Leonberger Championship Show 12th November 2017 Judge: Mr William Crawley

I would like to thank the Committee for this appointment, it is always an honour to judge the breed club show.

Just a few comments. The breed needs bone and substance and has been lacking for quite a few years, also the head which defines every breed, is being lost in the breed along with one of the most important points the mask! A lot of these points were lacking today.

Bitches

Veteran (4, 2 Abs)

1st Mr & Mrs Westwood CH Jocolda Chie Mihara

8 Year old cream colour, correct mask good ear set, eye the right expression. Good size and bone and gives the look of a solid Leonberger, movements to and fro excellent, still a quality bitch.

2nd Mrs Palmer Jantonely Darling Beatrice

10 Year old, red coat. Head not giving the same expression as 1. Good reach on front, angles all round good, not the drive on rear as 1.

Minor Puppy (5, 2 Abs)

1st Ms Springel Lionscourt Heavenly Hana

6 months, red/gold colour. Correct head, beautiful mask, good eye and ear set. All making the correct Leonberger expression. Nice strong neck, shoulder well laid back, straight front onto a good top line. Moved to and fro very well. Nice to see tight feet on a young animal, nice puppy. BPIB

2nd H. Matthews Lionscourt Ho’Ahana

6 months, red colour. Nice mask, medium eye, good shoulders and front. Good angles all round, sound mover. Good overall profile just a bit more body and head expression on 1.

3rd Mr & Mrs Strudwick Debbollinby Caramel Kookie Jar

6 months, gold/cream colour. Lacking in Leonberger head expression. Good mask, fine in bone and substance. Lacking quality of 1 & 2.

Puppy (3, 0 Abs)

1st Mr & Mrs Read Jantonely Spellbinder

10 months, red/brown colour. Correct head, expression and mask. Correct angles all round, plenty of bone and substance giving a nice outline. A sound steady mover once settled down.

2nd Mr & Mrs Buchwald P.S I love you Nelly Bore Cysterskie

11months, gold/red colour. Good mask and ear set prefer more width head and muzzle, not giving Leonberger expression. Ample bone, good top line when standing and on the move. Not the strength in depth of 1.

Junior (5, 0 Abs)

1st Mrs Cleary Mystic Charm Ginger Heaven for Benellieson

12 months, gold colour. Moderate size bitch, correct head, dark eye and expression. Good straight front and angles all round. Ample bone and substance, nice width of chest. Moves to and fro correct, lovely outline both on the move and standing.

2nd Mr & Mrs Westwood Leosrus Unforgettable

17 months, red colour. Correct mask, prefer a darker eye. Correct bone and substance, angulation all round good. Kept top line on the move and standing, a steady bitch.

3rd Miss Ahokas Cleon Mary Poppins

14 months. Good head and expression, good width of front, correct angles all round. Would like to see more bone to suit frame/size, if bone comes would like to see her when matures. Not looking as good as 1 & 2 now.

Yearling (4, 0 Abs)

1st Mrs Cole Queen Star Sagitta Isla Bonita Jamica Sunrise (Imp Pol)

23 months, red colour. Good head would prefer better mask. Correct eye and ears. Good straight front, enough bone, good substance. Nice gait, very free moving showing correct angles. A lovely outline.

2nd Mr & Mrs Read Bavaruki Fisco Rolex

19 months. Balanced head and expression. Bitch has plenty of size, excellent bone and body on good tight feet. Moved freely just not settling.

3rd Ms Anderson Debbolinby Shining Light

23 months, gold/red colour. Clean head, medium eye, and straight front. Good bone and body, moves ok however not the quality of 1 & 2.

Novice (1, 0 Abs)

1st Miss Lavery Oldholbans Story Teller

28 months, red/gold colour. Correct head and expression, beautiful mask. Front a little loose but sound. Plenty of bone and substance, angulation correct all round. Moved well when settled, a nice bitch.

Graduate (2, 0 Abs)

1st Miss Osborne Rossnick Xpeialidicious

2 ½ years, red/gold colour. Good balanced head and mask giving correct expression. Nice size bitch with correct bone and substance, making correct look of a Leonberger. Moves to and fro freely and very well. This bitch has a lot of what’s missing in the breed at this time.

2nd C & S Lear-Schofield Alfroos Kapuko Luna Eclipse

2 years, gold/red colour. Not the head or expression of one. Good angles all round, moves soundly. Good body and bone, holds top line on the move and standing. Head was the difference.

Post Graduate (2, 1 w/d)

1st Miss Francis Didleo Chardonnay Star

21 months. Would prefer a stronger head, has a good mask and eye. Nice straight front, very sound moving, keeps top line on the move and standing. Ample bone, a steady sound bitch when settled.

Limit (8, 2 Abs)

1st Mrs Peachey Vanroy Althena

4 years, red colour. Good clean head, good mask making a beautiful expression. Straight front and lay of shoulder with pleasing angles to suit. Bone and substance of good proportions. All points give the expression of a sound balanced bitch. She did not disappoint when she moved. Very nice, hard decision for CC, gave her RBCC. Quality.

2nd Mr & Mrs Bailey Gondalf Graceful

26 months, gold colour. Again correct head, eye and ear set all giving a beautiful expression. Correct bone and body proportions. Straight front, good angle to rear. Very sound quality bitch tight decision between 1and 2.

3rd Miss, Mr & Mrs Coutts, Lericae & Hurren Lecoutts Kez’s Crazy Rainbow

3 years, gold colour. Larger bitch than 1 & 2. Nice head and expression. Straight all round, plenty of bone and substance, sound moving to and fro with a good outline. Would prefer better bite.

Open (4, 0 Abs)

1st Mr & Mrs Bailey CH Condalf Candy Cane

4 years, gold colour. Beautiful head and mask, correct expression. Sometimes holding ears back but when up great. Straight front onto tight feet, lovely bone and body and in balance. Moved so soundly on move, top line improves on move. Correct outline moving and standing. Top quality medium sized bitch. In agreement with dog judge B.I.S.

2nd Mrs H Brown Engelden Inclination

5 ½ years, red/gold colour. Larger than 1, good head just not as soft in expression as 1. Plenty of bone and substance, good angles all round. Moved soundly, nice outline on the stand and moving. Quality again.

3rd As per 1st Novice.