

The Gordon Setter Club of Scotland Championship Show 2021
Kinross Polo Club - 13th November 2021

I wish to thank the members for voting for me and thus the Club for inviting me to judge. My first judging appointment in Scotland was in 2012 for the GSCoS Open show and more recently I gave Dog CC at the GSA Ch. Show in 2019, so it was my first time giving CC to bitches and I was really looking forward to it. A special thank you to David Alcorn for the help and support in travelling over during these post-pandemic difficult times and to my wonderful ring stewards that have organized the ring and the paperwork very professionally.

The general quality of the exhibits was excellent. I am still a little concerned about length of legs, front assemblies and rib cages. Too many are short on the legs, have straight shoulders and not well-developed rib cages and fore-chests. Heads and bites are mostly correct, same for tan markings and coat texture. Toplines in the movements not always correct as a result of straight shoulders and short ribcages. I'm happy to read in the catalogue a good number of exhibits born from AI and imported too, it means that the breeders are very active.

MPD (0)

PD (1):

1 Hogg's Gailiech Ngalyod

Eleven months old, good size and nicely shaped head, coat of excellent texture good bone. Needs to develop his ribcage in the 3 dimensions. Moves well on legs but tends to roach his topline. R.BPIS

JD (3/1):

1 Phillips, Watkins & Miles' Glenmaurangi Mandalorian

Very nice dog and well grown for his age. Nice masculine head that would improve the breed expression with darker eyes. Excellent size. Front angulations balanced with rear, good bone and nice feet. Moves freely with good use of his happy tail.

2 Angus' Glenmaurangi Falcon At Calmerell

Very similar in type to 1st nice head and expression and dark eyes. Excellent shape when standing, correct angulations front and rear, good bone, needs more ring training.

3 Donald's Clos Erasmus Black Business (Imp Rus)

Another well mature dog for his age but of a completely different type from 1st and 2nd: shorter on legs and longer in topline. I would prefer better shaped eyes and less throatiness. Excellent coat texture, well parallel hocks on the move.

YD (2):

1 Phillips, Watkins & Skyes' Glenmaurangi Storm Trooper

Similar type to the Juniors I placed 1st and 2nd, slightly more mature in body and chest, very nice expression with dark eyes and correct head lines. Well angulated shoulders and good out of neck. Good bone. Needs to gain more steadiness in his hind action.

2 Donald's Clos Erasmus Black Business (Imp Rus)

ND (4/1):

1 Angus' Glenmaurangi Falcon At Calmerell

2 Donald's Clos Erasmus Black Business (Imp Rus)

3 Shields' Amscot Brief Encounter

GD (3):

1 Newton, Cornum, Timmerman's Carnoustie Let The Game Begin (AI) (Imp Aus)
Excellent size, beautiful expression and well shaped eyes, well arched neck on well-placed shoulders balanced with rear angulations, moves very well but still needs to get more body.

2 Bell, Millar's Balnakeil Beinn Corradail of Blairbelles

Very nice head and expression, balanced in angulations, a little too straight in upper arm, coat of excellent texture, not as well coordinated as 1st and not the same topline in movement.

3 Shields' Amscot Brief Encounter

PGD (5/1):

1 Johnston's Glenquin The Patriot

Very nice square dog with good proportions and angulations, excellent neck and shoulders and well bent stifles. Well developed chest. A little more feathering would complete the picture. The best mover in the class.

2 Millar, Scobie's Yennadon Calvay JW

Of good size and with well-shaped eyes even if I would prefer darker. Well angulated shoulders, correct topline, good bone and nice feet. Moves well.

3 Yates' Gailiech Barmstonson

MLD (3):

1 Cops, Whiting's Locksheath Black Ice

Masculine head with typical expression, excellent shoulders and well-developed body, correct topline and well-set tail. Moves very well and with a good head carriage.

2 Millar, Scobie's Yennadon Calvay JW

3 Cuthbertson's Lainnireach Buttons

LD (3):

1 Baines' Bryerdale Quantas (AI)

Very stylish dog of excellent size. Well-shaped head with good expression and dark eyes. Balanced in front and rear angulations, moves very well.

2 Wrigley's Kattandale Canterbury (AI)

Dog of excellent type, nice head and expression, well angulated shoulders, good bone, could have more bend of stifle, moves well but compared to 1st loses the shape a little in the topline.

3 Ormiston, Calser's Finniche Wonderful Land

OD (2):

1 Harker's Sh Ch Hernwood Achilles At Ettrick JW

A great dog with size and substance. Beautiful head and expression, well built, correct in front and rear, compact body and good length of legs. Chest and ribcage well developed, well-muscled, tail well set and carried. Moves with plenty of drive and excellent head carriage. CC/R.BIS

2 Collins-Pitman Amscot Raising Black

This is another well balanced dog with a well-developed chest and good bone. Correct angulations. Longer in body than 1st and not as correct in his front action. Steady and correct topline in movement and good drive from behind.

CD (3/1):

1 Timmerman, Cornum, Welling's DT CH/AM CH/BE Munroc Beretta BISS, WW2021

Well balanced and proportioned dog with a nice head and typical expression. Well placed shoulder and good out of neck, correct top line and tail set, good bone and nice feet. Excellent coat for texture, colour and condition. Moves very well and keeps the shape in lateral movement. R.CC

2 Ford's Sh Ch Liric Fusilier With Shillay JW ShCM ShCEx

A dog with a beautiful head and expression, excellent coat texture and condition. Well laid-back shoulders, mature body and long croup. I would like a more compact body and more length of legs. Moves with good drive and very parallel on legs.

VD (4/1):

1 Macgregor's Somerled Glem Urquart

A veteran with still strength and substance, nice head and expression, well angulated shoulders, correct topline standing and moving, he still performs a good action on the move.

2 Miller's Brookes Shadow Mover VW

Same age as 1st, another well preserved veteran. Well-built with correct angulations front and rear, excellent tan markings. Correct and strong topline. Not the same drive as 1st in the movement.

3 Yates' Mosscrip Balmenach At Gailiech

FTD (0)

SBD (1)

1 Bell, Millar's Balnakeil Beinn Corradail of Blairbelles

MPB (0)

PB (5/1):

1 Yates' Gailiech Iris Goddess

Beautiful and well grown puppy. I love her head and expression, excellent shoulder angulation, strong rear, well developed body for the age, strong bone. Only needs a little more coordination in the movement. BPIS

2 Rand's Kintalis Winter Jasmine

Nice feminine head, excellent shoulder angulation and well-developed chest. Compact body and well-set tail. Bones proportioned to her size, excellent tan markings. Moves well.

3 Thomas' Chartan Maple Mayhem

JB (3):

1 Horn's Ordett Love Me Do At Keaswood

Very nice outline, nice feminine expression even if I would like slightly darker eyes. Good shoulders, well developed chest for the age. Correct topline, moves very well.

2 Yates' Gailiech Iris Goddess

3 Donald's Clos Erasmus Arabian Night (Imp Rus)

YB (4):

1 1 Horn's Ordett Love Me Do At Keaswood

2 Wrigley's Kattandale Blac Highlander (AI)

Substantial bitch. Well-shaped head with dark eyes. Strong bone, well angulated in front and rear. Drives well but falls a bit on the front.

3 Donald's Clos Erasmus Arabian Night (Imp Rus)

NB (9/1):

1 Yates' Gailiech Barmstondottir

Very classic and typical bitch with good size and bone. Beautiful expression. Nice compact body, well angulated in front and rear, well developed ribcage. Moves very well.

2 Cuthbertson's Lannireach Highland Queen

Smaller than 1st but very well balanced, nice feminine head and expression, excellent lines from shoulder to croup, bone proportioned to her size. Moves very well on legs and keeps her topline shape.

3 Caulfield's Colquhally Daydreamer

GB (9/1):

1 Green's Balnakeil Creag Na Caillich

Another strong bitch with feminine classic expression and dark eyes. Correct angulations in front and rear. Nicely shaped topline and croup. Good tail set and well carried, moves well and with a good head carriage.

2 Yates' Gailiech Barmstondottir

3 Munro's Panthera Bad Medicine Dulmaur

PGB (5/1):

1 Macara, Jamieson, Alcorn's Cromasaig Daisys Choice JW

Extra classic bitch with well-shaped body. Nice head and expression, correct angulations in front and rear, good bone. Moves very well and keeps the nice shape of her topline.

2 Mappin's Bryerdale Qangeroo (AI)

More legs length than 1st but not as good in front angulation and head. Nice croup and tail set, strong bone, excellent coat texture and condition. Moves well.

3 Cuthbertson's Lannireach Angels Share

MLB (5/3):

1 Yates' Dunfionn Sanda For Gailiech JW

High quality bitch, well built, excellent shoulder angulation, strong fore-chest, well developed ribcage, correct topline, strong bone. Excellent coat, moves very well.

2 Millar's Balnakeil Carn Na Criche

Very nice outline and very well-balanced angulation front and rear. Excellent coat and colour, I would like a little stronger body. Moves very well.

LB (7/1):

1 Justice, Ford's Liric Just Remember Me

Very stylish and feminine bitch, beautiful head and expression, correct topline, very well-set tail. Good bone and nice feet. Excellent coat texture and feathering. Moves very well.

2 Johnston's Glenquin Phoenix

Very typical female with nice expression. Excellent neck into well laid-back shoulders, correct topline. Well boned with nice feet. Moves very well and covers a lot of ground.

3 Mappin's Bryerdale Qookaburra (AI)

OB (3/1):

1 Rand's Hernwood Summer Eclipse At Kintalis

High quality and feminine, good neck out of well laid-back shoulders, compact body, good length of legs. Nice croup and well-set tail. Bones proportioned to her size.

Excellent coat texture and colours. Moves very well.

2 Tillett's Fieldtalk's Lady In Red (Imp Deu) JW

Very different type from 1st and not as well angulated in front. Nice head, good coat. I would like more developed body/ribcage/fore-chest. Moves narrow coming and going.

CB (2)

1 Collins-Pitman's Ch/Int Ch/Ger VDH Ch Amscot Love Is In The Air JW WW 18

The finest example of the breed here today. Her smooth lines from head to tail are a pleasure to watch and to go over. No exaggerations in anything. Lovely expression, long neck, balanced angulations, good bone and nice feet. Excellent coat quality. She likes to move and carries her nice shape around the ring with strength and grace.

CC/BIS

2 Phillips, Watkins' Sh Ch Flaxheath Top Model At Glenmaurangi

Slightly taller than 1st, beautiful head and expression, long neck, good length of legs, good bone. Moves well but doesn't keep the shape of the topline and croup as 1st.

R.CC

VB (2):

1 Green's Lignum Miss Mossberg For Balnakeil

Young veteran bitch in perfect condition. Beautiful feminine expression, well laid-back shoulder and good out of neck. Correct topline well-kept in the movement.

Excellent coat conditions for the age/sex. Strong bones. Moves very well with strong drive. BVIS

2 Cuthbertson's Forester's Xquisite Lady of Darkmmor At Lainnireach (Imp Deu)

Very fit veteran with a longer body than 1st. Nice feminine expression, correct angulations in front and rear. Excellent coat condition. In the movement drives strongly from the rear but not with the same topline as 1st.

FTB (3/2):

1 Thomas' Chartan Treacle Tart JW

In good shape for her age, nice head and feminine expression, nice compact body, excellent long and wide croup. Moves with strong drive from behind but is a little rigid in the front action.

SBB (0)

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