

# CRITIQUE - SCOTTISH KENNEL CLUB

Judge: Mr M Blay

A lovely entry for my two breeds. Am truly humbled that exhibitors travelled so far for my opinion, it's such a shame I only had the 2 CCs & reserves (per breed) as there were a number of exhibits that deserved more on the day.

**Minor puppy Dog (3).** **1 Seilski's Orchidstar Wotsit**, pleasing shape when stacked, of a good size, good head & expression, correct shoulder & front, good topline & nice shape to rear & moved well for a minor; **2 Jackman's Navigareamor Hardtoport**, slightly on the rangy side for my liking. Would like more depth to muzzle, good shoulder & front, good angles all round, still loose in movement but can forgive as still a pup. Just hope he doesn't grow on too much; **3 Reed's Puddledub Pinstripe**.

**Puppy Dog (4).** **1 Delaney's Redmires Ticket To The Stars**, slightly shorter in muzzle than I would prefer, good dark eye, good reach to neck, correct shoulder placement, good rib & short coupled, nicely muscled rear with correct angles, moved true both away & coming to. **BP**; **2 Martin's Richtig Racketeer at Lorabar**. Good head & pleasing eye, would like to see him less upright in shoulder, good length to back & strong rear, good drive on the move for a puppy; **3 Budge & Lord's Richtig Rambler**.

**Junior Dog (3).** **1 Jones' Barleyarch Dubarry**, classy youngster, good type, lovely when stacked, good head & kind expression, clean neck & good shoulders, super coat, good size to him all around, found him in lovely hard condition behind, liked his attitude on the move showing excellent reach & drive, although tended to carry his tail a wee bit high, couldn't deny him his **RCC** on the day although a close run thing with PGD; **2 Lord & Budge's Richtig Rambler**, a raw pup, 3rd in puppy, good shape when stacked, correct head shape but put off by ridge across nose, good neck, shoulders & front, good size, still needs to mature on the move, showed his age in this older class; **3 Tullesh's Alayglow Imbaba**.

**Post Graduate Dog (4).** **1 Adams' Barleyarch Ariat**, loved this dog, correct in every aspect, best of heads, good neck & correct front, good depth to chest & good topline, strong quarters, excellent harsh coat, moves a dream both straight & with drive, unlucky to come against principle winners on day, could easily swap places with RCC on another day; **2 Brown & Burns' Magregor Threesacrowd at Pothouse**, another dog of excellent type, good head shape, correct in neck & shoulder, nice deep chest, good length to loin & strong behind with a good turn to stifle, slightly let down on the move, tended to stray not showing the straight driving action I know he's capable of; **3 Milligan's Jessophia's Oberynt Martell**.

**Limit Dog (5,1).** **1 Grant's Goosepoint Dipper from Stairfoot**, loved his shape when relaxed, tendency to be over stretched when stacked, loved the type in his head, kind expression, best of shoulders & good front, deep chest, good topline & strong loin through to a well angulated quarter, liked his movement, true & straight in front, good drive behind; **2 Stammers' Barleyarch Billbug at Lochpointer**, super type who always seems to be the bridesmaid under me, good head & dark eye, good shoulders, slightly shorter coupled than 1 but still correct, good muscular rear, moved well; **3 Hawksby's Benboee Beguiling at Delahawk**.

**Open Dog (7,1).** **1 Harris' Am Gr Ch & Sh Ch Myst Goeslikethe Wind of Barleyarch**, liver/w ticked dog, not normally the type I would go for. Cannot deny him his conformation & soundness. Good head & kind expression, correct shoulder & good front, good rib & short coupling leading to a well muscled behind, moved true both going away & coming towards. Pleased to be able to award him the **CC**; **2 Mervyn's Ir Sh Ch Tomanipoint Celtic Knight**, totally different type to 1, solid liver, of a good type, slightly heavier in head than 1, good dark eye, liked his shoulder placement & good front, good deep rib & correct topline, strong well angled quarters, good drive & reach on the move; **3 Duncan's Kavacanne Hun Toint Retrieve**.

**Veteran Dog (1).** **1 Tait's Benboee Bachata**, dog I've liked & done well for in the past. Starting to look his age now. Best of heads, good shoulders & front, nice size to him, correct shape when stacked although looser in hocks on the move now, found him in good coat.

**Minor Puppy Bitch (2,1).** **1 Reed's Puddledub Pinchpenny**, nice shape when stacked & settled, showed her 6 months, very raw at moment. Good head correct though shoulders & body, very unsettled on the move would like her a bit bigger all over. **PB (3)** **1 Thompson's Redmires Bedazzled**, I/w liked her shape & size, good clean head & lovely dark eye, good neck, shoulder & front, lovely harsh coat, good length to loin & well angled quarters, moved well for her age; **2 Garvey's Richtig Rah Rah**, nice looking bitch although felt she was slightly longer in loin than 1, again in good coat, not the movement of 1, a bit bouncy in topline; **3 Reed's Puddledub Pinchpenny**.

**Junior Bitch (4,1).** **1 Drysdale's Drysika Fast Track**, lovely compact bitch, liked her lines when stood, typy head & soft expression, good lay to shoulder, good front, nice & compact through loin good angles behind. Nothing flashy on the move but everything in the right place. Lovely harsh coat; **2 Sielski's Orchidstar Xtra O'live**, heavier in head than 1 (not as feminine) good shape to body, good coat, moved with good drive; **3 Begg's Alayglow Shubra**.

**Post Graduate Bitch (6).** **1 Stewart & Currie's Winterwell Dominique at Levagrad**, sweetest of heads, lovely kind eye, good body shape, nice & compact, nice angles to quarters allowed her to move around the ring freely & gracefully; **2 Schoneville's Balvenie Bella**, lovely kind eye would like a tad more depth to muzzle, good neck & front, good shape & size when stacked, good on the move both to & fro; **3 Lindridge's Amidala Fast And Furious**.

**Limit Bitch (8,1).** **1 Duncan's Kavacanne Gale Storm**, loved both of these bitches. Lovely shape when stacked, good head shape & kind expression, good neck, front & correct lay to shoulder, good length with strong loin, & behind, found her in the best of coats. Liked the ease & gracefulness of her movement couldn't deny her the **RCC** today; **2 Elrington's Barleyarch Beetle at Tequesta**, another bitch who I've liked in the past. Best of heads, good neck & shoulder, good front, strong in loin & well muscled quarters, moved with a grace & fluidity, wish I could have given her more but unlucky to come against 1 in such form on the day; **3 Cox's Cushatlaw Irresistable**.

**Open Bitch (6).** **1 Harris' Sh Ch Barleyarch Polkadot**, done well for this bitch as a youngster, if anything she gets better with age. Best of heads, lovely kind expression, good dark eye of correct shape, good neck & shoulders, best of toplines, strong through loin, lovely angles on strong quarters, loved her on the move, clean & tidy but full of power & grace. Pleased to award her **CC & BOB**; **2 Mervyn's Ir Sh Ch Tomanipoint Schumacher**, I lovely workmanlike bitch who looks lovely when stacked. Pleasing head good neck, shoulders, & front, good topline in good coat, soundest of back ends, good on the move but not quite as flowing as 1; **3 Haran & Waddell's Sh Ch Magregor Fluffernutter**.

**Veteran Bitch (1).** **1 Drysdale's Drysika Fleur De Lis**, 8 years old bitch. Lovely shape, good head & dark eye, clean shoulders & good angles behind found her with a lovely harsh jacket, showing her age on the move not as tight & altogether as I would have liked.