

Border Union Agricultural Society

June 16th 2019

Shetland Sheepdogs

I was so looking forward to judging at Border Union and knowing that the entry to the breed was good for these times. Then to see the overall quality, a fine dry day and lovely setting made it a most enjoyable day.

As the judge on the day you have the opportunity to raise general observations over the dogs entered. I found a few faults again, namely short upper arm and a small number of dogs in need of a good dental scrape and clean. I also came across one or two short tails. By enlarge the conformation & movement was good as was the general overall outline of the dogs entered. I would like to thank my stewards for looking after me during the day and to the Border Union Agricultural Society committee for the invitation to judge. Also, a big thank you to all exhibitors for their support in making it a very special day for me. Finally I would like to mention the smooth running of the day, which I know takes a tremendous amount organising, lots of hard work and effort by the helpers/support staff which keep a show like this ticking over. Well done.

BEST OF BREED: Miss C J Stafford – Ch. Rannerdale Queen O’The North JW
Dog CC: Dr. J Hill - Ch/Aust Ch. Hartly How About Me For Molson (IMP AUS).
Res Dog CC: Miss D J Linford – Hillhenry Thunderstorm JW.
Bitch CC: Miss C J Stafford – Ch. Rannerdale Queen O’The North JW.
Res Bitch CC: Mrs & Mr M Ritchie – Jaelis Mystique Reflection JW.
Best Puppy: Miss C J Stafford - Ch. Rannerdale The Showgirl.
Best Veteran: Miss M G Gatheral – Herds Hallucination JW.

Minor Puppy Dog: 1 Absentee: 0

1st Stafford. Mrs A A: Rannerdale Showmaster: s. 9mth. Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. Almond shape eye & nicely placed ears tipping correctly to give the head expression as expected of the std. Good reach of neck, and level top line under his dense coat. White mane with matching front socks. Good hindquarter angulations with noticeable bend of stifle. Well fitted dense puppy coat. His confirmation could be seen when moved. Stood foursquare and not phased at all. Very well presented.

Puppy Dog 2 Absentees: 1

1st Fisher. Mrs D J: Shellamoyed Black Klansman: s. 11 $\frac{3}{4}$ mths. Well balanced head with tan markings. Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. Correct almond eye shape with ears set tipping. Sufficient reach neck and level top line. No problems with angulations. A coat that complemented a noticeable white collar. Moved smoothly to show good confirmation. Stood four square. Showed well, and well turned out.

Junior Dog: 2 Absentees: 0

1st Sangster. Miss S Sangster: Zaniah Mono Tone of Drumcauchlie: b/w. A balance head with almond shape eyes. Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. Ear placements well placed and with the right amount of tipping, giving a sheltie expression. Smooth sides to face. Level top line, good angulations and muscle tone. Well boned and overall a balanced dog. Stood foursquare.

2nd Goodwin. Mrs L A & Mr K: Highbrook Hobnob JW: s. Balanced head, equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. good expression and ear carriage. Complementing white chest. Level top line with a good sweep of the loin to dense petticoat with well fitting coat. Good angulations and muscle. Presented well.

Yearling Dog: 4 Absentees: 0

1st Walker. Mrs S J: Tooralies Ocho Rios: s/s this dog should do well as he matures. Nicely balanced head with correct obliquely almond shape eyes & natural ear placement which were correctly tipped. Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. A very appealing sweet expression. Dense shaded sable coat and a level top line. Both forefront and hindquarters angulations were good as was his muscle tone His good confirmation could also be seem when moving. Again his presentation was good and well worth his first place.

2nd Lewis. Miss D J, Mr & Mrs V: Donmarvic The Saracen. Again nicely shaped eye, & set obliquely. Slight but definite stop. Correct ear set and used to good effect. Nice outline with white chest and long dense petticoats, good overall angulations. Moved and showed well.

3rd Hull. Mrs G M: Mohnesee Dream Date of Lizmark.

Graduate Dog: 5 Absentees: 0

1st Whitelaw. J P: Katiedale Kingsman: s/s this dog was a surprise to me. Nicely balanced head. Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. With correct obliquely almond shape eyes & natural ear placement which were correctly tipped. A very appealing sweet expression. A white front which lead to a noticeable white collar. Dense shaded sable coat and a level top line. His four white socks were also noticeable, which I liked. Both forefront hindquarters angulations were good as was his muscle tone.

2nd Savage. Mr P J & Mrs P: Willowthorn Kobalt Star by Savataurus JW Jun CH: b/m. Balanced head, good expression and ear carriage. White chest & collar. Level top line when stood correctly leading to dense petticoat. Unfortunate to be up against first.

3rd Proctor. Mr P. Stiosan Still Game.

Post Graduate Dog: 5 Absentees: 1

1st Dixon. Mrs J: Tachamadra toffee Apple – s/s Sweet expression. Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. Correct almond shape eye and natural ear placement, correctly tipped. Full of coat with a dense collar and lovely white chest. Level top line. Good angulations with straight pasterns and noticeable bend of stifle. Good muscle tone. Overall confirmation was good and could be seen when moved. Stood four square, attentive, alert and presented very well.

2nd Sangster. Miss S: Amethrickeh Storm Wizzard – b/m Nice balanced head, with tan marking. Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. Nice expression and ear carriage. Nicely broken up colour with complementing white mane and collar. Level top line with nice sweep of the loin to petticoat. Good angulations and muscle. Moved and presented.

3rd Whitelaw. J P: Katiedale Kingsman.

Limit Dog: 9 Absentees: 1

1st Linford. Miss D J: Hillhenry Thunderstorm JW – tri. Well balanced head. Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. Correct almond eye shape with ears set tipping. Sufficient reach neck and level top line. No problems with angulations. A coat that complemented a noticeable white on base of collar. Moved smoothly to show good confirmation. Stood four square. Showed and presented very well. **Res Dog CC.**

2nd Stafford. Mrs A A: Rannerdale The Entertainer – s/w, equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop, balanced head with good eye and ear set. Of correct size. Good fitting coat and nice white mane. Shown and presented well. Unlucky to be against 1st

3rd Goodwin. Mr K & Mrs L A: Highbrook He's Got Style JW.

Open Dog: 8 Absentees: 0

1st Hill. Dr. J: Ch/Aust Ch. Hartly How About Me For Molson (IMP AUS).s I was pleased to see this dog has matured and develop since I last judged him. Very showy sable, correct head set, sweet expression, Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. good placement of eyes, ears correct when alert, good mane and collar, a coat that hides a good front and rear angulations, straight pasterns, level topline which has to be felt for, Correct set of tail, more than happy to award **Dog CC.**

2nd Gatharal. Miss M G: Ch Herds Humphrey JW. s/s Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. Correct placement of ears with tips dropping forwards and oblique eye set giving an appealing look of the head. Sufficient reach of neck with white mane & collar, Good front and rear angulations his bend of stifle was good with straight hooks. Moved & shown well.

3rd Goodwin. Mr K & Mrs L A: CZ CH Sandwick Turn Back time at Highbrook.

Veteran Dog: 3 Absentees: 1

1st Hogg. S P & A: Chalmoor The Astronaut. s/s this 8yr was attentive to handler. Good carriage of ears, obliquely set of eye and level plains. Blunt wedge when viewed from front and in profile. White collar & socks well presented.

2nd Munro Mr B & Mrs B: Laurelwood Tri Bob. tri 8yr. Tan marking to side of muzzle giving a deceptive appearance but displayed the sheltie expression. Sufficient reach of neck and level topline. Good bend of stifle. Stood & presented well.

Minor Puppy Bitch: 6 Absentees: 1

1st Stafford. Miss C J: Rannerdale The Showgirl. s. 9mth, Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. Wedged shape head from side, ear placement correct when alert, eye setting correct. Nice showy white mane & collar with matching socks, sufficient reach of neck with good angulations on the front & rear quarters, spring of rib evident, straight top line with sweep over the loin, abundant petty coats good bend of stifle, straight hocks, correct tail set. Showed well for her age, good movement. **Best Puppy in Breed.**

2nd Barrowclough. Mrs L & Mr D: Shadows True Blue. b/m. 8mth, Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop, correct set of eyes, good ear carriage, nicely balanced head, nice tan blaze on the head, nice white mane leading to collar, sufficient reach of neck, correct tail set, coat again will become more abundant & improve her outline I'm sure, Definitely worth the 2nd place to first.

3rd Ritchie. Mrs A & Mr M: Shadowess Mystique Thia by Jaelis.

Puppy Bitch: 3 Absentees: 1

1st Drysdale. Mrs A H & Mr J M: Kishdigra Leave Me Breathless For Jondrea (IKA). S. 10mth A sweet feminine lady of correct size & proportion with white mane. She displayed a sweet expression when alert. Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. Sufficient reach of neck leading to level topline and gradual sweep over the loins to croup. Correct set of tail separating dense and long petticoats.

2nd Clubley. Mrs R: Mossvale Secret Romance. b/m 10mth her general colour effect was blue with a white mane. Good ear carriage with almond shaped eyes set obliquely to give that sweet expression. Sufficient reach of neck Level topline when felt with gradual slope over her croup. Abundant coat.

Junior Bitch: 6 Absentees: 0

1st Walker. Mrs S J: Channerswick Pennywise. A well presented b/m. Her general colour effect was blue with a white mane & collar that always looks so striking on a b/m. Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. She was very attentive & alert towards her handler with almond shaped eyes set obliquely to give that sweet expression I was looking for. Level topline and gradual slope over her croup. Good fitting coat.. I would expect this bitch to do well as she matures.

2nd Hardman. Mrs J: Seavall Tartan. tri well balanced head with white muzzle with black and tan forehead. Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. Correct almond eye shape with ear set tipping. Sufficient reach of neck and level top line. No problems with angulations. A coat that complemented a noticeable white collar. Moved smoothly to show good confirmation. Stood four square. Showed and presented well. Well turned out. Unlucky to be against first.

3rd. Shaw. Mrs J S & Miss E: Bramblecroft Reeba at Bluequarry.

Yearling Bitch: 8 Absentees: 1

1st Hateley. Mrs K E: Mohnesee Millybelle JW. This was a well balance bitch whose outline is the type the breed standard calls for. Blunt wedge shape in profile and when view from the top. Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. Oblique almond shape eye. Ears were erect and alert when called for and placed closely with tips dropping forward giving that

all important sweet expression. Sufficient reach of neck. Good angulations to forefront and rear with a level topline, correct set of tail with matching petticoats. Shown & presented well. Unfortunate to be in such a strong unbeaten line up.

2nd Walker. Mrs S J: Channerswick Pennywise

3rd East. Mrs P C: Jacquard Who's Bluffing.

Graduate Bitch: 2 Absentees: 0

1st. Nixon. Mr J E & Mrs M; Japaro It's All About Me. A very showy sable bitch, very feminine expression. Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. Correct tip of ears, alert when in action, correct eye set, with a nice white blaze and part collar, nice wedged shaped head, good reach of neck, good front & rear angulations, level topline, good bend of stifle, straight hocks, nice sweep over the loin, correct tail set, nicely fitting coat. Overall a lovely looking bitch, nicely presented, Again unfortunate to be in a strong unbeaten line up.

2nd Gatheral. Miss M G: Herds Hopefully JW. s/s with white showy blaze and white top of collar. Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. Sweet expression, ears erect & nicely tipped. Correct eye placement, Alert & very attentive, sufficient reach of neck, good front shoulder angulation, level topline, correct bend of stifle, gentle sweep over the loin, good petticoats with correct length of tail, straight hocks, nice fitting coat,. Again well presented and well shown. Unlucky to be up against 1st.

Post Graduate Bitch: 6 Absentees: 2

1st. Elder & Reekie. Mr A, Mrs I, Mis I & Miss M: Ellenyorn Echo Falls. s. A very attentive bitch that showed well for her handler. Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. Sweet expression with well placed ears nicely tipped. Showy white mane. Good reach of neck, good level top line leading lovely petticoats. Close fitting coat that shows a good outline. Presented and shown well.

2nd. Forbes. Miss F M A: Wellneuk Dancing Flame JW. s/s she had a good head expression. Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. Good ear carriage and tipped correctly. Sufficient angulations. Nicely fitting coat, level top line with nice sweep over the loins. Moved very easily. Well put down.

3rd. Babiak. Mr E & Mrs M: Donallin Ultimate Magic at Egalefalls.

Limit Bitch: 6 Absentees: 1

1st Ritchie. Mrs A & Mr M: Jaelis Mystique Reflection JW. S. Overall this was a nicely balance bitch and worthy to be up against the bitch C C winner. She had a well rounded muzzle, equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop with almond shape eye and lovely ear carriages to give a sweet expression. Wedge shape from both viewing from the front and smooth sides. A dense white chest with the white fading around the collar. Good reach of neck. Level top line, which could be felt and a graceful sweep over the loins leading to dense petticoats and tail. Her pasterns were straight leading to good forequarter angulations. Her hindquarters were also noticeable with a good bend of stifle and straight hocks. Her movement was sound yet graceful again demonstrating her sound confirmation. Very well presented. Very attentive to the handler. I was very happy to award her **Res Bitch CC**.

2nd Glover-Guest. Mrs M: Doonelodge Demora. s/s a balanced head of equal proportion, a blunt wedge shape in profile with level parallel planes. Her point of eye was exactly right as was her slight but definite stop. Correct placement of ear set on top of skull with tip dropping forward. Sufficient reach of neck with level topline, nice sweep over the loins and gradual slope to her rear. Correct set of tail separating petticoats Good forefront and rear angulations. She moved and was presented well.

3rd. Fisher. D J: Shellamoyed My Blue Heaven JW.

Open Bitch: 2 Absentees: 0

1st. Stafford. Miss C J: Ch. Rannerdale Queen O'The North JW. This bitch had a presence which made her stand out and worthy of the **Bitch C C**. A well balanced head that made her so appealing, equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. Her eye set really gave you that sweet expression you look for and consolidated by the correct placement of ears, so erect when alert, she knew exactly that was going on! A good reach of neck that lead to a flashy white collar. Correct level plain with rounded muzzle, nice black lips and nose and equal forehead. Sufficient reach of neck leading to a level topline leading to a nice petticoat and correct placement of tail. Good front and rear angulation. Good bend of stifle and straight hocks. A coat that fitted this bitch which complemented her movement. Very well presented. Worthy BoB. Again many thanks for bring her under me.

2nd. Fisher. D J: Shellamoyed Babycham JW. Nicely balance head. Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. Good almond shape eye, carried ears correctly again nicely tipped. Level plain and smooth wedge shape when viewed from sides. Good collar and white chest. Dense coat and level top line. Nice sweep over the loins to petticoat and correctly set tail. Straight pasterns and hocks supporting good angulations. Moved and showed well.

Veteran Bitch: 6 Absentees: 0

1st. Gatheral. Miss M G: s. Herds Hallucination JW. 8 yrs. s bitch showed under me some time ago it was appealing then, and as a veteran it still is. Sweet expression. Nicely balanced head. Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop with almond shape eye, natural ear placement and correctly tipped. Shaded coat, white chest with a dense thin half crest white collar. Forequarter angulations could be felt as could her bend of stifle. Level top line leading to sweep over the loin to her long petticoat blending nicely with her tail. I was very pleased to be able go over her again and made a very worthy unbeaten in the bitch unbenten line up.

2nd. Barnett & Hardman. Mr L C, Mrs D L A: Rainaway Returning To Seavall JW. s/s At 8 year old this s/s, of correct size and outline came into the ring having seen it all before but, I suspect, still enjoying her day out. Equal planes of muzzle to skull, slight but definite stop. She carried her head proudly with a good reach of neck. A balanced head when viewed in profile and from top. A blunt wedge shape from ear to nose. Correct obliquely set almond eye. Ears tip dropping forward. Level topline, good angulations which allowed her to move effortless around the ring. Well presented and will, I'm sure, continue to enjoy her day out in the future. Unlucky to be up against 1st.

3rd. Gruszka. Mr S Mrs D: Samphrey Shades of Blue SHCM.

Judge

Ray Grice.