

CRITIQUE - BLACKPOOL & DISTRICT CANINE SOCIETY

Judge: Mrs S P Ashcroft

I should like to thank the Committee for inviting me to judge at their prestigious and hospitable show and to the exhibitors for allowing me to judge their lovely GSPs. The weather was perfect for the dogs with a cool breeze. Temperaments were good, as expected, no bad mouths, but quite a few light eyes; some will probably darken with age. Thanks to you all. I really enjoyed my day spent amongst some beautiful, quality GSPs. Also, a big thank you to my excellent steward.

Minor Puppy Dog (2,1). **1 Harris' Barleyarch Pringle.** Such a baby, just 6 months and 1 day old, a real cutie. Nicely balanced throughout, with a nice head, sweet expression, good length of neck into good shoulders, good tuck up, good angulation at rear, a nice overall picture. He really enjoyed his first time in the big ring and took it in his stride. Well behaved on the move for such a baby.

Puppy Dog (3,1). **1 Braine's Grenetrest Canterbury Bell.** 10-month-old solid liver boy. Lovely in outline and quite mature for his tender age. Good head, nice expression, eyes still darkening, good reach of neck, good shoulders, nice short back, good depth of chest and well bent stifles. Good coat texture, a bit sun bleached today which cost him top honours. Loved his movement, he covered the ground with ease. **2 Hurst's Winterwell Hyperion.** 9-month-old liver and white boy. Loved his head and expression, really reachy neck into good shoulders and good topline, nice depth. Liked his overall balance, good coat pigmentation. Moved well.

Junior Dog (5,1). **1 McCardle's Archerpoint I Want It All.** Very smart liver and white young man, so balanced and mature for his age, presented a lovely picture in outline. Good head, nice expression, good eye shape, good neck length into well placed shoulders. Nice deep chest, good topline into strong croup and well-set tail. Well muscled with good bend of stifle. Had good coat texture and moved with reach and drive. Later read this is my BCC winner's son, he has many of her lovely attributes. **2 Stopforth's Taftazini Cesar Chance.** Unlucky to meet 1, who is more mature. This boy is lovely, excellent in make and shape; smart in outline with nothing overdone. Nice shaped head with good expression, well set ears, good neck length, short backed, my only comment is I would like a little more angulation at the rear. Moved well but was a little unsettled. When moving in next class handler and dog seemed more together. **3 Sielski's Orchidstar Bonds Of Speed.**

Graduate Dog (6,2). **1 Stopforth's Taftazini Cesar Chance. 2 Woolley's Fayemm Get Ready For Duns.** Smart flashy liver and white boy, nice outline. Good head, nice expression, good neck length and depth throughout. Had nice rear angulation with good driving action on move. **3 Cox's Ceilloch Merlot By Cushatlaw.**

Post Graduate Dog (3,1). **1 Hinchliffe's Goosepoint Gloster Grebe.** What a super GSP this young man is, fills all the criteria for the breed standard for me and only 20 months old. Absolutely stunning in outline, so well balanced and put together. He has a beautiful head, soft expression, good muzzle length, well set ears, good reachy neck into well angulated shoulders, nice short back with strong croup down into hard muscled thighs with well let down hocks. The superlatives go on ad infinitum. He moved so well with precision and drive, effortlessly flowing round the ring. Happy to award him the **DCC & BOB.** Handler told me it was his 3rd CC - well deserved, there will be many more I'm sure! **2 Woolley's Fayemm Get Ready For Duns.**

Limit Dog (6,1). **1 Staley's Keigame Chilli Bean At Jomeel.** Lovely solid liver chap with a good balanced outline, he is compact with good fore and aft angulation, short backed. Smart overall with a nice head and expression, good eye shape and colour, neck of good length. Good coat texture. Excelled in movement covering the ground well. Pushed hard for top honours, really like his type. **2 Milligan's Jessophia's Oberynt Martell.** Smart liver and white dog with a pleasant outline, not quite the rear angulation of 1. Good head and expression, good eye shape, nice skull with well set ears and length. He had a lovely reach of neck and depth of chest. Good coat with nice dark pigmentation. Moved out well. **3 Milligan's Redmires Storm The Stars.**

Open Dog (9,2). This class was filled with some top notch GSPs of differing types, quality through and through, who all deserve top honours. **1 Smith, Trow & Reichmuth's Nz Sp Gr Ch Arosa Ur Upperclass Naf.** Solid liver dog who fills the eye. Nice and compact with beautifully balanced outline from head to tail, just my cup of tea. Lovely head with nice expression, good eye shape, well set on ears, good depth of chest, well muscled quarters with good bend of stifle. Correct harsh coat. Moved out effortlessly round the ring. Happy to award him the **RDCC.** I hope he enjoys his stay with us in the UK. **2 Brown & Burns Sh Ch Magregor Threesacrowd At Pothouse JW ShCM.** Really smart liver and white dog, again so balanced and pleasing to the eye, shown in excellent condition; his coat gleamed. Loved his head, eyes and expression. Good strong neck of correct length into good shoulders. Nicely bodied with good topline, deep chest, strong quarters with well muscled thighs. Well put together. Moved with panache. **3rd Drysdale's Ch Barleyarch Farthing At Drysika JW ShCM.**

Veteran Dog (3,2). **1 Rusk's Marann's Spring Mist Over Booton.** Flashy 7-year-old boy nicely constructed with good balance fore and aft. Nice head and expression, longer in body length and well off for bone. Good coat texture. Moved well with a long, easy stride, holding his topline.

Minor Puppy Bitch (2). Two very pretty puppies, with a lot going for them; both extremely well constructed. **1 Elrington's Barleyarch Dorito.** 6 months and 1-day old liver and white girl. Balanced in outline. Everything flowed. Pretty, typical head, nice eyes and expression, good neck length into good shoulder placement. Good topline and strong back end with well bent stifles. Moved out well holding her topline. A lot to admire about this girl. **2 Gains' Molkara Quids In.** Liver and white girl, again 6 months old and a little unsure on being stacked. She is truly a lovely specimen of the breed, such a lovely shape with a good head, nice eye and expression, super neck length into good shoulders and good rear angulation. Good dark pigment to coat, almost looked black. Not so settled on the move as 1 but has a bright future I'm sure.

Puppy Bitch (3,1). Another lovely class. **1 Izzard's Yocketts Cordiale.** 11-month-old liver and white bitch who has a cracking outline. Very mature for her age and really well put together. Beautifully balanced, good head, kind eye and expression, lovely length to her neck into good shoulders, short backed, strong croup, good musculature, well set tail. Rear angulation matching front with well bent stifles, nicely boned. A dream to watch on the move, so effortless, but covering the ground well. Amongst good company I was happy to award her **BPIB** and heard she was given Group 4. well done! **2 Cooke & Barker's Radstorm Legal Eagle.** 9-month-old liver and white bitch with a nice outline, not quite so balanced as 1. Pretty head, with lovely expression, nicely boned with good shoulders, lacking rear angulation of 1. Longer cast bitch who moved out well. **3 Williams Winterwell Cut Above At Bodlon.**

Junior Bitch (12,2). My notes say, "what a beautiful class", sadly some lovely bitches went cardless, giving me some tough decisions. **1st Squire's Taftazini Honour Wynna.** Very feminine liver and white bitch of lovely type. So balanced throughout making a stunning picture in profile. Lovely head, sweet expression with good eye shape and colour. Nice, strong neck with good sloping shoulders, good deep chest and tuck up. Strong back and croup into well-muscled thighs and well-turned stifles. Moved out well, but took time to settle, which cost her top honours. I know she has a good future ahead! **2nd Rumney's Kacela Sweet Ayana.** Loved this bitch and it was nip and tuck between her and 1. Lovely in her balanced outline. A very pleasing picture in profile. Good head and eye, nice neck length, good shoulders and depth of chest. Well ribbed body, good topline and well bent stifles with good muscled thighs. Moved out with drive. Love her type. **3 Bellinger & Felstead's Cushatlaw Chaos At Woodhawk.**

Graduate Bitch (8,1). The first two in this line up were of a stronger type, but I couldn't deny their balance and type. **1 Peebles Keigame Belle Of All.** Dark liver and white girl, standing over plenty of ground with a nicely balanced outline. Smart head and expression, super neck length into good shoulders, nice fore chest, well off for bone, correct depth of chest with nice tuck up. Strong over croup, well angulated rear. Moved out well. **2 Jackman's Katelands Cosmic Affair Via Navigareamor.** Black and white bitch who has a lot going for her. Liked her shape, also stronger in bone, a nice balanced picture. Good head, with the darkest of eyes, kind expression, nice length of muzzle. Good shoulders, nice tuck up and balanced rear. Moved well. **3 Burford's Pingarypoint Legolicious.**

Post Graduate Bitch (4,1). Three lovely bitches, who will change places I'm sure. Each one a nice example of the breed. **1 Beverley's Bryburn Artemis of Vinita JW.** A quality liver and white bitch, nicely balanced and so feminine, carrying herself well. Good head, muzzle length, kind expression with lovely eyes. Nice neck length, good shoulders, good deep chest with nice tuck up, well angulated rear making a pleasing picture. Move with reach and drive. **2 Malin's Keigame Muphlette.** Liver and white bitch slightly heavier made and again well balanced fore and aft. Lovely head with dark eyes and nice expression. Good reach of neck into well laid shoulders, good deep chest and fore chest. Nice topline, strong quarters with well bent stifles. Moved soundly. **3 Milligan's Isara Kurzhaar All Spice.**

Limit Bitch (12,2). Another quality class of bitches with lots of splitting of hairs! **1 Pudney's Pitwit Winter Glow JW.** Really liked this workmanlike bitch, not a big girl but of correct size. Compact in shape. Classic head, nice shaped skull, really dark eyes and sweet expression. Nicely arched neck into good shoulder placement with deep chest and well ribbed body. Short strong back with good rear muscle tone and angulation. Moved out really well. Pleased to award her the **RBCC.** **2 Drysdale's Drysika Fast Track.** Another compact, workmanlike girl of lovely shape and make. Pleasing to the eye with her balanced outline. Lovely head, kind eye and expression, strong neck, good shoulders and well bodied. Good rear angulation and well muscled thighs. Another good mover. **3 Lockett's Fayemm Remember Me.**

Open Bitch (7,1). Loved this class. **1 Drew's Sh Ch Cushatlaw Illustrious JW.** Admired her as a puppy and my, has she matured well into an elegant lovely bitch! A beautiful outline on the stack with clean flowing lines. Loved her head, eye, muzzle length, ear set and soft, melting expression. Nice skull shape with good reachy neck into well placed sloping shoulders, nicely boned, good depth of chest and tuck up. Topline good, with slight slope over croup to well set tail. Smashing rear angulation into well let down hocks. Beautiful movement and so well handled to get the best out of her. Showed her socks off. Delighted to award her the **BCC.** **2 Schoneville's Balvenie Midnight Rambler ShCM.** Very pretty flashy liver and white bitch. Lovely type with balanced shape overall. Nice head and skull with dark eyes and kind expression, just preferred muzzle on 1. Good neck length into good shoulders, deep chest, nice strong back and tuck up. Well angulated at rear, which gave her good drive as she moved around the ring. **3 Stewart & Currie's Winterwell Dominique At Levagrad.**

Veteran Bitch (3,1). **1 Izard's Goosepoint Chincapin.** 7-year-old liver and white bitch, who is the dam of my best puppy, built on the same lovely lines. Nice shaped head and skull, good eye, soft expression and well muzzled. Neck of good length into well laid shoulders, with good chest depth, nice topline and well angulated rear. Cracking mover. **2 Pudney's Stairfoot Skye.** 7½-year-old liver and white bitch who also doesn't look her age. Nice overall picture, good head and expression, reachy neck, good shoulders, well bodied, good topline and nice angulation behind with well let down hocks. Good on the move.