

The Basset Hound Club of Wales open show.

03/10/10

I wish to thank the committee for inviting me to judge, my ring steward for his efficiency, and the exhibitors for their sportsmanship, which ensured I had a really enjoyable day. I was made most welcome.

Movement did let some dogs down on the day and some fronts could have been stronger. The overall temperament, coats and condition of the dogs was good.

Veteran dog.....No entry

Puppy dog.....No entry

Junior dog (1).....Absent

Novice dog.....No entry

Post Grad dog (2)

1) Davies & Hunt's Valandee Dark Dandy. Black Blanket Tri,. A well proportioned dog with strong bone, and large tight feet. Good head with correct planes, well set on ears and good eyes. Well bodied with good sternum, tight front, good spring of rib and depth to chest. Strong top line, with well muscled quarters. He carried his tail correctly and was very sound on the move. Would like to have seen more enthusiasm, but nevertheless a nice hound.

2) Culyer-Dawson's Cudlows Dirty Dancing. Red/white. Masculine head good neck and well laid shoulder and return of upper arm, well developed with good spring of rib, well angulated rear and good tail carriage. He moved well but on the day not as positive in front as winner.

Limit dog (3)

1) Berriman's Majalis Bo-Diddley. Classic Tri colour Lovely head with dark eyes and good leathers. A well balanced and functional hound with good substance. He has a strong well arched neck leading into well laid shoulders and good return of upper arm. Well knuckled, good strong feet. Lovely sound front with good forechest, correct top line and well angulated rear. Movement was positive and true coming and going with a good tail carriage. A quality hound, pleased to award him Best Dog and BIS

2) Aldworts Kortinas Albe Darned Tri. Nice quality hound with good head. Front and rear angulation balanced. Longer cast than winner and not so positive on the move, but showed well.

Open dog (4)

1) Ir Ch. Kimbleholme Pure Magic Lovely masculine head of pleasing proportions, nice length and arch of neck. Prominent forechest, good lay of shoulder, good bone and large well padded feet. Good topline and depth to chest. Balanced angulation front and rear and well muscled quarters Moved and showed well. Res Best Dog close up for top honours.

Veteran bitch (2)

1) Bray's Lodway Dreamer A grand old lady over 12 years old of lovely type and good for her age . She has balanced front and rear angulation and a good outline on the stack, still holding her top line well. Feminine head and good leathers well set on. Good spring of rib

and depth to chest. Although she lacked the verve of the younger dogs, she enjoyed her day and still managed to happily move around the ring with her tail raised. Best Veteran

#### Puppy bitch (5)

1) Armstrong's Switherland Money Penny. Tri bitch with a feminine head, good eyes and ear set. Lovely strong front assembly, well laid shoulders and good return of upper arm. Good forechest and well sprung rib cage with strong top line. Well angulated rear and good tail set. Good positive movement, very sound coming and going. Very promising. BPIS

2) Huntley's Majalis Miss Molly in Springvalley Tri with lovely head and good leathers. Good sternum and back ribbing. Balanced front and rear angulation. A little lacking in concentration on the move, but nevertheless an attractive baby.

3) Kinleebrae Andromeda

#### Junior bitch (2)

1) Kimbleholme Fairytale Red & white with a beautiful head well arched neck of good length. Well boned and bodied with good prosternum and well sprung ribcage. Well muscled well rounded quarters. Balanced angulation front and rear. Nice quality bitch that showed and covered the ground well. Res B.B.

Novice bitch. No entry

#### Post Grad bitch (5)

1) Bray's Brackenacre Vivacious Tri colour bitch with lovely head, and expression and correct head planes. Good spring of rib with good length to ribcage. Front well angulated with good top line and tail carriage, well angulated rear. Showed well but could have been more positive.

2) Taor's Taormina Amethyst Angel An honest Tri bitch with good bone and spring of rib, pleasing head and eye. She has a nice tight front, good top line well angulated rear. Moved very soundly but would have preferred move drive from the rear on the day.

3) Feetham's Rossfell Tanzanite at Kimbleholme.

#### Limit bitch (4)

1) Feetham's Shot's Andalucia (Imp DNK) Tri bitch lovely head and expression. Well laid shoulder, prominent forechest, good bone and feet. Strong top line, well ribbed with good tail carriage and powerful quarters. Moved and showed well

2) Danel's Houndstone Harriet at Widdgerleydown Tri bitch Attractive head and dark eye. Good angulation front, correct top line and good bend of stifle. Well ribbed with good tail carriage. Plenty of ground clearance. Showed well.

3) Davies & Hunt Valandee Dark Damsel

#### Open bitch(4)

1) Feetham's Kimbleholme Just A Dream Tri bitch. A well balanced sound and feminine bitch. Good head, eyes and expression. Long arched neck, good forechest and ribbing with a strong top and underline. Good strong well angulated rear and correct tail set. Showed well and moved with drive. Balanced picture standing and true when moving. Best Bitch and RBIS

2) Armstrong's Clavidar Talk of the Town at Lauralee Tri bitch with a lovely head and pleasing front with good prosternum. Well bodied with good front and rear angulation . Very nice bitch who showed well, but did not use her rear to her best advantage.

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