

## **MIDLAND COUNTIES NORFOLK TERRIER ASSOCIATION**

**Judge: Mrs Marilyn Claydon**

**BEST in SHOW: WATERCROFT CHILLI PEPPER**

**DCC: WATERCROFT CHILLI PEPPER**

**RDCC: MARCHDENS MARK MY WORDS**

**BCC: CH KINSRIDGE TOP TIP**

**RBCC: MOORTOP CLEAR CHOICE**

**BEST PUPPY: BRICKIN POT OF PICKLE**

The Midland Counties Norfolk Terrier Association held their 20th championship show at Weedon Village Hall on Sunday 6th November. Specialist Judge, **Mrs Marilyn Claydon** (*Brymarden*) drew a paper entry of 63 altogether, which breaks down into 19 dogs, less 7 absentees but 41 different bitches, with some in two classes, 14 absent, and 3 entered not for competition.

Judging started much later than usual at 12.30pm, with the Special Award Classes, then the main judging started at about 1pm. So there was no break in the middle for lunch, but delicious soup and filled buns, coffee, tea and cakes were available throughout the afternoon, which was much appreciated. As usual with this show, a three generation pedigree of all the dogs entered was printed in the catalogue. In fact by leaving out the lunch break, the show closed at a similar time in the afternoon, and we didn't have to get up so early!

Ruth Gee's **WATERCROFT CHILLI PEPPER** underlined his arrival as a **champion** by winning Best In Show after his 4th Dog CC, and confirmed his position as Top Male this year, having won 113 points so far with just one more show to come, the LKA in December. To repeat his breeding once more he is by **Ch Kinsridge Top Gun** out of Watercroft Hot Spice. It all becomes a bit incestuous, as his half sister on the distaff side, **WATERCROFT DIAMONS N'PEARLS** won her puppy class, (without a second D which the printers would not believe), and on sire's side **Ch Kinsridge Top Gun** also featured at the top when his record-breaking daughter Diane Jenkins' **CH KINSRIDGE TOP TIP** won the Bitch CC, with her total now 30 Challenge Certificates to her name, an amazing achievement. **Am Ch Kinsridge Hot Tip** her dam is therefore once more Top Brood Bitch. Just think of all those entry fees and miles travelled by some of our exhibitors to campaign their dogs, at least they get points on our Norfolk Terrier tables for any wins – what reward!

The Reserve Dog CC was repeat of the Midland Counties show a fortnight before, when Denise Horne's **MARCHDENS MARK MY WORDS** won his 3<sup>rd</sup> RCC when piloted by Jackie Phillips. He is by Moortop Marks Delivery out of Lady Miss Cheif. (My fingers want to spell her differently).

The Bitch RCC was a new name, a youngster who has been doing well in puppy classes, and she won from the Junior Bitch class today. Everyone was delighted to see Mary Atkinson winning so well with **MOORTOP CLEAR**

**CHOICE**, by **Ch Blakens Pay Back** out of Moortop Again No Choice; Mary has had an awful summer breaking both her wrists, and it is good to see her back now without plaster of Paris and other encumbrances, but you don't mend so quickly when you are older.

Jill Stevenson's dog puppy had to overcome strong opposition from **JAEVA KEEN AS MUSTARD** to win the Best Puppy Award with **BRICKIN POT OF PICKLE**, he is sired by

**Ch Watercroft In A Pickle** out of Brickin Wild Ivy who herself is by **Ch Penmire Wild Bramble by Brickin** out of Brickin Steal A Look).

To give up-and-coming judges a chance to judge Norfolk Terriers to add to their experience and numbers judged, the Special Award classes have been developed by the Kennel Club. **Mrs Rachel Barney** (*Verrami*) was invited to judge these two classes today:

**The Special Awards Open Dog** class was won by **CHARLIE BLAKE AT MOORTOP** exhibited by Mary Atkinson, from Karen Hurrion and Barbara Miller's **AM CH UNION JACK AT VILLASSA** who has been imported from the USA; 3<sup>rd</sup> to him was Cathy Thompson-Morgan's **BELLEVILLE CALL OF DUTY**.

**The Special Awards Open Bitch** class went to Cathy Thompson-Morgan's **BELLEVILLE OVATION**. 2<sup>nd</sup> to her was Karen Hurrion's **VILLASSA CHERRY TART** and in third place Karen's veteran, **CH VALENTINES CHERRY CRUMBLE**.