

THE BARBADOS KENNEL CLUB

All Breeds Championship Show – 7th October 2007

Judge Dr. Ronald James

It was a great pleasure to visit Barbados and judge the all breeds championship show organised by The Barbados Kennel Club at the club's spacious and well maintained venue at Waterford. The entry contained some excellent dogs that I was more than happy to award top honours. Competition in some breeds could have been stronger and challenge certificates were withheld when I felt that there were no exhibits present that were of sufficient merit to be worthy of the title champion. The show administration was first class and everything seemed to run very smoothly. With just a single, but notable, exception the competitors proved to be a very sporting and amicable crowd.

TERRIER GROUP

Bull Terrier (Bitches)

Junior

1st Mr. M. Cottrell's BULLYWOOD BOSSY BOOTS

CC, BOB and Reserve Best Terrier. Strongly built with well muscled appearance, well shaped and filled head with keen eye and expression, good depth and breadth of fore chest, short back and level top line, pleasing forehand and rear construction and uses her hindquarters well on the move. Tail set and carriage not correct.

Novice

1st Mr. M. Cottrell's KENMILQUIN PEBBLE MOON

Reserve CC, cast in a slightly larger frame than winner, long head of good depth but not quite the fill of the CC winner, narrow and obliquely placed narrow eye, good width of fore chest but a little upright in shoulder would like her to show more rear drive on the move, well set and carried short tail.

Fox Terrier (Smooth) (Dogs)

Open

1st Mr. G. & Mrs. S. Spencer's TAMEDALE NISTELROOY AT BARINDI

CC, BOB and Best Terrier. Very active and lively with the appearance of a well made short-backed hunter, well boned limbs, flat and narrow skull, moderately chiselled foreface, small eye with bright and intelligent expression, high set and gaily carried tail, parallel movement.

TOY GROUP

Papillon (Dogs)

Puppy

1st Miss E. Blanchard's HOTHERSALL'S ARES

Reserve CC, Reserve BOB, Reserve Best Toy and Best Locally Bred Toy. Very dainty appearance with slightly rounded skull and a finely pointed muzzle nicely set and carried ears of good size, well angulated quarters, free and brisk movement with correct tail carriage.

2nd Miss E. Blanchard's HOTHERSALL'S APOLLO

Litter brother to winner, not quite as dainty but with a nicely shaped head, good ears, nice eye and expression, not fully co-operating with his handler and so not making the most of himself.

Open

1st Miss E. Blanchard's KINGSHAVEN WONDER MAN AT HOTHERSALL

CC, BOB, Best Toy and Reserve BIS. A lovely size and shape and presenting a picture of balance and quality. Good balance of skull to muzzle with correctly sized ears, lovely eye and charming expression, neck of medium length, level backline with nicely set and well plumed tail. Moved with a stylish ground covering action with excellent rear propulsion but with just a slight hint of a high stepping front action.

Papillon (Bitches)

Puppy

1st Miss E. Blanchard's HOTHERSALL'S ATHENA

CC, very feminine and dainty in appearance with an appealing head, eye and expression, level top line, nice tail set and plume, strong and well angulated quarters with good drive on the move, slightly short in upper arm which gives her a high stepping front action.

GUNDOG GROUP

Spaniel(American Cocker) Dogs

Open

1st Mrs. D. Davies' SH.CH. AFTERGLOW ANDANTE

BOB, 9 year old male, pleasing head properties with rounded skull, clearly defined stop and eyebrows, deep and square broad muzzle, with good chiselling under eyes. Lacking in depth of fore chest, short in upper arm and out at elbow. Rather sluggish on the move and not using his tail correctly.

Retriever (Golden) (Dogs)

Novice

1st Mrs. L. Husbands' THATCHERS STORMY KNIGHT

Reserve CC, nicely headed pale cream with a level top line and a well set and carried tail. Balanced forward and rear angles but lacks the necessary angulation to move with the power and drive I like to see in this breed. At the top of the height range for a male and somewhat lacking in depth and width of body.

Open

1st Mrs. J. Ray's SH.CH. BURPHAM WINTER STORM OF THATCHER C.D.

CC, rich mid gold of very pure colour, sire of the previous class winner and a more mature version of his son with almost identical faults and virtues, does as his handler asks of him and puts all into his movement but his forehand and rear construction limits his length of stride so he has to make a lot of effort to cover a small expanse of ground.

Retriever (Golden) (Bitches)

Open

1st Mrs. L. Husbands' SH.CH. THATCHERS GOLDEN SKY C.D.

CC, BOB and Reserve Best Gundog. Very typical for size, outline and proportions, pretty feminine head with pleasing eye and expression, well laid shoulders with good length of upper arm, level top line with strong couplings, well set and carried tail, sturdy and shapely rear quarters with ample muscle tone and mass, very fluid and economical ground covering movement.

2nd Mrs. J. Ray's SH.CH. THATCHERS HIGHLAND MOON C.D.

Reserve CC and Reserve BOB. A half sister of the winner and is of similar quality, type and appearance. Has a pretty feminine head with good balance of length of fore face to back skull and a kindly brown eye. Not quite the same fluidity in movement of the winner.

Retriever (Labrador) (Dogs)

Open

1st Mrs. S. Leacock's SH.CH. BENATONE SECRET MISSION OF THEBERTON

CC, BOB and Best Gundog. This mature yellow is a very nice strongly built and short coupled example of the breed. Broad skull with a defined stop and clean cut cheeks, powerful jaw and well developed nostrils, intelligent eye, well set ears of medium size, long and sloping shoulder with well boned and straight forelimbs. Good depth and width of chest with well sprung rib, level top line with strong and wide but short coupling, ground covering free and true action. Would have preferred a slightly more "otter" shaped tail to complete the picture.

Retriever (Flat Coated) (Dogs)

Open

1st Mrs. B. Greenidge's SH.CH. BRAEMIST NIGHTJAR IN PARADISE C.D.
BOB, long nicely moulded head with a moderately broad and flat skull, strong jaw, long and symmetrically set neck, flat fore ribs with gradual spring to rear, short and square loin, would have preferred a little more breadth of fore chest. Poorly developed rear quarters giving an impression of being cow hocked and no visible drive or power on the move.

HOUND GROUP

Beagle (Dogs)

Open

1st Mr. T. & Mrs. C. Bentley's CH. DIALYNNE MESSENGER
CC, BOB and Best Hound. Even at six years of age this dog's outstanding breed type and construction simply could not be overlooked in today's company. Good length of skull and with no hint of coarseness. Eyes set well apart with mild and appealing expression. Really well laid shoulders, straight forelegs, well set down and filled fore chest, well sprung ribs which extend well back, muscular thighs with well set down and parallel hocks. Outstanding movement with an even and long reaching stride and impressive hind drive.

2nd Miss Emily Blanchard's DIALYNNE STORM REFLECTION AT HOTHERSALL

Reserve CC. Smart stallion hound in hard condition and very well handled. Top line is level and straight and he has a well sprung rib cage and short couplings. Muzzle appears slightly short in proportion to the length of his back skull and he has a rather prominent eye which spoils his expression. Short in upper arm and slightly bowed in front which results in him having a short forward reach and a rather uneconomical gait.

Beagle (Bitches)

Open

1st Miss J. Gilkes' CH. DIALYNNE ASTRID
CC and Reserve BOB. Carrying too much weight but she is of excellent breed type and has an excellent carriage on the move with a long stride and economical ground covering action. She has the most pretty and feminine of heads with good balance of back skull to muzzle and a delightful eye and expression. Well laid shoulders with pleasing length of upper arm and with the required depth and breadth of fore chest.

Rhodesian Ridgeback (Dogs)

Limit

1st Mr. A.Craigg's KENMILLIX LUSAKA

Res CC. A real handful and has yet to grow into his frame. Flat skull with good breadth, long and deep powerful muzzle, clean and close fitting lips. He has a deep and capacious body with a well sprung rib cage. His coat is short and dense with the desired glossy appearance. He is upright in shoulder with a short upper arm giving him a rather stilted front action which was not helped by his handler stringing him up to move him.

Open

1st Mrs. R. Lozada & Mr. D. Arthur's CH.CENNENRIDGE ZALIKA

CC, BOB and Reserve Best Hound. Mature hound with a pleasing head, strong neck, very deep and capacious fore chest, adequate lay of shoulder and a fair length of upper arm, well sprung rib, powerful and slightly arched loin, moved with a free and active gait but rather close behind.

Rhodesian Ridgeback (Bitches)

Puppy

1st Mrs. S.B. Hamilton-Outcalt's BROANI CHIKU AT CROWNRIIDGE

Reserve CC, Best Puppy and Best Hound Puppy. 8 months of age, pleasing head, eye and expression, good depth of chest, balanced angles in her fore and rear quarters, still carrying a little puppy fat and moving with a slightly rolling gait.

Open

1st Mrs. R. Lozada & Mr. D. Arthur's CH. CENNENRIDGE HAZINI

CC and Reserve BOB. Litter sister of the BOB winner and she is very similar in stamp to him. She is really feminine yet strong in appearance with a deep body, strong loin and with a short, dense and glossy coat of pure colour. Her top line was not as firm as her brother's and she didn't seem quite as steady and co-ordinated on the move.

Akita (Dogs)

Minor Puppy

1st Mr. A .Taylor's MASSIMA'S SACRED WARRIOR

Best Puppy, Reserve Best Utility Puppy and Best Locally Bred Utility Puppy. 7 months of age, triangular shaped head with small eye, body slightly longer than height, coarse outer coat with soft and dense undercoat. High set tail but needs to be carried higher over the back. Lacks development of second thigh at present and is very sloppy and undisciplined on the move.

Puppy

1st Miss C. Grazette's BOLD THUNDER

8 months of age, not showing too well so difficult to assess, well grown with ample bone, head not as appealing as winner and he seemed to be a little upright in fore hand conformation.

Limit

1st Mr. D. Boyce's DONKEMRE TAKE NO CHANCES

Reserve CC and Reserve BOB. Upstanding dog with a large triangular head, high set tail carried well over the back, would like a slightly greater length of body in relation to his height, coat not at its best, moved with power and style.

Open

1st Mr. G. & Mrs. S. Spencer's CH. BARINDI SUPERSTAR

CC, BOB and Reserve Best Utility. Fairly typical of the breed in most respects, pleasing head properties with good eye and expression, correct double coat, ample bone and substance, high set tail carried over back, moved with style and powerful driving action, needs a little more of length of body to give him the desired height to length ratio.

AKITA (Bitches)

Novice

1st Mr. P. Waterman's BRANDY WINE NALA

Pretty headed and with correct length of body for her height but rather lacking in bone and substance and with insufficient depth of body.

Limit

1st Mr. D. Boyce's DONKEMRE MAI-LING

Reserve best female. Pleasing head, eye and expression, good bone and pleasing length of fore leg for her height, much too short in back and has a rather high hock placement which spoils the balance of her outline and gives her a rather stilted movement.

Open

1st Mr. G. & Mrs. S. Spencer's SHOJO SASSY

Best female. Mature lady of 5 years, broad and flat skull with small eye but with a rather long and tapering muzzle which spoils the overall appearance of her head, correct length of body but appears to be too short on the foreleg giving here a rather "dumpy" appearance, moved quite well.

Miniature Schnauzer (Dogs)

Puppy

1st Mr. R. & Mrs. J. Anderson's RISEPARK PRETTY SMART GUY AT JAMROCK

CC, BOB, Best Utility, Best Utility Puppy and Best Puppy in Show. A very nice example of his breed, a sturdy and robust build with the necessary square appearance, strong head of good length, flat forehead, well developed cheeks and medium stop, prominent eyebrows and strong blunt-ended muzzle, neat and high set ears, slightly arched neck of good length, well laid flat shoulders, well boned limbs, deep chest with visible breast bone, strong back with slight slope from withers to quarters, a change of handler showed that he has the ability to move exactly as the breed should.

WORKING GROUP

Bouvier Des Flandres (Dogs)

Novice

1st Mrs. W. Kirton's CALLIOPE RUPERT

Best male. Clean cut and massive head, square build with balanced angulation of fore and rear quarters, needs much more condition and muscle tone to show off his attributes and coat needs attention.

Bouvier Des Flandres (Bitches)

Novice

1st Miss A. Ashby's CALLIOPE RITA

Reserve CC and Reserve BOB. Very nice example of the breed, outstanding head properties, strong body with a powerful build, neck just a little shorter than length of head, strong straight forelegs, elbows well set in to body, abundant coat with barely visible skin, well muscled thighs and powerful movement.

Limit

1st Miss M. Ashby's CALLIOPE RHAPSODY

CC, BOB, Reserve Best Working and Best Locally Bred in Show. Another very nice example of the breed, cast in slightly smaller frame than her litter sister from the previous class and not quite as classical in head properties but it was her exquisite overall balance and very correct movement that gave her the edge on the day.

Bullmastiff (Dogs)

Puppy

1st Mr. P. Ashby's FLANDERS COMMORAWRY WOOD AT ZAHARA BULLS

Raw youngster with the potential to develop into a fair specimen of the breed. Has the required overall squareness of head although eye shape and expression not quite typical. Top line is slack at present and he needs better pigmentation.

2nd Mrs. D. Tomlin's HOTHERSALL'S PRINCE ALBERT

Too short in length of body and is rather upright in shoulder with a short upper arm. Head not typical being round rather than square and length of muzzle is not in proportion to back skull.

Limit

1st Mr. S. Howell's KADCRUF DUNCAN DISORDERLY OF KEMROROCS

Mature 4 year old, pale fawn colouring with good depth of pigmentation, substantial body of square proportions, slack in top line, massive skull with fair amount of wrinkle, typical eye and expression, a fraction too short in muzzle.

2nd Mr. R. Wood's RISING SON

Less mature than winner at 19 months, large head with rather too much wrinkle in repose, eye colour a little light and needs deeper intensity of pigmentation. He is tall and upstanding appearance in profile but still needs to fill out in body. Upright in shoulder with short upper arm and needs better bend of stifle and greater development of second thigh.

Open

1st Mr. P.R.P. Evelyn Q.C. - CH. MURBISA CONNOR AT HOTHERSALL
CC and BOB. At the top end of the standard for size and substance but with a commanding ring presence. Head is massive and square with correctly proportioned skull and muzzle, correct eye shape and expression although would benefit from a darker eye, he is over wrinkled in skull and the wrinkles on his body are not really pleasing to the eye, excellent bone and substance, feet could be tighter, very good breadth and depth of chest with pleasing lay back of shoulder and adequate length of upper arm, good spring of rib, excellent top line and loin, would benefit from a better bend of stifle and greater muscle mass on rear quarters to maintain his overall balance of outline, holds his outline well on the move with a free and smooth gait.

2nd Mr. F. Godson's HOTHERSALLS MR. BINGLEY

Reserve CC. Son of winner, solidly built with large frame and plenty of bone and substance, decent sort of head with nice eye and expression, not moving with the same impression of power and agility on the move as his sire.

Bullmastiff (Bitches)

Minor Puppy

1st Mr. R.Wood's TAJIREH TAPESTRY AT WOODNEY

Pleasing shape and outline with good pigmentation and an excellent coat of pure colour and correct texture, head of square appearance and with a strong muzzle but needs to develop a little bone and substance and fill out in body to present a more typical picture of the breed.

Puppy

1st Mr. P.R.P. Evelyn Q.C. - HOTHERSALL'S LADY VICTORIA

Best Puppy and Best Working Puppy. Promising youngster of good overall type, square head with strong muzzle and powerful jaw, would like fewer wrinkles on head when in repose and her eye could be darker, good depth of body and ample bone and substance for her age, top line and movement should improve as she reaches full maturity.

2nd Mr. P. Ashby's MISS STARLIGHT AT ZAHARA BULLS

Different type to winner being longer cast and somewhat plainer in head properties. She is soundly constructed and has time on her side to deepen in fill out in body properties.

Open

1st Mr. O. Holder's CH. HOTHERSALLS LADY GEORGIANA

CC, Reserve BOB and Best Locally Bred. The best headed example of the breed on show today, strong and deep body which gives an impression of power, good rib, ample bone and substance for a female, powerful quarters, well set tail of good shape, good feet and pleasing pigmentation, just lacked a little sparkle on the move.

2nd Mr. P.R. P. Evelyn Q.C. - HOTHERSALLS LADY CHARLOTTE

Reserve CC. Litter sister to class winner, very good type and made a strong bid for the class. Not quite as outstanding in head properties as her sister and slightly longer cast in body which allows her greater freedom of movement.

3rd Mr. O. Jordan's CH. EDENWOOD JULIA

Cast in slightly smaller mould than those placed above her today, pleasing head properties, adequate bone and substance for her size, pleasing mover, had to penalise her in this company for the slight kink at the root of her tail.

Great Dane (Dogs)

Junior

1st Mr. A. & Mrs. K. Evelyn's GRIFFIN SIR BOURBON

Nicely headed youngster, good for size, bone and substance, back of good length and with a good top line, would like greater development of thighs and more power in rear quarters on the move.

Limit

1st Mr. & Mrs. J. O'Selmo's BREDWARDINE BLUE VICTORY

Reserve CC. Well proportioned head with typical expression, strong neck, pleasing fore hand with good depth and breadth of chest, good rib, excellent top line with nice length of back and strong loin and coupling, pleasing croup and tail set, rather unsettled on the move.

Open

1st Mr. A. & Mrs. K. Evelyn's VANMORE METROPOLIS OF GRIFFIN

CC. Striking harlequin of good size and with ample bone and substance, well shaped and balanced skull with good eye and expression, deep chest of ample width, balanced outline with shapely quarters, moved with a free and easy action.

Great Dane (Bitches)

Junior

1st Miss E. Blanchard's GRIFFIN LADY AMARETTO

Pretty feminine head with pleasing eye, medium sized but with matching bone and substance, presents an overall picture of elegance harmony and balance and moving with a free and easy action.

Limit

1st Mr. & Mrs. J. O'Selmo's BREDWARDINE BLUE KATE

Reserve CC and Reserve BOB. Liked her a lot, pleasing head properties, strong well made body, well filled chest, excellent rib, top line and quarters, excellent colour and coat texture, well off for bone and substance, needs to be handled more steadily to get the best out of her on the move.

Open

1st Mr. G. & Mrs. S. Spencer's CH. EDENWOOD CORIOLANUS

CC and BOB. Excellent head with grand eye, strong in build yet elegant in appearance, correct outline and proportions for the breed and moved out well on a free and easy stride. Would have preferred her coat to be more pure in colour.

Dogue De Bordeaux (Dogs)

Novice

1st Mr. W. Small's FLANDERS INSPECTOR GENERAL

Reserve CC. Very nice for type and size with a correct head, wide and deep chest, excellent rib, powerful and well made quarters, just needs to gain more confidence to take the top spot.

Open

1st Mr. W. Small's PRYDE OF ARDVACAN AT EDLYNN'S

CC and Reserve BOB. Mature example of the breed with a pleasing head piece, good front and shoulder, good rib, needs more strength in rear quarters and could be a size larger for a male.

Dogue De Bordeaux (Bitches)

Novice

1st Mr. M. Darlington's FLANDERS AUTUMN RHYTHM

CC and BOB. Nicely headed with correct balance of skull to muzzle, nice eye, pleasing neck and shoulder, good depth and width of chest, a tendency to stand cow hocked and would like her to show more drive from her rear quarters.

Neapolitan Mastiff (Bitches)

Novice

1st Mr. D.R. Sandiford's FLANDERS BEAUTY

BOB. Fair head and expression, pleasing height to length ratio, well set and carried ears of good size, stocky and muscular neck, sloping shoulder and sloping pastern, roaches top line on the move and moves in a rather un-coordinated fashion.

Rottweiler (Dogs)

Puppy

1st Mr. C. Sandiford's GUNIS SINGING SIDNEY

Best Puppy. 9 months old, pleasing size, ample bone and substance, good coat texture and well defined tan markings, broad flat skull, would prefer a shorter muzzle and needs time to fill out in body.

Open

1st Dr. W. Welch's BORTERRA STONE MASON AT ELTHOR

CC, BOB, Best Working and BIS. An outstanding example of the breed, excellent head properties with the desired clean and dry head, very good eye and expression, strong neck, firm top line with good croup and tail set, correct rib cage, strong and powerful coupling and loin, well angulated and muscled quarters, presents an overall picture of strength and power, very impressive on the move with excellent rear propulsion.

Rottweiler (Bitches)

Limit

1st Mr. D. Saddler's ELTHOR DARK MAGNA

Balanced height to length ratio, strong neck, good rib cage and strong loin, good slope of croup and well set tail, well off for bone, correct coat texture, a little plain in head and carrying too much weight.

Open

1st Dr. W. Welch's CIA VON DER HANSESTADT BREMEN

CC and Reserve BOB. Nicely head with strong muzzle of good length and flat skull of good breadth, well off for bone, good height to length ratio, correct coat and distribution and intensity of tan, well set and carried full tail, would like more fill of chest and a little more depth of body.

2nd Dr. W. Welch's SIESTA CREEK YOGA VON EVMAN

Reserve CC. Difficult to assess movement today but she appeared to be of good overall breed type, balanced skull and muzzle of correct proportions, well balanced body with pleasing construction, could be slightly deeper and stronger in body.

German Shepherd Dog (Dogs)

Limit

1st Miss S. Patel's MARINITA ARKOS OF NETANYA

Reserve CC. Pleasing head which was in proportion to his body, good length of leg in relation to depth of body, matching fore and rear angles, pleasing overall outline and length of body, gently sloping croup, top line held well on the move.

2nd Miss L. Pearson's OTCH SHEPHERDGLEN KAYNE

Rangy build with insufficient depth of chest making him look high on the leg, pleasing head, good overall length of body, good coat texture, moved soundly.

Open

1st Mrs. A. Sober-Rice's MONIFA RODDIE

CC and Reserve BOB. Quality dog of good type with desired build and outline, well laid shoulder, well developed long brisket, short loin, strong and well muscled quarters, long second thigh, strong and powerful gait.

German Shepherd Dog (Bitches)

Puppy

No awards.

Junior

1st Mrs. S. Nieves' MIRRWOOD WANDA AT DANAMAN

Good breed type with a pleasing head, eye and expression, strong neck, well ribbed back, strong loin, good development of quarters, good coat, initially unsettled and didn't move too well but went better with a change of handler.

Limit

1st Mrs. S. Nieves' MONIFA VANTA

Reserve CC. Nicely headed exhibit, ample bone and substance, pleasing overall conformation although a shade more length of body would have improved her height to length ratio, nicely sloping croup with adequate hind angulation, covered her ground well on the move with a steady and purposeful gait.

Open

1st Mrs. S. Nieves' NETANYA ULLA

CC and BOB. Very feminine in appearance with a pleasing head which was in proportion to her body and with well set and carried medium-sized ears, strong muzzle with tightly closed lips, strong neck, pleasing fore and rear angles, good length of well sprung rib, oval bone, supple pasterns, deep brisket but with ample length of fore leg, gave an real impression of power and endurance when gaited.

Boxer (Bitches)

Open

1st Miss G. Leach's SEEFELD SEA GODDESS OF WORTHINGTON

CC and BOB. Flashy red/white of very feminine appearance, square build and medium size as required by the breed standard, head in proportion to body, lean skull with the right amount of cheek and a broad and powerful muzzle, intelligent expression, strong muscular neck, balanced construction of fore and rear quarters, short and well tucked up loin, cat-like feet, moved soundly but not putting in enough effort other wise she could have figured higher in the group competition.

Variety Classes

Stud Dog

Mr. P.R.P. Evelyn Q.C. - CH. MURBISA CONNOR AT HOTHERSALL

A successful stud dog that is obviously stamping his style, presence and breed characteristics on his offspring.

Veteran

Mr. R. Alleyne's CH. MONIFA BRIMSTONE AND FIRE

An impressive male Rottweiler of 9 years who still shows many of the qualities which gained him his past glories, Balanced skull and muzzle with a typical eye and expression, pleasing outline with correct body proportions, good rib and top line, well placed croup and shapely rear quarters, just beginning to show his age in movement.



Ronald W James (Judge)