

CRITIQUE – DARLINGTON DOG SHOW SOCIETY

Judge: Mr K Groom

Many thanks to the Committee for the invitation to judge and the hospitality shown. Thanks also to my stewards for a job well done. I always look forward to judging GSPs, they are one of my favourite breeds and the exhibitors are a good crowd. The ring was a good size with plenty of room to put the dogs through their paces. I was very pleased with my winners and some good exhibits were down the line today. BOB was awarded to a lovely made male who stood out for type, style and finish. The bitch ticket was awarded to a mature girl, well made and full of ring presence. Best Veteran was taken by a lovely bitch built on elegant flowing lines, not showing her age, especially on the move. Best Puppy was a young dog who went very well for his age, enjoying his day out. The Bitch Puppy was his sister, who shows great promise. I think both should finish well. Thanks to the exhibitors for a lovely day and I wish you all the best for the future.

Veteran Dog (2). **1 Flaherty & Reddyhough's Sh Ch Isara Kurzhaar Wieser JW ShCM.** Quality exhibit, seven and a half years old, head of good shape with kind eye and masculine expression, neck length pleased, well made in front assembly, shoulders well laid, good ribbing and firm in back, muscular rear quarters, tight feet, stood presents a good outline, balanced throughout, moved with drive and soundness, shown in good coat and condition, a worthy Sh Ch. **2 Read's Wilholme Edwardian Dream.** 10 year old boy, not looking his age, head and eye good, has a pleasing expression, a body of balance, firm in topline, both front and rear angles were good, plenty of bone for frame, moved out well, shown in muscular condition and tone.

Minor Puppy Dog (2). **1 Smith & Reardon's Winterwell Maida Stone.** 6 month old, solid liver puppy, good head at this age, kind in expression, neck and forequarters pleased, body deep, short backed, rear angulation good, tight feet, gave good outline stood, moved out very well, at one with his handler, has ring presence and enjoyed his day out, shown well in top order. Pleased to make him **BP**. Well done. **2 Chandler's Drysika Glenfiddich.** 8 month old, good head shape with kind eye and expression, well made in front, deep chest, firm in topline, good bone, pleasing in rear assembly, moved out and shown well, presented in good condition and tone.

Puppy Dog (3). **1 Smith & Reardon's Winterwell Maida Stone.** **2 Murray's Winterwell Whakapapa with Worlewood.** Eleven and a half month old, head of pleasing type, kind expressive eye, neck length and front correct, body of depth, well ribbed, firm in back, good bone for frame, rear angulation good, stood well, moved out with drive, shown in good condition. **3 Chandler's Drysika Glenfiddich.**

Junior Dog (3). **1 Mann's Valger Ragnar.** 12 month old boy of good breed type, liked his head shape with good expression and dark eye, neck correct leading to well-formed front assembly, good lay of shoulder, chest of depth with sprung ribbing, firm short back, well made in rear quarters and muscular in tone, coat good, moved out true, giving good side profile, stood produced balanced outline, shown in muscular order, should have his fair share in the future. **2 Carter's Gilleyfield Ads Wood.** Head of good type, masculine kind expression with pleasing eye, neck strong, leading to well-constructed front, body of depth with good rib, level topline, muscular in rear, good bone, coat pleased, moved and shown well. **3 Elwood Rievers Baron von Autumnglory.**

Yearling Dog (1). **1 Carter's Gilleyfield Ads Wood.**

Limit Dog (4). **1 Harris' Barleyarch Pringle JW.** Another quality exhibit from this kennel, his balance and type caught my eye as he came into the ring, loved his head shape, noble and masculine with good eye, scores in front construction, good shoulders, body deep, well ribbed, short in back leading to firm muscular hindquarters with good angulation, plenty of bone for frame, tight feet, coat of correct texture, moved out very well, sound and true with drive, shown and presented in top condition. Pleased to award him **Res CC**. Only beaten on maturity for higher award. Well done. **2 Braine's Grenetrest Canterbury Bell JW.** Another smart GSP. Loved head shape with good eye colour, ears well set, muscular in neck, shoulders correct, body depth pleased, short back, nice bone throughout, tight feet, muscular rear with moderate stifle, coat good to the touch, stood presents a smart outline, movement was good with plenty of reach and drive, presented in top condition, unlucky to meet first in such form, sure to have his fair share in the future. **3 Stopforth's Taftazini Cesar Chance with Serenymor JW.**

Open Dog (6). **1 Thurm's Sh Ch Bryburn Bacchus JW ShCM.** Lovely three and a half year old boy, super for breed type, liked his head shape with kind dark eye, giving a noble expression, ears well set, good neck leading to a well formed front assembly, scores in shoulder placement, body of substance with correct depth and ribbing, firm short back, muscular in rear quarters with good angulation, plenty of bone for frame, tight feet, coat of correct texture to touch, moved out very well, sound and true, covered his ground with ease, side profile was very good, stood presents a picture of balance, shown and handled very well, in top condition and tone, pleased to award him the **CC** and later **BOB**. A very smart GSP. Well done. **2 Gatcliffe's Allezweck Shamrock.** Mature 8 year old, not looking his age, very good in head with kind expressive eye, strong neck and well-made front assembly, body of quality and depth, good ribbing, topline pleased, short in back, muscular rear with correct angulation, good bone for frame, tight feet, coat correct, moved out with drive and soundness, stood looked well, balanced in outline, presented in good muscular tone, a very nice exhibit. One to be proud of. **3 Brown & Burns' Sh Ch Magregor Threesacrowd at Pothouse JW ShCM.**

Veteran Bitch (2). **1 Thurm's Sh Ch Valger Odette.** 8 year old quality girl, loved her feminine head of good shape, expressive dark eye, neck and forequarters pleased, very good in shoulder, body of depth with short firm back, correct set tail, very good in rear assembly, tight feet, good bone for frame, stacked gave a lovely balanced picture, she moves out very well sound and true with drive from rear, coat good to the touch, super GSP, one to be proud of. Pleased to make her my **BV**. Well done. **2 Schoneville's Balvenie Midnight Rambler ShCM.** Another smart lady, pleased in head type with expressive dark eye, ears well set, neck good and front assembly, body of depth with correct ribbing, short backed, scores in rear, muscular hindquarters, tight feet, stood looks the part, movement was very good, smooth with drive, a very nice bitch of good breed type.

Minor Puppy Bitch (3). **1 Trow & Jowsey's Winterwell Stoney Trail.** A very promising young lady, loved her feminine head of good shape with kind dark eye, neck and front assembly pleased, body and ribbing correct for age, short in back, well angled both front and rear, plenty of bone for frame, coat texture was good to the touch, tight feet, moved out on a good stride, sound with drive, a lovely baby. I am sure she will mature into a fine example of the breed and take her fair share. **2 Cox's Cushatlaw Serendipity.** Another lovely puppy, quality head with dark expressive eye and kind expression, neck correct with good lay of shoulder, chest deep, back firm and short, tail set good, well-made rear with good angulation, pleasing in bone, tight feet, good jacket, shows good balance on the stack and moves so well. Pushed first all the way. Sure to have a bright future. **3 Gibbon's Faubourg Truly Scrumptious.**

Puppy Bitch (4). **1 Trow & Jowsey's Winterwell Stoney Trail.** **2 Cox's Cushatlaw Serendipity.** **3 Rose's Kavacanne At Karwendel.**

Junior Bitch (10). **1 Drysdale's Drysika Foxtrot.** Smart youngster of good type, loved her head shape, she has a kind, eye and pleasing expression, scores in neck and shoulder placement, body deep, ribbing well sprung, back firm and short, muscular in rear assembly with moderate angulation, coat pleased, plenty of bone for frame, on the stack gave good outline, balanced throughout, movement was sound and true, using her rear to advantage, presented and shown well to take this good class. **2 Tudor's Torranpoint Tenille.** Another good youngster, feminine throughout, pleased in head shape, eye and expression, well-formed neck, chest deep, shoulders good, firm in back, well sprung ribbing, muscular rear with good angles, coat correct, coarse to tough, shown well, gave balanced outline on the stack, moved out true, at one with her owner, presented in muscular condition and tone. **3 Rose & Gaffney's Pingarypoint The Way to Kavacanne JW.**

Yearling Bitch (5). **1 Waddell's Magregor Wiff Waff.** Smart youngster, liked her feminine head of good shape, pleasing dark eye, kind expression, well-formed neck and front construction, body of good depth, short back, muscular rear, used to advantage on the move, she was sound with drive, coat correct to touch, tight feet, stood balanced in outline, presented in top muscular tone and condition, good in breed type, should finish well. **2 Elrington's Barleyarch Dorito At Tequesta JW.** A good looking girl of pleasing breed type, feminine head, dark eye and kind expression, well-muscled neck leading to correct front construction, shoulders well laid, body deep, ribbing sprung, topline firm, short back, muscular rear quarters, moved out very well with drive, stood gave super outline, coat correct, should have a bright future. **3 Barker's Valger Rapunzel.**

Post Graduate Bitch (6). **1 Roden & Mann's Jacofraze Desire from Keigame.** This lovely bitch caught my eye as she came into the ring, so feminine, not the biggest of girls but all quality. Loved her well-shaped feminine head with dark expressive eye, neck of correct length with well laid shoulders, body of substance, chest deep, firm short back, good rear assembly with good stifle, tight feet, moved out so well on a good stride giving lovely side profile, coat was in top order, coarse to touch, presented in good tone and condition, compact and balanced throughout, loved her. Pleased to award her **Res CC**. Well done. **2 Bellinger & Felstead's Cushatlaw Chaos at Woodhawk.** Good in type, pleased in head and eye, moderate in neck length, well-formed front construction, chest deep, firm short back, muscular in rear, pleasing bone throughout, moved out well, on the stack produced a pleasing outline, shown and conditioned well, coat good, tight feet. **3 Barker & Radstorm's Legal Eagle at Bakersdream JW.**

Limit Bitch (16). **1 Rumney's Kacela Sweet Ayana.** Two and a half year old girl, head of good shape with kind, feminine eye of correct colour, neck good, well made in front, shoulders well laid, chest depth good, ribbing well sprung, firm topline, short in back, muscular well-formed rear quarters with moderate angulation, plenty of bone for frame, tight feet, coat correct, stood looked the part, well balanced, moved with drive from rear, soundly, to take this strong class, should finish well. **2 Rutherford's Cushatlaw Charisma of Dappledele.** Two and a half years old, pleasing in breed type, head of good shape, kind feminine eye, neck and front quarters pleased, body depth good, well-made rear, muscular with good angulation, plenty of bone throughout, tight feet, presented in top condition and tone, moved and shown well, pushed first all the way, certain to have her days. **3 Drysdale's Drysika Fast Track.**

Open Bitch (9). **1 Cox's Sh Ch Cushatlaw Irresistable JW ShCM.** Lovely 6 year old mature bitch, good type, well-proportioned head with best of expressions and kind eye, neck pleased, liked her front construction, scores with muscular well laid shoulders, body deep and firm, well formed, topline good, super muscular rear quarters with good angulation, tight feet, plenty of bone for frame, a strong made girl but not coarse, gave a balanced outline stood, movement was sound and true with good side profile and reach. Each time I looked at her she was using her tail, a happy girl with good ring presence. I liked her a lot. Pleased to make her the **CC** winner. Well done. **2 Harris' Sh Ch Barleyarch Playtime JW.** A very good three and a half year old bitch. Like her for type, pleasing in head with lovely dark eye and feminine expression, good neck with correct shoulders, chest deep, topline firm, short in back, muscular rear, good angulation throughout, tight feet, tail well set, stood looks the part, a picture of balance, moved out very well, sound and true with good reach, shown and presented in top order as always by this kennel. A worthy titleholder, one to be proud of. **3 Tudor's Torranpoint Peppercorn.**