

North of Ireland Cairn Terrier Club 2020 – Judge Mrs M Johnston

My thanks to the Club and Committee for the invitation to judge their Club Ch Show. Club Shows are special so I was truly honoured

As the first Show to be held in Northern Ireland during Covid 19 the Committee had gone to great lengths to keep everyone safe in this super venue. On the day I was assisted by stewards Michael and Karen both so ably and quietly efficient.

Now to the main ingredient of the day -the Cairns. In spite of the fact there has been little or no dog activity for 18 months all took the day in their stride and temperaments were superb. Coats generally acceptable, all double coated, though some in varying stages of preparedness. Heads mostly excellent and movement on the whole very good. Numerically the entry could have been better but quality abounded and there were many close decisions especially with the bitches.

JD (1)

1. CC, & BPD. Hogarty's Cadagio Super Trooper. Red What a start to the day. 11 months. Most attractive head and expression with defined stop, good breadth to skull, strong muzzle, neat ears, good eye and bite. Balanced reach of neck running into clean well laid shoulders with good return of upper arm. Good legs, well padded feet. Nice spring of ribs carried well back, strong loin with firm topline and good tailset. Well angulated quarters matching forehand. Excelled on the move showing good drive and extension keeping a well balanced outline. At this age still has some maturing to do. Lovely coat excellently presented.

PGD (1)

1. & RCC Alexander's Coharra Be More. Red. Most attractive head with dark points, lovely expression. Defined stop, good breadth of skull, strong muzzle, good for eye, ears and bite. Correct reach of neck running into clean shoulders. Stands well over forequarters. Good spring of rib carried well back, firm loin and well angulated quarters. Moved happily and soundly showing drive. Just a little rusty regarding ring presence, I expect this to improve.

LD (2)

1. Miller's Cornton Fyne Fettle. Dk brindle. Pleasing expression, good eye, ear and bite. Stop could be slightly more defined. Well balanced neck running into clean shoulders, though I would prefer a better lay. Stands well, well ribbed, strong topline, good tailset. Decent hind angulation and moved with purpose. In good coat and well presented.
2. Lamb & Saltmarsh's Birselow Come Dancing with Macmoon OSW, JW, SH Ch, Shcex. Dk brindle. Lovely head and expression with good eye and neat ears. Balanced neck running into clean shoulders though I would prefer a better lay. Firm topline, held on the move. Good coat, well presented. Just could be a little more purposeful on the move.

OD (3, 2abs)

1. Lamb & Saltmarsh's Birselow Dark Charmer for Macmoon Sh Ch. Dk Brindle. Pleasing expression, defined stop though would prefer more width to skull. Good eye, ear and bite. A shade upright in shoulder for me but does have return of upper arm and does stand correctly over forelegs. Well ribbed, firm topline, good tailset, short hocks. Moved well maintaining a good shape, has drive but would like more extension.

VD/B (5, 3abs)

1. & BV Lamb & Saltmarsh's Birselow Dark Charmer for Macmoon Sh Ch.
2. Lamb & Saltmarsh's Renshaw There And Back Again Under Macmoon Sh Cm, Ir Vet Ch. Birthday boy today at 11 years young. Dk Brindle. Excellent coat and presentation. Pleasing head and expression with good eye, ear and bite. A shade upright in shoulder, firm topline, well ribbed, good tailset and carriage. Moved with purpose

PB (1)

1. & BP Hogarty's Cadagio Your One of Us RAF. Dk Brindle. 11 months. Litter mate to the DCC. Beautiful head and expression, defined stop, neat ears, good eye excellent bite. Correct reach of neck leading into clean well laid shoulders, good return. Good legs and feet. Nice spring of ribs carried well back, strong loin, firm topline, good tailset. Kept a balanced outline on the move showing effortless drive and extension. In good coat well presented. At this stage she is the more finished article and took the BP award over her brother. What an exciting pair.

NB (1)

1. Keegan's Golden Shadow Of Loughend. Wheaten. Decent head with neat ears, good eye and bite. A shade upright in shoulder but has return and stands correctly. Good legs and feet, well ribbed, good topline and tailset. In good coat. Lovely temperament, moved with purpose.

PGB (2) Close contest.

1. Hogarty's Rottrivers Moet Chandon. Dk Brindle. Lovely head and expression, defined stop, good breadth of skull, strong muzzle, neat ears, good eyes strong muzzle excellent bite. Pleasing reach of neck running into clean well laid shoulders with good return. Well ribbed, firm topline, good tailset and carriage. Well angulated quarters, short hocks. Kept a balanced shape on the move. A shade close behind but has drive and extension. Coat and presentation excellent. Considered for the RBCC
2. Catto's Birselow Walk Right Back. Cream. Comments as for winner also apply here as she also has a lovely head and expression, good width of skull, neat ears, good eye and bite. Enough neck leading into clean well laid shoulders with good return. Well ribbed, firm topline, good tailset and carriage. Well angulated quarters. Kept a balanced outline on the move but just notaas assertive as winner. Good coat and presentation.

LB (1)

1. Miller's Cornton Fyne Hope. Dk brindle. Pleasing head and expression. Has width of skull, strong muzzle, neat ears, nice eye with good bite. Enough reach of neck running into clean shoulders with good return. Good legs and feet, strong topline, correct tailset, well angulated quarters. Dog and handler just a little out of practice as they need to work more together to show off this bitches good qualities.

OB (5, 2abs) Three real quality exhibits.

1. BCC & BIS Catto's Birselow Walk With Me. Cream with the most lovely head and expression. Defined stop, good width to skull, strong muzzle, neat ears used to best advantage, good eye and bite. Pleasing reach of neck leading into clean well laid shoulders, good return always standing correctly. Nice spring of rib carried well back, strong loin, firm topline with good tailset and carriage. Well angulated quarters with short hock. Moved with purpose keeping a balanced outline showing good drive and extension. As expected lovely coat and presentation.
2. RCC & RBIS Hogarty's Irish Ch Cadagio Let's Get The Party Started. Another close decision Dk Wheaten with a most attractive head and expression, defined stop, good width of skull, strong muzzle, neat ears, good eye and bite. Correct reach of neck running into clean well laid

- shoulders with good return. Well ribbed, firm topline, good tailset. Well angulated quarters. In good coat, well presented. Today I felt just not as assertive on the move as winner.
3. Kinton's Cloverbrook Unbreakable At Woodthorpe

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