

# NORTHERN ENGLAND FLATCOATED RETRIEVER ASSOCIATION

## 4TH BREED CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

HELD AT FENTON MANOR SPORTS COMPLEX STOKE-ON-TRENT

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My thanks to the committee for inviting me to judge at this show. There was a lovely relaxed atmosphere and I hope everyone enjoyed their day as much as I did. Thanks to the stewards for their hard work. To the exhibitors my thanks for giving me the opportunity to judge some lovely flatcoats. In the Limit and Open classes I was really splitting hairs and I was having to make some difficult decisions. I was pleased to see flatcoats presented without excessive trimming, but tidied, which for me is sufficient.

### **BITCHES**

Vet (8)

1. Buckley's ShCh Branchalwood Aylanfara of Buckleyhill ShCM. A lovely start to the day with some beautiful bitches. Lovely head with good dark eye. Good angulation and held level topline on move. Well defined brisket, good bone, correct size.
2. Brook's Culmquill It's a Hazilazy Day JW. Lovely size and in good hard condition. Excellent front and in good coat. Little to separate these two.
3. Bellamy's Hopevalley Morning Surprise.

Sp. Vet (2,1)

1. Rees' Eskwinds About Time. Although she stood alone she was a worthy winner. Moved with drive and enthusiasm. Lovely head and kind expression. Well off for bone well defined brisket.

Minor puppy (11,1)

1. Walker's Lizzlog Kiss and Tell . This little bitch is so well balanced. Sweetest of heads and expression. Good reach of neck. Well placed shoulders, nice bone and the best of feet. Moved well
2. Jury's Torwood Madley Mormentous. Close up, just preferred head of 1. Again good bone and lovely feet, nice size moved well with level topline.
3. Reid's Orkhatos Elektra.

Puppy (7)

1. Walker's Lizzlog Kiss me Quick. BPB Coming together really well and shows promise. Excellent bone into tight feet. Beautiful head and expression. Strong hindquarters and moved well for one so young.
2. Well's Gemswin Lily the Pink. Different type, but well balanced. Preferred head and eye of 1. Well off for bone, good depth of brisket and good length of rib cage. Moved ok once settled.
3. Jury's Torwood Madley Mormentous

Junior (14,1)

Some of the bitches lost their chances by pacing, difficult to access movement when they are doing this.

1. Danabie's Glendaruel Dark Island (AI) Beautiful bitch, racy and so well balanced. Lovely head with dark oval eye, elegant reach of neck into well laid

shoulders. Lovely bone and feet and carrying the right amount of weight completed the picture.

2. Egginton's Pajanbeck Heaven can Wait. Another typical flatcoat with lovely head and eye. Nice ear placement. Correct angulation. Well ribbed back. Good bone moved well once settled.

3. Barnett's Pajanbeck Welcum to my World.

#### Yearling (9,1)

1. Ross' Ilstrom Torrachilty. Beautiful bitch with everything in the right place. Best of heads with gentle expression, and hint of mischief. Good length of neck into well laid shoulders. She appealed for type and is my ideal size and so feminine.

2. Danabie's Glendaruel Dark Island (AI)

3. Stevenson's Steelriver Heatwave JW

#### Novice (9)

1. Colson's Eskwinds Driving Miss Daisy to Windyhollows. Correct size. Good head and eye colour. Well defined brisket and well angulated rear. To be critical would like tighter feet. Moved well.

2. Wynd's Maijerond Moonlite Madness. Very lively, gave handler hard time, but she can move once settled. Lovely dark eye and sweet cheeky expression. Excellent front assembly and deep chest. In good coat.

3. Candler's Simon Says Once in a Blue Moon at Capeldewi (Imp Nor)

#### Graduate(8)

1. Danabie's Glendaruel Dark Island (AI) This gave her a well deserved JW

2. Winton's Braidwynn Brieghd Little between these two. Just preferred head of 1, but another lovely bitch. Super bone, strong hindquarters and really drove from the rear end giving good movement.

3. Walker's Lizzlog Lacey's Enigma.

#### Post Graduate(12,1)

In this class some looked beautiful standing, but movement let them down.

1. Egginton's Pajanbeck Three Times a Lady. Loved her head and expression. Good reach of neck into well laid shoulders. Excellent brisket which was obvious without excessive trimming! Good size and in lovely coat. Close decision RCC

2. Ashcroft & Long's Beanit Luka to Keepersway. A shade bigger than one, but still very feminine. Lovely bone into nice tight feet. Good length to head with dark eye. Covered the ground with an easy flowing movement.

3. Irvine's Broomiedean Lady of Hatari at Vbos JW.

#### Limit (19,3)

Lovely class, would liked to have had more cards.

1. Ross' Ilstrom Little Missy JW. For me she is racy, correct size, shouts type, was in lovely coat and condition. Lovely head and kind eye, good depth to chest, and level topline with well set on wagging tail. Good length of stride covering the ring. BCC.RBIS.BOS

2. Tomlinson's Rainesgift Clemence. Unlucky to meet 1 on top form. Just a shade bigger than 1 but still very feminine. Super bone into the best feet of the day. Gentle expression and a dark honest eye. Depth to chest and well defined brisket. Moves straight and true.

3. Johnson's Downstream Poetic Licence JW

#### Open (15,2)

Another lovely class, where places could change another time.

1. Tomlinson's Rainesgift Fleur de Luna JW. Lovely size, and in good condition. Good bone and another from this kennel with excellent feet. Good length of head correct eye shape and colour. Deep chest, well ribbed back, moved from strong hindquarters, which enabled her to drive round the ring.
2. Dalziel-Scott & Scott's Woodavens Flowerdrift over Branchalwood.(A1) Another lovely bitch of correct size. Well defined brisket, good shoulders. Nice bend of stifle, just not quite the drive of 1. Beautiful head and kind eye.
3. Johnson's Ch Downstream Destiny's Child JW.

Special Liver (4.1)

1. Hewison's Harvest Moon of Casblaidd B.Liver All moved well Good size with excellent brisket and depth of chest. In hard condition which showed in her movement. A little tidying would improve the picture.
2. Morgan's Hafaidd Amber Light by Wolfhill. A bigger bitch but well balanced. Excellent bone. Super front and strong hindquarters. Just lacked animation and tail dropped.
3. Colson's Windyhollows Floribunda

Special Working (8,1)

1. Orme's Elmstock Whispering Thyme. Nice size bitch in hard condition. Good bone, feet could be tighter. Lovely head and kind eye. Certainly looks like she could work all day.
2. Rees' Eskwinds About Time (won Sp. Vet) Again she moved so well for her age.
3. Hewison's Harvest Moon of Casblaidd

Shirley Oxford (Judge)