

Open Show (Summer)
18 July 2021

Judge: Tony Allcock (Sleepyhollow)

Firstly, I wish Jen Bowden (Chellowside) a speedy recovery from her accident which precluded her from being able to judge. I was delighted to assist the club at the 'eleventh hour' by bringing my 2022 Open Show appointment forward as the replacement judge.

I was very conscious that this was Jen's entry and would like to thank all the exhibitors for their support in showing under me. Many thanks to Club Committee for granting me the opportunity to judge at this super event which also staged the Club Championship Show earlier the same morning.

Arriving just after the Championship Show had finished I had some time to relax after a fraught journey trying to get to the venue, circumnavigating the many closed roads around Rugeley caused by the 'Iron Man' cycling event. I was two miles from the show but it then took exactly 1 hour 13 minutes to get into the village and was somewhat relieved not to have arrived late!

Thanks to my extremely hard working stewards (especially in the heat) and to the Club for their lovely gifts.

Puppy Dog 1

1. McCluskey's Chadbrook Luthien. Smart puppy, well balanced, correct bite and of a lovely shape and size. Liked the balance of head and expression. Sound mover. BPD & BPIS

Junior 1

1. McCluskey's Chadbrook Havoc. A yearling excelling in head qualities and expression. Good dentition. Up to size. Moved accurately.

Post Graduate Dog 2, 1

1. Hruskova's Bourbon Beatific Beast (Imp CZE). 2 years. Good for coat, spanned OK. Correct feet and topline. A touch wide coming towards me at times but then began to settle.

Limit Dog 4,2.

1. Young's Chadbrook Sunfire. Good for size. Attractive well balanced head. Neat front and super rear angulations. Movement was true, accurate and purposeful. Close call over -
2. Christensen's Cudweed's Master of the Hounds (Imp DNK) JW. Lovely overall shape size and balance. Super head qualities. Moved OK but I felt it was clearly affected by the heat of the really hot midday sun.

Open Dog 7, 1

1. Bigland's Ch Heythrop Trickshot For Alncroft. Beautifully balanced and shown in superb condition and he gave his all. Lovely head qualities, shoulder and rear angulations. Moved true and accurate. BD, BOS & RBIS
2. Newport's Ch Digaden Pitch Perfect. Nicely put together. Super head and eyes. Well laid shoulder and excellent topline. Correct feet. Sound honest mover and unaffected by the heat. RBD.
3. Hooley's Hoolmark Johnny Guitar. Well balanced. Not quite the movement of 1 and 2.

Veteran Bitch 6, 4

Two lovely ones

1. Bigland's Heythrop Tiffin. Nicely constructed bitch of lovely size and shape which really appealed. Neat front and feet. Excellent condition. BVIS
2. Hooley's Ch Hoolmark Boppin Robyn JW. Another lovely one, also presented in super condition. Moved really well.

Puppy Bitch 5, 2

1. Chalkley's Forgefox Fancy Free. 10 months. Most attractive head. Lovely shape and size. Super coat. Excellent span. Moved with accuracy and precision. BPB & RBPIS
2. Young's Chadbrook Affirmation. 9 months old. Attractive head with lovely eyes, ears and dentition. Slightly longer than 1. Good angulations. Impressive mover.
3. McCluskey's Chadbrook Islay. Another lovely puppy and really enjoyed the whole thing!

Junior Bitch 1

1. Bigland's Heythrop Topsyturvey. 1 year old. Impressive overall size and shape. Good to span. Nicely angulated. Moved free and accurate. Shown well. One to watch.

Beginners Bitch 1

1. Chaffe's Mollilli Simply Zelda. Nicely balanced overall. OK for head. Was a little unsettled on the move but appeared to gain confidence as she progressed in the class.

Post Graduate Bitch 10, 3

1. Roberts & Murray's Mindlen Mic Mac at Heythrop. Won an excellent class which was packed with quality. This promising youngster produces a stunning profile, spans so well and is well constructed. Beautiful head, neck and shoulders. Moved so well. A champion in the making. RBB
2. Bigland's Heythrop Tangletop. Another one which impressed. Lovely shape and size. Super coat and condition. Moved really well.
3. Newport's Digaden Spill The Beans. Completed an excellent trio of bitches. Good for shape and outline. Attractive feminine head. Moved well.

Limit Bitch 7,1

1. McCluskey's Chadbrook Elka. Impressive on the stand and equally so when examined. Great shape and backline, spans well. Extremely accurate mover which just gave her the edge over 2.
2. Newport's Digaden Miss Marigold. This 22 month old is good for shape and size. Loved her balanced head and expression. Moved well. In excellent condition.
3. Chalkley's Forgefox Fanfare. Nicely balanced moved well when settled.

Open Bitch 7

1. Dayman & Coles's Ch Pacolito Phinal Edition. Really impressive showgirl and really knows how to show off her virtues! Balanced head with excellent dentition. Super expression. Lovely reach of neck, neat straight front, correct angulated shoulders and backline. Moved accurately without exaggeration. BB & BIS
2. Newport's Digaden Tiptop JW. Good for head qualities and dentition. Proves a balanced outline. Moved well. Not yet back in full coat.
3. Roberts & Murray's Mindlen Moccasin. Beautiful head. Spanned well. Slightly longer cast than 1 & 2. Sound true mover.

Brace Class

1. Digaden Just So JW. Just so typey in head. Lovely balance and shape
2. Forgefox Fancy Free. Well balanced and matched. Not so settled as 1 when moving.

Tony Allcock OBE