

An honour and great pleasure to judge at this well organised show, where a pleasant atmosphere prevailed. I thank the committee for their invitation to judge their open show and all the exhibitors for their entries. Much appreciation to my efficient steward 'Arthur' and also to everyone involved in the smooth running of the event.

I congratulate exhibitors on the excellent, most pleasing, presentation of their hounds, in all departments, especially mouths and teeth.

I was looking for a hound that filled the eye but one which also appeared capable of the function required originally.

BIS & BB: from Limit was Kimbleholme Just a Dream, with RBIS & BD going to Barrenger Beswick JW ShCM from Open Dog. BPIS was the dog Woferlow Alfred Jingle and BVIS at almost 12 years of age the bitch Lodway Dreamer.

#### Veteran Dog (1)

Absent

#### Puppy Dog (2)

- 1 Beale & Newman's Woferlow Alfred Jingle. What a cracker! Would predict a bright future for this super boy, 10 months, who is a star in the making. Everything to admire, loved him in all departments. Well modelled headpiece, excellent eye shape and colour, gentle expression. Good lay of shoulder good ribbing carried well back, and powerful quarters. Beautifully constructed and well proportioned overall, with excellent body and bone for age. Sympathetically handled to show his many qualities to advantage when he just flowed around the ring, with good reach and powerful drive. In harmony with handler. Overall a stylish dog, not overdone and extruding quality. Presenting a balanced picture, both standing and moving. Shall follow his progress with interest, as he should finish well. Delighted to award him **BPD & BPIS**
- 2 Hartley's Fivevalleys Viscount at Hartroyal. Another very attractive boy, close up to winner in many respects and with much to admire, with well shaped head, long and leathers. From a slightly heavier mould, he still pleases in overall body and outline. Has quite a lot of maturing to do and was less confident on the move, although has accurate footfall and good reach in front and plenty of drive from rear. Presentation excellent.

#### Junior Dog (2)

- 1 Fivevalleys Viscount at Hartroyal. Carried himself more confidently than in previous class and was a worthy winner here, as he pleases in type and presents an attractive outline. Not overdone in any way, he should do well as he gains ring experience.
- 2 Adams Tumbling Tommy. Youngster of 14 months, pleasing for size and with some pleasing qualities, but unfortunately very naughty and not co-operating with his handler. I liked his head and eye and good length of neck and shoulder placement, but rear quarters difficult to assess, as was his movement..

#### Novice Dog (2)

Repeat of Junior

#### Post Graduate Dog (1)

- 1 Davies & Hunts Valandee Dark Dandy. Superbly presented 2 year old male, with much to like and well deserving his place. Lovely masculine headpiece, with good planes framed by long velvety leathers, which are low set on. Strong arched neck running into clean shoulder. Good pro-sternum and well sprung ribs which are carried well back. In good muscular condition and with powerful quarters giving excellent drive on the move. Strode out well, with pleasing tail carriage and in harmony with handler.
- 2 Tumbling Tommy

#### Limit Dog (2, 1ab)

- 1 Davis, Hunt & Davies Viahninns Harvest Gold. Mature r/w of 5 years, most impressive and masculine, yet balanced overall and not overdone. Admired his head, eye and expression. Good reach of neck fair lay of shoulder, correct bone, well-sprung ribs and prominent forechest. Well developed and shapely quarters. Showed himself to advantage with good reach and powerful drive and accurate footfall. **RBD**
- 2 Tumbling Tommy

#### Open Dog (5, 2ab, 1wdn)

- 1 Thexton & Martins Barrenger Beswick JW ShCM. This super tri has great ring presence and completely filled my eye. Loved everything about him from his beautiful well modelled head to his powerful shapely, well muscled quarters. Masculine throughout, good eye, placement shape and colour, head framed with fine long ears, strong arched neck, sweeping smoothly into well laid shoulders. Good strong topline and length of ribbing, leading to muscular quarters. Presents a superb profile, both standing and moving, stylish and positive on the move, commanding attention. Beautifully handled and presented to show his attributes to advantage. Delighted to award his **BD & RBIS**, shall follow his progress, as he should finish well.
- 2 Feethams Ir. Ch. Kimbleholme Pure Magic. Stallion hound, close up to winner in many respects and with much to like. Lovely masculine head of pleasing proportions, nice length and arch of neck. Prominent forechest, good lay of shoulder, correct bone and bunched feet. Pleases in topline and keel and has plenty of daylight underneath him. Nicely angulated and well muscled quarters used to the full on the move. A most worthy champion, full of breed qualities and unlucky to meet1 on such good form.

#### Veteran Bitch (4, 2ab)

- 1 Brays Lodway Dreamer. Beautiful lady almost 12 years old of excellent type and size, no mistaking her for anything other than a bitch. She fills the eye both standing and on the move and carries her years so lightly, demonstrating her many qualities at all times and from all angles. A pleasure to judge in all respects as she is so full of quality. Scores in headpiece, feminine outlook and very pretty has long leathers and arched neck. Pleases in front and rear construction. Presenting a balanced outline overall. Moves with style and animation in harmony with handler and has that degree of class and style which is hard to overlook. **BVIS**
- 2 .Coulbert's Houndstone Madelaine May.

#### Puppy Bitch (2)

- 1 Turners Barrenger Morgan Sweet of Devonhound. Very promising tri of nearly 12 months, delightful and feminine in every respect and brimful of confidence and style. Scored in head and skull properties, super dark eye, long velvety leathers and lovely arch of neck. Well laid shoulders with forearm at correct angle to them. Well pronounced forechest, good ribbing and pleasing topline and underline. Plenty of daylight under her keel. Flawless in coat and presentation, she moved out totally to my satisfaction, but flagging a little, later on in the challenge. Gorgeous puppy and should finish well and I'll follow her progress. BPB.
- 2 Thexton & Martins Barrenger Swanhild. Another most attractive bitch, presenting a pleasing outline and with lovely mottling. Close up to winner in many respects, yet needing time to mature and drop a little in front. Prefer shoulder and length of ribbing of winner. Felt winner had the edge on overall balance and maturity at this stage, although this girl

has the essentials for success, once she gains the confidence, especially on the move, to show her attributes to more advantage. Another one to watch.

#### Junior Bitch (1)

- 1 Feethams Shots Andalucia (Dnk Imp). I really liked this 16 month bitch with some lovely qualities she is maturing along pleasing lines, with strength and balance throughout, yet retaining femininity. Pleasing head, eye and expression. Well laid shoulder, prominent forechest, good bone, legs and bunched feet. Good strong topline, running into well set tail. Powerful quarters, giving desired action on the move.

#### Novice Bitch (3)

- 1 Barrenger Morgan Sweet of Devonhound
- 2 Steers Houndstone Dottie Lottie A dark tri, presenting a pleasing outline and body shape. A touch strong in head for me but she has a lovely feminine expression. Good bone throughout, strong topline leading to well angulated quarters. She covered the ground with reach and drive but with less confidence of winner. Nonetheless a nice bitch.
- 3 Davies Valandee Dark Devotion Completing a pleasing trio, she has some pleasing qualities, but unfortunately lacks in confidence to display these to advantage.

#### Post Graduate Bitch (6, 2ab)

- 1 Thexton & Martins Argemone Flanders Field of Barrenger. Bitch of quality, showing breed type of moderation and balance overall. Scores in head and skull properties, nice planes, dark eye, feminine outlook and reachy neck. Well placed shoulders and fairly well developed forechest. Stands on good legs and feet. Strong, muscular quarters, used well on the move.
- 2 Brays Brackenacre Vivacious I really liked this one as she has much to admire and was close up to winner. Lovely head, eye and expression with correct head planes. Feminine outlook overall, no mistaking her for a bitch. Nice length of neck, pleasing shoulder, good length of upper forearm, excellent bunched feet, well sprung ribs carried well back to powerful, shapely quarters. Super outline both standing and moving.
- 3 Danel's Houndstone Harriet Hazel of Widgerleydown. Completing a pleasing trio, she scores in femininity, but not quite the topline or underline and would prefer more drive on the move.

#### Limit Bitch (5, 1ab)

- 1 Feethams Kimbleholme Just a Dream A top drawer bitch, lovely make and shape, so well balanced, exudes femininity, yet has desired bone and substance to function correctly. Scores in head, such lovely eyes and expression. Lovely lone arched neck, pronounced forechest, good ribbing and strong topline. Positive free and stylish on the move, she is very eye-catching and presents a super picture from all angles. One to watch delighted to award **BIS**.
- 2 Coulbert's Houndstone Agatha Christie. Attractive girl, with some very pleasing qualities and breed characteristics. Like her long, well arched neck, and depth of forechest and strong topline. Unfortunately let herself down on the move at times.
- 3 Armstrong's Clavidar Talk of the Town at Lauralee. Admired her qualities, but would prefer a little more daylight under her keel and more positive hind action.

#### Open Bitch (5, 2ab) – A Lovely Class!

- 1 Thexton & Martins Barrenger Proper Handful. Really well constructed bitch overall, presenting a super outline both standing and moving, without any exaggeration. Impressive head and skull properties, dark eye, feminine outlook. Scores in reach of neck, shoulder placement and prominent sternum. Neat elbows, strong bone and tight feet. Strong loin, nice topline and underline and good ribs carried well back. Moved soundly, with freedom and drive on the go round. Beautiful coat, presentation faultless. Liked her a lot [leased to award her **RBB**.
- 2 Armstrong, Freer & Rodgers Switherland Double Image. Another beautifully constructed bitch, full of quality with a lovely head, feminine outlook, clean eyes, long curled ears. Super bone and substance, without exaggeration and presents a pleasing and well balanced profile both standing and moving. Has good broad back, strong loin and nicely rounded rump. Powerful quarters give her drive on the move. A sound mover out and back. A lovely Basset and one I shall watch with interest.
- 3 Coulbert's Houndstone Lucy Lockett. Completing a trio of mature bitches of quality each with their own pleasing features of note.

#### Special Beginners (4)

- 1 Barrenger Morgan Sweet of Devonhound
- 2 Davies & Hunts Valandee Dark Damsel
- 3 Danel's Brackenacre Beau Belle of Widgerleydown

Judge: Pamela Mottershaw