

CRITIQUE - GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER CLUB

Judge: Mr Jim Rusk

My thanks to Linda and her team and my efficient stewards for the well organised and planned show. Also thanks to everyone in the GSPC for their work behind the scenes. Many thanks to all those exhibitors who trusted me to do an honest judging job. The entry was large, many classes were difficult and many dogs I wanted to place went cardless. I was concerned before the show about heads in the breed as some I have seen recently are wide in the skull and short in the muzzle giving a non typical look to a GSP. I needn't have worried, virtually all the dogs here today were my type of GSP which made my job harder still. I apologise for my critique being somewhat repetitive because my winning dogs attributes were much the same.

Minor Puppy Dog (1). **1 Hooper & Brooks' Kensteen Diemel.** Worth his first place, a nice well balanced flashy little boy. Good head, short back, good coat and for his age went well.

Puppy Dog (6). **1 Hinchliff's Goosepoint Gloster Grebe (AI).** Very nice liver and white. Good head and expression, nice clean outline, excellent coat, moved with drive. **2 Cox's Ceiloch Merlot by Cushatlaw.** Promising puppy, nice head, good overall, just needs time. **3 Staley's Jomeel Midnight Rambler.**

Junior Dog (4). **1 Woolley's Fayemm Get Ready For Dunsa.** Good solid youngster, good head, nice eye, good neck into well placed shoulders, good turn of stifle, went well. **2 Steel's Water Germander over Borderpoint.** An excellent youngster, good head and reach of neck, a little longer in the back than first. Excellent coat, very well muscled and went very well. **3 Coghlan's Soellis Smug Doug.** A well put together young dog, nice head and expression, good front, good legs and feet. Sound all through.

Yearling Dog (4). **1 Thurm's Bryburn Bacchus.** One of the nicest young dogs I have seen. Beautiful head, soft expression, balanced all through. Deep chest, short strong back, good turn of stifle, excellent coat and moved really well. **2 Sielski's Orchidstar Wotsit JW.** Nice flashy young dog, very nice head and front, nothing to fault him and went well. **3 Jackman's Navigareamor Hardtopoint.**

Novice Dog (4,1). **1 Fayemm Get Ready For Dunsa.** **2 Cox's Ceiloch Merlot by Cushatlaw.** **3 Hamlin's Jomeel Monkey Wrench at Nuash.**

Graduate Dog (2). **1 Pitman's Noble Opal.** Strong Dog, nice head with a gentle friendly expression, good front, good coat, nice clean outline, strong rear end and good sound movement. **2 Cox's Ceiloch Merlot by Cushatlaw.**

Post Graduate Dog (2,1). **1 Hopkins' Seasham Dont Stop Me Now.** Sound dog, good head and expression, good shoulder placement, good deep chest and a strong back end. Stood alone but was well worth his first place.

Mid Limit Dog (2). **1 Hamlin's Know No Bounds at Nuash JW.** Good head and reach of neck into well placed shoulders, deep chest, well muscled, good coat, strong rear end, moved with drive. **2 Milligan's Jessophia's Oberynt Martell.** Nice dark eye, good coat, good shoulder placement, presented a good balanced outline.

Limit Dog (7). **1 Adams' Barleyarch Ariat JW ShCM.** Top class young dog, always pushing for top placement, good head, good construction, good deep chest, bone and feet. Good rear construction and very good coat. Sound mover. **RDCC. 2 Bennett's Barleyarch Firefly.** Nice liver and white dog, super head and expression, short back, good coat, strong rear end, excellent bone, very nice movement. **3 Cooke & Hammond's Seashine Super Trouper JW.** Correct size and shape, nice dog to go over, everything in the right place. A very typical head and eye. Good substance and excellent coat, went very well.

Open Dog (12). **1 Smith and Reardon's Winterwell Fowl Play.** First class liver and white dog, a well developed masculine head with a gentle expression. Superb front and shoulders, short back and strong rear end. Moved very well, looked great from the side with a level topline. Shown a bit slimmer than I have seen him which I think improved his outline. **DCC & RBIS. 2 Whiting's Ranger Two Rodale JW ShCM.** Another well developed masculine head without any coarseness. Nice eye colour, good reach of neck, super shoulders and front. Deep chest. Another out of the top drawer with the correct movement. **3 Grant's Goosepoint Dipper from Stairfoot.** Nice all-round GSP, super shape, very nice head, excellent coat, has much to commend him, moved with drive.

Veteran Dog (3,2). **1 Tudor's My Little Old Man.** A good well balanced GSP, lovely head, good shoulders, very good coat and went well, looked great today and deserved his first.

Special Veteran Dog (2). **1 Tait's Benboe Bachata JW.** Very nice type, good head, neck and shoulders, good coat, looking very well, still in excellent body shape. **2 Hamlin's Heathermark Calibre At Nuash.** Good flashy liver and white, not showing his age at all.

Field Trial Dog (1,1). Absent.

Good Citizen Dog (2). **1 Hamlin's The Bisto Kid At Nuash.** A good solid liver lovely head and eye, good shoulders, short back and moved with drive. Well muscled. **2 Staley's Keigame Chilli Bean At Jomeel.** Masculine head, good front, short strong back and good hind quarters, moved well.

Minor Puppy Bitch (0). No Entries

Puppy Bitch (5). **1 Robson & Allerton's Sigourney Sarara.** First class puppy, excellent coat, lovely head and expression, balanced all through, moved very well. **2 Jackman's Katelands Cosmic Affair via Navigareamor.** Nice black and white, lovely head and expression, dark eye, super front and feet, balanced all through and moved well. **3 Hustlers Aytee Katerina.**

Junior Bitch (9,1). **1 Harris' Barleyarch Playtime (AI) JW.** Beautiful young bitch, lovely head and eye. Superb sloped body, excellent strong construction which is all through from front to back, super coat, very nice movement. **2 Milligan's Isara Kurzhaar All Spice.** A nice feminine looking junior with a pleasing head and expression and good balance. **3 Lockett's Fayemm Remember Me.** Another really nice bitch, she has a beautiful head, lovely dark eye, good coat and good movement.

Yearling Bitch (5,2). **1 Pudney's Pitwit Winter Glow.** Strongly built quality youngster, super head and expression, good quality all through and moved with drive. **2 Field's Depthatch Rianne.** Lovely youngster, nothing to fault her on, nice head, neck and shoulders, short back, good front and back, well muscled. She gained in confidence as the class went on and she went well. Very pleased she has recovered from the adder bite. **3 Baines' Sparrowbridge Crazy Diamond.** Nice little bitch, good head and dark eye, good coat, front and rear angulation.

Novice Bitch (6,3). **1 Robson & Allerton's Sigourney Safara.** **2 Merritt's Brownview Arrows Flygte.** Nice liver and white, well balanced and very sound.

Graduate Bitch (1,1). Absent.

Post Graduate Bitch (6,1). **1 Hopkins' Seasham Dancing Queen.** Super feminine bitch, lovely head, good neck into good shoulders, good front, depth of chest, nice deep loin, good rear end, good coat and moved well. **2 Tait's Benboe Bring It On.** Really liked this bitch, she was a pleasure to go over, lovely head and eye, hard coat and good movement. **3 Prior's Jolicoem Jevington of whinchat.**

Mid Limit Bitch (5,1). **1 Sielski's Orchidstar Extra O'live.** A nice looking typical GSP. Very nice outline, well balanced, plenty of substance, well muscled, moved with a lot of drive. I liked her a lot. **2 Smith's Teverlarni Tapueanuku.** Nice bitch, good head and outline, excellent coat, good precise movement on nice tight feet and hard condition. **3 Heath's Barleyarch Ladybird at Pinseeker.** Good quality bitch made up a very nice class.

Limit Bitch (8). **1 Trow's Winterwell Inca Trail JW.** Outstanding bitch, lovely head and expression. Solid construction all through, as strong at the back as she is at the front, good legs and feet, excellent depth of chest, good quarters and good bend of stifle, moved with drive and a lovely topline. **RBCC. 2 Tudor's Torranpoint Peppercorn.** Feminine head with a dark eye and a lovely gentle expression, super well balanced outline, short back, excellent coat, strong behind, moved with reach and drive. **3 Staley's Jomeel Kiss and Tell.**

Open Bitch (14,1). **1 Mervyn's Ir Sh Ch & Lux Sh Ch Tomanipoint Schumacher.** In the best bitch class I will probably ever judge I could not deny this bitch the first place. She has substance throughout without coarseness, good head and eye, her coat is superb, short back and strong rear and well muscled. She moved very well indeed and to me epitomises what a first class GSP should be. **BCC & BIS. 2 Mann's Sh Ch Valger Phoebe.** A truly beautiful bitch with a lovely head and expression, absolutely first class in all departments, nothing to fault her on and she moved superbly well. **3 Drews' Sh Ch Cushatlaw Illustrious.** Lovely head, neck and shoulders, superb coat, short back, good depth of chest, she moved really well and made up an excellent first three.

Veteran Bitch (6) **1 Glen and Shields' Wilholme Saucy Brown.** Excellent solid liver, lovely head, she looked me straight in the eye with a soft gentle expression. She has a super neck and shoulders, very good hard coat and went very well. Pleased to award her **BVIS. 2 Tait's Benboe Bordeaux.** Lovely bitch in all departments, super head and outline, moved well. **3 Pitman's Dyson's Delight via Pitwit.**

Special Veteran Bitch (3,1) **1 Pitman's Pitwit Playing Games.** Lovely head and expression, good reach of neck and a very good outline. A strong solid balanced dog. **2 Brown's Montalba Millie Chillum.** Some comments apply to both. Lovely pair of 11 year olds, just preferred the outline of first.

Field Trial Bitch (5) **1 Pitman's Pitwit Playing Games.** **2 Elrington's Barleyarch Beetle at Tequesta.** Nice size and shape, lovely head and expression, good front, very good coat and good bone. Went well. **3 Hustler's FT Ch Aytee Isadora.** **Good Citizen Bitch (1)** **1 Schoneville's Balvenie Midnight Rambler.** Very nice flashy liver and white bitch. Nice head and expression, good bone, excellent coat. Moved with drive. Well worth her first place.

JUNIOR HANDLING

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6-11 years old (2). **1 Olivia Rose Coghlan.** 9 years old. I was very impressed with this young lady. She did everything that was asked of her. I could see the dog she was handling from all angles, which was very good. Olivia went on to move her dog very well at a good pace. **BJH.** Well done. **2 Ellie Coghlan.** 7 years old. First time in Junior Handling Ellie did very well and tried very hard. She will improve with tuition from her sister.

12-16 years old (1,1). Absent.