

THE LEONBERGER CLUB OF GREAT BRITAIN
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MALES ONLY

Thank you to the club for their kind invitation to judge at the club show which is always such a special honour, the original judge being one of my mentors in the breed the specialist Glenda Smith who was unable to fulfil her appointment and to replace her was greatly appreciated, my co judge was Wanda Oud and we were in full agreement in the end for all the top awards.

As an overview I would just like to say that this magnificent breed has certain requisites which should never be lost large and strong yet elegant is one aspect which must not be lost so in my book length to leg for ideal bearings along with that classic elongated head rather than stocky is the essence of the breed and these were my priorities today.

VETERAN DOG (3,2)

1)ROSSNICK QUEST FOR A STAR –quality 8 year old male super head and expression ideal skull, an upstanding male with good length to leg, and scored in outlines, good side gait but age showing in his up and down movement.

MINOR PUPPY DOG (8,1)

1)KUMAMATATA JUST A SNOW LION –one of the two raw babies in this class and at just 6 months its to be expected, but has so much to give, his head and eye are clean but his outline and conformation is there to see, just needs to beef up and fill a lot to finish the picture, correct foot fall on the move.

2)DEBBOLLINBY MASKED MARVEL – mature puppy who could be carry a little too much weight at moment, head is good but a touch flared in back skull, admired his short backline and long legs, excellent side gait.

PUPPY DOG (5,0)

1)SALJAY MILGO MORNING GLORY –must be destined for the very top in the future, gorgeous puppy who has it all, beautiful head and eye, elegant yet strong and all male, so balanced and with great symmetry, excellent topline and ideal ratios, totally sound on the move, a little more schooling to show off his many virtues is needed, went onto BPIS.

2)DACFOLKE KARMAKHAMLEON –upstanding young male with a most beautiful head and expression correct eye shape and position but could be a little darker, good enough coming and going but has an exceptional side gait which impressed, just a shade heavy in body at the moment.

JUNIOR DOG (8,0)

1)LEMPILEIJONAN MUSTA KUULLAAN AT HILLHAVEN –difficult to split 1st and 2nd as they are both full of quality, my preference went to his male whose head is just classic, clean head planes, ideal muzzle to skull perfect eye and pigmentation and masking, throws a good outline but just a little steep in his croup, moved well in all directions,

2)LEMPILIEIJONAN MUSTA BARBAARI AT SULANDI –I see is brother to 1st . better for outline than winner and similar head detail applies, really liked him he moves well going and in profile but not as tidy as one coming towards, it was splitting hairs.

YEARLING DOG (7,2)

1)LEOSRUS WE WILL REMEMBER FOR KALIZMAR –won this class on his excellent movement, smaller mould and build than I prefer but he scores in eye and conformation, used the ring to full advantage.

2)DEBBOLLINBY JUST KRUZIN INTO KITARN –promising young dog who has so much going for him typical outlook and sound on the move in all directions, just carrying too much coat and weight today, a good groom out of all that hair will certainly enhance his strong body and outline.

NOVICE DOG (1,0)

1)DACFOLKE OKHMHAKA –well conditioned male who has an excellent eye but a touch too much stop for me, moved out fairly well.

GRADUATE DOG (3,0)

1)DEBBOLLINBY JUST KRUZIN INTO KITARN

2)VECTISELEON KIAJA WOLFRIK –well bodied male whose general head properties are good but a touch too much stop for me, good general proportions and sound moving.

POST GRADUATE DOG (3,0)

1)LIONSCOURT GALACTICA -upstanding male who is well bodied and scored on head and expression, excellent bone, steady mover but loses topline on the move.

2)WYLAH RETURN FIRE – well boned male who could do with more length to foreleg, gave a good account of himself.
LIMIT DOG (9,2)

1)JANTONELY PUCKER UP FLYNN –so much to like about this dog, lovely head and expression good length to foreleg balanced outline effortless sidegait had to be considered in the challenge.

2)LIONSFORD FULLHOUSE –throws a lovely outline stood, short on coat today and still needs to body up, moderate angles both ends and moved with a steady controlled pace, maturity will suit him well .

OPEN DOG (9,3)

1)CH /FIN CH LEMPILEIJONAN ITSE KATEUDENPOIKA – clearly I must like this breeding as I seem to have unknowingly awarded many dogs from this kennel today, here is in my opinion an example of a classic male in full maturity that satisfies all one would need to represent the breed, Wanda Oud my co judge and I both agreed in the end that this male would make a good representation of all what's wonderful about the breed, this male has the most wonderful head masking eye and expression, he is so good on hands on inspection with ideal proportions, correct leg to body and length to height for ideal balance, clean elongated head and the air of nobility when he looks at you, well ribbed and ideal angles front and rear. Even though the heat was getting to him he never stopped pleasing his handler moving out well right to the very end . DCC and BIS

2)CH ENGELBEN FRED IN THE WOODS –another excellent male in a star studded class of pure quality, this dog yet again defines all that is majestic about the breed, classic head and colour, solid bodied and sturdy yet has clean lines, so good to handle on hands on inspection, just a little square in outline and tended to stand losing his topline by riding up at the rear. So had to pay the price. RDCC and RBIS.

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