

LEEDS 22ND JULY 2017 - SHETLAND SHEEPDOGS

It was a pleasure to go over so many good dogs and nice to see the Blue Merles and Tricolours out in force. Size and presentation was very good. In general I felt the bitches were better than the dogs with several of the dogs being very narrow in foreface and skull. Also lacking any definition of stop between the eyes, so giving a slightly foreign expression. The majority of males also lacking a tail whose bone reached the hock. Front construction of the bitches was also often better than the dogs especially with length of upper arm. Movement overall I felt had improved with better drive from the rear and in many a more positive front action; but the length of grass meant that some preferred to hop over any little longer bits.

MPD. (1) 1. Halliday and Halliday- Kyleash Prince Noir. 8 month tri. Fine in muzzle. Well set ears. Good front and hind angulation. Slightly long in back, and would prefer a longer tail. Good coat for age. Easy mover.

PD. (2, 1) 1. Isdale Viewdale Cuddly Dudley (BP). Glamorous sable in good coat and condition. Balanced head with well placed eye and ears. Muzzle still needs to fill. Well laid shoulder with nice length of upper arm. Level topline with well set tail. Moved well from the rear with slightly high front action.

JD. (4) 1. Chatterley Silver Coin (RDCC). Blue Merle in full coat of correct texture. Good head pattern. Well constructed with level topline and nice sweep over the loin. Balanced throughout. Good on the move. 2. Goodwin's Highbrook He's Got Style. Sable, slightly longer in outline than the winner. Well placed eye and ears. Good body with good bone and neat feet. Moved OK. 3. Woolley Pepperhill In The Moment.

PGD. (10,1) 1. Bywater Tachnamadra He's Got The Look. Well presented smart tri. Good head with dark well placed eye. Good front and hind angulation. Level topline. Balanced dog with good spring of rib and short loin. Good on the move. 2. Clubley Mossvale Frosty Moon. Masculine heavily coated blue merle. Appears long but not when handled. Lovely long tail. Correct head and expression. Well constructed. Moved with drive. 3. Jackson Shellamoyed The Kingsman.

LD. (8) 1. Gatheral Herds Humphrey JW. Masculine sable in lovely condition, nice to go over. Good head with correct stop. Nice ear placement, when he used them. Good reach of neck. Well put together. Sound on the move. 2. Attwood Terriwood Moonlight Echo. Glamorous tri, well presented. Balanced in outline without exaggeration. Nice head and expression. Well ribbed up. Moved very well. 3. Linford Hillhenry Thunderstorm JW.

OD. (10) 1. Walker Marsula Shogun (Imp) JW ShCH (DCC)(BOB). Smart tri in excellent coat and condition. Very well put together and balanced throughout. Lovely head and expression. Well laid shoulders with nice legs and feet. Good body with level topline retained on the move. Excellent mover. 2. Dimmock Hillhenry Just On Look for Fernhill. Masculine Blue Merle in full coat. Good head pattern with correct filling under the eye. Good bone, well ribbed up with nice turn of stifle. Easy mover. 3. Sonvico Willowgarth Baileys Gold ShCH.

VD. (6) 1. Tucker Sandiacre Set In Ice. Tri in lovely condition for age. Well constructed fore and aft. Good on the move. Good head and eye with flat back skull. 2. Rutterford Blue Ranger of Neraklee ShCM. Very nice blue merle dog of excellent colour. I would prefer slightly more weight but was subsequently told that the dog had been extremely ill recently and at one time not expected to survive, so it is very much to his owner's and the dog's credit that he has survived and been able to

return to the ring. Well constructed with good head and expression. Well filled muzzle with good underjaw. Moved well round the ring. 3. Gruszka's Samphrey Moonlight Shadow JW.

MPB. (2) 1. Sapsford Shelcrest Starling. Sable, very immature looking slightly unbalanced at present. Head developing. Nice expression and well placed ears. Well put together. Movement needs to settle. 2. Purves Donallin Dream Girl. Pretty feminine tri. I would prefer slightly less white on stifle and under stomach. Balanced in outline, nicely presented with coat just coming through.

PB. (3,1) 1. Fisher Shellamoyed Dolly Blue. (BPB) Well constructed very feminine Blue Merle in full coat. Balanced throughout with well laid shoulder. Good reach of neck and level topline with lovely long tail finishing beyond hock joint. Moved with drive. Strong contender for Best Puppy but just preferred the texture of the dogs' coat as her coat was a little soft with a slight wave. 2. Sapsford Shelcrest Skylark. Sable, litter sister to Minor Puppy winner and like her immature at present. Well placed dark eye. Little long in back and movement also needs to settle.

JB. (7, 2) 1. Stafford Rannerdale Queen O'the South. Very glamorous sable in full coat. Well put together, balanced with no exaggeration. Lovely head and expression. Well laid shoulder. Well ribbed up with level topline and good sweep over loin. Moved easily covering the ground. 2. Jacobs and Johnson's Tooralie's I Spie with Willowtarn. Sable, nice head and expression with dark well placed eye, Flat back skull, good underjaw. Longer in back than the winner. Another free mover. 3. Deveson Milesend Seed Pearl.

PGB. (17,2) 1. Thomas and Thomas Myter Trade Secret JW (RBCC) Blue Merle very feminine with correct head pattern and expression with well carried ears. Balanced throughout so well put together. Excellent on the move. 2. Parker Tolarock Such A Treat. Tri lovely in outline, although not in full coat could not be denied her place in this strong class. Dark well placed eye with correct stop. Good reach of neck. Well bodied up. Moved with drive from the rear. 3. Jackson's Keycharm Artic Queen with Gordil.

LB. (17, 4) 1. Jones and Blackburn Lavika Lucky Me (BCC). Quality sable, feminine in outlook without exaggeration. A pleasure to go over. Correct head pattern with well placed dark eye and neat ears. Flat back skull, well moulded foreface with good underjaw. Well constructed which showed in her free but efficient movement. 2. Gruszka's Samphrey Shades of Blue. Mature Blue Merle in full coat. Nice head with sufficient stop. Good bone with neat feet. Markings well broken. Would prefer slightly shorter in loin. Moved well. 3. Saunders Chalmoor I'm A Peach at Fernfrey.

OB. (11,1) 1. Thomas Myter Guilty Pleasure JW. Full coated Blue Merle of good colour well broken. Very feminine and balanced in outlook. Good body and well constructed both fore and aft. Very good mover a worthy winner in a very strong class.

2. Stockden Willowgarth Gentle Breeze JW. Very glamorous golden sable, beautifully presented. Lovely head with melting true sheltie expression. Dark well placed eye with neat ears. Good turn of stifle. Moved with confidence on a loose lead, just preferred the front of the winner. 3. French Lindfern Enchanted Dancer JW.

VB. (6) 1. French Lindfern Enchanted Sunrise (BV) Sable in good condition, well put together. Sweet expression. Nice bone, well balanced. A lot to like about her. 2. Stafford Ch. Rannerdale Star O' the North JW. Heavier coated sable. Well bodied up and level topline as with the winner well put together and sound on the move. 3. Hirst Sundark Tsarina.

Judge Val Dyer