

THE GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER CLUB OPEN SHOW

Judge: Christina Chapman

I would like to thank the GSP Club for this invitation, to my super stewards & of course, to all the exhibitors for the lovely entry.

I found many quality exhibits in both sexes. A handful I found to be a bit big & heavy but most were within the Standard.

In movement a few were a bit close behind but on the whole soundness was more evident.

Temperaments & presentation was excellent throughout as was the atmosphere created by the sporting ringside.

BIS was **Ladyhawke Sultan**; RBD, **Redmires Ticket To The Stars**; BB, **Sh Ch Valger Odette**; BP, **Orchidstar Wotsit**; & BV, **Wilholme Saucy Brown**.

Minor Puppy Dog (3). Three lovely puppies. **1 Thurm's Bryburn Bacchus**, 7 months old, angulation balanced for age, well muscled, good bone & feet. Head coming nicely, enough stop & well set ears. Chest OK for age & movement in line with above, is quite positive with drive & reach evident; **2 Woolley's Fayemm Get Ready For Duns**, 7 months, close up to 1, just not quite as firm behind as 1 but this will alter in time. Head also coming along, again good ears & enough stop, nice topline & chest for age. Movement appropriate for 7 months too; **3 Vickers' Bryburn Atticus**.

Puppy Dog (3). **1 Sielski's Orchidstar Wotsit**, 10½ months, nice outline, good topline, well muscled through, good bone & tight feet, chest OK for age, angulation not yet balanced but right for age. Movement uses his hocks for drive, nice front reach & good stride, will firm in time. **BP**; **2 Vickers' Bryburn Atticus**, 7 months, 3rd in MP but settled more here on the move which he does well, just crabs slightly but angulation is not yet balanced, but correct for age. Nice head, stop, but not overdone & good ears; **3 Rusk's Quindrew Baron Brimstone at Booton**.

Junior Dog (3). **1 Delaney's Redmires Ticket To The Stars**, 18 months, liked his size & overall shape. Superb muscle especially on the thighs. Angulation almost balanced so his movement is good too. He has easy stride & uses his hocks well so drive & reach are evident too. Very good proportions to head & enough stop & good ears. **RBD**; **2 Milligan's Redmires Storm The Stars**, close up to 1 for overall type, so similar remarks apply. Again a well proportioned head & good musculature throughout. Angulation nearly there & sound on the move, just today not quite as firm in front as 1; **3 Thomas' Brainscroft Tahiti**.

Yearling Dog (1). **1 Thomas' Brainscroft Tahiti**, 16 months & a bit of a teenager, as he is allowed to be. Nice head of good proportion, strong neck, good topline, nice body tone. Angulation not yet balanced so on the move tends to crab a little but time will sort this.

Novice Dog (2). **1 Milligan's Redmires Storm The Stars**; **2 Rusk's Quindrew Baron Brimstone at Booton**, larger cast than 1, good musculature, chest still needs a touch more fill & angulation is almost there. Tends to look a little leggy at this stage but age & time will put this right. Moves OK for a youngster.

Limit Dog (4,1). **1 Pearson's Ladyhawke Sultan**, 3 years, just about mature & so good looking, he does a lovely natural stance as he is so well balanced in angulation, muscled bone & front, very good topline & lovely powerful yet easy movement with reach & drive & he uses his hocks, good size too. **BIS**; **2 Mann's Valger Quorum**, 2 years, very similar to 1, just not so mature but absolutely fine for age, chest good, ribs well back, good musculature & well balanced, movement again has drive & reach, he should mature well; **3 Glen & Knowles' Wilholme I Gotta Feeling for Bessalone**.

Open Dog (3). **1 Gatcliffe's Allezweck Shamrock**, 4 years old, loved his make & shape, super muscle especially on the thighs & loin. Nice depth of chest, good bone & feet, well balanced angulation which on the move helped to give good drive & reach & in profile looked strong but with a touch of elegance, all this & a very good head, correct stop & super expression; **2 Thompson's Redmires High Society**, 5 years old of similar type to 1, again well muscled with tight feet & good bone. Good depth to chest & well ribbed. Head is well proportioned with correct stop, very sound on the move, just could not quite match 1 today; **3 Rusk's Maranns Lanson at Booton**.

Minor Puppy Bitch (3). **1 Lockett's Fayemm Remember Me**, well made baby, not yet growing into the next stage so quite well balanced still, very well muscled, good bone & feet & she has a lovely head which should mature well, moved very soundly for age, super prospect; **2 Milligan's Isara Kurzhaar All Spice**, another well made one but just a little 'on the leg', overall shape is pleasing for age, good bone & feet & well bodied, angulation is not yet balanced so on the move she is not quite straight but she is sound & right for age; **3 Nixon's Quintana Cloud Berry**.

Puppy Bitch (3). **1 Lockett's Fayemm Remember Me**; **2 Pearce's Fleetapple Winter Jasmin**, nice type, liked her size & shape, well muscled through with good bone & tight feet, nice chest & ribs, pretty head & correct stop. Balanced is fine for age as is her movement, promising; **3 Nixon's Quintana Cloud Berry**.

Junior Bitch (4). Good class. **1 Thompson's Redmires Bedazzled**, loved the overall make, shape & size of this one, nice depth of chest, angulation well balanced for age, super musculature, bone & feet, very feminine head with enough stop & good ears. On the move has drive & reach as she uses her hocks; **2 Trow's Winterwell Inca Trail**, little larger cast than 1, otherwise very similar in body, bone & feet, again well balanced for age so also sound on the move, just not quite so positive as 1; **3 Scoreby's Katelands Conchaglia**.

Yearling Bitch (2). **1 Sielski's Orchidstar Xtra O'Live**, 20 months, very typy for age, angulation well balanced, good depth of chest, strong loin & thigh muscle & good bone & feet, well proportioned feminine head with enough stop & well set ears, on the move she has drive from using her hocks, good reach & lovely stride; **2 Trow's Winterwell Inca Trail**.

Post Graduate Bitch (1). **1 Scoreby's Swinsty Dawn Runner**, well grown youngster, quite well balanced through. Very good muscle especially on the thighs, good bone & feet, well proportioned head with well set ears, on the move was quite positive all ways once settled.

Limit Bitch (6,1). **1 Schoneville's Balvenie Bella**, very stylish & good overall outline, very good muscle on thighs & strong loin & well balanced angulation, good depth of chest & well proportioned, feminine head & you have this bitch. She is also sound all ways on the move; **2 Thomas' Brainscroft Saffron**, close up in type to 1, again good depth of chest, well muscled & good bone & feet, angulation well balanced which means she's also very sound on the move. Just felt 1 was slightly firmer in front today; **3 Tierney's Keigame Hustle**.

Open Bitch (5). **1 Thomas' Sh Ch Valger Odette**, loved the size & shape of this one, very good balance of angulation & extremely well muscled yet not overdone. Good depth of chest, well ribbed, also has a very good head, nice width in skull & good expression. On the move has drive, reach & very good stride in profile. **BB**; **2 Glen & Knowles' Sh Ch Wilholme Sharp 'N' Smart at Bessalone**, larger cast than 1, but many of the same qualities, although 3 years old I still feel there is a little more to come, nice chest & ribs, good topline, well muscled throughout & balanced angulation again giving good movement all ways; **3 Pearson's Ladyhawke California Star**.

Veteran Bitch (5,3). **1 Glen & Shields' Wilholme Saucy Brown**, longer cast bitch but has breed type & well balanced angulation, good depth of chest. Strong topline & loin & very good firm muscle throughout. On the move was driving well, also has reach & good stride. **BV**; **2 Thompson's Redmires Talk Of The Catwalk**, another typy one with good shape, depth of chest, well ribbed & well balanced. Moves well all ways, just felt 1 has firmer backend today.

Field Trial Bitch (2). **1 Nixon's Quintana Hollie Berry**, as one would expect a very well muscled & balanced worker. Fit enough to work all day with very good balance & lovely economical yet powerful movement, all this & a good head too; **2 Nixon's Quintana Quixotic**, another well muscled individual with good balance, depth of chest & well ribbed. Strong loin & again sound on the move, but just could not match the front of 1 today.

THE FRED WHITWORTH MEMORIAL STAKES

Judge: Anne Burns

Thank you so much to the committee for inviting me to judge and to all the exhibitors who kindly entered and allowed me the opportunity to judge your dogs.

Class A - Junior Dog or Bitch. **1 Sielski's Orchidstar Wotsit**. An eye-catching youngster balanced clean outline and good conformation. Presented in excellent condition with good bone he has a pleasing head with a soft expression, correct coat texture and he is well angulated moving with reach and drive. **2 Thurm's Bryburn Bacchus**. **3 Trow's Winterwell Inca Trail**.

Class B - Post Graduate Dog or Bitch. **1 Pearson's Ladyhawke Sultan**. A striking male who is balanced throughout. He was presented in hard fit condition with correct head shape and a gentle expression. He has a strong muscular neck into correct shoulder placement. He has an excellent coat. His strong muscular hindquarters allowing him to move well round the ring. **2 Sielski's Orchidstar Xtra O'live**.

Class C - Open Dog or Bitch. **1 Pearson's Ladyhawk California Star JW**. This was a very strong quality class with not enough cards to go round. A pleasing eye-catching bitch balanced throughout with good bone and substance, she was presented in hard fit condition. She has a lovely feminine head and soft expression. A good textured coat. Correct angulation fore and aft. On the move she used her powerful hindquarters to drive purposefully around the ring retaining her level topline. **2 Cox's Cushatlaw Irresistable JW ShCM**. **3 Glen & Shield's Wilholme Saucy Brown JW CW15**.