

Mid Western Shetland Sheepdog Club Open Show 28th July 2019

Open show: I would like to thank the committee and exhibitors for an enjoyable day. It was a smashing entry on paper, but alas there were many absentees, perhaps due to the inclement weather. My main criticisms were that, in general, tails could have been longer and teeth could have been cleaner. Nevertheless, I had some good exhibits to assess and was extremely pleased with my main winners. Best Dog and Best In Show was Mr & Mrs Goodwin's Highbrook Hobnob JW, Best Bitch with Reserve Best in Show & Best Opposite Sex going to Mrs Deveson's Janetstown Je Suis JW ShCM. Best Puppy Bitch and Best Puppy in Show went to Mr & Mrs Mottram's Mohnesee Such A Dream and Best Veteran In Show was Mrs Parkes's Ch Milesend Gold Token at Eljetia JW. My stewards kept the ring moving efficiently and made for an easy time.

MPD (2, 1) 1 Lycett Iliad Isle Delight. 7 month old golden sable. Nice head, well placed eye and ears, good reach of neck and pleasing overall shape. Best Puppy Dog.

JD (1) 1 Botham Balidorn Black Spice. Tricolour in good coat with deep tan markings. Lovely in outline with good angulation. Moved well.

YD (1) 1 Goodwin Highbrook Hobnob JW. Masculine sable dog, in good coat and condition. Excellent head, correct placed ears, sweet eye and expression. Well angulated front and rear with correct, round bone. Strides out well. Best Dog & Best In Show.

ND (2, 1) 1 Lycett Iliad Isle of Ewe. Stood alone. Litter brother to Minor Puppy Dog winner. Sweet head. In nice coat. Moved ok.

GD (4) 1 Mottram Lanteague Gold Sovereign at Lochkaren JW. Golden sable with profuse coat, lovely in outline with correct bone for his size. Nice head, well rounded muzzle, classic expression. Good in outline with correct angulation and presents a nice overall picture. 2 Gamble Solyrice Inaugural Gold JW. Sable dog, smaller type to 1, with sweet head, well-placed ears, correct eye placement. Good in outline, moved ok. 3 Botham Balidorn Black Spice.

PGD (4, 2) 1 Isdale Viewdale Cuddly Dudley JW. Golden sable with good head and expression. Correct angulation, pleasing in outline, moved and showed well for his handler. 2 Dixon Tachnamadra Toffee Apple. Shaded sable in good coat and condition with nice rear angulation. Moved ok.

LD (7, 2) 1 Edwards Castlerose Star Turn JW ShCM. Well-made tricolour with jet black coat and rich tan markings. Nice head with correct stop, good ears, which unfortunately he was reluctant to use today. Good length of neck. Stood and moved well. Reserve Best Dog. 2 Chatterley Silver Coin. Nice coloured blue merle in full coat, although quite heavily marked. Pleasing shape with good bone and substance, correct angulation, moved and showed well. 3 Goodwin Highbrook He's Got Style JW.

OD (2,1) 1 Benstead Melcette A Thousand Stars at Benravia. 7-year old glamorous blue merle who stood alone. Nice shape, correct angulation and moved well.

VD (3,1) 1 Goodwin Ch Highbrook Hot Heir JW. 7-year old sable dog I have judged before. He still has the same attributes now he's a veteran. Good head and expression. Correct size, nice bone & angulation. Good reach of neck. Moved well. Best Veteran Dog. 2 Hayes Conorvean Cazier. 8-year old sable with well-fitting coat and in good condition for his age. Moved well.

SP OD SABLE & WHITE (4,3) 1 Dixon Tachnamadra Toffee Apple.

TRICOLOUR (3,2) 1 CZ Ch Sandwich Turn Back Time at Highbrook. Well balanced tricolour in profuse jet-black coat with rich tan markings who stood alone. Nice overall picture. Moved well.

BLUE MERLE (1, 0) 1 Benstead Melcette A Thousand Stars at Benravia.

MPB (2, 0) 1 Mottram Mohnesee Such A Dream. Glamorous 8-month old sable in full coat. Nice head and expression, good reach of neck, correct angulation front and rear. A little unsettled in this hall, especially on the move, but worthy of Best Puppy Bitch and Best Puppy In Show. 2 Botham Balidorn Winter Rose. Another 8-month old golden sable bitch who stood and showed well. Full white collar and very smart. Nice head and expression. Finer type than 1.

PB (7, 4) 1 Mottram Mohnesee Such A Dream. 2 Dunn Brilyn Baccarat Crystal to Beechmere. Flashy 8-month old golden sable with full white collar. Well angulated, nice head and expression, good reach of neck, moved well. 3 Bostock Scottypops Stargazer.

JB (6,3) 1 Sapsford Shelcrest River Of Dreams. Attractive shaded sable of correct size and construction. Well moulded head, good ear carriage. Good reach of neck, moved very well. 2 Shaw Bramblecroft Reeba at Bluequarry. Another shaded sable of attractive colour in good coat and condition. Moved ok. 3 Bostock Scottypops Stargazer.

YB(5, 2) 1 Hateley Mohnesee Millybelle JW. Well known sable bitch, so typical of this kennel. Refined head, neat ears, lovely expression. Good length of neck, correct angulation, lovely in outline. Moved well. Reserve Best Bitch. 2 Watson Solytic Initial Gold at Shebamiro. This young lady has a nice head and expression, good front and rear angulation, a good length of neck and moved well. Unfortunately, she had left her coat at home. 3 Shaw Bramblecroft Reeba at Bluequarry.

NB (6,4) A disappointing class. 1 Dawson Shellamoyd Simply Heaven. 3-year old blue merle bitch, well broken colour with good tan markings. Moved ok. 2 Bostock Scottypops Stargazer. Pretty golden sable puppy in full coat. Showed well for her young handler.

GB (3) 1 Edwards Castlerose Babushka. Well-made golden sable of good bone and construction. Nice head and expression, good ear carriage. Moved with drive. 2 Hayhurst Milesend Rockqueen at Keycharm. Nicely shaped and constructed sable. Pleasing in outline and movement, not the expression of 1. 3 Bostock Jaelis Mystique Mistress.

PGB (9, 4) 1 Deveson Milesend Sea Pearl. Shaded sable of good construction. Lovely head, well-rounded muzzle and sweet expression, profuse, well-fitting coat, moved very well. 2 Mackie Iliad Illusive Gold at Shebaville. Another nice shaded sable of similar type. Just preferred the shape and movement of the winner. 3 Lycett Iliad Isla Wishes.

LB (4, 2) 1 Greenhill Mohnesee Diamonds 'N' Pearls. Attractive blue merle bitch, well balanced outline with correct head and expression. Moved well. 2 Lycett Herds Halicia at Iliad. Pretty golden sable with nice head and eye, well-constructed and moved well, but not quite the balance of 1.

OB (6, 4) 1 Deveson Janetstown Je Suis JW ShCM. Very attractive golden sable with well-fitted coat in excellent condition. Correct wedge-shaped head with slight stop, well filled foreface, dark almond-shaped eye and good ear carriage. Well arched neck and good angulation, giving classic Sheltie outline. Moved with drive to take Best Bitch, Reserve Best In Show & Best Opposite Sex. 2 Shaw Bluequarry Pearl Blue. Dark blue merle of correct size, attentive to its handler and moved ok.

VB (8, 3) 1 Parkes Ch Milesend Gold Token at Eljetia JW. 10-year old shaded sable who belies her age. In wonderful coat and condition, she has the correct head planes and the sweetest of expressions. Good construction, lovely in outline and moved like a youngster. Best Veteran Bitch and Best Veteran in Show. 2 Lycett Ch Shebaville Saucy Secret at Iliad JW. A 9-yearold blue merle that I have judged before. She has a good head and expression, is in good coat and condition and presents a balanced picture. Unlucky to come up against 1. today. 3 Venton Tri'N Stop Me at Mistyisle.

SP OB SABLE & WHITE (4, 2) 1 Deveson Milesend Sea Pearl. 2 Bostock Jaelis Mystique Mistress. Golden sable, well up to size in profuse coat. Nice in outline and at one with her young handler. **TRICOLOUR (5, 4)** 1 Mackie Mohnesee Secret Pearl at Shebaville. Smart tricolour in good black coat with rich tan markings that stood alone. Well angulated and with adequate neck to give a nice balanced outline. Moved well.

BLUE MERLE (4, 1) 1 Greenhill Mohnesee Diamonds 'N' Pearls. 2 Edwards Castlerose Leap Of Faith. 7-year old blue merle, quite heavily marked. Good head and expression. Nicely made and moved well. 3 Shaw Bluequarry Pearl Blue.

BRACE (3, 1) 1 Edwards's Brace. Two sables who stood and moved nicely together. Similar heads and outlines.

Judge - Denise Gruszka