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Welsh KC

PYRENEAN MOUNTAIN DOG

My thanks to the committee of WKC for the opportunity to judge at this prestigious show. A quality entry was present with some very promising youngsters. All of the dogs were well presented with good dentition and pigment, and all had superb temperaments. I was looking for a good sized, strong and athletic dog with a noble air, well proportioned in head and body, soundly moving, shapely and with a well fitting coat. There were quite a few loose flews which do spoil the overall impression of head and expression and I think shallow underjaws need to be watched or you will lose the correct blunt V. Overall type, conformation and movement were good and I thoroughly enjoyed my appointment and thank the exhibitors and the dogs for a lovely day.

VD (1) 1 Baverstock Ch & Ir Ch Kalkasi In High Spirits JW ShCM CW14. What a credit to the breed and to his owner. He is a majestic dog and in full bloom, totally sound and typical with excellent substance, a very special boy BV, VG4.

MPD (2) 1 Bowker & Gibson Febus Monreco (ai) Wow, now here is something to watch, puppy of immense promise, well grown with good bone, he has a beautiful head coming, with dark eyes and pigment and tight lipline, shapely with a strong neck and medium angulation, excellent rear and strong hocks, really smooth action, lovely overall balance, I considered him in the challenge for RCC. 2 Carter Jumicar Casanova. Another nice puppy who is not quite as together as 1, masculine dog, growing well and with excellent bone. Head in proportion with full pigmentation well proportioned body although standing a little 'bum high' at present, a little loose in front but perfectly understandable, sound rear action.

PD (2) 1 Bowker & Gibson Febus Monreco (ai). 2 Carter Jumicar Casanova. Repeat of MPD.

JD (1) 1 Dickson Kalkasi Fields Of Gold. Good size and substance with good head, nice sloping stop and not too much curve to skull and dark eyes, typical expression but flews could be tighter, very shapely with good bone, strong neck with good depth of chest and well ribbed, strong over haunches with well set and carried tail, good rear angulation and sound, needs to tighten in front, liked his overall type and has time on his side.

PGD (2,1) 1 Thorne Kricarno Konstellation At Pyrajay. Nice upstanding male, has all the essentials I wanted, good head properties, smooth with good pigment, small ears and well shaped skull, nice overall make, needs to broaden out, body up and develop in chest but has time, had the air of refinement I wanted, excellent hind quarters, smooth movement with wheeled tail to top it off, needs to tighten in front.

LD (3) Three very nice males in this class and all correct in type for me. 1 Baverstock Kalkasi Expect Only The Best. This dog has such a noble bearing and a dreamy expression. Upstanding of good height and strength whilst still being athletic, lovely smooth head and flat cheeks with excellent pigment, good neck and body, well boned with substance, firm broad back, excellent coat, well muscled rear and sound and true movement. RCC. 2 Maggs Vi'skaly's In The Fast Lane Of Dewyche. So close up and a dog with such a typical and beautiful head and build. Just wish he would put a bit more in to it, lovely type and shape, expression perfect, excellent bone, balanced overall construction and angulation, very confident and sound on the move, scored in substance and condition over 3. 3 Downes & Downes Rivergroves All The Right Moves li At Belshanmish. Have placed this dog well before, he was a little out of coat today and seems to have dropped some body

but you cannot deny his class, soundness and wonderful expression, I would like to see him back on full form.

OD (2) 1 Nagrecha, Mattisson-Sandstrom & Sandstrom Ch Viskalys My Way Or No Way To Chandlimore (Imp) First time I have seen this dog in the flesh and it was lovely to get my hands on him, his head really is a joy, no lumps, bumps or ridges and an expression of serene contemplation coming from shape of the skull, tapering of the muzzle, eye shape, colour and pigment, lipline, small ears and in proportion to his body, he is noble and calm, athletic and strong, so shapely, everything flows, he powered around the ring so smoothly, totally balanced and in a well fitting, weather proof coat which enhanced his perfect proportions, delighted to award him the CC & BOB. 2 Meakin Amandjena Cleveland Ohio. A well grown and balanced dog, heavier type to 1, head in proportion to size with good fill and pigmentation, correct expression, strong neck, good front and broad chest, nicely boned, firm back and nice quarters, strong pasterns, typical movement, easy and with a good stride, not quite the bloom of 1.

MPB (1) 1 Downes Febus Fleurac (ai). Such a promising youngster and litter sister to MPD. Lovely make and shape, growing well, balanced head with good planes and expression, correct neck, good chest for age, correct medium angulation, moving out very soundly, wheeled her tail, excellent coat and condition, another to watch.

PB (1) 1 Downes Febus Fleurac (ai) Repeat.

JB (2) 1 Edwards Shanlimore Raffaella. Lovely quality bitch maturing well, head of good proportions with good pigment and true expression, flowing outline, good bone, angulations, excellent body for her age, well carried tail, good coat condition, lovely strong rear, sound and free movement, one for the future RCC. 2 Veale Shanlimore Luciana At Jojims. Litter sister to 1 and very similar in many respects but not quite so accurate in front movement but with plenty of time to finish well, very sound and typical and true on the move, excellent presentation and condition, her time will come.

PGB (3,2) 1 Edwards Shanlimore Raffaella. Repeat JB.

LB (5,1) 1 Baverstock Kalkasi Expect To Be A Star. I'm sure she will be a star very soon, she projects herself so well with a noble air, good height and substance but feminine, liked her balanced head and excellent pigment, lovely bone, strong neck and back, good hindquarters and excellent muscle and body condition, well fitting coat. 2 Bamford Lisjovia Keep The Faith For Pafaxen. Very soundly moving bitch of good type and size with medium angulation, firm back and strong rear, another whose coat fitted her well, and her overall balance is lovely, she has a lot to like but I preferred the head of 1. 3 Meakin L'estelle Du Val De Pyrene (Imp) Little lighter in build but a bitch of good size with a very true expression and balanced head, needs to mature in body but very sound and typical in movement, presented in excellent condition.

OB (5,2) 1 Thorne Ch Belshanmish Pretty In Pink At Pyrajay ShCM. A very pretty bitch whom I have placed well before, pleased to see how well she has matured, presentation, coat and condition were first class. She is a nice size, well boned and so well balanced all through from head to hocks. Nice smooth head with lovely pigment which stood out in her gleaming white coat. Excellent body and outline, moved so soundly, unhurried and smooth and wheeled her tail, not quite the exquisite expression of the male when it came to BOB but matched him for style and soundness. BCC. 2 Baverstock Kalkasi Moonlite Mist. Another very nice bitch from this kennel, close up to 1 but not quite the enthusiasm on the move but sound and typical all through, blowing coat a little, but such a shapely and well muscled bitch of substance with a nice head and expression, neat ears and good pigment, used her tail well, excellent body and condition. 3 Meakin Belshanmish Lady In Red.

Another I liked very much for type, balance and expression, she was totally sound and in lovely condition, no disgrace placing 3rd here, three quality females and just performance and condition on the day tipped the balance.

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