

MANCHESTER DOG SHOW SOCIETY Championship Show 20/01/2018

I would like to thank Manchester Dog show Society for inviting me to judge their show and also my thanks to my very capable steward. My overall impression of the entry was that there is still a lot of work to be done on improving the front assembly in the vast majority of the dogs and breeders should take a serious look at what is happening in their breeding programmes with regards to this serious fault. A Sheltie is not supposed to be a fluffy dog with a pretty face. I would also point out that it does not take a lot of effort when preparing a dog for a show to make sure that they have clean teeth. I was horrified at the number of exhibits whose teeth were in a disgusting state. That apart, I was very happy with the quality of my winners, movement on the whole was adequate but could be improved by a bit more effort on behalf of the handlers. Dog showing is not just a stroll in the park, it's nice to see a dog who can stride out and move with a bit of pace, I felt a lot were held back by the handlers. My dog CC winner, Marsula Shogun who gained his title on the day is an outstanding male, of ideal size, lovely shape and sound construction, shown in top condition and flowed round the ring with little effort. My Best Puppy, bitch C.C and Best of Breed, Lavika Time of My Life was one of the best examples of the breed I have seen. Excelling in shape and construction, excellent forehand and hindquarters, such a feminine head and expression, excelled in movement and was shown and presented to perfection. Was pleased to see her shortlisted in the group. Will surely go on to achieve her title easily, outstanding female.

MPD (8,1) 1. Stockden's Willowgarth Pure Gold. Super sable puppy, lovely shapely dog with good reach of neck, nice bone, lovely head moved well. 2. Mottram's Lanteague Gold Sovereign at Lochkaren. Nice type, sable in lovely coat, lovely head and expression, not so positive on the move as 1. 3. Weller's Sheltiebay Tom Towards Evad.

PD (11,2) 1 Robinson's Lavika Lush Life. Very shapely bright golden sable dog. Liked his head. A bit steep in upper arm, level back, good on the move, full of style and showmanship. 2 Hansel's Sherkarl Magic Touch. Sable in good coat, pleasing head, could not match the shape or movement of 1. 3 Hardy's Sandwick Stagelight.

JD (5,2) 1 Attwood's Terriwood Scotch Measure. Lovely sable shown in good order. Better in front construction than 2, decent amount of bone, nice for size, moved well. 2. Robinson's Lavika Lush Life. 3. Spencer and Edwards Castleford Northern Soul.

YD (6,1) 1. Brady's Lianbray Lothario. Sable with a clean one piece head, neat ears, dark eye, nicely arched neck, well laid shoulders, moved well, although in the challenge could not match the free and easy movement of 1. A well deserved Res. C.C. 2. Goodwin's Highbrook He's Got Style. Glamorous sable, good for size, pleasing head, movement not as positive in front as 1. 3. Savages Willowthorn Kobalt Stay by Savataurus.

PGD (9,1) 1 Van Ulsen's Lundecock's Surprise Packet. Loved the overall picture that this well coated bright golden sable dog presented. Lovely one piece head, dark eye, neat ears. Moving well. Just would have preferred a bit more of him, nonetheless a lovely dog. 2 Pierces Philippe Buzzword. Much to like in this sable dog. Has lovely eyes and expression, neat ears, well made, holds his shape on the move, just preferred the charms of 1. 3 Edwards Castleford Star Turn.

LD (9,1) 1. Walkers Marsula Mikado By Tooralie. Well made tri, loved neck and shape, excellent construction, nice head, eye and ears, flowed around the ring, really liked him. 2. General's Herds Humphrey. Loved his overall type. Super head, neat ears, in good coat, well made, on the move just not the reach and drive of 1. 3. Mottram's Middy Sun at Lochkaren.

OD (11) 1. Walkers Marsula Shogun. Tri shown in top order. Super shape, lovely reach of neck, good bone, I loved his overall type, well constructed, moved like a dream, keeping a level top line, felt he could go all day. A well deserved C.C. which I understand made him up. 2. Rutterford's Ch. Kelgrove Just Blue at Stormhead. Presented in good order, this blue is really well made, excellent shape, lovely head and expression, could not match 1 on the move. 3 Sonvico's Ch. Willowgarth Bailey's Gold.

VD 1. Bastiani's Faitmorever Joker Des Romarins De Mayerling. 7 years old and has not strengthened in head. Shown in lovely coat, nice shape and reach of neck, moved well. 2. Rule's Edglonian Let's Rock at Bleatarn. 10 years old. Well made dog stronger in head than 1. Ok on the move. 3. Wilkie's Avonbank Designed in Gold.

MPB (2) 1. Person's Edglonian Rhythm 'N Rhyme. Striking tri colour at her first show. She is a fabulous shape, of ideal size with lovely bone, classic head, neat ears, shown in super coat and condition, showed and moved to perfection. A certain one for the upper house. 2. Carolelen Classic Star By Oakcroft. A lovely sable puppy with a feminine head, well made, great shape, a nice puppy but not as free in movement as 1. 3. Redpath' Sonymer Storm Doris.

PB (7,3) 1. Robinson's Lavika Time of My Life. What an appropriate name. This clever owned/breeder should certainly have the time of her life with this one. I was totally captivated by her. She is the epitome of the

Standard, beautifully constructed, ideal size, wonderful shape with lovely arched neck, a dreamy head and expression and to top it all she glided effortlessly around the ring. Showed non stop. Beautifully presented she more than deserved her Best Puppy, Bitch C.C and Best of Breed also down to the last 8 in the Pastoral Group and never stopped showing even after a long day. One of the best I have seen for many a year. What a proud owner she must be. 2. Harry's Sandwick Silhouette. A shade more of her all round and not in as good coat as one. That being said she is a quality bitch with a nice head, good shape, well made. Not as free in movement as 1. 3. Robinson's Lavika Good Times.

JB (7,2) 1. Robinson's Lavika Time of My Life. 2. Ritchie's Murieston Twinkling Star. Well made sable who decided not to behave too well. Nice head and expression in good coat, not so steady on the move. Needs to learn to keep all 4 feet on the ground. 3. Costelloe's Stoneycombe Sweet Talk from Karmidale.

YB (4,1) 1. Fenton's .Shannmie's Tropical Blue. Stronger her in head than I like, but a well made blue bitch, nicely broken colour, moved well to win the class. 2. Deveson's Milesend Sea Pearl. Shaded sable, well made, nice head but slightly full in eye, unsettled on the move. 3. Winfield's Oakcroft Celtic Faery.

PGB (13,3) 1. Barrowclough's Milesend Jubilee Spirit. Lovely shape with arched neck, level back, good spring of rib, well made, sweet head and almond eye, good on the move. 2. Garside's Jessopdays Treacle Toffee. Well made tri, a lovely shape, super neck, nice head and expression, moved well around the ring. 3. Maine's Shenachie Lyric of Light.

LB (14,1) 1 Walkers 1.Tooralie's Matilda. Winner of a strong class. An ultra feminine tri colour. I fell for her feminine charm. She is of ideal size and shape with a lovely clean head, dark eye and neat ears, well made, good bone, and moving really well. Won a good class and ultimately a well deserved Res.CC. 2 Robinson's Lavika Good Luck. quality sable shown in full coat. Feminine head, dark eye, neat ears, perfect size, not settled on the move today hence her placing. 3 Fishers Shellamoyd Babycham.

O (8,2) 1. Maine's Ch. Quashee Eat My Dust. Very feminine bitch with lovely clean head, dark almond eye, good bone, super shape, well arched neck, moved well. 2. Rigby's Lundecock's Ramona at Lythwood. Blue bitch of well broken clear blue colour, ideal size, arched neck, level top line, good bone, stronger in head than 1, moved well. 3. Brady's Lianbray Locked in Love. **V (4)** 1. Gatheral's Herds Hallucination. 7 years old tri. Super shape, nice size, well constructed, feminine head, moved well. 2. Chalynwood Chumani. 9.5 years sable in full coat, sweet head, moved well. 3. Newton's Channerswick Glamour Girl.

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