

SILVERWOOD 2016

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JUDGE: BRENT RUPPEL

I would like to thank the BTCA Board, Membership, and Judges Selection Committee for the opportunity to judge my second Silverwood. My gratitude also goes out to my co-judges and the spirit of camaraderie we shared throughout our efforts. Thank you to all who exhibited. I truly understand the amount of work, planning and hope that goes into the task, not just on the day but every day throughout the year.

Colored Dog Finalists:

Jaspers' **UK/CAN, GHC CH NOTORIOUS NEVER SAY NEVER ROM** (CH Buoy's Tri to Fly at Skyline ROM ex Skyline Missdefied) Medium-sized red and white dog with great balance. A standout on the day. Well presented. Very nice package all the way around. Nice bone for his size. Beautiful head which is completely filled and moderately turned with appropriate length of foreface and a perfect mouth. Correct topline and nice bend of stifle. I would prefer better feet. He was my pick for the movement selection in colored dogs, moving true on the up-and-back and with drive and reach from the side... all while maintaining the proper jaunt while moving. My co-judge and I agreed on him as **BEST COLORED DOG**.

Ibbitson and Rumer's **CH BAKER ST BLAZING SADDLES of APPRENTICE** (CH Baker St Back in the Saddle Again ex Zayadi's Hurricane Hallie) Another very virtuous red and white dog, exuding power, class, and type. Very nice bone. His head is turned and filled with only a slight mouth fault. I found him to be a tad long in back, but he combines a very nice balance of substance and structure and makes a very pleasing picture. Very nicely presented, in excellent condition. My co-judge and I agreed on him as **RESERVE BEST COLORED DOG**

Llanes' **CH THE ONE AND ONLY GOLDEN BOY** (Javarke Nero Toro ex Arnold's Starlet the One and Only) Another red and white. A true powerhouse of a dog, although carrying perhaps a couple pounds too many on the day. Very masculine with loads of bone. Well angulated rear. I would prefer better feet. His head is turned and very filled, although with a mouth fault. All-in-all, a very nice and competitive dog that radiates masculinity and positive breed virtues.

Patterson and Wright's **GLENTOM'S SPYCATCHER** (Emred Devil's Spy ex GCH CH Glentom Rules Were Mint to Be Broken) A dark brindle and white with raw-boned power. A bit taller than most of his competitors, he yields nothing in oomph. Excellent bone, coupled with good feet, gives a nice picture front on. His construction would be improved with a better shoulder, although he moved well going away and coming back. Mouth is slightly under. He has a lovely head with a strong muzzle and very wicked eye.

White Dog Finalists:

Prater-Pile and Berez's **FORMULA POWER UP FOR ACTION** (Emred Huntsman ex GCH CH Action Headed for Power) Projecting maximum dog in available space, he is short-backed, substantial, and powerful. Personally, I would have preferred him to be a couple pounds lighter on the day. He radiates type. He has nice bone for his size with good feet. Well-angulated rear. His head is very well filled, filling your hands. Excellent eye. A slight mouth fault. All-in all, a real chunk of a dog with many virtues. A standout in his class. My co-judge and I agreed on him as **BEST WHITE DOG**.

Long and Parker's **GCH CH NUANCE NO FOOLING AROUND AT BULLIARD** (GCH CH Aragon's Ruffin Around ex CH Nuance Nonsense) A slightly smaller dog but filling out his package nicely. Cobby and typey. His head is well-filled with a good expression. Slight mouth fault. I would prefer a better transition from neck to shoulder. He is well angulated in the rear. He was my movement selection for white dogs, moving correctly in all directions with the bit of a roll that we seek in our breed. Nice bone for his size and good feet. My co-judge and I agreed on him as **RESERVE BEST WHITE DOG**.

Grecco, Giles, and Bankus' **CH RUFFIN'S THANKS TO YOU ARAGON** (GCH CH Yoeckydoo's Gamin ex CH Ruffin's Rave Reviews of Aragon) A more upstanding type. A nicely turned head. A very nice eye and expression. Mouth is slightly under. Good bone. He has a well-angulated rear although I found him to be a bit long with a little too much rise in his topline. Moved well, covering the ground effortlessly.

Uplinger's **ANNWN NATURAL HAT TRICK** (GCH CH Skyline's Notorious Defender ex CH Annwn Can't Get Enuff) A taller type dog that is younger and needs to mature and fill out. A bit long cast but with good bone. He has a nicely angulated rear. One of the better movers. His head is nicely turned with a keen eye and expression, although ideally he could use more fill. His mouth is correct.