Cairn Terrier Association – Judge Frank Kane (Hirontower)

It was a great honour to be invited to judge the Championship Show of this historic breed club. A good entry of 91 Cairns and a sporting atmosphere all through. I think that the breed club shows are increasingly important as the general championship shows struggle in the current social climate, and are so important for the promotion and preservation of breeds, and indeed often draw entries which reflect more accurately the state of the breed. I really enjoyed the entry – such a rustic workmanlike breed. Most were presented in good coat and not over-presented. However, some could have been cleaner in their coat presentation. The main problems I saw were in eye size and shape – too many large round eyes, and strength of muzzle was lacking in some. Great temperaments throughout.
My thanks go to Secretary, Lynda Hughes and her team for their warm welcome and hospitability and for my 'warming' gift! And to my efficient steward, Sharon Confue a dyed in the wool Cairn fan.
Best in Show was the bitch Carradine Wilma, winning her first CC from Limit absolutely unexaggerated Cairn type and a great mover.
Reservice Best in Show Cadagio Your One of Us, the reserve CC winner, animated showgirl with superb outline and great carriage which put over the Best Opposite Sex Ch Cairngold Chico, red dog of great type, ultra sound and in excellent coat. He was the sire of several class winners (and I gather sire of my BIS winner in Sweden recently!) Just lacked a touch of terrier spirit against the girls on the day.
Best Puppy a beautiful bitch on her first outing Pendley Sea Breeze – her litter brother was Best Dog Puppy too.
Best Veteran the bitch Ch Glenrood Sheherazade.

Veteran Dog or Bitch (4, 0)
1.DolanChGlenrood Scheherazade 9 years wheaten in excellent coat – lovely balance of leg length and body. Excellent head proportions and lovely neat ears. Super feet. Carried herself well. Best Veteran.
2.LambBirselawDark Charmer for Macmoon Sh.CM VW 8 years dark brindle a lovely moving dog of excellent proportions, good topline and full of type. I slightly preferred the head of winner who was a touch more animated in her carriage – but a super veteran.
2.KeevesChSeveek Hopes Dreams JW Sh.CM

Minor Puppy Dog (7, 2)
1 Yates-Johnson Pendley Seafarer 8 months appealed for his leg length and balance and a really good mover at both ends. In super coat. His head is of good proportions but needs time to finish in foreface. Scored in topline and carriage here.
2 Jones Tycadno Tom Foolery 7 months wheaten just a little heavy in body which shows in his topline. A lovely head with strength in skull and foreface. Very good mover and good coat. Pressed very hard. When he loses his puppy fat will do very well.
3 Clarke Furythor Mr Bojangles

Puppy Dog (4, 2)
1 Hogarty Cadagio Another Day in Paradise 10 months red -lovely size and proportions and a very good mover. Good skull and ears. In excellent coat and carried his topline and tail well.
2 Shopland Cherrycrack Siegfried 10 months, bigger dog who looks a little long for balance at the moment. I liked his head and expression and he moved well. It will be interesting to see how he matures. At the moment in a teenage stage.

Junior Dog (5, 0) 2 top quality dogs to head this class
1 Waugh Glenrood Galaxy at Tribannon 14 months brindle of lovely balance and scored here in his head proportions and expression. A very good mover and carried himself well and scored in his front reach. I am sure he will have a good future.
2 Petts Doonrae Sentine 17 months my winner at first sight – lovely outline and proportions and carries himself well. Excellent leg length and good topline and tail. I feel his head needs time to finish but should end up at the top. I was splitting hairs here.
3 Hiam Carradine Arfa Pint JW

Post Graduate Dog (1, 0)
1 Purvis Mosspur Time and Again 3 years brindle, of standard size, good proportions and leg length. I would prefer him a little more masculine in head. Sound and active mover. His topline could be firmer.

Limit Dog (6, 1)
1 Byrne Carradine Howzat Howard 3 years old dark brindle in superb coat. A very good mover and carries himself well all through. The tail carriage is a touch high for my interpretation. Good strength and stop to head. I would prefer smaller ears and eyes. a good winner of this class.
2 Shopland Cherrycrack Horatio 20 months wheaten I liked his head and expression very much. Good coat. Could make more of himself standing and moving. Won this pace on his quarters and topline over.
3 Munday Lentrica Mystic Warrior

Open Dog (8, 2)
1 Firth Ch Cairngold Chico JW 5 years red, lovely size and balance, not overdone anywhere and ultra sound on the move. In super coat. He has correct bone and super feet in which he scored here. Won CC. In the challenge for BIS he had not the animation of the bitches.
2 Inett Ch Carradine In Out Mr Sprout 3 years dark brindle of good proportions and a really good mover. Well-made throughout and in good coat. Quality head, good expression. I slightly preferred head of winner but a lovely quality Cairn. RDCC
3 Dennis & Goddard Ch Good Times Ahead with Oudenarde

Special Beginners Dog or Bitch (1, 0)
1.Metcalfe-Sault Cannwood Can't Get Enough 14 months wheaten of good proportions and in good coat. She needs to firm up in front now but she has time for that. Feminine head. Ears a little large. Head needs time to finish.

Minor Puppy Bitch (10, 3) Quality class
1 Yates-Johnson Pendley Sea Breeze (Naf) 8 months beautiful brindle of super proportions, leg length body and perfect tail set with well angulated quarters. Has a beautiful head and ears. In great coat supper movement. Destined for good things. Really taken with her. BP
2 Munday Furythor Marvel at Me 7 months brindle beautiful head and expression, good body length, excellent movement. I just preferred leg length of the winner but she is a lovely puppy as was the next in line.
3 Thomas Tycandno Dark Star

Puppy Bitch (4, 0)
1 Bubb Wandris Please Yourself 11 months grey brindle a real showgirl full of attitude and scored here in her topline and carriage. She is a touch long in foreface accentuated by lack of furnishings. Excellent rear action. Can firm up in feet in front.
2 Parker-Tucker Sandrio Zinnia of Uniquecottage 8 months brindle. I liked her enormously and preferred her head piece to the winner. In very good coat sound mover but needs a little more confidence to do really well.
3 Saich Lindcoly Red Squirrel

Junior Bitch (6, 2) 3 good bitches at the top here.
1 Felters & Rumens Birselaw Caol Ila at Landbuck almost 15 months brindle super body and movement and lovely leg length and balance. She needs to finish in muzzle now. Good expression and ears. In excellent coat. Rustic and totally unexaggerated. Top quality and made the last 3 in the challenge.
2 Firth Birselaw Cora at Cairngold litter sister with a head which I preferred for strength of muzzle and head proportions. A real rustic look to her with lovely expression and excellent coat. I just preferred the leg length of the winner but she is a smaller bitch so just about right for balance and she should do well as should
3 Dolan Glenrood Midnight Spell

Novice Bitch (5, 1)
1 Bubb Wandris Please Yourself repeat
2 Tester Airytykes Hint of Mayhem 3 years dark brindle of good proportions with good leg length, sufficient bone. Good head proportions. Needs a little more depth of chest. Carried herself well.
3 Saich Lindcoly Phantom Menace

Post Graduate Bitch (9, 0)
1 Osborn Tweslam Be Gin the Magic (Ai1) 22 months red bitch neat and workmanlike in excellent coat and best topline of the class. Can fill out in front and needs time to strengthen in head. Another sired by DCC winner today.
2 Croquison Vlieghe Marie's Magic Touch of Perfect 2 years 2 months wheaten, I liked enormously and had the best head of the class. Good mover. Her tailset looked low and better trimming would improve the outline.
3 Keeves Seveek Licence to Dream

Limit Bitch (9, 1) good class
1 Inett Carradine Wilma 2 years old who stood out here for leg length front construction and excellent movement. Correct body and leg proportions Her head is not yet finished but expression and ears appealed. In excellent coat. Her movement was so easy and accurate.CC and Best in Show
2 Dolan Glenrood Dance Til Dusk 3 years beautifully headed brindle who moved well, despite standing rather wide in front. Lovely topline and tail carriage.
3 Hooton Penticharm It's My Party

Open Bitch (10, 0) excellent class right through.
1 Hogarty Cadagio Your One of Us 2 years brindle with beautiful outline and movement. I would prefer a little more stop and strength to her muzzle. Excellent topline, good leg length. Full of type. RCC and RBIS.
2 Firth Ch Cairngold Chiquitita 3-year beautiful bitch of lovely size and full of type. Scored in head over the winner with strength of muzzle and good head proportions, in great coat, absolutely sound but could get her hocks under her to get more drive.
3 Miller Cornton Fyne Hope

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