YORKSHIRE SHETLAND SHEEPDOG CH SHOW 04-05-2025

It was an honor to judge the bitches at this show the last time was in 2006 and the first club to give me my first club open show appointment in 1991. With full agreement of my co-judge Mrs Maureen Bywater BIS went to the dog Ch Edglonian Golden Graham and the rest of the awards to the bitches CC and RBIS Valdosta Goddess, BPIS Rannerdale Sugar Puff and BVIS Ch Smiddyshaw I'll B There for U. Without taking anything away from the main winners the overall quality has declined to what it was years ago however saying that I was really pleased with my final line up.and on the plus side I found size and length of tails have improved.

MINOR PUPPY BITCH (11) (2)

A very promising class where some lovely babies had to go cardless I could have done with more firsts.

1. WINFIELD'S OAKCROFT AMAZING STAR

S/W of 8 months, very feminine and just the type I like, excellent for breed type, nice dark almond eye, good stop, correctly placed ears which she used well, good reach of neck, good front and shoulder placement, nice long tail, spot on for size. Very well presented. Moved well for her age just needs to settle to trouble the best. I am sure she will have a very bright future.

2. METTAN-URE'S OAKCROFT GRACEFUL STAR OVER SAVENDIE

SW of 8 months litter sister to 1 but built on racier lines, again nice for type, good head, eye and expression, super reach of neck, ears nice on top which she used well, good front and shoulder placement, good hindquarters which allowed her to move soundly. Well handled and presented.

3. STAFORD'S RANNERDALE COCO POP

PUPPY BITCH (4)

1. BRAY'S LIANBRAY LUCY LOCKET

Very feminine pale SW of nearly 11 months who stood out in this class and who I have admired since a baby puppy, lovely for type, correct head properties, good stop, nice dark eye, super sweet melting expression, nice arched neck, good front, showed well, spot on for size, good length of tail. Moved well. Well handled and presented.

2. O'CONNELL'S KISHDIGRA ATOMIC GODDESS (IKC)

SW bitch of nearly 10 months has to be handled to be appreciated, not as feminine and slightly larger than I like but have to say she was faultless to go over and was very nicely constructed. Head in proportion to her size, good eye and lovely expression, good ears which she used really well, good front and shoulder placement, good hind quarters which allowed her to flow around the ring, lovely long tail. Just wish she was a bit smaller. Well-handled and presented. I am sure her young owner will have a lot of fun with her.

3. METTAN-URE'S SAVENDIE MELEYS

JUNIOR BITCH (5) (1)

1. JOHNSON, JACOBS & JOHNSON'S WILLOWTHORN ROULETTE

SW of 11 months which I have admired from the ringside. Spot on for size, good head properties, nice dark eye, good ear carriage which she used well, nice arched neck, good hindquarters which allowed her to move well, nice long tail, well-handled and presented.

2. PIERCE'S PHILHOPE CLEARLY PRECIOUS

Lovely SW super wedge head, lovely eye and expression, correctly placed stop, excellent ear carriage ears were right on top which she never stopped using, lovely arched neck, good front and shoulder placement, good legs and feet, good hindquarters which allowed her to move well, lovely long tail. Well-handled and presented. Pressed 1 hard and unlucky to meet 1.

3. MILES' MILESEND GOLD SILK

YEARLING BITCH (4) (1)

1. PEARSON'S EDGLONIAN APRICOT LIL

SW of 19 months very feminine, nice for size, who excels in length of neck, shape and confirmation. Lovely head qualities giving sweet expression, nice dark eye, excellent ear carriage which she used well, super front and hind angulation, good shoulder placement, super arched lovely long neck, moved soundly around the ring. Had to be content with Res CC today as she is at that age where she just needs more coat to complete the picture. As I have said before about this kennel an example in handling and presentation there wasn't a hair out of place. I am sure her future is bright and she will easily gain her title.

2. CLEGRAM'S SMIDDYSHORE ALL THE GLITZ

Tri of 23 months who I have admired since I saw her as a puppy, lovely black coat, excellent head qualities, dark eye and sweet expression, correctly placed ears which she never stopped using, lovely arched neck, good front and shoulder placement and good hindquarters which allowed her to move soundly around the ring with ease, lovely long tail. Just needs more coat to complete the picture and when this comes and she matures I am sure she will trouble the best as I find the bitches from this kennel get better with age. Unlucky to meet 1.

3. NORRIS' SABEMA MAYFLY AT FERNGROVE

MAIDEN BITCH (5)

1. WINFIELD'S OAKCROFT AMAZING STAR

2. METTAN-URE'S OAKCROFT GRACEFUL STAR OVER SAVENDIE

3. STAFFORD'S RANNERDALE CRUNCHY NUT

NOVICE BITCH (4)

1. STAFFORD'S RANNERDALE SUGAR PUFF

Feminine SW of nearly 7 months excellent for size and breed type. Excellent head qualities with the sweetest of expressions, lovely almond shaped eyes, good front and hindquarters, super shoulder placement, good reach of neck, good bone legs and feet, super confirmation she really needs to be handled to appreciate what lies underneath as I thought she was really lovely to go over. I am sure she will have a bright future. In complete agreement with my co-judge BPIS.

2. METTAN-URE'S SAVENDIE MELEYS

Very plain tri who is correct for size and excels in confirmation and movement. Lovely arched neck, good bone, legs and feet. Would just prefer more stop and more refinement in head qualities. Her confirmation allowed her to flow around the ring. Lovely long tail. Well-handled and presented.

3. REVILL'S STANYDALE SECRET DREAM AT NERAKLEEGRADUATE BITCH (8) (2)

1. ROWAN'S ROWANCREST CINDERELLA

Very glamorous golden SW who topped a quality class, correct for size and breed type, good head properties with well-placed eye and merry expression topped by neat ears which she never stopped using, lovely length of neck, good legs and feet, super long tail, moved and showed well. In lovely coat and condition which was presented in top order.

2. JACKSON'S RIBANS STARLET OF MILESEND (JKC)

Lovely feminine SW correct for size, lovely head, eye and sweetest of expressions, nice eye shape and placement, good ears which she used well, good bone, legs and feet, moved well. Well handled and presented. Unlucky to meet 1.

3. SOROCKYJ'S SHAZBEC MAID OF HONOUR AT SHELTISHA (JW)

POST GRADUATE BITCH (6) (1)

1. PERKIN'S PEPPERHILL JIVE TALKING AT CALAMBRAY

Lovely blue Merle nice for size who won this class on her movement and lovely confirmation, good head properties, eye and expression, nice reach of neck, good legs and feet, good ears which she used well but would just prefer them slightly smaller, lovely long tail. Moved well as her construction would suggest. Well-handled and presented.

2. DANIELS & TAYLOR'S PEPPERHILL LIGHT 'N SHADE

Another nice merle from the same kennel. Neat head qualities, good eye and lovely expression, good reach of neck, good front and hindquarters, nice ears which she used well. Lovely colour. Good length of tail. Moved well and well presented.

LIMIT BITCH (12) (1)

This was a lovely class, and many nice bitches had to go cardless.

1. HAYHURST'S KEYSCHARM SWEET CANDY

Very plain SW of 2 years, very feminine and spot on for size, lovely head qualities, lovely dark eye and very merry expression, good front and shoulder placement, lovely bone, super reach of neck, lovely long tail, good hindquarters which allowed her to move with ease. Well-handled and presented, topped a class of quality bitches.

2. HILL'S MOLSON MINE TILL MIDNIGHT

Very flashy golden SW of 3 years of excellent breed type, correct for size, lovely head qualities, nice dark eye, lovely expression, good ears which she used well, good bone, legs and feet, super length of neck, lovely long tail. Flowed around the ring as her construction would suggest. Well-handled and presented. I was splitting hairs between her and my winner, one I liked very much and was unlucky to meet 1.

3. THORNLEY'S FELTHORN GOODTIME GIRL

OPEN BITCH (7)

1. MITCHELL'S VALDOSTA GODDESS (JW)

Very feminine SW bitch of excellent quality and breed type of correct size who I have admired from the ringside on many occasions, excellent head qualities, neat eye, correctly placed stop, sweetest of expressions, good reach of neck, lovely front and shoulder placement, lovely neat ears which she never stopped using. Good hindquarters which enabled her to flow around the ring with ease. Showed and moved well and gave all to her handler today who was showing her and not her owner. Well-handled and presented. Delighted to award her the CC her 2nd and hope her crown is not far away as I feel she has been unlucky on many occasions. With full agreement of my co-judge RBIS and BOS. Just preferred the more refinement of this bitch over the dog for RBIS.

2. HILL'S MOLSON ITS MORVEN

Another nice SW from this kennel, nice for size, good head, eye and expression, good reach of neck, good front and hindquarters. Nice long tail. Lovely confirmation which allowed her to move correctly. In good coat and condition. Well-handled and presented.

3. BRAY'S CH DANDLEWOOD KISS 'N TELL AT LIANBRAY (IMP NLD)

VETERAN BITCH (5) (1)

1. CLEGRAM, BERRY'S CH SMIDDYSHAW I'LL BE THERE FOR U (JW VW)

Lovely golden SW bitch at nearly 10 years of age who could show some of the youngsters how to move, excellent for size, correct head qualities, correctly placed almond eye, good neck, good front and shoulder placement and upper arm, good legs and feet, lovely long tail and as her construction suggests floated around the ring effortlessly. Expertly handled and presented. In complete agreement with my co judge BVIS over a very nice veteran dog.

2. FORBES' WELLNEUK DANCING FLAME (JW ShCM)

Lovely Shaded SW of nearly 11 who is a credit to her owners. Nice for size, good head properties, eye and expression, super reach of neck, good ears which she used well, lovely reach of neck. Good bone, legs and feet, good length of tail. A credit to her owner for the condition that she is in. Moved well for her age. Well-handled and presented.

3. GRUSZKA SAMPHREY SEA BREEZE (VW)

SPECIAL OWNERS BITCH (4) (1)

1. HICKLING'S SHELTISHA BELL OF THE BALL AT NATARA (JW)

BM of nearly 7 years, lovely blue colour who is correct for size, good head qualities with well placed eye, good ears which she used well. Good front and hindquarters, good reach of neck, front and shoulder assembly. Nice length of tail. Moved well. Presented to perfection and shown in top order.

2. CHEAL'S VALDOSTA GALADRIEL AT FAEMADRA

SW full litter sister to my CC winner Nice for size, good head properties, good eye and ear placement which she used well. Good reach of neck. Nice long tail. Well-handled and presented. Moved well.

3. METTAN-URE'S SAVENDIE MELEYS

SPECIAL OPEN SABLE & WHITE BITCH (2) (1)

1. HILL'S MOLSON MOVIE STAR

Another nice bitch from this kennel, very feminine golden SW, super head qualities with nicely placed dark eye and sweet expression, good reach of neck, good front and shoulder placement, good hindquarters and nice long tail. Well-presented and moved well. Even though she stood alone she was worthy of the first place.

SPECIAL TRICOLOUR, BLACK/WHITE OR BLACK/TAN BITCH (4)

1. STAFFORD'S RANNERDALE QUEEN OF THE NITE

Lovely tri spot on for size with super head qualities, lovely tan markings and jet black coat, correctly placed stop lovely dark almond shaped eye, good front and hind quarters, lovely reach of neck, good shoulder placement, nice long tail, moved and showed well. One I liked very much.

2. SAUNDER'S TACHNAMADRA BUTTON MOON AT FERNFREY

Tri of 4 years, spot on for size, neat head proportions, sufficient reach of neck, good front, showed well. Well handled and presented. Just preferred the more sweetness in expression and femininity of 1.

3. HICKLING 'S NATARA TRI TO BE GOOD

SPECIAL OPEN BLUE MERLE BITCH (2)

1. PERKINS PEPPERHILL JIVE TALKING AT CALAMBRAY

2. DANIELS & TAYLOR'S PEPPERHILL LIGHT 'N SHADE

TRACY GARTLAND (ARCOT) JUDGE