

National Dog Show 10th May 2015

Judge: Mrs D Stewart-Ritchie

BEST OF BREED: Alanea Summer Cottage (Mrs A Tattersall)
Dog CC: Sh Ch Vanders Va Voom Avec Wroxham (Mrs E Walker)
Res Dog CC: Sh Ch Ballakinnish Malachi At Oldestone (Mr & Mrs D Wade)
Bitch CC: Alanea Summer Cottage (Mrs A Tattersall)
Res Bitch CC: Sh Ch Casafelice Rhoen At Romaunt (Mr J Barney)
Best Puppy: Corranroo Coco (Mr & Mrs rs A Callaghan)
Best Veteran: Caispern Nicolaus Silver Cum Copperwhite JW Sh.CM (Mrs L Ward)

PD (2 Entries) Abs: 0

1st: Anisbrig Tamdhu (Ms B Owen)
2nd: Laoirebay Midnight Drifter (Mr & Mrs M Taylor)

JD (5 Entries) Abs: 1

1st: Killary's Grand Venture With Vanders And Romaunt (Mr J Barney & Mrs J Howatson)
2nd: Casafelice Plezzana (Mr & Mrs I Lamb)
3rd: Caispern Roddy Owen At Oldestone (Mr & Mrs D Wade)
Res: Rustasha Golden Rapper (Mr & Mrs B Barry)

UGD (3 Entries) Abs: 0

1st: Redmore Diamond Geezer Mit Gilliegrae (Mr & Mrs G Hart)
2nd: Rustasha Golden Rapper (Mr & Mrs B Barry)

PGD (5 Entries) Abs: 1

1st: Mrs A Alanea Game Warden (Mrs A Tattersall)
2nd: Roanjora Castelao JW (Mr & Mrs R & Miss R McDonald)
3rd: Courtdown Fame And Fortune (Mrs M Mallinson)

LD (2 Entries) Abs: 0

1st: Rustasha Rhapsody In Red (Mr & Mrs B Barry)
2nd: Casafelice Cheviot (Mrs K Griffin)

OD (5 Entries) Abs: 0

1st: Sh Ch Vanders Va Voom Avec Wroxham (Mrs E Walker)
2nd: Sh Ch Ballakinnish Malachi At Oldestone (Mr & Mrs D Wade)
3rd: Sh Ch Ir Ch Casafelice Montadale JW (Mr & Mrs I Lamb)
Res: Lovenjoel Ice Cool (Mrs D Walpole)

VD (1 Entries) Abs: 0

1st: Caispern Nicolaus Silver Cum Copperwhite JW Sh.CM (Mrs L Ward)

PB (2 Entries) Abs: 0

1st: Corranroo Coco (Mr & Mrs A Callaghan)
2nd: Anisbrig Ailsa Bay (Mrs M Mallinson)

JB (3 Entries) Abs: 0

1st: Caispern Looks Like Trouble (Mrs G O'Connor)
2nd: Gilliegrae Swift N'chic (Mr & Mrs G Hart)
3rd: Temynloah Zoe (Mr C Henderson)

UGB (2 Entries) Abs: 1

1st: Rustasha Red Hot Diva (Dr M Eddleston)

PGB (5 Entries) Abs: 1

1st: Rustasha Raison D'Etire for Kellizlot (Mr & Mrs G Tong)

2nd: Rustasha Romantic Melody (Ms B Owen)
3rd: Rustasha Red Hot Diva (Dr M Eddleston)

LB (8 Entries) Abs: 4

1st: Alanea Summer Cottage (Mrs A Tattersall)
2nd: Rustasha Rosa Kim (Mr & Mrs B Barry)
3rd: Lowdon Light Shift to Viewland (Miss M Whitaker)

I thoroughly enjoyed this appointment and it was great to judge the dogs outside on grass for the first time this year. A lot of the dogs were rather unsettled when moving; whatever was on the wind certainly had a few handlers working hard to win their place. This aside, my general observations on movement were how sound going away many of the exhibits were. Most were true and strong through the hock joint, unparalleled with many of their red cousins. Great to see this continuity in a breed with less diversity in the gene pool. I found this entry to be of good quality and in some classes decisions were tough and performance on another day could have changed things. Most interesting to note that in males both the CC and RCC winner are sons of bitches to whom I have given a CC before, in Whispers and Mistinguette respectively. Also my BOB winner is a daughter of today's Dog RCC. Today's Bitch RCC is the daughter of Connexion to whom I gave BOB to in 2011. I was particularly pleased with the exhibits in the higher classes and came away from the appointment feeling that the breed had developed and progressed well. There is a good depth of quality and the wide undesirable fronts of the past are few and far between.

PD (2,0) Both puppies in this class still rather raw. In this slow maturing breed it is what one comes to expect in the main when presented with male puppies. Both of good colour, height and muscling. 1. Owen's ANISBRIG TAMDHU. Good topline and developed in forehand. Nicely open gaited when moving around, although a little erratic on the away and back. Head ok, still a little plain and yet to break. Good eye colour and shape, clean enough in lip. Good neck, strong and fitting cleanly into shoulder. Would prefer a flatter croup. 2. Taylor's LAOIREBAY MIDNIGHT DRIFTER. Still rather rangy, but has a well developed rear end with good muscle and strong and wide over the quarters. Very unsettled on the move; needs time, patience and schooling.

JD (5,1) A good class with promising youngsters – all of which I liked for various reasons and all of which are at varying stages of development. All three I feel will give quality to any bitches put to them; a good position for the breeders of tomorrow. 1. Barney and Howatson's KILLARYS GRAND VENTURE WITH VANDERS AND ROMAUNT (IMP). Stylish, strong, well made and sound. All the essentials for a Champion. He has it all in abundance and will most certainly go all the way. His owners must be delighted with him. He is still but young and I did have a look at him for the top honours but felt that on the day he was still giving too much away to the older more mature boys. He befits the standard well with his athletic outline, deep chested, strong well ribbed back to muscular loin. Clean through neck and shoulder and a super topline and tailset. Strong boned with tight feet. He is beautifully open gaited in profile and sound and true coming and going. Just developing at the right pace for his age. I'm sure he will trouble the best with time. Good luck, I'm sure an exciting future awaits. 2. Lamb's CASAFELICE PLEZZANA Pleasant head and eye with good colouring all through. Strong in quarters, well let down from hock to heel. Good return of upper arm but would prefer a shade better in shoulder. Not so good in croup as 1 at this stage. Again another who was nice to watch in profile. 3 Wade's CAISPERN RODDY OWEN AT OLDESTONE. I loved this dogs head and eye – his sire is my RCC winner and he is certainly putting his stamp on his progeny especially in heads. Rather naughty on the move but he has it all. Just needs schooled a bit more.

UGD (3,1) 1 Hart's REDMORE DIAMOND GEEZER MIT GILLIEGRAE. My notes say still a bit raw but point for point good. He is pleasing in skull shape and foreface. Good colouring throughout, good enough in bone. Well developed first and second thighs, good musculature and moved with drive. He has a good return of upper arm but I would prefer a better lay of shoulder. I liked the work in his head and pigmentation. Handled well and turned out in good condition. 2. Barrett's RUSTASHA GOLDEN RIVIERA Very nice type who

was well bodied. Good rib cage and length to loin area. Pleasing in head although I would prefer a darker eye. Rather untidy in front when coming towards.

PGD (4,1) 1. Tattersall's ALANEA GAME WARDEN. Litter brother to my BOB winner and very much of the same style. He has a striking body and is well conditioned and turned out. I liked his type. Standing on correct bone and tidy feet. Pleasing head although for absolute preference I would like a little shade more in back skull. Good eye colour and shape with good amount of work. Clean in foreface. Good strong neck well set into lovely front assembly. Well developed hind quarters with good amount of width over first and second thighs. His body pleased me and it all came together when he moved. Still young but I'm sure he will make it. 2. McDonald's ROANJORA CASTELAO JW I preferred this boy's head than my winner but ultimately there must be all of the package to get to the number one spot. I felt this boy is slower to mature and is still developing. He is deep chested and has a good amount of ribbing, which is carried well back. He is very well muscled and is strong enough all through but has not quite the amount of fill in front as my winner. Topline ok and moved with purpose. 3 Mallinson's COURTDOWN FAME AND FORTUNE

LD (2,0) 1. Barry's RUSTASHA RHAPSODY IN RED This dog is actually much better on hands on assessment than when viewed from afar. I would prefer more lip and in general he is of a different type than I prefer but Limit dog is a class for mature boys who should know their job and on this occasion this boy did just that. He moved freely with a good open gait and is nicely deep chested with good ribbing. Pleasant topline which he carried well on the move. 2. Griffins CASAFELICE CHEVIOT Preferred this boy for type and style and thought he would be my winner but he just let himself down on his lack of handler co-operation today. At this level an exhibit has only a few minutes to shine. He did not take advantage of his time. Pleasant head and eye with good pigmentation. Good back skull and work throughout. Deep in chest and well ribbed back, strong in loin and good in quarters. Would prefer a more truer front assembly. Moved ok.

OD (5,0) Two boys of differing types headed this class. Both were from the top drawer and I liked much about both. To win this hotly contested class the exhibits have to be on top form and perform to their best. My winner did just that and pipped a very lovely boy to the number one spot. 1 & CC. Walker's SH CH VANDERS VA VA VROOM AVEC WROXHAM. A well known dog whom I am told won his 17th CC on this day. And he richly deserved his win today too. I have judged him twice before, as a junior and as a limit dog. I did well for him before but now that he has fully matured he has come into his own. His confirmation in all departments is super. I particularly liked his fore hand, lay of shoulder and well developed prosternum. His head is very typical and not over or under done in anyway. Classy and clean with correct amount of chiselling and work. Good eye colour and pigmentation. Full nose and good planes throughout. Firm level topline with correct set on of tail. Wide quarters, with quality muscling and strong through the second thigh area and rear pastern. Moved strong, positive and true and was quite delightful in profile. His mother was a bitch I adored and it is no surprise I found many of her qualities in him. Well done to breeder and exhibitor alike. 2 & RCC Wade's SH CH BALLAKINNISH MALACHI AT OLDESTONE So much to commend about this boy but today he was rather uncooperative on the move and this cost him when challenging against a dog on form. I loved him for his old fashioned type and style and when looking at his breeding I can see why he would appeal. His mother was one of my favourites. His head is so appealing with very kind eye of correct shape and colour. Super head and clean in neck and shoulder. Strong and well developed throughout. Wide powerful hind assembly with good topline and tailset. Good bone and feet. In good coat and condition. I got glimpses of his true movement but he certainly gave his handler a difficult time which in the end cost him. At just four years old he too has much to give and to find out that he is the sire of my eventual Bitch CC and BOB winner was delightful. 3 Lamb's SH CH & IR SH CH CASAFELICE MONTADALE JW

VD (1,0) 1 & BVIB Ward's CAISPERN NICOLLAUS SILVER CUM COPPERWHITE Sh Cm. Nice for type with good muscle for his age. Showing a dignified amount of grey on his face but not detracting in any way. Still wearing a good amount of coat. Pleasing head and kind eye. Wide in quarters and enough stifle and second thigh. Good head planes and eye colour and shape. Moved steadily.

PB (2,0) 1 & BPIB Callaghan's CORRANROO COCO. Loved her. Just right for her age and already such a mover. Correct head and eye with such a sweet expression, so feminine. Plenty of work through her head already. Clean in neck and shoulder and already with enough forehand to give her the desired reach on the move. Good ribbing, firm topline and well developed already in rear. Movement was just right for her age, sound and true and also positive. Put down in good coat and super condition. Expertly handled to encourage and get the very best from her. I will watch her career with interest, I found her most appealing. 2. Mallinson's ANISBRIG ALLSA BAY Longer cast than 1. Was not so keen on her head properties, finding it rather narrow all through. Would prefer more skull and lip. She is deep enough in chest and her ribs extend well back. Not so keen on her croup. Lighter built than 1.

JB (3,0) 1. O'Connor's CAISPERN LOOKS LIKE TROUBLE. And trouble them she will! Lovely type, a quality youngster with a super open gait. Really liked her on the initial run round and she did not disappoint on hands on assessment. Her head is very pleasing with kind eye of the correct shape and good pigment. Good balance and correct planes. Good in confirmation both front and rear. Good amount of ribbing and put down in good musculature. Stands on strong correct bone and tidy enough feet. Very balanced. 2 Hart's GILLEGRAE SWIFT N CHIC Different type to 1 and not so developed yet. Deep chest with good spring and length of rib. Head pleasant enough but not quite the expression of 1. Still a little bum high but she is young and needs some more time to drop into her quarters. Has a bit of maturing still to do, but she is put down in good order and handled sympathetically. 3 Henderson's TEMYNLOAH ZOE

UGB (2,1) 1Eddleston's RUSTASHA RED HOT DIVA Moved freely. A bit more slightly built than I prefer in this breed. She has a nice topline. Clean finish to foreface. Would prefer more bone and substance throughout.

PGB (5,1) The first three girls in this class are all litter sisters. Decisions today were made on overall construction and movement, as I evidently liked all 3 over their competitors for type. 1Tong's RUSTASHA RAISON D'ETRE FOR KELLIZLOT Nice strong well built girl with plenty of substance without being too much. Not coarse or overdone in anyway. Well developed rear end assembly. Good ribbing for shape, spring and length. Strong loin. Pleasing in head properties with good planes. Good neck and shoulder line but would prefer a tad more return of upper arm. Very moderate, with a build depicting her athleticism. Moved well. 2 Owen's RUSTASHA ROMANTIC MELODY. Again, like her sister she is well developed in rear end assembly and has a firm level topline. Good enough in bone. I would prefer her to have more return of upper arm and a fuller development in lip. 3 Eccleston's R RED HOT DIVA

LB (8, 4) 1 , CC & BOB. Tattersall's Alanae Summer Cottage Winning her 3rd CC on the day I'm told and still only 20 months old. My notes start off with – striking, quality and 'loved every inch of her'. When an animal comes into the ring and takes your eye immediately to this level it must have something special – and she did! I was captivated by her so much that when the clouds opened up and the sun shone on that perfect coat of shimmering pearl white with its rich red islands of solid red, it was going to take something amazing to beat her. Today was not to be – she had it all. Confirmation of such excellence and coat, presentation, handling and above all that stamp of type and quality. She has just the right amount of weight and excels on the move. Her footfalls are nigh on perfect and she has a super open gait when viewed in profile. For absolute perfection I would prefer a tad more in head but what she has does not detract in any way and she has a kind expression of total femininity. I have never judged her before and it was like finding treasure finding her – I have no hesitation in putting in print that I think the future for her is bright – very, very bright. Thank you for affording me the opportunity to judge her. She's very special. I wish you much luck and success with her. She is a credit to your breed. 2.Barry's RUSTASHA ROSA KIM Another quality girl who also moved well on the day. Again, strong well made and not over or under done. Great forehand, strong ribs, well ribbed back to strong loin. Good well developed hindquarters. A good honest mover. 3 Whittaker's LOWDON LIGHT SHIFT TO VIEWLAND

OB (7,3) Good class of quality girls. 1 & RCC Barney's SH CH CASAFELICE RHOEN AT ROMAUNT Moderate girl of good body proportions. Put down in super musculature. Her

head is pleasing with good skull shape and finish to muzzle. Kind eye with soft expression. Good in backskull. Good amount of work and stop. Strong, well muscled neck leading into quality shoulder placement and return of upper arm. Liked her fill in front and deep chest. Ribs well sprung and of good length and shape. Strong in loin and developed in first and second thighs. Short from hock to heel and a really super mover. Correct level topline and tailset. So sound and true coming and going with lovely reach and drive also. Handled with precision and totally as a team. I have done her well as a youngster and it was good to see her fully developed in maturity. Shes a lovely specimen, unfortunately my limit winner just stole my heart on the day. 2. Ward's SH CH BALLAKINNISH MISCHIEF MAKING COPPERWHITE JW. This girl has the most exquisite head piece and on looking at her breeding I can see why she impressed, another Mistinguette offspring. Super topline and tailset. Strong quarters and well developed second thigh. Deep in chest, well ribbed back with good spring and shape. Good length of neck, strong and muscled. Good enough in shoulder but would prefer a shade more return of upper arm. This showed in her movement going around and thus she lost out to the more open gaited winner. However I found her most lovely for type and style and certainly found her to be one of my top exhibits from this entry. 3. Tubby's TANNISWOOD ANYTHING GOES. Another of lovely type who had much to commend in her construction. Today carrying too much weight and in this hot competition there is no leeway. Thank you for the fond memories of your exhibits of which I enjoyed reminiscing as I wrote this critique – the breed has come far. Your breeders and exhibitors are to be commended.

Diane Stewart-Ritchie
Judge