



SOFT COATED WHEATEN TERRIER CLUB OF GB

OPEN SHOW NORTH

13th September 2024

Judge : Barbara Lawrence (Surreygold)

This show was scheduled to take place on Sunday 25th August, 2024. Unfortunately due to the severe damage caused by Storm Lillian it was rearranged to go ahead in partnership with Darlington Championship Show on Terrier Day, Friday 13th September, 2024. So, many thanks to the Committee for inviting me to judge and then managing to re book the show so quickly and many thanks to all the exhibitors who originally entered under me and enormous thanks to those that were able to come / stay on the day and exhibit in OSN.

The quality of the entrants was very high and I really enjoyed judging the 18 dogs that were able to come out of the 26 dogs entered. In my critique the ages written for the dogs are their age on 13th September, when they were judged. Several of the decisions were tough!

Many thanks to Maureen, my steward, who managed us all so well and got us all through the show in good time so you could go home and put your feet up after such a long day!

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Baby Puppies

The first two classes were for baby puppy dogs and baby puppy bitches. The three baby puppies present were siblings and many of the comments on structure apply to all three puppies. Thank you for entering them – it was a lovely, enjoyable start to the show!

Baby Puppy Dog (1,0)

1.Satherley's Silkcroft Perfect Symmetry (AI) A very lovely, happy puppy, just short of 18 weeks old, enjoying a day out! Finer head, dark eyes, lovely reach of neck, well angulated and balanced, good tail carriage and a lovely coat with soft waves already developing. Good movement. BBPD

Baby Puppy Bitch (2,0)

1.Satherley's Silkcroft Is It Any Wonder (AI) Like her brother but with a stunning, very soft, Wheaten coloured coat. She is very pretty and moved like a dream BBPB & BBPIS
2.Satherley's Silkcroft Crystal Ball (AI) Another lovely puppy, well schooled and very similar to her brother but her movement not as good as her sister's today.

Veteran Dog (1,0)

1.Patterson's Snowmeadow Sauls Symphony to Gavleash A 7 year old dog, well put together and just getting better and better every time I see him! Well balanced throughout with a strong masculine head, good bite, good angulation front and rear with a good depth of chest. Good muscle and a lovely Wheaten coat. Moved well. BVD & BVIS

Puppy Dog (0)

Junior Dog (0)

Special Beginner Dog (1,0)

1. Weightman's Calvenace Got Potential 2½ year old dog – first time at a show, I believe -who was very happy to come to the show but once there decided that he would prefer to sit and watch rather than have me go over him and participate! He was very smart with a lovely head and small ears, good eye colour, pale coat still to mature, good muscle. Thank you for bringing him.

Post Graduate Dog (0)

Limit Dog (1,0)

1. Gent's Calvenace House of Fun Very nice 3 year old dog with good head, dark hazel eye and good bite, lovely length of neck, good angulation, well balanced, short coupled and with good muscle. Good movement. Paler coat at present, still maturing with the curl just coming RBD

Open Dog (2,0)

1. Charleton's House of Softy Indus (Imp Swe) ShCEx Stunning 4 year old dog. Correct size, correct coat, lovely movement. A good masculine head well balanced and in proportion, dark eyes, good bite and a big black nose! Good length of neck flowing into well laid back shoulders; good depth of chest, well balanced with good angulation, correct tail set and carriage. Well muscled throughout, coat a lovely warm honey colour with abundant soft curls. BD,BOB & BIS

2. Herbert's Saffini Smooth Operator at Julibidd I have judged this dog before - he is always wagging his tail – a very happy dog! He is now 3 years old and his coat is now maturing. He has a really nice masculine head, neat ears and good pigmentation, strong neck, level topline and good tail set and carriage. Short coupled, hard muscle and went well.

Veteran Bitch (2,2a)

Puppy Bitch (1,0)

1. Thoburn's Northridge Wolf Bluff What a beautiful puppy, 7 months old, with a gorgeous, soft coat with waves and loose curls! Pretty feminine head with flat skull, dark hazel eyes and a lovely large black nose. Moderate length of neck and level topline. Good angulation and balance, good depth of chest and hard muscle tone. Good tail set and perfect tail carriage. She moved effortlessly around the ring. BPB & BPIS

Junior Bitch (2,1a)

1. Barton – Brown's Alidoulali Dancing Queen 16 months old, pale coloured coat that is just starting to mature and get its waves. Nice girl, finer head, good pigmentation and reach of neck, shoulder well laid back and good depth of chest. Moved ok, good presentation.

Special Beginners Bitch (2,1a)

1. Barton – Brown's Alidoulali Dancing Queen – as above

Post Graduate Bitch (0)

Limit Bitch (8,3a)

I was spoilt for choice in the next two classes with all the entrants of high quality.

1. Shrive's Clanhanna Reet Petite (AI) Beautiful bitch of almost three years and of correct size and with a lovely mature Wheaten coat of waves and loose curls. Everything about her was balanced and in proportion, nothing exaggerated. Pretty feminine head well proportioned with flat skull and good dark eyes and bite. Good length of neck flowing into well laid back shoulders, level topline and tail well set and carried correctly. Good depth of chest and well ribbed back. Good reach and drive giving excellent movement. BB, BOS & RBIS

2. Tilley's Brynhir Born To Boogie at Starzak JW Another lovely bitch. Two years old with a lovely clear Wheaten coloured coat which is maturing beautifully. Correct size, compact, good angulation, good topline, tail set and carriage. Moved well.

3. Thoburn's Northridge Hold Your Horses

Open Bitch (4,1a)

1.Howes's Ch Flaxela Flirtini at Daisymaes JW (AI) Another lovely bitch. Now just 3 years old, she is well balanced throughout with good angulation and a lovely mature Wheaten coat. Feminine head with good pigmentation, lovely neck and good topline with excellent tail set and carriage. Strong bone and good muscles. Excellent movement. RBB

2.Charleton's House of Softy Indi Janeyjimjams (Imp Swe) Yet another lovely bitch – correct size and very good construction throughout. Lovely head, flat skull, medium sized ears, dark eyes and good pigmentation. Lovely length of neck flowing in to well laid back shoulders. Not quite the condition of (1) today but I understand that she is just returning to the ring after maternity duties

3.Satherley's Ch Silkcroft Never Miss A Beat

Brace

1.Charleton's House of Softy brother and sister – these two flowed around the ring and were so similar in looks as one may expect from litter mates.

2.Thoburn's Northridge "duo" – I understood that this was the first time that these two bitches, one almost 3 years old and one 7 months old, had attempted this! They really did quite well but the litter mates (1) won on looks and movement today!

Junior Handling

6 – 11 (0)

12 – 16 (1,1a)

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