

EASTERN COUNTIES SHETLAND SHEEPDOG CLUB, 20/11/16

BITCHES – My thanks to the committee for the invitation to judge bitches at their 25th anniversary ch show, to my stewards Jim & Roger for their support & help. My co-judge Mylee Thomas & I were in complete agreement for all the top awards. A lovely days judging, I had some lovely bitches to go over, overall I was looking for breed type, balance & movement, which filled my eye & was as close to the breed standard as possible, front movement is still a big problem, but on the plus side, back ends were mainly good, thank you to the exhibitors for their gracious acceptance of my placings. A lovely happy show!

V (9,2a) 1 Miles' Ch Milesend Milkshake, w/w of 9 years old now, correct breed type, her head is so lovely to go over, lovely outline in full bloom, arched neck, super topline on the move, very good reach & drive, looked a picture standing, lovely bitch, thank you for brining her today; 2 Sandell's Peemeglen Pearl Drop of Sendora, b/w, shapely, spot on for size, very well made, lovely moulded head, neat ears used all the time, moved really well with plenty of drive from behind, 10 years old now & her colour is darkening, but was in lovely coat & condition for her age; 3 French's Sonymer Snowfall over Lindfern. **MP** (6,2) 1 Walker's Tooralie's Matilda, 8 months old tri bitch, jet black with super tan, well made puppy, moved well, nice shape, small neat ears, head handled well, small eye, lovely for size, promising. **BP**; 2 Miles' Milesend Seed Pearl, s/w, attractive 6 month old baby, not quite settled today which affected her front movement, but a lovely type, moved well in profile & when settled looks very shapely, nice puppy; 3 Foster-Cooper's Sheltysham Nut Free. **P** (5) 1 Robinson's Erjon Happy Me at Lavika, s/w, well grown puppy, nice body, shapely in good bloom, moved with drive, very positive in movement, nice chin & foreface. In the challenge just preferred the sweeter expression of MPB; 2 Bray's Lianbray Lorelei, s/w, lovely head & expression, just needs to develop in body, nice mover, pretty shape, just a bit unsettled today, needs time; 3 Mottram's Lanteague Stage Whisper at Lochkaren. **J** (4) 1 Parks' Milesend Sweet Whispers, s/w, a very pretty girl, lovely head, eye & expression as all from this kennel are, moved really well with drive from behind, looked a picture standing, well handled; 2 Bray's Shelridge Shantilly Lace at Lianbray, this young lady is growing into a lovely bitch, very neat ears, super eye on a lovely head, moving well with a level topline, long tail, well groomed & handled well; 3 Ambler's Watchwood Sweetheart of Chalmoor. **Y** (7,3) 1 Durant's Neraklee Chardonnay, s/s/w in lovely bloom, good shape & make, very well made, lovely body with good neck going into well laid shoulder placement, moved with drive & purpose round the ring, lovely girl; 2 Fransham's Sheltysham Bedazzle at Franmead, tri bitch, lovely for size, jet black coat in good condition, short hocks, nice legs & feet, head refined, sweet expression, moved soundly in front but would prefer a more positive hind movement; 3 Buijn's Achors Surpirse Pearl Of Beauty. **N** (9,1) 1 Bussey's Kelgrove Kinda Black Magic, tri bitch, very shapely, nicely made, head refined, neat well used ears, flat skull, deep chest, just needs more coat to compliment the picture; 2 E Happy Me at L; 3 L Lorelei. **G** (6,3) 1 Atkins' Jontygray To Find A Dream, s/w, well balanced bitch with the sweetest of heads, neat ears well used, in good bloom, moved soundly with style & well handled; 2 Biswell's Goldwell Velvet Victoria, well proportioned, ideal size, good tail, short hocks, moved with drive, good head pattern, tight lips, shapely; 3 Forester-Cooper's Sheltysham Bewitched. **PG** (13,6) 1 Morrison's Jontygray Golden Dream at Ketim, s/w, very shapely, head refined, super expression, well made, good bone, well let down behind, moved very well, lovely golden colour, looked a picture, liked her a lot, considered her in the challenge, loved her!; 2

Mitchell & Tydeman's Sendora On For The Road, b/m, another very shapely girl, good head shape, nicely moulded, lovely bone, very well put together & moved accordingly, good colour blue in good bloom, long tail, level topline kept on the move, another nice bitch; 3 Peters' Myter Pennies From Heaven for Shelworth. **L** (11,3) 1 Daniels & Taylor's Pepperhill Kicks 'N' Flicks, b/m, super colour blue, well broken. Well handled, she has the most balanced front & rear & covered the ground with ease, her head is balanced with blue eyes & merry expression, not in full coat but what she had was very well presented, arched neck, lovely bitch, her time will come; 2 Miles' Milesend Bluebell, another blue bitch as her name suggests, very shapely, loved her head, so refined, neat ears, lovely bone, arched neck, level topline which she kept on the move, good eye placement & gentle expression, close up to 1st; 3 Morrison's Jontygray Evening Star at Ketim. **O** (5,1) 1 French's Lindfern Enchanted Dancer, s/w, spot on for size, in really good bloom, moved with plenty of drive from behind, head refined & moulded, lovely eye & expression, level topline, long tail, very glamorous, handled very well; 2 Parker's Tolarock Ice Ice Babe, b/m, nice size, lovely outline, nice clean head properties, lovely showgirl, very well made & moved accordingly, super tail length, for me I would like a tighter ear carriage, nevertheless a lovely bitch, so well handled; 3 Deveson's Lucky Liaison at Lianbray. **S/w** (8,1) 1 Robinson's Ch Lavika Life Time, s/w, lovely shape & make, super topline, moved out smartly, nice head, good chin, tight lips, balanced body, moved really well, looked a picture standing, shown to perfection by her young handler, loved her outlook & style, in lovely bloom. **RCC**; 2 Miles' Lundecoaks Trendsetter, s/w, loved this young lady, super head, eye & expression, moved out really well with her handler, lovely body proportions, short hocks, nice bone, long tail, well presented, just did not want to use her ears today; 3 Barnett & Hardman's Rainway Returning to Seauall. **Tri** (8,1) 1 J Evening Star at K, placed in a lovely Limit class! Well made tri bitch, good black & lovely tan, clean head & expression, shapely, moved with drive, well balanced, in lovely condition, very well handled; 2 Baker & Pettitt's Myriehewe Ellie at Lakebank, heavier than 1, in very good coat & condition, lovely showgirl, balanced all round, so well made so moved really well; 3 Framsham's Sheltysam Bedazzle at Franmead. **B/m** (4,1) 1 Barnett & Hardman's Ch Rainway Crystal Star, lovely b/m, super colour, made right & moved out really well, racy build, well balanced head, good eye placement & sweet expression, ears just tipped but well used. A nice outline & correct sweep over croup, low set tail, good double coat, looked a picture standing, could not deny her the CC, BIS & BV; 2 P Kicks 'N' Flicks; 3 Kennedy's Lirren Blue Gamble at Donbeley.

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DOGS: VD 1 Weller, Evan Sommer Suprize JW, s/w, excellent coat, beautifully presented, lovely masculine expression, correctly placed and tipped ears, flat skull, almond shape eye, good overall profile shape, spot on for size, moved positively. 2 Riding, Willowtarn Taubyn Via Evad ShCM, s/w, lovely balanced shape, excellent reach of neck, level topline, good bend of stifle, would prefer better upper arm, although ears are correctly placed better tipped would enhance his expression, moved ok behind but his front movement let him down today, very attentive showman. 3 Taylor and Yuille, Stanydale All Spiced at Chelermead. **MPD** Very mixed class of puppies of different sizes and quality 1 Forster-Parish, Milesend Blue Raider, b/m, super colour, lovely size, good bone, head needs to develop and ears to settle, coat coming on nicely, front and rear construction ok, would prefer more neck, level topline, moved ok once settled. 2 Goodwin, Highbrook He's Got Style, s/w, really loved the head and expression on this puppy, flat skull, neat ears, correctly placed and shape eye, excellent size

and substance, lovely reach of neck, his topline needs to level, today he looked slightly bum high but as he develops should straighten. Little unsettled on the move. 3 Robinson, Lavika Luminary. PD 1 Robinson, Lavika Luminary, s/w, mature puppy, in excellent coat, good profile shape, correct ears carriage which he used well, lovely almond shaped eye, straight front, neat feet, moved well, I just felt he was up to size and a little strong in head. 2 Sheltysam Nut Box at Alnmac, lovely head and expression, good reach of neck, level topline, little narrow in front which showed in his front movement, showed well. 3 Robinson Lavika London Look. JD I nearly withheld the places in this class as the quality on the day was lacking in all three exhibits and it is a Crufts qualifying class. 1 Durant, Little Pip De Moorstile at Neraklee, b/m, shapely boy of excellent colour, very raw and narrow and needs lots of time to mature and he was extremely unsettled, but his patient and calm handler did well to help his confidence, movement a little to assess and he was not happy with the atmosphere, his head needs to develop and his length of muzzle spoilt his expression. 2 Norman, Milesend Murray, s/w, in good coat and showed well, good size, neat ears, would prefer a sweeter eye as it's a little round, unfortunately carrying too much weight which showed in his movement. 3 Sargent, Stanydale Puttin on The Ritz. YD 1 Walker, Marsula Shogun JW, tri, mature dog of correct size, shown in excellent condition, super profile shape, straight front, neat feet, lovely reach of neck, level topline, good sweep over loin, good depth of chest, masculine expression, I would prefer neater ear carriage, and eye a little round, moved and showed well. 2 Pattinson, Kyleburn Everlasting Dream, I really liked the shape of this dog, super reach of neck and very good front and rear construction, he lacks substance and maturity, lovely refined head, masculine expression, flat skull neat correctly placed ears, a little unsettled on the move, but a quality dog of excellent breed type that just needs time. 3 Linford, Hillhenry Thunderstorn JW. ND 1 Goodwin, Highbrook He's Got Style. 2 Robinson, Lavika Luminary. 3 Robinson London Look. GD 1 Stow and Withers, Stanydale Shot In The Dark, tri, very shapely dog of excellent quality, super front and rear construction, masculine expression, neat ears, flat skull, would prefer a sweeter eye, excellent reach of neck, good depth of chest of spring of rib, good bone, straight front and neat feet, lovely movement in front and profile, but his rear was a little erratic and let him down, not the best of showmen but done enough to win this class, seriously considered him in the challenge but I couldn't look past his rear movement. 2 French, Lirren Tri Wishing, another quality tri with lots to like, really good overall shape and balance, lean masculine head, neat correctly placed ears which he used non stop, moved well both ways, not as mature as my winner and not the finish of coat, lots of promise. 3 Atkins, Willowgarth Harvest Sunset over Jontygray. PGD 1 Mottram's, Midday Sun at Lochkaren, s/w, quality dog, super balanced profile shape, lovely reach of neck, level topline, correct sweep over loins, well constructed front and rear, well let down hocks, correct size, just right amount of bone and substance, masculine wedged shaped head, flat skull, well rounded muzzle, ears correctly placed but slightly better tipped would be better, good almond shaped eye, but lacked pigment around eye lids which slightly detracted from his expression, I really liked this dog and kept going back to him in the challenge but he didn't want to co-operate with his handler, moved well and beautifully presented. 2 Stuckey, Carolellen Country Fair of Honeybear, s/w, another lovely dog, one I've not seen before and lots to like, very shapely in profile and balanced, lovely reach of neck in excellent coat, head not as refined as my winner and although the eye is correctly placed I would prefer it darker, slightly high set tail moved and showed well. 3 Goodwins, Sandwich Turn Back Time at Highbrook. LD 1 Lamberts, Blenmerrow Music Maker, s/w, quality shaded sable of excellent breed type, a dog I've admired from the ringside for sometime, super overall shape, lovely reach of neck, level topline which he kept well on the move, good rear angulation, straight front, good depth of chest, I would prefer a better upper arm in front, which would have given a better front extension, lovely size and just the right amount of substance, in super coat, lean

wedged shaped head, good fill of foreface, flat skull, ears a little wide set, which slightly detracts from his expression, but his overall quality deserved his award, beautifully presented, steady showman, well deserved CC in an excellent line up. 2 Stock's Shemist Black Wizard, another dog I have always liked, but today could'nt match the overall quality of my winner, lovely overall shape, excellent reach of neck, level topline, sound construction, super mover, not the balance of my winner in height to length ratio, and not as refined in head, very good showman. 3 Miles, Keycharm Blue Suede Shoes of Milesend. OD 1 Bastiani and John, Ch Hawk Blue Eye Des Romarins De Mayerlins Joins Auberswell JW, b/m, loved this dog for his super overall shape and balance, lovely coloured blue with full white collar, lovely reach of neck, level topline, good sweep over loins, sound construction, moved with drive behind and good front extention, would prefer neater feet, and although he has a masculine head, neat ears and correct eye shape and placement, his stop is a little deep and I would have liked a little more underjaw, and he is up to size, but he had the overall quality to win this class. 2 Goodwins, Highbrook Hot Heir JW, s/w, a dog with a super refined head and masculine expression, lovely ear set, flat skull, correct dark almond shaped eye, in excellent coat of correct texture, straight front, would prefer better upper arm and more reach of neck, he has very good rear angulation, spot on for size, excellent bone and substance, beautifully presented, good rear movement with drive, but lacked front extention, but overall a worthy champion, just preferred the shape and elegance of my winner. 3 Thornley's, Felthorn Jazz Singer JW. SpO Sable/White 1 Fransham, Jontygray Gilt Edged For Franmead, lovely elegant shape, enchanced by good reach of neck, level topline, very good front and rear angulation which showed in his sound movement, just the amount of substance for his size, refined head with neat correctly placed ears which he used non-stop, flat skull, would have preferred a darker eye, masculine expression, in excellent coat, unfortunately today he was far too happy with his tail carrying it far too high and well over the back when moving and had to pay the price when it came to top honours. 2 Stuckey, Carolelen Country Fair at Honeybears. 3 Bastiani and John, Faitmoirever Jocker Desromarinsde Maylering Joins Auberswell JW. SpO Tricolour 1 Whittington, Tighness Three Card Trick, a superbly constructed dog, excellent upper arm and shoulder, lovely reach of neck, going into level topline, correct sweep over loins, very good bend of stifle, good length of tail, shown in superb condition, he has a masculine expression, lovely dark almond shape eye, neat ears, I would prefer a more refined head and a little less stop, he is a fabulous moving dog with excellent front extension and drive from behind and moves effortlessly and with ease, a true example of how a sheltie should move, ideally I would prefer him a shade smaller as he is up to size, but I was not going to penalise a dog of such sound construction. RCC. 2 Saunders, Sendora Quickstep, pleasing outline in profile, spot on for size, masculine expression, moved ok, showed very well. 3 Morgan and Robinson, Calambray Back Chat. SpO Blue Merle 1 Tinker, Hillhenry Winter Storm Over Riggsbeck JW, in excellent coat, good overall shape, very good colour and well presented, moves soundly, I would prefer him a shade smaller, and his head needs to be more refined, showed very well. 2 Riding, Anchor's Surprise Percy Polaris for Torinska, a really lovely colour and good overall shape in profile, he just needs more time to mature and blossom, he's rather narrow all through and his head needs to develop, but he had a lovely personality and showed well. 3 Hoare, Briggsview Gambling Man.

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