CRITIQUE - GUNDOG SOCIETY OF WALES

Judge: Mrs V E Grant

Firstly I would like to thank my stewards, they were exceptional. However our ring was plagued by very cold gusts of wind and many of the dogs did not cope with them very well. On another day I am sure that some of the lower placed dogs would have had much higher award especially in the younger classes.

Minor Puppy Dog (1). **1 Knowles & Glen's Wilholme Had A Lovely Time with Bessalone**. A well grown puppy with a lovely balanced outline with plenty of bone and substance. Good head with kind expression, strong neck, straight front. Sound movement keeping his topline on the move. Carrying a little too much weight at the moment.

Puppy Dog (2). **1 Hinchliff's Goosepoint Gloster Grebe (AI)**. This young dog is a very good example of the breed, full of promise. Good head and expression, well set shoulders, straight front, well made body with enough bone, substance and muscling throughout. In excellent condition moving with style and drive. **BP**. **2 Knowles & Glen's Wilholme Had A Lovely Time with Bessalone**.

Junior Dog (2). **1 Marsh's Winterwell Sam Spade At Kilnrae**. A lovely young dog presented in good condition and coat. Liked his head, good length of neck with well placed shoulders, good front. Ribs leading well back. Strong backend which he used to advantage as he moved round the ring. **2 Steel's Water Germander Over Borderpoint**. A strong and well muscled dog. Very good outline with enough angulation throughout. Moved very well keeping his topline. Excellent condition and very well handled.

Novice Dog (1). 1 Marsh's Winterwell Sam Spade At Kilnrae.

Graduate Dog (2,1). **1 Fuller & McCarthy's Seasham Flash Gordon**. This dog stood quite well for his handler. Enough bone and substance. However he went to pieces on the move.

Limit Dog (6,2). 1 Milligan's Jessophia's Oberyn Martell. I really liked this dog. In beautiful condition with a good correct coat, substance, strong bone and well muscled. He showed really well with good length of neck, deep chest with correct ribbing leading well back onto strong loin and rear quarters. Moved very well. 2 Milligan's Redmires Storm The Stars At Chevinlade. Another stylish masculine dog again presented in good condition, correct coat texture, good angulation throughout, chest deep enough, excellent well muscled rear quarters and good tail set. Moved with style round the ring. 3 Sielski's Orchidstar Wotsit JW.

Open Dog (4,1). 1 Brown & Burns' Sh Ch Macregor Threesacrowd At Pothouse JW ShCM. I really do like this strong masculine dog. He has a lovely elegant outline with good bone, substance and muscling throughout. Strong neck, well placed shoulders, upright pasterns and standing on good legs and feet. Deep chest leading back to short strong loin, strong and firm hindquarters which showed as he moved with drive and purpose. He is so very sound. Pleased to award him the *DCC & BOB*. 2 Adams' Sh Ch Barleyarch Ariat JW ShCM. Another very good dog in tune with his handler and did everything asked of him. I really liked his head, lovely expression, strong arched neck into well laid shoulders correct front, plenty of substance throughout, strong well angulated hind quarters which he used to advantage on the move. Very well handled and really pushed for first place.

RDCC. 3 Gatliffe's Allezweck Shamrock

Veteran Dog (2). 1 Smilllie-Gray's Sh Ch Oakberrow Wotzinaname ShCM. I love to watch this 9 year old dog, he really seems to enjoy his day out. He moves with such drive and exuberance round the ring. Excellent condition with strong bone, substance and muscling throughout. Very good coat and presented to advantage. 2 Marsh's Koolwaters Pacific At Kilnrae. Another lovely veteran enjoying his day out. In very good condition well balanced strong loin, with good topline and muscled hindquarters. Well constructed with enough bone and angulation. Moved with drive and reach.

Minor Puppy Bitch (6,1). 1 Pearson's Ladyhawke Dizzy Miss Lizzy. Very pretty young lady presented in excellent coat and condition. She is compact and shapely with good front, lay of shoulders, topline and tail set. Enough bone and substance for age. At one with handler. Should do well in the future. 2 Knowles & Glen's Wilholme Agnes Brown At Bessalone. Another very feminine young lady with good overall balance. Head beginning to develop nicely, good length of neck leading to well angled shoulders, correct front, enough bone and muscling for age. At one with her handler especially when moving round the ring. Good movement for one so young. 3 Sielski Orchidstar Tooty Fruitie.

Puppy Bitch (4). 1 Pearson's Ladyhawke Dizzy Miss Lizzie. 2 Sielski's Orchidstar Tooty Fruitie. Another young lady presented in good order. Typical and well balanced with good coat, bone and substance. Feminine head and expression, well angulated front and rear, good topline. Moving well for age. 3 Bellinger & Felstead's Cushatlaw Chaos at Woodhawk.

Junior Bitch (2). Two quality bitches which I expect will change places many times. 1 Nixon's Quintana Qin Qiao. Good outline and balance. Very feminine head with soft expression, arched neck leading into well laid shoulders. Strong clean front, chest deep enough, topline kept on the move, short loin and well muscled hindquarters. Well constructed throughout and moved tidily round the ring. 2 Hustler's Aytee Katerina. Another pretty young lady with ample bone substance and muscletone. Correct size, good proportions, well angled with a very strong rear which showed when moving round the ring. Pushed hard for first place.

Novice Bitch (5). **1 Hustler's Aytee Katerina**. **2 Milligan's Isara Kurzhaar All Spice**. A very nice young lady in superb condition. Feminine head with dark expressive eyes. Arched neck, well laid shoulders, chest deep enough with ribs leading well back to short strong loin. Well muscled and enough substance throughout. **3 Pearson's Ladyhawke Dizzy Miss Lizzy**.

Graduate Bitch (3,1). **1 Beverley's Bryburn Artemis Of Vinita JW**. Feminine bitch, well balanced with good body proportions. Liked her head and expression, good length of neck, correct shoulder placement, good legs and feet. Good depth of chest and strong topline. Excellent well muscled quarters. Moved freely round the ring. Should have a good future. **2 Nixon's Quintana Qin Qiao**.

Post Graduate Bitch (3). Difficult choice between 1 and 2. 1 Pudney's Pitwit Winter Glow JW. This young lady was shown to perfection today. In excellent condition with correct shape and proportions. Elegant bitch with feminine head, good length of neck, well laid shoulders, straight front and tight fee. Ribs leading well back to strong hindquarters. Good overall conformation. Sound free movement. 2 Thompson's Redmires Bedazzled. Well presented and pleasing in outline. Lovely feminine head well developed, the darkest of eyes. Good length of neck and well assembled shoulders. Firm topline and good tail set. Quarters developing well. Not quite as mature as first. She moved and showed at all times. 3 Thomas & Taylor's Knabynnus Aurora Borealis. Unfortunately this young lady was really affected by the wind.

Limit Bitch (5,1). 1 Harris' Barleyarch Playtime (Al) JW. A lovely bitch good proportions and well developed throughout. Excellent coat texture. Good head shape, dark eye, well set ears and good dentition. Correct angling throughout. Good depth of chest, strong topline held on the move. Plenty of substance and bone. Nice bend of stifle with straight hock and tight feet. Very well presented and she moved round with drive and purpose. *RBCC*. 2 Sielski's Orchidstar Xtra O'live JW. Another bitch of correct size and balance. Good proportions and well balanced throughout. Enough length of neck leading into well angled shoulders, chest deep enough, level topline, strong hindquarters which showed in her very good movement. Presented well. 3 Harran & Waddell's Macgregor Shneeball.

Open Bitch (6,1). 1 Elrington's Barleyarch Beetle At Tequesta. I have judged this lovely bitch before and watched her many time in the ring and today, at last, she got it all together with her handler. Quality bitch of good size, well balanced and good proportions throughout. Loved her head, dark eye and intelligent and kind expression, arched neck with good length of upper arm. Straight front assembly and standing on good legs and feet. Deep chest leading to strong loin and correct tuck up. Excellent muscling throughout especially on the hindquarters. Moved freely and true. So pleased to be able to present her with the third *BCC* which will make her into a full Ch. 2 Knowles & Glen's Sh Ch Wilhome Sharp N Smart At Bessalone JW ShCh CW16. A feminine bitch with a good outline showing length of neck into well laid shoulders, straight front, well muscled hind quarters which she moved to advantage. She is of good size with a well developed body and correct proportions throughout. She was very well handled and she moved freely round the ring and showed with confidence. Showed extremely well. 3 Haran & Waddall's Sh Ch Magregor Fluffernutter.