

Greater Charleston Weimaraner Club
Specialty January 24, 2008

I would like to thank the GCWC for giving me the honor of judging your specialty for the second time. I would like to thank my very efficient ring stewards for keeping me on track and on time. Though the weather could have been much worse, it did affect a few of the dogs who obviously disliked cold, damp weather. The graciousness of the exhibitors and the hospitality of the club was greatly appreciated. I looked forward to the after show dinner and it did not disappoint me. Again, thank you very much for the honor of judging your dogs.

Dogs

Puppy Dogs 6-9 Months

1st - This pup has a beautiful outline with smooth curves showing good prosternum development even at this young age. He has a good head with very good reach of neck blending into a firm topline. Clean coming and going. To be ideal, he could have had a bit better reach in front.

2nd – Another with a good outline and good reach of neck. Not as much prosternum as pup above. Nice head. A bit looser in movement than I prefer to see and I hope he will tighten up as he ages. Clean coming and going, he took more steps to cover the same amount of ground than did the pup above.

Puppy Dogs 9-12 Months

1st – This young fellow had a lovely outline with all the proper curves. He showed a well developed forechest. He had a good head with good reach of neck. He was clean going and could have been cleaner coming, paddling slightly. He had a balanced sidegait.

2nd – Less mature than the pup above, he had a good overall outline. He did not show as much prosternum as the dog above. In motion he was clean coming and going and had a balanced sidegait, though he could have covered more ground with each step.

12 – 18 Month Dogs

1st – This boy had a beautiful outline. A balanced and masculine, head was set on a good reach of neck which blended smoothly into a firm topline. He moved with a balanced sidegait covering a fair amount of ground with each step. He was clean coming and going. An elegant, aristocratic dog.

2nd – Larger than the dog above, he had a good outline though did not have the sweep of rear angles as the male above. He had a good head on good reach of neck which blended well into his topline. Good depth of chest. Moved fairly well coming and going with a fairly balanced sidegait.

3rd – Masculine fellow with a good outline, though he did not have the reach of neck of the two

who placed above him. Good overall breed type. He had a good head in proportion and expression. Missing two teeth. Nice, short loin. He moved in balance on sidegait with good topline, though could cover more ground with each step.

4th – Masculine with a lovely head. Good in outline with good depth of chest and moderately developed forechest. Firm topline. Busy, but balanced sidegait did not cover the ground well. Not as elegant as those above.

Bred By Exhibitor Dog

1st – Elegant, mature male with good outline. A lovely head on a fair reach of neck which blended into a good topline both standing and in motion. He had good depth of chest with a moderately developed forechest. Good spring of rib. Clean coming and going, he showed an easy, balanced sidegait. I was pleased to award him RWD.

2nd - Not as mature looking as the dog above. He was elegant in outline with lovely reach of neck and showing good prosternum. He had a tendency to sidewind on the down and back and was reluctant to move in the cold weather. I would love to see him again under better weather conditions.

American Bred Dog

1st - A really lovely male with beautiful overall breed type, he was elegant in outline showing a well developed prosternum, a lovely head that was of proper length and proportions on good reach of neck which blended well into a firm topline. He showed smooth, flowing curves throughout. Well bodied, he had good depth of brisket and proper rib spring with a strong, short loin. He had a lovely sidegait with good reach and drive. I was pleased to award him WINNERS DOG.

2nd – Another elegant male with an aristocratic head on good reach of neck blending into a body with excellent depth and spring of rib. He was clean going and showed a slight tendency to paddle coming and did not reach as well in front as the dog above.

Open Dog.

1st – Showing a good profile, this masculine fellow showed good depth of brisket and fairly well developed chest. Another with smooth, flowing curves. He was clean coming and going with good drive behind. Could have moved with more front reach.

2nd – Another male of good overall type with a lovely head and good outline. He was fairly upright in shoulders which caused him to show a lot of lift in front. He moved with more wasted motion than the dog above.

BITCHES.

6-9 Puppy Bitch.

1st – Excellent overall outline with lovely breed type. She had a lovely head on a good reach of neck and showed good depth of chest for her age. Good topline standing and moving. Nice short loin. Balanced sidegait. I was pleased to award her RWB.

2nd – A bit longer in overall outline than the bitch above. She had a nice head, though was a little snipey in muzzle. She had good reach of neck which could have blended a bit more smoothly into her topline. She was not moving as well as the bitch above and showed a decrease in front reach on sidegait.

3rd – Smallest of the baby girls, she had a very good outline with a lovely head. She was a bit unsettled and just did not want to move on the day. I'd love to see her again when she's settled down a bit more.

9-12 Month Puppy Bitch.

1st – Another girl with a good outline and lovely sweep to the rear. She had a lovely head on a good reach of neck which blended fairly well into a firm topline. Her feet could be tighter. Her front assembly was somewhat straight and placed a bit too far forward. In motion, she had more rear drive than front reach causing her to move out of balance on the side.

12 – 18 Month Bitches.

1st – An elegant bitch with a lovely outline. She had a good head and good reach of neck blending into a firm topline. She had good spring of rib and depth of chest. Good tail set and carriage. Nice feet. She was clean coming and going. To be ideal, she could have a bit more angulation fore and aft so as to cover more ground with each step. Still, she was very balanced in motion on the side with little wasted motion.

2nd – Another very feminine bitch with a good outline and a fairly well developed chest. She had good spring of rib and depth of chest. In motion, she did not move in balance as well as the bitch above as she had a decrease in front reach compared to her drive from the rear. Low tailset.

Bred By Exhibitor

What a wonderful line-up of bitches. I was extremely pleased with the depth of quality in this class!

1st – This elegant bitch caught my eye the moment she walked into the ring. Upon examination, she did not disappoint me. She presents a beautiful outline when standing, with smooth curves, excellent reach of neck, well developed forechest, good depth of brisket with proper spring of rib and a strong loin. She held her topline well on the move and moved well from all angles on good feet. To be ideal, she could be a bit longer and more feminine in head. A truly outstanding bitch, I was delighted to award her WB and BOW.

2nd – Another elegant and feminine bitch with a good outline, though not quite the reach of neck as the bitch above. Lovely head. She had a strong loin and held her topline well standing and in motion. On side gait, she moved with a slightly decreased front reach and did not display the

balanced, far reaching movement of the bitch above.

3rd – Another lovely bitch of excellent overall type showing smooth curves and a great topline. She had a good head on a good reach of neck which blended fairly well into a firm topline. Good spring of rib and depth of chest. Her sidegait motion was in balance, but did not display as much reach and drive as those above.

4th - Yet another girl of lovely overall type with all smooth curves and good sweep to her rear. She had a firm topline standing and in motion. She had a lovely head on a good reach of neck which blended well into her topline. Good spring of rib. Was a bit unsettled in motion today.

OPEN

1st – Very feminine girl of lovely overall type. She had a good head on good reach of neck. Good spring of rib and depth of chest. Clean coming and going she had a fairly good sidegait, moving in balance but did not cover as much ground with each step as the WB.

2nd - Another feminine girl with a lovely outline though not showing as much prosternum as the bitch above. She showed good overall type with a lovely head, good reach of neck, good spring of rib and depth of chest. In motion, she had a decreased front reach that did not quite match her rear drive.

3rd – A smaller, feminine bitch with good overall outline. Pretty head. A good head on good reach of neck blending into a firm topline. She had good spring of rib. She was fairly straight in shoulder angulation, which placed her front a bit too far forward and caused her to move with a decreased front reach.

4th – Another girl with a very good outline and good overall type. She had a beautiful head in both shape and expression. Good spring of rib and good depth of chest. Not as much sweep to rear as those above. Disappointed a bit in motion due to a decrease in front reach.

BOB

This elegant bitch showed outstanding overall breed type with a beautiful outline of smooth curves and sweeping rear. Her lovely, feminine head set on beautiful reach of neck which blended smoothly into a firm topline. She had a well developed forechest and good depth of brisket. She carried herself as would be expected of an aristocrat; sure of herself every minute she was in the ring. She was clean coming and going with a balanced, ground covering side gait. I was more than pleased to award this eye-catching bitch BOB.