DARLINGTON DOG SHOW SOCIETY

Judge: Mr Geoff Corish

BEST of BREED: WATERCROFT PICK OF THE POPS

DCC: WATERCROFT CHILLI PEPPER

RDCC: CH STRATHINVER SEA THE STARS

BCC: WATERCROFT PICK OF THE POPS
RBCC: CH BLAKENS TOOTIE FRUITIE
BEST PUPPY: BRICKIN POT OF PICKLE

Saturday 17th September saw the Norfolk exhibitors driving north for Darlington's show now held at Ripon racecourse.

Mr Geoff Corish was judging Norfolks again, he used to handle Joy Taylor's Nanfan Norfolks for her for several years. 10 males were entered, with one absentee, and 25 bitches with 8 absent, so a total of 35 in the catalogue and 26 appearing in the ring.

An upset of form, with Ruth Gee coming out on top today, winning both CCs, with WATERCROFT CHILLI PEPPER gaining his 2nd such award and WATERCROFT PICK OF THE POPS also gaining her 2nd CC then going on to be Best of Breed. They are both registered as red wheaten in colour, she is 20 months old, and had a slight break from showing after a noisy daunting thunderstorm at Bath in May when she was in the Terrier Group. She is by Ch Blakens Pay Back out of Ch Watercroft Top Of The Pops. Her kennel mate, WATERCROFT CHILLI PEPPER is still a junior, born 16th April, and has been near

the top on so many occasions this year, his first RCC was won while he was still a puppy at National Terrier. He is sired by Ch Kinsridge Top Gun out of Watercroft Hot Spice.

Norma Newton's **CH STRATHINVER SEA THE STARS** had to be content with the RCC today. Home bred he is by Strathinver Smart Enough out of Strathinver Reddy To Star.

Similarly Jackie Phillip's newly made up CH BLAKENS TOOTIE FRUITIE had to take one step back with the BRCC at this show – she too is homebred by Ch Blakens Xpress Yourself out of Ch Blakens Sugar Candy Kisses.

Best Puppy went to Jill Stevenson with **BRICKIN POT OF PICKLE** from the minor puppy dog class at only his second show, as his name suggests, he is by **Ch Watercroft** In A Pickle out of Brickin Wild Ivy, who was sired by **Ch Penmire Wild Bramble by Brickin** out of Brickin Steal A Look.

There is quite a battle royal now developing in the points table, with CH KINSRIDGE TOP TIP well in the lead with 155 points, but well behind, close up, and changing places after each show, are 2nd WATERCROFT CHILLI PEPPER with 91 points, 3rd CH BLAKENS TOOTIE FRUITIE with 85, hotly pursued by 4th CH STRATHINVER SEA THE STARS on 82, and on the rails 5th is CH BLAKENS I LOOK TO YOU with 53 points and a neck behind in 6th place is WATERCROFT PICK OF THE POPS. There are

still some

five shows to go until LKA in December, starting with the Norfolk Terrier of GB Championship Show on Saturday 25th

September at Weedon.

After winning Best Veteran, Karen Hurrion's red bitch **CH VALENTINES CHERRY CRUMBLE** was 3rd in the Veteran Group judged by Mr M Armstrong at 8 and a half years old and the dam of 25 puppies, she was Karen's first real show dog, which she bred by **Ch Belleville Premonition** out of Tyark Treacle before she had her own kennel name of Villassa.

^{*}Subject to confirmation by the Kennel Club.