

Midland Golden Retriever Club Open Show
Sunday 21st May 2023.

Judging a dog is always such a treat, but to be invited to judge your beloved golden retrievers at a club show is a humbling honour. My thanks to Midland GRC for their kind invitation, wonderful hospitality and the picture perfect venue at Tomlinson Boarding Kennels & Canine Centre. Nothing was too much for the committee who even organised glorious sunshine throughout the day. A big thank you to my two fantastic stewards and to every exhibitor who entered, I must commend you all on your beautifully presented and handled dogs. Our beloved breed still remains on the category 2 breed watch for short legs and excessive weight. Thankfully this was in the minority on the day but unfortunately there were a few who did carry too much weight and some with questionable dentition which did reflect on some of my placings on the day.

Minor puppy dog 5/2

1st Putjade Poldark. Eye catching 6 ½ month old dark gold well presented compact male. Excellent pigmentation. Kind head with soft expression, correct bite. Excellent bone in proportion to body. Correct bite, good length of neck into well laid shoulders and good return of upper arm, equally balanced with rear. Good depth of chest, level top line and tail set which he held on the move, moved very soundly for one so young. Best Puppy Dog. RBPIS

2nd Kulawand Skies of Blue over Benjcroft. 7 month old pale male who is well up on leg. Lovely dark eye and melting expression. Correct dentition. Good pigmentation. Level topline and correct tail carriage, less forechest than 1. Correct rear angulation. Level topline and tail set which he held on the move.

3rd Jessibelle Twice As Nice

Puppy dog 5/1

1st Putjade Poldark

2nd Fairwinds In Space Man 12 month old cream male. Beautifully presenting in full coat. Masculine head and expression, with lovely dark pigmentation. Correct balanced angulation fore and rear. Level topline. Tail a little high on the move, moved with drive.

3rd Richana Rocket Man

Junior dog 7/5

1st Wemcrest Out of this World. dark gold male in good coat. Excellent pigmentation. Correct bite. Well conditioned body, good lay back of shoulder but would prefer a better return of upper arm. Excellent depth of chest. Level top line and tail set which was held on the move.

2nd Purbarn Friends Together. mid gold boy in good coat with a kind head and expression. Would prefer a little more length of neck. Short coupled, Level topline and tail set, which he held on the move. Moved with drive.

Yearling dog. 6/2

1st Golmas Guard of Honour At Jarabees JW. Mid gold balanced male with excellent bone. Balanced angulation fore and rear. Level topline which was held on the move. Pigmentation just changing. Moved with reach and drive but carried his tail a little high for my liking on the move.

2nd Purburn Friends Together

3rd Wheatcroft Rainbow

Novice. 2/0

1st Wemcrest Out of this World

2nd. Swanavly Popsy's Legacy at Nunsbrook (imp Srb). Pale male with a kind expression and correct bite. Good pigmentation. Longer in body than 1. Acceptable angulation in front, correct angulation in rear. Level topline and tail set. Moved ok.

Graduate 3/2

1st Purbarn Friends Together

Post graduate 2/0

1st Wylloh Lost in Translation JW. Having judged this boy before once again he didn't disappoint. Beautifully balanced in excellent coat. Pleasing angulation fore and rear. Moved extremely well would prefer his tail to be carried more level on the move today. RBD

2nd. Messano Just Good Friends With Swansreach beautifully presented mid gold male with lovely proportions. Kind head and expression. Dark pigmentation. Short coupled, lovely side movement but a little wide coming towards.

Limit Dog 1/0

1st Haydengold One More Knight JW. Dark male in good coat. Good head with kind expression. Good layback of shoulder, a little straight in upper arm. Lovely rear angulation. Level topline which he held on the move, would prefer a little more bone.

Open 1/0

1st Thornywait Illuminati at Goldmarker. Mid gold male in good coat. Good layback of shoulder and return of upper arm, would prefer more forechest. Weak hock which affected rear movement. Level topline and tail set which he held on the move.

Veteran Dog 4/0

What a fabulous class of older gentleman all in great condition.

1st Lovissa Space Dust ShCM. 8 ½ year old dark gold male in tip top condition. Masculine head with a kind expression, correct bite, good reach of neck into well layed shoulders, good return of upper arm. Fabulous front construction with a fabulous forechest. Balanced throughout. Level topline and strong loin moved straight, true and with drive. BD, RBIS, BVIS

2nd Carneval of Golden Duck-Cobey at Jarabees (IMP Srb) cream male in good coat. Good layback of shoulder but a little straight in upper arm. Good head and kind expression. Level topline and tail set, strong loin. Moved well

3rd Stvincent Golden Gun From Swansreach ShCM VW.

Minor Puppy Bitch 4/2

1st Maltqudos Enchanted. 7 ¼ month old short coupled mid gold Bitch with a feminine head and kind expression, correct bite. Excellent dark pigmentation. Good length of neck into well laid shoulders, good reach of upper arm. Balanced angulation in the rear. Moved very well for one so young. BPB BPIS

2nd Dolmebyd Vixen. 7month old cream Bitch of smaller frame. Correct bite Proportional in body and leg, would prefer more bone. In lovely coat, moved ok.

Puppy Bitch 5/3

1st Maltqudos Enchanted

2nd Altindan Take the Biscuit happy mid gold girl with good bone and substance, correct angles fore and rear, would prefer a more level topline on the move. Moved with drive.

Junior bitch 4/2

1st Strathlon Shirli Valentine mid golden well put together short coupled girl in ok coat. Level topline and tail set, balanced fore and rear. Moved with reach and drive.

2nd Ramchaine Luminescence Over Messano (IMP NLD) pale golden girl with excellent fore and rear angulation, lovely dark pigmentation level topline and tail set, unfortunately not as settled on the move as 1 in this class, I did find however in later classes once settled moved very well.

Yearling bitch 8/1

A lovely class where I was splitting hairs, unfortunately a few were carrying a little excess weight which reflected on my placings.

1st Cadwst Autumnal Magic pale golden girl in beautiful condition. Good length of neck into well laid shoulders, good return of upper arm, short coupled, level topline and carried tail level off the back, moved well.

2nd GableRoss Rosie Cotton with Lucastes another girl in excellent coat, balanced girl of correct weight. Short coupled and lovely dark pigmentation. Moved well.

3rd Strathlon Shirli Valentine.

Novice 8/1

1st Ramchaine Luminescence Over Messano (IMP NLD)

2nd Maltqudos Enchanted

3rd Rocamoka Funky Business

Graduate 7/2

1st Goldmaker Xenobia (AI) Dark golden compact girl in lovely condition. Kind head and expression. Good layback of shoulders and good return of upper arm. Level topline and tailset moved well.

2nd Putjade Pumpkin Spice for Sybiton Dark golden girl who was slightly longer in loin than 1. Good pigmentation, good length of neck into well laid shoulders. Complementary rear angulation. Level topline. Moved well

3rd Palton Quintessential

Post Graduate 7/2

1st Quakerhall Flare By Pandora Mid golden girl in full glorious coat. Shown in tiptop condition. Typical head with correct eye and dentition. Good pigmentation, good reach of neck into well laid shoulders, good depth of chest and pleasing forechest, Level topline into well muscled rear quarters, correct tailset and carriage, moved with good reach and drive. BB BOB

2nd Soneve Simply Special for Siatham JW Well balanced feminine girl who unfortunately left her coat at home today. Good pigmentation, Kind head and expression, correct bite. Good bone and nice feet, Well laid back shoulders and nice freturn of upper arm, Strong level topline, moved with reach and drive. RBB

3rd Lovissa Russian Roulette

Limit 5/1

1st Messano Just Dance Pale golden girl in good coat. Lovely head and expression, correct front and rear angulation, good spring of rib, level topline and moved very soundly.

2nd Cadwst Eternal Flame mid gold bitch in good coat, level topline with well set on tail which she carried well on the move. Balanced angulation fore and aft, would prefer her to be a little shorter in loin.

3rd Phoslas Polly Flinders

Open 4/3

1st Contemporary Beguile Again Via Siatham JW Correct head and kind expression. Nice length of neck into well laid shoulders, good return of upper arm, short coupled, nice bend of stifle, level topline, moved well, unfortunately carried her tail a little high on the move today.

Veteran 2/0

1st Quakerhall Victory Jubilee JW Dark golden bitch who wasn't in her best coat today. Good layback of shoulder and adequate return of upper arm. Level topline, short coupled, good return of stifle, straight hooks, moved very well for her age. BVB RBVIS

2nd Rockamoka Harbour Lights Mid golden bitch in good coat, pleasing angulation fore and rear, carrying a little weight today, level topline, and moved ok.

SWGB 1/0

1st Altindan Je Ne Sais Quoi SGWC Pale golden bitch in good coat, Pigmentation acceptable, Would prefer a bit more leg, level topline and tail carried level on the move. Moved ok.

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