

Basset Hound Club Open Show
16th September 2023
Judge Ms Fran Parkes

I was excited and nervous to be given the opportunity to judge my breed at the basset hound club open show in conjunction with the Darlington Champ show.

After leaving a very sunny Cambridgeshire it was a bit of a shock to the system to be out in the drizzly cold.

I would like to thank those that took the time and kindly supported me entering their dogs for an afternoon show after an already long day. It was a shame to see some of those I highly respect and look up to, that sat ringside and passed comments and did not enter giving me the opportunity to have hands on experience on their well known quality hounds.

Special thanks to Alan Hards for his exemplary stewarding and Di Melbourne for taking photos on the day.

In general I found eyes that have been a bone of contention for awhile were much better.

Although some eye colourings are a little lighter than I preferred in a few.

Nice to see Post sternums and front assembly were much stronger. Unfortunately back assembly either in bend of stifle of second thigh left some hounds unbalanced

Veteran Dog: 1 (0 Abs)

MELBOURNE & MURRAY DIHEATH WRECKLESS ERIC

7 ½ YR TRI. Stood alone today but still filled the space with his presence.

Quality veteran with a pleasing head and expression. Substantial type with good front assembly and tight feet. Level topline, well sprung ribs moved well on the out and back
BVIS & RBD

Minor Puppy Dog:4 (1 Abs)

CUDLIP TANNERON HIDEAWAY AT HARVIDENE BPD BPIS

7 MONTH BALANCED R&W. GOOD HEAD DARK EYE WITH CURLING EAR OF CORRECT LENGTH. GOOD LAYBACK OF SHOULDER AND SPRING OF RIB. GOOD BONE WITH TIGHT FEET

2nd SEDDONS DALPATRICKS TOP GUN AT SEDONIA

6 MONTH BLANKET TRI. LOVELY HEAD WITH STRONG PLAINS AND PROMINENT OCCIPUT AND CURLING LEATHERS OF CORRECT LENGTH. GOOD PROSTERNUM AND TOPLINE. I FEEL THESE TWO YOUNGSTERS COULD CHANGE PLACES MANY TIMES. ALTHOUGH TODAY I PREFERED FEET AND LENGTH OF 1ST

3rd ALLCHORNE NELGUS LUCKY CHARM

Puppy Dog: 1 (1Abs)

Junior Dog: 2 (0Abs)

STRUDWICK ARMARDIO RIDE LIKE THE WIND AMONG KUMAMATATA

SUBSTANTIAL 13 MONTH R&W. STRONG HEAD SHOULDERS WITH DEEP CHEST GOOD LENGTH BONE AND SPRING OF RIB. WOULD OF PREFERRED A LITTLE LESS HEAVY ON THE DAY AS DISTRACTED HIS GOOD SHAPED TOPLINE

2nd FEKETE & PEARCE NAGYHEGYI PAJKOS TAYLORS OF HARROGATE
CLASSIC 11 MONTH TRI. LOVELY HEAD WITH WELL ARCHED NECK. GOOD EAR
PLACEMENT WITH CURLING LEATHERS. GOOD LENGTH WITH NICE TOPLINE.
PREFERRED REAR ANGULATION OF 1ST

Special Yearling Dog 4 (2Abs)

STRUDWICK ARMARDIO RIDE LIKE THE WIND AMOUNG KUMATATA
SAME AS ABOVE JUNIOR DOG
2nd WOODWORTH ARMARDIO AGAINST THE WIND
13 MONTH R&W LITTER BROTHER TO 1ST. NICE HEAD WITH GOOD EAR
PLACEMENT. GOOD TOP UNDERLINE AND TAIL SET. WOULD OF PREFERED A MORE
LAY BACK OF SHOULDER

Post Graduate: 1 (1Abs)

Limit Dog: 1(1Abs)

ELLRICH MALRICH HENDRICKS JW
CONFIDENT BLANKET TRI STOOD ALONE TODAY. LOVELY HEAD PLAINS WITH GOOD
STOP AND OCCIPUT. WELL ARCHED NECK AND LAYBACK OF SHOULDER. WELL
RIBBED BACK. GOES WELL UP AND BACK. WOULD PREFER A LITTLE MORE BEND
OF STIFLE

Open Dog : 2 (1 Abs)

CUDLIP HARVIDENE DOPPLEGANGER BD BIS
MATURE DARK TRI STOOD ALONE TODAY. LOVELY HEAD WITH CORRECT DARK
EYE. GOOD DEPTH OF CHEST AND LAY BACK OF SHOULDER. WELL SPRUNG RIBS
STRONG OVER LOIN. AND BALANCED BEHIND. MOVED WELL IN ALL AREAS

Veteran Bitch: 0 (0Abs)

Minor Puppy Bitch : 2 (0Abs)

ALLCHORNE NELGUS LUCKY CHARM
VERY PRETTY 6 MONTH TRI. FEMININE WITH A BEAUTIFUL EXPRESSION. LOVELY
ARCH OF NECK INTO GOOD SHOULDER PLACEMENT. GOOD REAR BALANCE
VERY NERVOUS TODAY. SHOWS PROMISE
2nd COULTAS VERA VAN GRUNSVEN (IMP NLD)
7 MONTH TRI. LOVELY HEAD WITH GOOD EAR PLACEMENT CURLING LEATHERS
AND APPEALING EXPRESSION. WELL ANGULATED FRONT GOOD GROUND
CLEARANCE ALSO VERY SHY TODAY
PREFERRED REAR ANGULATION OF 1ST

Puppy Bitch: 4 (2 Abs)

MELBOURNE & MURRAY DIHEATH TREACLE TART

11 MONTH R&W. LOVELY DARK EYE. ARCHED NECK TO PLEASING SHOULDER PLACEMENT. STRONG TOP AND UNDERLINE. WELL BALANCED GOOD TAIL SET AND RIBS. WELL LET DOWN HOCKS WITH MUSCLED 1ST AND SECOND THIGH SUCH A SHAME SHE WAS SO NERVOUS TODAY. GOOD ON THE GO AROUND WOULD OF PREFERRED A LITTLE MORE STERNUM

2nd HATHWAY BROMWYLVA RASPBERRY RIPPLE

10 MONTH R&W WITH GOOD BONE AND SUBSTANCE. GOOD LAY BACK OF SHOULDER. GOOD SPRING OF RIB. CONFIDENT YOUNGSTER. JUST NEEDS A LITTLE MORE PRACTICE

Junior Bitch: 3 (1Abs)

COULTAS TENDER TIFFANY V GRUNSVEN (IMP NLD)

FEMININE HEAD GOOD FRONT AND BACK ASSEMBLY. STRONG TOPLINE COULD DO WITH A LITTLE MORE CONFIDENCE TODAY

2nd CUDLIP WHINNEYBROW HER MAJESTY AT HARVIDENE

FEMININE R&W PLEASING HEAD WITH TIGHT EYE AND GENTLE EXPRESSION..LOVELY FRONT ASSEMBLY

Special Yearling 1 (1Abs)

Post Graduate Bitch: 4 (1Abs)

JOHNSTONE BURNVALE QUEEN OF DIAMONDS JW

FEMININE R&W LEVEL TOP AND UNDERLINE GOOD ANGULATION IN FRONT AND BEHIND. WOULD PREFER A LITTLE MORE LENGTH BUT IS IN PROPORTION.NICE NEAT FEET

2nd MCLEAN SWITHERLAND GABRIELLA AT STOCKWOOD

R&W GOOD HEAD WITH CORRECT EAR SET.STRONG NECK LEADING INTO GOOD LAYBACK OF SHOULDER. GOOD SPRING OF RIB. PREFERRED MOVEMENT OF ONE ON GO AROUND

3rd MELBOURNE & MURRAY DIHEATH RTWO JUTWO

Limit Bitch: 3 (0Abs)

MCLEAN SWITHERLAND FINAL CHASE AT STOCKWOOD

SUBSTANTIAL PRETTY R&W. PROMINENT FORECHEST AND STRONG FRONT ASSEMBLY. NICE LENGTH AND TOPLINE WOULD PREFER A LITTLE MORE CLEARANCE.

2nd CUDLIP HARVIDENE SAPPHIRE

TRI WITH NICE HEAD AND EYE.GOOD LAYBACK OF SHOULDER. FIRM TOPLINE AND STRONG HINDQUARTERS AND BEND OF STIFLE

3rd MELBOURNE MURRAY & FITZPATRICK-ODHAMMIER DIHEATH ELVIS

Open Bitch: 5 (1Abs)

COULTAS CH PERFECT PEACH V GRUNSVEN (IMP NLD) BB RBIS
PRETTY R&W BITCH WITH A LOVELY EXPRESSION AND DARK EYE.GREAT FRONT
CONSTRUCTION AND BALANCE COMING FORWARD AND AWAY

2nd CUDLIP HARVIDENE MOONSTONE RBB

QUALITY TRI WITH BEAUTIFUL OUTLINE AND BALANCE.WITH LOVELY TIGHT FEET.
BELIEVE THESE 2 COULD CHANGE PLACES GIVEN ANOTHER DAY. FELT ONE WAS A
LITTLE MORE CONFIDENT ON THE DAY

3rd JOHNSTONE BURNVALE BLACK DIAMOND

Brace: 1 (0Abs)

Mr N A & Mrs C F COULTAS