

# The Saluki or Gazelle Hound Club Championship Single Breed Show

20th October 2024

Mrs Pip Buswell. (Sunswift) judged one class of Salukis.

Thank you to the Committee of The Saluki Gazelle Hound Club for inviting me to judge this class. I commend the Committee for scheduling what surely is an important showcase for those Salukis who are given an opportunity to run competitively and I thank the exhibitors for showing their hounds to me.

## Special Open Racing/Lure Coursing Dog or Bitch.

1st Davies's Zafaraniyeh Dashte Margo.

18 month old black and tan bitch who stood out in this class for her very pleasing construction, enhanced by the fact that she carried no excess weight at all and that she was muscularly fit. We no longer test our wonderful hunting hounds in the field, hoping to see in them a deep physical and mental endurance with their intelligence on full display too, and therefor I liked the fact that this little bitch was fully engaging with her surroundings, keeping her lucky owner/breeder on her toes!

Head correct in proportions and showing moderate stop with some width across the skull, eyes dark, oval and with gentle expression. Good underjaw. Neck well set into a very well constructed from assembly showing good length of upper arm. Excellent feet showing toes well arched. Very good depth through the heart, ribs moderately sprung and perfect rise over the loin, pelvis of good width and gently sloping to well set tail. Femur of good length leading to stifle moderately bent. Hocks close to the ground. Moved displaying no exaggeration - straight, balanced and with a regular cadence, she gave the impression she could go all day.

2nd Hamilton's Alishamar Roxane Jw. (imp Bel)

6 year old grizzle bitch of good proportions who caught the eye for her sound and moderate construction and her unexaggerated movement. Carrying a bit of excess weight today. Very feminine head of correct proportions, strong neck very well set into shoulder assembly, front feet excellent, great depth through the heart and well ribbed back, good rise over loin sweeping down to correctly set tail. Femur of good length. Stifle bent moderately as asked for in our breed standard. Her movement gave the impression to me that she used her energy efficiently which in a working breed is surely to be desired.

3rd Andersson's A'sim Sharif Al Asmaanii at Barakisch (imp Che).

Pip Buswell.