Midland Cairn Terrier Club Championship Show (2021 re-sched) – Judge Miss R Parker Tucker

I would like to thank the committee of the Midland Cairn Terrier Club for inviting me to judge their show. I feel it is always an honour to judge at a breed club specialist show.

I find it very sad how the numbers of Cairns are decreasing for one reason or another. My main general observations were that the general overall quality appears to be diminishing. Some were a bit too heavy which will spoil their outline with increasing age. I found a few suspect mouths and movement as always is still cause for concern. The latter not helped by the lack of depth in chest & narrow fronts.

I was pleased with my overall winners.

Lastly, Thank-you to all the exhibitors and for my experience stewards – Sharon Confue & Chris Petts.

VETERAN DOG or BITCH (7yrs & over). 4 Entries, 2 Absent.

1st – Lamb & Saltmarsh, BIRSELAW DARK CHARMER FOR MACMOON Sh Cm VW Grey brindle of 8 years. Very nice to handle on table. Good head & expression. Liked his neck & shoulders with level topline. Well-muscled hindquarters and moved soundly. Best Veteran

2nd – Davey & Baillie, BERANBURH WEE DRAM, Harsh coated grey of 7 years. Sweet feminine expression, of heavier type than above but built all in proportion. Firm hindquarters with nice tail set, free movement and showed well with encouragement.

MINOR PUPPY DOG. 1 Entry.

1st – Waugh, SWING DANCER at TRIBANNON. Can be hard for a pup to show in a big noisy hall especially when alone. Just 6 month's with harsh textured coat coming. Nice head & expression, good teeth & bite. At present, plenty of all over length of leg, clean outline of good type. Needs time to mature & gain confidence.

PUPPY DOG. 2 Entries.

1st – Hiam, CARRADINE ARFA PINT, very harsh red coated & well-presented pup of 11 months. Lovely shaped head with dark points. Well sprung, deep ribs. Moved freely & with purpose. Has a very good rapport with handler, always lovely to see. Best Puppy.

2nd – Shopland, CHERRYCRACK SIEGFIED, well grown cream brindle of just 8 months. Good head & expression. Liked his overall shape & length of leg. Moved soundly to & fro. Shows with encouragement. Lots to like & will improve with time.

JUNIOR DOG. 3 Entries.

1st – Petts, DOONRAE SENTINEL. Very smart harsh coated red brindle. Liked his head & expression. Good neck & well laid shoulders on standing. Level topline & nice tail carriage when on the move.

2ND – Lucas & Tobutt, SEVEEK COUNTRY LAD, harsh coated brindle with most pleasing head. Had good stop, muzzle & correct eye. Nice neck & shoulders with level topline. Can be a little unsure of self when moving, just needs more time.

3rd – Keeves, SEVEEK GUILDED DREAM

POST GRADUATE DOG. 3 Entries.

1st – Shannon & Storr, BRENNDARCY IT'S MAGIC (AI). Ultra-smart light red /wheaten. Good head with defined stop & correct eye. Liked his neck & well laid shoulders, level topline with firm hindquarters. Moves freely with encouragement.

2nd – Bingham, CARRADINE BUMBLING BORIS. Light brindle of nice overall size and well presented. Pleasing head & expression. Heavier type than above with well-muscled hindquarters. Not so sure of environment which probably affected his movement.

3rd – Purvis, MOSSPUR TIME and AGAIN

LIMIT DOG. 3 Entries.

1st – Shopland, CHERRYCRACK HORATIO. Well grown but built all in proportion, harsh coated light brindle. Lovely masculine head & nice teeth. Pleasing outline with good forechest & well sprung ribs. Very firm hindquarters with good drive when on the move. Has to be walked at a pace to show his excellent free movement. Res Dog CC.

2nd – Lamb & Saltmarsh, BIRSELAW COME DANCING WITH MACMOON OSW JW Sh Cm ShCEx. Grey brindle of nice size overall. Good head & expression. Liked his neck & shoulders. Held topline & tailset on the move. Showed well.

3rd – Hiam, CARRADINE PODGY PADDIE

OPEN DOG. 3 Entries.

1st – Thomas, Ch TOM TRICK'S JOCAN TY CADNO. Ultra-smart harsh coated cream who has ring presence. Gorgeous head with dark points, loved his most appealing expression. Good overall outline. Well-constructed hindquarters & good tailset. Needs time to settle then moves with drive. Pleased to award him Dog CC.

2nd – Byrne, CARRADINE HOWZAT HOWARD, well coated grey. Well defined head with neat ears, alert expression. Good neck & shoulders with level topline. Nicely bodied & balanced. Showed well with encouragement.

3rd – Dennis, Waites, & Goddard, Ch GOOD TIMES AHEAD WITH OUDENARDE

SPECIAL BEGINNERS DOG or BITCH. 2 Entries.

1st – Davey & Baille, BERANBURH BARLEY TWIST. Harsh coated dark grey (litter sister to 2nd in veteran), with pleasing head & expression. Of slightly heavier type but good overall balance. Firm hindquarters and free movement to & fro. Stood & showed well.

2nd – Metcalf Sault, CANNWOOD QUIET REFLECTIONS. Harsh coated light grey brindle. Loved her head & expression. Good overall size & nice to handle on table. Unfortunately not so happy on the ground today. I hope she regains her confidence as has lots to like.

MINOR PUPPY BITCH. 5 Entries, 1 Absent.

1st – Waugh, DAZZLE ME at TRIBANNON. Litter sister to MPD. Good harsh coat coming, lovely feminine expression. Has plenty of good overall length in proportion. Nice neck & shoulders but would prefer more depth to chest. Very sound on the move and showed well with encouragement. Very much a baby with a most promising future ahead. Best B P

2nd – Ortolano, SVENDALENS PUMPIN PIE, Very well grown pup of 8 months. Harsh coated grey brindle with most alert expression. Needs to gain confidence with handling on the table. Moved freely with encouragement.

3rd – Saich, LINDCOLY ETTA JAMES

PUPPY BITCH. 2 Entries.

1st – Saich, LINDCOLY MALEFICENT MO. 11 month harsh coated wheaten with lovely outline. Liked her sweet head & expression. Good to handle on table. Nicely bodied & well-constructed. Moves very freely & showed with encouragement. Will look even better with new coat.

2ND – Saich, LINDCOLY RED SQUIRREL of 9 months. Nice size & type. Lovely head & good eye. Good hindquarters & tailset. Will look even better with new jacket. At present lacks confidence and yet to reach full potential.

JUNIOR BITCH. 7 Entries. 1 Absent.

1st – Shopland, TOM TRICK'S LITTLE HOT KISSKADEE at CHERRYCRACK. Harsh coated cream brindle with a most gorgeous head & expression. Liked her size and general construction. Good front on standing. Very free & sound movement. Will need to watch weight.

2ND – Felters & Rumen's BIRSELAW CAOL ILA at LANDBUCK. Ultra-smart harsh coated dark red brindle, slightly smaller than above. Lovely to handle on table. Liked her feminine head & expression. Nice well laid shoulders & good reach of neck. Kept her topline level on the move with correct tailset. Sound movement to & fro. Two quality bitches that have yet to achieve their full potential.

3rd – Tester, AIRYTYKES SOCIALITE

POST GRADUATE BITCH. 8 Entries. 3 Absent.

1st – Keeves, SEVEEK LICENCE TO DREAM. Harsh coated red brindle. Most feminine head & expression. Liked her overall clean outline. Nice neck & shoulders with level topline, good tailset. Moved very freely, stood & showed well. Res BCC

2nd – Inett & Harrison, CARRADINE WILMA, of slightly heavier type compared to above. Well presented with attractive head. Strongly made hindquarters which enabled movement with drive. Would prefer more length of leg.

3rd – Purvis, SPRINGTIME ROSE at MOSSPUR

LIMIT BITCH. 11 Entries, 2 Absent. Lovely class full of quality.

1ST – Keeves, SEVEEK EVERLASTING DREAMS, very dark red brindle with harsh jacket. Correctly balanced. Well bodied, firm hindquarters. Nice reach of neck & well laid shoulders with level topline. Liked her length of leg. Showed well with encouragement.

2nd – Thompson, CASTLELINE MAITREE. Quality wheaten. Lovely head & correct eye. Good overall construction. Liked her firm hindquarters and sound free movement. Good front on standing. Outline could be improved by careful trimming of coat.

3rd – Croquison Vlieghe, MARIE'S MAGIC TOUCH of PERFECT

OPEN BITCH. 7 Entries, 2 Absent. Another quality class, including 4 most worthy Champions. Great privilege to go over on the table.

1st – Firth's, Ch CAIRNGOLD CHIQUITITA. Very well presented harsh coated red. Most feminine head & expression. Good reach of neck & well laid shoulders. Lovely well balanced outline. Moved most soundly & with drive. Level topline & never stopped showing. Pleased to award her BCC & BIS

2nd – Felter's & Rumen's, Ch LANDBUCK LA VOIX. Most attractive brindle with lovely dark points. Liked her size & general construction. On the day just preferred coat & general showmanship of above.

3rd – Waugh, Ch GLORY DAZE at TRIBANNON. Full of quality. All lovely!

BRACE. 1 Entry, Absent.

Judge: Ruth Parker-Tucker (Uniquecottage)