

LAGOTTO ROMAGNOLO CLUB OF GREAT BRITAIN CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW
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It is always a very great honour to be asked to officiate at a breed championship show. This was one of the biggest honours that I have ever been afforded. Not only was it the first championship show run by the club – it also celebrated their 30th anniversary. I therefore thank most humbly the officers and committee for extending me this invitation.

The show was spectacular – an added feature saw the singing of the Italian National Anthem to commence proceedings and after the championship show had concluded we were treated to Nessun Dorma. Thank you to Domenico for coming over from Italy to perform. My thanks to my excellent stewards – Jeni and Angela. Finally thank you to the exhibitors for affording me the opportunity of judging your lovely dogs. I had a truly super day and this rates as one of my most enjoyable appointments ever.

Veteran Dog (3, 1)

1st Dario Della Caveja (Ferguson). Quality dog who is correctly proportioned all through and holds his outline well. Good breadth of head with correct skull muzzle proportions. Large ears well set. Short neck into correct lay of shoulder with equal length of upper arm. Correct depth of chest with elbows close to the body. Short, compact body. Strong, well muscled hindquarters with correctly bent stifles. Excellent coat texture. Moved freely with good drive. BVIS

2nd Mizani Dioro Over Savio (Nelson). Lighter in build than the winner but still within the standard. Well balanced all through. Head correctly proportioned with strong muzzle and well set ears. Neck of correct length leading to well laid shoulders. Compact body with topline falling slightly towards the croup. Slightly straighter in stifle than the winner. Coat of good texture. Moved well.

Puppy Dog (3)

1st Arcticbreeze City Light (Phillips). I thought this puppy was absolutely stunning. So well balanced and holds the correct outline at all times. Excellent head with slight stop and strong muzzle. Correct length of skull in proportion to length of muzzle. Short neck leading to well laid shoulder and corresponding length of upper arm. Short in body with chest reaching to elbows. Slight tuck up. Well developed hindquarters with correctly bent stifles. Super coat texture. Moved happily and confidently – such precocity but I loved him for it. BPD and BPIS.

2nd Gameglow Double Dare (Cooper). Another very promising puppy who is well balanced all through. Well proportioned head with correctly set ears. Neck of moderate length leading to well laid shoulder. Could have a tad more length of upper arm. Slightly longer cast than the winner. Scores in hindquarters with well turned stifles. Coat of good texture. Moved freely.

3rd Bedeslea Fifth Of November. (Bishop & Norbury)

Junior Dog (2)

1st Allsong Jelly Bean (Whittick). Very smart youngster who has the correct outline for the breed. Excellent head shape with correct skull to muzzle proportions and slight stop. Short neck leading to well laid shoulder and equal length of upper arm. Good depth of chest with elbows close to the body. Compact in body. Well made hindquarters with good bend of stifle. Coat of good texture with curls evident. Moved out on a free stride.

2nd Woody Labando (Imp Serb). (Colonna) Sadly this dog wouldn't settle which made it very difficult to assess him. Ringcraft will sort this out. He has a pleasing shape and is well balanced. Head nicely proportioned. Short neck into well laid shoulder. I would prefer more length of upper arm. Compact body. Needs to strengthen in hindquarters. Coat of good texture. Moved soundly.

Novice Dog (3)

1st Tigre Di Casa Ghini (Webb & Ferguson). Very promising youngster who presents the correct outline when stacked. Good head shape with slight stop and strong muzzle. Short neck leading to well laid shoulders and upper arm of equal length. Chest of good depth and topline falls slightly towards the croup. Well made hindquarters with correct bend of stifle. Coat of good texture. Moved out freely.

2nd Clamerkin Tawny Emperor (Drake). Less mature and not the outline of the winner. Pleasing head of correct proportions. Short neck. Little short in upper arm. Chest of good depth with elbows close to the body. Needs to strengthen through hindquarters. Moved steadily/

Post Graduate Dog (3)

1st Arcticbreeze On The Double (Ai) (Thomas). Top quality dog who ticked all the boxes for me today. He has a presence that draws you to him as soon as he enters the ring – yet nothing is overdone in any way. Correct outline when stacked and on the move. Head of good proportions with skull of good breadth and slightly longer than the muzzle. Slight stop and well defined eyebrow arches. Ears well set. Short, slightly arched neck into well laid shoulder and corresponding length of upper arm. Chest of correct depth with elbows close to the body which is compact with slight tuck up. Hindquarters are strong and well muscled with correctly bent stifles. Coat of excellent texture with guard hairs well evident. Movement is free and ground covering. Delighted to give him his first CC and later Best in Show.

2nd Bedeslea Prada Milano (Sharp). Good overall balance. Head well proportioned with slight stop and well set ears. Short neck leading to well laid shoulder. Little short in upper arm. Fractionally longer cast than my winner. Good depth of chest with elbows close to the body. Scores in hindquarters with correctly bent stifles. Coat of good texture. Moved freely – not quite the forward reach of the winner.

3rd Clamerkin Brown Onyx (James)

Limit Dog (6)

1st All I Wanted Labando (Imp Serb) (Willy). Well balanced all through. I would prefer a little more length to his forelegs as it just distracted slightly from the overall outline. Excellent head with skull of good breadth, slight stop and strong muzzle. Short neck leading to well laid shoulder. Deep chest with elbows close to the brisket. Compact body. Strong hindquarters with well bent stifles. Excellent coat texture with guard hairs evident. Outstanding movement – free and plenty of drive. Best Movement Award.

2nd Foogel Candeloro At Onyxro (Imp Fin) (Young, Duigenan & Mangham). Good overall balance. Head of good shape with skull and muzzle of correct proportions. Little long in neck. Well laid shoulder with upper arm of equal length. He has a better length of foreleg than the winner however the winner scored in hindquarters with the better turn of stifle. Free movement but very close going away. Coat of very good texture.

3rd Arcticbreeze On Vacation (Willott)

Open Dog (4)

1st Arcticbreeze Turbulence At Allsong (Whittick). A dog I have always admired – he was giving his handler an extremely hard time today which ultimately cost him from going further. Well balanced presenting correct breed outline. Scores in his head which is of good breadth and skull slightly longer than the muzzle with a slight stop and prominent eyebrow arches. Short, slightly arched neck leading to well laid shoulders and corresponding length of upper arm. Good depth of chest with elbows close to brisket. Compact in body with slight tuck up. Strong hindquarters with nicely bent stifles. Coat of good texture. Moved freely with drive. Best Head Award.

2nd Foogel Roberto At Onyxro (Imp Fin) (Young, Duigenan & Mangham). Well balanced with compact outline. Another who has a truly lovely head and expression. Short, slightly arched neck leading to well laid shoulder. Dips slightly behind the withers which means his topline doesn't fall gradually towards the croup. Good depth of chest. Rather straight in stifle. Movement good in profile. Very close going away.

3rd Arcticbreeze Jackpot (Taylor)

Special Working Gundog (1)

1st Truffalusa November Moon From Mizani (Ferguson). Very impressive dog who is well balanced all through and presents the correct breed outline. Head of good shape with correct skull muzzle proportions, slight stop and strong muzzle. Short, slightly arched neck leading to well laid shoulder and equal length of upper arm. Good depth of chest. Compact body with topline falling slightly towards the croup. Scores in his hindquarters which are well muscled with correctly bent stifles. His coat is stunning – with very thick curls and the guard hairs evident. Free movement with plenty of drive. A really lovely dog from any angle. RCC and Best Coat award.

Veteran Bitch (2)

1st Mizani Diorbe Of Vienna (Monk). Well balanced all through. Head is well proportioned with correct skull shape, slight stop and strong muzzle. Short neck leading to well laid shoulders and equal length of upper arm. I would prefer a little more length to her forelegs. Deep chest with elbows close to brisket. Compact in body. Well made hindquarters with correct turn of stifle. Coat of excellent texture. Moved out freely with drive.

2nd Moonreed Warbler At Allsong (Whittick). Good overall balance. Well shaped head with skull slightly longer than the muzzle and correctly set ears. Neck of moderate length. Good layback of shoulder and return of upper arm. Again I would like a little more length to the forelegs. Deep chest. Little longer cast than the winner. Well turned stifles. Coat well textured. Moved soundly – not quite the drive of the winner.

Puppy Bitch (3)

1st Bedeslea Remember Remember (Norbury & Bishop). Good overall balance and has correct breed outline. Head is nicely proportioned with good breadth of skull and slight stop. Short neck leading to well laid shoulders and equal length of upper arm. Depth of chest is correct for her age. Forelegs of good length. Compact in body. Scores in hindquarters with well turned stifles. Coat is of good texture – just loose at the moment. Moved well with drive.

2nd Bedeslea Bombshell To Mizani (Ferguson). Another very promising puppy. Well balanced all through. Well shaped head with slight stop and correct ear placement. Neck is short leading to well laid shoulder. I would like a fraction more length of upper arm. Chest is deep enough for her age. Compact in body. Well made hindquarters with nicely turned stifles. Like the winner her coat is of good texture – curls just need to tighten. Moved out well on a good stride.

3rd Bedeslea Firecracker At Princhetts (Lillicrap)

Junior Bitch (4)

1st Curlycruz Wild Flower At Frommesbeck (John). Very smart youngster who is well balanced with correct breed outline. Head is nicely proportioned with length of skull longer than the length of muzzle. Slight stop and well placed ears. Short neck leading to well laid shoulders. Could have a touch more length to the upper arm. Forelegs of good length. Compact in body. Scores in hindquarters with well turned stifles. Coat of good texture. Moved out well on a free stride.

2nd Allsong Jelly Baby (Skeggs). Not as together as the winner but well balanced all through. Head of good shape with good breadth of skull and well placed ears. Short neck leading to good layback of shoulder. Correct depth of chest. Slightly longer cast than the winner. Well made hindquarters with nicely turned stifles. Excellent coat texture. Moved soundly.

3rd Il Granaio Dei Malatesta Livia Drusilla (Imp Ita) (Drake)

Novice Bitch (3)

1st Bedeslea Prada Luisa (MacLennan). Impressive young bitch who I believe has the potential to go on to good things once she has matured. Excellent overall balance and outline. Correct head with good breadth of skull and strong muzzle. Slight stop and well set ears. Short neck leading to well laid shoulders and equal length of upper arm. Good depth of chest. Compact in body. Well made hindquarters with good turn of stifle. Coat of good texture. Moved out freely with drive. Definitely one to watch.

2nd Bedeslea Remember Remember (Norbury & Bishop). 1st PB.

3rd Danatro Pepperoni (Hatch & Johnson)

Post Graduate Bitch (8)

1st Bedeslea Prada Linea Rossa (Bishop). Very impressive bitch who is well balanced all through and maintains correct outline for the breed. Head is nicely proportioned with correct skull to muzzle dimensions and strong jaw. Moderate length of neck leading to good lay of shoulder with equal length of upper arm. Chest of good depth with elbows close. Her topline falls slightly from wither to croup. Strong hindquarters with nicely bent stifles. Coat of excellent texture. Moved freely with drive. All round very impressive. RCC

2nd Lamese Lucia (Shah). Another very nice bitch. Good overall balance. Head shape good with slight stop and well placed ears. Short neck leading to well laid shoulder. I would like a little more length of upper arm. Good length of foreleg. Compact in body. Well made hindquarters with good turn of stifle. Coat of good texture. Moved well with drive.

3rd Arcticbreeze Top Secret (Mort)

Limit Bitch (4)

1st Arcticbreeze Truth Or Dare (Mort). Well balanced all through. Skull of good breadth and slightly longer than muzzle. Short neck leading to excellent lay of shoulder and corresponding length of upper arm. Chest of good depth with elbows close. I would prefer a little more length of foreleg. Compact in body. Well made hindquarters with good turn of stifle. Excellent coat texture. Moved out freely.

2nd Byphar Havana Club Jw Ir Jun Ch (Roberts). Another quality bitch who is well balanced all through. Head of good proportions with slight stop and strong muzzle. Neck of moderate length leading to well laid shoulders. Could have a fraction more length to upper arm. Forelegs of good length. Compact in body with topline falling slightly from wither to croup. Scores in hindquarters. Very good coat texture. Free movement with drive.

3rd Mizani Sebio Lola At Princhetts (Lillicrap)

Open Bitch (6)

1st Nelbekio Just The Ticket (Nelson). This bitch is beautifully balanced and presents a superb breed outline. Excellent head shape with good breadth of skull which is slight greater in length than that of the muzzle. Slight stop with prominent eyebrow arches. Short neck leading to well laid shoulder and corresponding length of upper arm. Forelegs of good length. Chest deep with elbows close. Compact in body with slight tuck up. Topline falls slightly from withers to croup. Strong, well muscled hindquarters with nicely turned stifles. Coat of good texture. Moved accurately and freely demonstrating good rear drive. CC and RBIS.

2nd Arcticbreeze Outbraker (Mort). Another quality bitch who on another day could change places with the winner. Good overall balance. Head of excellent proportions with skull slightly longer than muzzle. Slight stop and well set ears. Short neck leading to well laid shoulder. Could have a fraction more length to upper arm. Compact body with deep chest and topline falling slightly from withers to croup. Strong muscular hindquarters with well turned stifles. In excellent coat and condition. Moved freely with drive.

3rd Bedeslea Pradasphere JW (Norbury)

Special working bitch (1)

1st Greenbankes Kara (Tindall). Well balance all through. Head is correctly proportioned with good breadth of skull, slight stop and strong muzzle. Short neck leading to well laid shoulder. A little short in upper arm. Forelegs of good length. Chest of good depth. Body is compact with slight tuck up. Well muscled hindquarters with nicely bent stifles. Coat of very good texture. Moved out soundly.

Becky Johnson
Judge