

Shetland Sheepdog Club Of Wales Open Show 19th January 2020

A look forward to event. Many thanks to the Welsh Club for this invitation. I thoroughly enjoyed my day, the dogs and exhibitors all on form. Also my sincere thanks to Jan Lansdown for her outstanding contribution. A really first class steward.

VD 1 Edwards Castlerose Spiritmaster JW ShCM. 8 year old B/M, not an old exhibit but one who was well up to form. Moderate coat, good colour, smart profile. Very masculine and steady on the table. Lovely alert expression, well used ears. All angles correct, and held his top line at all times. Sound in all directions. Well handled. **BVD BVinS.** 2 Gruszka Samphrey Moonlight Shadow JW. Tri 9 half year old, came very close to the winner, steady in presentation, and very sound, liked him for type. Soft expression. Well balanced head. Firm top line. Correct shoulders. Well coated, and of good texture. 3 Light Jolex Another Hero For We Wellobark.

MPD 1 Lambert Blenmerrow Lyricist. 8 month old, a delightful sable, ultra sound. Keen attitude, a well balanced youngster. Very masculine. Best of heads, moderate reach of neck. Such a solid top line. His front couldn't be better, but used his well balanced hind quarters to best effect. Well done.

PD 1 Gruszka Japaro Timeless Design For Samphrey. 10 month old, sable/w, quite mature for his age, well collected and so well balanced. Liked his head piece which included dark eyes, tight lips, and well placed ears. Good level top line, good angle to shoulder, excellent rear assembly. Sound coming a little close away. Well deserved. **RPD. RBPins.**

JD Norris Sandyvalley Basil Brush. 14 month, sable, not quite in full coat, but of good texture. Such a smart head piece, very typical of the breed. Used his ears to best effect. Excellent reach of neck, High wither, best of top lines. Shoulders good, elbows well tucked in. Really liked his rear assembly so well put together. Excellent side gait sound coming and going. 2 Paterson Lorainian Kings Ransom. 10 months old sable, rather long cast, and quite close on the move. Loved his coat. Head wise couldn't be faulted. Really good front and held his top line on the move. Needs to move up a gear as he does stagger at times. But I did like him.

ND 1 Gruszka Japaro Timeless Design For Samphrey. As Puppy dog. 2 Norris Sandyvalley Basil Brush. As Junior dog. 3 Pattinson Kyleburn Hidden Dream TAF. **GD 1** John Jolex Silver Sixpence With Cadlyn. 18 month, B/m Smart young man, alert and very well collected. So very good for type, and on form. I could not fault him in presentation, both standing and on the table. So very confident and out to please. Best of heads, especially eyes and ears set. Well defined wither, solid topline, good top line, good tail set.

Shoulders to upper arm good. Tidy feet. Hindquarters well made. Scored well on the move. Very knowing. **PG 1** Officer Castlerose A Shropshire Lad JW ShCM. 4 year old, sable/w, eye catching, mature male at the top of his game. Such a delightful profile. Neat well balanced head, angle to skull length perfect. Excellent ear set, really good eye shape and colour. Neck of good length. Into a high wither, I found his top line so firm and well muscled. Good for bone and with the correct angles front and rear. Very tidy feet underline good. Loved him on the move, such a well balanced side gait, and running true coming and going. **BD.**

BIS. (SUPERB) 2 Chalke Malaroc Wordsmith At Ghostland. 4 year old sable, and running into second quite close. Loved his overall balance, and had a very acceptable profile. Good coat, and texture. Very easy on the move, so sound, and kept a pace which suited both dog and handler. Nice one. 3 John Jolex Silver Sixpence With Cadlyn.

LD 1 Edwards Castlerose Star Turn JW Shcm. 4 year old Tri, on his own, but scoring so well in all areas. A delight to go over, loved him for his type and ability to stand really well on the table and his confident attitude. Smart masculine head, moderate stop, good ear set, good dentition. Correct angle to shoulder, and well placed upper arm. Roomy chest, good under line. Well developed rear. So very sound on the move, kept an even pace at all times. Well done. **RBD.**

OD 1 Curtis Keltihope In The Frame At Yasleyrose. 8 year old, shaded sable, another on his own, good colour, and really well covered his coat was out standing. Typical sheltie head, coupled with a soft expression and well used ears. Overall profile, eye catching. Moderate bone, Slight arch to neck, well defined wither, best of top lines. Good tail set. Used his well made front and rear angles to best effect on the move. Loved his side gait, and excelled coming and going. Gave him a second look in the challenge for best. Well done.

SPECIAL BLUE MERLE OPEN DOG 1 Edwards Castlerose Spiritmaster JW ShCM. As Veteran. 2 Sweeney Peartbrook Blue Peter. 11 month old and nice to see one at this age in such really good condition. Just a little too big for me, but scored well on the move and really like his confident attitude. Well done.

SPECIAL OPEN TRI,B/W,B/T 1 Jordan Gylmar Dreamaker 8 year old, B/W, mature male, but did not impress, would like him to use his ears to best effect, ok for coat quite confident, good on the table. Ok for bone and a likable profile. I felt he'd enjoy himself more in an outside ring.

SPECIAL OPEN DOG S/W. 1 Light Jolex Another Hero For Wellobark. About 8 years old did well to come third in the veteran class, robust and mature, one who still gave all a run for their money, liked his attitude on the table, and so very sound, had a very easy action, and gave of his best. Well Done. 2 Curtis Keltihope In The Frame At Yasleyrose Won Open Dog. 3 Chalke Malaroc Wordsmith At Ghostland Second Post Grad Dog.

VB 1 Gruszka Samphrey Shades Of Blue ShCM. 8 year old, b/m. She did well but needs more motivation to look her best, she looked a little on the back foot. Overall she looked good for type and looked relaxed on the table. Very feminine, and well constructed. She has a really good front with a high wither and best of top lines. **BVB.** 2 Edwards Castlerose Leap Of Faith. 8 year old b/m, another robust looking exhibit, this breed really does go on, and nice to see. She stood her ground and really did her best, good for type, in coat and alert. Handled well on the table, showing a super profile for her age. Liked her profile and fore hand, kept her elbows well tucked in at all times. Very sound. 3 Hirst Sundark Tsarina.

MPB 1 Mottram Lundecock's There's No Limit At Lochkaren IMP-SWED) 7 month old Sable, so very feminine, and so easy on the eye, so much to like about her, feminine all through, so good for type, alert and confident. Her profile was outstanding and kept her leading the class from start to finish. Well balanced head, eyes, ears, could not be better. Ample bone without being course. Top and underline good. I found her front assembly outstanding, good feet. Under line good. Her well made rear helped produce a quality gait in all directions. **RPB.** 2 Lambert Blenmerrow Daisy Chain. 7 month old Sable, joined the queue of some quality puppies, she will I'm sure change places with higher place girls today. Liked her in so many ways, especially profile. Smart head piece, and well constructed fore and aft assembly. Looked really good on the table, and came into her own on the move. Classic side gait. Well done. 3 Waldron Frecia Golden Times.

PB 1 Pierce Philhope Summer Flame. 9 month old, Sable, a striking young female. So very eye catching right from the word go. Loved her type and balance, she was well coated and very attentive. Soft expression and alert at all times. Scored so well on the table and had that little bit extra that we all look for. Best of heads, super well made front, moderate bone, firm top line, and really good firm rear. Delightful easy but very accurate side gait. Sound coming and going. Brilliant. **BPB. B,P,in Show,** 2 Light Philhope Polished Bright For Wellobark. 9 month old, Sable/White, needs to pay more attention to what's going on but having said that, there is so much to like about her. Like her very feminine head piece, nice profile and ok for size. Quite sound erratic at times. Would like to see her in a years time. 3 Waldron Frecia Golden Times.

JB 1 Weller Evad Halloween Queen. 14 months old, Sable, and so much to like about her, schooled to perfection and scoring so well in presentation. She's such a feminine exhibit, with the best of heads and profile. Her top line in particular could not be better. She has a high wither, excellent shoulders and a well constructed rear, all came into play on the move, ultra sound. Coat colour and texture very pleasing. Loved this girl. Well done. **RBB.** 2 Dunn Brilyn Baccarat Crystal To Beechmere. 13 month, Sable, another quality bitch, one who pushed hard for best, will I'm sure continue to impress. Very good for type, best of profiles. The line from wither to croup perfect. Ok for size and so well coated. Impressive on the move. Sound coming and going, but excelled on side gait. Well handled. 3 Pierce Philhope Taste Of Summer.

NB 1 Atkins Jontygray Kiss N Tell. 21 month old, Sable. A medium size girl, very well presented, and such a confident exhibit, especially liked her overall balance and profile. Best of heads and such a soft expression and could not fault her level top line and front and rear angles. All I must say use to best effect on the move. I'm sure she will progress up the ladder. I will keep my eye on her. 2 Ayres Gemette Gala Nite. 8 month old, B/M well constructed youngster, one who I feel needs a little more time, likable profile and type with a keen expression. Ok for bone and well collected. Sound on side gait and ok coming and going. I feel another year would produce a better picture. Even so. Well done. 3 Waldon Shellamoyed Made In Heaven At Frecia.

GB 1 Weller Evad Halloween Queen First J 2 Atkin Jontygray Kiss N Tell. 3 Watson Solyric Initial Gold At Shebamiro.

PGB 1 Roberts Malaroc Rainfall. Just over 2 and a half, a Sable, very mature for her age. My notes came up good on her ticking most of the boxes. She has such a smart attitude and stood her ground with the confidence of an old campaigner. Best of profiles and had a coat second to none. Beautiful soft expression, very sound and so well handled. 2 Dunn Brilyn Baccarat Crystal To Beechmere Second in Junior bitch. 3 James Mohnesee Mayd Marion At Valmay JW.

LB 1 Watson Solyric Initial gold At Shebamiro. Sable, about 2 half year old, moved up several places from the graduate class a lot to like about her, but at this end of the classes competition is always tough. She is a promising exhibit, best of heads overall profile really good, ok for bone and type. Front and rear angle ok. Liked her tidy feet. Came really good on the move, especially side gait. 2 Wood Malaroc Rainydays. 2 and a half sable, rather a rangy exhibit, top for size, but very feminine. Has a confidence beyond her years, and an easy disposition. Reminds me of many of the shelties who work the obedience circuit. Really good feet, and handled expertly. Good profile and I really liked the strong rear assembly Well done. 3 Hirst Sundark Sunkist.

OB 1 Edwards Castlerose Foxy Lady. 6 half year old shaded sable, ok for size, and in coat, rather long in muzzle, but well placed ears. Not a bad profile, liked her front angles and how she kept her elbows in on the move. Good for bone. I will mention that there were no gay tails today, including this mature girl. Did her owner proud on the move. So very sound. Well Done. 2 Eldridge Sherkarl Lucy Locket At Petara. 5 year old and mature, Sable, very little to fault hear, I don't knit pick. And she gave a good account of herself both standing and on the move I particularly liked her profile on the table, She also showed such a confident expression and posture. Well done. 3 Roberts Malaroc Covert Love.

SPECIAL OPEN BLUE MERLE 1 Creamer Clanavon Touch Of Blue At Lyngarso. 19 month old, would like a little more length of foreleg on this girl. Nice even blue merle. Good top line and ok for bone, ok on the move and well done. 2 Greaves Clanavon Forget Me Not. 3 year old and well collected, good for colour and coat, not as well balanced as I would like, but so very confident, especially on the move, ok for bone and sound. 3 Waldron Shellamoyed Made In Heaven At Frecia.

SPECIAL TRI,B/W, B/TAN OPEN 1 Hirst Sundark Simply A Star. 6 year old, moved out much better in this class, seemed to have settled, love her profile and attitude. She really did, use her ears to best effect which improved the all over picture. Good for type and very sound. Well done. 2 Crawford Mohnesee Queen Of Clubs. 2 year old, quite well collected for her age. Ok for type, and size. Sweet expression, and had an overall balance which came to good use on the move. Handled well and sound, one I'd like to see again. 3 Light Valdosta Tri Me At Wellobark.

SPECIAL O S/W 1 Hateley Sanscott Sweet Serenity At Mohnesee JW. 3 year old smart Sable, well put together female, and doing well on the table. Liked her well balanced head, and use of her ears, dark eye, good dentition. Top line good, from wither to croup. Ok for bone and had the angles both front and rear to produce an eye catching side gait. Delightful. She really did push the boat out in the final challenge and really did give me food for thought. **Best Bitch and Reserve Best in Show.** Can't be bad. **BB. RBIS.** 2 Roberts Willowgarth Love Story At Malaroc. 6 year old Sable, at this age they really have arrived, so much to like about her, at the end of the day she is still as bright as a button. Very typical of the breed, and in coat and so very well presented, liked her on the table and on the move. Handling extremely well. 3 Light Philhope Polished Bright For Wellobark. 2nd in Puppy.

Judge - Celia Vines