CRITIQUE - SOUTHERN COUNTIES CANINE ASSOCIATION

Judge: Mrs B Smith

My first CC appointment for German Shorthaired Pointers and I was hugely appreciative of the support from the exhibitors who entered under me. Well done to Southern Counties for making the show a bit special for the jubilee, the rosettes were lovely. The ring was a decent size and weather excellent Overall the quality of the dogs was of the high standard I have come to know and love over the past 28 years. Would like to take home many of the dogs I judged today

Junior Dog (4). 1 & **BJ**, **Harvey's Valger Snow Patrol at Imaniz**. Nice sized 16 months, typical head with lovely expression, good front assembly, correct forechest and depth, good angulation on croup and tailset, very promising. **2 Dymond's Quintana Diamond Dust at Friarsbelle**. Very smart, just 13 months, masculine head, good shoulders, and topline, excellent quarters. **3 Scourfield's Relstraum Tott Wolfsburg**.

Yearling Dog (5). 1 Harvey's Valger Snow Patrol at Imaniz. 2 Marsh's Kilnrae Berliner. 18 months, well balanced, at top of standard, correct masculine head, nice nose and eyes, correct angulation all through, still to mature at rear. 3 Brown's Montalba Mister Teatime.

Graduate Dog (3). 1 Mewse's Allezweck Toccoa at Krimshar. Nice size, good head, correct medium bone, good forechest and front assembly, correct length of back. 2 Marsh's Kilnrae Berliner. 3 Leeman's Arbourtrees Butchers Broom.

Post Graduate Dog (1). 1 Leeman's Arbourtrees Dogwood. Alone but very nice, good balanced proportions, masculine head, good front, well ribbed back, correct rear angulation and strong quarters.

Limit Dog (8,1). A very nice class and although all exhibits moved well exhibitors need to step up if they want the top places. 1 Peebles & Hammond's Seasham The Groover. Balanced and in the middle of standard for size, typical head, nice length to muzzle, correct front, and enough depth to chest. 2 Sielski's Orchidstar Bolts Of Speed. Smaller, compact but balanced, nice head, good depth to chest and good hindquarters. 3 Collins' Barleyarch Hoopla at Forestpoint.

Open Dog (8,1). Good class. 1, *DCC & BOS*, Coe's Goosepoint Waddington at Abbanash. Well up for size but not overdone anywhere, balanced with correct angulation all through, handsome masculine head, nice depth through loin, spoke power and endurance, well-handled to show him at his best and win the top spot. 2 & *RDCC*, *Pingault's Taftazini Aiden Abbett*. Liked his head and lovely clean neck, well balanced, excellent front angulation, plenty of forechest, difficult decision as I have liked him previously. He comes from a kennel that has consistently produced quality exhibits and he is well worthy of gaining that Show Champion title. 3 Cook & Lamb's Brooke Will Do It Through Milcook.

Special Beginners Dog (2). 1 Leeman's Arbourtrees Dogwood. 2 Scourfield's Relstraum Tott Wolfsburg. Just 9 months, a way to go but nice head and dark eye, nice depth to chest, moved OK.

Veteran Dog or Bitch (2,1). **1** & **BV**, **Thurm's Sh Ch Valger Odette VW**. Lovely 10 year old, excellent balance, sweet feminine head, good depth to chest and good rear angulation, moved so true with well held topline.

Special Beginners Bitch (5). 1 & BSpBeg, Whittaker's Pingarypoint Milk Shake. 14 months, lovely size, well balanced, good angulation front and rear, feminine head and moved well, could go far. 2 Caddy's Topfield Magic Sunrise. Just 9 months, sweet head, correct angulation front and rear, promising. 3 Brudenell-Pryke's Puddledub Pili.

Minor Puppy Bitch (1). **1 Merritt's Sperant Chocolate Cosmos**. 7 months, good proportions and balance, feminine head, good depth to chest, correct angulation, moved well.

Puppy Bitch (4). **1**, **BP & PGp4**, **Izard's Yockletts Hambledon**. Lovely size and such a well-balanced young lady, 4 days off her first birthday, excellent all through, typy head, good front with depth, short back, good tail set, moved well, well deserved 4th in puppy gundog group **2 Nixon's Quintana Qing Ping**. Very close to 1 in all respects, good size and well balanced, feminine head, correct front, and chest, not quite as mature as 1. **3 Caddy's Topfield Magic Sunrise**.

Junior Bitch (3). **1 Warrington's Zakova Aria**. Nicely balanced and lovely size, good head and correct angulation front and rear, chest just deep enough, correct angulation at croup, movement could be a little more positive. **2 Barker's Barkersdream Who Dares Wins**. Nice size quite compact, feminine head, good quarters and moved well. **3 Adams' Kacela Sweet Zuri**.

Yearling Bitch (4,2). 1 Brown & Filby's Winterwell ThatIldo for Desjiem. 2 Schoneville's Balvenie Eye Candy JW. Two similar girls, both well balanced, correct bone, good quarters and correct angulation to croup, promising youngsters, just preferred neck, and shoulders of 1.

Graduate Bitch (5). 1 Whittaker's Pingarypoint Milk Shake. 2 Lauchlan's Blythehill Blossoms. Balanced and of good size with feminine head, good bone and quarters, movement needs more positive handling. 3 Barker's Valger Rapunzel at Barkersdream JW.

Post Graduate Bitch (10,1). An even class with many good exhibits. 1 Rose's Barleyarch Shindig with Kavacanne. Correct proportions all through, well balanced, feminine head, nice eye, correct chest, and sternum, moved well. 2 Ellis' Soellis Fancy Nancy. Again, lovely size, balanced, good depth to chest, correct angulation front and rear, moved well, just preferred head of 1. 3 Staley's Jomeel Now I'm Here.

Limit Bitch (7,1). 1, BCC & BOB, Staley's Jomeel Naughtylicious. Such a good size and shape, so well balanced and moved so well, not too fast just floated around the ring, lovely feminine head, correct eye and brows defining stop, slight roman nose which was of good size, good clean neck and front with correct depth to chest, good quarters. 2 Thurm's Dappledele First Date at Bryburn. Similar to 1, slightly finer all through, well balanced with correct proportions, correct front assembly and moved well. 3 Joy's Solwaypoint Georgia at Mannlicher.

Open Bitch (9). 1 & RBCC, Squire's Sh Ch Taftazini Honour Wynna JW. Perfect size bitch, so well balanced and proportioned, preferred her head to 2, correct length of muzzle with roman nose, excellent front angulation matching her rear, excellent sternum, good croup angulation, correct bone all through. 2 Delaney's Archerpoint Sea The Stars at Redmires. Similar to one, spot on for size, well balanced, correct bone, good front and rear angulation moved so well. Both 1 & 2 excellent examples of the breed. 3 Sielski's Orchidstar Jenga.