

THE PARSON RUSSELL TERRIER CLUB

Breed Open Show May 30th 2021

Firstly Thank you to the Officers and Committee of The Parson Russell Terrier Club for endeavouring to make this show happen amongst the constrictions of the pandemic. For many of us this was the first time out enjoying a dog show since Crufts 2020 and I am sure it proved to be an absolute tonic for many as it certainly was for me, enjoying the company of great dogs with their lovely owners and in glorious sunshine. It was a tremendous honour to be invited to undertake this particular appointment, in a breed that has become very dear to my heart in recent years. Dogs and exhibitors all coped brilliantly with the protocols imposed by Covid restrictions.

Given the restrictions many have endured in lockdown all of the dogs were an absolute credit to their owners in disposition, presentation and muscle conditioning. Coat and skin were generally excellent as were temperaments. I found lots of lovely heads with excellent dentition, expressive eyes and dogs that were very sound and balanced in their conformation.

As a small observation, in a couple of instances there were some dogs who impressed in their type, particularly quality heads with excellent ears and the correct ratio in length relative to height but then lost points in front construction with very short, steep upper arms which threw out the balance of their overall conformation and impinged on movement. This rendered some to be wide in front and not with the required moderate width between the forelegs. There were no issues with spanning though some were a little too cobby through the body suggesting a little too much spring in rib. There were a couple of dogs with very flat, splayed feet deficient in padding which could seriously compromise the capability of any dog let alone a terrier. A small minority had loose or oversized ears.

Ultimately, to have 50 dogs present with such an overall depth of quality was a gift but one which made for some very tough decisions to make between the top placings in some classes however I was very pleased with my final line-ups. In particular I felt my bitch line-up had outstanding strength across the piece with plenty of type and quality to choose from; it was a joy to see them all lined up together. Thank you all for a thoroughly enjoyable day.

Veteran Dog (1 Entries, 0 Absent)

1st Highfield's BRADPOLE BEAU OF GUESTWICK

Hard to believe this gentleman will be 14 in a few months. Decent head with the correct ratio in skull to muzzle and correctly shaped, well placed ears of proportionate size. Presents a balanced picture length relative to height and correct

depth of chest with good length of leg relative to body. Super tight coat with good thick skin. Well made though the fore and hindquarters with ribbing well back and strength in loin. Moved true behind. Hocks set low. A little portly in build but easily forgiven in his most senior years. What an absolute credit to his owner; in super condition all through.

Minor Puppy Dog (1,0 Entries)

1st McCluskey's CHADBROOK LUTHIEN

Tan & White. Presents a balanced, clean outline. Well proportioned head with the correct shaping through the skull and shallow stop. Strong neck with a good layback of shoulder into good topline with rise over the loin into a well set tail with excellent carriage. Chest just to the elbow with strong parallel forelegs. Good width to the first and second thigh with enough angulation in rear and low set hocks. Thick skin with a harsh jacket. Altogether a tidy, very promising pup who pushed hard for the BPD challenge.

Puppy Dog (2,0)

1st Bowden's MINDLEN MAHICAN IN CHELLOWSIDE

What a very smart tricolour youngster. Loved the head and expression on this boy. Wedge shaped head of correct proportions with the required flat and moderately broad skull. Dark eyes, well-shaped giving that keen expression. He's cleanly built all through with no exaggeration. Well made through the neck and shoulder with nice, tight elbows. Well angulated in front with good length to his upper arm. Appropriate depth of chest, easily spanned. Firm topline with gentle shaping through the loin. Tail correctly set with excellent carriage. Very well muscled all through. Dense, close-fitting coat of excellent texture. Best Puppy Dog & Best Puppy in Show.

2nd Smith's CHADBROOK HAVOC

Tan & White. Soundly made with pleasing movement when he eventually settled. Well pigmented eye with true expression. Has more fill in cheek than the winner with a little more stop though otherwise correctly proportioned skull to muzzle length with decent ears. Well made through the neck and shoulder. Firm topline with an excellent tailset. Good feet. Well made through the hindquarters with hocks well let down.

Junior Dog (1,0)

1st Brown's AFINLEA PALE TUSSOCK

Striking White who presents a clean outline. Good balance in head comparing skull to muzzle with decent wedge shape. Keen, expressive dark eye with good pigmentation. Spans easily. Ribbed well back. Strong through the loin. Decent skin and coat. Firm topline with good set on of tail. A little steep through the upper arm and could have more angulation in the rear. Needs to come together better on the move but still very much a baby.

Yearling Dog (0 Entries)

Novice Dog (1,0)

1st Sorrell's TEGTARAN TIFF TOFF

Tight coated dog with good skin and jacket. Head of decent proportions with good strength through the neck. Clean across the shoulder into a firm topline. In profile looks balanced height to length. Firm pasterns in front. A little untidy in rear movement at times though he has good angulation behind with plenty strength through the first and second thigh. Spans easily.

Beginners Dog (1,0)

1st Smith's CHADBROOK HAVOC

Repeat.

Post Graduate Dog (7,1)

1st Knight's JUST TOP RUSSELL TO PACOLITO (IMP BLR)

Tan & White. Towards the top end for size but very well proportioned within his frame and stands true front and back which makes him very striking. Head of decent proportions with shallow stop. Lovely expression. Strong neck of good length sits well into a good layback of shoulder. Ample length and angulation of upper arm. Firm topline. Well ribbed back and strong through the loin. Ample angulation in rear and firm through his well let down hocks. Presents a clean balanced outline. Best mover in the class.

2nd Hall's FRITHGARTH MASTER OF THE WORLD

Smart Tricolour. Another top end for size. Scores in head and ear. Lovely expression to his correctly shaped eye. Clearly wedge shaped head with correct proportions in length of slightly shorter muzzle to skull. Strong neck. Well made in front with plenty

angulation through the upper arm and shoulder. Not quite as balanced comparing leg to body ratio as the winner. Decent length of ribs and short coupled. Muscular hindquarters with plenty strength through the first and second thighs. Close fitting dense jacket.

3rd McCluskey's CHADBROOK CHESS

Limit Dog (2,0)

1st Newport's CUDWEED'S MASTER OF THE HOUNDS (IMP DNK) JW.

Very striking, tidy Tricolour and what an absolute showman. Decent head with correctly shaped and sized eye of good colour. Keen expression. Super proportions length to height and good size overall. Very well muscled all through with particularly well made hindquarters. Excellent topline and tailset. Would like a little more return through the upper arm but otherwise he is very sound in his build. Excellent coat and skin. Reserve Best Dog.

2nd Hall's FRITHGARTH STONE MEADOW

White. Very different in type to one. Dark eye with keen expression. Loose ears which he tends to fly. Stands true in front with good feet. Ample ribbing for his size. Well muscled in rear but narrower through the second thigh with less angulation in rear. Tidy enough mover.

Open Dog (5,0)

1st Bigland's HEYTHROP TAGGERT.

Workmanlike Tan & White Smooth in great hard condition. Correct balance in head, wedge shaped with shallow stop. Excellent ears of proportionate size. Lovely dark eye of correct size and shape. Nicely proportioned all through and stands true front and rear. Firm topline and tail well set on. Strong hindquarters which lent to his excellent movement. Well coated all over with his dense jacket of excellent texture. Best Dog

2nd Hooley's HOOLMARK JOHNNY GUITAR

Tan & White. Well balanced all through with lots of appeal. Super head, correctly proportioned with lovely expression. Cleanly made though his strong neck and shoulders into firm, strong topline with excellent tailset. Nice, tight elbows. Well ribbed back and strong through the loin. Plenty strength in hindquarters with good muscling through the first and second thigh. Another with excellent skin and coat.

3rd Bigland's CH HEYTHROP TRICKSHOT FOR ALNCROFT

Veteran Bitch (4, 0)

1st Bigland's HEYTHROP TIFFIN

Very soundly made Tricolour. Correctly shaped head with keen dark eye and true expression. Well muscled all through. Strong neck. Excels in front and rear. Good topline and tailset. Excellent harsh, dense coat. Best Veteran in Show

2nd Shelton's BOULTMOOR TRUE DELIGHT

Tan & White who appeals for excellent type. Lovely head with well proportioned skull to muzzle. Excellent well set ear of correct shape and size. Clean through the neck and shoulder. Excellent topline and tailset.

3rd Brown's AFINLEA SPECKLED WOOD

Minor Puppy Bitch (2,1)

1st McCluskey's CHADBROOK ISLAY

White & Tan. Nicely made girl coming up 8 months. Flat skull, tidy ears and lovely expression to her dark eye. Super front and rear assembly with good angulation in both. Firm pasterns in front with tight elbows. When she settled showed off how very well balanced she is at this stage. Excellent dense coat of good texture.

Puppy Bitch (3,0)

1st Young's CHADBROOK AFFIRMATION.

Tan & White with lots to like. Wedge shaped head, a little fuller in cheek at the moment but has correct shaping through the skull and a lovely eye. Good return in upper arm and clean through the layback of shoulder. Strong neck into firm topline with excellent tailset. Well put together in hindquarters. Super dense coat. Excellent feet. Harsh coat all through. Best Puppy Bitch and Reserve Best Puppy in Show.

2nd Chalkley's FORGEFOX FANCY FREE

Really liked this tricolour for her super breed type. Not quite as settled in her frame as the winner but I'm sure that will come with time and ring experience as all the essentials are there. Excels in head, eye and ear. Particularly lovely eye and expression. Well ribbed back and strong through the couplings. Excellent skin and coat.

3rd Kirkby's MINDLEN MIAMI

Junior Bitch (4,2)

1st Bigland's HEYTHROP TOPSYTURVEY

Headed up two lovely youngsters in this class. Lovely head and eye with well placed ears of good size and shape. Strong neck of good length. Well proportioned all through with sound build. Firm topline and tailset. Hindquarters well developed with good muscling to the thighs. Very steady in movement.

2nd Steele's DIGADEN FANCY YOUR CHANCES FOR WOODHEALE

Tricolour of good proportions height to length. Head of correct shape and proportions with expressive eye. Firm topline and excellent tailset. Plenty length through the ribbing. Another with well developed muscling to the hindquarters. Hocks well let down. Excellent skin and coat.

Yearling Bitch (3,0)

1st Newport's DIGADEN SPILL THE BEANS.

Tan & White. Very well balanced. Excellent for size and proportions all through. Cleanly made through neck and shoulder. Well made in front. Good ribbing with shot couplings and strength over the loin. Strong pasterns front and back. Firm topline and tailset. Excellent tailset and carriage.

2nd Kannagara's PRINGER'S SHE'S QUEEN

Wedge shaped head with well set ear of proportionate size. Dark expressive eye. More upright in front than the winner with less angulation to the hindquarters. Good length to neck. Shorter in ribs with more length to the loin. Stands on well cushioned feet with low set hocks. Well muscled.

3rd MOLLILLI SIMPLY ZELDA

Novice Bitch (3,1)

1st Bigland's HEYTHROP TANGLETOP.

For me this tricolour girl captures plenty of the breed standard, fulfilling many of the desired characteristics without exaggeration, and with good balance all through. Correctly proportioned head of typical shape with a moderately broad, flat skull and enough strength whilst being ultra feminine. Cleanly built through the neck and shoulder with excellent topline and tailset. It's all there to see on the move - she gaits absolutely true both in profile and on the back and to and oh so feminine with

the. Excellent coat and skin. Beautifully presented. A very exciting youngster. Pleased to award her Best Bitch & Best in Show.

2nd Chaffe's MOLLILLI SIMPLY ZELDA

White & Tan. Good shape in head with pretty expression. Her ears were flying for most of the time which detracted from the balance of her head. Strong neck. Well made in rib. Not so tidy in front ; shorter in upper arm and wider in front than the winner. Excellent skin and jacket. Decent proportions length to height.

Beginners Bitch (0 Entries)

Post Graduate Bitch (5, 1)

1st Hobson's PARTRIDGDALE BLUEBELL

White & Tan. So much quality in this girl. Super head with keen, expressive eye. Strong neck. Nice straight front of appropriate width. Well laid shoulders. Could have a little more length in upper arm. Excellent topline and tailset. Ribbed well back. Hindquarters well developed. Excellent feet. Hocks low set. Excellent skin and coat.

2nd Newport's DIGADEN RUNNER BEAN

Tan & White. Balanced head with shallow stop. Dark, expressive eye. Strong neck with shoulders well laid back. Plenty length in rib with firm topline. A little cobbler in build through the trunk but still spans well. Preferred rear movement of winner. Well presented with excellent skin and coat.

3rd Kannagara's PRINGER'S SHE'S QUEEN

Limit Bitch (8,0)

Outstanding class and I'm sure the top two will swap and change places over time.

1st Chalkley's FORGEFOX FANFARE

Very pretty tricolour. Super head of correct wedge shape, minimal stop, moderately broad flat skull and well placed ears. Excellent balance to skull and muzzle. Beautiful expression to the eye which is dark and of correct size and shape. Well put together through neck and shoulder. Excellent coat of coarse texture with good skin. Well muscled. Excellent ribs and loin. Appropriate angulation in rear with well developed muscles. Excellent topline and tailset. Moved out very well.

2nd Bowden's MOVIE STAR AT CHELLOWSIDE

Beautifully feminine. Another with a super head, eye and ears. Excellent length of neck. Stands true in front on good feet. Well made in neck and shoulder. Plenty

length through the ribs. Short coupled. Good balance between body depth and length of leg. Well presented in excellent coat and muscle condition. Steady, sound movement.

3rd Newport's DIGADEN MISS MARIGOLD

Open Bitch (6,1)

1st Newport's DIGADEN TIP TOP JW

Nicely built Tan & White. Correctly shaped head of balanced proportions. Lovely eye and expression. Strongly made in neck. Well made through rib and couplings. Ample length of leg relative to depth in body. Good width and muscling through first and second thigh with well turned stifles. Excellent feet. Dense coat of good texture. Low set, sturdy hocks. Sound mover. Reserve Best Bitch.

2nd Highfield's BRADPOLE BEAUTY

Feminine white & tan of pleasing type. Head of good shape and balance, expressive dark eye and well sized ears. Strong neck of good length. Well made shoulders. Excellent topline and tailset. Excellent skin and coat. Just preferred rear movement of one.

3rd Newport's DIGADEN MADE TO MEASURE

Nicola Spencer

Judge