CRITIQUE - MIDLAND COUNTIES CANINE SOCIETY

Judge: Mrs C Coode

As I am slowly bowing out of judging, yesterday was my last time judging you as a breed, I am commenting on how I am finding the breed as I leave. Having judged you for 38 years, and given CC's in this country 14 times, it is so good to end on such a positive note for GSPs. I thoroughly enjoyed my day, a really decent entry, the size and shape seems to be coming back, to what is described in the Standard, having owned GSPs for 23 years, making up two males and having CC's on two bitches, I have always had a soft spot for a good GSP. The size seems to be more correct, better work in the heads, and short backs are coming back, (remember that phrase in the Standard "short backed standing over a lot of ground", if you remember that you won't go far wrong), that is what makes us distinctive from other HPR breeds, and gives us the correct outline and balance for the breed. I was so pleased with all my winners.

Minor Puppy Bitch (3,2). 1 Taylor & Taylor-Morris Pelenrise All Guns Blazing. 8 months good balanced outline, short backed, pleasing in head, neck and lay of shoulder, upper arm could have more length and angulation, good depth & spring of rib, well ribbed back, decent rear end, good legs, and feet, moved soundly coming and going, correct feel to coat.

Puppy Dog (4). 1 Bowler's, Winterwell Iggy Inch. L/W ticked pup of 10 months, good balanced outline, short backed standing over good ground, correct head, good neck let into well-made forehand, good depth of chest, with spring and god length of rib, short strong loin, decent rear end, well boned legs, good feet, sound mover, coat of correct texture *BPD*. 2 Graham's Winterwell Tubby Tompkin from Nyliram. 9 month old, excellent balanced outline, head at the moment lacked the work in it of 1. Clean neck set into well-made forehand, short backed, correct through the ribs, loin, and rear. Sound mover on good legs and feet, coat of correct texture. 3 Angus' Keigame Hvitserk of Sparkenhoe.

Junior Dog (3). 1 Dymond's Sh Ch Quintana Diamond Dust at Friarsbelle JW. 17 month L/W ticked, good balanced outline, top line flows from beautiful masculine head set on clean neck through good strong back onto well set tail, he had excellent angles to fore and rear, well made through the ribs, & loin, well-muscled rear with decent 1st and 2nd thigh. Well boned legs and good feet, a very sound mover, in coat of correct texture. I see he has attained his title; it is well deserved. 2 Bowler's Winterwell Iggy Itch. 3 Angus' Keigame Hvitserk of Sparkenhoe

Post Graduate Dog (6). 1 Hill's Ceilloch Russian. 2 year old liver & white ticked, nice size, excellent outline, head of good proportions, clean neck sweeps into well-made forehand, good forechest, ribs had good depth spring and length, strong loin, good topline and tailset, sound legs and feet, moved out very soundly, coat could be fraction harder to the hand, good showman. 2 Delaney & Thompson's Parsonsview Showboating at Redmires. 2½ years old of correct size, good outline, short strong back standing over a lot of ground, good work to the head, well-made forechest with good angulation, correct through the ribs, rear end had good angulation, well-made legs and feet, moved soundly, coat of correct texture. 3 Scourfield's Relstraum Tott Wolfsburg.

Limit Dog (4). 1 Pingault's Taftazini Aiden Abbett. 5 year old, loved his balanced outline, correct size, pleasing head proportions with good work in it, neck strong, well-made forehand, ribs has good spring depth & length, loin strong, well set croup and tailset, well-muscled rear, with good 1st & 2nd thigh, sound mover on good legs and feet, correct hard feel to coat, my *RDCC*. 2 Collins' Barleyarch Hoopla at Forestpoint. Nearly 3 years old, again good balanced outline, liked his gentle masculine head, with good work, clean neck set into well-made forehand, good depth of chest, ribs well spring with good length and depth, strong loin, goes off a little over the croup to tailset. Well-muscled rear, good legs and feet, a sound mover, correct feel to coat. 3 Stedman's, Indijazz Designer Genes.

Open Dog (7). Super class of exhibits. 1 Thurm's Sh Ch Bryburn Bacchus JW ShCM ShCEx. 6½ year old liver & white ticked, great balanced outline, excellent head with pleasing work, super neck set into correct forehand, good forechest which only comes with correct forehand angulation, ribs had spring depth & length, loin and topline strong, well set & carried tail, good angles to rear with excellent muscle, the best of movers on good legs and feet, coming and going, correct hard feel to coat. DCC & RBOB. 2 Stopforth's Taftazini Cesar Chance with Serenymor JW. 5 years old liver & white ticked, another excellent dog, balanced all through, good work to gentle masculine head, clean neck set into well-made forehand, ribs had spring depth & length, strong topline, loin & tailset, well-muscled rear, good bone tight feet, a sound mover, 1 just topped all the class in this area. 3 Goff & Dales Seasham Live Wire at Shoshoni.

Veteran Dog (3,1). Two excellent exhibits. 1 Heywood's, Int, Cie, NI, Lux, De Vdh Ch, Hu Gch, Ro Gr Ch & Slo Gr Ch Pitwit Action Man. 7 years old, liver & white ticked, super balance outline, gentle masculine head, clean neck let into well-made forehand, ribs had spring depth & length, topline and loin strong, good croup and tailset, well-muscled 1st & 2nd thighs, a sound mover, correct texture of coat. 2 Adams' Sh Ch Barleyarch Ariat JW. Nearly 8 years old, slightly finer well-made dog, excellent head and neck, well-made forehand, good spring depth & length to ribs, loin strong but just slightly longer than1's, croup and tailset correct, well-made rear end with good angles, moved soundly on good legs and feet, 1 a fraction more positive on the move. Coat of correct texture.

Special Beginners Dog (2). 1 Bowler's Winterwell Iggy Inch. *BPD & BSpBeg Dog in Breed*. 2 Scourfield's Relstraum Tott Wolfsburg. 3rd in Post Graduate dog, 18 months liver & white ticked, good balanced outline, pleasing in head & neck, well-made angles front and rear, ribs had spring depth & length, strong topline, loin strong but a fraction long for me, moved out soundly, I would have liked a little more strength of bone. Good feel to coat.

Minor Puppy Bitch (3). Three promising babies. 1 Sielski's Orchidstar Missing Link. 8 month liver & white ticked, good balanced outline, sweet head and expression, good neck set into well-made forehand, ribs has depth, spring and length, loin was short and strong, good topline, croup and tailset, well-made rear a sound mover. 2 Shilton's Frandrahund Dahlia Miracle. 6 month liver baby, very well proportioned with good angles to front and rear quarters, correct through the ribs, loin, topline and tailset. Moved out soundly on good legs and feet, correct hard feel to coat. 3 Richard's Borderoak Phoebe Fern.

Puppy Bitch (7,1). **1 Pearson's Winterwell Lulu Moppet to Ladyhawke**. 9 month old liver & white ticked, excellent balanced outline, short backed standing over a lot of ground, feminine and gentle head, clean neck set into well-made forequarters, ribs had spring depth & length, loin short and strong, good topline, croup and tailset, muscular rear, a sound mover on good legs and feet, coat of correct texture **BPB & BPIB**. **2 Sielski's Orchidstar Missing Link**. **3 Bunker's Winterwell Little Itch**.

Junior Bitch (4). Good youngsters in this class. 1 Nixon's Quintana Lunar Eclipse. 17 months liver & white ticked, excellent neat package, great balance, sweet feminine head set on clean neck, let into well-made forehand, ribs had spring depth & length, loin short and strong, croup and tailset correct, good muscle to rear, a very sound mover on good legs and feet, coat of correct texture. 2 Cox's Cushatlaw Athena JW. 17 month liver & white ticked pleasing head and expression, clean neck sweeps into lovely forehand, with good forechest, ribs had depth length and spring to them, topline and loin strong, well-muscled rear, moving out well on good legs and feet. 3 Izard's Yockletts Hambledon.

Post Graduate Bitch (11,4). 1 Rose's Barleyarch Shindig with Kavacanne. 2½ year old liver & white ticked, great outline and balance, gentle feminine head, clean neck set into correctly made forehand, excellent forechest, ribs had spring depth & length, strong loin, good topline & well set croup with good tailset. Decent muscle to rear, a very sound mover on good legs a feet, coat of good texture. 2 Nixon's Quintana Lunar Eclipse. 3 Schoneville's Balvenie Eye Candy JW.

Limit Bitch (10,2). 1 Burford's Pingarypoint Legolicious JW. 5 years old liver & white ticked bitch, beautiful outline, short backed standing over a lot of ground, good feminine head, gentle expression, clean neck let into well-made forequarters, good forechest, ribs had spring depth & length, topline and loin strong, well set and carried tail, good muscle to rear, well boned legs and good feet, moving soundly in correct coat. *RBCC*. 2 Staley's Jomeel Now I'm Here. 3 year old liver & white ticked, slightly stronger bitch, but still feminine, good balanced outline, short backed, kind head, good neck let into well-made forequarters, good forechest, ribs had spring depth & length, loin and topline strong, excellent rear, low hocks, tight feet, sound mover in correct coat. 3 McIlwaine's Winterwell Steppin Stones to Benoveor.

Open Bitch (12,3). 1 Hammond's Seasham I Love to Boogie. 2½ year old liver & white bitch, one word "Stunning", liked it all, great head, super body outline, construction, great forechest, good ribs short loin, short backed covering a lot of ground, decent muscled rear end, best of movers on great legs and feet, coat of correct texture my *BCC & BOB*. Made up today, a super bitch title fully deserved. 2 Squire's Sh Ch Taftazini Honour Wynna JW. Liver & white ticked 5 year old bitch, gentle feminine head, excellent balanced outline, good forechest, ribs had spring and depth and length, loin a little longer than 1's, good topline and croup, well-made rear end, excellent muscle, a sound mover on good legs and feet, in correct coat. 3 Thurm's Sh Ch Dappledele First Date at Bryburn.

Veteran Bitch (5,1). **1 Burford's Pingarypoint Hot Topic**. Liver & white ticked 9 year old, great outline, super feminine head, clean neck set into well-made forehand, good forechest, ribs had spring depth & length, topline, loin & croup all correct, well made and muscled rear, sound mover on good legs and feet, coat of good texture. **2 Thomas & Taylor's Knabynnus Aurora Borealis**. 7 year old liver & white ticked bitch, gentle feminine head, clean neck set into good forequarters, excellent forechest, good ribs with spring depth & length, topline strong loin short, good croup and tailset, well-turned stifle, low hocks, a sound mover on good legs and feet, correct coat. **3 Whitehouse's Kazanpaul Creme De La Crème**.

Special Beginners Bitch (3). **1 Brudenell-Pryke's Puddledub Pilis**. 3 year old solid liver, gentle feminine head, clean neck set into shoulder with good lay, upper arm could have more length and angulation, ribs had spring depth & length, loin strong, rear end well-muscled, bone a fraction fine for me, good feet and moved out well. **2 Gibbon's Faubourg Truly Scrumptious**. 3 year old liver & white ticked, 5th Post Grad Bitch, pleasing in head, clean neck set into well angulated forequarters, topline strong, good muscle, and angles to rear quarters, moved out soundly, on good legs and feet. **3 Roberts' Bargeway Xanadu of Penwig**.