

## **CRITIQUE GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB OF NSW INC.**

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2011-05-14**

**Baby Puppy Dog** - A very pleasing class to judge first up, with good heads.

1. A well balanced puppy with a beautiful head. Well angulated throughout.
2. Good angulation front and rear and moved well for one so young.
3. Another very promising boy with good balance. Slightly short in the blade. Did not move as well as the first two.

**Minor Puppy Dog** – Quality somewhat mixed.

1. A beautifully balanced young dog with well proportioned head. Neck into shoulder and topline exceptionally good in one so young, which showed through on the move.
2. Presented a very pleasing outline; however tended to weave a little in front.
3. Moved well and had a pleasing topline. I would like to see a little more development of fore chest.

**Puppy Dog** – A small class of very promising dogs.

1. Balanced throughout with excellent movement and the desired angulation both front and rear. Good expression with correct plains. Level topline and short hock.
2. Well balanced with level topline and very good head. Did not move as well as the first place getter.
3. Another well balanced dog with good bone. Good head and expression. I feel he will be one for the future.

**Junior Dog**

1. Well balanced, promising young boy with good expression. I would like to have seen a smoother flow of neckline into topline but a good mover.
2. Gave the first place a good run with overall balance and movement however for me his head was a little strong with excess flew.
3. Pleasant head. Needs time to mature. I would like to see a little more bone and angulation. A steady mover.

**Intermediate Dog** – A quality class to judge.

1. A strong boy of high quality. Beautifully balanced with excellent movement holding his topline throughout. Good expression and correct plains. Possessing an excellent depth of chest. A strong contender in any competition.

2. A very pleasing young boy with good balance on the stack and excellent short hocks. Tended to lose his topline on the move. I feel he just needs a little more time to mature.
3. A sound dog with good expression. Moved well. Would like to see a little more hindquarter but fully deserved his place on the pegs.

Aust. Bred Dog – Depth of quality in this class was excellent.

1. When this boy came in the ring I thought here is my challenge winner. So well balanced and sound, moved well and possessing an excellent outline. Correct, friendly expression and in proportion throughout. My style of golden.
2. Excellent style of dog with good movement and expression. Held his topline well. Good depth of chest and well proportioned. Slightly over angulated.
3. Another with excellent expression and a quality mover. Sound and well angulated. I would like a little more bone.

Open Dog – Another class of excellent dogs.

1. A strong, handsome, well proportioned dog with excellent movement. He carried his topline well.
2. Well balanced, sound dog with a pleasing profile. Excellent head plains with good expression. Show at his best.
3. Good expression and head piece. Showed good reach and drive. A little low on leg for me.

Veteran Dog – I enjoyed this class, well done to all.

1. This dog has that melting expression, perfectly well proportioned and so sound. Head and neck flow in to topline and he holds all together on the move. He has no exaggeration in any part of his makeup. A dream to judge.
2. A well balanced head and still possesses good movement. A worthy 2<sup>nd</sup> place.
3. Pleasing outline and moved well for his age.

Challenge Dog

49. I could not deny this dog the challenge. He is a dog of exceptional quality put down in perfect condition.

Reserve Challenge

26. Fought off some strong challengers to take reserve. Thoroughly deserved, well done.



## BITCH CLASSES

Baby Puppy – A good class of babies.

1. Good looking girl with nice angulation, well balanced.
2. Pleasant head, good bone and topline, moved quite well.
3. Has a pleasing outline with moderate bone.

Minor Puppy

1. Nicely angulated with good balance. Good head plains and nice boning.
2. Good angulation front and rear. Would like to see a little more bone.

Puppy - A tough class to judge, very even in a pleasant way.

1. Well balanced with excellent topline. Feminine head with correct plains. Moved well despite handler.
2. Pleasing outline with a feminine head. Well angulated but did not move as well as the 1<sup>st</sup> place getter.
3. A sound young girl with good angulation and movement. Very pleasing outline on the stack.

Junior

1. This girl was a stand out in the class. Beautiful outline with excellent flow from head to neck and though the topline. Angulation perfectly balanced. If she holds it together she will be one for the future winners list.
2. A good feminine head with a pleasant outline. I would like a little more front angulation to balance the hindquarter.
3. Moderate angulation and good topline holding together well on the move. Lacked the maturity of the first two.

Intermediate

1. Possesses good reach and drive. Excellent neckline with a feminine head. Beautifully balanced on the move. Would like a little more bone. In good working condition.
2. Of good type and construction with pleasing expression. Did not move as well as 1<sup>st</sup> place.
3. Nice outline on the stack but looses a little on the move. Tended to roll over the shoulder, possibly from lack of condition.

Aust. Bred – For depth of quality arguably the strongest class.

1. Of excellent type with no exaggeration. Expression of the highest order with balanced head. Possessing excellent extension both front and

rear. Movement was straight both coming and going. Put down in exemplary condition.

2. Sound and well balanced with good bone and angulation. Slightly heavier set than my 1<sup>st</sup> place but carried it well. Good expression and moved very well.
3. Feminine, sound and moved well. Good balanced angulation both front and rear. A good honest type. If anything slightly longer in body than I like.

Open – Excellent quality bitches found in this class.

1. Very feminine and pleasing to the eye. Good expression. Neck flowing well into shoulders and level topline. Sound and well balanced with moderate angulation. Moved well.
2. Well balanced girl with excellent head and expression. Nicely angulated but did not move truly. Of excellent type.
3. Another quality bitch of excellent type overall. Moved well and exhibited good soundness. Excellent angulation and boning. Would like a slightly more feminine head.

Veteran

1. A quality bitch who could hold her own in any competition. Nicely balanced and possesses an excellent topline. Moved well for her age.

Challenge

100. My type, who deserved the challenge. Possesses the correct proportions and she is sound and in top condition with excellent reach and drive.

Reserve Challenge

101. Another of excellent type, sound and well balanced. A worthy place in strong completion.