CRITIQUE - DRIFFIELD AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Judge: Mrs P Cox

Thank you to the officers and committee of the society for offering me this appointment. It was a privilege to be asked and although the weather was not on our side overall there was a good entry. Thank you to all the exhibitors who braved the rain, lightening and mud. Conditions underfoot were not good which I am sure had an impact on some exhibits.

Minor Puppy Dog (3). 1 McArdle's Archerpoint I Want It All. Liver and white ticked puppy well up on size for age lovely head of correct proportions and dark eye. Good length slightly arched neck leading into well laid shoulders and correct return of upper arm. Good depth of chest, well ribbed with short back and strong, firm loin and moderate rear angulation. Well muscled and good harsh coat. Held topline well on the move with good reach and drive. BP. 2 Angus' Barleyarch Lismore via Calmerell, liver and white ticked, another nice puppy but slighter build all through. Pleasing head and expression with good front and rear angulation. Good depth of chest and length of rib. Would have preferred a harsher coat. 3 Galloway and Anderson Alayglow Gamil Kebir.

Puppy Dog (3,2). **1 Hinchcliff's Goosepoint Gloster Grebe**. Although he stood alone a worthy class winner. Well balanced and mature liver and white ticked 11 month old puppy. Strong boned throughout. Good head and reach of neck into well laid shoulders and correct return of upper arm. Good depth of chest and length of rib with strong loin. Good turn of stifle presented in good hard condition. Moved well.

Junior Dog (2,1). **1 Cochlan's Sh Ch Soellis Smug Doug**. Lovely well proportioned liver and white ticked dog who, unfortunately was not enjoying showing today. Lovely head and expression with good eye. Good reach of neck, so well balanced with good angles front and rear. Good deep chest and short back. Moved OK.

Yearling Dog (2). 1 Thurm's Bryburn Bacchus JW. Lovely young dog maturing well. Overall medium sized, short backed but covering plenty of ground. Liver and white ticked, lovely head and expression, correct proportions and good dark eye. Moderate neck into well laid shoulders and correct return of upper arm, firm loin and moderate rear angulation. Good harsh coat, nothing overdone moved out well and true with good reach and drive. Didn't put a foot wrong was pleased to award him *DCC & BOB*. 2 Vickers' Bryburn Atticus. Another nice dog, litter brother to class winner. Smaller all through in size than his brother but another nice puppy who, unfortunately, was playing his handler up. Similar comments apply but preferred the movement of 1 today.

Post Graduate Dog (3,1). **1 Cook and Lamb's Brooke Will Do It Through Milcock**. Dark liver and white ticked dog, beautiful head and expression with the darkest of eye. Only 15 months old but maturing well. Good reach of neck into good shoulders and so well balanced, short backed but covering plenty of ground, strong loin presenting a very elegant picture both standing and on the move. Good coat. Moderate angles front and rear well muscled for his age. Moved well. Pleased to award him the **RDCC**. **2 Jackman's Navigareamor Hardtoport**. Another nice dog slightly bigger throughout. Another nice head but lighter in eye. Good depth of chest and short backed, good harsh coat. Presented in good hard condition. Moved well.

Limit Dog (7). 1 Cooke and Hammond's Seasham Super Trouper. Looking back I judged this young man when he was a 7 month old puppy and all I can say is he has matured into a fine mature dog. Well made liver and white boy of substance but in no way overdone. Correct well proportioned head with good dark eye. Good reach of neck, good front assembly long bones and good angles. Short back, strong loin, harsh coat, good bend of stifle. Moved well. 2 Bennett's Barleyarch Firefly. Another dog I judged as a youngster who has also matured into a fine adult. Slightly smaller than the class winner, flashy liver and white ticked, good head and dark eye moderate neck with good shoulder placement and correct front angulation. Short backed with strong loin and good rear angles. Nice harsh coat. Just preferred the tail carriage of 1 on the move. 3 Milligan's Redmires Storm the Stars at Chevinlade.

Open Dog (11,3). 1 Adams Barleyarch Ariat JW ShCM. This boy has so improved with maturity and age. Nothing overstated medium sized well made liver and white ticked dog. Pleasing head of correct proportions with good dark eye. Moderate length and slightly arched neck leading into good front assembly. Well laid shoulders and upper arm return, good depth of chest and good length to rib, short back with firm loin. Good rear angles, well muscled with good width of second thigh. Moved straight and true. 2 Smith's Sh Ch Winterwell Fowl Play. Dark liver and white ticked dock. Medium sized and well boned, head of correct proportions, good reach of neck. Well balanced with good depth of chest, spring of rib and short back. Nice harsh coat. Moved well. 3 Brown and Burn's Sh Ch Magregor Threesacrowd at Pothouse JW ShCM.

Good Citizens Dog (1). **1 Rusk's Marran's Spring Mist over Booton**. Fine strong flashy liver and white dog. Good substance but in no way overdone. Good angles front and rear and width of second thigh. Good harsh coat.

Minor Puppy Dog (6,1). 1 Flaherty and Reddyhough Isara Kurzhaar Bordeaux. Pretty compact liver and white ticked bitch. Well balanced, short backed. Well proportioned head with good darkening eye, good reach of neck and excellent harsh coat. Moved well. 2 Hughes Sonnenberg Silver Wraith. I have seen and liked this bitch before and she has come on leaps and bounds showing so well for her handler in difficult conditions. Pretty head and expression with good dark eye, flashy liver and white ticked and spotted coat with good angles front and rear. Short backed but covering plenty of ground. Well up on height and moved well. 3 Jackson's Archerpoint One Vision.

Puppy Bitch (4,2). **1 Hughes' Sonnenberg Silver Wraith**. **2 Jackson's Archerpoint One Vision**. Another promising puppy, well up on size. Liver and white ticked, pretty head with dark eye and good reach of neck, well balanced slightly longer cast than the class winner. Well bodied with good width of second thigh. Moved well in difficult conditions.

Junior Bitch (8,1). Difficult to decide between these two, both were the best movers in the class. 1 Ellis' Soellis Fannie Annie. Overall just loved this young bitch, who in the challenge just showed her socks off. Not the biggest of bitches but well within the standard. Compact liver and white with short back, pretty head of correct proportions with good dark eye. Good reach of neck into well laid shoulders and correct return of upper arm. Short back with sound hind quarters good bend of stifle and good width of second thigh. Harsh coat. Moved soundly with good reach and drive. Pleased to award her the *RBCC*. 2 Tierney's Ceilloch Crimson. Another beautiful bitch. The best of coats liver and white, harsh to the touch. Slightly bigger all through than the winner but again well within the standard. Good angles front and rear, moved out well holding a good topline. 3 Hustler's Aytee Katerina.

Yearling Bitch (6,2). 1 Pudney's Pitwit Winterglow JW. Compact liver and white ticked bitch, well made with plenty of substance but maintaining femininity. Lovely head and expression with dark eye. Good depth of chest, strong loin and good harsh coat. Moved well. 2 Brown's Newlands Pass to Montalba. Unplaced in previous class but much more settled here. Flashy liver and white ticked and spotted. Again plenty of substance but maintaining femininity. Good angles front and rear, short backed and good width of second thigh. Coat not quite as harsh as class winner. Moved well. 3 Reed's Puddledub Pinchpenny.

Post Graduate Bitch (5). 1 Burford's Pingarypoint Eye Candy. Stood out in this class. Well up on size but so elegant. Beautiful dark liver and white ticked bitch. Fabulous head with dark eye and kind expression. Good reach of neck into well laid shoulders and return of upper arm long ribs and strong loin. Good width of second thigh. Lovely harsh coat. Moved well. 2 Beverley's Bryburn Artemis of Vinita. Slightly smaller than class winner but similar remarks apply. Good bone and deep chest with good angles front and rear. Moved well. 3 Rose & Gaffney's Kavacanne Vixen.

Limit Bitch (10). 1 Trow's Winterwell Inca Trail JW. Medium sized compact liver and white bitch, plenty of substance but maintaining femininity. So well balanced. Nice head and expression with dark eye, long ribs and strong loin, good width of second thigh. Lovely harsh coat. Moved out well. 2 Burford's Pingarypoint Hot Topic. Unfortunate to meet the class winner today. Beautiful liver and white bitch, slightly taller than class winner but so elegant. Another lovely head and expression with good dark eye. Good reach of neck and shoulder placement, nice deep chest, overall just so well balanced. Another nice harsh coat moved well. 3 Tudor's Torranpoint Peppercorn.

Open Bitch (7,3). Wow, what a class any one of these bitches could have won this class on a different day! **1 Hayes' Sh Ch Valger Quartz In Elfrindew**. Fits the breed standard so well. Compact medium sized, short backed bitch presented in tip top condition. Well muscled throughout but not overdone. Good head and neck leading into well laid shoulders and return of upperarm. Good depth of chest and strong loin, good width to second thigh. Moved out steadily with power and enthusiasm true coming and going. Good harsh coat. Pleased to award her **BCC**. **2 Thurm's Sh Ch Valger Odette**. Another lovely bitch from the same kennel as the class winner. Beautiful bitch with pleasing head and dark eye. Nothing overdone about her, moderate in every respect presenting a picture of elegance both standing and on the move. So well balanced and presented in tip top condition. She moved and showed well today but the class winner just had the edge for me today with her enthusiasm. **3 Tierney's Sh Ch Keigame Hustle JW ShCM**.

Good Citizens Bitch (2,1). 1 Beverley's Bryburn Artemis of Vinita JW.