

Shetland Sheepdog Club Of Wales Open Show 20th January 2019

My thanks to all concerned for inviting me to judge this show, which I last judged in 2002. A lovely entry of 92. Thanks to my steward, who kept things running smoothly. I was asked to judge right through, so finished in good time. I have never been one to criticise my breed, but I think 1 or 2 things need to be addressed. Short and or steep upper arms, this did effect some places, a few were right down on pasterns, and an unusual amount of short tails. This said my winning dogs were of high quality and of good breed type. BIS was Ch Willowgarth Tangerine Lace at Mohnesse J.W. ShCm. Heard and read a lot about this bitch, but my first time of seeing her live. A top quality bitch of excellent type, she has a super eye shape, colour and placement, giving that dreamy expression that's required. Lovely shape and size, giving a pleasing profile, her head has a flat skull level and parallel planes, correct stop well placed, moulded foreface, and good strength of chin. Arched neck into good lay of shoulder, very well made front and rear quarters, with a generous bend of stifle, short and upright hocks. Plenty of bone for her size, all covered in gleaming coat well presented. She moved with good reach in front and drive from rear, covering the ground with ease. A pleasure to have judged her. Res B.I.S. & Best Opposite Sex Lanteague Gold Sovereign at Lochkaren. 19th month s/w dog, another I have not seen before. Bred on similar lines as B.I.S. having a male version of her head qualities, again a super eye and expression, lovely moulding to foreface, correct placement of ears with just the right amount tipped forward (1/3) He has a long neck, good shoulder into well made front assembly, deep chest (I found lacking in the dogs) firm topline with sweep over croup. Nice turn of stifle and short upright hocks, neat feet. He was in full bloom coat of correct texture well presented. Moved very well, yet still has time to come to his full potential. B. P I. S. Jontygray Kiss N' Tell. New to me again this S/W 11month bitch has half the blood lines of the other two. Very pretty puppy, has the head pattern I look for, with the desired expression. Flat skull nice depth of stop, and equal planes, again a moulded muzzle with a good under jaw, good ears and set which she used well. Nice neck and shoulder good length to upper arm, straight front. Level topline, sweep over croup, plenty bend of stifle short hocks. Neat feet, in good coat well presented. She moved very well for her age, must have a bright future. B. Puppy. B. Vet I. S. Stormyisles Sound of Musical at Pacarane J.W. S/W feminine bitch of eight & half years. Flat skull nice eye and expression, well placed stop, equal planes. Has a good length of neck, firm topline. Well made front and rear quarters, short upright hocks. Neat feet, in good coat of correct texture, she moved very well, and could show some of the youngsters how its done, a bitch to be proud of.

DOGS

VD (7,1) 1 Pattinson Kyleburn Acis. Shaded Sable 10+ years old a very well made dog, front quarters is what we would all desire. Head handles well good stop, dark eye, a little round for me, pleasing shape with a nice bend of stifle, still moves soundly. 2 Hirst Sundark Starlight ShCM. B/M. One I have judged before still looking good for his age of 10+ clean wedged head pleasing eye, again well made front & rear moved well. 3 Sweeney Peartbrook Blue Peter.

MPD (4,1) 1 Jones Mistmere the Woodman. 8 mths. Old would not want him to grow much more. Has a pleasing head pattern, dark almond eye, nice length of neck, firm topline, well off for bone, neat feet, moved well. 2 Pattinson Hidden Dream taf Smaller dog a little apprehensive on the table, nice head & eye, good front & rear angles moved well. 3 John Jolex Silver Sixpence with Cadlyn.

PD (3,1) 1 Moore Jacanshe Be Our Guest at Santiara. Tri of 10 months. Lovely shape & size, he has a dark almond eye, set correctly, clean stop, long neck. Well made front assembly, firm topline, nice turn of stifle, move very well. B.Puppy Dog. 2 Pierce Philhope Son Of A Diva S/W. In full bloom Head handles well, Dark eye, firm topline good rear quarters, a little straight in upper arm, which affected his front movement. ND (2,1) Jolex Silver Sixpence with Cadlyn. B/M 3rd in M.P Nice colour, good head pattern, Good shape to eyes, Nicely made front & rear, the whole picture spoilt by large ears.

GD (2) 1 Mottram Lanteague Gold Sovereign at Lochkaren. B.Dog Res B. in Show. 2 Laversuch Pacarane Polar Stormtime Tri. of nice shape & size, good head pattern clean stop, moulded foreface, would prefer a less bold eye. But still has a nice expression, well made front and rear quarters, moved well.

PGD (2) 1 Pattinson Kyleburn Everlasting Dream. S/W. of 4 years old of correct size, clean wedged head, dark eye, well placed stop, long arch neck, into good lay of shoulder, deep chest, firm topline, nice bend of stifle, moved very well. 2 Chalke Malaroc Wordsmith at Ghostland not in full coat, moved well behind, but close in front.

LD (5) 1 Mottram Midnight Sun at Lockaren JW. Another S/W of good type from this kennel. He has a refined head, dark expressive eye, flat skull parallel equal planes, nice reach of neck into good front quarters, deep chest, firm topline with sweep over croup, ample turn of stifle, short hocks neat feet, in full bloom, moved

well. 2 Curtis Keltihope in the Frame at Yasleyrose 6 year old shaded sable of nice shape & size clean wedged head, dark eye, good neck & shoulder, well off for bone, in good coat, moved well. 3 Moore Invictus Prince Iago Du Domaine Des Danaïdes at Santiara.

OD (4,2) 1 Haensel Ch Sherkarl Uptown Funk J.W. Sh CM. 3 year old in full bloom, of correct texture, well presented. He has a clean wedge head, seen face on, and profile, dark almond eye, flat skull, parallel planes. Good stop, and moulded foreface, nice strength to under jaw, well off for neck, and well made front angles, firm topline, slope over croup, ample bend of stifle, short upright hocks, plenty of bone for size of dog. Moved & showed very well. Pushed hard for top honours. 2 Keltihope in the Frame at Yasleyrose.

Sp OB/M (3) 1 Sundark Starlight. 2 Peartbrook Blue Peter 3rd in veteran in good coat, head handles well, nice eye, large ears moved ok. Flat pasterns. 3 Jolex Gadno Arian with Cadlyn.

Sp O Tri. (3) 1 Pacarane Polar Stormtime. 2 Jordan Gylmar Dreamaker. 7 year old head of good type dark eye, good stop, in good coat level topline moved well, would prefer more length to neck. 3 Thomas Kelihope Koalite at Richjoy.

Sp O S/W Dog 1 Robinson Lavika Lush Life JW. 22 mths. S/W. of good shape & size, another sheltie of good type from this kennel, he has a refined wedge head, dark almond expressive eye, flat skull, equal planes, has a good length of neck, nice lay of shoulder, well made front, correct topline, good bend of stifle, moved soundly, in full bloom well presented. His head qualities and expression rewarded him with Res B. D. 2 Malaroc Wordsmith at Ghostland. 3 Light Jolex Another Hero for Wellobark.

BITCHES

VB (4,2) 1 Laversuch Stormyisles Sound of Music at Pacarane J.W. 2 Hirst Sundark Tsarina Well made tri. Head was balanced & in proportion with size of bitch, flat skull good stop, dark eye, although a little bold for me, moved well.

MPB (3,1) 1 Creamer Clanavon Touch of Blue At Lyngarso. Very sweet B/M, is of good size, pleasing head pattern, expressive eye, nice length of neck, well made front & rear quarters, in good coat of pleasing colour, moved very well, just has to drop in rear. 2 Robinson Lavika life in The Fast Lane. Not one I would expect from this kennel. Up to size s/w dark eye good neck, well presented, moved ok. Needs to develop in stop.

PB (5) 1 Atkins Jontygray Kiss N' Tell B.P. Bitch B.P. in Show. 2 James Mohnesee Mayd Marion at Valmay s/w, of nice size, has a pleasing head pattern, sweet eye, good neck & shoulder, firm topline, ample bend of stifle, moved well at rear, a little close in front. 3 Harries Mistmere Tilly.

JB (2) 1 Mohnesee Mayd Marion at Valmay. 2 Sweeney Kyleburn Telephassa s/w left her jacket at home, nice shape & size, moved well, a little reluctant to go over.

NB (5) (1) 1 Mistmere Tilly 3rd in puppy very well made, and moved very well, she has a good head pattern expressive eye, nice ear carriage, fore face is a little bumpy with veins at the moment from teething.

GB (6) 1 Hateley Mohnesse Sweet Dreams. Very sweet puppy of 11 months. She has a dark almond eye giving desired expression level equal planes, well placed stop, good under jaw. Nice reach of neck, well made front & rear quarters, correct topline with sweep over croup, ample bend of stifle. In this class she moved well, come the challenge she decided to play up and front movement was not what I had seen before. 2 Greaves Clanavon Forget Me Not b./m. refined head, well placed almond eye, nice reach of neck. Good front & rear assemble moved well. 3 Wood Malaroc Rainydaze.

PGB (6,4) 1 Thomas Jolex Golden Lilly. A 3yr. s/w, a little reluctant to show off her virtues, sweet bitch with a pleasing head & eye, of nice shape, moved well. 2 Eldridge Petara Sheer Charisma. 8 half yr old nice head, dark eye, would prefer a little more neck, she moved wide in front, ok at rear.

LB (10,3) 1 Robinson Lavika Time of My Life J.W. 20 month. Old very sweet bitch, in full bloom, good head pattern, dark almond eye, well stop, moulded fore face, good neck & shoulder, well made front & rear, moved very well. 2 Dunn Neraklee Chardonnay at Shelleary. Not quite 4yr. shaded s/w. Lovely shape to her, covered in full coat, of correct texture, she has a pleasing head pattern, lovely moulding to fore face, eye is a little round but is dark, well made front & rear, nice length of neck, moved soundly. 3 Lianbray Lorelei J.W.

OB (2) 1 Hateley Ch Willowgarth Tangerine Lace at Mohnesse J.W. Sh CM. 2 Hirst Sundark Simply A Star. Tri of good type, head handles well. Good reach of neck, well made, moved well, another who has left their jacket at home.

Sp O B/M B. (3,1) 1 Clanavon Forget Me Not. 2 Thomas Jolex Moonflower. Close between 1 & 2 Clean wedged head good neck & shoulder in good coat moved very well.

Sp O Tri B (3,1) 1 Sundark Tsarina. 2 Light Valdosta Tri Me at Wellobark Res. In Novice, Ok. for shape & size, dark eye, in good coat, moved well.

Sp O SW B (9,2) 1 Robinson Lavika Lucky Star J.W. Another quality sheltie from this kennel, ideal for shape & size lovely reach of neck, well made front & rear quarters which made her action smooth & easy, she has a

refined head, parallel planes, good stop, well placed, dark almond eye giving desired expression, in full bloom well presented, movement was true & sound, well of for bone. Res. B. B. 2 Stormyisles Sound of Music at Pacarane J.W. 3 Sundark Sunkist

Judge - Dave Weller