

LEEDS & DISTRICT CANINE ASSOCIATION

Judge: Mrs Val Grant

Firstly I would like to thank my very able stewards – they made my day so much easier keeping me on the straight & narrow. Secondly thank you all for the lovely entry – it was a joy to judge such lovely animals.

Minor Puppy Dog (5). Three very good puppies here which I'm sure will change places many times throughout their show career. **1 Adams' Barleyarch Ariat**, this young man won his place on superb showmanship & confidence. Lovely head with kind expression, good length of neck leading into a correct topline. Enough bone & muscling, correct front & rear, moving really well for one so young. Pleased to award him **BP**; **2 Jones' Barleyarch Dubarry**, another lovely puppy. Good head, neck & front angulation with correct length of neck, topline which he kept on the move & good tailset. Enough muscle for his age. Moved very well both coming & going; **3 Roden's Keigame Nasrullah**.

Puppy Dog (2). **1 Roden's Keigame Nasrullah**, I gave this lovely puppy third in the last class but could easily change places on another day. Well-constructed which showed on the move, lovely outline with good angulation. Moved well; **2 Proudfoot's Keigame Dante**, litter brother to 1 who is also a very nice puppy in excellent condition. Good outline with a pleasing head & length of neck, straight front, well angulated shoulder & upper arm, enough bone & substance, good loin & quarters. Moved well. Extremely well presented & shown.

Junior Dog (5,1). **1 Brown & Burns' Magregor Threesacrowd at Pothouse**, what a beautiful young dog who is maturing nicely. Plenty of bone & substance but not overdone. Correct coat, masculine head, good length of neck & ribs & he moved so well coming & going. Should have a very good future; **2 Milligan's Jessophia's Overyn Martell**, a good example of the breed. Well-muscled & nicely balanced throughout. Good head & length of neck leading into well angulated shoulders, good legs & feet strong quarters that carried him very well round the ring. Well shown & presented; **3 Mann's Valger Quorum**.

Post Graduate Dog (8,1). **1 Bennett's Barleyarch Firefly**, I liked this young man both standing & moving. Good head, neck & kept his topline on the move. Enough bone & substance, well angled & balanced throughout. Moved & showed well; **2 Stammer's Barleyarch Billbug at Lochpointer**, let himself down with his untidy stance, looked all GSP in profile when he stood long enough. Lovely head with kind eye, good reach of neck into well laid shoulders, strong straight legs, ribcage leading well back into strong, short loin & muscled hindquarters. Once he settles down he could do very well for himself. Moved OK; **3 Hawksby's Benboee Beguiling at Delahawk**.

Limit Dog (5). **1 Gatcliffe's Allezweck Shamrock**, not looking as good as he usually does today – seemed as though he didn't want to play. For all that he is a good strong GSP with a nice head, well angled & muscled throughout with plenty of substance. Managed to do enough with his good outline & movement to win this class; **2 Cooke & Hammond's Seasham Super Trouper**, really well presented & shown & good outline & balance. Good head, dark eye, arched neck leading into well angled shoulders & upper arm, correct coat, good bone & substance. Moved very well with balance, keeping his topline round the ring in tune with his handler. Close decision between 1 & 2; **3 Marsh's Koolwaters Pacific at Kilnrae**.

Open Dog (5). **1 Lisle's Barleyarch Rolex**, all male GSP showing outstandingly as usual & demanding attention. Plenty of bone & substance throughout & standing on well boned legs & tight feet. Good topline & tailset, correct coat. Moved with drive & power from his well-muscled hindquarters & so true coming & going. Pleased to award him the **CC & BOB**. I believe he was shortlisted in the Group; **2 Flaherty & Reddyhough's Isara Kurzhaar Wieser**, I like this dog with his tidy stance & movement, never seems to put a foot wrong. Correct size & shape with a very coat, well angulated front & rear, ribs leading well back into short strong loin with well-muscled hindquarters. Moved very well round the ring in time with his handler. **RCC**; **3 Hammond's Seasham Jumpin Jack Flash**.

Veteran Dog (2). **1 Tait's Benboee Bachata**, I've always liked this dog & today he moved & showed well. Handled perfectly showing his strong outline. Lovely head, length of neck, well angulated front, enough bone & substance, good topline & well-muscled hindquarter. Moved very well round the ring; **2 Brown's Montalba Maurice**, a very good, strong dog standing & moving proudly round the ring, in such good order for his age. Good ring presence, good bone & substance standing on good legs & feet, good length of neck, well laid shoulders, ribs reaching well back with strong loin & tuck-up. Presented & shown very well.

Minor Puppy Bitch (2). **1 Drysdale's Drysika Fast Track**, a very pretty & well-constructed bitch with just the right amount of substance for her age. Looked super in outline & kept her topline on the move, good length of rib, muscling, straight front & excellent hindquarters. Moved extremely well; **2 Tierney's Keigame Hustle**, again lovely outline & balance. Feminine head, good length of neck leading into well laid back shoulders. Good forechest & length of rib. Her topline, hindquarters & tailset were correct, moved with purpose happily round the ring.

Puppy Bitch (3,1). **1 Tierney's Keigame Hustle**; **2 Rusk's Marrann's Blue Moon over Booton**, very different type of puppy to 1. Good head & neck, well up on her legs, decent front & rear, good rib cage, chest deep enough, plenty of substance, well angled hindquarters, correct tailset. Moved OK.

Junior Bitch (8). **1 Hayes' Valgar Quartz in Elfrindew**, such a lovely young lady & she is growing so tidily, so well presented standing & moving. Lovely feminine head & arched neck leading into well laid back shoulders, good legs & feet, level topline which she kept on the move, enough bone & muscling throughout. Not overdone in any way & good to watch her move round the ring enjoying her day out; **2 Chandler's Koolwaters Ritz**, another very good young lady, unlucky to meet 1 today. Pretty head with sweet expression, arched neck & correct compact body, well angulated throughout with super muscling. Everything to like about her especially with her brilliant & correct coat, short & harsh. Best coat on the day. Moved effortlessly round the ring; **3 Tierney's Puddledub Pour Moi**.

Post Graduate Bitch (11). **1 Heath's Barleyarch Ladybird at Pinseeker**, I really admire this bitch & always have since she first entered the ring as a puppy. Superb outline with ring presence. Maturing nicely with good angulation throughout. Good bone, substance, legs & tight feet. Moving with ease & confidence. Pushed hard for top honours. Such a lot of competition in this class & the next one but I am sure she won't be long before she reaches the top; **2 Cox's Cushatlaw Illustrious**, difficult choice between 1 & 2. A very pretty young lady with feminine head, dark eye, good reach of neck leading into well laid shoulders, enough bone & substance, good straight legs & tight feet. Chest deep enough with good rib cage reaching well back into strong topline & loin & well-muscled hindquarters. Shown & moved to perfection; **3 Roden's High High Jingle Bells at Keigame (Imp Mlt)**.

Limit Bitch (13,2). What a wonderful array of classy bitches – so difficult to choose. Three quarters of them could easily have won first prize. It's a pity we can't have dead heats! **1 Drew's Cushatlaw Illustrious**, this lovely bitch won the top spot by the skin of her teeth. This bitch was set down in good order & condition, maturing nicely. Feminine head, good earset, appealing eye, good reach of neck flowing into well angled shoulders, good spring of rib, topline, good tailset & strong short loin. Well angulated & muscled hindquarters which showed when she went round the ring with elegance & drive. **RCC**; **2 Elrington's Barleyarch Beetle at Tequesta**, what a lovely sound bitch this is. Well balanced with clean outline & not overdone in any way. So feminine & elegant but not lacking in bone & substance. Well presented & shown in hard condition which showed as she moved effortlessly & with ease powering round the ring; **3 Brown's Barleyarch Tigernut at Graygees**.

Open Bitch (7,1). **1 Harris' Sh Ch Barleyarch Piper**, what can I say about this bitch – she just took over as she entered the ring. Such ring presence. What a showman. She is correct in almost everything to her wonderful outline & effortless movement. She flowed round the ring with ease & power. Well boned & muscled throughout especially the hindquarters. Excellent coat. **CC**; **2 Halbert's Sh Ch Valgar Odessa at Marimay**, another high quality well balanced bitch presented in good coat & style. She has a lovely feminine head with intelligent expression, arched neck, good topline, well angulated & muscled throughout. Lovely outline & balance. Strong quarters with good bend of stifle. She moved very well at one with her handler; **3 Tait's Beboee Bordeaux**.

Veteran Bitch (2). **1 Beverley's Vinita Chinook**, looks very well for her age, despite a touch of middle age spread. Presented in good order & well balanced throughout. Good head, neck & shoulders. Her chest is deep enough, good spring of rib, decent topline & tailset. Moved happily round the ring obviously enjoying her day out; **2 Brown's Montalba Millie Chillum**, this bitch was presented in good & hard condition. A truly feminine bitch with enough bone & substance giving balance, strength & very good outline. Moved confidently & strongly round the ring – again, enjoying her day out.