

DOMARPRESENTATION

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Fallenleaf English Springer Spaniels



I live with my husband Geoff in Wigan, Lancashire in the North West of England. We have collectively owned various breeds and latterly English Springer Spaniels for many years. Originally we had the working type of Springer and more recently the show type. We currently have three Springers that share our lives (and home and sofa with!!) who are firstly pets and secondly show dogs.

Our Fallenleaf affix derived from the place that we married on the shore of Fallenleaf Lake, Lake Tahoe, California - one of the prettiest, peaceful places on and seemed very fitting for a gundog type of affix - so we applied for this and Fallenleaf was assigned to us in 1998.

Our foundation bitch was IrCh Prowseman Air of Mystery at Fallenleaf ShCM (Bracken) who was initially bought as a pet but we were told she was good enough for showing ...and so the journey began. Bracken was a delight both in and out of the ring achieving 1 RCC and 10 Green Stars in Ireland making her into an Irish Champion. From Bracken we took a litter by Sh Ch Lochar Border Heritage which produced Fallenleaf New Kid In Town JW (Henley) and Fallenleaf Witchy Woman (Jazmyn) Concentrating on Henley we were delighted to achieve his Junior Warrant and was consistently placed at Championship & Open Shows. Since then we have been privileged to own Calvdales from Nicola and Martin Calverts famous kennels including Calvdale Fair Cop of Fallenleaf JW (Lily) and currently Sh Ch/Ir Ch Calvdale My Girl of Fallenleaf JW ShCm (Holly), Chanangel Falling Leaf JW (Una) who is bred and co owned my Angela Chandler (nee Calvert) and the latest addition to the Fallenleaf household, Calvdale I Say of Fallenleaf (Breeze)

Holly has achieved 10 CC's, 11 RCC's and numerous Best and Reserve Best in Shows has been Reserve Top ESS, and although is now 8 years old still is as full of life and is really an 8 year old puppy! I am delighted to have been advised that she is also Top ESS Veteran 2018. Breeze is just out of puppy and has delighted us with Best Puppy & Reserve Best Puppy in Shows during 2017 and won Puppy of the Year at Wigan & District Canine Association together with the overall winner for the year ...so things are looking very promising so far.

So that's the dogs ...as for me ...I have judged ESS at Open Show level in the UK including breed club open shows and have also judged many other gundog breeds. I was passed to award CC's in 2015 and my first UK appointment will be in 2019. I have passed all required assessments to award CC's and have attended several other Gundog breed seminars and am an experienced Ring steward a committee member of the Lancs & Cheshire ESS Club.

I am truly honoured to be asked to judge the Males at your Springerklubben Club Show at Annaboda in July and am looking forward to it immensely – thank you so much for this invitation.

