

Championship Show Critique

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First of all I want to thank you for inviting me. I have been a little around in Victoria and it is wonderful. A special thanks to Carol and David Stafford, who have taken so good care of me, thank you.

About the show, I found a lot of excellent dogs with good coats, bones and feet. Most of them also have very good character. I found some, especially in junior bitches, a little too soft. I hope they improve for the future.

I found some with not so good croup, but overall you have good backends with good angulations. The problem I found was in front construction. You need to think about how to get better fore chests, longer upper arms and better layback shoulders. This with fronts problem I feel is a problem also in Europe and not only in Golden Retrievers. Many dogs were standing beautifully, but when they moved they were loose in the top line and did not get enough length in movements. I saw dogs who took long steps and not going like a sewing machine. They should be taking ground. I also think that your dogs run too fast and therefore you do not get a typical golden movement.

Now to the Golden Retrievers;

Baby Puppy Dog

Winner AVONBREEZE SILVER DOLLAR. He was typical dog; good outline good substance and very good bones, excellent body, good angulations in back, should be better in front. He was strong in the movements and good at top line.

Number Two AVONBREEZE SILVER SHADOW a little brother was a masculine dog with good body and elegant, moves with good step but was loose in top line and in front and back movements.

Number Three GOANNAGOLD HIRO was a masculine dog with good body and bones but was looser in movements than the two before him.

About puppy class you as always judge for the day, so some of the dogs have not the best day, you just have to wait and see!

Minor Puppy Dog

Winner TRIGOLDEN LUV TO TANGO was a compact dog with excellent angulations and good all-over has good length of steps; still a little loose.

Number Two DOBRO MICKEY FYNN nice outline good angulations, moves well but not my type of head.

Number Three GOLDSTREEM DARE TO DREAM nice dog with good head, well angulated, good bones. Very loose in movements.

Puppy Dog

Winner BARADAV GOINPLACES very good outline, masculine head, well angulated very good movement

Number Two LEANR CHASE TH DREAM good substance well angulated; short croup that you can see in movement, moves with good steps not in coat.

Number Three KAREDON BRIGHT LIGHT nice standing with good bones and body ;good angulated; back not so good; in front could have better croup; still very loose in movement not got any harmony.

Junior Dog

Winner PERRECCA UNPRECEDENTED lovely masculine dog in good condition; excellent head; could be better angulated in front; very good back; moves very well.

Number Two ACACIAN SPECIAL EVENT lovely dog in good condition, well angulated; moves very well, not my type of head.

Number Three ASHIYA QUEST TO DREAM compact dog with masculine head; good angulation; good bones, moves with very good steps, a little low on the legs for me.

Intermediate Dog

Winner CH FERNFALL ARAMIS GOLD masculine lovely head, very good top line, well angulated, moves very well. A classic Golden.

Number Two CH GILTEDGE THE POET nice outline; well angulated. Could have better stop and head; moves well but today a little heavy.

Number Three SHANNONGOLD SUMMER EDITION AT BUFFALO masculine head but could have better foreface. A little short in neck well ribbed body, loose in movement but very good steps.

Australian Bred Dog

Winner DOBRO DIAMOND EDGE excellent outline, well coming together with good angulations. Beautiful head; good size moves very well.

Number Two GILTEDGE BLACK WATCH excellent outline, masculine head, excellent expression, moves well but carries the tail too high.

Number Three AVONBREEZE McLEOD well angulated, good body and bones; moves well; not in best coat and not my type of head.

Open Dog

Winner CH CHALEUR CODE OV SILENCE wonderful outline; good size; masculine head with beautiful expression; well angulated; moves wonderfully.

Number Two CH GOLDEW DREAM WEAVER Excellent dog; well made with good angulations. Masculine, moves very well; not in best coat.

Number Three CH CAMUKA MONARCH OFTHEGLEN well put together; excellent head and expression; good body moves with good steps; but a little heavy today.

Veteran Dog

Winner CH LAWNWOODS RUSTIC RIAN UD in beautiful condition; masculine head well angulated; good bones, good size; moves very well.

Number Two GR CH GOLDOG ALPINE HIGHLAND Excellent head with excellent expression; well angulated; in standing wonderful but moves a little heavily but with good steps.

Number Three CH LAYANDA ACES IMAGE Nice outline; good head; good bones not in best coat; moves very well but could be better angulated.

Resume for dogs

I was very pleased with my winners and think that it was very high class in them. I have sometimes problem with placement then I found some of the dogs in heavy conditions and a little too heavy in the head for me. Some of them were lacking stop.

Baby Puppy Bitch

Winner KAPARLA LEGAL EAGLE Beautiful head with nice expression. Feminine good outlook. Good bones and body, moves with very good steps.

Number Two EMPEROSGOLD LADY MUCK Nice made, well angulated; not in best coat; moves well when she wants to!

Number Three MESHKHEENT DARVANE Feminine head; good body; strong top line good angulated back; not so good in front; short neck; moves well behind but short in front steps.

Minor Puppy Bitch

Winner FANTANGO WHATA GIRLWANTS very sweet bitch with quality, well angulated; good bone and body; moves very well.

Number Two DOBRO GUINEVERE sweet feminine bitch; not in best coat; well angulated; good body; a little loose in pastern (east west). Well put together, moves well.

Number Three DOBRO RUBY TUESDAY sweet bitch with good construction; nice head and good body; a little loose in pastern (east west); still loose in movements.

Puppy Bitch

Winner DONSUE REMEMBER ME Bitch with quality. Nice head good body; well angulated in back; good angulated in front; good size of legs, strong in movements.

Number Two SANTAMARIA BLAZE OF GLORY very sweet; standing well; made good breast case; too heavy in head for me; very loose in movement.

Number Three JACSAMMEL HIGH HOPE nice head; excellent angulations; very loose in movement.

Junior Bitch

Winner DOBRO GOLDEN SLIPPER, compact outline with quality, well angulated, good breast case, moves very well.

Number Two ASHIYA DREAM COME TRUE, Feminine outline, nice head but little Chinese eyes that spoil the expression, well angulated, could have more spring of ribs, loose in movements.

Number Three DOBRO FOREVER AMBER, feminine bitch, well made, nice head; big eyes that spoil expression, weak in pastern, needs to improve in movement.

Intermediate Bitch

Winner CH ACACIAN BELLA DONNA, compact bitch; feminine head, good body and bones, excellent top line, moves very well. She is a little too heavy for me.

Number Two GOLDTREVE WILD CHILD, feminine bitch, well made, good body with good fore chest, moves well, not in best of coat.

Number Three GOLDOG ALPINE SWEETSUE, feminine bitch with beautiful head, could have more fore chest and angulations in front. Good body and bones, moves well from back; a little short in steps in front.

Australian Bred Bitch

Winner CH FANTANGO JUST THE TICKET, wonderful bitch, well made, good forechest, well angulated, moves wonderful, not in best coat.

Number Two DOBRO DIAMOND MAGIC, excellent bitch, feminine, well angulated, good body and bone, could move better.

Number Three TULZEAN WATER SPRITE, bitch full of quality, feminine head with excellent expression, good body and bones, needs more fore chest, moves well in back but little short steps in front.

Open Bitch

Winner CH GILTEDGE TARA, well made bitch, feminine head with lovely expression, well angulated, good body and bone, nice coat, moves very well, a lady, but a little heavy for me.

Number Two CH DOBRO ETERNAL FLAME, feminine bitch with quality, beautiful head, well angulated, good body and bones, could move better.

Number Three CH FANTANGO CENTRE STAGE, Bitch with quality, well made, well angulated, good body and bones, moves well, a little too much for me.

Veteran Bitch

Winner CH STENBURY SEA FANTASY, a bitch in good condition, well made, moves very well.

Number Two GR CH ALNCLAIR MAGGIE MAY, feminine head with good expression, moves well for age, not in coat.

Number Three CH AURUM HIGH FIDELITY, feminine head, needs more body, but still a nice bitch.

Resume for bitches

The bitches were overall in better quality, many were very nice standing but could be better in movements, for my taste I found some of them a little too heavy.

BEST IN SHOW was CH CHALEUR CODE OV SILENCE - a dog I could take with me home!!!!!!!!!!!!!!