



Soft-Coated Wheaten Terrier Club of GB

2024 Open Show South – 7th July 2024 – Critique

Judge: Mark Ord

Thank You to The Officers & Committee for the kind invite to judge at the club open show also a big thank you to my two stewards who kept the ring in order throughout judging.

Veteran D (3) : 1 & R.B.D. William's Flagella Living Legend of Gwendonydd, over 8 yr old male who is impressive in stature and masculine, still in fine order & in good hard condition, lovely strong jaw & still has good dentition for age, liked his neck holds head at correct angle & flowing into well laid back shoulders, good bone throughout, spring in his pasterns, good spring to his ribs with firm loin, level in his back both stacked & on the move, compact neat feet, good coat ; 2 Tilley's Janey Jimjams Jubilee Star At Stark ShCM, similar in age to 1 is of slighter build but pleasing balanced shape, good skull & jaw, firm in top line, well bodied, correct tail set, in hard muscular condition & well presented coat, lost out today on rear movement ; 3 Blandford's Ch Janey Jimjams Joshua.

Puppy D (1) : 1, & B.P. Springford's Keevasdream Purple Viking, needs to settle more to be handled by judge but will do with maturity, enjoying his time in the ring which is always good to see, well shaped head, strong firm neck & has correct compact body, liked for his height & balance, correct feet, good top line held well, firm strong hocks & correct feet, in good coat, took his time to relax but as the day progressed he improved.

Junior D (2) : 1 Amel-Azizpour's Crofftysofty Hay Jude, nicely proportioned picture on the stack, has strength in his jaw, correct v shaped ears well set on skull, lovely black rims to dark expressive eyes, in good body, strong top line level & well held, nice sound steady mover with well set tail ; 2 Satherley, Satherley & Wynter's Lakkas Yankee Sweet Silkcroft, more flashy showman than 1 but prefer size of 1, good jaw & skull proportions, correct in eye & ear, well sprung in rib & firm in his loin, in good coat which was presented well, moved better in front than from his rear today.

Sp Beginners D (1) : 1 C Hay Jude.

P. Grad D (1) : 1 L Yankee Sweet S.

Open D (8-3abs) : 1 & B.D. Satherley's Ch/Am/Can Ch Silkcroft Freeze Frame JW 5 yr old male in his prime & has a lovely long low stride using minimum effort, masculine all through, strong in jaw with good bite, lovely eye placement with dark rims, correct in ear size & set, moderate length of neck & lovely straight forelegs with good bone substance, well bodied & in hard muscular condition, strong in back line, well proportioned, strong well set hocks, excellent coat ; 2 Charleton's Ch House Of Softy Indus ShCEX, over 4 yr old who appeals for size & balance, lovely head shape with firm strong jaw, good eye & expressive outlook, correct ears, in good body condition, well shaped ribbing & firm in his loin, moved well just not the rear drive that 1 had, good tail set & correct feet ; 3 Grimes & Watson's Janey Jimjams Jim Devlin.

Veteran B (3-2abs) : 1 & B.V. Satherley's Ch Silkcroft Sky Full Of Stars ShCM IR JCH, hard to believe she is over 10 yrs in age as she sure powered around the ring today showing the desired graceful low strides of a youngster, well set eyes with dark rims, correct ear size & set on skull, a little heavier in skull than I like, has an excellent height to length ratio, correct ribbing & loin, stands firm both front & rear, good feet, well coated for age & in good muscle tone.

Puppy B (2) : 1 Grimes & Watson's Keevasdream Purple Bliss For Spudler is litter sister to B.P.D. & similar for shape but a feminine size, not settled on the move today but eventually I got a glimpse of a lovely free flowing stride, feminine head with strong jaw & good strong bite, correct in ear placement, still needs to develop in her body but is pleasing for balance & size, good feet ; 2 Warrick & Caldwell's Kinaelan Labhandarblu different type being of the Irish type she is finer all through, good skull with strong neck, has good depth of ribbing, rather extreme over her loin which spoils her top line, not a heavy coat, stands firm in rear.

Junior B (1) : 1 Mapson's Abiqua Wild Burlesque very much so at the gangly teenage stage , lovely head shape with correct eye & ear, nice depth of chest & when body fills out more will balance her profile picture, in good coat which was well presented, today moved better in front as still needs to strengthen in her rear.

Sp Beginners B (1) : 1 Laws' Calvenace Honky Tonk Woman not a heavily coated b but it was of correct texture & she was in hard condition, has a nicely shaped head with strong jaw & good dentition, her young handler when asked to move her at a slower pace then got her to move a lot better, she moved better in front than from her rear. Well handled & presented her handler later won Child Handling under me where she excelled at listening to instruction & showed her to advantage.

P. Grad B (1) : 1 & R.B.B. William's Astra Fidelis Lola Of Gwendonydd, 3 yr old b who captivated me with her movement on first run around, excellent strength in her jaw with well set ear & eyes, she relaxed herself well with time & presented a profile of a feminine elegant bitch with good bone, lovely front & well set rear which just needs to tighten more, coat was well presented & just needs a shade more length, correct feet & tail.

Limit B (4-1abs) : 1 Shrive's Clanhanna Reet Petite not yet 3 this bitch was a pleasing feminine size, correct in head & neck, scored well on the move to win this class, liked her coat, good top line, ribs well sprung & short strong loin, stands firm in her rear with hocks firm, good feet, 2 Hughlock's Keevasdream Ballerina Blue JW similar in size & stature she was not as heavily coated as 1, good neck & top line, well set in her hocks, correct tail, prefer the front of 1 ; 3 Tilley's Brynhir Born To Boogie At Stark JW.

Open B (4-2abs) : 1, B.B. & B.I.S. Satherley's Ch Silkcroft Fortune And Glory JW, not yet 2 this bitch excelled herself both moving & inner ring presence, excellent dentition in a strong firm jaw, lovely square muzzle shape, correct ear size & placement, good dark eyes & rims, very firm neck, excellent straight front, the best of body shape, she was in excellent coat & hard condition, tail of good length & set, excelled over the male in the challenge with her stride ; 2 Springford's Ch Keevasdream White Linen JW more mature 6 yr old well worthy of her title, feminine size with firm bone structure of balance all through, well held head of good shape & strong in jaw with correct bite, in excellent body with good tail set, unfortunately today reluctant to have her rear gone over & therefore was tucking under on the move, sadly bitches can do this due to situations, has correct shaped feet & in good show condition.

Progeny (2-1abs) : 1 Ch House of Softy Indus with several of his quality progeny.

Brace (2-1abs) : 1 Grimes & Watson's who were fun to see giving their handler a hard time.

Mark Ord (Judge)