

Northern England Flatcoated Retriever Association 9th Championship Show, Sunday 6th November 2016

## JUNIOR HANDLING

6-11 years

1 Summer Berrisford

This young handler has a very good rapport with her dog, and showed her confidently. She showed her dog's teeth correctly, and followed the instructions I gave her very carefully when asked to move her. Good potential for the future.

11-16 years

Two very competent young handlers, and it was a very difficult decision to split them, both showing great potential for the future. I will watch their progress with interest.

1 Georgina Mellor

Presented her dog skilfully at all times. Stood her dog well, and showed the teeth correctly. She listened carefully to instructions, watched me at all times and moved her dog with precision and at the right speed. Pleased to award her Best Junior Handler.

2 Meaylee Lewis

A very close decision for me as this young handler also performed very well. She was attentive to her dog at all times, and to me also. Showed dentition correctly, and demonstrated good empathy with her dog. Just not quite as neat as 1 when moving her dog.

## BEST VETERAN IN SHOW

I was called in to referee as the Bitch judge had handled the Best Veteran Dog recently. This was a close decision as they are both very good examples of our Breed, and both were presented in excellent fit condition.

I awarded BVIS to the bitch, Mrs V Goldberg and Ms L Knight's Sh Ch Ballyriver Band of Gold.

A bitch of correct size and type, presenting a balanced profile when standing. She has a lovely feminine head and dark eye which gives that soft expression. Good reach of neck, with well laid back shoulder and good length to upper arm, an excellent front. Level topline, strong rear quarters with moderate bend of stifle, and quality bone. However it was her movement that was the deciding factor for me. She moved straight and true both going away and coming towards me, with good profile movement.

Jane Jones

