

# The Soft-Coated Wheaten Terrier Club of Great Britain Championship Show - 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2023 Special Awards & Junior Handling Classes Judge – Mick Oxley

It was a pleasure to judge these well filled classes and I would like to thank the Officers and committee for inviting me to judge and the exhibitors for such a fantastic entry.

# **Special Beginners (4)**

- 1 Farquhaeson: Manawyddan Song for Ireland A well constructed young male of good proportions, masculine throughout, has a flat skull, well placed ears, powerful jaw with very good dentition, straight front, strong level topline, very good tail set which he held on the move, his coat and texture is coming along really well, went well in all directions.
- 2 Bodenham: Keevasdream Blue Velvet Good for size and well balanced, she has a lighter coat of good texture with soft lose curls, feminine expression with a dark eye, very good strong teeth, just enough neck, into well angulated shoulders, has a good depth of chest, good rear angulation, moved with drive.

3 Mason: Emalot Living on a Prayer –4 Harries: Manwyddan Beautiful Noise

## Special Puppy (9-2)

- Dowdy: Denzilly Walking The Witch A lovely puppy with ring presence, showing lots of promise, she has an impressive outline for one so young, lovely head with feminine expression, flat skull, ears good for shape and size, good teeth and bite, very good front assembly with well angulated shoulders, level topline and short quite muscular loin, good tailset with plenty behind, coat coming on with good colour and texture, moved really well for puppy.
- 2 Taylor: Raisingsands Girl in Amber A very showy young pup, lovely head and has a very sweet expression, head of good length flat on top with ears well set, super neck flowing into shoulders, has straight front and very good rear angulation which showed in her drive from behind.
- 3 Ronan: Denzilly Poppet Magic Litter sister to 1 and having many of the same qualities, she was a bit of a handful which you can expect at this age, she has a lovely coat coming through of good colour and texture. Movement was getting better as she settled into her stride.

### **Special Members Open (17-6)**

"What a class" A large one too with a good depth of quality and quite mixed. I was looking for the one which I could have sent into a group. I had to do some real nit picking as there were quite a few variants in size, coat, colour, texture, teeth etc. An enjoyable class to judge!

- 1 Clarke: Ch Flaxela Perfect Storm I thought this mature male ticked the boxes for me today. He has presence, is balanced, compact and upstanding, a super coat of both colour and texture, they say if they are built right they will move right and he did. Has a good width of head without being coarse, good eye shape and colour, dentition is excellent, teeth strong and white. Strong muscular neck into well laid shoulders, straight in front and strong in rear which showed in his movement.
- 2 Paton: Ch Denzilly Raspberry Beret An impressive female of good shape and size, well balanced and has a lovely outline. Super expression, looking slightly aloof, with a typical head shape, small well set ears, has a good length of neck into clean well angulated shoulders, firm and level topline and correct tail set, good width and depth of chest, straight front and well angulated rear gave her reach in front and drive from behind covering the ground well.
- 3 Satherley: Ch/AMCh/CAN Ch Silkcroft Freeze Frame JW He is an eye catching male and has super ring presence, standing four square and compact, in tip top condition, masculine head, super neck into well laid shoulders, firm level topline with excellent tail set, straight front, good depth and spring of ribs, well angulated rear which gave him free flowing drive from behind.
- 4 Satherley: Ch Silkcroft Shake it Off JW
- 5 Tilley: Brynhir Born To Boogie at Starzak JW

### Junior Handling 6-11 years

1 Cara Woolley - A very good up and coming young handler, her charge was really playing her up on the mat when being judged, but Cara kept control and they both went around the ring in unison.

## Junior Handling 12-16 years

This was a small but excellent handling class and difficult to choose a winner.

- 1 Eliza Mason Handling like a professional and was in complete control of her charge, very calm and positive handling without over doing it, had a good rapport and moved fluently around the ring.
- 2 Francesca Wilson Excellent handling again, presenting in a precise and controlled manner, effortlessly showing her dog to advantage.

Judge: Mick Oxley (Digelsa)