

THE KENNEL CLUB OF JERSEY
MEMBERS' SHOW – SATURDAY 6TH MAY 2017

The Kennel Club of Jersey held its spring Members' Show on Saturday 6th May 2017 held at the impressive Royal Jersey Showground which is a venue to be envied by many of the clubs of mainland United Kingdom.

I was privileged to judge all the groups together with the Top Best in Show awards. My sincere thanks go to the Officers and Committee for their invitation and for their excellent hospitality given, to my wife Ann and me, throughout our visit.

Special thanks to Chairman and Show Manager Fiona Whitehead for her friendship and company at dinner on the Friday and to Dr Margaret Bayes MBE for her Tour Guide duties which included a scenic drive around Jersey and a very enjoyable time spent at the Jersey Zoo on the Sunday following the show; a memorable visit that I will remember for a very long time.

BEST IN SHOW and Toy Group Winner was Curwood's excellent Japanese Chin AURALEA KOKO a very smart 2-year-old male who has the quality look. Very attractive good sized head moderately broad in skull, well set dark eyes of good size and giving an impressive oriental expression. Head set well on to good length neck which flows to a sturdy compact body. Stands well and true on strong fine boned legs. Balanced in angulation and all in proportion in profile. Shown in profuse coat and condition and looked the part both standing and moving true and free.

RESERVE BEST IN SHOW, Utility Group Winner and Best Puppy In Show was Walker's Lhasa Apso URSHI-DJANA STARA BASTA FOR PETWALK (IMP) an 11 months old bitch in excellent coat and condition. She presents a very impressive picture being well balanced and in correct proportion length to height with an attractive head which is of ideal shape, proportion and in harmony with the rest of her. Well constructed in front, body and hindquarters. She is sound and confident in movement.

Best In Show 3rd and Terrier Group Winner was Marrett's Cesky Terrier IDEFIX DAY BREAK AT GAYTECKELS a very impressive breed typical 3 year old male who has a workmanlike look. Good overall length and stands well on well boned true forelegs and stable strong hind legs. Pleasing in head and firm in body, eye-catching profile being well made and all in proportion. He has true and purposeful movement which stood out over the others.

Best In Show 4th and Gundog Group Winner was Cox's English Springer Spaniel PETRANELLA JERSEYBOY AT TIROEN a very smart 2½ year old male who has a handsome head and expression. Well boned and well grown with a true front, well made body although plenty long enough with strong, nicely angled hindquarters. Looks capable of a day's work; Pleasing coat and body condition; An eager mover

Best In Show 5th and Pastoral Group Winner was Allen's Shetland Sheepdog MILESEND BLACK INK FOR RIBANS a 11 month old very refined typy tri bitch in good coat, who impressed in side profile and outline. Attractive well shaped stylish feminine head which is clean and smart in appearance. She was satisfying to go over and to note her sound front, fore chest, body and rear construction. A true positive mover in particular with true extension in front action.

Best In Show 6th and Working Group Winner was Lester & Hutchinsons Leonberger LIONSCOURT FORTISSIMO DEJERRI an impressive, upstanding rising 3 year old male who has the size and strength associated with this elegant breed. He has a handsome head which is attractive and breed typical. Head set well onto a strong good length neck. Well made in body with excellent ribbing, deep chest

and well boned, straight forelegs. Firm and pleasing top-line with broad loin and slope to croup. Moved with an even, free action.

Best In Show 7th and Hound Group Winner was Lawson's Whippet ALAMAYN EQUINOX CASSIDY AT KIPIPIRIKING a 2½ year old fawn who has a powerful racy look. Pleasing head with dark, nicely shaped eyes giving a bright expression. When standing he has pleasing overall balance and, although tall enough, he has good length to height proportions. Firm shapely neck set correctly on moderate angled shoulders. True and parallel front and well constructed and shapely in body with overall firm covering. Hindquarters are strong with moderate bend of stifles and stands well over the ground. Moved with a free action but tended to be more unsettled in front pasterns.

BEST PUPPY IN SHOW was Walker's Lhasa Apso URSHI-DJANA STARA BASTA FOR PETWALK (IMP)

RESERVE BEST PUPPY IN SHOW was Bouchere's quality Golden Retriever TENFIELD BAILEY'S BAY a well grown 11 month old male who is good to look at and very satisfying to go over. Very handsome breed typical head and intelligent expression. Head set well onto well made shoulders and good length firm, well made body. Stable and moderately angled hindquarters; all together producing a very pleasing breed typical appearance. Moved with sound true confident action and looked to be enjoying the whole proceedings.

BEST JUNIOR IN SHOW & BEST NOVICE IN SHOW was Walker's Lhasa Apso URSHI-DJANA STARA BASTA FOR PETWALK (IMP)

RESERVE BEST JUNIOR IN SHOW & RESERVE BEST NOVICE IN SHOW was Allen's Shetland Sheepdog MILESEND BLACK INK FOR RIBANS

BEST VETERAN IN SHOW was Curwood's Japanese Chin NISYROS FRANK CHINATRA a very elegant mature 7 year old male whose profile and overall make and shape caught my eye. Very attractive head, good overall length and sound legs and feet all enhanced by his mature furnishings. Moved with true purpose and confidence.

RESERVE BEST VETERAN IN SHOW was Noel & Walker's American Cocker Spaniel MYCALLEYS HAPPY HARRY

UTILITY GROUP

GROUP WINNER: Walker's Lhasa Apso URSHI-DJANA STARA BASTA FOR PETWALK (IMP).

GROUP 2: Power's Shih Tzu ASKTRAXDAKS FIREFLY a well grown 11-month-old bitch who has desirable bone and body development although a little up on her back end at the moment. Very attractive breed typical head and expression, well made front, pleasing body both in development and length. Particularly free, active movement. A very promising youngster.

GROUP 3: Weaving's French Bulldog DOMINOS DICE a mature well grown rising 5-year-old male who is of good size and overall length. Masculine and typy in head, and eyes with desirable shaped ears and expression. Strong and sturdy with purposeful movement although tended to be uneven.

GROUP 4: Wilson's Japanese Shiba Inu JANERYL ROCKING RIO a typy but weighty mature bitch. Typy in appearance, feminine head which is fine enough in muzzle and having alert responsive, well shaped ears, which all together produces a pleasing expression. True front, good overall body length but a little broad over the loin. Moved with a free forward action.

UTILITY PUPPY GROUP WINNER: Walker's Lhasa Apso URSHI-DJANA STARA BASTA FOR PETWALK (IMP).

PUPPY GROUP 2: Power's Shih Tzu ASKTRAXDAKS FIREFLY

WORKING GROUP

GROUP WINNER: Lester & Hutchinsons Leonberger LIONSCOURT FORTISSIMO DEJERRI

GROUP 2: Bayes' Boxer DOCREMA DON GIOVANNI a very handsome, well balanced, mature rising 3-year-old brindle male who has a very smart profile being all in balance and proportion. Stands on excellent strong well boned legs and sound feet. Attractive well shaped head set well onto a good length muscular neck. Firm and strong in top-line with stable strong hindquarters. Moved with a powerful, purposeful action but tended to pin in front and be unsettled.

PASTORAL GROUP

GROUP WINNER: Allen's Shetland Sheepdog MILESEND BLACK INK FOR RIBANS

GROUP 2: Allen's Rough Collie BROOKLYN PIXIE LOTT WITH RIBANS a 3-year-old sable bitch of pleasing size and in dense coat giving a quality breed typical appearance. She has an attractive body outline displaying an excellent head carriage and top line with a smooth rise over the loin. Typical in head which is of ideal balance and proportions with correct shaped dark eyes, responsive ears and having a soft, friendly expression True parallel front, well bodied with decent spring and moderately let down hindquarters. Moved well enough but would be better if had more enthusiasm.

GROUP 3: Boxall's Samoyed GEMORA ROYAL ROSE a profusely coated 4-year-old mature looking bitch of good size and shape. Pleasing to go over and I especially liked her powerful, typical head and expression. Well made body substance and proportions better in front and behind than others in the breed classes especially on the move. Well made in hindquarters and has good width all through.

TOY GROUP

GROUP WINNER: Curwood's Japanese Chin AURALEA KOKO

GROUP 2: Schofield's Pomeranian RUDOLI SUNKISSED a quality well coated 4-year-old bitch who impressed with her beautiful head and intelligent expression. She is so well made having a true front, compact body and sound moderately angled hindquarters. Presented in excellent coat and condition and she moved with a free, sound confident action. Close up to winner.

GROUP 3: McFarlane's Chinese Crested ZERACHIEL EXOTIC DANCER a very breed typical 3-year-old bitch who was shapely and graceful in appearance. Very attractive head both in shape and expression, with dark well shaped eyes and alert, responsive ears. Well made in front and stood true which I preferred to others in the breed classes. Mature in body, firm level top-line and nicely rounded in rump with

stable angulations. Moved out well especially behind but could be more settled in front.

GROUP 4: Dale & Mitchel's Pekingese PEKEHUIS SORCEROR AT KSARINA an impressive 3-year-old male, so breed typical having a handsome head and typy expression. In excellent coat and condition and well presented. Correct in head shape and proportions with dark eyes and short good width muzzle. Head set well onto neck, good body shape and cover giving pleasing weight. Moved well enough in the breed class but disappointingly a bit reluctant in the Group challenge.

TOY PUPPY GROUP

PUPPY GROUP WINNER: Schofield's Pomeranian SPANAPOMS RUSSIAN GOLD AT RUDOLI a very smart quality 11-month-old male who certainly has exciting promise. Very handsome head and intelligent, interested expression. Super side profile with an attractive compact short coupled body, sound true front and nicely angled hindquarters. Moved with great confidence with an active purposeful action.

PUPPY GROUP 2: McFarlane's Japanese Chin GLENDYKE STEP OUT IN STYLE an 11-month-old male who has a handsome breed typical head and expression. Smart profile and compact in body with pleasing coat. A little reticent when on the move but has plenty of promise for the future.

TERRIER GROUP

GROUP WINNER: Marrett's Cesky Terrier IDEFIX DAY BREAK AT GAYTECKELS

GROUP 2: Dodds' Wire Fox Terrier SKERLI UNION JACK (IMP RUS) a sturdy, well balanced 2-year-old male having a very smart appearance. Super head shape and proportions set well onto a strong good length neck. True straight front of good width, Firm body and strong well angled hindquarters. Alert and keen in expression and outlook. Moved true in front and rear with pleasing side gait.

GROUP 3: Pinto's Scottish Terrier BESCOTT LIMINI AT MCKALAY a very sturdy well-proportioned 13-month-old bitch. Attractive well shaped good length head set well onto a strong matching length neck. Solid in body, balanced with true front and well angled hindquarters of pleasing width. Stands firm and alert. Eager mover but needing to settle to give of her best.

GROUP 4: Holland & Frei's West Highland White Terrier HILLCLOUD MIST a very typy rising 2-year-old male who has a pleasing head and alert expression. Pleasing in overall length although tended to look a bit long on the leg. Good coat texture. Moved with great purpose and with a true action but a little short stepping in front.

GUNDOG GROUP

GROUP WINNER: Cox's English Springer Spaniel PETRANELLA JERSEYBOY AT TIROEN

GROUP 2: Bouchere's Golden Retriever TENFIELD BAILEY'S BAY

GROUP 3: Cunningham's Cocker Spaniel TOPDAY ARMANI CODE a very smart well shaped Cocker Spaniel who is pleasing in overall shape and size. Attractive in head which is set well onto a strong good length neck blending into a sturdy compact body. Pleasing when standing and moving. Could be more precise in front action.

GROUP 4: Noel & Walker's American Cocker Spaniel MYCALLEYS HAPPY HARRY a quality 9-year-old male who is an attractive type, handsome head set well onto a good length neck with good arch, very good all round conformation. Well

coated presenting a breed typical appearance. Good length well made body being ribbed well back, firm in top-line and having a correct tail set. Impressive mover especially in side gait.

GUNDOG PUPPY GROUP

PUPPY GROUP WINNER: Bouchere's Golden Retriever TENFIELD BAILEY'S BAY

PUPPY GROUP 2: Carson & Betts' Cocker Spaniel NORTHQUEST TAYLOR BETTS a very smart 11-month-old merry Cocker bitch who has a very satisfying side profile being balanced and in proportion height to length. Attractive head shape and expression, head set well onto good length neck and onto well laid shoulders. Pleasing make and shape all through. A little loose on the move but did enough to show that she can move well when settled.

PUPPY GROUP 3: Wrigley's Gordon Setter KATTANDALE BLACK FERN (AI) NAF TAF a rangy 11-month-old bitch who is in the leggy stage of development. Overall, she has decent proportions and is typical in appearance. But needs to mature and tighten to fulfil her promise. Typical and feminine in head. Preferred her front assembly, top-line and movement to others in her breed class.

PUPPY GROUP 4: Ward's Field Spaniel ELGERT LADY MARMALADE AT SIMBARRA an 8-month-old bitch still very much an immature puppy. Attractive head set well onto good length neck, she is well boned and has good body development with a pleasing side profile and top-line. Very promising and moved OK when settled.

HOUND GROUP

GROUP WINNER: Lawson's Whippet ALAMAYN EQUINOX CASSIDY AT KIPIPIRIKING

GROUP 2: Mottershaw & Officer's Afghan Hound SCHUMAKAYAS A PERFECT MATCH FOR ELANGENI PD'H (IMP DEU) an elegant mature 7-year-old black male who impressed with his well proportioned and balanced side profile both standing and on the move. Handsome tpy head with a particularly pleasing dark eye and expression, strong muzzle and underjaw. Well coated, soundly constructed in front, body and hindquarters with good width all through although tended to lose his top-line. He moved with a typical Afghan side gait with correct tail and noble head carriage.

GROUP 3: Marett's LIMIER DIDIER AT GAYTECKELS PD'H a well covered 7½ year old male who has a breed typical appearance in profile. Masculine in head set onto strong neck and sturdy body. He is of pleasing proportions and balance but carrying a bit too much body cover for me. Soundly constructed in front having fore-chest, good length of body and nicely angled hindquarters. Moved well enough but tended to be heavy stepping.

HOUND PUPPY GROUP

PUPPY GROUP WINNER: Lawson's Whippet RANVELI BLUE BREEZE AT KIPIPIRIKING a rangy 7-month-old male who is well enough grown. Attractive head and expression, good length neck, true enough front, well made longish body flowing to angled hindquarters. Needs to settle on the move to give of his best.

BEST BRACE IN SHOW was Cox's TIROEN Irish Setters. A very attractive matching pair of Irish Setters very similar in shape, size and style. Both in gleaming coat and moved together in nharmony around the ring.

GOOD CITIZEN DOG SCHEME

WINNER: Curwood's Japanese Chin NISYROS FRANK CHINATRA

2ND : Marrett's Cesky Terrier IDEFIX DAY BREAK AT GAYTECKELS

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JUDGE: GRAHAM HILL