

Labrador Retriever Club of QLD. Inc.

First of all, my thanks to you all for bringing your lovely dogs for me to judge. In the bigger classes I was splitting hairs for the placings. Just my humble opinion, but I felt that some of the dogs would benefit from being shown standing off the handler on a loose lead. This gives a more natural stance and balance to the outline. I also felt that some of the dogs were moved at too fast a pace to show optimum movement. However, I do realise that other countries do show and handle in a different way to us in the UK!

Baby Puppy Dog.

1. Driftway The Time Keeper. Balanced black baby with a good head pattern. Excellent front construction. Good ribcage, short couplings and good rear quarters. Standing on good bone and neat feet and wearing a correct double coat. Very promising little chap. BOS Baby Puppy
2. Driftway Time To Shine. Another lovely black baby, litter brother to 1. Not quite the same balance at the moment, but good make and shape and similar remarks apply.
3. Tenarda All Class. Chocolate baby, again not yet the balance of 1, but good front construction, ribcage and bone. Correct coat of lovely dark colour. Good head with good length of muzzle.
4. Driftway Mission Statement
5. Mikelli Secret Agent. (AI)

Minor Puppy Dog

1. Driftway Valentino. Well grown yellow boy of 8 months. Correct front construction, balanced by good rear quarters. Correct barrel ribs, good bone and neat feet. Head with soft expression. Carrying a correct coat and tail. BOS Minor Puppy

2. Driftway Full Frontal. Very similar in type to 1, with correct head and eye, good ribcage and correct double coat. Not quite the overall balance of 1.

Puppy Dog

1. Embellish Story Teller. Smaller stamp 11 month black boy but well balanced with correct front and rear angulation. Lovely head with good eye colour. Good double coat and well set tail. Body developing nicely. Best Puppy In Show

2. Blackboy Skating On Ice. 10 month yellow lad with correct angulation, good ribcage, short coupled and standing on good bone and feet. Just preferred the overall balance of 1 at the moment.

Junior Dog

1. Aralyen the French Connection. Substantial yellow, well constructed all through. Deep body, strong quarters and correct coat and tail. Masculine head with good eye colour. Moved soundly. Best Junior In Show

2. Catraz The Bushranger. Black with good reach of neck, deep body and strong quarters. Masculine head with soft expression and good length of muzzle. Correct double coat and tail.

3. Nygambi True Grit (AI). Well made chocolate boy with good head and length of muzzle but would prefer a slightly darker eye. Good bone and feet and loved his dark coat colour with well set tail.

4. Cladagh ring Double O Seven.

5. Croftsway Split The Deck (Imp. NZ)

Intermediate Dog

1. Ch Blackrange Sorcerer's Apprentice. My star of the day – gorgeous black who caught my eye immediately for his overall balance. Excellent front angulation balanced by a well muscled rear. The best of heads, masculine but with a soft expression. Lovely reach of neck into well laid shoulders, level topline and tail straight off the back. Carrying a good double coat and delivering sound true movement. A young dog, he still has more to come, but handled so well to show his attributes to best advantage. My Best Dog on the day and such a shame his mind was on the ladies in the challenge for BIS. I just loved him! BOS In Show
2. Ch. Cornerstone Hotter By T Mile (Imp NZL). Mature looking yellow with lovely head and expression. Well made all through with deep body and nicely short coupled. Correct coat and tail, he moved well. My Reserve Best Dog.
3. Ch Mikelli Whats The Bet. Another good yellow with masculine head and soft expression. Deep in body and short coupled. Carrying a correct coat and tail.
4. Ch Dewick Touch Of Wizardry
5. Ch Driftway Special Mission.

Australian Bred Dog

1. Ch Scolouvalley Beau Noir. Lovely black of good balance and overall construction. Good head pattern with good length of muzzle and correct brown eye giving soft expression. Good body properties and carrying a correct coat and with well set tail. Best Australian Bred.
2. Ch Banderra Regal Barnabus. Yellow with good balance of leg length to body depth. Masculine head with soft expression. Would prefer a slightly longer upper arm but good angulation. Good bone and neat feet and carrying a correct coat and tail.
3. Ch Southbank Double Take. Neat black of good overall balance. Masculine head with soft expression. Deep body, good ribcage and nicely short coupled. Carrying a correct coat and well set tail.

4. Gr Ch Booroomgai Make AnImpact

5. Ch Labarddell VIP

Open Dog

1. Sup Ch Driftway Special Envoy. Loved this dog's type. Correct angles fore and aft giving good overall balance. Deep body, barrel ribs, good bone and neat feet. Carrying a correct double coat and well set tail. Loved his head with such a soft expression. Just had to give way to the younger boys today, but in super condition for his 9 years. BOS
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2. Ch Blackboy Crushed Ice. Another well balanced yellow, well constructed all through. Deep body, good ribcage and nicely short coupled. Masculine head with soft expression. Correct coat and tail.

3. Gr Ch Aralyen Devine Ice. Balanced black with deep body and good barrel ribcage. Correct angulation front and rear and short couplings. Head with good length of muzzle. Carrying a correct double coat and good tail set.

4. Ch Tapeatom Easy Rider (Imp NDL)

5. UK Sh Ch, Ch Priorise Spending Time (IMP UK)

Dale Elliott

Judge.