

The Gordon Setter Association Championship Show

15th April 2023

Judge: Mrs C Griffiths

I'll begin my critique with a few points I feel necessary to mention. Coats, I was delighted to see are improving, it was very pleasing to see so many bitches with the shiny coal black flat coats stated in the Breed Standard. Tan has also improved on face & legs, but sadly still way too much on the feet. Prevailing faults are the perennial ones, light eyes, straight shoulders, poor fronts, and lack of drive. Many exhibits had slack/splayed feet; this can be helped by plenty of hard road exercise.

Thank you all for the lovely entry. I was delighted to see so many quality bitches under me. My CC and reserve CC winners, two very promising stylish young ladies.

Special Vintage Bitch (2)

1) Graylacier Princess Sophia at Pollyspark

A 12 year-old of lovely type. Pleasing outline, good head, neck & shoulders, with a nice short body and good quarters. She moved very well for her age. Well deserved her place in this class

2) Sh Ch Hernwood Calypso Goddess JW ShCM

Another lovely 12 year old, just a shade too long in the body for me. She moved well.

Veteran Bitch (7)

1) Flores-Lilla Ojcowskiej Doliny Kewstoke (Imp Pol)

This bitch appealed to me very much. Lovely head and neck flowing into well placed shoulders. Nice length of body, level topline which she held on the move. Good hindquarters and was the best mover in this class.

2) Paradise Final Fantasy

Another quality bitch, lovely head, neck and shoulders. Pleasing topline and spring of ribs. Well put together. Sadly, her movement let her down on the day.

3) Sh Ch Hernwood Luna Eclipse JW

4) Lachmhor Sincerely Yours at Barrabrae (Imp HRV)

5) Ecameadow Saffron with Wallbank

Minor Puppy Bitch (2)

1) Kattandale Blac Hawke's Bay at Birniehill (AI)

I loved this little one, she shows a lot of promise. Compact and attractive. Lovely head and expression, good tan. Well placed shoulders, level topline, stifles good. Moved well for one who is still very much a baby. Delighted she went on to Best Minor Puppy

2) Hernwood Love Potion

This one just a tad too big for her age for my liking. Good head and expression, shoulders well placed. Movement not as good as 1st.

Puppy Bitch (7)

1) Lainnireach Made In Heaven

one who caught my eye as soon as she entered ring. Lovely head, tan, dark eye with a pleasing expression, beautifully constructed with a good bend of stifle. Moved exceptionally well. Should have a promising future. BPB

2) Amscot Air Of Success

Another excellent puppy, attractive head, good neck & shoulders. She appealed to me in overall balance, but her front movement let her down.

3) Kattandale Blac Hawke's Bay at Birniehill (AI)

4) Locksheath April In Paris

5) Dwensantinis Dora

Junior Bitch (6)

1) Moonglade Magic pearl at Heatherway

Attractive head with good tan, neck & shoulders. Nice front and pleasing length of body and good hindquarters. Sound and moved well.

2) Moonglade Lily Mae Magic

Another with a lovely head, good tan and close knit feet. Neck, shoulders & body very pleasing, good rear end. She was beaten by her sister on movement. Two very promising young ladies.

3) Kilnrae Black Sapphire

4) Caradilis Sparks Will Fly

5) Dwensantinis Dora

Yearling Bitch (4)

1) Clohass Diamond by Melview

Lovely head and eye. Shoulders, topline, spring of ribs and bend of stifle were OK, She did take a while to settle down when moving and when she did she moved well. 2

2) Cafotaliena Hello My Love

Another nice bitch liked her head, neck and shoulders. Good spring of rib, stifle OK, nice strong hocks. Just missed out to winner on movement.

3) Langstrumpf Hochsummer

4) Samsett First Lady

Maiden Bitch (4)

1) Clohass Diamond by Melview

2) Cafotaliena Hello My Love

3) Lignum Lady Of The Lake

4) Hernwood Love Potion

Novice Bitch ((3))

- 1) Clohass Diamond by Melview**
- 2) Hernwood Love Potion**
- 3) Langstrumpf Hochsummer**

Undergraduate Bitch (1)

- 1) Locksheath Fallen Acorn**

Attractive, good forehead. Well off for bone, nice hindquarters. Moved soundly.

Graduate Bitch (4)

- 1) Roydack The Duchess** **CC** **BOSIS**

Caught my eye as soon as she entered the ring, outstanding, well put together, full of class, true setter style. So feminine, so sound, ideal size. Beautifully constructed from head to tail with correct shiny coat. Lovely head expression, good front, brisket, excellent hind quarters strong, short hocks, level topline which ended with straight tail which never stopped wagging when she moved which she did with drive and style. CC, her first.

- 2) Burroughstof Lilly Loch**

Another very pleasing bitch, beautiful head and expression, good front, brisket and hindquarters. Lovely coal black, shiny coat. Level topline, well turned stifles. Her movement just let her down, but still a very worthy second.

- 3) Hernwood Lunar's Gin**

- 4) Woodland Hoppers Evening Star Over Barrabrae (Imp HRV)**

Post Graduate Bitch (7)

- 1) Beechlake Hey Jude** **RCC**

Another top quality stylish bitch full of Gordon character. Lovely head, dark eye and expression. So well balanced, good front, short coupled with well sprung ribs, stifles well bent, level topline which she held when moving with good tail action. When moved at a pace that suited her, she moved very well with drive. She pushed CC winner very hard, a very worthy Res CC winner

- 2) Yennadon Highland Heidi**

She came a close second to winner. Excels in type, well balanced, compact with lovely head and expression. Shoulders well laid back, good brisket and well bent stifles, straight hocks. She lost out on her movement. Two promising bitches.

- 3) Laurelhach Renaissance JW**

- 4) Glynderys Moonstone**

- 5) Ordett Love Me Do at Keaswood JW**

Mid Limit Bitch (7)

1) Benbuie True Colours at Malocomi

Nice shape, good reach of neck, good ribs and topline. Pleasing brisket and stifle, moved well with drive.

2) Waseley Springtyme

Very close to winner but lost out on movement. Head, neck and shoulders good, pleasing outline, sound quarters, well off for bone. Plenty of coat and in good condition.

3) Bryerdale Qangeroo (AI)

4) Flaxheath All That Jazz

5) Glynderys Moonstone

Limit Bitch (5)

1) Roydack Portrait Of A Lady

Love her head, neck & shoulders. Just a tad too long in body for my liking but her overall quality covered that. Brisket good, well made body, level topline, good quarters and bend of stifle, nice short, strong hocks. Her movement was best by far in this class, moved with drive and style. Same dam as CC winner.

2) Lainnireach Angels Share

Another lovely headed bitch, good reach of neck falling into well placed shoulders. Well balanced body and good hindquarters.

3) Kyuna Dream Of Magic at Moonglade

4) Laurelhach Ovation

5) Bryerdale Qookaburra (AI)

Open Bitch (5)

This was a difficult class to judge as they were all of good quality

1) Sh Ch Cairacailie Night Of Love with Ordett JW

A quality bitch, well constructed. Lovely head, neck, shoulders and brisket. Nicely coupled very good quarters. She moved well with style.

2) Locksheath True Baloo

a well balanced stylish bitch, neck flowing nicely to well placed shoulders, Well made body, good quarters and bend of stifle. Her movement not as good as 1st.

3) Paradise Final Fling

4) Ch Amscot Siena Spice JW

5) Hernwood Athena at Herrera

Field Trial Bitch (2)

1) Chartan Maple Mayhem

A lovely sound bitch, pretty head with lovely tan. Good forehand, strong body and excellent hindquarters. Movement good, strong and free. Nice tight feet. Coat good.

2) Chartan Treacle Tart JW

She lost out on shoulders to 1st, nevertheless she has a lot to like about her. Moved well with drive.

Bitch CC: Roydack The Duchess

Reserve Bitch CC: Beechlake Hey Jude

Best Puppy Bitch: Lannireach Made In Heaven