

GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB OF VICTORIA (INC)
Championship Show Critique
Sunday 17 April 2005
Judge: Mr Roy Maynard (UK)

The Committee and their many helpers should be commended for organizing such a well run show. I have been fortunate to have judged Golden Club Shows in many countries and I have to say that the sporting enthusiasm during the show and after the show presentation atmosphere was the best I have ever been part of. The entry was extremely pleasing to judge with some top class exhibits competing. My CC and RC award winners would match the best anywhere. On the whole, the presentation was excellent. Some of my decisions were close, which within a quality class line up meant many “on the day” selections.

Critique

BABY PUPPY DOG 8 entries – 2 Absent

- 1st **Parkridge Beyond Belief** **Parkridge Kennels**
(Xanthos Fletcher Christian JW (Imp UK) x Dobro Chilli Vanilli)
Eyecatching baby coming up to 6 months of age. Super head with dark eye and pigment. Straight front, good neck, shoulders and topline. Well made body. Shown in good coat with great ring presence.
- 2nd **Fernfall Victory Song** **J Fall**
(Ch Tulzean Autumn Tango x Annador Just Remember)
Delightful baby approaching 6 months old. Appealing head, good reach of neck, nice tight feet. Not as mature in body today as class winner, but time will enhance and should go on to have a good future. Presented in fine bloom, with good movement.
- 3rd **Validus Champagne Ice** **A & D Crowley**
(Crowlee Flying Scotsman x Cyndanz My Sharona)
Quality baby of 5 months of age. Lovely head and expression, well developed body shape, nice tight feet. Well presented, moved freely.

MINOR PUPPY DOG 3 Entries

- 1st **Goldshyne Gryffindor** **Goldshyne Kennels**
(Xanthos Fletcher Christian JW (Imp UK) x Dobro Gold Shine)
Superb Puppy, delightful head and expression, with dark eye and pigmentation. Good reach of neck, with straight front and correct shoulder placement. Level topline that flowed into correct tail set. Well angulated. Very well presented in excellent coat and condition. He moved freely and with confidence.
- 2nd **Dykinta Classified** **W Atkins**
(Ch Dykinta Bold Benson x Ch Dykinta Inciter)
Another very promising boy, with very nice head and appealing looks. Flowing topline and tail set with well made body. Moving well from sound quarters giving a balanced outline.
- 3rd **Giltedge The Poet** **Beaucroft Kennels and D Wadsley**
(Ch Standfast Dream Ticket from Kerrien (Imp UK) x Ch Giltedge Charlotte)
I really liked this young lad who was out of the CC winner. Just not as forward as those placed above him today but when his body develops will have the style that his present shape promises. Liked his head and flow of neck into his top line. Straight front and nice tight feet. Gave an overall appealing outline.

PUPPY DOG

4 Entries – 1 Absent

- 1st **Trigolden Heza Monty** **W Duynhoven**
(Ch Goldog Alpine Goodshow x Ch Goldog Alpine Hylandmist)
Outstanding puppy that stood out with style and ring presence. Super head and gentle expression. Darkest of pigment, excellent reach of neck into well laid shoulders, straight front, tight feet. Good depth of rib, with balanced compact body; he had a dead level topline and correct tail set. Standing he presented a mature profile and on the move he had a flowing driving action. His mid gold coat gleamed in the sunlight. In the Challenge kept up his positive ring posture to take out Puppy in Show.
- 2nd **Jonesh Charles Darwin (AI)** **CR & LA Jones**
(Ch Tasvane Charles Henry x Ch Giltedge Jane Eyre)
Pleasing head with dark pigment, excellent reach of neck, compact body with correct topline and tail set. Well presented and in good coat. Not as mature as class winner but time will enhance.
- 3rd **Everglo Double Image** **PR Brinsley**
(Ribbonwood Carbon Copy x Ribbonwood Chorus Girl)
Smart all round puppy with pleasing outline. Well presented and eye catching; moved and showed well.

JUNIOR DOG

7 Entries

- 1st **Giltedge Blackwatch** **S & K Handley**
(Ch Standfast Dream Ticket from Kerrien (Imp UK) x Yellowfetch Pixie Dust)
Superb young dog who I would suggest will go all the way to the top. Balanced and upstanding with all the attributes of a top winner. Excellent masculine head with dark eye and pigment, good reach of neck flowing into level topline with correct tail set, fine spring of rib and well bent stifle. Rich golden coat that gleamed in the sunlight, sound purposeful driving movement that flowed as he covered the ground. I was pleased to award him the Res Challenge Dog. I will watch his progress with much interest.
- 2nd **Dykinta Code Breaker** **W Atkins**
(Ch Dykinta Bold Benson x Dykinta Cant Stop T Rain)
Another who was eye catching on the move. Deep golden coated, well muscled. Stood up straight and true. Well boned with tight feet. Shoulders well laid back. Strong hind quarters which he used to an advantage striding around and tail set.
- 3rd **Chaleur High N Mighty** **MT & PJ Hodges**
(Aust and NZ Ch Kaparla Loch Invar (Imp NZ and Chaleur Witchery)
Pleasing type of dog, well presented, producing an overall balanced picture. Well made body with nice tight feet. Another who moves with real purpose.

INTERMEDIATE DOG

13 Entries – 2 Absent

- 1st **Fantango After the Reign** **J Dulke**
(Ch Fantango Purpose Reign x Fantango Affair T Remember)
Top class boy who I am sure has a great future ahead of him. Glamorous profile with a super shape. Appealing in head with excellent pigment, reach of neck and front assembly. Good spring of rib and forechest, level in topline with correct set on tail. Well made back end with fine bend of stifle. So well presented in super coat and condition. Sound positive movement. Just not as steady on the move today when deciding the top honours but I am sure his day will come. Best intermediate.
- 2nd **Ch Fernfall Tango with Me** **J, J, R & C Forbes**
(Ch Tulzean Autumn Tango x Fernfall Return to Sender)

- Close up to winner, with pleasing head, good front, flowing reach of neck, well sprung ribs. Sound well made body. Strong hind quarters which he used to good advantage on the move. Well presented in good coat and hard condition.
- 3rd **Ch Sunrapt Keziahbush Mandate (Imp NZ) Kessiah Kennels**
 (NZ Ch McIlroy Millenium Choir Boy x NS Ch Glentreve Iced Rose)
 Nicely balanced, with masculine head, level topline and with good angles front and rear. Good bone with neat feet. Shown in good coat, moved and showed well.

AUST BRED DOG

13 Entries – 3 Absent

- 1st **Ch Dobro Samurai Guy L Molnar**
 (Aust & UK Ch Stanroph Shogun (Imp UK) x Ch Jonesh Emily Bronte (AI))
 My star of the day, who caught my eye and commanded my attention on entering the ring and moving around. This lad every inch the Champion. He would trouble the best anywhere. Handsome head with appealing expression and fine dark pigment. Superb reach of neck and shoulder placement, straightest of fronts with tight cat like feet. So pleasing to see a good length of upper arm, deep through the chest that gave a balanced mature outline. Level topline with correct tail set, hind quarters that are strong and well muscles, entered today in first rate condition
- 2nd **Conarhu Gonwith The Wind R Connah**
 (Aust and Eng Ch Stanroph Shogun (Imp UK) x Ribbonwood Stage Hit)
 Presentation excellent, masculine head, level topline, with super spring of rib. Well made back end with good angulation. Moved well and with good driving action. This dog appealed for his ring presence and showmanship that he carried off with style.
- 3rd **Leighvalley Eldorado D & J Patterson**
 (Gr Ch & T Ch Goldog Alpine Snowyriver x Ch Balarishnan Hot Property)
 Good headed dog with fine reach of neck and topline, nicely angled. Sound substance with well made deep body. Presented in fine bloom and condition. Moved with purpose.

OPEN DOG

19 Entries – 3 Absent

- 1st **Gr Ch Dykinta Cause F Applause W Atkins**
 (Perrecca Talk O The Town x Ch Dykinta Sweet Dixie CDX RRD)
 As his title stated a Grand Champion who shows himself off with great distinction. Rich deep golden coat that sparkled outlining his many fine attributes. Appealing head with dark eye and pigment, good reach of neck which is clean, good in shoulder placement, with straight front. Deep well made body, with well angulated hindquarters. Moved and showed all time commanding attention. Brought here today in good order.
- 2ND **Ch Tulzean Autumn Tango J Fall**
 (Aust and Eng Ch Stanroph Shogun (Imp UK) x Strathraer Arctic Skye (IID))
 Another worthy champion of such good type. Very stylish with an appealing balanced outline. Masculine head with well made body shape. Level topline and well set on tail. Very well turned out. Moved with great purpose and drive.
- 3rd **Xanthos Fletcher Christian JW (ImpUK) L Molnar**
 (Nu, Swd, Nord Ch Fr Field Trialler Inassicas Song of Songs x Xanthos To Be Sure)
 Up standing dog of merit, so well presented as were all the exhibits from this kennel today. Certainly made his mark today as the sire of the Baby Puppy Dog, Puppy Dog, Minor Puppy Bitch and Puppy Bitch winners. This boy has the class to pass on the many fine attributes he holds. So well made with clean lines and fine body shape. Grand ring presence with good solid striding movement.

VETERAN DOG

4 Entries – 1 Absent

3 Champion senior gentlemen who are great ambassadors for our breed

1st **Gr Ch Goldog Alpine Highland** **L Harrowfield**

(Ch Perrecca Dorchester x Ch Goldog Alpine Serra)

At 10 years old moving around the ring with youthful zest. Not looking his age at all, lovely outline, good angles both front and rear. Still moving with great purpose keeping his topline and wagging his tail the whole time. He is a credit to his owner.

2nd **Ch Fernfall Sea Legend** **J Fall**

(Ch Fernfall Sun Down x Ch Pointgold Unforgettable)

Admired this dog for all round quality. Balanced outline, good shoulders, nicely angled quarters. Good angulation both front and rear, in super coat. Strong driving movement, presented in sound condition.

3rd **Standfast Dreamticket from Kerrien (ImpUK)** **J McDonald & K Handley**

(Eng Sh Ch Crowood Butch Cassidy x Darrachonna Tzarini of Standfast)

Thrilled to go over this dog, for I admire his sire and his attributes have been passed on. Classic head and expression, with deep mature well made body,

BABY PUPPY BITCH

11 Entries – 1 Absent

1st **Ambermist Just Devine** **Parkridge Kennels**

(Ambermist Grand Design x Ch Willowbrook Hot Tamarli)

Lovely baby approaching 6 months old that shows much promise. Super head and neck flowing into an appealing body shape. Moved with good true style. Her maturity and balanced profile won her the class. Best Baby Puppy.

2nd **Giltedge Hollywood** **S & K Handley**

(Ch Giltedge Hemingway and Ch Giltedge Florida Storm)

Super baby of 4 months old that has it all. Sweetest of heads, nice straight front, compact well angulated body. Moved around the ring full of confidence, as she matures should have a great future. Could have taken her home.

3rd **Goldshyne Dream Believer** **Goldshyne Kennels**

(Dobro Diamond Edge (AI) x Ch Fernfall China Rose)

Appealing baby of 5 months that has all the attributes to go on to give good account to herself. She presented a nicely balanced picture in body shape and has happy positive movement. Shown in good coat.

MINOR PUPPY BITCH

7 Entries – 2 Absent

1st **Goldshyne Whizz Fizz** **Goldshyne Kennels**

(Xanthos Fletcher Christian JW (Imp UK) x Dobro Gold Shine)

Superb puppy of 6 months. Delightful head and expression with the darkest of pigment. Such a good reach of neck, with straight front, level topline that flowed into a correct tail set. Excellent coat and condition. She moved freely and with confidence.

2nd **Goldew Jubilee** **C Cooke**

(Ch Yellowfetch Burnin Bush x Strathraer Blue Denim)

Another super puppy. Very appealing in head with dark eye and pigment. Very good reach of neck. Level top line with correct set on tail. Presented in fine bloom and condition.

3rd **Fantango Shall We Dance** **Goldsirius Kennels**

(Ch Fantango Purple Reign x Ch Goldtreve Camrose Tango)

This was another really nice baby. Very well made throughout, giving a good balanced outline. Very well turned out in lovely coat.

PUPPY BITCH

5 Entries – 2 Absent

- 1st **Dobro Tiger Moth** **L Molnar**
(Xanthos Fletcher Christian JW (Imp UK) x Dobro Ocean Fantasea)
Outstanding puppy that just stood out for quality. She looked so mature in profile and has the ring presence of a seasoned campaigner. Sweetest of heads and beautiful feminine balance. Superb reach of neck into well laid shoulders. Straight front and nice tight feet, best of top lines and rear angulation, neat hocks. Beautifully presented in sparkling coat and condition and with movement that was true and positive. Best Puppy of Breed.
- 2nd **Fernfall Annabella** **W & I Johnson**
(Ch Fernfall Sun Power x Fernfall Liberty Belle)
Very nicely constructed girl with attractive head and expression, another good in reach of neck, with compact body giving a balanced outline. Nice tight feet, she moved well from sound quarters.
- 3rd **Camuka Kissed by an Angel** **M & J Hodges**
(Ambermist Grand Design x Camuka Rhapsody In Blue)
Another super puppy with good construction, well presented in good coat with purposeful movement.

JUNIOR BITCH

8 Entries – 1 Absent

- 1st **Fernfall Beyond Paradise** **S Penketh**
(Ch Tulzean Autumn Tango x Ch Fernfall Watermark)
Very nicely constructed bitch shown in first rate condition. Lovely head with pleasing expression, dark eye and pigment that stood out against her attractive coat. Excellent reach of neck and shoulder placement, great spring of rib, level topline with good turn of stifle. Moved with drive.
- 2nd **Goldshyne Heart N Soul** **A & N Kelton**
(Dobro Ocean Cruise x Goldshyne Abetter League)
Nicely balanced girl with pleasing expression. Another that excels in neck and shoulder placement. Well sprung ribs and level topline with good turn of stifle, giving an appealing outline. Very well presented and moving well.
- 3rd **Kamelot Lady of the Lake** **D & P Bristow**
(Crowlee Royal Flush CDX x Goldshyne Sasha)
Very pleasing in outline, attractive head with dark eye and dark pigment. Good in topline and balanced body shape. Moved and showed well.

INTERMEDIATE BITCH

16 Entries – 2 Absent

- 1st **Dobro Delilah (AI)** **L Molnar**
(UK Sh Ch Golmas Governor x Dobro Free As A Bird (AI))
Upstanding bitch of merit. Balanced with excellent conformation. Lovely head and expression. Excels in reach of neck with correct shoulder placement, well made body with good spring of rib, level topline flowing into correct tail set. Well presented, moved with purpose and with drive.
- 2nd **Fantango Center Stage** **JA Dulke and K Handley**
(Ch Dobro Samurai Guy and Fantango Come What May)
Another that caught my eye and commands attention. Pleasing head, correct in neck and shoulders, straightest of fronts with well bent stifles. Dead level topline with correctly set on tail. So well presented giving a balanced picture. This was a case where the class winner was truer in movement on the day.

3rd **Beaucroft Game Ochance** **J Hill**
(Ch Giltedge The Gambler x Ch Beaucroft Raphaela)
Pleasing bitch presented in good order. Balanced profile of correct proportions, good body depth, with neat feet. Not as steady in movement as those in front of her today.

AUST BRED BITCH 16 Entries – 3 Absent

1st **Ch Giltedge Charlotte** **J McDonald and K Handley**
(Ch Stanroph School Boy (Imp UK) x Fantango in Poppyfields)
A super show girl with commanding ring presence. A real class performer that I feel could take top honours on any show stage. Lovely feminine head with dark eye and pigmentation. Excellent reach of neck and shoulder placement, straight front, level topline, flowing into correct tail set, good depth of rib with excellent bend of stifle. Presented in sound hard condition and beautiful coat. Standing and on the move she filled my eye with her balanced outline. I was pleased to award her the CC and Runner-Up to Best In Show.

2nd **Ch Dykinta The Inciter** **W Atkins**
(Ch Dykinta Grand Slam x Dykinta Cant Stop T Rain)
Quality bitch, very elegant with balanced outline. Liked her head and expression. Another with very good neck and shoulder placement. Level topline and correct tail set. Well ribbed body, presented in tip top condition. Another with driving movement.

3rd **Taumac Golden Crystal (AI)** **Beaucroft Kennels**
(Glennessa Playboy (Imp UK) x Ch Taumac Golden Cullen)
Another quality girl that caught my eye for her balance and style. Pleasing head and expression. Reachy neck, straight front, nice tight feet, level topline and well made body. Today in between coats.

OPEN BITCH 14 Entries – 3 Absent

1st **Dobro Ocean Fantasea** **L Molnar**
(Aust and UK Ch Stanroph Shogun (Imp UK) x Dobro Sea O'Dreams)
This bitch really had to show well to beat 2nd. So nicely balanced, with super head and pleasing expression. Straight front, tight feet, with correct shoulder placement. Deep mature chest with level topline and correct tail set; superb bend of stifle. Presented in excellent coat and first rate condition. Excellent flowing movement that just edged her in the class. I was pleased to award her the Reserve CC. I am sure she will go to take top honours.

2nd **Ch Giltedge Tara** **S & K Handley**
(Ch Standfast Dream Ticket from Kerrien (Imp UK) x Ch Giltedge Virginia)
A quality girl who commanded my attention. Such an appealing head with pleasing expression with lovely dark eye. Very good reach of neck, well laid shoulders, straight front with tightest of feet. Level topline, well made body, with super quarters. Her elegance and style both standing and on the move makes her the worthy champion she is. Presented in superb coat and condition.

3rd **Aust and NZ Ch Dykinta Take a Chance** **W Atkins**
(Gr Ch Dykinta Cause F Applause x Ch Dykinta Genuine Class)
Very nicely construction with attractive head and expression. Good in reach of neck, compact body giving a balanced outline. Nice tight feet, moved well from sound quarters. Well presented. Just in between coats today. A top class exhibit.

VETERAN BITCH

5 Entries – 1 Absent

- 1st **Gr Ch Perrecca Paloma** **W Atkins**
(Gr Ch Deanchel Love Me Tender x Dykinta Prime Time)
Such a great showgirl of 8 years young. So nicely balanced, with appealing head and expression. Very good reach of neck and topline and a body shape of a youngster. Presented in fine bloom with sound movement. Best Veteran in Show.
- 2nd **Ch Fernfall Watermark** **J Fall**
(Ch Fernfall Sun Power x Ch Pointgold Unforgettable)
Lovely balanced outline and so nicely constructed carrying her 7 years lightly. Very well presented in beautiful coat and condition, great driving movement.
- 3rd **Ch Tamesis Honey Kiss An Angel** **V Davis**
(Ch Tamesis Tobias x Diogenes Honeysuckle)
Another with such a balanced outline and pleasing body shape. Moved and showed really well, presented in fine fettle.

SPECIAL VETERAN

4 Entries – 2 Absent

- 1st **Ch Warlaven Lady of Class (Imp NZ)**
(NZ) Ch Heathermist Double Agent (Imp Aust) x Taumac Lady Celeste (Imp Aust)
Class by name and class she was. At 11 years old she is in such good order, keeping her shape with a body so trim and fit. Her movement on such a hot day was a joy to see.
- 2nd **Ch Deanchel Color Me Gold** **D & J Patterson**
(Aust Gr & NZ Ch Deanchel Bertie Wooster x Deanchel Color Ofmylove)
Has great balance, with classy outline, stylish ring presence and so well presented in super coat. Just carrying a touch too much weight today.