

Scottish Shetland Sheepdog Club Ch Show 18.02.24

I would like to thank the Committee for giving me the opportunity to judge Bitches at their Championship show and for their excellent hospitality. I thoroughly enjoyed my day and I wish to thank all the exhibitors who came and supported me and gave me the privilege of going over their exhibits. I had an excellent entry of quality bitches to choose from and a lot of the decisions were very close. I would also like to thank my efficient Steward who did an excellent job throughout the day. My co-judge, Mrs Ellen Wilkie and I agreed on the top awards.

MPB (6) 1 Forbes' Degallo Look Who's Talking, shapely 6 1/2 month s/w with dark almond shaped eye, lovely reach of neck, level topline with nice sweep over the loin and good bend of stifle. Moved well for one so young. 2 Ewing and MacFarlane's Sommerville Tiz Mythical, 7 month old jet black tri with rich tan markings. Head developing nicely, good for size and the correct amount of substance. Good reach of neck, level topline and a long well set and carried tail. 3 Saunders' Leterikhills River Star Over Torriglen.

PB (4, 1) 1 Hateley's Mohnesees' Meliya. Confident tri girl of 9 months who excels in shape and reach of neck. Correctly set on tail which was a lovely length and carried correctly. Very well constructed which showed in her effortless movement. Stood and showed to advantage. BPB and BPIS. 2 Stafford's Rannerdale Queen of Majic, lovely sweet s/w of 9 months who just needs to gain confidence. Lovely breed type, neat ears, nice bone, level topline. Should have a good future once she settles. 3 De Smit's South'n Whites Yowly Yinthe.

JB (7, 3) 1 Jeavons' Wylwind Designed for Grandgables (SAF), tri girl of 15 months who has an excellent head with dark almond shaped eye and lovely neat ears. Lovely bone and neat feet. Well let down hocks. Nice size, excellent construction which showed in her movement. Unfortunately not in her best jacket but one I liked very much. 2 Stafford's Rannerdale Touch of Majic, lovely s/w of 9 of 9 months in excellent coat. Lovely head to handle. Dark almond shaped eye and well placed neat ears. Good bone, neat feet and excellent breed type. 3 Redpath's Pathaaron Fair Isle.

YB (6, 2) 1 Gartland's Arcot Take a Moment JW, s/w in excellent coat. Level topline. Good sweep over the loin. Good bend of stifle. Well let down hocks. Straight front Well off for bone. Head handles very well. Dark almond shaped eye, well placed stop. Well constructed which showed in her movement. 2 Barrowclough's Shadowess Ginger Biscuit, s/w who was a lovely shape. Good reach of neck. Neat feet. Good bone. Good bend of stifle. Stood and showed well. Moved with reach and drive.

3 Rae's Quick Star Flaming Love N Promises (Imp Fin).

NB (5) 1 Hateley's Mohnesees' Meliya – puppy class winner. 2 Hill's Mad About You With Molson – s/w of 12 months. Good size, very shapely. Lovely sweet head. Dark eye, well placed stop. Good underjaw. Constructed very well. Straight front. One that could really stride out with reach and drive. 3 Thomson's Lochdee Miss Marlie.

GB (5, 1) 1 Lewthwaite's Rannerdale Killer Queen, tri in excellent jacket which was well presented. Nice dark eye, rich tan markings, good underjaw. Well placed ears which she used well. Level topline. Very feminine. Straight front, neat feet. 2 Hateley's Mohnesees' Maebelle JW – shapely s/w with good length to height ratio and excellent reach of neck. Stands four square. Head handles very well. Dark almond shaped eye. Well constructed which shows in her excellent movement. 3 Law's Molson Mulan.

PGB (6, 1) 1 Ritchie's Jaelis Mystique Reality JW, ultra sweet s/w. Presented to perfection. In excellent jacket. Good bend of stifle. Neat ears which she used well. Level topline. Good underjaw. Head handles very well. Moved with reach and drive. Res CC. 2 Brodie and Raithel's Shanaburn Strawberry Wine, s/w in good coat. Sweet head. Well off for bone. Neat feet. Well let down hocks. Level topline. Moved well. 3 Hepburn's Leterikhills River Lass.

LB (5) 1 Bendelow's Channerswick Lotus Flower From Amethrickeh, heavily coated shaded s/w who was very well presented. Good bone, neat feet, good bend of stifle. Neat ears which she used well. Dark almond shaped eye. Moved well. 2 Ewing and MacFarlane's Somerville Mischievous, b/m of good colour. Good topline. Good sweep over the loin. Moved very well with drive from the rear and reach from the front. Well constructed. Head handles well. 3 Elder's Ellenyorn Evita.

OB (6) 1 Forbes' Degallo Blond Ambition, shapely s/w with good reach of neck. Level topline. Good length to height ratio. Tail well set on and carried low. Well let down hocks. A bitch that could really move. Lovely sweet expression. Good underjaw. Hill's Molson Its Morven, s/w with well fitting coat. Head handles well. Dark almond shaped eye with neat ears. Good bone and neat feet. Moved out well. Low set tail which was carried correctly. 3 Mottram's Lundecock's There's No Limit at Lochkaren Imp Swe.

VB (7, 2) 1 Clegam's Smiddyshaw I'll B There for U JW. 8 year old s/w in excellent coat and condition. Stood and showed herself off to advantage. A bitch that could really move. Lovely head to handle. Level topline which she held on the move. A real credit to her owner. 2 Ritchie's Ch Jaelis Mystique Reflection JW. 9 year old with the most lovely sweet expression who I have done well by in the past. Worthy champion who moves well with lovely dark almond shaped eyes. Good bone with the neatest of feet. 3 Main's Shenachie Lyric of Light.

Sp O S/w (5) 1 Hateley's Ch Mohnesee Enchanted. Another worthy champion who was in excellent jacket. Stood and showed herself off to advantage. Level topline, good reach of neck. Neat ears. Excellent sweet expression. Good sweep over the loin. Moved out well covering the ground with ease. 2 Hill's Molson Movie Star, s/w with an excellent reach of neck. Neat well used ears. Dark almond shaped eye. Good underjaw. Well off for bone. Neat feet. Unlucky to meet 1. 2 quality bitches. 3 Doyle's Sevenoaks Angel's Reflection.

Sp O Tri, B/w, B/t (4, 1) 1 Stafford's Ch Rannerdale Queen of the Dark. 2 year old tri in excellent bloom. Presented to the minute. Good reach of neck. Level topline. Lovely sweep over the loin. Good bend of stifle. Neat feet. Excellent bone. Good spring of rib and depth of chest. Head handles very well with a dark almond shaped eye and excellent underjaw. Neat ears which she used non stop. Moved round the ring with ease. Excellent tail carriage and length of tail. Very pleased to award her the CC and in agreement with my co judge RBIS and BOS. 2 White's Shellamoyed Black Lace, of excellent breed type. Lovely jet black coat with rich tan markings. Head handles very well. Level topline. Stood and showed herself off well. Smart mover who moved with reach and drive. 3 Thomson's Lochdee Miss Marlie.

Sp O B/m (5, 1) 1 Barrowclough's Shadowess True Blue. 3 year old with a lovely moulded head with good underjaw. Neat ears which she used well. Almond shaped eyes. Level topline. Good reach of neck. Moved very well round the ring. Good length to height ratio. 2 Purves' Donallin Penny Arcade, in excellent coat of good colour. Good pigmentation. Nice head with well tipped ears. Moved out well. 3 Shaw's Bluequarry Pearl Blue

Judge - Iain Forbes (Wellneuk)