

CRITIQUE – RICHMOND DOG SHOW SOCIETY

Judge: Mr W J Ashcroft

I would like to thank the Committee for inviting me to judge at this very welcoming show.

My entry was not large numerically, but this was more than compensated for by the overall quality of the exhibits.

It has been some considerable time since I have even attended a show and so a very large proportion of the dogs were completely new to me. I found this to be very refreshing and was pleased to find the quality of the coats to be much improved. Unfortunately, movement continues to give me some concern with some 'flapping' at the front and a lack of drive at the rear.

Minor Puppy Dog (1). **1 Harvey's Valger Snow Patrol at Imaniz.** A very promising liver and white puppy with a nice head and clean, well angulated shoulders. Good rear angulation and movement, holding a level topline.

Puppy Dog (2,1). **1 Mann's Sparkenhoe Kith And Kin.** Liver and white youngster, still rather raw and unsettled, it will be interesting to see how he matures. He has a good neck and shoulders is well balanced with a good coat and he moved out steadily.

Junior Dog (2). Two more promising youngsters. **1 Sielski's Orchidstar Bolts Of Speed.** Handsome liver and white boy with a good head and neck flowing into a good topline. Good shoulders and well angulated rear, he moved out true demonstrating plenty of drive. He pushed hard for RCC in the challenge. **2 Morris-Garget's Winterwell Eeh By Gum with Garvin.** Slightly longer cast than the winner but a lot to like. He had a nice balanced outline, good shoulders and topline but he lacked drive at the rear today.

Yearling Dog (1). **1 Scott's Solwaypoint Indiana at Essenpoint.** Solid liver and white flashy boy with a good head and coat. Short coupled with a good front and shoulders with good bent pasterns.

Post Graduate Dog (2). **1 Schoneville's Balvenie Double Diamond JW.** A flashy liver and white dog, he had a nice head with a good front and shoulders. A nice short coupling and well-muscled rear, he moved out well. **2 Green's Kazanpaul War Horse.** Longer cast but with a good head and coat, he was well angulated but lacked the movement of the winner today.

Limit Dog (4). **1 Smith and Reardon's Winterwell Maida Stone.** This kennel consistently produces good stock. Such a lot to like about this solid liver boy! A good head and neck with a good front and shoulders leading into a solid short-coupled body. A well angulated rear and straight hocks provided good drive on the move while holding a level topline. Was delighted to award him **RCC**. **2 Goff and Dale's Seasham Live Wire at Shoshoni.** This liver and white boy has a lot going for him. A good head and front assembly with a good level topline and correct tailset, he has good rear angulation but lost out on movement today. **3 Pingault's Taftazini Aiden Abbett.**

Open Dog (4,2). **1 Braine's Grenetrest Canterbury Bell JW.** A lovely solid liver boy I admired from the side of the ring when he was a puppy, and he didn't disappoint! A good head and straight front with a lovely arched neck flowing into a level topline. Good shoulders and well angulated stifles produced flowing movement around the ring. I was pleased to award him **Dog CC** (his 3rd apparently) and **BOB**. **2 Sielski's Orchidstar Bonds of Speed.** Another really nice flashy liver and white dog from this kennel. Again, good shoulders and rear angulation with a good topline and tailset. He lost out on movement today.

Minor Puppy Bitch (5,2). I had more than a mental struggle with this class! Three little crackers. **1 Rumney's Kacela Sweet Hadiya.** A really nice puppy with a good straight front and good shoulders. She had a nice level topline and good tailset with well angulated stifles and straight hocks. She moved out well. **2 Adams' Kacela Sweet Zuri.** Litter sister to the winner and so many of my earlier comments apply to this young lady. Another very neat, well balanced puppy with lots of promise, I just preferred the movement of the winner today. **3 Barker's Barkersdream Who Dares Wins.**

Puppy Bitch (4). **1 Schoneville's Balvenie Eye Candy.** What a little cracker! Flashy liver and white bitch with a nice head and neck leading into good shoulders. Nice straight front and good rear angulation, she moved out true while holding a good level topline. Well-deserved **Best Puppy**. **2 Rumney's Kacela Sweet Hadiya.** **3 Barker's Barkersdream Who Dares Wins.**

Junior Bitch (2). **1 Ellis' Soellis Fancy Nancy.** Another lovely little bitch from this kennel. She has a good head and lovely flowing lines with a good straight front and good coat. A well angulated rear, she moved out very well holding a good topline. Considered her for **RCC**. **2 Filby and Brown's Winterwell Thatldo for Desjiem.** A very nice, well balanced bitch. Very feminine, she has a good front and shoulders but lacked drive on the move today. Another one to watch from this kennel.

Yearling Bitch (2). **1 Hammond's Seasham I Love To Boogie.** A really lovely bitch, she stood so true. A good head and neck into a level topline with a good tailset. Good shoulders and straight front with good pasterns. Well bent stifles and straight hocks she moved out well. Delighted to award her **RBCC**. **2 Joy's Solwaypoint Georgia at Mannlicher.** A very smart liver and white bitch with good shoulders and topline. She lost out on movement today.

Novice Bitch (2). **1 Heath and Robinson's Pinseeker Mrs Doubtfire.** Solid liver bitch with lovely shoulders and front assembly leading into a good level topline which was held on the move. **2 Elliott's Ankerwycke Silk Stockings.** A feminine bitch made on finer lines with good balance, she moved well holding a good topline.

Post Graduate Bitch (5,2). **1 Roden's Keigame Queenie.** A well-constructed, short-coupled bitch. Well balanced with good shoulders, straight front and well bent stifles. She tended to throw her front feet in the challenge (possibly as a result of her injury?). **2 Hammond's Seasham Hot Love.** A different type to the winner but still a lot to like. A good head and shoulders with a level topline, I felt she lacked drive at the rear today. **3 Lauchlan's Blythehill Blossoms.**

Limit Bitch (5,2). **1 Delaney's Archerpoint Sea The Stars at Redmires.** Very nice well balanced liver and white bitch. Good straight front with well angulated shoulders and good level topline. Well angulated rear, she moved out very well. **2 Sielski's Orchidstar Jenga.** Another very nice little bitch with good shoulders and nice level topline. Just preferred the overall balance of the winner. **3 Cox's Cushatlaw Serendipity JW.**

Open Bitch (9,1). What a smashing class, I was spoilt for choice here! **1 Izard's Ch Yocketts Cordiale JW.** A really lovely liver and white bitch, I admired her from the side of the ring when she was a puppy, and she has matured quite beautifully. A good head and neck flowing down into well laid shoulders with a nice straight front. A good level topline and good rear angulation, she moved out really well and thoroughly deserved **Bitch CC**. **2 Elrington's Barleyarch Dorito at Tequesta.** Another cracker who stood and moved out well. Well balanced with a good head and shoulders and a level topline that was held on the move. **3 Rumney's Sh Ch Kacela Sweet Ayana.**