## CRITIQUE - CITY OF BIRMINGHAM CANINE ASSOCIATION

Judge: Mrs D Elrington

Many thanks to the committee for the invitation to judge and to the competitors for allowing me to judge your dogs.

**Special Beginners Dog** (1). **1 Bowlers Winterwell Iggy Inch**. An absolutely cracking young puppy. Excellent harsh coat. Lovely head and kind eye with a good length to muzzle. Well put together front assembly. Moved true and held his topline well. The more I watched him move the more I liked him. **Best Special Beginner & BPD**. Well done and congratulations to his handler on winning the Gundog Special Beginners Group.

Minor Puppy Dog (5,1). 1 Bowler's Winterwell Iggy Inch. 2 Graham's Winterwell Tubby Tompkin from Nyliram. Another cracking puppy. Short in back well angulated fore and aft standing over plenty of ground. Typey head with good proportions. True on the move just slightly unhappy in this class but was more settled in the next class. 3 Taylor & Taylor-Morris' Pelenrise All Guns Blazing.

Puppy Dog (4,1). 1 Graham's Winterwell Tubby Tompkin from Nyliram. 2 Taylor & Taylor- Morris' Pelenrise All Guns Blazing. Another lovely puppy just unbalanced at the moment and needs to tighten in front. Lovely head and type. 3 Angus' Keigame Hvitserk of Sparkenhoe.

**Junior Dog** (1). **1 Dymond's Quintana Diamond Dust at Friarsbelle JW**. Masculine throughout without being overdone. Balanced fore and aft with a good dark coat. Excels on the move and very eye catching in profile movement driving well from the rear. **Best Junior**.

**Post Graduate Dog** (3,1). **1 Harvey's Valger Snow Patrol at Imaniz JW**. Nice sized male of good proportions with the most beautiful of headpieces. Moved out well holding his topline. **2 Rusk's Booton Provence**. Looks a picture stacked with a fabulous coat and in good condition. On the move not a happy boy and let himself down.

**Limit Dog** (3,1). **1 Collins' Barleyarch Hoopla at Forestpoint**. Typey head with a dark eye and kind expression. Good, neat front assembly, shoulder well laid back, short in back with moderate angulation throughout. He couldn't be anything else but a GSP. True, on the move not the stride of the CC winner but very pleased to award him **RDCC**. **2 Peebles Seasham The Groover**. Good head and eye with the most pleasing expression. Slightly longer cast but very balanced throughout. Excellent drive from the rear and held his topline well.

Open Dog (8). Very pleased with my first 3 in this class. 1 Stopforth's Taftazini Cesar Chance with Serenymor. Won this class on his movement. Head of a good type head with a dark eye. Neat front assembly well laid back shoulders and very balanced fore and aft. Short in back and coupling but standing over plenty of ground. Good tail set carried well. Good spring of rib and depth to chest. His outline is classic GSP. Correct on the move with an excellent stride *DCC*. 2 Mann's Sh Ch Valger Ragnar JW. The absolute best of heads very well proportioned with a kind dark eye. Masculine throughout without being coarse, well angulated fore and aft giving the most striking of outlines. Moved out well driving from the rear. 3 Thurm's Sh Ch Bryburn Bacchus JW ShCM ShCEx.

**Special Beginners Bitch** (2). **1 Brudenell-Pryke's Puddledub Pilis**. Pleasing outline, nice tailset held her topline on the move, sympathetically handled. **2 Yarwood's Rhosynglas Bootes**. Well-muscled but still feminine. Good coat. Wasn't happy in the ring but handled well by her very patient young handler.

**Veteran Bitch** (2,1). **1 Upton-Lovett & Upton's Seasham A Kind Of Magic**. Typical head with a dark kind eye. Shown in good condition moved out well maintaining her topline, good depth to chest with well sprung ribs. **BVIB**.

Minor Puppy Bitch (2). 1 Pearson's Winterwell Lulu Moppet to Ladyhawke. What a lovely puppy I could have taken her home. Short in back, standing over ground with an excellent coat. Feminine throughout with a typey head slight arch to neck shoulders well laid back short coupled with moderate balanced angulation fore and aft. Moved so true for one so young. Delighted to award her *RBCC & BPIB*. 2 Sielski's Orchidstar Missing Link. Longer in body than 1 but still a pleasing outline. Well put together which showed in her correct movement just a generic in type for me.

Puppy Bitch (3). 1 Pearson's Winterwell Lulu Moppet to Ladyhawke. 2 Rutherford's Dappledele Aurelia Rose. Liked this girl a lot, unlucky to meet 1. A beautiful type so balanced and not overdone in anyway. Neat front assembly with shoulders well laid back, short coupling with moderate angulation behind. A little unhappy on the move today. 3 Merritt's Sperant Chocolate Cosmos.

**Junior Bitch** (5). **1 Nixon's Quintana Lunar Eclipse**. Lovely balanced feminine head, long neck with a slight arch, neat in front, balanced angulation fore and aft. Excelled on the move driving from the rear. Still needs to mature in body. **2 Izard's Yockletts Hambledon**. Preferred this bitch's outline to 1, shorter in back. Lovely head with a dark kind eye, very neat front assembly, well angulated behind. Strode out well in profile, just not as tidy on the move behind as 1. **3 Trow's Fayemm Treacle Tart with Winterwell (AI)**.

Graduate Bitch (8,2). 1 Nixon's Quintana Lunar Eclipse. 2 Izard's Yockletts Hambledon. 3 Edlin's Graygees Tsarine.

**Post Graduate Bitch** (5). **1 Trow & Jowsey's Winterwell Stoney Trail**. Feminine head with a kind eye and honest expression. Lovely neck flowing into neat well laid shoulders, balanced throughout which showed on the move with a good length of stride and good topline. Well handled. **2 Filby & Brown's Winterwell That'll Do for Desjiem**. Compact bitch in great condition. Good head and dark eye looked a picture stacked just unsettled on the move. **3 Rose's Barleyarch Shindig with Kavacanne**.

Limit Bitch (4). 1 Harris' Barleyarch Pakora. Shown in fabulous condition with the harshest of coats. Well put together with a long neck into neat well laid back shoulders, excellent spring of rib with good depth with short coupling well angulated behind. Moved with drive and reach flowing round the ring like she owned it with a correct footfall. BCC & BOB. 2 Hinchliff's Goosepoint Gambler. Heavier bitch throughout than 1. Good forechest with correct depth, good spring of rib, nicely angulated behind & moved with drive and purpose shown in great condition. 3 Lockett's Fayemm Together Forever.

Open Bitch (4,1). 1 Thurm's Sh Ch Dappledele First Date at Bryburn. Fabulous in outline, very well balanced angles throughout feminine head with a dark eye. Good bone. Neat in front assembly, ribs well back, good angulation behind, moved out well. Shown in great condition. Very typey and sound. 2 Rutherford's Sh Ch Cushatlaw Charisma of Dappledele. Similar remarks to one. Just preferred the bone of 1. Really liked both these bitches very worthy Sh Champions. 3 Nixon's Quintana Cloud Berry.