

MANCHESTER CH SHOW, 19/01/17 - Shetland Sheepdogs

I really enjoyed judging this breed & found many dogs to please me.

MPD (11,2a) 1 Bray's Lianbray Lothario, 6 months, pleased me for size & balanced. Satisfying head with clean lines, flat skull, tidy ear & strong muzzle with underjaw. Has straight front legs with chest, coming from good angulation of shoulder & upper arm. Correct depth & spring of rib. Confident working with handler & going with supple, easy action; 2 Goodwin's Highbrook Hot 'n' Spicey, 8 months. Decent headpiece, tapering to a good muzzle & neat lips. Has neck that flows through good lay of shoulder. Corresponding depth of body to length of leg. Alert & active; 3 Robinson's Shelysham Nut Box in Alnmac. **PD** (7,1) 1 Robinson's Lavika Luminary, smart, alert & attentive to handler, therefore presented a typical outline. Masculine & refined. Head is clean with grand ear placement, tips falling, coupled with dark obliquely set eye, thus giving a typical outlook. He has decent proportions & good body with slight slope to croup. Decent coat & he moves well; 2 Robinson's Lavika London Look, fulfilled the brief in many departments & similar comments as winner. I then read the catalogue & find they are siblings. I just preferred the strength in underjaw of 1. & a little more composed on the move. Two very pleasing boys; 3 S Nut Box in A. **JD** (7,1) 1 Haensel's Sherkarl Uptown Funk, this 13 month old really caught my eye. He has posture & balance & on closer inspection confirmed my initial impression. Skull was flat with brain room but not overdone. Ear is small with carriage. Cheeks clean. Muzzle rounded. Has neck applicable to lay of shoulder & return of upper arm that gives correct chest & neat elbow. Has firm back, slope to croup & good length of tail. Smart, lithe moving; 2 L Luminary; 3 L London Look. **YD** (8,1) 1 Forster-Cooper's Shelysham Burnished Gold, good proportions & balanced outline. Flat skull, good ear set & carriage. Correct bone, firm flexible pastern & decent feet. Comparable angulation both ends. Slope to croup giving correct tailset & tail of good length. Smooth supple gait; 2 Officer's Castlerose A Shropshire Lad, rounded muzzle with neat lips housing correct bite. Lovely expression from well set almond eye. Decent forehead. In lovely coat & condition & moved with ease & positive foot fall to gain his place; 3 Walker's Marsula Shogun. **PGD** (12) 1 Moody's Janetstown Josses Hill, lovely chap, so satisfying to go over as he has a grand head, flowing neck, good layback of shoulder & return of upper arm. Has depth & length of well sprung ribs, with neat elbow. Muscular short loin. Correct tailset & carriage. In full bloom & he covers the ground with long economical gait with lovely deportment. **RCC**; 2 Bennett's Watchwood Tartan Snow, honest dog with outgoing personality. He is soundly constructed with decent proportions & goes with smooth impulsion. Presented in good order & attentive to handler; 3 Mottram's Midday Sun at Lochkaren. **LD** (10,2) Pleasing quality class. 1 Fransham's Jontygray Gilt Edged for Franmead, 3 year old masculine, shapely & sensible. Grand sort with typical headpiece. Well set almond eye, clean head, wedge shaped with good underjaw. Correct bone for balance. Straight front legs with depth & correct width of chest. Presents a balanced overall outline; 2 Winfield's Oakcroft Prince Charming, smart chap. Alert & working with handlers needs. Well bodied with correct ribbing & strength in loin. Typical sweep over croup. Firm hocks. Tidy mover; 3 Gatheral's Herds Humphrey. **OD** (8) 1 Pearson's Ch Dancing To The Blues at Edglonian, aware of this handler, but never seen this 2½ year old before. Really lovely sort, with appealing head. Flat skull, of good width to show brain room, but not coarse. Super ear, which he uses to display confident attentive outlook. Punishing muzzle with neat lips. Skeletally well put together & correct body with muscular definition. Has elegance of neckline flowing through level topline to sweep of croup. Good set & length of tail. He works the ring with smooth lithe action. **CC** & **BOB**; 2 Walker's Dippersmoor Star Gazer by Tooralie, deserved his place in this quality class. Typical in outline. Presented in super condition & coat. Hands on, he is soundly made with strong hocks & muscular definition & therefore goes with true footfall & ease of gait. Smartly turned out in lovely coat; 3 Goodwin's Ch Highbrook Hot Heir. **VD** (6) 1 Rule's Edglonian Lets Rock at Bleatarn, by shots this 10 year old belies his years & can really move. In fact he was very much in my thoughts in the challenge & surprised he does not appear to have his title. Impressive head, balanced skull, clean cheeks, tapering muzzle to punishing jaw. Good angles both ends. Shapely & in good order; 2 Savage's Shellthorn Storm In A Teacup at Savataurus, 11 years & he just never let up. Alert &

attentive to handler. He again was in prime condition, good to see owners of this breed really exercise their dogs. He is a sound chap topped by quality coat; 3 Stafford's Ch Rannerdale Buggy Malone.

MPB (13,2) 1 Fisher's Shellamoyed Heavenly Charm, well she was heavenly to go over & certainly charmed me! What poise from one so young. Feminine with quality bone & strength throughout. Pretty head with rounded muzzle & tight lips housing excellent white teeth. Correct forehand, straight front legs giving the typical front. Level back to gently sloping croup. Well set long tail. In super coat & condition. BP, delighted to see her placed PG2 in a lovely puppy group; 2 Stafford's Rannerdale Queen O'The North, only new out at 6 months. This youngster has all the essentials to grow into. Smart with a sparking outlook from her obliquely set eye. Has carriage of neck from good shoulder placement. Smart all through & performs with smooth action; 3 Winfield's Oakcroft Celestial Star. **PB** (12,2) 1 S Heavenly Charm; 2 Walker's Tooralie's Matilda, 10 months. Balanced & well put together, under her super coat, therefore presented a very typical shape. Correct leg to depth & has the required length. Goes on well; 3 Haensel's Sherkarl Look At Me Now. **JB** (7,1) 1 Bray's Lianbray Lorelei, pretty 12 months girl. Has certain elegance about her, being clean in outline & of good proportions. Super head, balanced in skull to clean cheeks. Ear & eye set enhance her typical appeal. She has quality of bone, is well angulated & stands on straight front legs. Her back is level to the gently slope of her loin to correct set on of tail. Liked her a lot; 2 Robinson's Erjon Happy Me at Lavika, good head with gratifying alert expression. Good use of small tipped ear. Lovely body to strong muscular quarters. Works with handler to advantage. Not quite the forehand of winner; 3 Gamble's Balidorn Solitude. **YB** (8,1) 1 Parkes' Milesend Sweet Whispers; 2 Hayhurst's Milesend Sweet Melody at Keycharm, following placing the 1 & 2 I was told they are, in fact siblings. I had written similar remarks about them both, so that, now made sense to me. Both have an abundance of type & present a shapely, balanced picture. As they both have sound construction, their movement is fluid. I just felt, on the day, 1 had the edge when moving, just that little more smooth & composed. Feel they both have a lovely future ahead; 3 Doyle's Little Barbie Girl Des Romarins De Mayerling for S. **PGB** (10,3) 1 Doyle's Sevenoaks Penny Heaven, striking outline on this one. She presents her attributes admirably. One can only move, as she does if skeletal make up is correct. I was entirely satisfied as I went over her. The soft undercoat & longer harsh outer hair just finished the picture; 2 Jones' Lavika Lucky Me, very useful bitch. Grand head, balanced, not overdone with strength. Not quite the lay of shoulder of winner. Well made body correct ratio of length to leg. Has quality & plenty going for her; 3 Barrowclough's Milesend Jubilee Spirit. **LB** (10) 1 Gatheral's Herds Hallucination, classic bitch, who won this class on the final go round with her carriage & smooth, economical ground cover. Feminine & super muscle definition. Correct front angulation in shoulders & straight legs to firm, yet flexible pasterns. Firm back to correct crop & tailset; 2 Thomas' Myter Guilty Pleasure, what a lovely bitch, who thought could be my winner. Just not as positive in front action as 1, but has a really good forehand, so just must have not been co operating today. She is a beauty & on a better day, she will push all the way. Two cracking bitches & winner made me think hard in the challenge; 3 Deveson's Janetstown Je Suis. **OB** (12,2) Lovely bitches here. 1 Doyle's Sevenoaks Angel By My Side, smart & so sound. Lovely typical head. Has that correct blunt wedge appearance looking down. Obliquely set eye with alert expression complimented by her well set & used ear. Strength & refinement throughout. Has strong clean neck, chest is from good angulation & forms the typical front with well boned straight legs to good feet. Her body is right & of balanced proportions. The slope to croup affords correct tailset, which has length & carriage. Abundant coat, well prepared, underneath a fit well muscled bitch. She just snatched the ticket with her effortless, lithe action, smoothly covering the ground. CC; 2 Thomas' Ch Myter Eye To Eye, although a veteran, she still has sparking which says she cannot be overlooked. The sweetest of heads, has brain room, clean cheeks & a rounded muzzle housing correct placement of teeth. Her neck affords carriage of head into well angulated shoulders. Straight front legs. Good ribbing to short muscled loin. Strength behind with correct croup & tail length. Efficient mover. Could not be denied the RCC; 3 Stafford's Ch Rannerdale Queen Of Hearts. **VB** (4,1) Three lovely ladies, enjoying their day. 1 Bennett's Watchwood Dream Girl, 9 years, fit & full of personality. Good width of underjaw & white teeth. She is typical throughout, with clean shapely outline. Goes with true action & gusto; 2 Lee's Chalynwood Chumani, smashing bitch in beautiful condition & coat. Very stylish. Feminine, neat with type. Doing her job to defy her years; 3 Schofield's Channerswick Glamour Girl. **PATSY HOLLINGS**