

CRITIQUE - THREE COUNTIES AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Judge: Mrs S McAndrew

A big thank you to all those who entered under me. I had a super entry/attendance in spite of the current and escalating fuel costs.

I found the overall quality to be of a very high standard and I don't say that lightly. In a number of classes, I was splitting hairs to make my final placements and was delighted to discover many of my winners are similarly bred/share parentage etc. Lastly, but not least, a huge thank you to my stewards, Chris and Linda Pack, you ensured my ring ran like clockwork, very appreciated.

Puppy Dog (1). **1 Angus' Keigame Hvitserk of Sparkenhoe.** Son of my DCC, I hope he continues to develop well and go on to be just as successful as his sire. At the moment, he is a quality puppy of just 6mths. Correct coat. Pleasing head and expression. Good bone but not overdone. Clean neck, well laid shoulders, adequate forechest. His topline was level, his tuck up moderate and his rear assembly balanced with well bent stifles. His movement was loose as you would expect but he covered the ground with ease. Very promising lad, I'll watch his career with interest.

Junior Dog (3). **1 Dymond's Quintana Diamond Dust at Friarsbelle.** Really liked this lad. 13 months of age, mature in body, super dark l/w coat of coarse texture. Masculine head with alert expression, strong neck, correctly placed shoulders, deep chest with elbows close to body. He is well ribbed up, his topline level, loin short and well muscled. He moved with drive and purpose, covering the ground with ease. Well handled. **2 Harvey's Valger Snow Patrol at Imaniz.** Less mature than 1 at this stage and had a tendency to brace back into himself. However, he has all the essentials and I'm sure these 2 will change places many times. Super head and expression. Correct depth of brisket, clean neck, and shoulders. His ribs are well sprung and extend back to his short loin. His topline is level with a moderate underline. He is well muscled, and this showed in his easy, ground covering movement. **3 Scourfield's Relstraum Tott Wolfsburg.**

Graduate Dog (1). **1 Wetton & Morris' Kavacanne Bolt From the Blue.** A taller made lad who is at the leggy stage just now. Masculine head balanced front assembly, adequate forechest, straight forelegs on super feet. Strong topline with well muscled hind quarters. He was in fit hard condition, moving well for his skilful handler.

Post Graduate Dog (1). **1 Brown's Montalba Mister Teatime.** Medium sized dog, slightly broader in skull than I'd prefer. That said, he had a pleasing expression. Good neck and shoulder placement, his chest was deep with his elbows tight to his body. His ribs are well sprung and his loin short. Nicely balanced throughout. Moved freely with drive.

Limit Dog (4). **1 Brown & Burns' Magregor Pop The Dom over Pothouse.** Upstanding dog who oozes quality. Loved his head, dark eyes, and alert expression. His strong, clean neck flowed into well placed shoulders, his chest was deep, his ribs well sprung and he has ample forechest. His forelegs are straight with good bone on tight feet with short nails. He has a level topline; a short well-muscled loin and his rear assembly is balanced with his stifles well bent. His hocks are strong and straight and on the move, he is a joy to watch. Effortless with drive, showing good extension both fore and aft, eating up the ground, at one with his handler. He was unlucky to meet my open winner in such good form today. A well-deserved **RDCC.** **2 Goff & Dale's Seasham Livewire at Shoshoni.** Different in type to 1 but still very pleasing. Super head, clean and well sized to his body, good depth of muzzle, dark, soft eyes, and alert expression. A very balanced lad, strong neck, set on well placed shoulders. He has a level topline, well sprung ribs and is nicely muscled. He moved soundly with drive. **3 Peebles & Hammond's Seasham The Groover.**

Open Dog (5,1). **1 Mann's Sh Ch Valger Ragner JW.** A dog I have admired from the ringside on a few occasions and when I got my hands on him, he didn't disappoint me. A real worthy Sh Ch in my opinion. Love his type, correct for size. All male without any coarseness. For me, the classic GSP head. His neck is strong and slightly arched, leading into his well laid back shoulders. Good forechest, well sprung ribs that extend back. His topline is level and strong and his tuck up moderate. His loin is well muscled and short. He is correctly balanced fore and aft and that really showed in his precise, ground covering movement. A super dog when viewed from any angle, **DCC.** **2 Stopforth's Taftazini Cesar Chance with Serenymor.** Another lovely example of the breed, that I have positively commented on before. He was unlucky to meet my dcc & rdcc on the best of form today. Love his type and shape. Again, all male but without coarseness. Pleasing head and expression, good neck and shoulder placement. Deep chested with elbows held close to his body. He is well ribbed up with his hindquarters strong and powerful and his stifles well bent. His movement was smooth and ground covering. **3 Harris' Sh Ch Barleyarch Pringle JW.**

Puppy Bitch (4). **1 Rutherford's Dappledele Aurelia Rose.** What a little cracker she is. Solid liver bitch of 7mths. Loved her shape and type. Very feminine throughout but still retaining good bone. Pleasing head with dark eyes, correct ear set and depth of muzzle. Elegant neck, good lay back of shoulders, adequate forechest and ribbing for her tender age. Level topline and correctly angulated rear quarters. Moved steadily, showing good reach and drive as she gained her confidence. A very exciting prospect, **BPIB.** **2 Nixon's Quintana Qing Ping.** Another very nice puppy. Flashier markings, of correct texture. More mature in body than 1. She too has a pleasing head, strong neck, correctly placed shoulders. Deep chest with elbows close to body. Well ribbed up with balanced hind quarters. She moved freely, just not quite the extension of 1. **3 Merritt's Sperant Chocolate Cosmos.**

Junior Bitch (7). Really super class of youngsters here today. Unfortunately, some didn't move as soundly as they could have, and this cost them in my placings. **1 Izard's Yocketts Hambledon.** Quality 12mth old bitch, loved her size and shape. Very feminine throughout. Pleasing head with a definite, "want to be doing" expression. Strong neck well laid back shoulders, correct depth of chest with elbows close in to her body. She is nicely ribbed up, her loin is short and muscular, and her stifles are well bent, supported by straight hocks, she also has super feet. Her movement was effortless. Ground covering with drive, this is what won her the class. **2 Nixon's Quintana Lunar Eclipse.** Pleasing outline, feminine head with clean neck and shoulders, adequate forechest, super feet. Her topline is level, ribs well sprung and her loin short and well muscled as she is throughout. Her coat is softer than ideal, but I forgave her this as her movement was spot on. Free and ground covering. **3 Cox Cushatlaw Athena JW.**

Graduate Bitch (4,2). **1 Gray's Kavacanne Ziti.** Very well schooled bitch of correct size. Liked her feminine head and strong neck. Super forechest and feet. Deep in the chest with elbows close in to her body, adequate spring of ribs. Strong, well developed hind quarters with stifles well bent and nicely muscled throughout. Moved with drive and style, exceptionally well handled to advantage. **2 Brudenell- Pryke's Puddledub Pilis.** Solid liver bitch of super type and shape. Pleasing head, neck and front assembly. Deep in chest with well sprung ribs. She is well muscled throughout with powerful rear quarters. Unfortunately, she wasn't in the best of form today, rather reluctant to move.

Post Graduate Bitch (7,2). **1 Filby & Brown's Winterwell Thatlido for Desjiem JW.** Quality bitch with a definite presence about her. Loved her head and dark eyes, coat in great order and of correct texture. Strong neck, correct lay back of shoulders, allowing for plenty of extension and return, super forechest, elbows close fitting. Her ribs are well sprung and extend back to her short loin. Correct in top and underline. Well muscled hind quarters with well bent stifles on strong hocks. She moved freely and precisely with plenty of drive, liked her a lot. **2 Trow & Jowsey's Winterwell Stoney Trail.** Half sister to 1. I awarded their dam BOB last time I judged, and I can see her at times, in both of these lovely bitches. 2, is a slightly smaller made bitch of quality, good bone, and type. Pleasing head and eager expression. Elegant neck into well placed shoulders. She is correctly proportioned front and rear with a deep chest, well sprung ribs and a short muscular loin. She again moved freely with drive, just not the precision of 1. **3 Ellis' Soellis Fancy Nancy.**

Limit Bitch (11,2). Wow, what a wonderful class to judge. **1 Thurm's Dappledale First Date at Bryburn.** Stunning bitch when viewed from every angle. Loved her type, femininity, and shape. The more I watched her, the more I liked her. Very pleasing head with a softer expression. Elegant, slightly arched neck leads into clean, well placed shoulders. She stands on super feet with short nails. Straight forelegs of good bone, her chest is deep, elbows are close in to her body. Her topline is level and strong and her ribs are well sprung, extending back, to her short loin. Her stifles are well bent and her hocks, straight and short. She is well muscled throughout, and, on the move, she stole the show. Effortless, precise, ground covering movement. Showing super reach and drive, **BCC & BOB,** a super partnership. I was later told; this was her crowning CC and that my BPIB is a repeat of this bitch. **2 Staley's Jomeel Naughtylicious.** Solid liver bitch of quality. Loved her head and mischievous expression, strong neck, clean shoulders, plenty of forechest with her elbows close fitting. Her topline is level, her ribs well sprung and her loin short. Her stifles are well bent and her hind quarters correctly proportioned. She moved freely with drive. **3 Harris' Barleyarch Pakora.**

Open Bitch (11,2). Another wonderful class of top drawer, quality bitches, unfortunately some faded in the heat, and this cost them placings/higher placings. That said, I am delighted with my winners. **1 Squire's Sh Ch Taftazini Honour Wynna.** A bitch I judged and did well as a youngster and what a journey she has had since then!! She is every inch the worthy Sh Ch, from her classic headpiece with slightly aloof expression, to her elegant neck, well laid back shoulders and super forechest. Although feminine all through, she is powerful in body with a strong, level topline, deep chest with well sprung ribs that extend well back to her short loin. Her stifles are well bent, her hocks, short and straight and she stands on super feet. Her coat is of the correct texture being coarse to the touch. She moved out with drive and style, on a loose lead, very well handled. She had to settle for the **RBCC** today as I just preferred the reach and extension of the BCC. **2 Hammond's Seasham I Love To Boogie.** Another top drawer bitch whose title cannot be far away. Clean, feminine head with a "want to be busy" expression. Strong neck leading into well laid back shoulders. She has ample forechest, good legs and feet. Her elbows are close in to her body and her ribs are well sprung. Strong, level topline with a short, muscular loin. Her rear assembly is well proportioned, and her movement is smooth and co ordinated, totally at one with her skillful handler. **3 Rutherford's Sh Ch Cushatlaw Charisma of Dappledele.**

Veteran Bitch (2). **1 Burford's Pingarypoint Hot Topic.** Would never have put her as a veteran but she is 8½ years young. Taller rangier bitch. Liked her feminine head and dark eyes, elegant neck. Adequate forechest with a strong, level topline, she is slightly longer cast than I'd like but she is balanced and well muscled throughout, moving freely with drive. Another who was handled very well, **BVIB.** **2 Whitehouse's Kazanpaul Creme De La Crème.** Another who belies her age, she is also 8+ years young. Different type to 1, being heavier set. Pleasing head, strong neck with ample forechest and well sprung ribs. She was balanced fore and aft. Moved steadily but I preferred the accuracy of 1.