

Southern Golden Retriever Society Limited Obedience Show
Held at Ad Astra, Crowhurst, Surrey
Sunday 13th August 2017

Many thanks for to the members of the southern Golden Retrieve Society for asking me to judge at their show. I was very well looked after, from bacon rolls on arrival to lovely cakes in the afternoon. The weather held out for us, with it being a bit too hot for those working in the afternoon. My thanks to Linda and Maurice Sage for all their help preparing for the day and also for stewarding and deputy score boarding for me at the show. My thanks also to Julia for her sterling job of keeping the competitors coming, checking my arithmetic and keeping the scoreboard.

Class 2 – Pre Beginners (21 entered)

1st No 81 Mrs C Collie Glenlmond Uallach (B) This team worked really well today. Good heelwork - steady and controlled. Really nice retrieve and clear stays. Very well done and keep up the hard work.

2nd No 117 Mrs B Hewitt Qumaara Kazanjian (D) A happy dog that worked well. Really nice heel free. Lost points in the recall for crooked sits. Well done.

3rd No 73 Mrs J Washington Kensalroag Catch The Wind (D) A steady dog who worked well. Wide working was the main cause for lost marks. Really nice recall. Keep up the training.

4th No 196 Mrs P Routledge Qumaara Shae (B) A happy dog, which was nice to watch working. Be careful with having your lead too tight as it was this which lost you marks. Clear stays. Well done

5th No 64 Mrs M Barnard Tiltham St Kitts (D) A steady happy dog. Some wide turns lost you marks. Broke the sit stay on return, but down stay clear. Keep up the hard work.

6th No 166 Ms P & Ms A Libby and Byrn Meddobe Ann Hathaway (B) A happy dog. Be careful not to have a tight lead as this is what lost you the majority of marks in the heel on lead. Clear stays. Well done and continue to enjoy your dog.

Class 4 – Novice (16 entered)

1st No 190 Mrs K Menter Varches Topaz Jewel (B) A nice team to watch. Good heelwork, recall, retrieve and clear stays. Thoroughly deserved the red card today. Very well done.

2nd No 188 Mrs K Menter Varches Summertime (B) A good day for this handler with the first and second place cards. A stylish dog who worked well during heel on lead. Worked a bit wide on heel free. Good recall and retrieve. Clear stays. Keep up the training.

3rd No 206 Ms H Wallis Julolian Bobby (D) Heel free was nice but heel free was your downfall today, especially working wide. Really nice recall and retrieve. Well done

4th No 57 Mrs S Ashley Maluraya MiltonDuff at Petabeck (D) A happy dog. Worked a little wide on occasions. Handler needs to ensure that she doesn't step into her dog at the halt. Clear stay and nice recall and retrieve. Well done

5th No 95 Mrs B Farnham Pandreft Isadora (B) A happy, steady dog. A couple of tight leads on the heel on lead and a bit of lagging on the heel free. A nice recall and clear stays. Keep up the hard work.

6th No 68 Mrs S Ashley Maluraya Macduff at Petabeck (D) A nice dog who worked a little wide on occasions during heel on and off lead. Good recall, but lost a few marks for knocking the dumbbell on during the retrieve. Keep up the training.

Darren Saunders