Midland Counties Labrador Retriever Club Open Show Saturday April 20th 2024

Many thanks for the honour of being invited to judge this wonderful breed, and the Stella quality entry that awaited me. To the officers, committee, stewards and Exhibitors thank you.

Class 1Baby puppy dog

1/ Saracen I'm on Fire - pleasing puppy, scored in head with well placed and use of ears. Pleasing front with a good lay of shoulders. Straight legs and feet and good bone for age. Liked him, just right for age.

2/ Craignadun Bosta - pleasing head and expression well of for bone. Pleasing angles and nice feet, today just lacking body to complete the picture.

3/ Keeninspires Grand Duke

Class 2 MPD

1/ Annakay Colour Sargent - Chocolate baby who scored in head and expression. Well made front, good body and pleasing quarters. when he settled he produced sound reachy movement. 2/ Rochevale Beal - pleasing type of yellow, nice to handle with a lovely head. Today his lack of enthusiasm all through meant he wasn't making the best of himself.

3/ Musubi Who Dares Wins

Class 3 PD

1 Baileydale Rocket Man - 10 months yellow boy already up to size, just ready to knit together and mature. Well off for bone and substance, with good angulation which he uses to advantage. Head developing nicely. Sound reachy movement completed the assessment. Coat enough but appeared to be on the blow. BPD & BPIS

2/ Annakay Colour Sargent

3/ Tullochmohr Ultimo Finale

Class 4 JD

1/ Potterzuri Mister Mufasa JW - Sound honest yellow, well off for bone and substance. Pleasing head with a soft gentle expression, well made front, with the addition of well made quarters, he produced sound movement

2/ Annakay Father Brown - a chocolate boy I liked for type, make and shape. At that stage where he needs to tighten up and mature all through, that said he shows great potential.

3/ Exelby Wham Bam hannabee

Class 5 YD

1/ Binnaig Bonnach For Tullochmohr JW - my star of the day, have watched his career with interest loving his type but tending to give his owner a hard time. Today with his handler he did all that could be asked for. Standing he presented a lovely typy shape, so clean in front, that moderate length of body that allows for that lovely freedom in his movement. Wide well muscled quarters giving driving action, he scored in hind action. A lovely head with that melting expression, and a well set and happy tail. A sound exciting prospect I wish his team well for the future. BD, in the challenge with the bitch, he pulled out all the stops to take BIS, 2/ Rocheby Squadron Leader - a lovely dog so unlucky to meet 1 on such form. Beautifully headed yellow presenting a lovely body outline standing and moving. Pleasing front with a short coupled well made body and good quarters. Maturing nicely, just not as forward as the winner for me.

Class 6 ND

1/ Netherdene Sea Captain - yellow boy presenting a pleasing shape, he scores in head and expression, has a good top line, ok front and rear, moving soundly.

2/ A. Father Brown

3/ T. Ultimo Finale

Class7 UGD

1/ Bogarie Gunner - black boy with a lovely head and expression. Moderate front angles with pleasing body proportions. Strong level top line with a pleasing tail set and good quarters. He moved well and presented in good coat.

2/ Henissy Truffle Trifle - a pleasingly well angulated boy who moved out well. A little longer cast in body and today not in the best of coat otherwise a nice boy.

3/ C. Whiskey Sour at Kyorli

Class 8 PGD

1/ Trendlewood One More Time - a strong masculine yellow boy, scored in front and rear angulations. Nice head, his clean lines and angulation giving sound movement with reach and drive, one to consider.

2/ Amberstope Gold Lable at Chapelmanor (Al) - over all a pleasing boy with a good front and well made quarter. Short well made body, going well.

3/Winseywood Waghorn at Ravoakar JW

Class 9 MLD

1/ Cinders Salty Sea - black boy I liked a lot. Lovely balanced clean dog who scored in head and expression. Quality front, body and quarters, I loved his outline stood, and on the move , sound reachy movement. ResBD

2/ Devonshire Yellowstone at Mariana (imp USA) - very sound free moving yellow. Well made although with good angulation, and pleasing type. A close call, just preferred the clean lines of 1. 3/ Sleddarwood Sako Flyer Over Steeleigh JW

Class 10 OD

1/ Hannabee To Hull N Back with Musubi - a pleasing masculine black boy, scored in front assembly, head and expression. Nice quarters, he moved soundly and well, pleasing tail, shown in good coat.

2/ Sh Ch / Ir Sh Ch Naiken Elite Envoy (Al) JW IR JCH - quality chocolate with a lovely head and expression pleasing angulation especially in his quarters. Short coupled in body and a cracking coat, moving well.

3/ Beskerby Pagant

Class 11 VD

1/ Potterspiney Killian - black boy at 10 1/2 putting on a good performance. Scores in head and expression, liked his front assembly, body, and hind quarters, well furnished tail. Moved well. 2/ Manorwell Buckskin at Lynquest JW - yellow of nice type, built on racier lines, pleasing head and expression.

Class 12 SG D/B

1/ Centenalle Go Pippa Go - nice quality yellow bitch with a nicely put together front, well made quarters, topped with a pleasing head and expression. Moved out soundly, liked her type only let down being a wee bit out of coat.

2/ Potterzuri Mystic Zena - black, scored in front assembly and nicely made quarters, not the head of the winner and a touch wavy coat. Moved ok and pleasing type.

Class 13 SW D/B (0)

Class 14 Baby PB

1/ Trendlewood It Takes Two - chocolate baby as cute as a button. Great head and expression with great promise in front and quarters, moved out well and confidently, loved her. BBPIS 2/ Driffwold Silke - lovely quality black, very nice all through with good angles. Head needs to come (compared to 1) but made a lovely picture.

3/ Sarandon Book Of Dreams

Class 15 MPB

1/ Foxrush Hermione - short compact yellow with a lovely head and expression. Great fore-chest, wide quarters, presented a lovely picture, moving out well.BPB, BMPIS

2/ Rochevale Harmony - another pleasing yellow with nice lines and flow. Not as forward in head and body as 1but still quality, just needs to learn her job, potential.

Class 16 PB

1/ Ellukine Creme De La Creme - yellow girl, winning here on her flowing lines, firm top line, nice quarters and moving soundly. Nice head, needs to mature.

2/ Foxrush Henrietta - a baby yellow, with a nice front and quarters pleasing head, just not together yet but moved soundly.

3/ Hannabee Made You Look

Class 17 JB

1/ Binnaig Buppsala JW - lovely quality black, scores in head and expression, well made front, good in body and well made quarters. Sound movement and showing well, one to watch.

2/ Potterspiney Sweet Cirilla - still a baby so giving a lot away, but lovely quality. Liked her for type make and shape. Handled to present a lovely picture, held on the move, sound and showy. 3/ Timouron Hush Hush

Class 18 YB

1/ Bellamar Love Me Do JW - black girl of pleasing make and shape, short coupled, in good body, nice all through, tail just a little proud.

2/ Rochevale Palm Reader JW - black of similar type but not quite as compact in body, and firm up in her hind action.

Class 19 NB

1/ Crammonkirk's Kiss - upstanding black bitch built on flowing lines. Moved out well and soundly. Scores in head and expression and length of leg.

2/ The Beat Goes On of Misty Dreams (imp Fra) - lovely typy bitch, with lots to like in front, head and quarters but not using herself to advantage on the move.

3/ Taph Hippolyta

Class 20 UGB

1/ Crammondkirk Rouge Galaxy -Chocolate bitch of lovely type. She has a good well proportioned body balancing her frame. Scores in head with a lovely gentle expression and good pigment. Liked her front assembly and wide quarters moving soundly.

2/ Wahnahnish First Kiss to Bellamar (imp NLD) - yellow bitch of pleasing type and flowing lines. Preferred the front angles of 1 but otherwise a lovely bitch, moved soundly and well. 3/ Talifen Human Touch

Class 21 PGB

1/ Foxrush Joyfull JW - lovely quality yellow, with a lovely head and gentle expression. Liked her front assembly, scored in body proportions and wide quarters. Shown in great condition, moving soundly and well.

2/ Trendlewood Tiger Lily JW - another yellow girl with similar qualities. Scores in body, front and quarters, just preferred the expression of 1.

3/ Crammondkirk Ooh La La

Class22 MLB

1/ Carromer Shimmering In The Pink JW - yellow girl, with maturity and quality. Lovely for type make and shape. Very pleasing head with a beautiful expression. Well angulated front with balance, legs set under her. Well made and finished body wide correctly angulated quarters, she just flows. No showing fool but did all that was asked, sound flowing movement. Best Bitch and BOSIS

2/ Rocheby Silhouette to Genisval - 7 year old girl of nice type and quality. Liked her make and shape, with very pleasing angles both ends. Went well with sound action.

3/ Stand By Me of Misty Dreams (imp Fra)

Class 23 OB

1/ Kinchyle Hit The Lights - very feminine black bitch of lovely type. Liked her head and expression, clean lines, she flowed from nose to tail. Well made front, well ribbed body and wide quarters. Moved out soundly and well covering the ground to win this class and then ResBB 2/ Jap Ch Norbulingka Shrewd Fellow - nice stronger type black bitch with good angles fore and aft. Presented in good body, went ok.

3/ Wynfaul Carbon Copy at Beskerby JW

Class 24 VB

1/Carromer Worth a Glance At Kaspair - lovely old lady, black with a lovely well angulated front, good quarters. Lovely head and expression, in good body and condition went well with verve and sound precision. BVIS.

2/ R. Silhouette To Genisval

3/ Beskerby Singsong

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