

Class: Novice Dog & Bitch

Judge: Lyn Collins

Many congratulations to everyone involved in organising this wonderful event, it was a great success, as always, and that's because of all the hard work you all put in through the year, nothing happens unless people like you make it happen.

I have helped at the NOCF every year, except last year when I broke my foot, and I have always enjoyed being part of this special show. This year I was asked to Judge the novice class which I was very excited to do, thank you for asking me.

I was so pleased Sandra Spruce said she would steward for me you were perfect on the day making my job so much easier. Thanks must go also to Carol Clack my score Steward what a great job you did again helping ease the nerves keeping the competitors flowing and all the scores up to date. You were both great company thank you so much.

Congratulations to you all for qualifying for this event, I was so pleased to see you working with style and commitment and showing off your dogs to the best of their ability. Unfortunately, as is often the case, some of the dogs decided to do it their way, I know that feeling, but hopefully you all enjoyed your time in the ring.

Now for the results:

1st No: 18 Alice Cornish and Tri Notta Tripp (D) WS lost 3.5

Looking at my judging sheets they said two words absolutely fabulous, Alice and Tripp were a joy to watch and judge. Tight committed heelwork and good sets left me very little to mark. The future looks very good for you two and I will watch your progress with interest. Many congratulations on winning the NOCF and good luck next season.

2nd No: 21 Kathy Killick and Traigh Finnbarre (D) BC lost 4.25

Another fabulous round. Kathy and Finn executed every exercise with confidence and style. Unfortunately, crooked sits on both HOL and HF cost you the win today, but I know how pleased you were with the way Finn worked and I'm sure with your experience and seeing Finn work today you both have a very bright future. Congratulations on your reserve

3rd: No: 22 Emma Lavender and Sixela Supercharged (D) WS lost 4.5

Another great round from Emma and Enzo, very little between these three dogs, Enzo also had a crooked sit at the end of the heelwork which cost him 2nd place but such a lovely boy trying so hard for Mum, well done on this place and good luck for your future shows.

4th No: 34 Nerys Thomas and Aurora of Calanhaf (B) WS lost 6.25

Pink is such a sweet girl and was trying so hard for Mum she produced lovely heelwork but a bit of a messy recall and then redeemed herself with a clear retrieve. Congratulations I know you were thrilled with her. Good luck for next season.

5th ARO No: 14 Sam Gargano and Bullbo Lucky Star (B) German Spitz Mittel lost 7

Well done on winning the run off. Clear set exercisers and lovely HOL. Unfortunately HF was not quite so good just bits on the turns but Molly is adorable and you are an awesome team. She may be small but your bond and work is as good as any other dog I saw in my ring

today, embrace her work ethic and enjoy. Good luck for your future shows.

6th ARO No: 24 Pierre Norfolk and Mikared Andoria (B) BC lost 7

Fabulous girl just lost position in heelwork today, maybe because of the atmosphere but a clear recall and just a .25 on retrieve secured you this place. Unfortunately Ella sneezed on the first turn and lost position in the run off, but this takes nothing away from how good she is. Good luck for your future shows.

7th No: 23 Sheila Lunn and Red Hot Rumba (D) BC X Aussie lost 7.25

I loved this boy committed and lovely to watch Rumba moves so well and it was really just bits on the heelwork that kept him down the cards, he did lovely sets. Good luck with your lovely boy.

8th No: 35 Penny Banks and Zanyway Star Attraction (B) lost 7.5

Zantis main fault was trying too hard, now is that a fault? Bless her. Fabulous sets but lost position in heelwork because of her keenness. Well done on this place.

9th No: 9 Gillian Durkin and Sarkam Remi lost 7.75

Remi is another lovely keen dog but sitting on a couple of turns and a bad start pushed you down the places. Lovely clear recall though well done.

10th No: 45 Joanne Wallace and Jarysmystic Am Mo Niton (B) WS lost 8.5

Well done on your place, Fancy is a super girl. One of the few dogs to do clear set exercisers, she just needed to tighten up her heelwork slightly {although lots going on so that may be why}. Good luck.

Joint 10th No: 5 Susie Duke and Sympathy In Shades Of Black lost 8.5

On the same mark as the above dog but declined the run off, lovely heelwork but Felix moving in the Recall was very costly. Good luck.

Thank you to everyone that entered under me, I wish you all great winter training and good luck for the 2019 season. Hopefully this event will continue and we will all be back next year.

Enjoy your dogs they do it all for us.