

CRITIQUE - BORDER UNION AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Judge: Mrs Sue Knowles

I would like to start off by saying a huge thank you to all who entered under me today. I have owned and been involved in German Shorthaired Pointers for many years and over that time they have changed and evolved as many breeds do. However, I feel that I would like to mention that some of the heads today have altered, especially the width of muzzle which in some cases have become much snippier and lacked strength. I also witnessed a lot of close rear movement on many of the dogs again this is very incorrect. However, that said many of the examples of the breed I judged were a sheer delight to go over and see move

Puppy Dog. 1 Hinchliff's Goosepoint Gloster Grebe (AI). This 9 month old puppy dog stood out for me as soon as he entered the ring. When standing his outline was lovely, more put together than others in the class. His head was masculine not to be mistaken for too heavy nor too light. His coat was harsh as expected. The shoulders of this boy were long and sloping, lovely depth of chest for a dog of his age. Well developed body with a good spring of rib. Lovely width of thigh. His movement was effortless around the ring. **2 Cox's Ceilloch Merlot By Cushatlaw.** This 11 Month old boy was not as mature as 1 but he presented a nice outline. Good lay of shoulders, nice spring of rib, well rounded quarters. He was quite the happy fellow on the move. **3 Coghlan's Soellis Smug Doug.**

Junior Dog. 1 Thurm's Bryburn Bacchus. This 15 month old dog is so well balanced with a lovely outline. Correct head shape with a good dark eye and deep muzzle. Good reach of neck onto well laid shoulders, good spring of rib with nice depth and substance. His coat is correct harshness, length and colour. His movement around the ring was incredibly powerful and full of reach and drive.

Novice Dog. 1 Hinchliff's Goosepoint Gloster Grebe (AI). 2 Cox's Ceilloch Merlot By Cushatlaw.

Post Graduate Dog. 1 Jackman's Navigareamor Hardtoport. Both these dogs were of lovely quality. Such a super dog to go over and well in proportion. Masculine head, strong neck, good depth of chest with a strong topline, Well rounded quarters. Shown in lovely condition, When on the move he strides out, just needing to mature now. **2 Sielski's Orchidstar Wotsit JW.** Another balanced dog who is built on correct lines. Super head with lovely chiselling, a correct eye shape and dark eye. Well developed body, good length of neck, well place shoulders, Correct coat and tailset, I'm sure these 2 dogs will change places many times. **3 Milligan's Redmires Storm The Stars.**

Limit Dog. 1 Adams's Barleyarch Ariat ShCM JW. This is a young dog that I have always admired from the ringside and it was both an honour and pleasure to be able to go over him today and he didn't disappoint. His head is just everything you would want in a GSP, it's broad but not coarse and so well balanced, he has the darkest of eye and lovely defined facial features that deliver the whole package. Excelled over his neck and shoulders with super depth and body. Straight in front with plenty of heart room, correct bone, Lovely spring of rib, short back, harsh coat and excellent width of thigh. On the move this dog is flawless as he has both reach and drive, he moves effortlessly around the ring. I was honoured and proud to award this boy the **DCC. 2 Mann's Valger Quorum JW.** This dog is very workman like, an honest dog that is really hard to fault. Everything is in proportion with a lovely balanced head and dark eye. Lovely reach of neck into well laid shoulders with good depth and body, well sprung ribs with good width of thigh and lovely bend of stifle. Moved out with good reach and drive. **RDCC.**

Open Dog. 1 Flaherty & Reddyhough's Sh Ch Isara Kurzhaara Wieser JW ShCM. Headed a super class of quality dogs, loved his well-balanced head and strong neck leading into a lovely lay of shoulder. He possesses a good depth of chest and spring of rib. Firm topline with correct tailset and well rounded quarters which he uses on the move. **2 Brown and Burns' Sh Ch Magregor Threesacrowd at Pothouse JW ShCM.** This dog is so well put together and stands four square. Lovely depth, substance and bone. Excels over his neck and shoulders with well angulated quarters. Moved freely. **3 Allezweck Shamrock.**

Veteran Dog. 1 Harris' Sh Ch Barleyarch Paxo JW ShCM. Another quality male out of the top drawer who is masculine throughout. Correct head shape with long deep muzzle and darkest of eyes, clean neck into well laid shoulders, straight front with lovely depth, strong topline and well-muscled quarters lovely free mover. **2 Read's Wilholme Edwardian Dream.** Much to admire about this dog, belies his eight years. Masculine head, Good eye colour which matches his coat. Well-developed throughout with excellent reach of neck and well laid shoulders. Correct front assembly, lovely bone and substance with well sprung ribs, correct topline well angulated quarters. **3 Rittscher's Isara Kurzhaara Vespa (AI) (Re Imp).**

Puppy Bitch. 1 Galloway & Anderson's Zarozinia Ballindalloch Via Alayglow. Six month old quality puppy who is balanced throughout and has a feminine head with a good eye shape. Good length of neck into well placed shoulders mature body for age with lovely depth and substance, correct tailset and well-rounded quarters. Moved well for age with good reach and drive **BP. 2 Tierney's Ceilloch Crimson.** Smaller compact bitch who is built along the same lines as first. Nicely balanced throughout with a good feminine head and lovely expression. Clean over neck and shoulders, straight front. Good depth and substance with nicely angulated quarters. Just needs time to mature. **3 Rose's Kavacanne Fraggie Rock.**

Junior Bitch. 1 Harris' Barleyarch Playtime (AI) JW. Excellent type of bitch, typical head with feminine outlook. Well laid shoulders, lovely reach of neck, straight front with plenty of heart room. Very mature for age, has a level topline with well angulated rear, good width of thigh and moved with lovely reach and drive. **2 Rose & Gaffney's Kavacanne Vixen JW.** Nice type of bitch, feminine throughout. Pleasant head, with correct eye shape. Strong neck with well angulated shoulders. Good depth and substance. Has a well-made rear and moved freely. **3 Brown's Newlands Pass To Montalba.**

Novice Bitch. 1 Gibbon's Kavacanne Cheeky Vimto. Lovely headed bitch with a kind expression. Nice length of neck, good shoulder placement, straight in front with a good spring of rib. Moved well. **2 Nixon's Quintana Qin Qiao.** Lovely size of bitch who just now needs to mature, feminine head and nicely balanced throughout. Straight front with well angulated quarters.

Post Graduate Bitch. 1 Reed- Puddledub Pinza. A smaller bitch but another one built on correct lines. Lovely head, balanced with a good eyeshape, super length of neck and lay of shoulders. Plenty of depth and substance, correct bone with a strong topline. Well-rounded quarter, Lovely free mover. **2 Garvey- Richtig Rah Rah.** Not as positive on the move as the first but of a nice type. Pleasing head, eye and expression. Compact outlook, standing four square. Presented in well firm, hard condition on the day. **3 Upton-Lovett & Upton's Seasham Kind of Magic.**

Limit Bitch. 1 Haran & Waddell's Magregor Shneeball. Just what I was looking for today. A bitch combining strength and substance with a feminine and elegant appearance. Best of heads with a good eye shape and colour. Strong masculine neck set in well placed shoulders. Stands on good legs and feet. Well ribbed firm topline that she keeps on the move. Well-rounded quarters and a good bend of stifle. Soundest of movers, who moved out on a free and easy stride. I was pleased and proud to award her **BCC & BOB** and then to see her go **Gp4** in a strong Gundog group. **2 Tierney's Puddledub Pour Moi.** One who handles well, good size and pleasing breed type. Balanced head, clean front and has the required bone and substance throughout. Firm body with good strength of loin. Pleasing width of hind quarters. Very sound on the move both fore and aft. **3 Sielski's Orchidstar Xtra O'live.**

Open Bitch. 1 Hayes' Valger Quartz in Elfrindew. Another quality bitch who headed a very strong and competitive class. Very typical head with a lovely eye and expression. Good depth of chest with plenty of heart room. Good legs and feet Short backed, pleasing topline and tailset. Strong well-muscled quarters, one that was definitely fit for function, moved well. **RBCC. 2 Harris' Sh Ch Barleyarch Peanut JW.** Compact bitch of good size who pushed the winner all the way. Elegant throughout and of good make and shape. Pleasing head, very clean over her neck and shoulders. Big ribs, short coupled nicely angulated hind quarters positive on the move. **3 Elrington's Barleyarch Beetle at Tequesta JW.**

Veteran Bitch. 1 Thompson's Redmires Talk of the Catwalk. Bitch that stands four square over a lot of ground. Balanced head with typical appearance. Good legs and feet. Pleasing depth, firm well-muscled body. Moved soundly on a free and easy stride. **2 Brown's Montalba Millie Chillum ShCM.** Taller framed bitch, of a different stamp and style to the winner. Good head, with a dark eye and pleasing expression. Well boned, level topline, well-made quarters with a good bend of stifle.