Norwegian Elkhound Notes May 11th 2025

Last week, Elkhounds were out in force at Marleborough Open Show where the judge was Ms Marina White

BOB, Best Puppy and puppy group 3 on his very first time out, was Stephenson's Kamgaard Kyffyn for Brawdor. What a great start.

Res BOB went to Barbara Barganska's Barbelka Dauntless Spirit.

A 4th place in the AV Veteran class gave the Stephenson Bowerhinton Bangalore at Brawdor the final point for the Veteran Warrant. Veteran Warrant is awarded for wins in AV Veteran at Open shows. 25 points are needed. They are awarded from 4pts for a 1st place to 1 pt for 4thplace. Barbara tells me that this is only the second Elkhound to win one; the first was Kath Cockbill's Barbelka Szafir VW. The award was introduced to encourage more people to support Open Shows and keep their veterans showing.

Thursday was Birmingham National with Hazel Fitzgibbon judging a good entry for a midweek show. BEST OF BREED, Dog CC and Best Veteran went to the Simms' Ch Seasara Earl Grey and Res Dog CC to Benner's Graythor Loves The Luxor

The Bitch CC went to Mrs Seonaid Young's Bowerhinton Baroness . She also won Best Puppy with her Laakso Karo.

Res Bitch was then won by Sally Simmonds' and Maggie Mott's UK Am Ch Kamgaard Klementina.

SKC Entries are now out for both shows. The All Breed CC Show has a good entry for Wendy Sharman to fly over from Sweden to judge. There are 16 dogs and 11 bitches.

The second show where we have no CCs will be judged by Miss L McNaughton. That entry is 16 dogs and 9 bitches.

The NEAS Open Show is the same weekend.

The Maharaja of Patiala was in the news again last week. Cartier were facing backlash after denying a Punjabi singer permission to wear a necklace originally commissioned for the Indian prince at this year's Met Gala - despite letting American influencer Emma Chamberlain borrow it three years ago. The claim was that it was a racist decision although, the necklace is sealed in a museum, thought to be the V&A in South Kensington, London, where a Cartier exhibition is running until November. Created in 1928, the jewellery weighed 1,000 carats and is the largest necklace Cartier has ever made, reported the New York Times. It housed the 234.6-carat De Beers yellow diamond, the seventh largest polished diamond in the world. The necklace estimated to be worth £37million - is surrounded in mystery after 'vanishing' in 1948 before later reappearing in separate parts; the largest diamond turned up at a 1982 Sotheby's auction (valued over £2million). Sixteen years later, another part of the necklace appeared in a small antiques shop in London with all the diamonds missing, reported The Indian Express. It was then bought by Cartier, who replaced the missing stones with replicas.

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