CRITIQUE - EAST OF ENGLAND AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Judge: Mrs B M Halbert

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the committee of East of England for asking me to judge their show. I had a lovely entry with some quality exhibits so thank you to all for giving me the privilege of judging your dogs. I would also like to thank my two stewards, Ann and Helen for looking after me so well with their professional and efficient stewarding, which enabled my judging to run smoothly.

Minor Puppy Dog (1). **1 Angus' Keigame Hvitserk of Sparkenhoe**. 7 month old puppy, very well behaved for his age. Well-shaped head, correct ear set, long neck, good shoulders, deep chest, stifles well turned and good rear angulation with well let down hocks. Moved OK.

Junior Dog (4,1). 1 Dymond's Quintana Diamond Dust at Friarsbelle. Attractive 14 month old dark liver and white dog. Clean cut head, good long jaw, correct ear length, correct medium sized eyes. Strong neck, flowing into well laid shoulder. Short back, good topline, held on the move. Stifles well bent and good rear angulation. Good muscle tone. 2 Kendall's Droversrests Titan. Good head, with long muzzle and both in proportion to each other, kind expression, dark eye, correct amount of lip, good lay of shoulder, slightly shorter in rib than 1, good rear angulation. 3 Calver's Loki Son of Odin.

Yearling Dog (5,1). 1 Kendall's Droversrests Titan. 2 Harvey's Valger Snow Patrol at Imaniz. Good head, skull broad, lovely length of muzzle, neck long, into correct lay of shoulders, short back, good topline, good bend of stifle and rear angulation, correct spoon shaped feet. 3 Garget & Morriss' Winterwell Eeh by Gum with Garvin.

Post Graduate Dog (2,1). 1 Delaney & Thompson's Parsonsview Showboating at Redmires. Dark liver and white dog. Good head and length of muzzle, correct eye shape, muscular neck, short back, good length of rib, excellent rear angulation, without being overdone. Moved well.

Limit Dog (6,1). 1 Goff and Dales' Seasham Live Wire at Shoshoni. Took my eye immediately. Dark liver and white dog, coat gleaming in the sunshine. Masculine but beautiful head with long strong jaw, lips falling away correctly, skull broad and in proportion to muzzle, dark eye of correct shape with kind expression. Long muscular neck, slightly arched, into lovely lay of shoulder, deep chest, straight front, short back, with good spring and length of rib, strong thighs and well angulated rear. Moved beautifully keeping topline throughout. A lovely specimen of the breed. *DCC*. 2 Pingault's Taftazini Aiden Abbett. Another beautiful dog, similar attributes to 1. Good shaped head with kind expression. Broad skull, dark eye, good ear set correctly set high and reaching almost to corner of mouth. Lovely length of muscular neck, excellent shoulder lay, short back, good topline, ending with correct tail carriage, good length of rib, good rear angulation without being overdone, moved well. 3 Sielski's Orchidstar Bolts of Speed.

Open Dog (8,2). 1 Smith and Reardon's Winterwell Maida Stone. Solid liver dog. Handsome boy with noble head of correct proportions, muzzle to skull. Strong jaw, lips well developed, not over hung, falling away from nose, with slight curve to corner of mouth. Dark eye. Long, muscular neck slightly arched, leading to well laid shoulder, straight front, elbows well laid back, firm short back, good length of well sprung rib. Good angulation to rear, not overdone in any way. Moved true fore and aft. 2 Mann's Elfrindew Endrick to Valger. Another quality dog, liver and white ticked. Lovely head, clean cut, skull broad with correct proportions to foreface, dark almond shaped eye, lips well developed but not overdone. Excellent lay of shoulder with deep chest, good topline rib well sprung, reaching to tuck up of loin. Correct texture of coat. Lovely strong bend of stifle and correct moderate angulation. Good compact feet. Moved with drive, keeping topline. 3 Thurm's Sh Ch Bryburn Bacchus JW ShCM ShCEx.

Veteran Dog (1,0). **1 Smith and Reardon's Sh Ch Winterwell Fowl Play**. 7 year old liver and white ticked. Good head with dark eye and kind expression, just starting to grey around the front of his muzzle and lips, which adds to his charm. Lovely length of neck leading to sloping shoulders in proportion with upper arm, forelegs straight, short back with good length of rib, and correct rear angulation, moved well. A worthy champion.

Minor Puppy Bitch (3,1). **1 Merritt's Sperant Chocolate Cosmos**. 7 month old puppy, liver and white ticked. Nice feminine head, good length of jaw in proportion to skull. Good length of neck into well laid shoulders, short strong back, good length of rib, thighs strong, stifles well bent with good rear angulation. Moved well. **BP**. **2. Cowdell and Boyden's Brynoer Betrys**. 7 month old liver and white ticked puppy. Nice head with sweet expression, good length of neck, good topline, slightly longer in back than 1. Well bent stifle and good angulation. Moved OK.

Puppy Bitch (3,1). **1 Merritt's Sperant Chocolate Cosmos**. **2 Beresford's Tuptonsett Buttercup**. 9 month old liver and white puppy. Lovely head with dark eye. Long foreface in proportion to skull which was sufficiently broad. Correct ear set. Good length of neck, straight front, short back with good length and spring of rib. Moderate rear angulation moved OK.

Junior Bitch (7,1) 1 Cox's Cushatlaw Athena. Liver and white ticked. Lovely head, good strong muzzle and broad skull, both in proportion to each other and to body and oh so pretty and feminine. Dark eye. Long strong neck leading to lovely correct shoulder lay, straight front, forechest evident when stacked. Deep chest, elbows well laid back. Ribs well sprung with good length. Good topline with wide croup on level with back and then slightly sloping to correct tailset. Thighs strong and adequately muscled, good rear angulation. Moved well. A beautiful picture when stacked. *RBCC*. 2 Trow's Fayemm Treacle Tart with Winterwell (AI). Another nice bitch. Good shaped head, with long foreface in proportion to skull, strong jaw. Long elegant neck, leading to good shoulder lay, deep chest to elbow, which were well laid back. Correct topline, which she kept on the move. Correct tailset, well angulated rear, but not overdone. Lovely standing with gleaming liver coat in the sunshine. 3 Read's Keigame Signe.

Yearling Bitch (5,1). 1 Brown and Filby's Winterwell ThatIldo for Desjiem. Lovely compact bitch who had a lot to like. Feminine head with correct proportions of foreface to skull. Clean cut broad skull in proportion to body. Dark eye, correct ear set. Lovely muscular neck and super shoulder lay. Firm short back. Topline strong with good length well sprung rib. Stifles strong and well bend, lovely rear angulation. Moved well. 2 Barkers' Barkersdream Who Dares Wins. Another compact bitch with feminine head and dark eye. Lips well developed ending with a slight curve to the corner of the mouth, strong neck, short back, wide croup sloping gently away to correct tailset, adequate rear angulation. 3 Schoneville's Balvenie Eye Candy JW.

Graduate Bitch (5,2). **1 Whittaker's Pingarypoint Milk Shake**. Nice head, with good length of foreface. Long neck, well laid shoulder, straight front, good length of rib, wide croup, well bent stifle, and good rear angulation. **2 Thompson's Cornibus Mulberry**. Compact, short backed bitch. Feminine head, lovely length of neck good lay of shoulder, deep chest, straight front, good length of rib and topline. Well bent stifle, good rear angulation. **3 Prior's Booton Camille avec Whinchat**.

Post Graduate Bitch (7,3). 1 Ellis' Soellis Fancy Nancy. Nice feminine head with pretty expression, dark eye, foreface in proportion to skull, correct ear set, lovely long muscular neck into well laid shoulder. Good depth of chest with forechest evident when stacked. Short back, good length of rib, strong bend of stifle, hocks square with body and well bent. Moved well. 2 Hammond's Seasham Hot Love. Another lovely bitch. Feminine head with dark eye. Correct head proportions, typical of the breed. Beautiful long neck into well laid sloping shoulders. Forelegs straight, deep chest. Lovely topline. Good length of rib, well sprung. Hips broad falling slightly towards correct tail carriage. Well bent stifles. Hocks square with body. Moved well. 3 Trow & Jowsey's Winterwell Stoney Trail.

Limit Bitch (7,2). 1 Thurm's Dappledele First Date at Bryburn. A beautiful bitch. Lovely head with dark eye, Head in correct proportions with long foreface and strong jaw, but completely feminine. Long muscular neck into excellent shoulder lay. Deep chest, but not wide. Forelegs straight. A perfect front assembly. Short back with good topline, Hips wide sloping slightly towards tail. Stifles well bent with just the right amount of rear angulation. Hocks square with body. Moved effortlessly, true fore and aft. 2 Hammond's Seasham I Love to Boogie. Another lovely bitch. Pretty head with dark eye. Foreface in proportion to skull, which was clean cut and sufficiently broad. Good lay of shoulder, deep chest, forechest evident, straight front. Lovely topline. Stifles well bent, and muscle evident. Hocks square with body and well bent. Moved beautifully with reach and drive. 3 Staley's Jomeel Naughtylicious.

Open Bitch (12,3). Oh, my word, this class made me sweat!! Some beautiful bitches who could easily have changed places on another day. 1 Mann's Elfrindew Lacey to Valger. A stunning picture with graceful outlines. Lovely clean cut head foreface and skull in proportion. Adequate lips falling vertically from nose, with a slight curve to the corner of the mouth. Dark eye of correct shape. Feminine expression. Correct ear set. Strong, muscular, moderately long neck leading to sloping shoulders, long upper arm in proportion to shoulder angle. Forelegs straight with slightly sloping pasterns. Elbows well laid back. Deep chest. Short back, wide hips sloping to correct tailset. Good bend of stifle and beautiful rear angulation. Moved with drive. BCC & BOB. 2 Elrington's Sh Ch Barleyarch Dorito at Tequesta. Another lovely bitch. Feminine, correctly proportioned head with dark eyes. Good bone, but not overdone, straight front with slightly sloping pasterns, good feet. Long muscular neck with good lay of shoulder, deep chest, good length spring of rib, hips wide. Well-muscled thighs with good bend of stifle. Sufficiently angulated rear. 3 Squire's Sh Ch Taftazini Honour Wynna JW.

Veteran Bitch (2,1). **1 Thurm's Sh Ch Valger Odette VW**. 10 years old and still going strong and still beautiful. Lovely feminine head, dark eye, kind expression. Good length of foreface in proportion to skull, correct ear set. Lovely length of neck into well laid shoulders, straight front, deep chest, short back, good spring and length of rib. Well bent stifles and excellent rear angulation. Moved out well and has not lost any of her drive. The epitome of a GSP in my opinion. BV and went on to take Veteran Group 4.

Special Beginners Bitch (3,0). 1 Barker's Barkersdream Who Dares Wins. 2 Beresford's Tuptonsett Buttercup. 3 Whittaker's Pingarypoint Milk Shake.