## CRITIQUE - CITY OF BIRMINGHAM CANINE ASSOCIATION

Judge: Mrs D Arrowsmith

My thanks to the Committee of the Birmingham City show for my invitation. Always a pleasure to attend this prestigious event in the show calendar. My thanks also to all the exhibitors who gave me the pleasure of going over their dogs and for accepting my decisions with good grace and a sporting attitude. I was disappointed in the lack of typical heads, dark eyes and correct coats. Some angles were too steep which inhibited the movement greatly. However, there were no suspect bites and temperaments were all sound and honest.

**Veteran Dog** (3). **1 Smillie-Gray's Sh Ch Oakberrow Wotzinaname ShCM**. Agrand gentleman, presenting a clean, typical outline with good head, front and feet, fore and rear angles and moved well. **2 Braine's Kenine March To Victory ShCM**. Another sound veteran with typical outline and moved well. I just preferred the forehand of the winner. **3 Prior's Booton Imperial**.

Puppy Dog (2). 1 Hinchliff's Goosepoint Gloster Grebe (AI). Smart pup of type and balance well presented with sound front and on good feet, balanced fore and rear angles, well handled and moved well. 2 Hooper & Brooks' Kentsteen Diemel. A flashy pup presenting a typical outline, sufficient angulation front and rear. Moved well. I just preferred the top line of winner.

Junior Dog (5,1). 1 Vicker's Bryburn Atticus's. Presented the best outline in this class with sound forehand and rear angulation, top line and moved well. 2 Barrett's Aytee Kalimar. A tall dog but built on typical lines and sound on the move. 3 Marsh & Hoad's Winterwell Sam Spade At Kilnrae.

**Graduate Dog** (2). **1 Watling's Drysika Dasher**. Excelled in head, skull proportions, excellent forehand assembly, strong firm topline, and in good coat. A specimen of type and balance and sound on the move. **1 Woolley's Fayerm Get Ready for Dunsa**. Another presenting a pleasing and typical outline with good front and on sound feet, I preferred the head and expression of one.

Post Graduate Dog (2,1). Jackman's Navigareamor Hardtoport. A tad high on the leg but with ideal angles fore and aft, deep in brisket and good ribs. Moved well.

Limit Dog (6,1). 1 Adams' Barleyarch Ariat JW ShCM. Smart dog, typical in outline and balance. Ideal skull proportions, clean neck, sound front and on good feet. Ideal forehand assembly with balanced hind quarters the best on the move in this class as one would expect from this construction. 2 Milligan's Jessophia's Oberyn Martell. Appealed in skull proportions with clean outline, sound front and typical angles fore and aft. Deep in brisket and well ribbed up. However he lacked the well padded feet of winner. 3 Wilkinson's Zarozinia Beinn An Oir.

Open Dog (9,5). 1 Brown, & Burns' Sh Ch Magregor Threesacrowd At Pothouse JW ShCM. Presented a typical and balanced outline, Nothing overdone with this chap he excelled in all departments. Excellent forehand assembly compliments by balanced hind quarters. Deep in brisket with sufficient forechest, well ribbed up, in excellent muscle condition and very sound on the move. So pleased to award him the *DCC* a very worthy winner. 2 Harris' Am Gr Ch & Sh Ch Vjk-Myst Goeslikethewind Of Barleyarch. Extravagant male in super muscle condition. Excellent fore hand assembly, strong firm topline, correct underline so very sound on the move. I just preferred the tail set of winner. *RDCC*. 3 Dymond's Int Sh Ch, NL Ch, Lux Ch, Bel Sh Ch & Dt Ch. Vdh Friarsbelle Marsh Mellow.

Veteran Bitch (4,1). 1 Mckinstry & Uytman's Magregor Airs N' Graces. This gracious lady excelled in head and eye, front and on sound feet, fore chest, deep in brisket, firm top line and excellent hind quarters. Lovely and so very sound on the move. BV. 2 Gardiner's Kilnrae Barley Sugar. Presented a very typical outline with correct angles fore and aft. I preferred the movement of winner. 3 Beresford's Tuptonsett Ebony Princess.

Minor Puppy Dog (7,1). 1 Bellinger & Felstead's Cushatlaw Chaos At Woodhawk. Very promising pup and stole my heart today. Good skull proportions, clean neck, sound front and on good tight feed. Sufficient fore chest firm top line and underline. Well ribbed up and correct couples. Sound on the move when she wasn't wanting to play. BP. 2 Slack's Pingarrypoint Legolustrous. Very smart pup with all the qualities to go forward moved well. I just preferred the outline of winner. 3 Sielski's Orchidstar Tooty Fruitie.

**Puppy Bitch** (5,3). **1 Bellinger & Felstead's Cushatlaw Chaos At Woodhawk**. **2 Hughes' Sonnenberg Silver Wraith**. A pleasing pup on sound straight front and good feet. Sufficient angulation fore and aft, a tad high on the leg at present which could change as she grows on.

**Junior Bitch** (8,2). **1 Hustler's Aytee Katerina**. Very typical in outline, balanced young lady with ideal forehand assembly, firm top line, correct under line, balanced hind quarters the best on the move in this class. **BJ. 2 Beverley's Bryburn Artemis Of Vinita JW**. Close up to winner with all her atributes I just preferred the underline of one. **3 Nixon's Quintana Qin Qiao**.

**Graduate Bitch** (5,3). **1 Upton-Lovett & Upton's Seasham A Kind Of Magic**. Of the two presents he presented the most typical outline with good fore and rear angulation moved well. **2 Baines' Sparowbridge Crazy Diamond**. Presented a clean outline in the stand I preferred the forehand assembly of winner.

Post Graduate Bitch (9,4). 1 Burford's Pingarypoint Eye Candy. A typical and balanced bitch with good skull proportions, nice dark eye, on a good front and sound feet. Clean neck, ideal forehand assembly, top and underline and hind quarters. The best on the move in this class. 2 Prior's Jolicoem Jevington Of Whinchat. Again good skull proportions, front and read angles, moved soundly. 3 Pudney's Pitwit Winter Glow JW.

Limit Bitch (11,3) The strongest class of the day with some very good exhibits present. Completely filling my eye today was. 1 Harris' Barleyarch Playtime (AI) JW. An exceptional bitch of true type and balanced all through. She excelled in head and the best eyes present on the day. So sound in her forehand assembly showing correct shoulder placement, return of upper arm from which she displayed fore chest, deep brisket and plenty of heart room. Well ribbed up, correct top line which she held so well standing and on the move. One of the few with the ideal GSP coat and so very sound on the move as her construction would display. She is so very much her father's daughter. She was a dream to go over and a pleasure to award BCC & BOB. It is my understanding that she was shortlisted in a very strong group. 2 Whitehouse's Kazanpaul Creme de la Creme. Another very pleasing and typical bitch with typical outline correct angles fore and aft, she was very sound on the move and unfortunate to come up against the winner when she was on such form. 3 Burford's Pingarypoint Hot Topic.

Open Bitch (6,2). 1 Tierney's Sh Ch Keigame Hustle JW ShCM. I loved this bitch so very much and she was unfortunate to come up against my CC winner in such good form. Never the less she is an excellent specimen of the breed, typical in outline, angulation, top and underline, and very sound on the move. A treat to go over. *RBCC*. 2 Elrington's Barleyarch Beetle at Tequesta JW. A very smart, typical and sound bitch with all the atributes of the winner. However, I preferred the hind action of one on this day. 3 Thomas & Taylor's Knabynnus Aurora Borealis.

Good Citizens Bitch (6,1). 1 Beverley's Bryburn Artemis Of Vinita JW. 2 Upton-Lovett & Upton's Seasham A Kind Of Magic. 3 Coe & Pitman's Int Sh Ch, Lux Ch, NL Ch & Dt Ch Vdh Pitwit Leeona.