Birmingham National – Judge Mrs S E Dolan

I would like to thank the Committee of Birmingham Dog Show for their hospitality and the exhibitors for their entries on the day of King Charles III's Coronation.

I found there was variation in the size and quality of the Cairns. There were some exhibits with heavy shoulders and wide fronts, which reflected in their movement, and some were shown in very short coat. Overall I was very pleased with my main winners.

Special Beginners Dog (0,0)

Minor Puppy Dog (3,2)

1. McIntyre's Macantsaoir Celtic Warrior, 6 month grey brindle. He was very confident for his age and well up to size, strong head, dark eye, good stop and a correct scissor bite. Good length of leg and a straight front. Well boned strong feet. Showed well and moved with drive.

Puppy Dog (2,2)

Junior Dog (3,0)

1. Clarke's Furythor Mr Bojangles By Lentrica, grey brindle shown in lovely coat. He has a good dark eye with correct expression. Medium length of neck flowing into a level topline and a good tailset. Well balanced for his size. Great showman. Moved okay.
2. Jones & Arnold's Tycadno Tom Foolery, wheaten shown in a full coat of correct texture, strong head, with a broad jaw, clean shoulders and well padded tight feet. Moved around the ring with drive and great ease. Just preferred length of back of 1.
3. Parker-Tucker's Uniquecottage Grey Shiso.

Yearling Dog (1,0)

1. Hiam's Carradine Arfa Pint JW, red brindle with a strong head, good eye colour, good expression and broad jaw with large teeth. Correct layback of shoulders, straight front, well boned, excellent strong topline. Well angulated rear quarters, shown in excellent coat and condition. Easy free movement. Showed well.

Post Graduate Dog (1,0)

1. Lucas' Seveek Country Lad, wheaten brindle with dark points. Good dark eye, strong feet, and level topline. Moved around the ring well. Showed well.

Limit Dog (3,0)

1. Pett's Doonrae Sentinel, dark red brindle with a good outline. He has a good head with correct proportions giving him a lovely expression. Correct mouth and a dark eye. Straight front and strong feet, medium length of neck flowing into a dead level topline. He moved well around the ring. I was pleased to award him Res Dog C.C.
2. Parker-Tucker's Uniquecottage Grey Borage, wheaten, smaller and a different type to 1, shown in a profuse full coat of good texture. He excels in head of correct proportions, with a deep stop, wide jaw and a dark eye. Level topline and good tailset. Just preferred the balance of 1.
3. Munday's Lentrica Mystic Warrior.

Open Dog (3,1)

1. Firth's Ch Cairngold Chico JW, a true red with a lovely head and expression. A lot has been said about this dog and I found him a pleasure to judge. Head of correct proportions, with a good stop and correct colour of eye for a red dog. Straight front with strong feet and good shoulders, excellent tailset. Good movement. A great showman and a pleasure to award him the Dog C.C.
2. Shannon, Storr & Middlehurst's Brendarcy It's Magic (AI), a smaller framed wheaten dog than 1. Well put together. Good head and expression, level topline and a good tailset. A great showman. Unlucky to meet 1.

Veteran Dog (2,0)

1. Kinton's Ch Woodthorpe I Know The Code, a 9 year old very dark brindle. Where does all the time go? I judged him as a youngster and he certainly has matured well. He has a strong head and a wide jaw. Good dark eye. Good length of neck flowing into a level topline. Tail well set on. Showed well. Best Veteran.
2. Lamb & Saltmarsh's Birselaw Dark Charmer For Macmoon ShCh, another very dark brindle. He has a smaller frame than 1, with a good head, dark eye and straight front. Nicely balanced. Just changing his coat. Moved and showed really well.

Special Beginners Bitch (1,0)

1. Metcalf-Sault's Cannwood Quiet Reflections, grey brindle with a good stop, dark eye and correct scissor bite. New coarse coat just coming in. She was difficult to assess due to being unsure in the hall. Best Special Beginner.

Minor Puppy Bitch (3,1)

1. Shannon & Storr's Brendarcy Witches Promise, a 6 month old red brindle puppy who walked into the ring with such presence and confidence. What an extrovert! She has a very pretty head with correct proportions. Well placed small ears, good stop, mouth and eye colour. Straight front, good length of neck and level topline. She moved around the ring like she owned it. Showed really well. Should have a good future. Best Puppy.

2. Saich's Lindcoly Picture Perfect, wheaten of a smaller frame than 1 and lower on leg. Good head and expression, correct dentition. Moved okay around the ring.

Puppy Bitch (7,0)

1. Ballinger's Cloverbrook Forget Me Not, grey brindle in good coat, pretty feminine head, good length of neck, clean shoulders and level topline. Moved well. Would prefer a little more leg to complete the picture.
2. Saich's Lindcoly Walking In Memphis, wheaten brindle, pretty head, good expression, correct bite, straight front. Moved well.
3. Parker-Tucker's Birselaw Floral Dancer Of Uniquecottage.

Junior Bitch (5,0)

1. Osborn's Be Gin Again At Tweslam, wheaten brindle shown in short coat of correct texture. Very pretty head, straight front, strong paws, good length of neck, level topline and correct tailset. Gave her handler a hard time but moved well when settled. Just needs time.
2. Bubb's Wandris Please Yourself JW, dark grey brindle of a smaller frame and a different type to 1. Well balanced with a good outline and very similar points to 1. Moved and showed well. Unlucky to meet 1, could change places another time.
3. Parker-Tucker's Sandro Zinnia Of Uniquecottage.

Yearling Bitch (4,0)

1. Felters and Rumens' Birselaw Caol Ila At Landbuck JW, a well balanced red brindle with a head of correct proportions. Strong feet, level topline and good tailset. Moved and showed well. Res B.C.C.
2. Saich's, Lindcoly Maleficent Mo, a showy wheaten brindle, with a good mouth and dark eye. Moved and showed okay. A good outline when standing.
3. Metcalf-Sault's Cannwood Can't Get Enough.

Post Graduate Bitch(6,0)

1. Osborn's Tweslam Be Gin The Magic (AI), a red with a good outline, a very pretty head and good expression. Level topline and good tailset. Shown in a good textured coat, although short. Showed well for handler. Considered for the Res B.C.C.
2. Firth's Birselaw Cora At Cairngold, a smaller bitch than 1, but has a good outline. Head of correct proportions with correct scissor bite, straight front. Good layback of shoulders and a strong topline. Moved well, but sadly spooked by something in the hall and gave up showing at the end.
3. Saich's Lindcoly Witches Brew.

Limit Bitch (5,1)

1. Thompson's Castleline Maitree, a well balanced pretty wheaten with strong muzzle, dark eye and correct length of foreface. She has a straight front, with a level topline and a good tailset, and went around the ring with plenty of drive. Won this class on her movement. Showed really well. Just needs a little less coat to complete the picture.
2. Tester's Airytykes Excuse Me, a 6 yr old red who was well balanced, good neck and shoulders. Moved and showed well.
3. Metcalf-Sault's Cannwood Can't Get Enough.

Open Bitch (6,1)

1. Firth's Ch Cairngold Chiquitita, I have seen this bitch from the ringside and today I had the pleasure of going over her. A beautiful red with a dark eye and a well proportioned head. A straight front, good length of neck flowing into clean shoulders and good tailset. She moved around the ring with drive and showed well. In excellent coat. Lovely bitch and a well deserved Champion. Bitch C.C. and Best of Breed.
2. Kinton's Ch Cloverbrook Unbreakable At Woodthorpe, another Champion but not the same balance as 1. Strong head, level topline and good outline. Coat of correct texture. Great show girl. Moved well.
3. Inett, Harrison & Bateman's Carradine Precious Pumpkin Pie.

Veteran Bitch (3,1)

1. Smith's Cannwood Misty Dawn At Gethlee, a 7 year old wheaten, nice head, level topline good outline. Moved well.
2. Keeves' Ch Seveek Hopes 'N' Dreams JW ShCh, a brindle with good mouth and dark eye. Showed well but today was not as confident as 1.

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