

CLUMBER SPANIEL LEAGUE OF VICTORIA - MELBOURNE

JOHN BELL CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW - 8th JULY 2007 - Judge MAUREEN TAYLOR (Maursett – UK)

I was grateful to be invited to judge this Championship Show and was pleased with my main award winners, given the small gene pool available to exhibitors in Australia at this time. Given the legal changes in the UK regarding tail docking, I was particularly encouraged to find that tail set and carriage did not hinder the overall balance of the dogs. Without wishing to appear critical and given the low numbers of the breed in the Southern Hemisphere, I do hope that some attention may be given to ensuring a scissor bite as I do feel that this is an important feature to protect in our breed; I do appreciate that in older dogs that mouths may become level, but this should not be the case in younger ones. However, I was particularly pleased to see good temperament to the fore.

Puppy Dog

1st & Best Puppy in Show

Dr H & Miss J Irving's

Erinveine Zeroud



10 month old dog, masculine head with pleasing expression, well boned, tight feet, level topline, well muscled with a good turn of stifle. Should fill out to be a nice dog. Would prefer a darker eye, but they may darken with time.

Junior Dog

1st

B& S Courtney's

**Erinveine Expert
Witness**



Head ok and a better eye colour. Decent front, neck and topline, good depth and spring of rib. Would prefer tighter feet and better turn of stifle. Moved ok.

Intermediate Dog

1st, Best Intermediate &
Reserve Dog

Dr H & Miss J Irving's

**Ch Erinveine Veni Vedi
Vici**



Fabulous head and melting expression, but I would prefer a cleaner eye. Tight feet, good depth of chest and level topline. Well boned, moved well. Very much the type of Clumber that I like.

2nd

Mr, Mrs & Miss
Teniswood's

**Ch Erinveine Vide et
Crede**



Litter brother to 1. Nice head, well boned, deep chest. Well coated, but preferred the movement of 1

Australian Bred Dog

1st

B & S Courtney's

Ch Dewgold Snow Storm



Nice head, well boned, level topline, good depth of chest, turn of stifle and feet. Moved well.

2nd

Ms C Thompson's

Ch Benbowin Larry



Smaller type than 1. Head ok with nice expression. Decent depth of chest and spring of rib.

Open Dog

1st

Mrs D Chisman's

Ch Dale End Jordie



7 year old dog that I would have liked to have seen in his prime. Good head and neck, well boned and nice turn of stifle. Did not move too well, but age was playing its part

Veteran Dog

1st, Best Veteran, Dog Challenge, Runner Up to Best in Show & Best Opposite Sex in Show

Dr H & Miss J Irving's

Gr Ch Erinveine Judge



9 year old dog. Masculine head, but not overdone. Straight front, good shoulder placement, topline and turn of stifle, tight feet. Liked him a lot, but sadly out of coat. Moved with enthusiasm and drive due to correct construction.

Junior Bitch

1st, Best Junior, Bitch
Challenge & Best in Show

Dr H & Miss J Irving's

Erinveine Exculpatory



14 month old bitch, lovely feminine head and sweet expression, good eye colour, well boned, correct angulation front and rear, level topline. Good depth and spring of rib, great movement. All in all, a quality bitch and she must surely gain her title very quickly.

Intermediate Bitch

1st

Ms C Thompson's

Benbowin White Gold



Sweet head and expression, level topline, excellent muscle tone and good front. Unfortunately, very nervy.

Australian Bred Bitch

1st & Best Australian Exhibit

Dr H & Miss J Irving's

Ch Erinveine Unanimous



Heavily marked bitch, head ok, good bone and turn of stifle, level topline, tight feet, moved true fore and aft.

2nd

Dr H & Miss J Irving's

Ch Erinveine Tyntagyl Rose



Bigger type of bitch who would normally be the type that I like. Bit down on her pasterns and did not move as well as 1

Open Bitch

1st Reserve Bitch & Best
Open

Dr H & Miss J Irving's

**Ch/NZ Ch Taniwha
Wainui**



Lovely feminine head and expression, good reach of neck, depth of chest, turn of stifle, level topline. Her handler brought out the best in her for the challenge. Would prefer a far better front, but otherwise my type of bitch.

Veteran Bitch

1st

Mr Mrs & Ms
Teniswood's

Ch Erinveine Oak



Sweet head, dark eyes and level topline. Well boned, but unfortunately carrying too much weight. Moved ok.