

Class: The Dog Training Weekly Beginner Final
Judge: Jane Sutherland

Ring Steward: Chris Reynolds

Many thanks for the invitation to judge at this exciting event. It's a lovely way to end the season and give so many successful teams the chance to revisit their wins and places. We were well looked after by the management team's arrangements for the day and the "presentation finale" with parade was the icing on the cake.

Thanks especially to Chris Reynolds who was my excellent caller steward and support for the day.

It was particularly enjoyable to have such a variety of breeds entered. The dogs were ALL happy, waggy, attentive and it was easy to see how they had qualified. I was also impressed by the handling which was smart, sympathetic to the dogs and full of positive encouragement. It was particularly pleasing to see such good left turns overall at this level.

And the results were:

1st. Sarah Price and Foxbarton Lady Penelope, Border Collie

This team were almost faultless. Darcy was quietly well handled, very attentive and precise work from this team. I understand they had won out during the season and I can see why. Congratulations!

2nd. Kate Bartram and Lola Las Vegas, Wire Haired Fox Terrier

Hattie was super attentive, upright and waggy with tight about turns and good lefts. Very well done.

3rd. Jackie Leak and My Boy Derrick, Poodle X Cocker

Derrick was waggy, attentive, close and with steady handling. Well done.

4th. Maggie Wills and Carricks Popping Candy, Working Sheepdog

Ellie had the only full point retrieve of the day and added to consistent close heelwork gained this good place. Well done.

5th. Diane Pitt and Edinburgh Bright Eyed Lad, GSD

Finn was huge, but also close, attentive and waggy with particularly good heelwork. Well done.

6th. Kate Bartram and Supafly Catch Me If You Can, Crossbreed

Mostyn was waggy, upright and very attentive with particularly good left turns. Well done.

7th. Valerie Markall and Thinking Boy, Border Terrier

Jasper held a lovely heelwork position and the handler worked at a good pace with plenty of encouragement.

8th. Julie Donohue and Vonbekkas Amadeus, GSD

Lincoln was another large dog with particularly good heelwork, just a bit too keen on the recall and retrieve today! Well done.

9th. Angie Swann and Sunshine Red Alert, Border Collie

Tikka was handled well, very attentive and close heelwork but a bit too keen on retrieve! Well done.

10th. Kathleen Gorick and Aleseshep Tula Bula, GSD

Tula was well handled with lots of encouragement and at a good speed, attentive close heelwork. Well done.