THE GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB OF NSW

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I would like to thank the committee and members for giving me the chance to judge in Australia and for all your kindness and hospitality. It has been a wonderful experience for me and so interesting to see the dogs over here and afterwards to study the breeding. . There were a number of really excellent quality dogs and many with super bone and lovely tight feet, I was also very impressed how strong and active many dogs were on the move . I was delighted to be able to place dogs of all shades of cream and gold which is how our breed is meant to be . I did notice that some were shown in the American style stacked with the lead tightly strung up behind their ears which rather spoilt their natural outline for me. I was also very impressed with your excellent purpose built show venue which I am sure that many other countries would love to have. The weather finally made a perfect day – the temperature was just right for the dogs and spectators and the rain stayed away after a rather wet previous week. It will indeed be a day for me to remember.

Class 1 - BABY PUPPY DOG - 7 entries

A class of lovely babies who I am sure will change places on many occasions

1 Smiths - GOLDFLEECE WINNATAKESALL

A real baby but showing so well and confidently - beautifully handled and presented. Nice gentle head which needs time to develop. Pretty cream wavy coat and good pigment. Excellent reach of neck and layback of shoulder. Good level topline and well bent stifles. Moved with plenty of drive for one so young.

2 Crowleys - IAMGOLDN FAIR DINKUM

Another lovely puppy very well boned with thick wavy pale gold coat. Masculine head but not overdone. Very well balanced outline with good angulation front and rear. Moved and showed very well.

3 Mc Graths - ALNCLAIR ANZAC EDWARD

Lovely quality masculine puppy who was a little unsettled on the day but looks very promising. Plenty of bone and nice cream coat. Gentle masculine head with good pigment. Well angulated for his age and moved soundly.

Class 2 - MINOR PUPPY DOG - 4 entries 1 abs.

1 Dulkes - FANTANGO BACKSTAGE PASS

Beautiful mid gold boy - I see he is a son of my BOB. Lovely masculine head with good breadth and depth of muzzle and darkest pigment. Well boned with nice tight

feet. Very good reach of neck and angulation of shoulder and upper arm Strong quarters from which he moved with plenty of drive. Should have a very bright future.

2 Nash's - GOLDBRIOR EVENING SHADOW

Another nicely made gold boy. Attractive masculine head. Good bone and coat. Well angulated front and rear. Just needs to tighten on the move.

3 Batchelor's - EURAIDD SUGAR DADDY

Big upstanding dog with plenty of bone and nice pale gold coat. Good masculine head. I would prefer a little more front angulation but he is still very young. Moved well from strong quarters.

Class 3 - PUPPY DOG - 7 entries - 1 abs.

1 Saunders and Yoshinos - JAPORIK SILVER MIST

Beautiful eyecatching cream dog with a flowing outline and plenty of scope. Well boned with good catlike feet. Lovely head and expression. Well made throughout and very well presented and handled. Held his topline well on the move. Should mature into a top quality dog.

2 Fosters - JUSTLEY RIP VAN WINKLE

Big scopey dog still quite immature but with plenty of potential. Nice gentle head and expression and plenty of bone with nice tight feet.. Elegant outline with level topline and good strong quarters from which he moved with plenty of drive.

3 Dixon and Pattersons - EURAIDD MY BEST BUDDY

Happy lively boy who was rather difficult to assess on the day! Nice quality dog with good head. Excellent bone and feet and well presented mid gold coat. Moved well when he had settled. Needs time to fulfil his potential.

Class 4 - JUNIOR DOG - 8 entries – 2 abs.

1 Saunders and Yoshinos - JAPORIK REIGNMANN

Another super cream dog from the same kennel as the winner of the last class.. Caught my eye directly he entered the ring but unfortunately he was not very settled today or he might have achieved higher honours. Softest masculine head and expression. Good front and reach of neck flowing into strong level topline. Good driving movement from strong quarters.

2 Lynch's - YELLOWFETCH WHATU TALKN BOUT

Another very nice boy in a lovely well presented cream coat. Attractive head and pigment. Well angulated front and rear – rather longer in coupling and inclined to lose his topline on the move but this should strengthen with age. Moved with drive.

3 Conyers - GOLDALLURE CROC WARRIOR

Big upstanding masculine dog with excellent bone and feet. Nice head but I would prefer a little more front angulation. Good strong quarters and he moved out with plenty of drive. My notes say that I preferred him stacked to freestanding.

Class 5 - INTERMEDIATE DOG - 12 ENTRIES 3 ABS.

1 Mc Graths - ALNCLAIR GILLYS HERO

Very well made cream boy not overdone in any way. Super flowing elegant outline and nice cream wavy coat. Lovely gentle masculine head. Good angulation of shoulder and upper arm and strong level topline. Well angulated quarters . Drives well from behind really covering the ground and at one with his handler. I was pleased to award him the RESERVE CC

2 Stephens - FETCHNPOINT KNEE JERKER

A strongly made dog with plenty of substance. Nice mid gold wavy coat and excellent bone and feet. Masculine head which was a little too strong for me. Broad well angulated quarters from which he moved with plenty of drive.

3 Taylors - BUFFALO SHOOTING STAR

Good sized well made cream boy with nice feet and bone. Short coupled with well angulated upper arm and bend of stifle. Was inclined to drop over the croup. Moved well.

Class 6 - AUSTRALIAN BRED DOG - 7 ENTRIES 3 ABS.

1 Molnars - CH. DOBRO SAMUARI GUY

A beautifully balanced gold dog with so much to like about him. Lovely masculine head with strong muzzle and good pigment. Plenty of substance. Good reach of neck flowing into level topline and strong well angulated quarters. Covered the ground with a long free stride.

2 Saunders and Yoshinos - JONESH CHARLEMAGNE

Another nice quality dog - very well presented and handled. Attractive masculine head. Well made throughout and well bent stifles from which he moved with plenty of power and drive.

3 Temples - CH FANTANGO FIRST KNIGHT

A well made short coupled mid gold dog. Nice masculine head but not overdone. Balanced outline with good topline and tailset. Moved well.

Class 11 - OPEN DOG - 17 ENTRIES 1 ABS.

A lovely class of dogs and I wished I had more awards.

1 Thompsons CH. CHALEUR CODE OV SILENCE

A very well balanced dog who caught my eye immediately.. Masculine head but with softest expression and good depth and breadth of muzzle. Very well presented gold coat.

Straight front with good bone and feet. Good layback of shoulder and upper arm. Well sprung ribs and level topline. Moved freely and with drive from well angulated quarters. Very close up for top honours.

2 Handleys GILTEDGE BLACKWATCH

Very nicely balanced darker gold dog with a very nice head and expression. Well angulated with plenty of bone and short coupled with level topline which he held well on the move.

3 Dulkes CH. FANTANGO AFTER THE REIGN.

Very well made cream dog with attractive head but I would just prefer a slightly darker eye.. An elegant longer cast dog with plenty of scope and well angulated with a strong topline. Sound mover.

Class 12 - VETERAN DOG - 6 ENTRIES 2 ABS.

1 Handleys CH GILTEDGE HEMINGWAY

What a great 9 year old who was obviously just loving his day out and commanded attention from the moment he entered the ring. He has such a balanced, symmetrical outline with plenty of substance and is so masculine without being overdone in any way. Beautiful masculine head with nicest expression. Good reach of neck and layback of shoulder, well angulated upper arm. Short coupled with strong level topline and powerful well angulated quarters. He moved with tremendous drive and enthusiasm and just looked perfectly balanced in the final line-up which won him THE DOG CC on the day.

2 Molnars - CH DOBRO SECRET AGENT

Another very nice veteran who was very happy and showed well. Attractive gold coat and excellent substance. Good head and expression. Well angulated front and rear and moved with drive from strong quarters.

3 Mc Graths - CH ALNCLAIR RICKYS REVENGE

Well made dog with good head and expression. Good front angulation, level topline and well bent stifles. Coat not at its best today but moved out well and well handled.

Class 1A BABY PUPPY BITCH - 12 entries

What a beautiful class of babies who looked a picture when they came into the ring. They all behaved so well for their age and will change places on many occasions I am sure in the future.

1 Stubbings - DYKINTA STAR POINT

A very well balanced puppy for her age with super bone and feet. Sweet feminine head with darkest pigment and good depth of muzzle. Well angulated front and rear with a strong topline and very good movement for her age..

2 Smiths - GOLDFLEECE NAMEOFTHEGAME

A real baby but so well made like her brother who won Baby Puppy Dog. Lovely elegant outline and pretty cream coat. Sweetest head and expression. Good reach of neck and layback of shoulder flowing into level topline. Moved outand showed really well for one so young. Close up to 1.

3 Cookes - GOLDEW SUPERSTAR

A very well made pale gold puppy with a thick wavy coat. Gentle feminine head and good pigment. Very balanced outline for one so young and plenty of substance. Moved and showed well.

Class 2A - MINOR PUPPY BITCH 9 ENTRIES 3 ABS.

A very nice class

1 Dulkes - FANTANGO HAPPY FEET

Beautiful quality puppy with an excellent outline. Nicest feminine head. Excellent reach of neck flowing into good layback of shoulder and level topline. Well presented cream coat. Strong quarters and moved well when she had settled. A lovely puppy.

2 Pikes - GLENTREVE WISHIN AND HOPIN AT PALMGOLD

Another very nice puppy with an elegant outline. Pretty head and good layback of shoulder and topline. Good bend of stifle. Moved well when settled.

3 Buffalo Kennels - BUFFALO FOREVER RUSTIC

Pretty smaller pale gold bitch. Well boned with lovely tight feet. Good layback of shoulder and level topline. Strong quarters and moved well.

Class 3 A - PUPPY BITCH 3 Entries 1 abs.

1 Pearson and Handleys - GILTEDGE DREAMGIRL

What a lovely puppy – I wish she was mine! Sweetest feminine head with good dark pigment. Very well presented cream coat. Plenty of bone and good feet. Such a beautiful balanced outline with excellent front angulation and strong level topline. Good well angulated quarters from which she moved with a long free stride. I was delighted to award her BEST PUPPY.

2 Cookes - GOLDEW QUE SERA SERA

Another very nicely balanced pale gold puppy unlucky to meet 1. Good head and very well angulated front with level topline. Strong well angulated quarters and a good sound movement.

Class 4a - JUNIOR BITCH 18 entries 1 abs.

1 Stuckleys GOLDTREVE DREAM WEAVER

Very elegant bitch with feminine head and lovely reach of neck and layback of shoulder – straight front and good angulation of upper arm. Good breadth of quarters and second thigh. Well presented cream coat. She was hard work to show but had good driving movement from strong quarters.

2 Handleys GILTEDGE AMELIE

Another lovely bitch from this kennel. Very nice straight cream coat and plenty of bone. Prettiest feminine head and good black pigment. Very good reach of neck and layback of shoulder flowing into a level topline. Well bent stifles and moved well and at one with her handler.

3 McKittricks - GOLDENKIWI BLACK MAGIC

Attractive feminine head with good pigment. Well boned with tightest feet. Balanced outline and strong level topline which she held on the move.

Class 5 A INTERMEDIATE BITCH 16 Entries 3 Abs.

1 Molnars DOBRO FIRE CRYSTAL

Lovely quality mid gold bitch. Attractive gentle head with broad muzzle. Plenty of substance with good angulation front and rear. Good spring of rib and excellent topline and tailset. Covered the ground well with a long stride.

2 Hessions - CH. GOLDTREVE BELLA ROSE

Very balanced smaller bitch with a nice head. Pale gold well presented coat. Inclined to be overstretched by her handler but presented a very nice outline. Moved well.

3 Olsens GOLDBRIAR WALTZN MATILDA

Well made pale gold bitch with nice head and pigment. Well boned with good reach of neck and layback of shoulder into level topline and tailset. Moved well when she had settled.

Class 10 A - AUSTRALIAN BRED BITCH - 18 Entries 3 abs.

1 Clarks - CH. DENIEVER OUR GIRLGUIDE

Lovely quality scopey bitch with super bone and feet. A good sized bitch with a very nice head and pigment. Straight front with good front angulation. Very well angulated stifles. Drives well from behind really covering the ground. Pleased to award her the RESERVE BITCH CC.

2 Thompson and Dulkes - CH. FANTANGO JUST THE TICKET

Pale gold very balanced bitch with excellent front angulation of shoulder and upper arm and strong well angulated quarters. Well sprung ribs and level topline. Good driving movement from strong quarters.

3 Olsens - GOLDBRIOR ORANGE BLOSSOM

Nice upstanding bitch with a very nice head and soft expression with good depth of muzzle. Good front and rear angulation and excellent topline. Moved well.

Class 11 A - OPEN BITCH - 14 entries 5 abs.

1 Dulkes CH. FANTANGO CENTRE STAGE

What a gorgeous bitch who presented such a clean balanced outline. Just filled my eye from her lovely feminine head, super reach of neck, excellent front angulation and super strong angulated quarters. Very well presented straight gold coat and excellent bone and tightest feet. .Moved with plenty of drive and at one with her handler. I was delighted to award her the BITCH CC AND BOB. My notes say "What a bitch!"

2 Fosters AMBERVALLEY BONNIE BANKS

Another very nice pale gold bitch who was short coupled and very balanced in outline. Really pretty feminine head. Well angulated with firm topline and level tailset. Moved well.

3 Hessions - CH. GOLDTREVE WILD CHILIPEPA

Very nice pale gold bitch with nice head and good bone. Balanced outline with good angulation front and rear. I would prefer a little more trimming to her tail which looked rather untidy and I thought unbalanced her outline. She moved out well.

VETERAN BITCH - 5 ENTRIES 1 ABS.

4 very nice veterans all very good for their age.

1 Buffalo Kennels - CH. STENBURY SEA FANTASY

Good sized 9 year old upstanding bitch. Feminine elegant outline with sweet head and expression. Well presented pale gold coat. Nicely balanced outline short coupled with good bend of stifle. Moved out very well.

2 Mc Graths - CH. ALNCLAIR ANN TICIPATION

Different in type but close up to 1 with nice wavy cream coat.. Longer cast with pretty head and good front angulation. Moved well from well angulated quarters.

3 Eastons - CH. MONTEGO CURTAIN CALL

Pretty feminine head. Short coupled with nice pale gold wavy coat. Well boned with good angulation and a balanced outline but carrying a little too much weight on the day. Moved well.