

# SOUTHERN COS CH SHOW, 03/06/16 - Shetland Sheepdogs

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A most enjoyable day judging this lovely breed. My entry last time was largely absent due to snow, so great to have an almost full turnout today. I was delighted with my winners right through the classes. Heads are rather varied, out & back movement let a few otherwise shapely dogs down. Presentation was, by & large excellent, musculature as well as coat.

**MPD** (7,1a) 1 Rigby's Lythwood Some Like It Hot, liked his proportions. He has a lovely head, correct planes, super eye & well set ears giving sweet expression. Lengthy neck. Good front. Feet could be better. Well ribbed. Good rear. Moved very well. Quality pup. BP; 2 Pierce's Philhope Buzzword, very good mover. Not the eye of 1, but a pleasing, clean wedge head. OK for neck. Could have a little better front assembly & tighter feet. Grand body. Firm in topline. Rear angulation is moderate & matches the front. Parallel mover with decent stride; 3 Haensel's Sherkarl Uptown Funk. **PD** (5,1) 1 Robinson's Lavika Moonshine, very showy dog who has a super outline. I would like him less broad in skull & with higher set ears. Clean cheeks, well shaped eyes. Lengthy neck. Well laid shoulder. Super ribcage, well sprung & going well back. Correct topline. Well bent stifle. Low hocks, turn in slightly on table but ok moving. Can firm in front a little. Looks good in profile, holding his shape; 2 Roberts' Malaroc Mystery Writer, liked him very much & has a better head than 1, not as broad & with better set ears. Lengthy neck. Well laid shoulder. Super in body & a very good topline. Enough hind angulation. Goes very close front & rear on the move, OK in profile; 3 Evans' Shadowway Lucky Strike. **JD** (6) 1 Pattinson's Kyleburn Everlasting Dream, very well made dog. He has a clean, wedge head. Ears fairly well set and dark eyes. Long neck. Well laid shoulder with good length & return of upper arm. Correct spring of rind. Good topline. Could have slightly better turn of stifle & be more positive going away. Accurate in front & has a lengthy stride holding his outline; 2 Lycett's Iliad Isle Spy, quite a shapely dog. Pleasing head, slight stop, flat skull. Could have a little more neck. Well ribbed back. Correct topline. Angulation is well balanced. Holds shape in profile; 3 Forster-Cooper's Shellysham Burnished Gold. **YD** (5) Quite close between 1 & 2, both had different things I liked & would want to improve. 1 Winfield's Oakcroft Star Force, maybe could have just a fraction more leg for perfect balance. Quite a good head, dark eyes. Uses his ears very well to give a lovely expression. Plenty of neck with well laid shoulders. Elbows could be tighter. Well ribbed back. Super topline. Well angulated rear with low hocks. Best mover up & back, with a lengthy profile stride. RCC; 2 Woodward's Sanbrakel Shadow Dream, liked him also, masculine in head. Clean cheeks, correct eyes, ears & expression. Lengthy neck. Very good front. Not quite the rear of winner & could be more positive going away; 3 Cooper's Wyckwood Ice Blue. **MD** (6,1) 1 M Mystery Writer; 2 I Isle Spy; 3 French's Lirren Love Match. **GD** (8) 1 Mottram's Middy Sun at Lochkaren, he has a most lovely shape, which he holds on the move. Clean head, could perhaps be just a little more masculine. Uses his ears well & has a super expression. Lengthy neck. Well laid shoulder. Slightly upright in upper arm & could be tidier coming towards. Super body. Very good rear. Shows beautifully; 2 Moore's Shellamoyed The Statesman, has a well proportioned outline. Just a little too deep in stop. Lengthy neck. Shoulder is OK but elbows could be tighter. Well ribbed back. Correct topline. Well angled stifle & hock. Moves quite well; 3 Atkins' Willowgarth Harvest Sunset over Jontygray. **PGD** (5) 1 Castillo & Fortune's Edglonian Blue Fortune, he is a most super dog, in full coat although I think a little less coat could perhaps enhance his shape better. Lengthy head, a little deep in stop. Super eyes. Well set ears. Long neck. Well laid shoulder. Super body. Correct leg to depth proportions. Firm topline. Super rear. Accurate out & back & floats around the ring with a long, easy stride. Doesn't use his ears as well as he might, close up on the challenge; 2 Sonvico's Willowgarth Baileys Gold, quite a shapely dog, topline is firmer than it looks. Has rather a deep stop. Good ears. Lengthy neck. Quite a good front, but could be tidier coming towards. Well ribbed. Good rear, which he uses very well; 3 Saunders' Chalmoor Shades Of Gold at Fernfrey. **LD** (9,1) 1 Paterson's Lorainian Campbell Clan, well proportioned & shapely dog, who was best mover in this class. Lengthy head. Eyes

could be slightly larger. Flat skull. Well set ears. Long neck. Well laid shoulder. Good patterns & feet. Well bodied. Correct topline. Well bent stifle with low hocks; 2 Whittington's Tighness Three Guesses, liked the shape of this dog, which he holds on the move. Typical in head. Better eye than 1. Flat cheeks. Lengthy neck. Not quite the front construction or action of winner. He has a super body. Good topline. Well made rear; 3 Stock's Shemist Black Wizard. **OD** (10) Really super class that took some sorting out. 1 Castillo & Fortune's Ch/Ir/Lux/Dutch Ch Irish Legend, has a most lovely outline & quite simply outmoved the opposition in this class. Liked his head, flat skull. Parallel planes. Super eye & expression, well set ears. Long neck. Well laid shoulder. Could have just a little more return of upper arm. Excellent body, he has well sprung ribs. Super rear. In hard muscle & in super bloom; 2 Wynn's Ch Sheltysam Rose Wood, really shapely dog. Has a pleasing head. Darkest of eyes. Good expression. Lengthy neck. Quite a good front. But not quite the stride of 1. Has a good body. Firm in topline. Enough hind angulation, which balances with his front. In super coat; 3 Pierce's Philhope Star Struck. **VD** (6,1) 1 Hirst's Sundark Starlight, very well made blue, who was the best mover in class. Has an appealing head. Well set ears. Lengthy neck. Quite a good front. Well bodied with a level topline. Well bent stifle with low hocks. **BV**; 2 Riding's Willow Tarn Taubyn via Evad, he is a super shape, just a little untidy out & back. Clean, wedge head. Super eye. Ears could tip over more. Lengthy neck. Well laid shoulder upright in pastern. Good body. Very good rear; 3 Woodward's Kelgrove Shaded Dreams. **GC** (12) 1 Hirst's Sundark Starlight; 2 French's Lindfern Enchanted Dancer, very pretty feminine bitch with a super outline. Could have a little more underjaw, dark eyes, well placed ears. Long neck. Well laid shoulder. Good depth of chest. Shapely rear. Looks good in profile. Could be tidier out & back; 3 Bastiani & John's Faitmoireverjocker Desromarinsde Mayerling at Auberswell.

**MPB** (4) 1 Bastiani & John's Auberswell Amber Soliloquy, very pretty pup. Just enough bone & size for her age. Well balanced in head. Very good eye & expression. Correct set of ears. Lengthy neck. Well laid shoulder. Good spring of ribs, strong over loin. Well made rear. Good mover; 2 Hillman's Kelmstone Mirrow Image, another who shows much promise. Has a very good head. Clean in cheek & skull. Could have more neck & be tighter in elbow. Well bodied. Level topline & a good rear; 3 Bray's Shelridge Shantilly Lace at Lianbray. **PB** (10) 1 A Amber Soliloquy; 2 Arnould's Shadoway Rosa Esmeralda, shapely & well made bitch who could carry a little more weight. Has a very good head. Good length & balance with parallel planes. Uses her ears very well. Lengthy neck. OK front. Chest to her elbow. Well made rear. Holds a level topline. One of the better movers in class; 3 Roberts' Malaroc Covert Love. **JB** (5) 1 Robinson's Lavika Lucky Star, very pretty bitch who is such a lovely shape. Lengthy & feminine in head. Well set ears. Flat skull. Good eye & expression. Lengthy neck. Could have a better front assembly. Super body. Very good rear. Moves very well. Looked a picture in the challenge & showed her socks off to win RCC; 2 Lycett's Iliad Isla Wishes, thought her a very typy bitch. Lengthy head. Dark eyes. Flat skull. Ears ever so slightly low set. Has a good neck. Front could be better. Chest to elbow. Well ribbed. Low hocks; 3 Parkes' Milesend Sweet Whispers. **YB** (6) 1 Deveson's Janetstown Je Suis, she has a super outline & shows so very well. Pretty head, could have a little more strength of jaw. Long neck. Well laid shoulder. Chest to elbow. Good topline. Well bodied. Good rear. Moves very well; 2 Saunders' Chalmoor I'm A Peach, thought she has a very typy outline & is a good mover. Clean, wedge head. Ears a little low set. Correct eye shape, size & colour. OK neck. Well bodied. Balanced angulation. Very good out & back; 3 Morrison's Jontygray Golden Dream at Ketim. **MB** (7,1) 1 Bray's Shelridge Shantilly Lace at Lianbray, very much a baby but a very pretty feminine bitch. Used her ears well. Enough neck. Needs to grow into her hind angulation; 2 Roberts' Malaroc Covert Love, very shapely bitch, could be tidier out & back. Pleasing head, long neck. Deep chest. Balanced & moderate in angulation; 3 Gamble's Balidorn Solitude. **GB** (3) Small but quality class. 1 J Je Suis; 2 Bastiani & John's G'mla Vie Ibiza Des Romarins De Mayerling, very shapely, feminine bitch. Just not quite as good moving away as 1. Has a pretty head. Good eyes. Well set ears. Slightly rounded in skull. Long neck. Well laid shoulder. Grand body with correct topline. Well bent stifle; 3 French's Lindfern Bee Enchanted. **PGB** (11,4) 1 Hirst's Sundark Simply A Star, sound, well constructed & sound bitch. Head could perhaps be slightly better. Super eye & expression, well set ears. Lengthy neck. Good front. Well bodied. Correct topline. Well bent stifle & low hocks; 2 Mottram's Anastasia Dreamer at Lochkaren, a very typy bitch I thought, but carrying a little too much weight. Has good proportions. Pretty head. Well shaped eyes, ears a little low set, lengthy neck. Fair front. Well sprung ribs. Good rear; 3 Lycett's Herds Hallicia at Iliad. **LB** (8,4) 1 Straw's Dukeson It's Asian

Magic, honest sort of bitch, just a little long in body for her length of leg. Very good mover. Clean, wedge head. Well placed ears. Flat skull. Good eye. Enough neck. Well laid shoulder. Good spring of rib. Well bent stifle. Moved very well; 2 Riding's Samhaven Merrie Magic for Torinska, shapely bitch, not as accurate on the move as 1. Has a pretty head. Well set ears, just enough tip over. Fair neck. Could have more return of upper arm. Level topline; 3 Morrison's Jontygray Evening Star at Ketim. **OB** (11) 1 Castillo & Fortune's Ir Ch Navarrem Fortune Lady, beautiful bitch in the most fabulous hard condition. Has lovely flowing lines. She has a very pleasing head. Blunt wedge, clean in cheek. Well set ears. Super eye and expression. Enough neck. Good front. Super body for spring or rib & length of ribcage. Very good rear. Accurate out & back, holds her outline on the move. She looks lovely moving around with her effortless stride. Real quality girl. CC & BOB; 2 Rigby's Lythwood Sculptress, another very pretty bitch. Has a super head. Well placed ears & lovely expression. Could have a fraction more neck & be slightly better in front. Super body. Correct topline. Well made rear. Fairly accurate out & back & decent stride; 3 Robinson's Lavika Life Time. **VB** (8,1) 1 Ferris' Ferrimere Fairy Fable, grand old lady. She has a super outline & a very good head. Carrying a little extra weight. OK neck. Well made front & rear. Moved well; 2 Hirst's Sundark Tsarina, a well put together bitch, just stood running up in topline. Liked her head. Lengthy neck. Moved very well; 3 Arnould's Lorainian Star Dreamer by Shadoway.

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