

# CRITIQUE - MIDLAND COUNTIES CANINE ASSOCIATION

Judge: Mrs M Nixon

A very good entry to which I thank all exhibitors. However, I am hugely concerned at the lack of type, especially in heads. Dogs which looked stunning in profile, when viewed from the front lacked depth of muzzle, had broad features, poorly set eyes resulting in an untypical expression. I beg breeders to be aware of this. We are in danger of losing the lovely soft expression of the GSP roman noses. Size is another issue. However, I was very pleased with my top winning dogs.

**Minor Puppy Dog (2).** **1 Stopforth's Taftazini Cesar Chance.** A lovely 6 month puppy of correct size, super head, moved very well for one so young. **2 Angus' Barleyarch Lismore Via Calmerell.** Another nice puppy of 8 months, well up for size and very proud of his tail, movement was a bit loose but will improve.

**Puppy Dog (1).** **1 Hooper & Brooks' Kentsteen Diemel.** An 11 month flashy dog with a lovely head and expression, movement was good, he showed very well but hope he doesn't grow on much more.

**Junior Dog (4,3).** **1 Hinchliff's Goosepoint Gloster Grebe (AI) JW.** 12 month old dog with excellent movement, good type, topline kept on the move, plenty big enough, expertly shown.

**Post Graduate Dog (8).** **1 Delaney's Redmires Ticket To The Stars JW.** Nice type, not overdone in any way, correct size, good profile, long neck leading into well laid shoulders, good deep chest and well muscled, would like more length of muzzle. **2 Jackman's Navigareamor Hardtoport.** Larger than first but good stamp of GSP, moved well when not strung up, kind expression and preferred his head to first, who won on overall type. **3 Hamlin's Know No Bounds At Nuash JW.**

**Limit Dog (6).** **1 Sielski's Orchidstar Wotsit JW.** A compact dog with a very flashy jacket, nice head and expression, correct size, moved well. **2 Bennett's Barleyarch Firefly.** Lovely type with super head and long neck into well laid shoulders, good turn of stifle, moved well, could change places at any time. **3 Mann's Valger Quorum JW.**

**Open Dog (9,1).** **1 Gatcliffe's Allezweck Shamrock.** My notes say 'heads won in the end!' Lovely typical GSP head, kind expression. The complete package, moved with animation and pleased to award him the **DCC**. **2 Adams' Sh Ch Barleyarch Ariat JW ShCM.** What a lovely dog, stunning outline, short backed, standing over plenty of ground, excelled in movement, expertly shown but lost out on heads today! **RDCC**. **3 Cooke & Hammond's Seasham Super Trouper JW.**

**Minor Puppy Bitch (10).** **1 Squire's Taftazini Honour Wynna.** What a good class. Any of them could change places but I loved this puppy bitch who went **BP**. Didn't know until later that she was the sister of the puppy dog winner. One for the future, she has all the essentials and is so typy. **2 Blay's Barleyarch Skye At Longbarrow.** 8 month old, another very nice puppy, litter sister to second in puppy dog, another one for the future, a bright prospect. **3 Rutherford's Cushatlaw Charisma Of Dappledele.**

**Puppy Dog (8).** **1 Squire's Taftazini Honour Wynna.** **2 Slack's Pingarrypoint Legolustrous.** 9 month old, good make and shape, long neck, deep chest, shows promise but does not need to grow any more. **3 Sielski's Orchidstar Tooty Fruitie.**

**Junior Bitch (7,1).** **1 Hustler's Aytee Katerina.** Substantial but very nice bitch, lovely head and gentle expression, good jacket, moved steadily. **2 Rose's Kavacanne Fraggie Rock.** Very smart outline, pretty head and expression, feminine, correct size, moved precisely. **3 Tierney's Ceilloch Crimson.**

**Post Graduate Bitch (13,4).** **1 Burford's Pingarypoint Eye Candy.** Nicely constructed with a good outline, head and expression good, chiselled neck, moved well. **2 Pitman's Pitwit Festive Time At Westard.** Much more cobby sort, plenty big enough but nice head and expression, she moved with drive. **3 Rose & Gaffney's Kavacanne Vixen JW.**

**Limit Bitch (13,2).** **1 Trow's Winterwell Inca Trail JW.** At last, a lovely class with hair splitting decisions between first and second. Both typical GSPs, feminine and correct type, both have lovely heads and expressions, long neck, stand up over plenty of ground. First slightly better turn of stifle and closer coupled. She got my decision and the **BCC & BOB**. Only later did I learn this was her third. Congratulations. Two exceptional dogs. **2 Harris' Barleyarch Playtime (AI) JW.** **3 Haran & Waddell's Magregor Shneeball.**

**Open Bitch (8).** **1 Elrington's Barleyarch Beetle At Tequesta.** Again two very typy bitches. Both moving with drive. Correct head, correct size. First was very well muscled and shown to perfection. **RBCC**. **2 Hayes' Valger Quartz In Elfrindew.** A little cracker, animated, full of character, she could not be ignored, unfortunate to meet winner of class who was also in sparkling form. **3 Tierney's Sh Ch Keigame Hustle JW ShCM.**