## **CRITIQUE - SOUTH WALES KENNEL ASSOCIATION**

Judge: Mr D Shields

**Veteran Dog** (2). **1 Hopkin's Seasham Don't Stop Me Know**. So well balanced and has kept his clean and flowing lines. Good head piece with a very typical outlook and the best of expressions. Very clean over the neck and shoulders, good depth of chest, short backed and well-rounded hindquarters. Correct coat and put down in tip top condition for his age. Sound on the move, **BV**. **2 Taylor's Bilston Banner**. Different stamp and style to the winner but of overall pleasing make and shape. Balanced head, masculine but is not overdone in anyway. Stands on good legs and feet, firm well-muscled body and a good spring of rib. Moved well but not the positive footfall of the winner.

Minor Puppy Dog (2). 1 Taylor & Taylor Morris' Pelenrise All Guns Blazing. Very taken with this young man who is so well put together for his age. Good size and built on clean lines holding his shape both stacked and on the move. Typical in head, well-proportioned and the softest of expressions. Excellent bone and substance throughout, correct topline and tailset and well angulated quarters. Really comes into his own on the move, positive both fore and aft with great reach and drive, **BP & PGp1**. Pleased to see him win the Gundog Puppy Group later in the day. 2 Graham's Winterwell Tubby Tompkin from Nyliram. Typy sort, short backed and stands over plenty of ground as the standard asks for. Well bodied and quality bone throughout. Pleasing head and expression. Stands on good legs and feet, excellent depth of chest for his age, well developed hindquarters, and a good bend of stifle. Could not match the movement of the winner on the day.

Puppy Dog (2). 1 Taylor & Taylor Morris' Pelenrise All Guns Blazing. 2 Graham's Winterwell Tubby Tompkin from Nyliram.

**Junior Dog** (1). **1 Dymond's Sh Ch Quintana Diamond Dust at Friarsbelle JW**. Judged him in a stakes class earlier in the year and still hold him in high regard. Quality youngster of good size and is very well balanced throughout. Excellent bone and substance but shows no sign of coarseness. Strong muscular neck set in well placed shoulders, deep chest with plenty of heart room, short backed and well-muscled quarters that he uses to advantage on the move. Powered round the ring really covering the ground. To be ultra critical just preferred the cleaner cut heads of the Open dogs in the challenge.

**Post Graduate Dog** (2,1). **1 Brown's Montalba Mister Teatime**. Stood alone but a worthy winner. Well-made dog of overall pleasing confirmation. Strongly made but still keeps a clean cut appearance and of medium size as the standard asks for. Stands on good legs and feet, firm topline that he holds on the move and a good tailset and carriage. Moves well both out and back on a free and easy stride.

Limit Dog (3,1). 1 Rusk's Booton Provence. Just my cup of tea! Quality dog throughout, good size, beautifully balanced, excellent bone and substance without been overdone in anyway and built on clean and flowing lines, if only he had been more enthusiastic on the move would have pushed hard for top honours. Loved his head such a kind eye and the softest of expressions. Very clean over the neck and shoulders, good depth of chest, short backed and the best of hindquarters. Sound fore and aft. 2 Fry's Waldburg Indus. Well-made dog of pleasing size, make and shape. Substantial throughout, masculine appearance but shows no sign of coarseness. Balanced head and a good eye and expression. Firm body, good strength of loin and well-muscled quarters. Moved well.

Open Dog (9,2). Class with strength in depth and a pleasure to judge. 1 Mann's Sh Ch Valger Ragnar JW. Top class dog who in my opinion fits the standard well. Gave him BP the last time I judged the breed, and he has definitely fulfilled that early promise and was a pleasure to judge the finished article. Very well made throughout, excellent strength, quality bone and presents a flowing outline both stacked and on the move. Best of heads, masculine but has that touch of elegance which many were lacking. Good reach of neck set in well placed shoulders, excellent depth of chest with plenty of heart room, well ribbed and strong muscular hindquarters. Soundest of movers, *DCC*. 2 Braine's Sh Ch Grenetrest Canterbury Bell JW. Such a sound and honest dog of good size and presents a very typical outlook. Another with the strength and substance required to do a days work but is not overdone in anyway. Balanced head, clean cut and with a kind eye and soft expression. Best of fronts standing on good legs and feet. Short backed with a good spring of rib, firm level topline that he holds on the move and nicely angulated quarters. Moved soundly both fore and aft on a good stride, *RDCC*. 3 Mann's Sh Ch Elfrindew Endrick to Valger.

**Veteran Bitch** (1). **1 Fry's Waldburg Solar Eclipse**. Squarely made with a balanced appearance. Pleasing front assembly with good depth of chest and plenty of heart room. Well sprung ribs, strong topline and good width of hindquarters and a pleasing bend of stifle. Positive on the move

Minor Puppy Bitch (2). 1 Sielski's Orchidstar Missing Link. Good size of youngster with pleasing bone and substance throughout and is well bodied for her age. Pleasing head and expression. Strong muscular neck with a reasonable layback of shoulder, firm short back, and good width to her loin. Well-developed quarters with a good bend of stifle. Correct coat and put down in first class order on the day. Moved well fore and aft, *BPB*. 2 Bunker's Winterwell Little Itch. Very typy young lady who I liked a lot but felt on the day didn't quite have the maturity of the winner but sure with another couple of months on her back her time will come. Balanced head with a kind eye and well set ears. Very clean over the neck and shoulders and the best of legs and feet. Good width of hindquarters. Sound on the move.

Puppy Bitch (4). 1 Sielski's Orchidstar Missing Link. 2 Bunker's Winterwell Little Itch. 3 Merritt's Sperant Chocolate Cosmos JW.

Junior Bitch (3). 1 Nixon's Quintana Lunar Eclipse. Quality bitch who I am sure if she continues developing on these lines will have a very promising future. Has a very feminine outlook but has the required bone and substance to complete the picture. Lovely head and eye. Scores in neck and shoulders, excellent depth of chest and a well-developed body for her age. Very well made quarters that she uses to advantage on the move. Moved soundly on a free and easy stride. 2 Sloan's Evagrove Limited Edition. Slightly bigger framed bitch but still keeps a very balanced appearance. Pleasing head and expression. Excellent depth and substance but is not overdone in anyway. Level topline that she holds on the move, pleasing tailset and carriage and strong well-muscled hindquarters. Moved well but could not match the positive attitude of the winner. 3 Fry's Waldburg Seren.

Yearling Bitch (4). 1 Waddell's Magregor Glitter Muff. Quality bitch from all angles and definitely one from the top drawer! Have previously admired her from the ringside and was so pleased to have the opportunity to get my hands on her and I was not disappointed. Has that noble appearance the standard asks for. Super head, so clean cut with a lovely kind eye and that intelligent expression which is such a trait of the breed. One of the best front assemblies on the day. Short backed, excellent spring of rib and the best of quarters. Her movement was effortless on the day, so sound with lovely reach and drive. In the challenge I thought her and the dog made such a matching couple and were both so typical throughout and so they should when I see they are both by the same sire. Just felt she had that little extra 'spark' in the final run off, CC & BOB. 2 Nixon's Quintana Lunar Eclipse. 3 James' Keigame Nell Gwyn at Cwngiedd.

Post Graduate Bitch (7,1). 1 Brown & Filby's Winterwell ThatIIdo for Desjiem JW. Another good one from this kennel who appealed for her very typical appearance and her overall make and shape. Very well balanced with quality bone throughout. Feminine head with a good eye and the best of expressions. Very clean over the neck and shoulders, good depth of chest, firm well-muscled body, and nicely rounded quarters along with a good tailset and carriage. Moved soundly on a good stride. 2 Hammond's Seasham Hot Love. Substantial bitch but still retains a very feminine outlook. Well-made throughout and is definitely fit for function. Balanced head with a pleasing expression. Well-made front standing on good legs and feet. Excellent spring of rib, strong firm loin, and very well-muscled hindquarters. Correct coat texture. Moved well. 3 Merritt's Sperant Pamplemousse.

Limit Bitch (6,3). 1 Hammond's Seasham Love Bug JW. Lovely make and shape throughout, of good size and presents a very clean and balanced appearance. Feminine head of good proportions but has the required strength and a pleasing eye and expression. Well-made front assembly with the best of legs and feet, short backed, strong muscular quarters and a good bend of stifle. Another who was presented on the day in the fittest of condition. Soundest of movers. 2 Gatliffe's Allezweck Edessa. Different stamp and style to the winner but is a very good bitch who is well made throughout with excellent bone and substance, Balanced head of good strength. Excellent depth of chest with plenty of heart room, well sprung ribs and powerful hindquarters with good width of second thigh. Moved well on a good stride. 3 Taylor & Taylor-Morris' Drysika Cha Cha at Pelenrise.

Open Bitch (6,1). 1 Hammond's Seasham I Love To Boogie. Another top class bitch from this kennel and the breeder must be congratulated on producing a lovely type who in my opinion fits the standard so well. Lovely size and built on clean and flowing lines, holding her shape both stacked and on the move. Quality clean cut head with a kind eye and soft expression. Scores in neck and shoulders, short backed standing over plenty of ground as the standard asks for. Firm topline that she holds on the move and the best of quarters. She just powered round ring on the best of strides, and it was good to see that correct movement whereas the gait increases from a walk to a faster pace the legs converge beneath the body and the dog single tracks. So many judges seem to ignore this part of the standard! A well-deserved *RBCC*. 2 Thurm's Sh Ch Dappledele First Date at Bryburn. Quality bitch from all angles and one that cannot be overlooked in any company. Excellent bone and substance throughout but still has a very feminine outlook. Best of heads, another that was clean cut and was so typical in appearance with a lovely dark eye and kind expression. Excellent body shape, good depth, well sprung ribs, short coupled and strong well-muscled hindquarters and a pleasing bend of stifle. Moved soundly both fore and aft and pushed the winner all the way. 3 Waddell's Magregor Canoodle.