Northern Counties Shetland Sheepdog Club OPEN SHOW 08.01.23

Originally, I was to judge the three special classes in the middle of the show, but unfortunately the main judge was unable to attend the show and I wish her well, and I was asked to do the whole show, which I was delighted to accept, an entry of 43 dogs, making 70 entries, and I thank the Officers and Committee for there lovely hospitality to my wife and myself, there was a lot of absentees, never the less it was an enjoyable day. Classes were empty through to Post Graduate Dog, the rest as follows.

Pgd (3.1) 1st.Malone. Pathaaron after the Storm. A 3yr old dog, in good proportion, nice head, alert expression, correct eye and ear set, good scissor bite, correct pigmentation, neck well arched, shoulders well laid back, good topline and croup sloping gradually to the rear, oval feet with well arched toes, moved well. Res Best Dog. 2 Barrowclough. Shadowess Lockdown Hero. 2yr old dog. also with nice qualities, correct ear set, wide based, with tips falling as they should, almond eyes, nicely arched neck, of good length carrying his head proudly, shoulders and topline as it should be, good angulation throughout, moved well. **Ld** (2) 1 Glover-Guest. Doonlodge The Explorer. A lovely 3yr old dog, with a nice male elegant head, almond shaped eyes well set, correct ear set, flat cheeks, merging into a well rounded muzzle, well arched neck, shoulders well laid back, good angulation, nice outline throughout. 2 Bird and Caden. Molson Mr Blue Sky JW. A nice youngster, with the correct head, good eye and ear set, muscular arched neck, level topline, croup sloping gradually to the rear. Moved well.

Od (1). 1 Goodwin Highbrook Hobnob. JW. A lovely 5yr old dog, he did catch my eye straight away, refined and elegant, no exaggerations the standard asks for, that what I found here, he was intelligent looking, with his appealing almond shaped eyes, small moderately wide based ears, well arched neck, his shoulder joints well angled, good topline, well sprung ribs, good angulation throughout, also a nice tailset, moved well. Best Dog, Best In Show. Vd (3,1) 1 Malone. Carmeva Caymen SHcM, SHcEX, VW. A over 9 yr old male, of good qualities, his head pleasing, eye and ear placements correct, muscular arched neck carrying his head proudly, shoulder joint well angled, good topline, deep chest reaching to the points of elbow, good angulation, moved well. Best Veteran Dog. 2 Tnker. Hillhenry Winter Storm Over Riggsbeck. JW. An 8yr old Male, Another nice dog with everything were it should be, correct head, ears small wider at the base carried semi erect with the tip falling forward, scissor bite, good pigmentation, nice topline, good angulation, moved well.

Special Open Dog (Blue Merle) 1 Bird and Caden. Molson Mr Blue Sky JW 2 Tnker. Hillhenry Winter Storm Over Riggsbeck. JW.

Mpb (3) 1 Hill. Milson Mine Till Midnight. A sweet 7 mth old bitch, this baby had the cutest of faces ever, almond eyes, little ears developing correctly, scissor bite, lovely pigmentation, nice arched neck, good topline, correct tail set, stood lovely, wanting to please, and in lovely puppy coat, moved lovely for a baby, Best Puppy In Show 2 East. Jacquard Xsavoir Faire. A 6mth old baby, again with a cute face, developing nicely, her head was correct, almond shaped eyes, good earset, scissor bite, well arched neck good angulation for one as young, moved well, these two will I expect change places regular as they grow, I liked them both. 3 Barrowclough. Shadowess Ginger Biscuit.

Pb (2) 1 Gartland. Arcot Take A Moment. A 10mth old bitch, she had a nice typical wedged shaped head developing, moderately wide between the ears, almond shaped eyes, I loved it

when I was looking at her she was also studying me, she was very alert, she's growing into a nice bitch, another puppy to watch in the future moved well. 2 .Goodwin. herds Height Of Fashion. There was plenty of puppies at this show, An 8mth old, much as the 1st, a bit smaller, never the less, still growing, very alert and intelligent, she had a nice arched neck developing, good topline, moved ok.

Jb (3.2) 1st. Ritchie. Jaelis Mystique Reality. 16mth old bitch, her head was the blunt wedge tapering from the ears to the nose, good pigmentation, scissor bite, muscular well arched neck, deep chest, plenty of heart and lung room, good angulation, moved well.

Maiden Bitch (3,1) 1 Hill. Molson Moonstorm. Another baby puppy, developing nicely, everything as it should be, correct eye and ear placement, very alert, a typical puppy wanting to know everything that's going on, correct shoulder placement, oval feet with arched toes, moved lovely for one so young.

Nb (4) 1 East. Jacquard Xsavoir Faire 2 Barrowclough. Shadowess Ginger Biscuit. A lovely 6mth old bitch, with a nice pleasing head, correct almond shaped eyes, developing arched neck, all as it should be at this young age, moved well. 3 Gartland. Arcot Take A Moment. Res. Hill. Molson Moonfever.

Tyro Bitch (3,1) 1st. Barrowclough. Shadowess Ginger Biscuit. 2 Gartland. Arcot Take A Moment.

Gb (1) 1st. Goodwin. Rannerdale Honey Bee At Highbrook. 2 and a half yr old bitch, in lovely double coat, she had a nice wedge-shaped head, good eye and earset, everything in good proportion, her skull flat between ears, well arched neck, good angulation, well sprung ribs, good heart and lung room, moved well.

Pgb (2.1) 1 East. Jacquard Who's Bluffing. A 5yr old bitch, stood alone never the less a nice bitch with a pleasing head, almond shaped eyes, nice scissor bite, good pigmentation, muscular arched neck, well laid shoulders, forelegs straight when viewed from the front, nice topline, good tailset, in good coat, moved ok.

Lb (5.4) 1 Rowan. Degallo Dream Girl At Rowancrest. A lovely 3yr old bitch of good qualities, there's always a couple when your judging stands out when you first see them, this bitch was one of those, she had a lovely head, nice arched neck, well laid shoulders, nice topline, deep chest, good heart and lung room, hindquarters well angulated, good tailset, moved lovely, Res Best Bitch,

Ob (5.2) 1 Welford. Ristine Emerald. A 4yr old bitch, with a refined and elegant wedged shaped head, almond shaped eyes, lovely erect ears with falling tips, nicely arched neck, good topline sloping down at the rear, good angulation, in good coat, tail carried correctly, slightly better movement on the day to my 2nd. 2 Garland. Stiosan How To Sparkle At Arcot. I like this one too, much the same as my 1st placement, good head, nice arched neck, plenty heart and lung room, well-muscled, moved ok. 3 Hill. Ellenyorn Exclusive To Molson. **Vb** (4.2.) 1 Clegram. Smiddyshaw I'll B There For U. JW. A glorious 7yr old bitch of outstanding qualities, she's alert, intelligent, and active, just as a Shetland Sheepdog is meant to be, she has medium sized almond shaped eyes, correct small wide based ears carried erect turning over at the tips, a strong arched neck, into well laid shoulders, nice topline, well-muscled quarters, with her low set tail carried down, with moved like a dream, and to finish in a lovely double coat. Best Bitch, Best Veteran in Show, Res Best In Show. Well Done. 2 Ritchie. Jaelis Mystique Reflection JW. An 8yr old Bitch, she was also lovely, with her lovely feminine head, correct eye and earset, arched neck, level topline, well angulated throughout, moved 0k.

Sp Ob (Sable & White) (3.1) 1 Rowan. Degallo Dream Girl At Rowancrest. 2nd. Hill. Molson Money Penny. Another nice bitch, typical Shetland Sheepdog head, almond shaped eyes, arched neck, well laid shoulders, nice topline, deep chest, good angulation, well-muscled hind quarters, in good coat, moved well.

Special Open Bitch (Tri,B/T,B/W). (2.1) 1 Welford. Ristine Emerald.

Sp Ob (Blue Merle) (2.1) 1 Barrowclough. Shadowess True Blue. A 4yr old Bitch, A lovely alert bitch, with almond shaped eyes, good earset, nicely laid shoulders, ribs well sprung, good angulation front and rear, nice topline, tail set low, in good coat moved well.

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