

Southern Golden Retriever Championship Show 3rd March 2019.

I would firstly like to thank the hard working committee of SGRS for inviting me to judge at this their 40th Anniversary Championship Show and for putting on a well organised show which had a very friendly atmosphere. I would also like to thank my two stewards who made my job so much easier by their very efficient approach and happy disposition - keepings things moving along speedily. A huge thank you to all the exhibitors it was a real privilege to go over so many quality bitches. I was spoiled for choice in many classes with hair splitting decisions to be made. It certainly bodes well for the future of the breed.

Special V.B (0) entries

VB 8 (3a)

1. Furbank's CH. KAYZAELE KRYSTAL MAZE JW A truly feminine neat balanced bitch with full cream coloured wavy coat in excellent condition. Very pretty head with gentle expression and good pigment. Lovely flow into her neck with good layback of shoulder and length of upper arm, straight through the front with good bone and neat feet. Short coupled with well muscled rear quarters good depth to stifle and straight hocks. Moved out with real drive. Happy showgirl and a worthy champion.
2. Tuck's TAMSBROOK TIMOTAE Elegant feminine bitch with good balance and nothing overdone. Cream coat in full bloom - pretty head with excellent pigment and dark eye. Deep through the chest with straight front and cat like feet, good length to upper arm with well laid shoulder, short coupled and good spring to rib with well angulated stifle. A very close decision between these two girls.
3. Watchorn's SH.CH. STRALAND SWAN LAKE Pretty head with nice expression and good pigment. Bigger framed than my previous girls but very balanced. Full pale gold coat in good condition. Straight front and deep chest with good spring to rib and well angulated front and rear. Moved out with drive. Sympathetically handled.

MPB 10 (2a)

1. Clarke's LANSSONNE NAME OF THE GAME Just 7 months old - quality baby with the loveliest of heads with alert expression and dark pigment. Shown in full deep golden coat. Very well put together and balanced, smaller girl who excels in front angulation. Nice bone and cat like feet with well sprung rib, short through loin and good depth to stifle with short straight hocks. Well presented and moved out nicely at a steady pace,
2. Falconer's ROSSGILDE MY FAIR LADY OF SIATHAM Another 7 month old girl who is looking balanced for her age with good length of leg to body. Pretty head with good pigment. Attractive blonde coat in good condition. Good bone, straight front and tight feet with nice layback of shoulder. Short through the coupling with good spring to rib and well angulated stifles. Moved out okay but needs to settle more which will come with time.
3. Hill's SANDAULA KISS FROM A ROSE Another promising bitch in excellent condition in full mid gold coat. She has grown on more than previous two girls and has a bigger frame whilst maintaining correct balance. A very pretty bitch with good pigmentation and dark eye. Excellent front angulation, straight front with good bone and well sprung rib with good rear angulation. Liked her very much but another that needs to settle on the move which again will come with time.

PB 15 (2a1W)

1. Turner's MOONSHINE DE RIA VELA OVER AMILONE Well grown beautifully balanced and elegant bitch with pale cream coat in full bloom. Pretty head with dark eye and pigment and pleasing expression. Deep through the chest with straight front and cat like feet. Nice flow

into the neck with excellent layback of shoulder and correct length of upper arm. Short through the coupling with good spring to rib and deep through the stifle with short straight hocks and excellent tail carriage - carrying exactly the right amount of weight and moved out soundly. BPB

2. O'Gorman's THORNYWAIT TOP NOTCH FOR BERRYMEADE Feminine head with good pigment and dark eye. Very good bone with straight front and tight feet, good spring to rib and lovely angles. Carrying just the right amount of weight. Good balance with good head carriage and excellent second thigh a stylish mover who drives out with enthusiasm. Needed a bit more coat today.
3. Trinder & Zubair's THORNYWAIT ABSOLUTELY FAB Litter sister to second placed bitch and so similar feminine head and good depth to muzzle with dark eye. Good bone and well constructed with good balance. Very mature with a lot of substance moved out well, presented and handled to perfection. Very close decision between these two girls just preferred the head carriage and enthusiastic movement of her sister today.

JB 13 (1A)

1. Porter's SHEARSTONE MUCK FE Petite compact rich gold with feminine head dark pigment and eye. Good straight front and cat like feet with good clean flow of neck into level back with well laid shoulders and good spring to rib. Free stood with wagging tail and at one with handler. Took this class on her excellent movement and drive whilst keeping a level topline.
2. Russell's ROSINANTE MIRABELLE Very feminine head with the darkest of pigment and eye with lovely soft expression. Mature body with deep chest and straight front with cat like feet. Excellent flow to neck into well laid shoulders with good length of upper arm, short through the coupling and level topline with good substance and balance. Deep gold coat in full bloom, just right for weight Moved out well but not quite the drive of one.
3. Price's PALTON UP UP AND AWAY Pretty feminine head with excellent pigment and dark eye with good bone and straight front, neat feet and clean flow to neck into level topline. Good angulation fore and aft with well sprung rib and lovely balance to her. Moved out positively.

YB 14 (3A)

Such a high ranking class of quality girls which put the marker down for the following classes, the first two placed girls have very similar attributes and construction.

1. Clarkson's DRUMKILTY LISDOONVARNA JW Pale cream coated bitch in super condition beautiful head with dark eye and feminine expression. Mature through the body with excellent bone, straight front with deep chest and text book front angulation, elbows tucked under and clean flow from neck into shoulders. Well sprung rib, short through the loin with lovely depth to the stifle, muscled rear quarters and correct tail set. Moved out with lovely front extension and good drive from the rear. Took the CC and BIS on the referee's decision and I thought she was outstanding.
2. Crookes & Jenkinson's QUAKERHALL PANDORA'S BOUNTY Another beautiful bitch sharing many of the attributes of the winner well conditioned pale gold coat. Feminine head with dark pigment and eye with a kind expression. Well boned with good straight front and excellent front angulation. Deep through the chest with correct coupling and well turned stifle - in excellent hard condition solid and muscular and carrying the right amount of weight. Very well shown with such good balance. Called in to challenge for the RCC and seriously considered - a very close decision.

3. Hocking's KASPURGOLD RIZZINI Compact and not yet as mature as two previous girls but such a beautiful feminine head with excellent pigment and dark eye. In well conditioned pale gold coat - with good bone, deep chest, straight front and tight feet, excels in upper arm and layback of shoulder with elbows close fitting. Carrying just the right amount of weight and so very well muscled. Completely balanced and very attentive to handler moved out with drive maintaining a level topline.

MB 13 (1A 3W)

1. MOONSHINE DE RIA VELA OVER AMILONE
2. SHEARSTONE MUCK FE
3. PALTON UP UP AND AWAY

NB 19(7W)

1. MOONSHINE DE RIA VELA OVER AMILONE
2. SHEARSTONE MUCK FE
3. ROSINANTE MIRABELLE

UGB 9 (1A 1W)

1. SHEARSTONE MUCK FE
2. ROSINANTE MIRABELLE
3. Hewitson's SERUILIA SPLASH OF CLASS A bigger framed mature girl with feminine head and dark eye with good pigment. Straight front with deep chest and good layback of shoulder with well sprung ribs and good angles fore and aft - beautiful gleaming pale golden coat with correct tail set just lacked a bit of sparkle today.

GB 7 (2A)

1. Cole's ROOKSBURY PHANTASIA Nicely proportioned bitch in full deep golden coat with well balanced feminine head dark pigment and eye with beautiful expression. Straight through the front with good bone and neat feet. Good depth to chest with well angulated front, good reach of neck into a firm level topline with elbows tucked under. Short coupled with good spring to rib and well bent stifles with good second thigh. Correct tail set and carriage and spot on for weight, moved around the ring with purpose and drive in excellent condition.
2. Jackson-Haines LEIGHSHAM IN THE SUMMER TIME More scope to this elegant bitch who has a nice balance to her - pretty feminine head dark eye and excellent pigment. Straight front with tight feet and well laid shoulders with good flow of neck leading into level topline. Balanced clean outline and correct angulation with no exaggerations. Short straight hocks which she used to moved out with drive. Well presented and a close decision between these two girls
3. SERUILIA SPLASH OF CLASS

PGB (15 1A)

1. Gayler's CAROLAKE REMEMBER ME Lovely deep gold coat and very feminine pretty head with dark eye and good pigment. Nice bone, straight front and neat feet. Deep chest with good layback of shoulder and flow of neck into withers with level topline which she holds on the move. Deep through the stifle with well muscled quarters and short straight hocks - took this class on her movement.
2. Simonkova's MADAME BOVARY DU BOIS DE LA RAYERE More substantial bitch just coming into full coat with nice feminine head good pigment and dark eye. Well off for bone with straight front and good depth to chest with well laid shoulder. Good rear angulation with deep stifles. In hard muscular condition and well presented, moved out positively.

3. Henderson's SUNFERN COOL CALICO Attractive bitch with very pretty head and expression, dark eye and pigment. Straight front with neat feet and correct bone. Deep gold gleaming coat, good layback of shoulder, short through the loin with good spring to rib and well muscled rear quarters. Moved out with drive with level topline and correct tail set and carriage.

MINOR LIMIT 8 (3A)

1. Tracey's DENICOL CHINESE WHISPERS An outstanding class of beautiful bitches - Very feminine head with soft expression dark eye and pigment. Good bone and depth to the chest with straight front and lovely flow of neck into the withers. Well laid shoulder and good upperarm, short through the coupling with super rear angulation, correct tail set and carriage which she used on the move to advantage . Very balanced with no exaggerations - shown in pale gold coat in good condition - another seriously considered for the top honours today
2. Falconer's SIATHAM KALL ME MADAM Pale coated bitch with feminine head and good pigment with lovely soft expression and nice eye shape . Good bone straight front and well laid shoulder, short coupled with level topline and excellent rear quarters. Correctly set on tail with well muscled rear quarters, moved out with drive very balanced.
3. Russell's ROSINANTE TAKE A CHANCE ON ME Another lovely feminine bitch in full cream coat, good bone with straight front and cat like feet. Good layback of shoulder and length of upper arm with clean flow to neck, deep chest and short through the coupling with good spring to her rib. Lovely rear angulation with good muscle tone and short hocks - just needs to move out with a bit more animation to take top honours.

LB (12 2A)

1. Simms POPPYGOLD FIRE OPAL WITH STVINCENT Took my eye as she came into the ring with her very clean outline. A most elegant bitch with good balance. Beautiful head and dark pigment with excellent front construction clean through the neck with lovely flow into withers. Cat like feet and nice bone with elbows close fitting and good spring of rib. Deep through the stifle with short hocks. Shown in hard condition and moved out with drive displaying lovely head carriage.
2. Seamons MESSANO DOUBLE OR QUITS Cream coated bitch shown in hard condition, well matured body - pleasing expression with nice eye shape and good pigment - clean through throat with deep chest, straight front and neat feet. Good bone with well sprung rib, correct layback of shoulder and good length of upperarm. Deep through the stifle and moved out with correct tail carriage on strong hocks. Close decision between these two girls.
3. Porter's SHEARSTONE GRACE AND FAVOUR Lovely mid-gold bitch so very feminine with dark eye and superb pigment. Lovely clean flow of neck into shoulders with good layback, well sprung rib, short coupled and excellent front and rear angulation. Moved out well with drive.

Quality class headed by three worthy show champions.

OB (9 2A)

1. Leonard's SH.CH. WYNRITA HOT GOSSIP JW Such a feminine beautiful head with soft expression, dark eye and pigment. Clean neck with deep chest and neat feet - well up on her pasterns with good bone. Excellent layback of shoulder and length of upperarm. Short through the loin and deep through the stifle with well muscled second thigh. Mature through the body and in good hard condition, moved out well to win this class - stands four square with a never ending wagging tail and she always holds the most perfect of toplines. Well shown with such a happy disposition and demands to be noticed - just missed out on the CC because of lack of lustre to coat today but a well deserved RCC

2. Cole's SH.CH. ROOKSBURY FUZZY FELTS JW Another worthy champion who was today in full bloom, dark golden coat in excellent condition, really splitting hairs between these two girls who are similar in construction, very pretty head with dark pigment. Deep through the chest, straight front and cat like feet with nice bone. Good shoulder angulation and length to upper arm with well sprung ribs, carries her tail level. Very balanced and well muscled just not as much ring presence of my winner today
3. Smyth's SH.CH. KADAKA KUPCAKE JW SHCM Bigger framed girl than my two previous girls but still feminine with good balance - Nice head with good dark pigment and eye. Deep chested with straight front and good length of neck into level topline. Well angulated front and rear with well sprung ribs. Well off for bone with lovely balance - moved out well.

SWB (1)

1. MADAME BOVARY DU BOIS DE LA RAYERE

SOB (4 1A)

1. Clarksons's CH. DRUMKILTY HIBERNIA JW Another worthy champion. Blonde full coat with pretty head and feminine expression. Straight front, good bone and tight round feet with lovely flow to neck leading into level topline and well laid shoulders with good length to upper arm. Deep forechest and short through the loin with good depth to thigh and well angulated stifles. Beautifully presented in good hard muscular condition - moved out well. Another considered for top honours today
2. Furbank's KAYZAELLE KEEP DREAMING Lovely feminine bitch with pretty cream coat. Good bone with straight front and cat like feet. Deep chest with well placed shoulders, short through the loin with good angulated stifle and well muscled second thigh. Shown and handled to perfection moved out straight with drive.
3. Morss' DESIDERIO PASO DOBLE - Young very pretty bitch with excellent pigment and dark eye - very elegant with good bone and well laid shoulder with lovely angles and correct tail set just coming into coat.

KCGCB (6 1W)

1. KASPURGOLD RIZZINI
2. Hudson's AYMSBURY ASHISHIA Feminine bitch with dark eye - nice mid gold coat with straight front and clean lines, good spring to rib with well angulated and muscled rear quarters, slightly longer cast but very balanced, In really good condition and moves out with drive and enthusiasm a delightful happy showgirl.
3. Todd's TODDROSA ANNIE POWER Smaller more compact blonde bitch with very pretty feminine head and nice eye with good pigment. Straight front with rounded cat like feet, deep through the chest with good spring of rib. Neat bitch who moves out on straight short hocks and presents a balanced picture.

Pat Taylor (Judge)