

# **GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB OF VICTORIA INC.**

## **41ST CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW 25/10/2008**

### **Judge: Mrs Beryl Liggins**

I felt it an honour and a privilege to be invited to judge your lovely Golden Retrievers and am delighted to say that I was not disappointed in any way. Their temperament was excellent, as it should be, but sadly in Europe we are losing this in some. Condition and presentation were also excellent. Your hospitality was excellent and I must say a big 'thank you to Neville and Cheryl; you kept me on my toes all day! You did a sterling job. The pipers nearly got me all emotional, as I grew up in Scotland with the music and love it.

My sincere thanks to Carol and all the hard working team for making our first visit to your wonderful country such a memorable one. It is a trip we will never forget. I now appreciate how far exhibitors have to travel for shows and thank them for bringing their lovely dogs for me to judge. I found in most classes very close decisions, the quality being very good, and am sure you change places many times at shows. I am quite sure if many of you competed in UK, you would give us a run for our money. Hope to see some of you at Crufts!

#### **Baby Puppy Dog**

1. Mrs C Cooke's Dream Max Nordman (Imp Swed)  
Lovely type, quality pup with lovely head and expression, well balanced with good angulation for age, level topline, moved very well, shows lots of promise.
2. Mr & Mrs Morghem's Fernfall Rio Grande  
Another lovely baby but at an 'in between stage at present' lovely head, dark pigment, good confirmation, moved very well.
3. Buffalo Knls' Ambermist Optimum Design (AI)  
Completed a trio of lovely youngsters, lovely type with good all round conformation, not as positive on the move as 2nd.

#### **Minor Puppy Dog**

1. Mrs K Connell's Eurogold Eye Witness  
Quality youngster with lovely head and expression well angulated both front and rear with balanced body and level topline. Sound in movement, a lovely type.
2. Mrs D Petterwood's Goldew McDreamy  
Lovely youngster showing lots of promise. Lovely head with soft expression, well balanced with good angulation and level topline. Moved out well.
3. A & D Crowley's Crowlee Rave Review  
Another promising youngster with similar attributes, lovely head and expression, well balanced with good angulation and level topline. Moved well.

#### **Puppy Dog**

1. M & J Hodges' Camuka Village Gossip  
Liked this boy for his overall type, well balanced with good head and expression, straight front and correct shoulder angulation, strong bone with neat feet. Level topline, well angulated rear. Moved very well.

2. Ms L List's Haydengold Power of One

Good type with lovely head and well balanced throughout with good angulation. Level topline. Moved okay, would like to see him have a little more confidence.

3. Goldshyne Knls' Goldshyne Step by Step

Nice type with good balance, masculine head with nice expression. Good neck and shoulders, level topline, moved okay, needs time to fill his frame.

### **Junior Dog**

1. S Addison's Giltedge Who Dares Wins

Quality extrovert boy of lovely type with super head. Excels in neck and shoulder angulation, straight front, body well balanced with level topline. Well angulated quarters. Very sound and stylish on the move. Shown in lovely coat and condition, gave his handler a real hard time. Must have a bright future.

2. Beaucroft Knls' Larbellah Take the Lead

Another good youngster with lovely head. Good balance and all round conformation, level topline, strong quarters. Note quite so positive on the move.

3. D & S Piper's Burragundy Braveheart

Lovely head, balanced with good angulation, would prefer a better topline and tailset is a little low. Moved well.

### **Intermediate Dog**

1. Goldsirius Knls' Goldsirius Drummer Boy RES CC

Quality boy of super type with lovely head and expression, very well balanced throughout, good neck, straight front with correct shoulder angulation, strong bone with neat feet. Well ribbed body with level topline and strong well angulated quarters, very sound and stylish on the move with lots of ring presence. Shown in lovely coat and condition.

2. D & B Joseph's CH Baradav Flying Solo

Good type with lovely head, dark pigment, well balanced throughout with good angulation, level topline, good rear angulation, moved out well.

3. D & B Joseph's Baradav Iwoodream

Nice youngster with masculine head. Straight front and well balanced throughout with good angulation and strong bone. Moved okay.

### **Australian Bred Dog**

1. R Peirce's CH Ralun Versace

Very stylish quality boy with loveliest head. Good neck and shoulders, straight front with strong bone and good feet. Deep well balanced body with level topline and good rear angulation giving very sound movement, shown in full coat and good condition.

2. W & S McGrath's CH Alnclair Gillys Hero

Very close up. Lovely type with beautiful head. Good neck into well angulated shoulders, straight front, strong bone and good feet. Level topline, very well balanced throughout with strong quarters giving good movement. In lovely coat and condition.

3. S Addison's CH Fernfall Aramis Gold

Completed a trio of lovely boys, very stylish with lovely head. Straight front with good bone and feet, strong neck into well angulated shoulders. Good balance throughout and level topline. Well angulated quarters giving good movement. In lovely coat and condition.

## **Open Dog**

### 1. Mrs J Fall's GR CH Tulzean Autumn Tango DCC and BIS

My 'star of the day' this quality boy took my eye on entering the ring and did not disappoint on examination, most lovely type with gorgeous head and expression. Excels in neck and shoulders with straight front, strong bone and good feet. Deep well ribbed body with level topline. Strong well developed quarters with well let down hocks. Very sound and stylish on the move with so much ring presence he cannot be ignored. So very well balanced from all angles. Shown in lovely coat and hard condition. Wish he was mine.

### 2. Ms J Dulke & Mr P Middleton's CH/NZ CH Glentreve Heavens Above at Gold River (Imp NZ)

Quality dog with lovely head. Good neck into well angulated shoulders with straight front, strong bone and good feet. Well balanced body of good proportions. Level topline. Strong well angulated quarters. Not quite as positive in movement as 1. Presented in lovely coat and condition.

### 3. S & K Handley's Ch Giltedge Blackwatch

A lovely type, so well put together. Well up to size with lovely head, strong neck with good shoulder angulation, straight front with strong bone and good feet. Deep well ribbed body with level topline, well developed quarters, moved out well. In lovely coat but carrying a little excess weight today.

## **Veteran Dog**

### 1. S & K Handley's Giltedge Hemingway

Very impressive male, full of quality with masculine head. Strong neck into well angulated shoulders, straight in front with strong bone. Deep well ribbed body with level topline. Strong well angulated quarters giving sound movement. Beautifully presented in profuse coat but a little on the heavy side which cost him the Res CC.

### 2. W & S McGrath's CH Alnclair Rickys Revenge

A lovely type with masculine head. Good length of neck with straight front and strong bone. Well angulated front and rear with well balanced body and level topline. Moved okay.

### 3. Taumac Knls' CH Taumac Gold for Klim

Lovely head and expression, dark pigment, good neck and shoulders, straight front with good bone and feet. A little soft in topline and would prefer a little more rear angulation. Moved okay.

## **Baby Puppy Bitch**

### 1. A Wallis' Boolaroo Herbal Essence

Quality baby with the sweetest of heads, lovely type with super neck and front angulation, very well balanced with level topline and good rear angulation, moved very well for one so young, very promising.

### 2. Waikipark Knls' Waikipark Keep the Faith

Lovely puppy with sweet head, good neck and shoulders, well balanced with level topline, rear angulation still needs to come, moved well.

### 3. A & N Kelton's Goldstream Smartie Pants.

At 3 months, giving a lot away in age, but promising baby with lovely head, good neck and angulation for her age, level topline, moved well, enjoying her day out.

## **Minor Puppy Bitch**

### 1. Mrs J Fall's Karpala Classic Catch

Very feminine quality puppy with lovely head and expression. Good neck and shoulders, straight front, well balanced body, well angulated rear, Very stylish on the move with lots of ring presence.

### 2. D & S Piper's Eurogold Eye Wish

### 3. Mrs K Connell's Eurogold Eye Catcher

Very little separated these on the day and interesting to see later they are litter sisters and also to the Minor puppy dog winner. Lovely types with feminine heads, good neck and shoulders, straight fronts with good bone. Well balanced with good rear angulation, E. Eye Wish being a little more positive in movement today.

My notes say '3 lovely babies'

## **Puppy Bitch**

### 1. Parkridge Knls' Parkridge Just One Kiss (AI)

Lovely feminine baby with sweet head, good neck, straight front, well angulated front and rear. Body well balanced with level topline. Moved okay, would like her to gain a little more confidence, nice type.

### 2. Buffalo Knls' Buffalo Stenbury's Queen

Lovely type with sweetest of heads, good neck and shoulders, straight front, good body proportions, level topline, good rear angulation, moved okay but again would prefer a little more confidence, close up to 1st.

### 3. M & J Hodges' Camuka Just a Rumour

Litter sister to my Best Puppy dog. Lovely youngster, rangier but well constructed and balanced with feminine head, good neck and angulation front and rear, good bone, level topline, moved very well.

3 promising puppies who I am sure will change places many times.

## **Junior Bitch**

A lovely class of youngsters.

### 1. S & K Handley's Giltedge Poetic Style

Headed a trio of 3 super girls. Lovely type with clean outline, soft feminine head, good in neck and shoulders, straight front with good bone and feet, balanced body with level topline, well developed rear giving sound and stylish movement, shown in lovely coat and condition.

### 2. E Molnar's Dobro Dellaluna

Stylish lovely girl with sweetest of heads, Loved her type, good neck and shoulders, straight in front with good bone and feet. Very well balanced with level topline and good rear angulation giving sound movement. In lovely coat & condition.

### 3. D Edwards' Tarengold Autumn Whisper

Completing the trio with another quality girl, so much to like, feminine head, so very well balanced throughout, good in neck and angulation front and rear, good body proportions, level topline, strong quarters giving sound and stylish movement, in lovely coat and condition.

## **Intermediate Bitch**

A very mixed class

1. J & J Hill's Dobro Guinevere

Lovely type with feminine head, loved her overall balance and movement, good neck and angulation front and rear, straight front with good bone and feet, level topline, maybe not the most glamorous but so sound on the move that had to win this class.

2. J Pearson & K Handley's Giltedge Dreamgirl

Lovely girl from all angles, sweetest head, good neck and angulation all round with straight front & good bone. Well balanced in body with good rear angulation and sound movement, shown in lovely coat but tends to lose her topline a little both standing and moving.

3. Waikipark Knls' CH Waikipark Summer Destiny

Nice type with lovely head, would prefer a little more neck and front angulation but loved her other qualities, well balanced in body with good rear angulation, moved okay. Would like to see gentler handling to get the best from her.

## **Australian Bred Bitch**

A very good class

1. E Molnar's Dobro Fire Crystal RES CC

Quality bitch of super type, clean outline, very well balanced with lovely feminine head, good neck and shoulders, straight front with good bone and feet. Deep well ribbed body with level topline, strong well angulated quarters, moved soundly and with style. Shown in good coat and condition.

2. Ms J McDonald's Giltedge Sonnet

Very close decision between 1 and 2, very similar in type with little to separate them. Well balanced quality girl with feminine head, good neck and shoulders, straight front with good bone. Body of good proportions, with level topline. Good rear angulation giving sound movement. Shown in good coat and condition.

3. A Wallis' Boolaroo Taylor Maid

Lovely type with feminine head, good neck and angulation front and rear, straight front with good bone. Well ribbed body with level topline. Very well balanced throughout with good movement, shown in lovely coat and condition.

## **Open Bitch**

1. Mrs D Petterwood's CH Giltedge Angel Dust BCC Runner up BIS

Lovely girl who teems quality, so much to like about her from her beautiful head and expression, to tip of her tail. She excels in conformation & breed type, excels in neck and shoulders with a well balanced body which is deep and well ribbed. Very well balanced throughout with well angulated quarters giving her sound and stylish movement. Presented in lovely coat and condition.

2. D & S Piper's Ambermist Keepsake

Lovely type with feminine head and soft expression, good neck, shoulders and front with strong bone and good feet. Well balanced deep well ribbed body with level topline, good quarters giving sound movement but seemed a little unsettled at the end.

3. M & J Hodge's Camuka Isabella

Dam of my BIS puppy dog and can see where he inherits his qualities from, lovely type with feminine head and lovely expression. Good neck, straight front with good bone & feet, has

good angulation both front and rear, with well balanced body & level topline. Sound on the move and in lovely coat and condition.

### **Veteran Bitch**

1. Mrs C Cooke's CH Justley Razzle Dazzle B Veteran in Show

Quality lady with lovely head, lovely type with good balance, correct in neck and shoulders with straight front, good bone and feet, mature well ribbed body with level topline. Moved very sound from well angulated quarters. In lovely coat & condition.

2. A Wallis' Gr Ch Goldog Alpine Gabriella

What a super veteran, belies her years and a credit to her owner, quality lady so well balanced all round with good conformation and level topline which she held on the move showing some others the way. In lovely coat and condition.

3. W & S McGrath's Ch Alnclair Ann Ticipation

Completed a trio of lovely older ladies.

Sweetest of heads and expression, lovely type with all round good conformation and no exaggerations, lots of appeal & in lovely coat and condition. Moved well.

Beryl M Liggins      Judge