

## **SHETLAND SHEEPDOG C OF WALES, 20/03/16**

**DOGS** – I would like to thank the committee of the Shetland Sheepdog Club of Wales for the opportunity to judge at their Ch show & for the warm & friendly welcome & especially to the exhibitors for their entry. I would also like to thank my two stewards. Now the dogs I was very happy with the quality & number of dogs today especially as just following on after Crufts. The dogs were all clean & well presented the only little problem that I found is the length of tail in some of the dogs, this seems to be more prevalent in sables. I was more than pleased with my final line-up in fact I wish I had had more tickets.

**MP** (4,1a) 1 Roberts' Malaroc Mystery Writer, this young s/w boy stood out in this class. He looks like he has a lot going for him. He has a stunning head pattern & a well balanced body, correct ears which he used well & correct shaped almond eyes, lovely flat skull, good length of neck into level topline, good upper arm, bend of stifle & spring of rib, moved round the ring well just gave the impression I am here look at me. Was pleased to award him BPD, BPIS; 2 Edwards' Castlerose Star Turn, tri, this boy has a lot going for him, moved really well around the ring, nice clean shaped head, flat skull & nice ear carriage, level topline, well angulated shoulder & bend of stifle, shame he had to meet 1 but with maturity things may reverse; 3 Laversuch's Pacarane Polbertella. **P** (5,1) 1 Officer's Castlerose A Shropshire Lad, s/w, masculine dog, good layback of shoulder, well angulated stifle, moved well, his head fits the Standard, lovely almond shaped eyes & correct ear carriage, stood foursquare, will trouble the rest when he has matured; 2 Laversuch's Pacarane Polgeorgio, s/w well balanced boy, moved well around the ring, correct angulation front & rear, maturing well, masculine head, level topline, good tail length; 3 Pattinson's Agamemnons Delight for Kyleburn. **J** (6) 1 Stow & Withers' Stanydale Shot In The Dark, tri dog with a sweet but masculine head with correct size ears which he used well, gorgeous expression, flat skull & level planes with correct stop, well rounded muzzle & correct underjaw. Moved with drive from well angulated stifle, good jet black coat with long tail & level back which he kept on the move. I have high hopes for this boy & I wish him well. RCC; 2 C A Shropshire Lad; 3 Cooper's Wyckwood Ice Blue. **Y** (5) 1 Mottram's Midday Sun at Lochkaren, s/w dog, nice head pattern, good ear carriage, nice shape & well balanced, correct size with good textured coat coming, moved OK; 2 Goodwin's Sandwich Turn Back Time, tri with a lovely jet black coat, flat skull with good ear carriage & head pattern, nice sweep over croup, moved well; 3 W Ice Blue. **M** (5,1) 1 C Star Turn; 2 P Polbertella, s/w dog, pretty young boy, moved round the ring OK, level topline, good angulation front & rear, nice eye & ear carriage, stood foursquare; 3 W Ice Blue. **N** (4,2) 1 C Star Turn; 2 P Polgeorgio. **G** (2) 1 Aaron's Mastermind at Shelridge, outgoing happy tri dog, nice masculine head & ear carriage, well shaped eye, adequate length of neck, correct angulation front & rear, good layback of shoulder, nice bone, stood foursquare, moved well in this class; 2 Lewis' Tobias Tooniesson, liked his head, eye & ear carriage, in good coat, level topline, nice sweep over croup, moved OK. **PG** (4) 1 Harries' Mistmere Antique Gold, s/w dog, lovely head on this boy, stood & showed well, moved well round the ring, well balanced throughout, neat feet, just wish he had not left his coat at home; 2 John's Jolex Cadno Adrian with Cadlyn, b/m dog, good masculine head on this boy but typical b/m ears, correct flat skull, & almond eye, nice length of neck, level topline, nice angulation front & rear, moved well around the ring. Close decision between these two, just preferred ear carriage on 1; 3 Saunders' Chalmoor Shades Of Gold at Fernfrey. **ML** (6,1) 1 Stocks' Shemist Black Wizard, tri dog, he has a sweet masculine head, flat skull & well shaped almond eye & good ear carriage, level topline & nice sweep over croup, well boned, correct angulation front & rear, moved really well around the ring today, he pushed hard for

top honours; 2 Robert's Malaroc Must Try Harder, another nice tri dog, correct ears & flat skull, correct stop, well angulated front & rear, moved well & in good coat; 3 Allen's Tesoro Tintoretto. **L** (8) 1 Paterson's Lorainian Campbell Clan, s/w dog, today the door opened. This boy fits the Standard with a wonderful sweet & masculine head, flat skull, level planes, correct stop & ears, & almond shaped eye. Correct length of neck going into well laid back shoulders, correct forearm, well sprung ribs, level to point of shoulder, correct angulation of stifle, level topline, good length of tail & sweep over croup, spot on for size, he moved around the ring with drive. He just asked for the top honours today & I was pleased to award him the CC, RBIS. Real stunning boy & I wish him well; 2 Goodwin's Lianbray Loveheart at Highbrook, s/w, lovely masculine head, well balanced all through, huge coat well presented, flat skull, correct neat ears which he used to full advantage, well angulated front & rear, moves round the ring with ease; 3 Thornley's Felthorn Jazz Singer. **O** (3) 1 Rutterford's Ch Kelgrove Just Blue at Stormhead, b/m, well balanced boy that I have admired from the ringside, he has a good colour with full white collar & nice tan markings, a lovely sweet masculine head, & correct almond shape eye with a flat skull, level planes with a good stop & well rounded muzzle. Well laid back shoulder & correct angulation front & rear. Nice bone & sweep over croup & long tail; 2 Allan's Willowtarn Time To Boogie, s/w dog in good coat well presented, liked his front assembly, level topline with good sweep over croup, moved well around the ring; 3 Thomas' Malaroc Master Copy at Richjoy. **V** (4,1) 1 Riding's Willowtarn Taubyn via Evad, s/w masculine boy, well balanced all through, correct well used ears, flat skull, nice stop & level planes, correct almond shaped eyes, well rounded muzzle & good underjaw, tight lips, good angulation, stood foursquare, liked his front, nice sweep over croup, moved round the ring well & attentive to handler; 2 Thomas' Jolex Blue C-Quin, b/m well made dog, masculine head, good stop & flat skull, well angulated front & rear, in good coat, moved well round the ring; 3 Holmes & Holmes-Chadwick's Oakcroft The Charmer at Dendor. **Breeders** (2) 1 Rigby's Lythwood Secret Dealer, s/w in huge coat, correct shaped ears which he used well, correct shape almond eye, well balanced head, level topline, good sweep over croup, moved OK; 2 T Tooniesson. **Special O S/W** (8,2) 1 Goodwin's Ch Highbrook Hot Heir, well balanced s/w boy spot on for size, fits the Standard well, gorgeous sweet masculine head, flat skull, neat ears which he used well, nice rounded muzzle, correct almond shaped eye, good reach of neck, well angulated front & rear, good spring of rib, stood foursquare; 2 Wynn's Ch Sheltysham Rose Wood, another gorgeous s/w boy, these two were difficult to separate between them, no doubt they will change places, just preferred the body length of 1; 3 Pattinson's Kyleburn Acis. **Special O B/M** (6,1) 1 Ch K Just Blue at S; 2 Edwards' Castlerose Spiritmaster, good colour blue, groomed to perfection with full white collar, going over this boy he has a nice masculine head with flat skull, typical b/m ears which he used well, good stop, well rounded muzzle & good underjaw, nice reach of neck, well angulated front & rear, good bone. Moved round the ring OK; 3 J Cadno Adrian with C. **Special O Tri** (4) 1 S Shot In The Dark; 2 Jordan's Gylmar Dreamaker, lovely tri dog with nice jet black coat, well presented, spot on for size & well balanced, good ear carriage, flat skull, correct stop, nice rounded muzzle & underjaw, well angulated front & rear, nice bone, moved well; 3 Whittington's Tighness Three Card Trick.

**KEITH BISWELL**

**BITCHES** – I would like to extend my thanks to the committee for their kind invitation to judge & for their superb hospitality for the day. I also extend my thanks to my two wonderful & very capable stewards who ensured that the day flowed seamlessly. I was delighted with a super entry of quality bitches to go over, thank you so much.

I was looking for an elegant, balanced & typical, correctly sized Sheltie with smooth, moulded, one piece head, almond shaped & obliquely set eye giving that elusive & much desired melting expression which is so essential to our beautiful breed combined with the construction required to enable the free & easy movement needed in a working breed like ours. Type & size overall was quite mixed in parts but ultimately, I found some excellent bitches to place & I was really pleased with winners who were all very typical & displayed excellent & correct breed type. My CC & RCC winners were outstanding; no nonsense & capable of a day's work due to their super construction giving excellent & correct movement – they simply flowed around the rings & were a joy to see. My co-judge & I agreed on all final awards other than RBIS where the referee's decision was called upon.

**MP** (11,5a) Some promising youngsters. 1 Ambler's Watchwood Sweetheart, 8 months old b/m bitch of near ideal size presenting a very pretty picture. Instantly appealed for her shape & correct substance. Head is slightly shorter pattern but balanced & feminine with well defined underjaw & rounded foreface. She has such a pretty expression enhanced by correctly placed & neatly carried ears. Sufficient neck to carry the head proudly with adequate upper arm & pleasing shoulder angulation, excellent substance all through with beautifully well rounded strong bone & straight front. Excellent topline & well turned stifle, low set hock joint & very neat feet. Coat was presented immaculately with pleasing ground colour & mostly well broken all through. Moved steadily with purposeful drive from the rear. A well schooled & eye-catching young lady; 2 Goodwin's Herds Hillarity, pretty r/s baby of 6 months at her first show & very raw in development as yet. Very appealing in outline & expression, lovely head properties with flat skull, dark, almond shaped & well placed eye. Correct stop, neat earset & carriage combined to give such a sweet expression. Head is balanced & well moulded with rounded foreface. Presented an elegant outline, she is very shapely in profile with sufficient bone for her size. Pleasing angulation all through & well proportioned. Slightly apprehensive which affected her stance slightly but to be expected at such a tender age & first outing & certainly did not detract in any way from her overall appeal. Coat, though just coming through, was richly coloured & presented beautifully & her movement was steady in all directions. Close call but not the finish of 1 at this time but certainly a youngster of promise; 3 Harries' Mistmere Singing Wind. **P** (10,5) 1 Lycett's Iliad Isla Wishes, classic shaded sable bitch of just under 11 months. Instantly appealed for her shapely outline & elegance all though. Super clean head properties, refined & balanced with flat skull, dark almond shaped eye which was well placed giving correct & sweet expression. Head is carried proudly on a well arched neck with pleasing forehead angulation. Correct substance for size, loved her proportions & she is so well balanced with pleasing topline & turn of stifle. Coat is very richly toned & of super correct texture, slight wave at present but puppy coat not penalised. Movement was efficient once settled to the job in hand & although not as mature in outlook as 2 (winner of MP) but I preferred her length of head, neck & reach in front on the move. Plenty of time on her side, she has lots of promise & so much to like about this youngster. Interesting to see that she is sired by the litter brother of my CC winner. **BPB**; 2 W Sweetheart; 3 Mackie's Iliad Illusive Gold at Shebaville. **J** (13,3) 1 Fox's Ruscombe Work Of Art with Follyfox, quality 13 month old tri young lady who caught my eye immediately for her shape & balance. What I loved about this bitch was her excellent substance for her size while retaining full femininity. Plain, no nonsense young girl who is not overdone in any way, shape or form, her head is well moulded, very feminine & even though I would prefer a slightly darker eye, she still gives a sweet expression. Well placed & carried ears all enhanced by such rich tan markings gives such an appealing look overall. Super shapely & totally balanced all through with pleasing angulation. Coat is of good colour & is fitting which just enhances her appealing outline – she is so workmanlike & easy on the

move & oozes the fact that she could easily do a day's work. Toeing out slightly in front & a little closer trimming of the feet to enhance their shape would be beneficial but just a small point – really so much to like here & she should do well in the future. Really liked her, full of quality; 2 Deveson's Janetstown Je Suis, attractive g/s of 17 months, instant appeal for her lovely shape & breed type. Glamorously coloured girl who is immaculately presented & presents such feminine appeal. Very typical with pretty dark eye enhanced by excellent pigmentation. She still has some fill in foreface to finish & I would prefer a tad more definition in underjaw but with her super neat ears, still holds much appeal overall. Shapely outline with sufficient reach of neck, level topline & graceful sweep over loin, her angulation is balanced all through. Coat so attractive colour wise & of pleasing texture. Movement is steady & I preferred the ground cover of 1 but overall, a very attentive young lady, super showgirl. Beautifully presented; 3 Lee's Ontoco Lunar Eclipse at Chalynwood. **Y** (8) 1 Paterson's Lorianan Celtic Star, very appealing plain g/s bitch of 22 months heading a nice class. Daughter of the BVB/BV & like her in so many ways. Loved her balance & shape giving such an elegant outline in profile. Moulded one piece head with dark, almond shaped eye, neatly placed & carried ears. Super reach of neck into pleasing forehead, proportioned well all through with well fitting coat of good texture though still a little 'bottom heavy' over the loin/croup at present. Enough substance for her size with flexible pasterns & her movement was smooth & efficient. Still plenty of time to mature & my only minor grumble is that better presentation would only serve to enhance this lovely girl; 2 Weller's Dukeson's Chasing Stars over Evad, another very pretty bitch of super breed type. Slightly longer cast in proportions to 1 but with quality head properties, well moulded with flat skull, well defined underjaw & melting expression. Not quite the proportions & outline of 1 but was slightly more mature having a wealth of richly toned & beautifully presented coat. Nicely put together all through with correct substance for her size. At first glance, I thought she may be my class winner but she insisted on standing so wide in front today & a very close decision went against her this time. That aside, I loved her quality; 3 Parker's Tolarock Such A Treat. **M** (7,1) 1 I Isla Wishes; 2 W Sweetheart; 3 Aaron's Shelridge Crushed Velvet. **N** (6,4) 1 I Isla Wishes; 2 W Sweetheart. **G** (6) Three super bitches. 1 Thomas' Myter Trade Secret, b/m bitch of 22 months, very classical in outline & I feel technically the best to come out of this kennel. Not exaggerated nor overdone in any way whatsoever. Loved her size & excellent substance, she presents such a workmanlike outlook but retaining her completely feminine appeal. Super clean, moulded head with flat skull, correct stop, well defined underjaw & rounded foreface. Pleasing eye shape & placement combined with ultra-neat earset & carriage give a most appealing expression. Beautifully proportioned all through, totally balanced in profile with well arched neck, excellent front, body & rear. Well turned stifle with low cut hock joint with correct tailset & carriage. Movement as expected, she simply covered the maximum ground with the minimum of effort & her forward reach was outstanding. Coming into fresh coat of improved new colour, still needs to clear in part along the sides & ground colour is sufficiently well broken. She & my CC winner were so well matched & such a close decision but the maturity, finish & coat of the winner had the edge, she has time on her side. Such a superb bitch, congratulations. RCC; 2 Hateley's Willowgarth Tangerine Lace at Mohnesee, super attractive young lady of near ideal size. Simply oozes breed type with her extremely pretty, melting expression, gorgeous dark eye enhanced by excellent pigmentation. Not the flatness in skull as 1 as yet but pleasing underjaw & super neat ears. So feminine & with the sufficient substance for her age & maturity level. Hands on, she was so pleasing to go over, I preferred the upper arm of 1 but her neck is well arched with good shoulder placement & she is well put together once you can find her under that wealth of richly coloured & incredibly well presented coat which can give the illusion of masking her true shape somewhat in profile at first glance. Very purposeful on the move, could not

match the forward reach of 1 but covered the ground well. A really sassy showgirl, so attentive & she certainly caught my eye today. Once again, another with plenty of time on her side to mature through, she has so much potential. Super quality; 3 Harries' Mistmere Wind Belle. **PG** (10) 1 Lycett's Herds Hallicia at Ilad, attractive r/s bitch of 2 years old & one I have judged before. Her elegant shape & outline are just so attractive with excellent head properties, wedge shaped with pleasing refinement & of correct length. Stop is correctly defined, skull is flat & a super dark eye of correct shape & placement creating a melting, feminine expression with lovely dark pigmentation. Reachy neck & overall balance gives a flowing outline all through, so nicely put together & with exactly the correct amount of substance for her size. In super coat at present which is very richly toned, very fresh & presented to absolute perfection. Still needs to fill slightly in foreface but on full maturity, this girl should be capable of higher honours; 2 Ferris' Willow Tarn Time To Party at Ferrimere, 3 year old g/s girl who is a tad above ideal in size as is the class winner but another who appealed for her flowing outline & femininity. Super shape & balance with appealing head, a little fuller in eye & a shade deeper in stop so not quite the melting sweetness of the winner but with better definition of underjaw. Loved her shape with super neck, well laid shoulder, pleasing body & she is correctly proportioned. Well ribbed with straight front, correct bone & pleasing substance, very attractive all round. In fitting coat with abundant skirts, she presents a very pretty picture. Moved out well with purposeful drive from the rear; 3 Roberts' Willowgarth Love Story. **ML** (7) 1 Bray's Lianbray Locked In Love, shaded sable bitch who is just so shapely. Just above ideal for size but so attractive in profile. Super moulded quality head, dark eye & appealing expression, smooth cheeks with underjaw well defined. She has real feminine appeal with such excellent substance all through. Angulation is balanced with well laid shoulder & I would prefer more length to her upper arm but she is beautifully proportioned with level topline & low tailset. Sufficient in bend of stifle but hock joint is set low & such neat feet. Coat is richly coloured & well fitting & is presented to perfection. Not quite the forward extension in front but covered the ground efficiently. Head so smooth & finished & won the class on overall maturity. Super showgirl & top class presentation; 2 Moody's Janetstown Jenerous, super bitch of ideal size of similar in make & shape to 1 but not as mature all through as of yet. Loved the moulding to her head with flat skull. Not quite as clean in stop as the class winner but so sweet in expression with dark, well placed eye with super dark pigmentation. Preferred her length of neck & another who appealed so greatly for her balance & shapely outline in profile. Well put together & so feminine with ideal substance for her maturity at this time, pleasing bone with flexible pasterns. Graceful sweep over loin & I preferred her bend of stifle to the class winner. Coat just enough but showing daylight underneath at present. Lots to like about this girl & she is still to mature all through, just preferred the coat & finish of 1. Be interesting to see how she develops further; 3 Laversuch's Pacarane Polly Flinders. **L** (6,1) 1 Lycett's Shebaville Saucy Secret at Iliad, b/m bitch of 5 years & in her prime – the third time I have judged her & by far at her best today. Classic type, so full of quality, she is beautifully feminine with such super one piece head, excellent moulding with flat skull & clean, smooth cheeks. Correct stop, dark almond shaped eye combined with correct earset giving a truly melting expression. Just love her no nonsense make & shape with excellent strong, well rounded bone giving perfect substance all through while retaining her full feminine charm. So well constructed with excellent upper arm & shoulder though to be critical, I would prefer a little more length of neck but when she actually chooses to use it, she gives the desired shapeliness needed with head carried proudly to complete the desired elegance. Excellent chest & ribs, loved her proportions all through with firm body, super rear angulation & tailset. Her ground colour is pleasing & is well broken on one side & acknowledging the large black patch on the other, when compared to her many excellent qualities, it is easily forgivable. Coat in full bloom &

tan markings were of rich colour. Truly workmanlike in outlook, her movement is excellent with powerful drive from the rear & she is so well handled at all times. Not quite the absolutely perfect extension in front as the RCC winner but had all the finish & maturity needed to present the complete picture to clinch it. It all came together today, in top form, so beautifully presented & she positively shone, thrilled to award her a well deserved CC in excellent company; 2 Allen's Willow Tarn Time To Frolic, 5 year old sable bitch who is very plain but has so much appeal. No frills but with lovely shape, super reach of neck & well laid shoulder, not the length in upper arm as the class winner but is certainly sufficient. Just loved her breed type with quality one piece head, sweet expression with super bone, substance & straight front. Not quite the angulation in rear as 1 but is certainly adequate & hock joint set low. Mature all through with super ribs & body, just a tad longer cast than 1. Coat is well fitting, plain in regard to white markings but such a lovely depth of colour. Moves out so well with very smooth action & covers the ground really well. Could stand a little close behind as she was very attentive to her handler on the day & 'sitting back' on her hocks on occasion to look up for bait but when something caught her eye elsewhere, really pulled herself up & looked a picture in profile. Quality bitch with so much virtue; 3 Deveson's Lucky Liason at Lianbray. O (10,1) 1 Moore's Sanscott Sweet City Woman, ultra pretty 2 year old bitch of near ideal size, oozing ring presence & demanding to be noticed. Appealed for her attractive outline, balance & shape with such excellent breed type. Head looked of shorter pattern but she is balanced & nothing is out proportion as a whole. Super sweet expression with correctly shaped dark eye combined with the neatest of ears. Foreface is rounded, a touch more fill to finish as yet but pleasing underjaw & lovely moulding to her head. Graceful neck shows off her outline & carried head proudly with pleasing forehead. Would prefer a touch more length to upper arm for perfection but it is certainly more than sufficient. Balanced proportion wise all through, super in body with pleasing angulation to rear, bone & substance perfect for her size. Coat is not overdone & fitting her well to accentuate her pleasing shape & abundant petticoats add finish to the pretty picture. Moved out steadily & purposefully covering the ground in all directions with ease. Not quite the upper arm nor subsequent forward reach or of one or two others in the class but compromise dictated & I awarded her for her overall feminine appeal & super alert performance on the day, she demanded the class. As still a comparative youngster, I feel that time will only improve this quality bitch more with the best yet to come as far as finish is concerned & her youthful outlook & attitude were certainly to her advantage today; 2 Bray's Ruscombe Strike A Light for Lianbray, quality, feminine bitch of 5 years old & so much to like about her. Really appealed for shape & head qualities. Shade larger than ideal for size but with excellent strong, well rounded bone giving just the right amount of substance for her size. Love her super moulded & one piece head with dark & beautifully pigmented eye giving such a pretty & feminine expression. Neck is sufficient to hold it all proudly with shoulder well laid back. Again, would prefer a touch more length to upper arm but is adequate & she is mature all through in body with well sprung ribs, is nicely balanced in proportions & with well moulded croup. Pleasing bend of stifle & neat, tidy feet. Movement is smooth & efficient & she is so well handled to get the very best out of her. Just needs to finish growing her coat to be back in full bloom but a real quality girl with plenty to like about her. In full bloom, should certainly be capable of achieving higher honours; 3 Thornley's Felthorn Lindy Hop. V (11,1) 1 Patterson's Ch Lorainian Saving Grace, upstanding girl of 8 years old & in amazing form. Larger than ideal but super shapely, so very elegant & graceful in profile. Loved her breed type with quality head pattern, refined & well moulded with clean stop, flat skull & correctly shaped & placed eye. Super neat ears which she used to full advantage, so alert. If I was going to be critical, I would say that eye is a bit on the small side but does not detract from her lovely expression. Well arched neck into pleasing shoulder & upper arm, so graceful all through with well moulded croup & pleasing

bend of stifle. In full coat & bloom, her presentation was immaculate & she is so at one with her handler, a real showgirl who made the very most of her many virtues. Headed a class of super quality bitches & was very pleased to award her BVB & in agreement with my co-judge, BV; 2 Partridge's Rainelor Ramani, a real favourite of mine & very unlucky to meet the class winner in such top form. 11 year old tri bitch of great charm & quality & still looking fabulous for her years. I have judged her before & I never tire of going over her. So elegant & balanced in outline, I just love her shapeliness. Her head has held its quality & is balanced & well moulded with neat ears. Her skull is flat with well placed eye with super dark pigmentation giving a sweet & very feminine expression. She is so well balanced all through with excellent reach of neck, pleasing forehead, straight front & has excellent rounded bone with correct substance for her size. Body is firm & well muscled with correct proportions & I preferred her overall balance & size to the class winner. She still moves out well covering the ground with efficiency with excellent drive from the rear. Not in her best coat today & paid the price against 1 who was in such excellent bloom, having said that, what she had was such excellent intense colour. So much virtue here & so unfortunate that she still awaits her crown as she is simply so deserving; 3 Parker's Ch Tolarock Trick N Treat.

**Breeders** (2) 1 Rigby's Lythwood Sculptress, 2 year old pale g/s bitch of excellent breed type. Loved her quality head properties, one piece & so well moulded with rounded foreface & smooth, clean cheeks. Gloriously dark almond shaped & correctly placed eye enhanced by super dark pigmentation gave such a melting sweet expression. Well arched neck with pleasing shoulder angulation, straight front & with correct bone & substance. Pleasing proportions all though with well turned stifle, clean cut, well let down hock joint. Very plain with not much in the way of white markings but her colouring is really eye-catching & of rich pale gold, so very attractive when combined with such dark pigmentation. In super coat with abundant skirts, movement was purposeful with drive from the rear. Super showgirl & very attentive, stood foursquare & correctly at all times. One of real quality & so much to like; 2 Laversuch's Pacarane Polly Flinders, very pretty shaded sable girl whom I have judged before & loved. She is such a pretty girl but did nothing to show off her virtues today unfortunately. Very shapely girl with elegant shape in profile. Typical head pattern with excellent dark well placed eye & has a really feminine expression when combined with neatly placed & carried ears when she chose to use them. Super neck into pleasing forehead, straight front with good body proportions. Well angled behind with clean cut hock joint, just a tad high but super substance for her size. Coat is deep & richly coloured & perfectly enhanced with full white markings but felt that a little better presentation would have made more of her charms. Not on her best form today, not alert nor interested in showing off her charms & a little 'slouchy' in outlook especially when standing. Movement is easy for her, she is made so well that she covers the ground smooth & so efficiently but again, was not giving her best as I know she can. Another time & place & things could be different, still a quality girl whom I like so much. **S/w** (9,1) 1 Aaron's Shelridge Socialite, classic bitch of 5 years old of excellent breed type. Her forte is her super quality head pattern, moulded & one piece, so clean & smooth with correct definition of stop, beautifully rounded foreface & well defined underjaw. Excellent almond shaped eye, correctly placed & enhanced by such beautiful dark pigmentation combined with neat earset & carriage gave a melting, feminine expression. Neck is sufficient to hold head proudly & shoulder is well laid. I would prefer a slightly longer upper arm but loved her well rounded bone, flexible pasterns & correct, very tidy neat feet. Appears a little long cast in profile but only due to upper arm needing a tad more length but good depth of chest, well bodied all through with excellent bend of stifle, almost a little too much. Would insist on standing so widely at the rear today as she is such an eager showgirl & movement, though a little eager, was very fluid & with such easy action, she covered the ground so efficiently that her handler had trouble matching her today. Super rich

coat colour & in lovely bloom. A real quality girl; 2 Wood's Petara Sheer Destiny, eye-catching girl of just under 9 years & certainly not disgraced in an excellent veteran class. Really appealed immediately for her super graceful shape & I actually preferred her overall balance in outline but she cannot match the true classic head qualities of the class winner but she certainly has a very sweet expression & oozes femininity. Loved her excellent, well arched neck, she is so elegant in profile with excellent shoulder placement, pleasing proportions, level topline & graceful sweep over loins. Well turned stifle with sufficient bone & substance for her size. Slightly down in pasterns in front now & losing her definition of underjaw due to age but she still strode out well. In super coat & condition, her presentation was excellent & she was at one with her handler at all times; 3 Stock's Shemist Electra. **B/m** (4,2) 1 Cooper's Pacarane Polar Ice Crystal at Wyckwood, 5 year old bitch who is clearly a hidden gem, in her prime & of ideal size & substance. Immediately drawn to her as she flowed into the ring. At first glance, can seem as if there is dominance of black colouring but in reality, is not as great as you might think. In super coat & condition, her ground colour is a clear, silvery blue & is well broken on the whole & if you can see past the black half of her face, she has a quality head with pleasing expression with such rich tan markings. I would prefer a more definition of underjaw but head is so clean, well moulded & smooth with such neat & well used ears, they really added much to her expression. Appealed so much for her balance & elegant shape, not surprised to find that her construction was so correct in many parts. Well arched neck with excellent proportions all through, muscular with well made body & her movement was excellent, such smooth action, she flowed around the ring. Handled perfectly for maximum advantage & I was so taken with her many qualities – super bitch who I'm in no doubt would be capable of a day's work; 2 Mitchell & Fiddock's Conornean Nyst at Lowenek, 6 year old bitch of ideal size & substance who was unplaced in a hotly contested open class. Presenting a very pretty picture & her shape & colour is so very eye-catching. Shorter head pattern than the class winner with slightly deeper stop, would prefer a flatter skull but she has such a pretty feminine expression with correctly placed ears just carried a little high today. Head is smooth with clean cheeks & rounded foreface & again, as 1, a little more definition of underjaw would be preferred. Shapely girl in profile with sufficient neck into well laid shoulder, just a tad more length in upper arm for perfection but loved her bone & substance. Excellent well sprung ribs, level topline & well moulded croup with pleasing angulation to the rear & well let down hock joint. In super condition with fitting coat of clear, silvery blue ground colour which was well broken all through. Not quite the forward reach of class winner on the move but certainly moved efficiently with excellent drive from the rear. **Tri, b/w or b/t** (4) 1 Hirst's Sundark Simply A Star, in her underclothes & placed 4th in PG class against some lovely bitches. Certainly nothing to hide regardless of leaving her coat at home, really loved her elegant shape in profile & this only served to show off very balanced lines all through. Pretty head with feminine outlook though to be critical, I would prefer a darker & more almond shaped eye but her pigmentation is dark & this enhances her expression. Neatly placed & well carried ears which she used to full advantage. Super well arched neck, level topline with graceful sweep over loin, her angulation was pleasing fore & aft. Lovely substance all through & she looks very capable of a day's work. What there was of her coat was of intense colour & with rich, clear tan markings. Covered the ground efficiently in all directions. Such an alert showgirl & clinched the decision her way standing foursquare at all times really making the most of her elegant shape; 2 Thomas' Arlanvic Black Chiffon at Jolex, attractive girl who I have admired from the ringside previously who was unplaced in the open class against some top class bitches. Very similar in make & shape to the class winner but not helping herself by refusing to make the most of her virtues today. Quality head with flat skull & I actually preferred the eye shape & placement to 1. Again, lovely shape though not quite the upper arm of the winner but certainly

sufficient, nicely proportioned all through with correct substance with super bone. Preferred the bend of stifle of the class winner but she was in slightly better coat than 1, slight wave through the coat but was of an intense black. Have seen her in better bloom & she was insisting of standing a little cow-hocked today, just not pulling herself up to make the most of what she has to offer. Another time & she could do better as she is a quality bitch; 3 Peters' Myter Pennies From Heaven for Shelworth.

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