

SOUTH AFRICAN LABRADOR RETRIEVER KENNEL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW. Sept.18th 2010

My thanks to the Committee who were able to organise a well run Show despite the sudden and unforeseen absence of Di and Mike, the Chairman and Secretary of the Club ,to whom I send best wishes.

My overall view of the exhibits was that the quality of the bitches was far better than the dogs hence BIS and RBIS were both bitches. I was pleased to see that there were no overdone heads although some were rather plain and there were a few light eyes. With only a few exceptions the dogs were not on the whole overweight; the majority carried excellent coats but several were short in upper arm.

Best in Show was **Ch.Tapeatom Drama Queen of Caignair**, a worthy champion who carried all the essentials to present a beautifully balanced yellow bitch of excellent type in very good condition. She moved truly and soundly, carried a good coat and had a lovely feminine head. She was the dam of **BPIS Caignair Desert Flyer of Stagmanskop**, an 11 month black dog of nice size just right for his age; lovely head with gentle expression; correct shoulder placement; sufficient bone and good neat feet; in excellent coat and moved very soundly. Very promising.

Results.

MPD

1.Borralhos Ablesing Captain Clyde,6 month yellow with good bone and feet ,carrying a good coat although tail was not yet fully covered. Typical head ,not overdone with good muzzle. Movement was sound but front movement needs to improve. Lacking a little substance possibly due to immaturity.

PD

1.Hackings Caignair Desert Flyer of Stagmanskop. BPIS.

2.Wentzels Caignair Dual Surprise, litter brother to 1. and similar remarks apply but less substance and I preferred the shoulder placement of the winner.

3.van Heerdens Sea-Birds Globetrotter of Amadeuze, another 11m.black,well up to size; masculine head; well boned with thick Lab. coat and excellent otter tail but carried too high.

JD.

1.Potts Tapeatom Flight of Fancy at Caignair. Very balanced 16mth black carrying ex.coat with true Lab.undercoat; good bone and feet; well proportioned head with typical expression; strong quarters and excellent movement; carrying no extra weight. RCC

2.Stadlers Carpenny Rio Negro at Shanican, 15mth black, a smaller dog but close up to 1.;strong neck; good bone; good straight front; neat feet; ex.coat and tail; nicely turned stifles; firm level topline; moved very well.

3.Taylor & van Rooyens Hollies Emmas Legacy, upstanding 15mth black, strongly built with masculine head; good bone ;ex.coat; a little heavy over the shoulder. moved well.

GD

1.Bothas Ailsacraig Indianna Jones of Ablesing,20mth. yellow standing alone but a very nice exhibit; ample bone; good feet; nicely balanced head with good length of muzzle and kind expression; short coupled; very strong quarters; moved well and was very strong in the Challenge but was carrying weight across the shoulders which lost him high honours.

MD.1.Potts Caignair African Charmer. WHR, yellow of nice size carrying correct Lab coat; ample bone; strong quarters; good straight front although would prefer more length of upper arm. Very nice head, masculine with lovely kind expression which made him the winner. Moved v.soundly.

2.Hollies Emmas Legacy.(*seen*)

Members.

1.Carpenny Rio Negro of Shanican. (*as seen*)

S.A.Bred

1.Browns CH Dirnelia Conker of Conkasha, nice size 3 yr old chocolate; balanced kind head although I would prefer darker eye; very good bone and feet; ex.coat of one whole colour; plenty of substance so doesn't need weight across his shoulders as it is inclined to make him move wide in front, very sound movement otherwise.

2.Farrells Valhallen Black Joshua of Castleburgh,3yr old active black in hard condition with a lovely head and good reach of neck; ample bone; strong topline ; good straight front; needs more substance for the Showring. Moved well.

Veteran

1.Andersons CH.Sunjon Sheer Royalty, a very balanced yellow of 7 1/2 yrs. With very good bone and carrying an ex.coat; lovely gentle masculine head; good reach of neck; deep body with well placed shoulders ,good front and strong powerful quarters which enabled him t move with drive. A good old fashioned type.

2.Reids CH Chezenko Double or Nothing WHR FQ. 9 1/2 black in super hard condition with correct lab.coat and carrying no extra weight; ample bone; strong level topline; good reach of neck; masculine head with kind expression but would prefer darker eye.

3.Louws CH Sonlo Romeo,

8 yr old yellow in ex.coat with good bone & strong quarters; lovely head with gentle expression; moved soundly but carrying more than enough weight!

Open.

1. Moores CH. Hollies Jetsetter of Tsavo, 2 yr old black of nice size, balanced all round with a lovely head and expression and good length of muzzle; strong neck, correct shoulder placement; strong level topline; ample bone; neat feet; ex.coat and a very good mover. Pleased to award him CC and notice his sire was the winner of the CH.class.

Champion

1. Moores CH. Ailsacraig Christmas Star of Tsavo. Well balanced yellow carrying an ex.coat masculine head with kind expression & good length of muzzle; very well boned with a deep rib cage and strong quarters; good reach of neck and correct shoulder placement and a very good straight front. Moved very well , a worthy Champion.
2. Van Vuurens CH .Adamasdors Rolls Royce, this lovely yellow dog of excellent type is another worthy Champion with all the above's attributes including a strong level topline, good strong quarters with ex. turn of stifle. A very close decisio as he is an ex. exhibit but I preferred the front movement of the winner.
3. Potts CH.Craignair Jumpmaster, yellow carrying no extra weight; ample bone; good front; ex.coat and tail; strong level topline. Masculine head with a most kind and gentle expression. Lost to the two above on movement.
4. Reids CH Chezenko Wingshooter, black with all the essentials carrying an excellent Lab.coat & otter tail; ample bone, good quarters with nice turn of stifle; moved soundly but I would prefer more length of leg to make him a balanced picture.

BITCHES

MPB

1. Talijaards Ablesing Baby JY's Myne of Jensine, lovely yellow of just 6 months with a lot to like about her; well boned, in good coat, very strong quarters with ex. turn of stifle; very well balanced and moved soundly. A very promising baby who needs much ringcraft training and handling for the future in order to achieve her potential. Good luck with her!

2. Bates Lekkerrwijn Rose, 8 mth. chocolate and what a lovely showgirl! V. well balanced ;feminine head although I would prefer a darker eye; ex. bone & feet; super Lab. Coat & tail; moved soundly and very promising indeed.

3. Reids Chezenko Wildberry. 8 mth yellow another v. Nice puppy with a good coat; feminine kind head; ex. quarters with well turned stifles; moved very well; not so short in loin as 1 & 2.

PB>

1. Potts Craignair Dash of Spice, 11 m. Black with a truly lovely head; good reach of neck; correct shoulder placement and straight front; strong topline; ex. coat & tail; moved excellently using good strong quarters, A very balanced exhibit.

2. Lodge-Lowes Ablesing Apache Magic of Valhallen, black, very similar in type to 1. Ex reach of neck; deep body, good quarters & ex. turn of stifle. Moved very soundly but preferred head and overall balance of 1.

3. Louws Sonlo Lady Gina, well constructed lovely yellow with nice feminine head; ex. bone; v.g. neck and shoulders; good coat, moved soundly but lost higher place due to too much weight!

JB

1. vanVuurens Adamasdor Rebekka Roesrok, a yellow of good type just one yr old; a nice size well boned with neat feet and a good straight front presenting a very balanced picture. She has a feminine head and lovely expression; ex. quarters & well turned stifles; carries a good coat & moves well. A lovely exhibit.

2. Potts Craignair Hot Gossip, black with a lovely feminine head; good reach of neck; strong topline; ample bone; good strong quarters. Very close to 1. Who was just shorter coupled and in better coat.

3. Bothas Ablesing Beatrix Promise, young yellow at her first show and not very happy about it! She's a nice short coupled bitch carrying an ex. coat; good bone; a feminine head; she holds a firm level topline; good quarters and ex. turn of stifle but does lack confidence and needs time.

GB.

1. Bothas De Brack Polly Dora of Ablesing, 19mth well balanced yellow in ex. coat; strong neck; feminine head; good topline; ex. strong quarters with good turn of stifle and short hocks. Probably the best mover of the day.

2. Dumbrills Ailsacraig Crystal Topaz, lovely cream, well up to 1. Strongly built and well constructed with a lovely feminine head, correct coat & tail and a very sound mover; carrying more weight than the winner.

MB

1. Bothas Ablesing Beatrix Promise. (as seen)

Members

1.Bothsa Ablesing Promising Kelty, lovely yellow with feminine balanced head; good neck and correct shoulder placement; ex.true Lab coat; strong quarters with well turned stifles, short in hock; well set on tail; moved excellently. A bitch I really liked. Very strong in the Challenge. RCC

2.Lodge-Lowes Valhallen She's the Girl, chocolate bitch with much the same remarks as above; very good coat of one whole colour; strong topline and ex.quarters; good bone and sound movement.

3.Louws Sonlo Madame Milou, a nice type of yellow with good bone; a gentle, kind, feminine head foretelling her lovely temperament; short coupled and strongly built but carrying far too much weight!

S.A.Bred

1.Potts Caignair Heartbreaker, a very balanced black well boned carrying a good coat & tail; level topline ;strong quarters & deep bodied; nice feminine head although I would prefer darker eye.

2.van Vuurens Adamasdor Swart Magriet, a short coupled black with good bone ;feminine head and strong neck; ex.quarters and although her movement was sound she was too wide in front.

3.vanHeerdens Dennegeur Yohanna Yolyt of Amadeuze, a most ex. type of black who had everything right about her from her lovely head ,correct coat & tail to good bone & quarters. I really liked her and thought she was my winner but sadly she was not moving soundly today----something temporary I hope.

VB.

1.Potts Chezenko Stolen Kisses of Caignair, a 9 yr.old black of outstanding quality who belies her age; lovely feminine head; ex.neck & shoulder placement; good bone & feet; not overdone in any way. Super mover.

OB

1.Stadlers Knibbelkover Juffrou Roxy, a very well balanced black of very good type with a most lovely feminine head, strong neck & ex.shoulder placement; ample bone; in good coat with strong quarters; deep body and very sound movement both coming and going. A nice handy size and although her well coated tail did have slight feathering I felt her overall quality deserved the CC today and RBIS.

2.van Vuurens Adamasdors Lil Leila, nicely balanced yellow of lovely size with feminine head and kind expression; ex.deep body in good coat; well boned and neat feet; strong quarters; moved soundly but preferred front of winner

3.Vieras Caignair Harlech of Vonniejo, a very nice typey black in ex.coat with good otter tail; lovely feminine balanced head with good length of muzzle; well boned, neat feet, moved well but needs to show off her attributes to better advantage.

Champion

1.Potts CH Tapeatom Drama Queen of Caignair BIS (as reported)

2.van Vuurens CH. Adamasdor Hanna,a very worthy champion this yellow bitch is a true Lab. With all the attributes needed. She was a very sound mover who covered the ground well and was equal to 1 in all respects but was not in such good condition.