dexter**

Open Dog 15 entries 4 absent

- 1) & RCC. Bates's **Ch Gunthwaite Action Man**. This exhibit always delivers, nice head & expression, good eye colour. Clean shoulders complemented by good front, deep brisket presenting nice outline, excellent muscle tone.
- 2) Craigie's **Ch Imbali Kipenzi**. Handsome, balanced upstanding character with good bone & very nice feet. Good ridge. Proportions from withers to elbow sound very good. Typical powered gait, well handled.
- 3) Nuttall's **Nyuki Kallikubanah Out of Monduri**

Veteran Dog or Bitch 10 entries 2 absent

- 1st & CC Dunn's **Ch Tukela Muluku**. This fine exhibit has had top honours from me previously. Today at 7 years of age he still maintained powered flowing movement holding strong top line. Good head neck & clean shoulders on capacious chest. Strong bone & nice tight feet. Well handled.
- 2) Craven's **Ch Hespera Huenda**. Another confident 7 year old who has lost nothing to age. In lovely condition, movement an example to others, very expressive head good strong bone, pleasing outline, good ridge. Well presented & handled.
- 3) Broadsmith's **Rejan Zuris Delight at Chainama**.

Special Veteran Dog or Bitch 5 entries 2 absent

- 1) Carlton's **Nyasa Riia of Janak**. 10 year old who jumped over the ring side rope! In lovely firm condition, good expressive head, proportioned forequarters, enthusiastic movement, maintaining level top line, nicely presented.
- 2) Barber's **Miss Millicent of Mkishi**. 12 year old stalwart enjoying the day in spite of the cold weather, another with great expression, lovely head, good round eye. Nice tail set & carriage on the move.
- 3) Broadsmith's **Chainama Mulenga**.

Minor Puppy Bitch 7 entries 1 absent

- 1) **BPB & RBP. Grayson Wood's Isiq'a's Flijs.** Confident balanced 7 month old with very nice head & graceful neck blending into clean shoulders. Good forequarters giving a pleasing symmetrical outline. Firm feet, well presented and handled.
- 2) Baillie & Ringer's **Flametrees Simply the Best.** Another youngster well handled. Good head, expression & length of neck. Straight forward active movement.
- 3) Brownlee's **Kiromol Kanzi**

Puppy Bitch 12 entries 4 absent

- 1) Parson's **Touch of Kryha.** Impressive 10 month old with lovely straight movement. Graceful feminine head & expression. Good bone, nice tight feet. Well handled.
- 2) Fuller's **Miss Chief at Nyuki.** Another excellent youngster but not as settled as 1st. However held level top line on the move. Clean neck blending into well laid back shoulders. Promising future.
- 3) Hynd's **Ekundo Msichana**

Junior Bitch 14 entries 1 absent

- 1) Campbell & Wheeler's **Rex Ventors Farrah at Nyassa.** Lovely elegant confident 12 month old with superior forequarters. Nicely balanced, strong legs & good feet. Positive graceful movement. Well handled.
- 2) Baillie & Ringer's **Flametrees Golder.** Strong boned brown nose showing good colour harmony between coat & eyes. Plenty of drive on positive movement. Nice top line, tail set & angulation.
- 3) Parson's **Touch of Kryha**

Special Yearling Bitch 7 entries 0 absent

- 1) Swales's **Hespa Hasina of Mwani.** Nicely presented & handled. Good muscle definition without exaggeration. Steady straight movement. Correct proportions good symmetrical profile.
- 2) Boyd's **Sikulubani Sharifa.** Another impressive exhibit with nice ridge, top line & tail carriage. Good bone, ideal pastern, hocks well let down. Typical gait. Well handled.
- 3) Kirby & Mansfield's **Faahac Fushana**

Graduate Bitch 10 entries 3 absent

- 1) Watson's **Hespa Heavenly at Madukani.** Sturdy, well mannered exhibit with very pleasing front, head, neck and shoulders. Nice hindquarters & angulation providing smooth action on the move.
- 2) Patterson's **Rocksham Irish Mist.** Another well made confident exhibit showing good overall balance. Correct head with good expression & eye colour. Clean neck & shoulders. Well handled.
- 3) Davis's **Imola Indianapolis.**

Post Graduate Bitch 12 entries 2 absent

- 1) Swales's **Hespa Hasina of Mwani.**
- 2) Fawcus's **Namna Kwaheri Rosa with Adaeze.** Elegant well balanced bitch with good head & expression. Correct ridge, level top line. Nice outline without exaggeration.
- 3) Agnew's **Janak Xamax of Mwenga.**

Minor Limit Bitch 10 entries 4 absent

- 1) Ringer's **Flametrees Brown Sugar.** Impressive brown nose with good matching eye colour. Good head & expression. Nice athletic outline, deep chest, correct ridge. Strong straight movement. In good firm condition Well presented & handled.
- 2) Baird & Ringer's **Flametrees Aerin.** Elegant exhibit with pleasing head, expression, ear carriage, clean neck & shoulders. Good muscle definition.
- 3) Woodrow's **Mirengo's Majuba.**

Limit Bitch 13 entries 1 absent

- 1) Webster's **Mwenga Maati of Janak**. Balanced, confident exhibit that demonstrated straight powered movement. Pleasing typical head complete with good dark round eye. Forequarters clean & strong without exaggeration. Good rapport with handler.
- 2) Wilcox's **Belstone Zulika**. Substantial bitch with proportioned outline. Sturdy bone. Good deep chest, elbows carried close to body. Very nice head & neck, good ridge. Sound feet with strong pasterns.
- 3) Looker's **Ousebay Star Capella at Nkhumbi**.

Open Bitch 20 entries 5 absent

- 1) **CC & BIS**. Cahane's **Exhurst Shiana**. Very pleasing proportioned outline, good deep chest, Correct head with alert expression, nice round dark eye. Clean neck & sloping shoulders. Sturdy bone, tight feet, Correct angulation. Well handled & presented.
- 2) **RCC**. Cairn's **Kairaba Fantasy at Rooinek**. Another dignified balanced exhibit in good condition without exaggeration. Nicely proportioned expressive head with correct ear set, clean neck, very nice ridge. Strong forequarters, capacious chest.
- 3) Baldwin & Lyon's **Mangwe Lily Lion**.