

CHESAPEAKE BAY RETRIEVER CLUB OPEN SHOW

Sunday 17th July 2022

First of all, I would like to express my sincere thanks to the committee for inviting me to judge the Chesapeake Bay Retriever club open show; it really was an honour! This breed is filled with such uniqueness; I have found myself to be really intrigued by the breed the more I see and judge them. I was also completely blown away by such an impressive entry, which is clearly down to the committee hosting such a wonderful show with great sponsorship. The exhibitors and dogs really were a credit to the breed and coped magnificently despite the excessive heatwave, so thank you! I must also thank my two hard-working and very efficient stewards, who gave up their time on a scorching Sunday to steward all day at this show.

PUPPY DOG (3 entries 1 absent)

1. GREGORY'S RUN IN THE WOODS- Almost 8 months old showing great breed type and balance lots of promise already. His head was typical for the breed, with super proportions, well set eye shape and colour complimenting coat nicely. Strong neck leading to well-placed shoulders, lovely amount of bone. Deep chest for his age, short coupled with nice tuck up. Free and easy mover who held his topline well. His coat was of correct texture and touch. My pleasure to award **Best Puppy Dog & Best Puppy in Show.**

2. MURRAY'S MUIREATAI TERIS LOVE- Rich coloured puppy of almost 8 months. Nice strength to head, correct stop with lovely expression. Good neck and shoulders, deep in chest and balanced angles at the rear. Needs time to strengthen on the move, very much a puppy in overall appearance in the ring, lovely thick, oily coat.

JUNIOR DOG (2 entries 1 absent)

1. MURCH & MAYHEW'S NEXT GENERATIONS ARNAC ARCTIC STORM (IMP USA)- Really liked this 18 month old dog, he has a pleasing outline on the stack, well balanced with unexaggerated body proportions, lots of strong bone throughout and presenting a very nice silhouette. He has a handsome head with a clean foreface of good length, moderate stop and well-shaped eye. Muscular neck, good depth and forechest, firm in topline, good tuck up and strong loin, hindquarters have a good sweep of stifle and width to the thigh. Moving out with ease and power from the rear. Coat is dense and thick with good texture. Very pleased to award **Reserve Best Dog.**

YEARLING DOG (2 entries 0 absent)

1. ROYALE'S BATTSROCK ARE YOU READY- I preferred the type and shape of this dog. A good sized male with a balanced head, good stop with correct small ears. Slightly shorter in cast than 2 on overall appearance with a good length of neck, deep chest and adequate angulations front and rear. Moved well.

2. PLAYLE & THOMAS' RIPTIDE DECOY DUCK- Another nicely shaped young dog with much to offer. Masculine well-made head with moderate stop, using his ears well to give a cheeky and alert expression. Good length of neck, enough depth of chest with a good straight front. His topline is correct and he has a good tuck up. Coat was a good length and texture on his neck, shoulders and back. Well-angulated hindquarters used well to move. A tough class to judge.

NOVICE DOG (0 entries 0 absent)

POST GRADUATE DOG (5 entries 2 absent)

1. BROOMFIELD'S GLANEILS COUNT ON ME- A powerful male of good size and proportions. A lovely broad well shaped head with correct stop, small ears with correct eye shape and colour. Correct set of neck with good lay of shoulder, excellent breed typical topline. Excellent deep body with good spring of ribs, short coupled, excellent bone and well-shaped hare feet. Coat of excellent texture, oily and harsh with good undercoat. He moved with strength and power; however, the tail is carried little high. Could not be happier to award this boy **Best Dog and Best Opposite Sex in Show.**

2. PONT'S OAKMARSH HAUNTING HOWL (AI)- Substantially made chap who presents a good outline on the stack, although slightly longer in cast than 1. I like his head, which was well developed with a kind eye. Neck into shoulders is good and he has a decent lay back of shoulders. Ribs well sprung, a fraction long in loin, which shows in his overall appearance. Front and rear quarters are well made with a good bend of stifle and hocks well let down. Moved ok.

3. DRIVER'S ARNAC BAY HUNTSMAN

LIMIT DOG (4 entries 2 absent)

1. DUNCANSON'S ARNAC BAY- Two and a half year old male with a masculine expression with strong muzzle and good width to head. Athletic build slightly large in frame than 2 with pleasing neck and topline, balanced angles, good length to shoulders and depth to rib cage. Thick harsh coat of straw colour, who showed good reach and drive on the move.

2. MURRAY'S DAKOTA NATHAN- A strong male with very good size, well-balanced masculine head with good stop, correct small ears, with tapering muzzle. Very good neck, correct topline, adequate front and rear angulations. A well-bodied male and short coupled. Moved well.

OPEN DOG (2 entries 0 absent)

1. GRIFFIN-WOODS' MIGWELL SOLOMAN'S PUZZLE (AI)- A lovely 5 year old brown dog, with so much to admire. Stood, he has a lovely outline: balanced and functional. Masculine pleasing head, which is well proportioned, with a gentle expression. Lovely dark eye and neat high set ears. Liked his substance all through, giving the appearance of strength throughout. Well laid shoulders, deep in body, lovely bone, and strong hindquarters. He moves with a flowing athletic side gait. Shown with a good coat texture.

2. MAYHEW'S SH CH ARNAC WEATHERDECK BOUY- Overall well balanced and full of quality, masculine without being overdone. Head is well balanced, broad and has a good finish to foreface. Good neck leading to a very well-constructed front assembly. Body well made with ribs sprung and well back to a firm a loin. Quarters developed and a good finish to croup, tail well set and used to advantage. Moved out well.

VETERAN DOG (1 entries 1 absent)

GOOD CITIZEN DOG (3 entries 1 absent)

1. DUNCANSON'S ARNAC BAY INVINCIBLE FOR DUNAKITTS- *Repeat from LD.*

2. MURRAY'S DAKOTA NATHAN- *Repeat from LD.*

SPECIAL BEGINNERS DOG (1 entries 1 absent)

PUPPY BITCH (3 entries 1 absent)

1. BROOMFIELD'S GLANEILS DON'T WORRY BE HAPPY- Much to like on this nearly 10 month old bitch, loved her happy go lucky attitude, full of fun and mischief. She has all the essentials there, just needing time to come together. Feminine head, but still needing to break, good length to the muzzle and eyes matching well with coat colour. Liked her depth and spring of rib, which well back and short in couplings. Strong hindquarters, with a well bent stifle and width of thigh. Nice and easy mover. **Best Puppy Bitch**

2. MURRAY'S MUIREATAI MIRACLE OF DREAMS- Another nice youngster, but a real baby and once she settled stands on a nice frame. Her head is pretty and feminine, balanced skull to pointed muzzle. She has a good reach of neck, good topline, held on the move, with a good spring of rib developing. She has good bone and feet, with a very good bend of stifle and second thigh. Movement was little off today and time will do her well. Her coat is harsh and dense to the touch

JUNIOR BITCH (3 entries 0 absent)

1. PONT'S AMORE RIDSOME (IMP ITA) - Another exciting youngster here, just 12 months and so well put together for her age. I would describe her as a petite bitch, with a lovely outline; I really liked her overall appearance. I loved her feminine head and expression, good shape and very pretty with well-set small ears and moderate stop. Super front on her, shoulders well set and a good return of upper arm, good depth of chest for her age, stands on well-boned legs and neat feet. Excellent body and substance with breed typical topline. Body is well developed and well-made quarters. A great oily and harsh coat with correct undercoat. Moved with correct drive and reach.

2. SEARLES' OAKMARSH INDIAN DREAM MAKER FOR CRAVESSA Liked the overall size and shape of this 14 month old bitch. She has lovely substance all through and displays good proportions. Pleasing head that is developing nicely, clean cut, with a kind eye. Good length of neck, deep in chest with a well sprung ribcage. Correct topline with hindquarters slightly higher. Well developed rear, with good width of thigh. Moving out soundly, just started to lose enthusiasm in the next classes. Good dense coat texture.

3. WATTS' OAKLEAF MANOR BAY OF OAKMARSH (IMP DEU)

YEARLING BITCH (5 entries 1 absent)

1. PLAYLE & THOMAS' RIPTIDE WHISTLIN DUCK- Lovely type and overall balance on this 21 month old bitch, with pleasing body lines and substance. I really liked her overall appearance. Very feminine head with a kind expression. Good length of neck, flowing tidily into neat shoulders. She has depth and strength to the ribcage and well developed forechest. Standing on well boned limbs and well arched toes. Strength in her rear, which she used to power round the ring. Lovely coat texture, harsh and dense. **Reserve Best Bitch and Reserve Best in Show**

2. SEARLES' OAKMARSH INDIAN DREAM MAKER FOR CREVESSA- Repeat from JB

3. HERRING'S BATTSROCK SWEET CHILD O MINE

NOVICE BITCH (2 entries 1 absent)

1. OAKMARSH ELM OF BRUMBOARDER- 5 year old bitch with pleasing overall type. Good head proportions with well-placed ears and nicely shaped eye. Nice length of neck with deep and broad chest. Strong loin and moderately angulated hindquarters. Moved ok, bit heavy for my liking.

POST GRADUATE BITCH (9 entries 4 absent)

1. BROOMFIELD'S GLANEILS CUT YOUR GROOVE- Nice in outlined bitch with good size and proportions. A very nice head with correct length, small ears, nice expression. Good set of neck and strong breed typical topline held well on the move. Good depth of chest with lovely substance and bone. Moves with good reach and drive and fantastic oily harsh coat with correct undercoat.

2. WORRALL & MAYHEW'S ARNAC BAY INCA- Brindle in colour, short is cast than 1. Nice head with good proportions and complementing eye colour. Both front and rear angulations good and balanced, short coupled with strong topline with slight tuck up. Nice and easy mover with topline held firm.

3. SEARLES' OAKMARSH INDIAN DREAM MAKER CREVESSA

LIMIT BITCH (6 entries 1 absent)

1. WATTS' OAKMARSH FREEDOM- A very nice feminine bitch with pretty head and expression, correct length in skull and muzzle. Good set of neck, very good breed typical topline with desired tuck up and nice tailset. Very good quarters front and back with well laid shoulders and a lovely deep body. Short coupled with ample amounts of strong bone. Moves with good drive reach.

2. BAXANDALL'S SHARBAE PRETTIEST STAR- This bitch presents the picture of a strong, working dog with great bone and substance. Her head is a good proportions with a lovely expression. Her muzzle is strong and gradually tapers. Strong neck of good length with correct amount of forechest and well sprung ribs with good depth of brisket. A super, thick, oily coat with a harsh texture. Movement correct coming and going.

3. COPPIN & DAVIES-JONES' DALLANDOR JOCASTA

OPEN BITCH (3 entries 1 absent)

1. THOMPSON'S ARNAC BAY HARVEST- This bitch, is a very special and in my opinion, I just loved everything about her. Beautifully presented, very impressive in outline with a feminine but correct head with strong muzzle, correct and clean. Strong neck into very good layback of shoulder with deep chest of good width. Super breed typical topline that rises towards the croup with desired tuck up. Muscular hindquarters, lots of quality bone all through. Moved accurately and effortlessly with drive and demonstrated an easy, athletic ground-covering side gait. Absolutely delighted to award her **Best Bitch and Best in Show**.

2. WATTS' SH CH OAKMARSH CHESTNUT- A rather long bodied bitch that could be shorter coupled for better balance. A feminine head with enough stop, good muzzle. Nice set of neck with straight front and correct topline and tail set. Good angulations both front and rear, deep body with good ribs, but long in loin. Heavier in overall appearance than 1 and moved ok.

VETERAN BITCH (4 entries 0 absent)

1. MAYHEW'S SH CH ARNAC BAY FLAX- What a quality bitch who certainly doesn't look her age of almost 9 years! Very attentive and outgoing and oozes personality. Stood she is a well-balanced with good proportions throughout. Lovely head, feminine with a keen and gentle expression. Still in lovely coat and condition, she is well muscled and has a good topline. Ribs are carried well back with a strong loin, strong hindquarters finishing with an ever-lashing tail. Moved out soundly. Although no male competition, there was no doubting she deserved **Best Veteran in Show**.

2. BROOMFIELD'S NUNNEYSWOOD SNOW FLURRY AT GLANEILS- 7 year old bitch with nice overall appearance and outline. Nice head with good proportions, muzzle tapering slightly and nice small ears. Nice front angulation with deep and broad chest into good topline. Coat and eye colour complimented nicely with good texture. Moved well coming and going.

3. HEWITSON'S MELSEED RUBY ROO

GOOD CITIZEN BITCH (3 entries 1 absent)

1. HEWITSON'S MELSEED SKYS THE LIMIT- This brown bitch presents such a compact, neat and obviously feminine picture. Her head is very pretty with well-set ears, correct stop and gradual tapering to her muzzle. Nice balanced front and rear angulation with a strong topline and correct tuck up. I would prefer just a little more of her all over to give her a more robust and athletic appearance. On the move, she is very light on her feet in profile with great showmanship. In a full, thick coat but I would just prefer it a little harsher in texture.

2. WATTS' OAKLEAF MANOR BAY OF OAKMARSH (IMP DEU)- This sedge bitch has a little more range to her outline at present. Balanced head shape, with good proportions and length to the foreface, eyes clear amber to tone well with coat. Good length of neck, enough depth, not quite the fill in of fore chest of winner. Lovely hindquarters, wide and strong with a good bend of stifle. Moved well, but could have been cleaner in her action today. Shown with a good coat texture.

SPECIAL BEGINNERS BITCH (0 entries 0 absent)

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