

# CRITIQUE – LADIES KENNEL ASSOCIATION

## Judge: Mrs F V Thurm

My thanks to the Committee of LKA for their excellent hospitality and for the honour of judging at this, the last Championship Show of the year. Such a shame that, as a dual-purpose breed, only undocked exhibits are allowed to be shown. My appreciation to all those who entered, for allowing me the pleasure of assessing your dogs and to my stewards Mick Brind and Mike Blay, whose unobtrusive efficiency kept the ring running smoothly. Some lovely, quality exhibits and all present had correct dentition. A couple of dogs were not happy standing today, due to the carpet texture, and sadly paid the penalty.

**Minor Puppy Dog (1).** **1 Beresford's Tuptonsett Above And Beyond. BPD.** A raw 6 months youngster, sadly unable to coordinate his movement on the day. A pleasing head of good proportions and with gentle expression and dark eye. Straight forelegs and well cushioned, spoon shaped feet. Well developed in body. Presented in lovely condition.

**Puppy Dog (1).** **1 Beresford's Tuptonsett Above And Beyond.**

**Junior Dog (1).** **1 Rose & Hunt's Pingarypoint Top Secret at Kavacanne.** Shown to full advantage and he certainly loves his job, a real showman on the move, covering the ground so well and holding his outline. Presented in beautiful condition, with superb muscling throughout and a great coat. Excellent straight forelegs with good bone and pleasing feet. A most attractive dark eye and masculine head, with good ears. Complimentary angles fore and aft. Appears slightly long in the leg, though he should balance out with maturity, as he develops in body properties.

**Post Graduate Dog (5,2).** A difficult class, with three totally different looking GSPs. **1 Green's Kazanpaul War Horse.** This boy won on his type, general construction and movement. Would prefer a tad more of him all over but just 18 months old, so has time on his side to body up and mature. Such a pleasing head with good depth to flews and noble in appearance. Well angled both ends giving good layback of shoulder into correct topline. Very well presented, in fine bloom. **2 Thomas & Taylor's Knabynnus Autumnharvest.** A tad too much of him all over and disappointed in his head. Excellent bone and feet. Clean, muscular neck and good layback of shoulder. Strength in topline. Presented in great coat and condition and well handled. **3 Stainsby-Soanes, Morris, & Evans' Whistlecraft Gito.**

**Limit Dog (1).** **1 Burford's Kavacanne Morgan You Know.** Much to commend this young man. So balanced, showing masculinity and strength. Without exaggeration and proportionate throughout, possessing a pleasing head and soft expression, with dark eye, just a tad 'cheeky'. Slightly arched neck into good topline. Short coupled, just as required and deep in brisket. Well boned and with good feet. His construction allowed for a ground covering stride, where he used strong, muscular quarters to full advantage. Presented and handled expertly. So pleased to award him the **RDCC**.

**Open Dog (3,1)** **1 Sielski's Orchidstar Bonds of Speed JW ShCM.** Have watched this boy from the ringside and delighted to have the opportunity to judge him. A quality GSP, on top form today and presented in the most fantastic condition, with superb musculature and gleaming coarse coat. A decent, masculine head. Superb in bone and feet, with excellent straight forelegs, hindquarters and second thigh. Correct pasterns front and rear. Well ribbed and strong in loin. Excels on the move, where his stride is effortless and free flowing, maintaining his outline, topline and tail carriage. Handled to full advantage. Delighted to award him the **DCC & BOB** and see him put on a fine performance in the Group ring. **2 Thomas' Brainescroft Tahiti.** Have previously liked this boy. Possesses a most lovely head, true to type. Short coupled and good depth and spring to ribs. Standing over plenty of ground, he can be nothing other than a GSP. Clean neck into correct topline. Super bone, legs and feet. Holds his tail so well on the move. Disappointed in his forehand movement today. So well presented and handled.

**Veteran Dog (2).** **1 Tierney's Puddledub Pyjama.** A typical GSP, looking well, although seemed not quite himself today. Classic head and expression, superb in profile too, with that slight rise from nose to forehead. Super forehand construction, with good upper arm and layback. Clean, well arched neck into good topline. Mature body properties. Moved to cover the ground on a free and easy stride. Handled and presented to full advantage. **2 Rusk's Marann's Lanson At Booton.** Soundly constructed and moved freely. Pleasing in well arched neck into strong topline and nicely bodied. Strength in hindquarters and sound in bone and feet. Lovely head of noble appearance, good proportions and expressive eyes. Presented in attractive coat and condition.

**Good Citizen Dog (1,1).** Withdrawn.

**Minor Puppy Bitch (3)** **1 Burford's Pingarypoint High Hopes.** Stood out here and at just 6 months, looking every bit a youngster. Of lovely type with super bone, straight forelegs and compact, close-knit feet. A sweet feminine head of good proportions and with lovely expression. Super forehand construction with excellent upper arm and layback, enabling good reach of neck, flowing into topline. Moved to cover the ground well. Both dog and handler just needing a bit more practice though trying so hard. **BPB & BP. 2 Beresford's Tuptonsett Summer Love.** Litter sister to PD winner and also rather uncoordinated on the move. However, a raw pup, with time on her side. A delightful head and dark eye and well boned with neat feet. Shown in lovely condition. **3 Marsh's Kilnrae Zarola.**

**Puppy Bitch (3,1).** **1 Beresford's Tuptonsett Summer Love. 2 Marsh's Kilnrae Zarola.** Another at just 6 months and very much at a 'legs and wings stage' on the move. Proportionate, feminine head and with clean neck. Good forelegs and rear pasterns. Well-handled and presented.

**Junior Bitch (6,2).** **1 Sielski's Orchidstar Okey Dokey JW.** A close decision between the first two. Impressed by this youngster, showing such balance and great body proportions, short coupled and with complimentary angles fore and aft. Good forechest and clean, muscular neck. Scored in bone, legs, feet and pasterns. Feminine in head and though I preferred the head of 2, her forehand and superb profile movement, holding topline and tail carriage clinched the class. Coat OK and again, from this kennel, another presented in superb condition and so well handled. **2 Rose's Kavacanne At Karwendel.** Another quality bitch, of such beautiful type. A delightful head and appealing expression. Gleaming coat and condition. Catches the eye with her classic outline. Super depth and spring to ribs and excellent rear quarters, with good rear pasterns. Not quite the upper arm of 1. Presented and handled immaculately. **3 Tolley & Burford's Pingarypoint Top Totty.**

**Post Graduate Bitch (8,3).** **1 Rose & Gaffney's Pingarypoint The Way to Kavacanne JW.** Quality bitch, with much to admire and presented in first class condition, absolutely gleaming and superbly muscled throughout. Short, firm back and good body properties. Superb bone, legs and feet. Flowing lines with muscular, slightly arched neck, leading to correct topline. Moved with great forward reach and power, using strength in well-developed hindquarters, maintaining her topline and tail carriage at all times. Would just prefer a more classic head. No hesitation in awarding her this class and considered for the top awards. Expertly handled. **2 Prior's Jolicoem Jevington Of Whinchat.** Not an easy bitch to show but she is of lovely type, so sound and honest and has a free and easy stride, as a result of sound construction throughout. Delightful feminine head and such a pleasing expression and well boned with neat feet. Mature body properties. Coat could be coarser. Well-handled and presented. **3 Thomas & Taylor's Knabynnus Aurora Borealis.**

**Limit Bitch (5,1).** **1 Brown's Newlands Pass to Montalba ShCM.** Judged this girl recently and today she shone, moving, in profile, on such a free, ground covering stride, maintaining her attractive outline throughout, with superb forward reach. A tad out at elbow but today tidier in the rear than 2, which was the deciding factor. Very typy and also workmanlike. Mature, deep body with good spring of rib. Well boned with neat feet. Feminine head and expression. Handled and presented to full advantage. **2 Rose & Gaffney's Kavacanne Vixen JW.** Maturity has enhanced her head further and I could see her sire in those expressive eyes. As with her kennel mate, shown in fantastic bloom and superb muscular condition, again exhibited to full advantage. A different build to the winner and ultra-feminine, Superb straight forelegs. Short backed and standing over plenty of ground. Just preferred the smoother movement of 1 on the day. **3 Burford's Pingarypoint Eye Candy JW.**

**Open Bitch (6).** **1 Sielski's Orchidstar Xtra O'live JW.** Another I have admired from the ringside. Stunning outline allows a clear view of her complimentary angles, great upper arm and superb reach of neck into correct topline. Standing on the best of legs and feet and with correct pasterns, front and rear. Deep in body, short coupled and with well sprung ribs. Her profile movement was superb, effortless and ground covering, holding her outline and tail carriage at all times and here, she had the edge. Again, shown to full advantage, superbly muscled and her coat correct and gleaming. Although I preferred the head of 2, she could not be denied, due to her many qualities. A pleasure to award her the **BCC**. Pushed her kennel mate all the way, for BOB. **2 Dawson, & Walker's Sh Ch Jolicoem Lalique.** Of lovely type, this ultra-feminine girl has a beautiful head, with good length of foreface and soft expression. So well balanced and constructed with great bone, legs and correct feet. Clean, muscular neck of good length. Well ribbed and short coupled. Moving on a sound, free stride, with correctly carried tail but couldn't quite match 1 today. Another presented in first class condition and with coarse coat. So pleased to award her the **RBCC & BV. 3 Burford's Pingarypoint Hot Topic.**

**Veteran Bitch (1,1).** Absent.

**Good Citizen Bitch (1,1).** Absent.