THE GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB OF NSW INC

Championship Show held on Sunday, 3 May 2009

Judge: Mrs Beryl Hession

I would like to thank the members for the invitation to judge this show. This is the second time I have had this honour and I thank you for your confidence in my judging. The day was perfect, weatherwise, and there were many happy people with lots of laughter heard around the ringside. I had some excellent dogs and I thank everyone for their entry. It was indeed a pleasure for me to once again judge at this prestigious show. The trophy table looked superb and there were many happy people leaving the show loaded up with lovely trophies. The Committee need to be congratulated on a well-run show.

Beryl Hession

BABY PUPPY DOG

A class of 5 lovely <u>babies</u>.

1st: FANTANGO WILD OATS Nearly 5 months - quality, light gold baby. Masculine head, good width and depth of muzzle, lovely expression and good pigment. Sufficient bone with good feet, could do with a little more ribbing, but well balanced with good angles. Moved confidentially and well presented.

2nd: SANTAMARIA BOY WONDER Promising mid gold masculine puppy, excellent bone and substance, well balanced, with super angles front and rear. Held his topline on the move and also standing. Head needs time to develop, could do with a little more width of skull, but this will come with maturity. Also well presented and confident.

3rd: ELLJOA STORM WARNING Very much a baby at 3 months Beautiful head and melting expression with lovely dark eye and black pigment. Super neck into well laid shoulder with excellent bone. Showed with confidence for one so young.

MINOR PUPPY DOG

1st: ELLJOA MONTE CARLO Cream 8 months. This puppy had a masculine head with a pleasing expression. Good balance throughout. Level topline on the move, but tends to lose it on the stack. Handler should be aware of this. Shown in correct textured coat.

Best Minor Puppy in Show

2nd: DOBRO DANDE LION 7 month mid gold boy. Would prefer a little more width in skull, but correct eye shape and good pigment. Good neck into well laid shoulders and straight front, balanced body. Level top line, strong hindquarters. Moved out well

3rd: STANDNDELIVER DEVIL INSIDE Just 6 months cream boy, with dark eye and lovely appealing expression. Angles front and rear good. Correct level top line which he held on the move, Nicely balanced.

PUPPY DOG

1st: DOBRO FIRE KRACKER Liked him on the move. Head and expression appealed with good pigment and dark eye. Balanced dog with sufficient bone and good catfeet, good on the move. Well presented. Best Puppy in Show

2nd: SHTAR WEEKEND WARRIER Very strong, masculine dog, with appealing head. Was a little nervous and did not like being handled. Carried his tail a little high.

JUNIOR DOG

1st: PHILENI THE GAMBLER Liked this dog as soon as he entered the ring and he did not disappoint. Masculine head without coarseness, Good length of neck into shoulder, short coupled, well angulated front and rear. Ample bone and good feet. Lovely on the move with good reach and drive. Coat in excellent condition. Best Junior in Show

2nd: AMBERMIST OPTIMUM DESIGN (AI) Masculine, strong and short backed, a little heavy in front, level top line, which he carried on the move. Would have preferred a more pleasing shaped eye which would have given a better expression.. In good coat and well handled.

3rd: PIARKI GOLDEN BALLS A little uncontrollable today, I would have preferred a little more leg to balance his frame. Good head and expression, dark eye and pigmentation.

INTERMEDIATE DOG

1st: PIARKI MOST HANDSOME Another one that appealed as soon as he entered the ring. A handsome head with lovely melting expression with good dark eye and black pigmentation. Beautifully balanced body with good straight front legs and tight catfeet. Short coupled and beautifully balanced throughout. Moved with reach and drive. Shown in a good quality, double coat. Won the CC from a lovely line up of dogs. Best Intermediate and BEST EXHIBIT IN SHOW

2nd: LARBELLAH TEAM LEADER Overall balanced dog, with good movement throughout, holding his topline. Reachy neck into well laid shoulders. A balanced head with good width of skull, but would prefer a little softer expression. Shown in beautiful gleaming coat.

3rd: CH FANTANGO BACKSTAGE PASS Strong head, but not coarse, dark eye and good pigment. reachy neck into shoulder. Little longer cast than 1 and 2. Perhaps could do with a little more ribbing. Another dog show in beautiful gleaming coat.

AUSTRALIAN BRED DOG

1st: CH FANTANGO FIRST KNIGHT Mature 6 year old dog, shown at his best, beautiful gleaming mid gold coat, lovely on the move. Balanced head with good dark eye and well pigmented. Correct topline, short coupling, well angulated hindquarters

2nd: CH SINDERBY PHOENIX Strong dog, carrying a profuse coat,, gave the impression of being heavier in front than rear, a little high stepping in front, but held his topline when moving. Pleasant head, well boned with good feet.

3rd: JAPORIK REIGNMANN Lovely type, not very sure of himself, lovely wavy coat of correct texture, well angulated front and rear. Did not move to his best advantage today,

OPEN DOG

1st: CH SINDERBY SEDUCTION 5 ½ year old mature cream dog, lovely head and expression, carrying some war wounds; dark eye and lovely melting expression. Straight front, well boned down to catlike feet. Shown in excellent correct textured coat and moved well front and rear. Reserve Challenge Dog and Best Open in Show

2nd: CH GILEDGE BLACKWATCH Nicely balanced dog with pleasing head and expression. Well boned with tight feet, short coupled, nicely angulated, level topline which he held on the move. Not overdone in any way.

3rd: CH FETCHPOINT KNEE JERKER Mid gold, strong dog, with masculine head, a little heavy for me.. Would have preferred a softer expression. Good reachy neck into well laid shoulders, straight legs and good tight feet. Excellent drive from well developed hindquarters.

4th: CH LEANR TOUCHED BY FROST Lovely cream dog with good angulation front and rear, Lengthy neck into shoulder with straight front legs and tight catlike feet. Unfortunately he carried a little too much weight. Handler could not do justice to the dog on the move.

VETERAN DOG

1st: CH GILTEDGE HEMINGWAY 10 years of age and went around the ring as if he owned it and knew he was on show. Very balanced, substantial and masculine. Lovely head and expression. Lost his topline on the move, but that can be expected at his age.

2nd: CH XANTHOS FLETCHER CHRISTIAN (IMP UK) 8 years of age. Cream boy with a lovely head and kind expression, shown in gleaming coat, well presented. Not quite as balanced, a little shorter on leg than 1. Showed good movement.

3rd: GR CH PERRECCA JUSTA BOY SCOUT 7 year old mid gold dog, short coupled, but could do with more angulation in the rear, moved with a good level topline.

BABY PUPPY BITCH

A lovely class of babies, pity some had to be unplaced.

1st: BUFFALO STENBURYS INSPIRATION (AI) 3 ½ months baby, sweet head with lovely dark eye and excellent pigmentation, with the softest of expressions, neck flowed into well laid shoulders, compact body, correct topline and tailset, adequate bone. Lovely baby, should have a good future. Best Baby Puppy in Show

2nd: FANTANGO PLAYING THE FIELD Quality baby, just a little older, comments for 1 also apply to this baby. Could change places any time. Loved this one also, very hard decision.

3rd: HARVIKGOLD NORTHERN STAR Very much a baby just made the show. Had the most exquisite head and soft expression, excellent bone, well angulated, good short back. Deserved her recognition. One to watch for the future.

4th: SANTAMARIA SPELL CASTER Another lovely baby with a lot going for her. Would like a little more strength in head, but this will come. Lovely body, all parts balanced. Another with excellent topline and tailset.

MINOR PUPPY BITCH

1st: STANDNDELIVA PRETTY VEGAS Just 6 months puppy with an appealing head and friendly expression with good pigment, carried a good topline, enough angulation front and rear, slightly longer cast but nicely balanced. Moved well.

2nd: FERNFALL MY SWEET DREAM Pleasing head and expression, neck flowed into shoulders, well angulated. Topline not her best feature, rear movement let her down today.

3rd: CAERHAYS GLEN ELWYN This light gold puppy has a pleasing head with good shaped eye and pigment. Slightly longer cast and could have a little more ribbing. Moved well.

PUPPY BITCH

Only one present. **FETCHNPOINT FISH OUT OF WATER** Cream bitch, a little nervous holding her ears back Pleasing head with dark pigment. Good neck into shoulder with excellent front and rear angulation. Slightly longer cast. Held her topline on the move.

JUNIOR BITCH

1st: EUROGOLD EYE CATCHER Liked this bitch as soon as she entered the ring, very balanced head with good chiselling. Clean neck into well laid shoulders, good straight legs and catlike feet. Level topline which she carried on the move. Well presented and handled. Pressed the challenge winner hard for the top placing. Awarded Reserve Challenge. Also pressed hard for Best Junior in Show.

2nd: FETCHNPOINT KNEES N TOES Different in type to 1. Very pleasant head with lovely eye and good pigment. A little over-stretched in neck. Beautifully balanced in the front and rear, short coupled with good level topline. Straight front with good feet. Moved well.

3rd: BOZGOLD HOT GOSSIP This cream bitch has a lovely well balanced head with a kindly expression. Good clean neck into shoulders. Was not as sound on the move.

INTERMEDIATE BITCH

1st: SANTAMARIA DIAMOND LIL well up to size bitch, balanced head and good pigment, neck flowed into shoulders, good straight front and catlike feet, topline correct with balanced frame. Moved with reach and drive, good angles front and rear.

2nd: CH BOZGOLD WALTZING MATILDA A Very showey girl, compact, beautifully balanced carrying level topline. Lovely head with kindly expression. Excellent angles front and rear. Just coming back into coat. Pressed very hard for 1st place.

3rd: DOBRO DELLALUNA Lovely balanced girl with sweet head, neck flowed into shoulders with level topline and good angles. Lost on move today.

AUSTRALIAN BRED BITCH

1st: YELLOWFETCH SHININ LIGHT Elegant, balanced cream bitch. Feminine head, clean neck fits into ideal shoulders, level topline. Forelegs straight with ample bone, good catlike feet. Excellent hindquarters with good drive when moving. Best Australian Bred in Show

2nd: MYCAV RETRIEVING TH GOLD CCD Compact, short coupled bitch carrying a lovely gold wavy coat. Ample angulation, good straight legs, and catlike feet. Nicely balanced head with good pigment and dark eye. Moved well.

3rd: PIARKI JUST BE HAPPY Typey cream bitch, but spoilt by soft topline.

OPEN BITCH

1st: GR CH YELLOWFETCH WHATS IT TO U Deep gold bitch, unfortuntely lacking coat today, nicely balanced with correct angulation front and matching in hindquarters. Straight forelegs, well boned with catlike feet. Kept her level topline on the move.

2nd: CH SANTAMARIA MANDALEH Another lovely gold mature bitch, similar comments to 1. Also lacking coat. Excellent reach and powerful driving action from rear.

3rd: CH FANTANGO CENTRE STAGE Quality bitch, very pretty head, but thought it was just a day out and did not behave. Overall balanced with super angles front and rear, with correct level topline, Straight forelegs and tight feet. Well presented. Let herself down today.

VETERAN BITCH

One bitch in this class.

1st: CH DOBRO ETERNAL FLAME (AI) Quality bitch, beautiful feminine head with soft expression . Clean neck fits into ideal shoulders. Excelled in angulation with good drive from the hindquarters, good straight forelegs with ample bone and tight cat feet. Looked the part on the stack and did not disappoint on the move. Delighted to award her Bitch CC, RUNNER-UP IN SHOW and Best Veteran in Show.