**HUNGARIAN VIZSLA CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW**

**October 2nd, 2016**

**Held at Brackley Leisure Centre**

It was an honour to be invited to judge the Hungarian Vizsla Club Championship Show on 2nd October, 2016. Many thanks to the Committee and my Stewards and also to the exhibitors for their entries. It may have been a long day but I think we all had a great day. I know I did and thank you all for your friendliness and sportsmanship.

I first attended one of the Club’s Championship shows back in 1994 and since then I have been to a few more UK Vizsla shows before this show. I believe the quality of your dogs has improved dramatically. Where once I would have thought Australia had better Vizslas than the UK, I now believe the reverse to be true. And I am talking about overall quality not a few dogs. So my congratulations on the consistency I saw. I did not see any tall dogs or short dogs, loose eyelids, loose skin on throats. I did not see any houndy heads, or big flat feet. I did not see any roached or dippy toplines. Full dentition was good, as were scissor bites. Colour mostly was good – perhaps a few pale and a few with more white than I like to see. Generally I saw medium, moderate dogs which is what the breed should be. I did think that there was greater depth of quality in the bitches

What I would have liked to see was more lay back of shoulder and more return of upper arm and with that, more length of upper arm. One other ingredient that I find very important in this breed and one I found missing is the noble or aristocratic look. The Veteran Dog had this look, especially in the head.

**Minor Puppy Dog**  (2,1)

1st Miskele’s KENDERESI ALFRED

6 month old puppy with good bone and feet, difficult to assess, needs training

**Puppy Dog**  (4,1)

1st Porter-Manning’s WALLAROO ALL THAT JAZZ

9 months old puppy, overall well balanced dog, moved well with reach and drive for one so young. Sound coming and going. Pleasing head. BPIS

2nd Atkins’ TOPAERIS A BIT HUNK O LOVE

6 month old puppy, larger than first place, and not co-ordinated on the move. Bone, feet, depth of chest all good.

3rd Miskele’s KENDERES ALFRED

**Junior Dog**  (7,1)

1st Taylor’s SILVESTRE CAPTAIN MORGAN AMONG CAMPIONE

12 month old of correct breed type, good size and colour. Very pleasing head with correct eye shape and ear placement. Movement sound. In profile maintained balance and topline. Pleased to award him ResCC

2nd Barwick’s BEQUERELLE VAGABOND

13 month old, another quality youngster, larger than first dog. Well balanced head with wide open nostrils, correct eyes and ears. Long ribcage with good depth of chest. Excellent feet.

3rd Northwood’s NORTHEY EMPOROR DEL ACQUADORO

**Yearling Dog** (2)

1st Townsend’s DAXPACK RISKTAKER OF RAINSCOTE

19 month old dog of good size and colour. Correct head. Good lay back of shoulder giving good flow of neck into topline. Very good hindquarters.

2nd Harris’ SZAJANI SZEDER

Correct size and colour, good feet. Broader in skull than first dog and would have liked a longer upper arm to give more reach to match his drive.

**Post Graduate Dog** (6,1)

1st Fowler’s FOLLYHALL WILD BOY

Well balanced dog of correct breed type. Moderate with angulation matching fore and aft. Moved soundly coming and going. Maintained topline in profile

2nd White’s LUTRA LORD ADMIRAL BY ARUNSZVAR

Taller dog, a bit naughty but a lot to like about this dog. Pleasant head with very good eyes, made good eye contact which is important in a gundog.

3rd Bennet & Howard’s ARTILYMINIZ WISTERIA

**Limit Dog** (11,3)

1st DaSilva’s BOURNEHOUSE CRISPIN

Well balanced dog of correct type.Moderate in all respects. Good lay back of shoulder and depth of chest. Good feet. Moves with enthusiasm

2nd Jones & Cutty’s SULISMINERVA LIBER VON LOGIZSPARK

Another well balanced dog of correct breed type. Not quite as balanced as first place getter nor as well behaved. I did prefer this dog’s head.

3rd Gibbons’ SILVESTRE BLAZING SADDLES

**Open Dog** (3)

1st Barwick’s BOURNEHOUSE HAWKEYE TO BEQUERELLE

Mature 7 year old dog of good breed type. Moderate angulation with good depth of chest, topline and underline. Moved out well.

2nd Griffiths & Scott’s SH CH ULURUDAWN CARDINAL MARKER

Attractive, masculine dog but not the spring of rib nor front of first place

3rd Ryan’s CASTLEDOGLEY APPOLLO

**Veteran Dog** (9,1)

1st Barwick’s SH CH BEQUERELE COOPERS CREEK JW ShCM

10 year old well balanced dog with correct angulation. Excellent head, so aristocratic. Good neck into well laid shoulders giving excellent flow from occiput to tail. Very good feet. Moved so soundly. Could not deny this mature, yet still so sound dog the Dog CC and Reserve In Show.

2nd Digby’s SH CH RUSSETMANTLE GARCIA AT ALSZIV

Another Veteran of excellent type. Similar to the first place. Carries his tail a little higher and not the return of upper arm but is still a good dog and moves well.

3rd Sutton’s SH CH NEXZMELY YALUMBA WITH BENZALI

**Field Trial Dog** (1)

1st White’s RUSSETMANTLE IDAHO OF ARUNSVAR

11 year old. Good dog of correct breed type. Well balanced, moves well. Feet could be better.

**Minor Puppy Bitch** (7,5)

Both very feminine bitches of correct breed type, good colour and size. Heads in very good balance.

1st Wilks’ NICAEL SAVANNA

Very good movement for age. Excellent bone and feet. Reserve Puppy In Show

2nd Watson’s OAKSWARRENN AURORA

Also excellent bone and feet. Movement however was not as steady as 1

**Puppy Bitch** (4/1)

1st Cule’s ALSZIV MICHIEF MAKER OF MORDAX

10 month old bitch of good type, medium sized, moderate angulation, feminine head with good eye. Excellent feet. Excellent hindquarters with good turn of stifle and strong hocks. Would like more lay back of shoulder

2nd Watson’s OAKSWARREN AURORA Movement more settled in this class.

3rd Worthington’s ZAVIS TOO HOT TO HANDLE

**Junior Bitch (6)**
1st Whitfield's ALFISZBET THE WINGLESS BIRD
Young bitch of good breed type, well balanced overall in head and body. Pleasant feminine head with correct eye and ear placement and shape. Very good angulation, with well laid shoulders and return of upper arm. Topline standing and on the move level. Underline correct. Front excellent.

2nd Upton's NEVEDITH RING O FIRE AT TEMERAIRE
Another bitch of good breed type. Sweet feminine expression. Very similar in quality to #1 however I would prefer a a slightly darker eye and less skin under the neck but a close decision.

3rd Novis' KARROUKI WINDSTORM AT NOVAPARK

**Yearling Bitch** (5/1)

1st Barnard’s DAXPACK HENRIETTA

19 month old bitch, good colour and size. Moderate angulation. Good feet. Moved soundly. Elegant

2nd Griffith’s KINCSEM ROYAL FLUSH

Good breed type, not happy on the day but still worth of placing. Lovely length of neck into well laid shoulder. Good feet.

3rd Dent’s SZAJANI SARKA

**Post Graduate Bitch** (16/4)

1st Bell’s GLASLLEB SKYFALL

Moderate bitch of excellent type, feminine head, well balanced body, moved well. Extremely well handled and considered for CC

2nd Govier’s GOVIZ SUMMERTIME SPECIAL

Another moderate bitch, also well handled. Very feminine. Correct breed type, well balanced. Altogether a very neat package.

3rd Rutherford’s KINCSEM PUSSY GALORE

**Limit Bitch** (21/6)

1st Wilks’ NICAEL LOLA

Medium sized 3 yr old bitch of good colour, size and excellent breed type. Well balanced, feminine head. Moderate angulation, level topline. High set withers, good depth of chest, moved soundly.

2nd Cruikshank’s TOPAERIS SUMMER LOVE

Also 3 yrs, also excellent breed type, good colour and size. Also moved soundly. Moderate angulation. Difficult to choose between these two. However, this bitch is broader in skull than 1st place.

3rd Bell’s GLASLLEB PERFECT PITCH

**Open Bitch** (16/1)

1st Wilk’s NICAEL FLORA

Excellent breed type. Well balanced in head and body. Lovely flow from top of neck to tail especially on the move. Good layback of shoulder and return of upper arm, chest to elbow with correct spring of rig and long ribcage. Hindquarters matched forequarters. Carried tail correctly. Very feminine bitch. Pleased to award CC and eventually BIS which she won on the move.

2nd Digby’s NICAEL ROCHELLA AT ALSIV

Another lovely bitch. I see from the catalogue that these two bitches have the same dam and breeder. This bitch also shares many of the attributes of the first place getter. However, she did not move as soundly especially out and back, with a slight flicking of her front pasterns.

3rd Yarnley’s ALSIV WILD CHERRY

**Veteran Bitch** (11/2)

1st Smith’s ZAVIS MIAMI

8 yr old bitch, excellent breed type, correct size and colour. Sound. Lovely feminine head correct in all aspects. Moderate angulation. Shoulders well laid back with good return of upper arm. Feet excellent. Pleased to award her Res CC

2nd Whitfield’s ALFIZSBET BONNY DAWN

9 yr old bitch, taller than first place bitch. Balanced all over. Stands and moves well. Good feet. A very nice bitch.

3rd Price’s SH CH ALDOM CRISTAL

**Field Trial Bitch** (1)

1st Harris’ CH SZAJANI SIPOS

Elegant 7 yr old bitch of correct breed type. Moderate angulation. Balanced throughout. Stood and moved well.

**Judge: ( Fay Harris ) ( Australia )**