

CRITIQUE – THE GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER ASSOCIATION

Judge: Mr J Rusk

I thank all the exhibitors for showing under me particularly as this is my last judging appointment.

My overall impression is that the Breed is in good condition, heads were generally very good, some eyes could be a bit darker, coats excellent in the main and none were bad. I looked for barrel ribs which affects front movement and found only a few, some were lacking bone, but again, only a small number.

If my critique seems repetitive, I apologise but I found little to criticise among my winners.

Puppy Dog (3,2). **1 Dymond's Quintana Diamond Dust at Friarsbelle.** Very nice puppy, good head, and eye good coat, overall shape very pleasing. Excellent shoulder placement and a good strong rear end. **BPD & BPIS.**

Junior Dog (5,1). **1 Harvey's Valger Snow Patrol at Imaniz.** Very nice youngster good head and eye good bone and a nice overall shape he went well, and I was pleased to give him first place. **2 Dymond's Quintana Diamond Dust at Friarsbelle.** **3 Mann's Sparkenhoe Kith and Kin.** **4 Brown's Montalba Mister Teatime.**

Yearling Dog (4,1). **1 Sielski's Orchidstar Bonds of Speed.** Substantial dog good type, very balanced, I liked his head, he has a good neck and shoulder placement, and he moved well. **2 Hill's Ceilloch Russian.** Good head and pleasant expression, good neck, and shoulders, plenty of substance and a good deep chest. Movement good. **3 Brown's Montalba Mister Teatime.**

Post Graduate Dog (3). **1 Tierney's Ceilloch The Show Must Go On.** Another good head and eye good reach of neck, good shoulder placement, good coat, and movement. **2 Delaney & Thompson's Parsonsview Showboating at Redmires.** Similar comments apply to this dog but preferred the head of first. **3 Brown's Montalba Mister Teatime.**

Limit Dog (7,2). **1 Peebles & Hammond's Seasham the Groover.** Nice solid liver dog, quality head and expression, good reach of neck into good shoulders, good coat, good overall shape, and a good mover. **2 Stedman's Indijazz Designer Genes.** Nice solid black, good head and dark eye, good reach of neck, very good coat and well balanced throughout. moved well. **3 Collins' Barleyarch Hoopla at Forestpoint.**

Open Dog (10). **1 Braine's Sh Ch Grenetrest Canterbury Bell JW. DCC & BIS.** This dog exudes quality and quiet confidence, his movement was a pleasure to watch, steady and positive. Super head and eye colour, strong neck into perfect shoulders, His front was excellent and strong and his rear end as strong as his front. I regard him as one of the best GSPs I have seen. **2 Harris' Sh Ch Barleyarch Pringle JW.** A first class, mature dog, super masculine head, lovely expression, clean neck, perfect shoulders, superb coat and structure, and a wonderful outline. Moved well with a perfect topline. **3 Smith and Reardon's Winterwell Maida Stone.** Lovely solid liver dog, well balanced, good front, head, and expression. Super coat and moved well. Unfortunate to meet two mature Champions at the top of their game.

Veteran Dog (1). **1 Adams Sh Ch Barleyarch Ariat JW. RDCC & BVIS.** Lovely dog with a super head and expression dark eye strong neck into perfect shoulders, a strong rear end and a perfect outline completes the picture.

Field Trial Dog (2). **1 Hinchliff's Ch Goosepoint Gloster Grebe (AI) JW.** A dog I have admired since puppyhood, he is an excellent specimen, lovely head and expression, good neck and shoulders and a strong rear end. Very well-muscled, super coat and a very sound mover. **2 Coe's Goosepoint Waddington at Abbanash (AI).** Very pleasing outline, good head and expression, reach of neck, good deep chest and a good coat, strong rear end, and a good positive mover.

Good Citizen Dog (1). **1 McPherson's Whistlecraft Gandalf.** Nice solid liver dog, good head and eye, good neck, good shoulders, and coat. Very nice outline and went well.

Minor Puppy Bitch (1). **1 Lobley and Robinson's Minnie From the Start.** Full of personality, happy and friendly, difficult to assess but everything seemed to be ok.

Puppy Bitch (10). **1 Cox's Cushatlaw Athena.** Very nice puppy bitch, good size and substance, lovely head, good coat and bone structure, moved well. **BPB & RBPIS.** **2 Izards Yocketts Hambledon.** Another first-class puppy, lovely outline, first class coat, head and expression, can look forward to a great future. **3 Trow's Fayemm Treacle Tart with Winterwell.**

Junior Bitch (9,3). **1 Cox's Cushatlaw Athena.** **2 Rumney's Kacela Sweet Hadiya.** Nice youngster, good head and eye, good shoulders, good coat, good overall balance, moved well. **3 Jackman's Navigareamor Spring Tide.**

Yearling Bitch (7,2). **1 Brown and Filby's Winterwell That'll do for Desjiem JW.** Lovely head and expression, good reach of neck, super shoulders, good coat, deep chest, and strong rear. I really like her and can see her mother's influence. **2 Ellis' Soellis Fancy Nancy.** Nice bitch, unlucky to meet first. Lovely head, excellent coat, super outline, good mover. **3 Edlin's Graygees Tsarina.**

Post Graduate Bitch (10,3). **1 Staley's Jomeel Now I'm Here.** Very nice feminine head and dark eye, good length of neck into well placed shoulders, good deep chest, and a strong rear end, good on the move maintaining topline and balance. **2 Sellars' Miss Diss Warm as Chocolate.** Nice looking bitch, taller than first, she has a nice head, a good deep chest, good shoulders, and nice colouration. She also moved well. **3 Stopforth's Taftazini Jenu Wynn.**

Limit Bitch (14,3). **1 Harris' Barleyarch Pakora.** Super head and eye, excellent construction all through from nose to tail, good, relaxed mover. **2 Hinchliff's Goosepoint Gambler.** Lovely bitch, very good head, neck and shoulders, deep chest, good coat, lovely outline, moved very well. **3 Thurm's Dappledele First Date at Bryburn JW.**

Open Bitch (15,1). **1 Mann's Elfrindew Lacey to Valger JW.** Lovely substantial bitch. She has super head and expression, good front deep chest, good coat, superb outline and went well. **RBCC.** **2 Rumney's Sh Ch Kacela Sweet Ayana.** Good head and neck, good shoulder placement, and front nice coat. Moved well. **3 Pearson's Sh Ch Ladyhawke Dizzy Miss Lizzy.**

Veteran Bitch (3,1). **1 Drew's Sh Ch Cushatlaw Illustrious JW.** Beautiful head and expression a real quality bitch, sound all through. **2 Prior's Jolicoem Jevington of Whinchat.** Lovely head and expression, heavier set than first, good front and rear, moved well.

Special Veteran Bitch (4,2). **1 Hinchliff's Goosepoint Beluga.** Beautiful bitch, lovely head, good reach of neck, good shoulders, coat very good, super shape and moved well, not showing her age at all. **2 Nixon's Quintana Hollie Berry.** Another beautiful twelve-year-old, very good all round, good outline, lovely head, super coat, in super shape.

Field Trial Bitch (3). **1 Izard's Ch Yocketts Cordiale JW. BCC, RBIS, BOS & BFT.** What can I say other than that I was very impressed by her. A superb bitch, lovely head and neck, shoulders, front, the whole package balanced all through and went beautifully. **2 Nixon's Quintana Qin Qiao.** Very nice, feminine, bitch. Super head and coat, good clean outline, went well. **3 Nixon's Quintana Cloud Berry.**

Good Citizen Bitch (3,2). **1 Nixon's Quintana Qing Ping.** Nice puppy, nice head, good construction, shoulders, depth of chest and strong behind, a lot going for her.