

Spanish Water Dog Club Championship Show 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2023 – Judge - Richard Morris (Lascoed)

Having judged an entry twice this size at Crufts over a decade ago now seems an ideal time to consider the condition of the breed based on the turn out today. Clearly show numbers are down but the breed flourishes in other activities too such is its appeal. The development of the breed based on this entry still can be seen as a work in progress. The standard of movement can improve brisk powerful driving precise movers remain the exception rather than the rule heads though seem to have altered for the better muzzles in particular. Though bone should not be excessive I feel this and deeper foot padding and consequently stronger webbing could be improved. Construction was similarly mixed short upper arms are to be avoided and there was a lack of the breed defining extra height at the withers generally. Positives were the extent of soft appealing expressions and muscled exhibits but spring of ribbing on some was excessive and shortness of ribbing a feature on a few. It would be nice to see more tuck up on show but there were some much improved coats and hardly any exhibits poorly presented a marked change on a decade ago. Quality amongst the bitches is more plentiful a good sign in any breed and the puppy and junior winners will have their day in the sun. Always a delight to judge SWD and see their joyous individuality play up in the ring thank you to every exhibitor for your most kind entries and to the Club and my stewards for all their hard work in organizing the show it was a long day for you all. Well done!

MPD (2,0)

1.Appleton - Perrorizado Escombreras

Six months bl/w correct height to length proportions promising head good bone and feet with depth of body for a puppy firm topline. Presented in pleasing body condition for his age moving rather close at present on the day so hope he develops here.

2. Slaymaker - Perrorizado San Andres For Salvajero

Litter brother to the winner head balanced similar correct proportions muzzle to skull correct bone firm feet rather long in body length to height at present more scope to his outline than the brother. Front not so tight on the move and coat more open than the winner on the day.

PD (4,2)

1. Wood - Pabiago Sergio

Ten months b/w quite a little star for the breed this one winning special beginners group later in the show. Compact correct proportions lovely outline super coat developing if rather soft at present head very promising pleasing melting breed expression. Well knitted together throughout sound athletic and positive on the move BP, congratulations.

2. Bennett-Nulty - Briarlow Bin Winning

Rising eleven months b/w taller on the leg than the winner head proportions correct pleasing eye colour set and shape well sprung ribcage firm topline held well on the move which was flowing and determined another presented in excellent solid body condition.

JD (2,0)

1. Capille - Zorrazo Kind Regards At Lendever

Sixteen months b/w robust build medium sized in solid muscled condition stood and moved as he is made sound and true. Masculine head very expressive eyes coat of notable woolly texture curling well impressive for type soundness in excellent condition as presented with slight body tuck up athletic driving movement well worthy of the RCC, congratulations. A most promising young dog.

2. Giles - Fielamigo Dream Team (GKC)

Sixteen months off/white full nostrils on balanced head a tad long in body proportion for me firm topline strong across the loins superb coat condition woolly and dense of pleasing close curl and length. Attractive eye colour set and shape sound if a bit close on the move on the day in my opinion.

YD (1,0)

1. Philipson - Silvestre Of The Marjohrita Avec Briarlow (Imp FRA)

Rising twenty two months black pleasing coat for texture and curl good bone firm feet well angulated in front with full chest on show muzzle well formed and acceptable mover but could carry more body condition and muscling in my opinion.

LD (2,0)

1. Gilroy - Pabiaga's Easy Feeling Cum Claychalk

Seven years b/w correct breed outline coat of good length curl and texture head balanced attractive eye colour shape and set rich black pigmentation. Well sprung ribcage firm across the loins excellent hindquarter muscling. Won on breed outline type and sound movement.

2. Wood - Chanderhill Eagle Eye

Two years eight months beige not quite the angulation of the winner for me presented in excellent coat and condition strong over the loins body proportions balanced preferred the movement of the first on the day.

OD (4,0)

1. Hodgkinson & Rutherford - Sh.Ch/HR Ch. Zorrazo Hey There Yogi Bear

Rising three and a half years robust build brisk athletic powerful driving mover holding his topline firmly in action the soundest exhibit in the entry in my opinion. Correct breed outline excellent head slight stop skull developed planes correct expressive eyes ears well placed. In super coat and solid body condition muscled and fit throughout coat so well textured with length of cord clean and beautifully presented. My clear CC and BOB winner on the day, congratulations.

2. Parish - Chanderhill Alfredo JW CJW 19

Rising five and a half years brown very muscled condition body solid a bit longer than I would have liked but well sprung ribcage with correct depth of body. Pleasing masculine head and expression powerful neck correct firm topline super coat curl even with correct woolly texture on show moved soundly and true.

3. Peart - Josalyn Rio Ziggyatardust

Six years brown lovely masculine balanced head firm topline coat of most pleasing length and texture notable sound front construction good shoulders well sprung ribcage just not quite the muscle finish and movement of the winners on the day.

VD (5,1)

1. Donaldson & Palumbo - Sh.Ch. Prizelands You're The One For Rainethyme

Seven years eight months bl/w an old favourite of mine most pleasing for breed type size and muscled substance very well constructed slight extra height at the withers firm topline still moving with determined drive BVD, congratulations.

2. Appleton - Zulusky Chris Mears

Seven years b/w a head finish I preferred to that of the winner and the best mover in the class in my opinion on the day. Well sprung ribcage reaching well back firm across the loins muscled hindquarters with deep second thighs. Presented in first class coat of pleasing texture.

3. Napier - Josalyn Manolito In Seasmoke

Ten years nine months well balanced breed proportions in outline super coat length and texture for his age well presented dipping topline a touch and not the dentition or movement of the winners on the day in my opinion. His action was purposeful and driving and he is in pleasing solid body condition for his age.

SP. W D/B

1. Hodgkinson & Rutherford \_ Sh.Ch/HR Ch. Zorrado Cheek By Jowl With Chanderhill

Three years nine months b/w bitch very well angulated overall if a tad loose in front action on the day. Lovely breed type on display correct depth of brisket presented in excellent coat length and texture moving with flowing determined drive. Well sprung ribcage well coupled strong across the loins and muscled throughout.

2. Capille - Zorrado X Factor At Lendever

Seventeen months bl/w bitch not the front angulation of the winner for me lovely head proportions notably good muzzle pleasing eye colour shape and set very expressive. Strong bone topline could be firmer but strong across the loins. A sound mover more positive than the winner on the day but not the balanced breed outline of the first in my opinion.

GSD D/B

1.Appleton - Valentisimo's De Cascada

Five years b/w bitch pleasing breed type and balanced outline strong neck well set into shoulders good bone and firm feet correct topline powerful muscled hindquarters. Head feminine and expressive sound on the move front and rear but for me could have shown a little more drive on the day.

2. Slaymaker - Pabiaga Marietta At Salvajero

Five years b/w bitch balanced attractive feminine head muzzle nicely shaped slight stop pleasing eye colour shape and set well sprung ribcage strong across the loins but needs to carry no more body condition in my opinion. Lacking the dentition of the winner but excellent hindquarter muscling with deep second thighs.

MPB (1,0)

1.Winchurch - Holamanola Paquita Costa

Eight months brown all the basics in place good construction proportions correct to outline pleasing body condition for her age. Firm topline pleasing cover across the loins good bone attractive eye colour shape and set. Needs time to tighten in front and develop generally.

PB (2,0)

1.Whitehead - Pabiaga's Santana

Ten months b/w excellent overall angulation very sound and true on the move solid robust build for a puppy good topline slight tuck up on show coat also very promising a typical breed youngster BPB, congratulations.

2. Winchurch - Holamanola Paquita Costa

JB (1,0)

1.Kehoe - Janamorio Northern Izzy At Aguamarina

Fifteen months b/w a most lovely head on this young bitch proportions correct with feminine strength full wide nostrils and soft expression ears well placed and sized. Good bone firm feet correct topline super coat length and texture just moving a tad close on the day in my opinion..

YB (4,1)

1. Capille - Chanderhill End Of An Era At Lendever

Seventeen months b/w typical balanced outline well sprung ribcage good depth of brisket to length of leg strong bone firm feet. Excellent power over the loins and muscled hindquarters typical topline held well on the move which displays determined drive. Most pleasing typical coat on show.

2. Lapworth - Josalyn Urizzilap Del Amorizzia

Seventeen months beige feminine balanced head soft expression pleasing eye colour shape and set well sprung ribcage strong over the loins. Close coupled muscled hindquarters pleasing coat and body condition moved acceptably.

3. Page & Robinson - Prizelands Fun Filled Fancy At Deltoroesta

Twenty one months off/white if this bitch could have been gone over properly she could have won the class but was sadly too nervous on the day. Lovely typical breed outline strong neck well set into shoulders good bone and feet solid body condition robust build the best mover in the class.

GB (2,0)

1. Lapworth - Valentissimo's Fox Ola Jack Del Amorizzia

Six years four months most typical b/w mature solid body condition excellent length and texture of dense woolly coat pleasing eye colour shape and set good bone firm feet. A sound mover with flowing driving profile action.

2. Slaymaker - Pabiaga Marietta At Salvajero

PGB (1,0)

1. Affleck-Carter - Perrorizado Isla White

Three and a half years bl/w balanced feminine head planes well set muzzle nicely formed pleasing eye colour shape and set good bone and correct depth of body to length of leg. Moved acceptably at the rear but tending slightly wide in front action on the day. In preference I considered her coat could be a bit less open.

LB (2,1)

1. Page & Robinson - Zorrado Xquisite Croatian Perl At Deltoroesta (Imp HRV)

Rising five years b/w head nicely balanced notably developed skull pleasing eye colour shape and set attractive breed expression. Correct topline for me no more spring of ribcage required could possess a slightly better length and lay of upper arm in my opinion. Correct topline with excellent hindquarter muscling.

OB (3,0)

1. Palumbo - Sh.Ch. Rainethyme Memory Keeper JW

Rising six years b/w impressive feminine quality bitch wonderfully presented lovely length to correct woolly coat texture head so balanced without exaggeration firm solid body condition robust build muscled and fit condition. Powerful hindquarters deep second thighs hocks well set moved soundly with brisk flowing reach and drive. Most deserving of bitch CC & BOS & RBIS, congratulations.

2. Donaldson & Glaysher - Sh.Ch. Kurlibears September Aurora

Rising three years full wide nostrils lovely strength to head notable muzzle finish stronger bone and firmer feet than the winner solid muscled body condition not the dentition of the winner. Excellent corded coat dense woolly texture lying evenly for me moved a tad close behind on the day so not quite the action of the winner RCC, congratulations.

3. Whitehead - Sh.Ch. Pabiagas Kemina

Six years brown much to admire in this very typical bitch feminine balanced head correct body proportions and breed outline pleasing length of coat and woolly texture well sprung ribcage and strong across the loins not quite the movement of the winners on the day in my opinion.

VB (3,0)

1. Donaldson & Glaysher - Prizelands Sweet Truffle

Seven years eight months b/w lovely typical balanced head and soft expression well sprung ribcage solid body sound driving mover brisk action for a veteran. Good bone firm feet still correct topline presented in first class coat and condition coat woolly textured BV, congratulations.

## 2. Gilroy - Claychalk Alfonsa

Nine years compact robust build typical proportionate outline head feminine and balanced good depth of body balanced to length of leg correct topline good bone. A typical neat unexaggerated mature bitch fit and muscled as a veteran.

## 3. Napier - Josalyn Palba Leonara

Eight years off/white very sound overall construction correct angulation particularly in front not quite the head finish of the winners and coat rather open. Strong over the loins powerful muscled hindquarters moved soundly.

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