

Newfoundlanderspecialty 13 January 2018 in Sollentuna

Last year I received the invitation to judge the Newfoundlanderspecialty in Sollentuna. About one week before the show I received the numbers of this specialty and 25 Newfy's were entered. I understand it was a normal entry nowadays at Swedish Newfoundlander showevents. In my country at a specialty we have about 100 and 150 Newfy's entered and many years ago about 400 or 500 Newfy's was very common.

About the specialty, it was for me a very relaxed day, so I could dictate long critics about the shown Newfy's

In general I think you have lovely quality in Sweden, but only please take care that the Newfy's don't become too much glamour, I know it is a show but still it a normal working dog. They don't need all this extra.

There are some Newfy's who really impressed me a lot:

- Best puppy "**Lucky Bear Noblesse**" lovely typical puppybitch, shows lot of quality it's just a matter of time.
- Best male "**Schimo'Desolation Row**" real quality black male, I know he is young but he shouts breedtype already.
- Best Bitch and also Best of Breed "**Chiqui Bear's Lindira**" lovely brown quality bitch, shouts so much much breedtype and also had a lovely dry head and stayed compact on the move.
- Best veteran "**Qliz Uma**" an almost 10 year old quality Newfy, shown in tiptop condition and I am sure in her younger days she could win very easy at showevents. I dictate in the critic "I hope she will join the owner for many many year. She is such a personality.

Beside the dogs who impressed, I found also point who worried me, like.

- Overdone grooming
- Newfy's has a dry head, no wrinkles or too lippy and no open eyes.
- A Newfy should be fluently from tip of nose til tip of tail, so take care of too much stop.
- Newfy's are working breed so they must have correct muscles and correct movement, it is extra written in the breedstandard so take care.
- About presentation, please show the breed breedtypical and don't present the Newfy as a kind of a sighthound, it looks spectacular, but incorrect for the breed.

I was very pleased with my winning Newfy's and I know they both were still yound, but I have high expectation of both of them.

Beside all of this I want to thank my wonderfull ringstewards, who did splendid work.

I wish you all the best with your Newfy and give them a big hug from the Dutch judge. They deserve it.

Perhaps we will see eachother somewhere again in dogworld and I wish you all the best.

Regards,

Rob Douma