

CRITIQUE - DARLINGTON DOG SHOW SOCIETY

Judge: Mrs V Hawksby

I enjoyed my day judging Darlington show despite the cold wet weather, which did affect several exhibits. Thank you to the committee for inviting me to judge and also my steward for his excellent services.

Veteran Dog (2). **1 Ellis' Sh Ch Indijazz Originale at Soellis.** 7 year old dog looking his absolute best. Super masculine head, strong neck flowing into excellent shoulders. Strong rear quarters. Correct coat and excelled on the move. Very happy to award him **DCC**.

Minor Puppy Dog (2). **1 McArdle's Archerpoint I Want It All.** Well constructed youngster with good bone, super head and short coarse coat. Good fore and aft angulation and steady on the move. Should have a promising future. **2 Angus' Barleyarch Lismore via Calmerell.** Very much a baby but much to like about him when he settled. Well laid shoulders and good rear angulation. Just needs time to come together.

Puppy Dog (3). **1 Hinchliff's Goosepoint Gloster Grebe (AI).** Super youngster at the top end of puppy, strong masculine head, arched neck and well angulated shoulders, well muscled hind quarters and excellent movement. One to watch for the future. **BP. 2 Hooper & Brooks' Kentsteen Diemel.** Flashy young dog with sound conformation and very pleasing head. Steady on the move but not as settled as 1 which I put down to the cold wet weather. **3 Wright's Goosepoint Spitfire Over Steelrigg (AI).**

Junior Dog (3,1). **1 Cox's Ceilloch Merlot by Cushatlaw.** I have watched this dog improve as he matured and came together. Good depth of chest, well angulated shoulders and stifle. Kind expression and the best of coats. Sound steady movement. **2 Staley's Jomeel Midnight Rambler.** Pleasing head. Longer in the loin than 1. Not very steady on the move.

Yearling Dog (2,1). **1 Thurm's Bryburn Bacchus JW.** Loved his head. Good overall conformation. Moved as one with his handler.

Post Graduate Dog (1). **1 Jackman's Navigareamor Hardtoport.** Taller dog but well constructed. Excellent coat and moved well.

Limit Dog (4,1). **1 Bennett's Barleyarch Firefly.** This dog gets better every time I see him. Love his head, strong neck, excellent conformation and covers plenty of ground standing. Short loin. Good coat and stylish mover. Well handled. **RDCC. 2 Staley's Keigame Chilli Bean At Jomeel.** another well constructed dog. Good strong bone and very pleasing head. Moved well. **3 Milligan's Jessophia's Oberynt Martell.**

Open Dog (5,1). **1 Bennett's Sh Ch Puddledub Poit Dhuhb.** I have long admired this dog. Masculine head, dark eye and balanced throughout. Very sound movement. I think the cold got to him today and sadly he was not happy in the challenge. **2 Mann & Roden's Sh Ch Valger Nearco From Keigame (AI) JW.** 8 years old, looking well for his age. Pleasing head, moved OK. **3 Thompson's Redmires High Society.**

Veteran Bitch (1). **1 Brown's Montalba Millie Chillum ShCM.** Lovely head and kind eye. Very balanced standing, her movement belies her eleven years, very steady and true. Showed and handled very well.

Minor Puppy Bitch (7,1). **1 Rutherford's Cushatlaw Charisma of Dappledele.** 1st in a super puppy class. Feminine head, well angled shoulders and turn of stifle. Short back. Handled and moved well. **2 Jackman's Archerpoint One Vision.** another quality youngster with feminine head and good construction. Plenty of bone and superb coat. Moved well, just needs time to settle. **3 Bellinger & Felstead's Cushatlaw Chaos At Woodhawk.**

Puppy Bitch (3,1). **1 Stammer's Deena Balettanzer at Lochpointer.** Love her head, strong bone and overall construction, excels in movement for one so young. Just a bit of a handful standing at the moment. **2 Bellinger & Felstead's Cushatlaw Chaos at Woodhawk.**

Junior Bitch (6). **1 Stammer's Deena Ballettanzer at Lochpointer.** **2 Tierney's Ceilloch Crimson.** Well constructed young bitch with pleasing head. Just a bit erratic on the move. Should do well once she has settled. **3 Ellis' Soellis Fannie Annie.**

Yearling Bitch (5,1). **1 Milligan's Isara Kurzhaar All Spice.** Lovely feminine head. Well balanced standing with quality bone and sound true movement. **2 Pudney's Pitwit Winter Glow JW.** Another well constructed youngster with good coarse coat and moved well. **3 Baines' Sparrowbridge Crazy Diamond.**

Post Graduate Bitch (5,2). **1 Ellerker & Hunton's Mischief Maker Brecon at Deaconsmiley.** Much to like about this young lady. Moderation throughout. Lovely feminine head and stylish on the move. **2 Thompson's Redmires Bedazzled.** Smaller than 1 but well put together with lovely head. Not quite settled moving. **3 Stopforth's Smilek running Up Snowdon.**

Limit Bitch (10,2). **1 Harris' Barleyarch Playtime (AI) JW.** 1st in a lovely class. Typical head, dark eye and elegant neck. Well laid shoulders and strong rear quarters. Coarse coat and ring presence in abundance, especially on the move. Pleased to award her with her 3rd **BCC & BOB. 2 Sielski's Orchidstar Xtra O'live JW.** This girl caught my eye with her balanced and excellent movement. Super lines, kind eye and good bone. **RBCC. 3 Drysdale's Drysika Fast Track.**

Open Bitch (3). **1 Thurm's Sh Ch Valger Odette.** Always loved this girl's ring presence at six years she flows around the ring, very balanced standing with lovely head. **2 Cox's Cushatlaw Irresistable JW ShCM.** Feminine head but preferred the topline and movement of 1. **3 Tierney's Sh Ch Keigame Hustle JW ShCM.**