

Firstly, I'd like to thank the committee for trusting me to judge their Open Show and the exhibitors for entering and taking all my decisions with great sportsmanship. I had a quality entry of my favourite breed, all with fantastic temperaments, bites and ridges. I must point out that we must keep an eye on the shoulder placement in our wonderful breed as there seems to be a lot of upright shoulders creeping in which in turn is giving lack of fore chest and infill in the same area. The weather stayed dry but it was very windy, it did start to get very cold, and the wind got a lot worse later in the day which made me make the decision to move indoors for Open Bitch and the rest of the show.

PUPPY DOG

1 Hick's NUTHOUSE MASTERMIND- An 11 month old liver nose, with a good head and ear set. Nice length of neck, correct shoulder placement, good depth of brisket and nice front with good infill. Lovely topline which he held well, good length of body and great angulation all round, he was very exuberant on the move, but he did settle for his handler, this boy certainly enjoyed his time in the ring.

JUNIOR DOG

1 Hick's NUTHOUSE MASTERMIND- As above.

2 Thomas-Bassett's FIADMA'S STIGGENS- A red wheaten boy of 10ths, nice head with a dark eye, good neck, shoulders, fore-chest and depth. Good angulation of croup and stifle. A very nice boy but a little shorter in length than one.

3 Nash's MUTOKO'S NOBLE PREACHER

YEARLING DOG

1 Johnson's UNGOWA ON THE ROAD AGAIN- A nice young dog with excellent head and depth of muzzle. Correct depth of brisket, length of loin and turn of stifle. He strode out well but carried his tail a little to high for me on the move.

POST GRAD DOG

1 Jeffery's NEGASI THORIN AT REXGROVE- A red wheaten boy, lovely head with a good reach of neck, correct shoulder placement, good front, depth and bone. Lovely gradual tuck up, good turn of stifle and a well defined first and second thigh. Moved true and with purpose.

MINOR LIMIT DOG

1 Catharell's ASHARAA'S PERFECT MATCH WITH FAAHAC- A young liver nose boy, a very nice head with eye colour that compliments his coat beautifully, moderate stop and level head plains. A strong neck, correct shoulder placement and excellent front. Depth and length proportions that are perfect, correct angulation on each corner and moved with ease. Sadly, a small tail defect stopped him from being placed higher in the line up.

LIMIT DOG

1 Davies's GUNTHWAITE FANCY MAN- A red wheaten male, good head with excellent pigment and dark eye. Strong neck, good shoulders and front with perfect infill. Strong back and moderate length of loin. Good bone and perfect feet. Held his topline well on the move with plenty of drive.

2 Henshall's SUHUBA DREAM STAR SULLI- Another red wheaten boy, with a beautiful head, perfect head plains and ear set. He has a good reach of neck with perfect shoulder angulation with a forechest and depth of brisket to match. A strong well muscled back and gentle sloping croup and tail set. Moved well but 1 just had a little move drive.

3 Doughty's SAIMON'S PRAIDE VICTORIOUS BRABUS WITH RUBILTRA

OPEN DOG

1 Painter's SUHUBA DREAM ON- Red wheaten male, fabulous masculine head, dark eye, depth of muzzle and ear set. Strong neck and perfectly muscled shoulder placement which in turn gives a lovely forechest with plenty of infill. Good bone and well sprung ribs with a good depth of brisket and moderate length of loin. A perfectly constructed backend assembly, with thickness of thigh and perfect definition in first and second thigh muscles. When he moved, he just owned that ring. He was deservedly my Best Dog on the day, and I can't wait to see how his show career progresses over the next few years.

2 Hurn's CH DIAMONDRIDGE DARK DELIGHT OF MATIKIRIDGE- A red wheaten male of nice proportions handsome head, good pigment and ear set, strong neck leading into a nice shoulder and good bone all round with beautiful feet. Correct depth and length, strong topline which held steady on the move. Well muscled all round and in tip top condition.

3 Nash's CH MUTOKO NOBLE ONE

SPEC BEGINNERS DOG

1 Johnson's UNGOWA ON THE ROAD AGAIN- Winner of Yearling Dog

2 Picton & Ince's PRIORPARK POINT AND CLICK - A nice liver male, good head, eye colour that compliments his coat colour. Good shoulder with a good forechest and infill. Good angulation and bone all round, correct depth and good topline and croup. He carried his tail a little too high for me, but he moved well.

VETERAN DOG

1 Davies's GUNTHWAITE PAPA DON'T PREACH- A red wheaten, nice head shape, dark eye and good depth of muzzle. Good length of neck, well muscled leading into correct shoulder placement, excellent front and depth. Good topline, length of loin and gentle sloping croup. Excellent back end angulation and length of hock. Moved well and at 7 years of age this boy still has it. RBD & BVIS

2 Hall's MATSUSHONA FIRE OPAL OF CYNAMI- 7 year old male good head plains with a correct round dark eye and strong muzzle. Well muscled neck, moderate shoulder angulation. Good depth and spring of rib, nice bone and tight feet. A little steep in croup for me but nice turn of stifle. Not as good as 1 on the move.

MINOR PUPPY BITCH

1 Pearse's MSINGI DREAM A DREAM- a girl of 8 months, mid wheaten. Very pretty in head of correct proportions for her age with a round dark eye. Lovely neck on top of correct shoulder and forechest, good depth and spring of rib for one so young. Nice length and correct tail placement. I love her width of thigh and turn of stifle. When she moved she just came alive and I could have watched her all day. I will watch this young lady as she matures as I think she could be something special. She was my BPIS

PUPPY BITCH

1 Pearse's MSINGI DREAM A DREAM- MPB winner

2 Hick's NUTHOUSE GOING FOR GOLD- An 11 month old liver nose and sister to my BPD. Correct head with a nice eye, ear leather and placement. Good length of a well muscled neck, a little steep in shoulder but hopefully she'll drop into it. Correct depth, length of rib, loin and topline. Good bone all round and lovely feet. Nice backend angulation and tail set. Moved well when she settled.

JUNIOR BITCH

1 Hudson's MUTOKO'S PARKERS GLORY- a strong head but still very feminine, dark round eye and correct head plains. Good reach of neck, well muscled, nice front angulation and excellent forechest with correct infill. Excellent bone all round standing on good tight feet. Correct depth, length and a strong topline which held well on the move. A very nice honest girl all round my RBB

2 Storey & Piehl KIROMOL DARE TO FLAIR- a very pretty girl with a beautiful soft head and round dark eyes to match. Good length of neck, another who didn't like the windy day. She was a little steep in shoulders, but I think was more to do with the weather on the day. Well muscled shoulders, excellent bone and good feet. Good depth and spring of rib, lovely gradual tuck up and a lovely strong back end. Held her topline well on the move.

3 Hick's NUTHOUSE GOING FOR GOLD

YEARLING BITCH

1 Taylor's TOKWE TRULY YOUR SONG- a red wheaten with a femine head, dark eye and dark mask. Nice reach of neck, good shoulders and bone. Correct spring and length of rib and loin. Good backend angulation and width of thigh. She didn't move the best but the handler informed me she had a terrible scare at a previous show. When in the lineup indoors later in the day she redeemed herself and moved beautifully.

MINOR LIMIT BITCH

1 Thomas-Bassett's BONFIREBEAU RED SKYE- a substantial red wheaten girl with a good head, excellent pigmentation, dark eye, depth of muzzle and ear set. Good length of neck, well muscled shoulders with excellent bone all round. Lovely depth of brisket, a gentle angulation of tuck up and strong topline. Nice backend with a good width of thigh. She was carrying a little too much weight for me, but she moved well.

LIMIT BITCH

1 Storey & Piehl's7 KIROMOL TIP TOE AND GO- a wheaten female with a strong but still femine head, round eye and depth of muzzle. A good length of neck, a lovely muscled front assembly, excellent bone and beautiful tight feet all round. Correct depth of brisket, spring of rib and length of loin. Fabulous rear angulation and well let down on the hock. Another who didn't enjoy the weather, but she still moved well with reach and drive.

OPEN BITCH

1 Bates's GUNTHWAITE AYR OF ELEGANCE- a girl of just under 2 years with a very feminine head, round dark eye and and head plains of perfect proportions. Good reach of neck, sat on well laid back shoulders, excellent front and infill to match. Good depth, spring of rib, length of loin, bone with just the right coverage all round. Excellent width of thigh, good turn of stifle and well defined first and second thigh. Strong level topline which pulled together the perfect picture. When she moved she covered the ground with ease without losing her drive. She really lives up to her name as she certainly has an air of elegance that just oozes of her. My BIS winner.

2 Catharell & Lawless's KINABULA'S MENT TO BE FOR FAAHAC- a very nice liver girl with a good head, complimentary eye colour and correct ear set. Good reach of neck with nice shoulders and return of upper arm, with a well muscled forechest. Good depth of brisket, correct gradual tuck up and length of loin and excellent backend assembly. Moved true with drive. A very balanced girl all round

3 Henshall's LEEURIF JUKEBA MSHANGAO TATU AT SUHUBA

SPEC BEGINNERS BITCH

1 Thomas-Bassett's BONFIREBEAU RED SKYE- Minor limit winner

VETERAN BITCH

1 Storey & Piehl's CH KIROMOL MIDSUMMER SPIRIT – a 9 year old wheaten, a correct head with good head plains, ear set and very soft round dark eye. Lovely reach of neck, excellent shoulders, front and depth. Good bone, tight feet, correct length and backend angulations. Moved with ease holding her topline all the way round.

2 Hall's KENQUINCE PISONIA OF CYNAMI – a 7 year old very pretty girl with nice head and eye, good shoulders, depth and spring of rib. Good bone, tight feet, with moderate angulation all round. Just didn't move as well as 1 on the day.

BRACE

1 Nash – lovely duo that moved in perfect unison.

2 Thomas-Bassett – two lovely dogs lost out only to 1 because of movement.

PROGENY

1 Nash's MUTOKO – an excellent team with loads of type.

Judge : Jane Anthony.