CRITIQUE - MANCHESTER DOG SHOW SOCIETY

Judge: Mrs C Drysdale

I would like to thank the Committee of Manchester Ch show for my invitation to judge and to my 2 excellent stewards for their invaluable help on the day.

Thank you to all the exhibitors for my superb entry, which made for some very challenging decisions.

Minor Puppy Dog (3). 1 Daws' Pelenrise Blow A Gasket. A lovely prospect to start the day. Well schooled baby pup with lots of potential. Kind head and soft expression with correct skull and eye shape, well balanced and bodied, lovely bone, coat to come, good length to upper arm and ample width to thigh. He covered the ground well with such a positive stride. 2 Tudor's Orchidstar Memphis Gold at Brocador. A well grown pup, quite mature all through, short coupled, deep chest, well bodied and with the best of coats. He moved with accuracy and drive. 3 Shepherd's Orchidstar Platinum Strike.

Puppy Dog (7). **1 Adams' Tequesta Poldark**. A well presented, striking pup, who has the best of top lines and tail set which he held on the move. Would prefer a little more depth to muzzle. Tight elbows, good depth to chest, well arched toes, gentle tuck up, nicely bodied, complementary angles fore and aft and with a superb harsh coat. He has a precise, sound, and tidy action on the move. **2 Daws' Pelenrise Blow A Gasket**. **3 Garvey's Richtig Rahue**.

Junior Dog (3,1). **1 McCafferty's Thorscrag Hades JW**. Liked him for overall type and outline, lovely head into reachy neck, ideal topline, well bodied, deep brisket, a little upright in pastern. In lovely condition and he moved with ample reach and drive. **2 Rymer's Sarscottah Easy Ryder at Rollenwood**. Loved this dog's chiselled head with correct skull shape and length to foreface, he is moderately angled, has a superb coarse coat, topline and tail set. I just preferred the length of 1.

Post Graduate Dog (6,0). 1 Heath & Robinson's Pinseeker Pep Guardiola JW. Won this class on his lovely breed type, notably all male without a hint of coarseness. Attractive head with correct planes into a well arched neck with lovely crest, straight strong front legs with ideal slope to pasterns, short backed, balanced outline, excellent topline and tail set. Moved with purpose and drive, he just needs to be a little more accurate on the move and should trouble the best. 2 Russell's Fraulynzway Lightening Bolt JW. A stronger dog than 1 but with many qualities. Loved his kind head with correct skull, eye shape and dark eye. Good length to upper arm and standing on tight feet. Excellent coat and condition and moved on a reachy, even stride. Just preferred the balance of 1 but a really sound dog. 3 Corkin's Kenzduo Firework.

Limit Dog (6). 1 Mellor's Evagrove Exclusive. Won this class on his overall balance and exacting movement. A bit strong in head, lovely shoulders and fore chest with good length to upper arm, strong bone, good depth, tight elbows, neat feet and correctly sloping pasterns. Gentle tuck up, good length to loin, well muscled with ideal width to second thigh. On the move he came alive with such a true, precise, and powerful action. He would benefit from more weight for the show ring, but a quality dog who I liked a lot. 2 Shepherd's Orchidstar Full Speed Ahead. Appealing, chiselled head on this dog with a gentle expression and dark eye. Correct moderate angles fore and aft, super topline and tail well set on, ideal bone, coat of superb texture. His movement was very true and tidy with good propulsion both ways, I just preferred the balance of 1. 3 Mewse's Allezweck Toccoa at Krimshar.

Open Dog (8). A fabulous class. 1 Bowler's Sh Ch Winterwell Iggy Inch JW. Balanced is the word to describe this dog of many merits and he has quality stamped all over him. He has substance with elegance, a lovely head, noble expression with correct skull shape, short backed, firm topline, good spring to rib, (which many lacked), in excellent muscle tone and carrying the ideal amount of weight, all topped off with a harsh coat. On the move he carries himself so well with such a lithe, daisy cutting front action and driving from strong hocks. On top form today so I was delighted to award him the top accolade. DCC & BOB. 2 Sielski's Sh Ch Orchidstar Bolts of Speed. Another well presented top drawer exhibit, loved his quality head with kind expression. Super shoulders, gentle tuck up, deep in brisket and scores in topline and with moderate rear angulation. Ideal coat and to complete the picture, such true, co-ordinated and powerful action on the move. I just preferred the overall balance of 1, but a dog of many virtues. 3 Mann's Sh Ch Elfrindew Endrick to Valger.

Special Beginners Dog (3,1). 1 Tudor's Orchidstar Memphis Gold at Brocador. 2 Shepherd's Orchidstar Full Speed Ahead.

Minor Puppy Bitch (2). 1 Smillie-Gray & Gray's Pelenrise Blow Me A Kiss from Oakberrow. A happy, outgoing puppy with a most delightful head, correct skull shape and length to foreface. Short coupled and standing on strong, straight legs. Well developed forehand and plenty of angle to her stifles. Moved out with enthusiasm and confidence. 2 Sielski's Orchidstar Silver Lightnin. A well schooled, very feminine puppy, built on a smaller frame than 1. Kind head and soft expression, reachy neck, short coupled, short backed and with well set on tail and possessing a fabulous coat. Moved out so well.

Puppy Bitch (6). 1 Ellis' Soellis Feral Beryl. Such a classy, quite mature puppy, so feminine but not lacking any substance. Long, lean head and soft expression. Lovely crest to neck into good shoulders, tight elbows, gentle tuck up, correct topline and ample width to second thigh. Super harsh coat and moved with reach, propulsion, and vigour. Liked her a lot and considered for ResCC. *BP* and delighted to see her go *PGp2*. 2 Elrington's Tequesta Happy Valley. An attractive pup with such balanced angles fore and aft, liked her bone and depth, short coupled, holds an excellent topline and tail set on the move, neat feet and finished with a fabulous coarse jacket. 3 Sielski's Orchidstar Silver Lightnin.

Junior Bitch (1). **1 Angus' Keigame Hearts Desire of Sparkenhoe (Al) JW**. Stood alone but more than worthy of her first place. She has a well proportioned, lean head with correct skull shape, dark eye, soft expression and ideal length to foreface. Well balanced fore and aft and an eye catching outline. Good shoulders and length to upper arm, ample bone, middle piece to tighten a little, super width to second thigh. Moved with great freedom, power, and co-ordination and when she's fully mature I'm sure she'll challenge the best.

Post Graduate Bitch (14,1). A difficult class to judge as many different types. 1 Tait's Benboee Beelieve. A shapely bitch and I really liked her for type and bone, such a well balanced girl with lovely angles all through. Eye to darken, good length to fore face. Good forehand construction, good depth to brisket with tight elbows, firm topline. Moved with great accuracy and footfall which gave her the class, just needing a little more verve. 2 Hinchliff's Goosepoint Zsazsa Gabor. A bitch of larger stature, though still feminine and deserved her placing for her fluency of movement with effortless reach and drive. Lovely lean head with correct skull shape, straight strong forelimbs. Good length to upper arm, tight feet, strong topline and quarters with well set on tail. The tidiest of movement both ways. 3 Bunker's Winterwell Little Itch at Karitagan.

Limit Bitch (13,2). 1 Nixon's Quintana Lunar Eclipse. This girl epitomises strength with elegance, head of good proportions, arched neck into well made shoulders and topline, straight well boned forelegs, tight elbows, ideal slope to pasterns and fabulous feet. Well muscled strong quarters, in gleaming condition and a perfect weight. On the move she really excels, producing a graceful, powerful gait with perfect footfall. Today was her day to shine, so she was awarded a well deserved *BCC*, her second. 2 Sielski's Orchidstar Missing Link JW. Such a typy bitch with a kind head and soft expression. Balanced in outline, clean shoulders and firm topline. Top quality coat and another with positive accurate movement, just not as much drive as 1 but a bitch of many virtues. 3 Barnett's Magregor Howl To The Moon over Tibertich JW.

Open Bitch (9,2). 1 Hinchliff's Goosepoint Gambler. Beautiful head on this mature bitch with correctly shaped skull and dark eye. Exudes strength with femininity and everything in moderation. Strong straight front assembly, ample chest depth with well sprung ribs and muscled quarters. Her effortless, impressive driving gait, footfall and carriage on the move gave her this class of quality bitches and ultimately the *RBCC*. 2 Trow's Sh Ch Fayemm Treacle Tart with Winterwell JW (AI). Such a lovely bitch to go over, loved her lean head and length to foreface, reachy neck, deep in brisket, short back and in superb condition. Straight strong forelegs and gentle tuck up. Moved with great style and footfall, just preferred the type of 1 but a bitch with many attributes. 3 Pearson's Sh Ch Winterwell Lulu Moppet to Ladyhawke JW.

Veteran Bitch (3). **1 Malin's Keigame Murphlette at Benrae**. A fit 7 year old who belies her age. She has the best of heads, well placed shoulders, short backed, strong, well muscled hindquarters, on the move she really showed a true stride with good reach and drive, covering the ground with great panache. **BV. 2 Lockett's Fayemm Remember Me**. Another 7 year old in tip top condition, loved her head and eye, true front and strong legs, good turn of stifle and overall conformation. Just not as animated on the move as 1 today. **3 Gibbon's Kavacanne Cheeky Vimto at Faubourg**.

Special Beginners Bitch (3). 1 Kania's Pinseeker Lady Luck at Peakforest. A pretty young bitch built on a slightly finer frame, lovely lean head, good forehand construction, neat feet and held her topline really well on the move where she goes on such an even, tidy stride. In lovely bloom and with good muscle tone. *BSpBeg*. 2 Maclean, Bowie & McClenaghen's Richtig Ritz Fizz. Good head shape on this girl, strong bone, eye to darken, moderately angled fore and aft, with a harsh coat too, I just preferred 1 on the move. 3 Yarwood's Rhosynglas Bootes of Komikhund.