

EAST OF ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW 8TH JULY 2023

Thank you to the exhibitors for super entry and coping well with the showers that were sent to disrupt the judging. Lovely temperaments throughout. Type in heads varied and some lacked neck/angulation to give the correct daisy cutting action. I was also surprised how many were not groomed through, and coats were matted underneath the top coat. That said my main winners were beautifully presented. Found number to be far too fat, especially in PG bitch, this is a herding breed and they need to be nimble and light of feet.

MPD (1) 1 Emmaview Mastermind (Whitchurch). Well coated and presented baby, hopefully has done all his growing. Head has good width to flat skull and muzzle and skull balanced, would like to see more under jaw. Balanced angulation. Moved ok in profile but little close going away. Needs to settle more to get best of himself.

PD (4,1) 1 Valdosta Gracelands (Mitchell), very attractive dog, good outline on stand. Broad flat skull, with ears and eyes placed correctly to give correct expression. Alert to handler. Well boned and has good angles and reach of neck, with firm topline to sloping croup. Best mover in the class, having effortless stride. BP & PG4. 2 Shadoway Justa Chance (Arnould) smaller framed dog, just off square in outline, good topline to rump. Would prefer more front angulation and neck. Attractive head, muzzle and skull balanced and with good sized dark eye. Lovely expression. Moved ok just needs to develop behind. 3 Willowgarth Unlimited Love (Stockden)

JD (4) 1 Lavika Moonlight Storm (Robinson) pleasing outline and size, shown in good coat and ex presentation. Good angulation front & rear, and slope to croup. Well developed chest. Head still to mature, would prefer more strength to underjaw to complete wedge shape. Good width to flat skull and eye is correct shape but could be darker in tricolour. Moved well and effortlessly in all directions. 2 Ferngrove's Valentino JW (Norris), bigger framed dog, excellent bone and in super coat, which is well presented. Found him shade longer cast in outline. Attractive head, with well placed ear and eye. Good topline and low set tail. Needs to drop in chest, which affects his movement in front, but good behind. 3 Hillhenry in Your Honour (Linford)

YD (7,2) 1 Lundecock's Hoopie-Doo at Lochkaren JW (Imp Swe) (Mottram) – good size and balanced outline. Shown in good coat. Pleasing bone and well angulated front and rear, good chest. Attractive head with well placed oval eye and ear, stop quite defined and mid length of head. Moved very well. 2 Lirren Quickstep to Oakcroft JW (Winfield), good size and with correct bone and tight feet. Preferred neck of winner. Attractive head, flat skull and well set oblique eye. Sound on the move. 3 Milesend Black Tartan (Varnom)

GD (5) 1 Afterglow Sky Miles to Bordercot (Brady & Lynn) – b/m good size and smooth outline, good croup and low set tail, well boned legs to tight feet. Clean head, muzzle and skull balanced, eyes of correct shape and set to give sweet expression. Moved soundly. 2 Sandwich Songwriter (Walley), attractive tri dog, shade longer cast, which changes balance. Croup slopes away steeply. Head is good wedge and eye well placed, but shade round, ears well placed. Not as tidy behind on the move as winner and little fond of tail. 3 Kelgrove Midsummer Blue at Stormhead (Rutterford)

PGD (5) 1 Shadowess Lockdown Hero (Barrowclough) well presented dog of good size. Would prefer more front angulation and reach of neck. Attractive head, flat skull, dark eye well set, and stop mid length of head. Presents clean outline. Moved ok behind but prefer more reach of stride in front. 2 Emmaview Only Best (Whitchurch), not in full jacket, so looked rather immature. Head is correct wedge, flat skull, neat ears and well placed dark eye. Angles are moderate. Topline held well. Moved ok but would prefer more length of stride. 3 Kelgrove Midsummer Blue at Stormhead (Rutterford)

LD (13,1) 1 Ketim Final Edition (Morrison) pleasing in outline, correct bone to tight feet. Good angulation front and rear and reach to neck. Gentle slope to croup. Attractive head with parallel planes, obliquely set eye and good muzzle. Moved very well, with minimum of lift in front and drive behind. 2 Solytic Inaugural Gold JW OSW (Gamble), another lovely dog, well coated, and with clean

smooth outline. Correct angles front and rear, good topline. Attractive wedge head with neat ears and lovely expression. Moved well in all directions. 3 Lorainian Kings Ransom at Lindfern (French)

OD (7) 1 Ch Rannerdale Showmaster JW (Stafford), heading a lovely class, such a quality dog, shown in excellent condition and presentation, he is so alert to his handler. Classic wedge head, showing correct planes and clean lines, lovely expression from well placed oval eyes and ears. Firm back, gentle slope to croup and low set tail. Good angles front and rear, he is well put together, and this shows on the move as he covers ground with ease. DCC 2 Ch Lavika Starlight Salute (Robinson) another quality dog, excellent in profile, with smooth outline. Correct amount of bone and shown in great coat which is beautifully presented. Pleasing wedge head, with stop placed midway on skull. He is little stronger in head than winner. Well placed eye and beautiful ear carriage, shown alert to handler. Well angulated and moved well. RDCC 3 Ch Lindfern Light Sabre JW (French)

VD (3) 1 Ch Oakcroft Star Force JW (Winfield), quality dog shown in good coat and condition. Pleasing outline, smooth transition from neck to tail. Stands on well boned legs to tight feet. Attractive wedge head, neat ears and lovely eye for colour and set. Good chest and angulation. Moved well in all directions. 2 Willowthorn Kobalt Star by Savataurus JW Jun Ch (Savage) bigger framed b/m. Shown in good coat, and bone. Firm topline, would prefer more reach to neck. Flat skull and good eye but prefer more jaw to complete wedge. Moved ok. 3 Kyleburn Everlasting Dream JW (Pattinson)

Special Beginners Dog (1) 1 Sandwick Songwriter (Walley), see grad dog.

MPB (6) 1 Rannerdale Queen of The Nite (Stafford) – tri in ex coat and well presented. Good bone and feet and well angulated front & rear. Feminine head – correct wedge shape with good balance of muzzle to skull. Skull is flat and ears well set. Moved well with drive and reach. 2 Evad Halloween Spice (Weller) another pup who is very promising, shown in ex coat. Well angulated, good topline. Feminine head of good planes, with neat ears. Eye of dark brown but prefer more almond shape. Moved well and cleanly in all directions. 3 Mossyfox My Trinity (Walker)

PB (5,1) 1 Bi Babe from Lavika (Robinson) striking b/w of good bone and smooth outline. Good angulation front and rear, and correct slope to croup. Attractive wedge head, flat skull of good width, dark eye set obliquely and neat ears. Moved out well with minimum lift. 2 Valdosta Goddess (Mitchell), attractive, well coated pup, hind angulation is ok, but prefer more reach of neck. Good wedge head with correct planes and excellent eye for shape and set and colour. Used ears well. Moved soundly but not the length of stride of winner. 3 Evad Halloween Spice (Weller)

JB (9,1) 1 Rannerdale She's A Lady of Auberswell (Mesdames D & G Bastiani & John), pleasing outline, good balance and flowing lines. Well angulated and with gentle slope to croup and low set tail. Head is a blunt wedge with correct parallel planes, lovely expression from well placed eyes and ears. Moved soundly and with minimum lift. 2 Dandlewood Kiss 'n Tell at Lianbray (Imp Ndl) (Bray) another lovely bitch, shown in excellent coat, well boned and has lovely smooth outline from neck to rump. Balanced correct angulation front and rear. Attractive wedge head, flat skull and correct eye. Light on the move and with good length to stride. 3 Mohnesee Maebelle JW (Hateley)

YB (5,2) 1 Rannerdale She's A Lady of Auberswell (Bastiani & John), repeat 2 Jaelis Mystique Reality JW (Ritchie), shown in good coat and has correct smooth outline. Prefer more front angulation and reach to neck. Pretty head with correct planes and eye well positioned, good stop, flat skull. Moved soundly but not the reach of winner. 3 Sendora to Be Special (Sendall)

GB (8,4) 1 Tachnamadra Button Moon at Fernfrey (Saunders) – tri, well presented in good coat. Stands well in profile and had good angulation front and rear, and well developed in chest. Pretty wedge head, good planes and eye, little reluctant to use ears but they are well set. Moved soundly in all directions. 2 Rannerdale Killer Queen (Lewthwaite & Stafford) attractive tri colour, in good coat, not quite the neck and front angulation of winner, which affected her length of stride on move, though was sound. Wedge head with well set eye. Needs little more ring training to get best from her. 3 Chibaya Belle of The Ball (Moore)

PGB (8,1) 1 - Balidorn Golden Amber (Rosslyn), easy winner though not in best jacket, but as is often said can hide nothing. Flowing outline from neck to tail which is low set. Shows off good angulation front and rear and well arched neck. Feminine head, correct sweet expression, good eye for shape and colour and set, plus neat ears. Alert to handler. Moved well with light stride of good length. 2 Shelysham Merry Maid (Needham) – another rather out of coat, but still has correct smooth outline and correct angulation and body condition. Flat skull and correct eye but would prefer more strength to muzzle. Moved soundly but not the reach of the winner. 3 Rannerdale Not On Your Nelly (Lewthwaite)

LB (11,1) 1 Lavika Lagoon Blue of Macstanryn (Standlick), for me was essence of the breed, nothing over done, just flowing out line from head to tip of tail. Beautifully presented and handled b/m with correct jacket – fitting her properly without being overdone. Stands 4 square showing lovely balance, super arched neck and angulation, which really became apparent on the move, drive and reach with little lift of feet, really looks like could move all day. Exquisite expression, from clean wedge head, good skull and excellent ear/eye. Alert and attentive to handler, CC & BOB and shortlisted in the group. 2 Shadowess True Blue (Barrowclough) smooth in outline and good hind angulation, would like little more arch to neck. Firm back and good chest. Attractive wedge head, correct planes and flat skull, ears used well, and good eye shape, giving sweet expression. Smooth and effortless on move. 3 Ketim Future Edition (Morrison)

OB (7,1) 1 Ch Rannerdale Queen of The Dark (Stafford), a striking tri presented in excellent condition and in good coat. Smooth outline, good reach of neck, firm back and sloping croup. Well angulated front & rear. Good boned legs to tight feet. Lovely head, parallel planes and muzzle and skull balanced. Dark almond eye, set obliquely and used ears well. Lovely classical action on move, light and free. RCC. 2 Slo Ch Navarrem Fortuna Girl (Koenen & Jeavons). Smaller framed b/m bitch but well balanced and in good coat. Well boned to tight feet. Smooth outline and strong topline to croup. Very good angulation and neck, good chest. Pretty head, lovely almond eye set obliquely. Good width to flat skull. Lovely ears used well. Moved well in profile, just shade close behind. 3 Lavika Black Beauty JW (Robinson)

VB (6,1) 1 Ch Lavika Good Luck (Robinson), paler sable shown in ex coat and beautifully presented. Well boned. Flowing outline and good angulation front and rear, with well arched neck. Head is feminine, shows correct parallel planes and balanced muzzle and skull, dark almond eye and ears used well. Moved soundly and freely in all directions. BV. 2 Jaelis Mystique Reflection JW (Ritchie), balanced in profile and with smooth outline. Hind angulation is correct but prefer more front angulation and neck. Feminine expression, correct eye and ear good flat skull. Moved soundly but could be more positive behind. 3 Lucky Liaison at Lianbray ShCM VW (Deveson)

Special Beginners Bitch (1) 1 Oakcroft Simply Starstruck at Savendie JW (Mettan-Ure) sable presented in excellent coat, and well handled. Good sweeping outline but prefer more front angulation and neck. Head has good width to skull and correct almond eye with well set ear, but prefer more strength to muzzle. Could be more positive behind on move.

Judge - Toni Jackson