

## SCOTTISH SHETLAND SHEEPDOG CLUB 20th February 2022 Rescheduled 2021 Championship Show

**DOGS:** Thank you to the Officers and Committee for the invitation to judge at the rescheduled 2021 Champ Show. Thank you to the exhibitors for the opportunity to assess your dogs. I believe very much in movement, and on the whole, to various degrees, it was very good. Unfortunately there were some that left a lot to be desired. Also, there was a very small number that, when I put my hands on, all I could feel was a knotted undercoat, the vast majority were presented excellently.

**MPD (4, 4)** 1 Jaworska's Shellamoyed Blue Aura. As the name suggests, a blue clear and marbled. So sound and steady on the move, balanced head, ears well placed and used to effect. Level topline, deep chest and well sprung ribs. I will watch for him with interest. 2 Hardy's Sandwick Debonaire TAF. A tri of rich colour, very promising, just needs time to settle. Head balanced and held on a good reach of neck, very well presented.

**PD (7, 1)** 1 Saunders' Galateus Bohemia Classic At Torrieglen NAF TAF. This boy is another one I will be watching, he is so very well put together from front and back angles as I hope for, to his balanced head and good underjaw. He proved his worth on the move. 2 Stafford's Rannerdale The Ladykiller. A very flashy boy beautifully presented, his showmanship very good. Head good although preferred underjaw of first. Length of back and sweep over croup very good, a touch erratic on the move.

**JD (5, 2)** 1 Sutherland's Shelcrest Winter Solstice. 13 mth shaded sable with eyes dark and placement correct, combined to give sweet expression. Good reach of neck with well laid back shoulders into well sprung ribs, Stifles of good angulation also his tail reached the hock with some to spare. Movement free flowing. 2 Hardy's Sandwick Road Runner. 13 mth B/M of good colour, movement not as free flowing, he is nicely balanced with level top line, a very good reach of neck, head balanced with ears he was happy enough to show off.

**MD (3)** 1 Saunders' Galateus Bohemia Classic To Torrieglen. 2 Smith's Fenstyle Never Say Never. Not quite the presence of first, beautiful colour with sweet expression. He loves to be close to his owner which hinders his outline. Lovely turn of stifle with a good sweep of tail, in full coat well presented.

**YD (3)** 1 Robinson's Lavika Deep Blue Ocean. A 12 mth B/M with a very bright future, presented so well which enhances his lovely balanced head on a good reach of neck into laid back shoulders. His rear angles allow for the drive required. 2 Barrowclough's Shadowess Lockdown Hero. 20 mths old, just coming into his own, again well presented. His dark almond eyes smooth cheeks and balance of skull and muzzle gave him a lovely expression. Good front, level topline sweeping over croup, good length of tail.

**ND (2)** 1 Saunders' Galateus Bohemia Classic To Torrieglen. 2 Hardy's Sandwick Masterclass. A tri of superb rich colour, still finding his feet but with time will I'm sure be top notch. Lovely balance of front and rear. Lovely length of tail.

**GD (7)** 1 Robinson's Lavika Starlight Salute. Quite an impressive young man, presented so very well. His head masculine with good underjaw held on a lovely reach of neck. Lovely strong bone, good bend of stifle which gave him drive. I'm sure he will go far. 2 Malone's Pathaaron After The Storm. Another tri of rich colour, he was a little excited on the move which spoilt his flow. He is of good balance with his head on a good reach of neck. Shoulders laid back deep chest into good spring of rib. Level topline into a good sweep of croup and tail.

**PGD (4)** 1 Lewis' Donmarvic The Saracen. 4 yr old shaded sable, in good condition and presented well. Ears correct and used well which along with dark eyes smooth cheeks and round muzzle gave a lovely expression. His reach of neck flowed into well placed shoulders, good bend of stifle which all showed in his movement. 2 Lycett's Iliad Isle Delight. 3 yrs old not quite the movement of first, well presented, good placement of ears and eyes to give lovely expression. Good topline into sweep over loin and tail reaches hock very nicely.

**LD (4, 3)** 1 Fisher's Shellamoyed Gold Fever. This young man caught my eye when entering the ring, balanced from head to tail. Golden sable with full collar, shoulders well laid back lovely reach of neck. Bend of stifle really good to give drive. RCC. 2 Redpath's Molson Miroquai Into Patharron. Similar to first, a golden sable not quite as happy as he could be. Deep chest into good spring of ribs, level topline, lovely bend of stifle.

**OD (6, 2)** 1 Pearson's Ch Edglonian Golden Graham. This was my star of the day, fully deserved CC. His head is wonderful to handle with such dark expressive eyes, balance of flat skull and round muzzle with good underjaw quite impressive, all carried on lovely reach of neck. Balanced so well front and back which makes for his really good movement. A complete showman. 2 Lycett's Iliad Isle Of Ewe. Shaded sable 3 yrs old, in good condition and shows well. Shoulders well laid back allowing for spring of rib, good bone, rear angles allowed him to stride out.

**VD (2)** 1 Malone's Carmeva Caymen ShCM ShCEX. Just short of 9 this shaded sable is in the prime of his life. Balanced, good bone moves with drive. Good head carried on lovely reach of neck. Level back with sweep over

loins, BVIS. 2 Proctor's Our Little Drummer Boy. Also 9 yrs old but not quite enjoying his day, deep chest, good spring of rib, well laid back shoulders level topline.

**S&W D (1)** 1 Whitelaw's Katiedale Kingsman. 6 yrs old in really good condition with lovely bone. Balanced head on a good reach of neck, level topline, lovely length of tail.

**TRI D (1)** 1 Reeves' Long Range Mr Darcy At McEeves. Beautiful rich colour in excellent condition. Pleasing outline, well balanced, really good angles which were shown on the move.

**B/M D (1)** 1 Blythe & Fotheringham's Shenachie Inkspot. His colour is of the silver blue and black marbling not often seen. Very nice head to handle with good ears which he didn't always want to show. Neck strong and flowing into a firm well held topline, good bone, tight feet which carried him around the ring well.

**NOT BRED BY EXHIB (4, 1)** 1 Hepburn's Shellamoyed Simply The Best At Leterikhill JW ShCM ShCEx. 6 yrs old who responds well to his handler, masculine head with good expression. Deep chest very nice spring of rib, good bend of stifle which gave the drive required. 2 Stafford's Ch Rannerdale The Entertainer. 5 yrs old sable, another of correct size, good head with smooth cheeks, round muzzle, ears used to good effect. His depth of chest and spring of rib allowing for free movement.

### Judge - Simone Berry

**BITCHES:** This was the rescheduled '21 show held in conjunction with the '22 show. I would like to thank the committee for the invitation to judge at this event, the friendly welcome, my excellent steward, the lovely gift, the very good entry considering the appalling weather and above all, to Stuart Smith for his hard work in ensuring everything ran smoothly. I was pleased with the overall quality of the exhibits but steep upper arms affecting the front movement are still obvious and quite a few tails could have done with that extra inch or so.

**MPB (4)** 1 Hardy's Sandwick A La Mode. Just six months old and what a little charmer. A jet black coat, just right for her age, nicely constructed and moved soundly. Just preferred her length of neck over second placed. Still a bit leggy. Would like to see her when she has matured a little. 2 Walker's Ballynerrin Erin Of The Isle. 8 months and what a difference that 2 months makes. Another tri, similar to first, a more evenly developed body shape but not the front movement of first. 3 Thomson's Lochdee Galloway Gold. A sable & white with a very pretty soft expression. Just needs time.

**PB (8,2)** 1 Stafford's Rannerdale Queen Of The Dark. 10 months old. What a striking puppy this is. Beautiful tricolour coat of correct colour and texture. Beautifully presented and shown. She is well constructed with correct front angulation, nice short hock, good bend of stifle enabling her to move with forward reach in front and drive from behind. Best Puppy Bitch and Best Puppy in Show. One for the future. 2 Robinson's Lavika Angel Of Life. Another very nice puppy unlucky to meet the winner, so very feminine with the sweetest of expressions, correct amount of bone for age and size, excellent bend of stifle and shown in well presented coat. Not quite the front of the winner. 3 Winfield's Oakcroft Cosmic Flower. Sable and white, utterly feminine, correct almond shaped eye giving a very sweet expression, neat well placed ears which she used to enhance her expression, very attentive to her handler.

**JB (3,2)** 1 Lewthwaite's Rannerdale Not On Your Nelly. Litter sister to Best Puppy. Very similar remarks apply but she is a shade smaller and I would like a better reach of neck. When her handler got her going on the move she strode out well and was very responsive.

**MAIDEN B (6)** 1 Hepburn's Lettrikills River Lass. 12 months old and what a pretty girl she is. Well shaped head with a lovely eye and expression giving that truly sweet look. Stood rather straight in stifle on the table but was better when she was on the ground and moved ok. 2 Oakcroft Cosmic Flower. 3 Sandwick A La Mode.

**YB (4)** 1 Hill's Molson Mossanite. Heading a trio of very nice youngsters. It was really a case of splitting hairs. 18 months old sable who is a super shape, good reach of neck, sweet expression, level planes to her head, topped by neat well used ears. When she moved she really strode out as her conformation suggests she should. 2 Robinson's Lavika Lucid Dreams. A blue merle of glorious coloured coat. The blue is really blue with rich tan markings and the white sparkling. She has correct round bone and is correctly proportioned to give her overall shape. Her presentation was excellent. A really close decision. I just felt the winner had a slightly better front. 3 Stafford's Rannerdale Sugar Candy. Completing a trio of nice bitches. Similar comments to the above but I just felt she wasn't very settled today and didn't move out as well as I have seen her in the past.

**NB (4,1)** A rather mixed class. 1 Lewthwaite's Rannerdale Killer Queen. Litter sister to Best Puppy. Very similar but on a smaller scale. She has a dense coat which tends to hide her shape, perhaps when she gets her adult coat it will fit her shape better. She moved out well when the handler didn't wait for her and stepped out. A better reach of neck would enhance the outline. 2 Oakcroft Cosmic Flower. 3 Doyle's Sevenoaks Angel's

Reflection. Sable who had left her coat at home so nothing to hide. An attractive head but her expression was spoiled by a runny eye. She moved out adequately but I would like more front angulation of the upper arm.

**GB (4,1)** 1 Bramblecroft Reeba At Bluequarry. I loved the colour of this shaded sable. She has a sweet head and expression, neat ears well used and was totally at one with her handler, both standing and on the move. 2 White's Shellamoyed Black Lace. A tricolour with a dense black coat, groomed to perfection. Good tan markings. She has a lovely head of correct proportions, correct shape overall and a good reach of neck. Pressed winner hard. 3 Jeffrey's Willowthorn Peaky Blinder.

**PGB (5,3)** A disappointing class numerically but it made up for this in quality. I truly was splitting hairs but it came down to personal preference. 1 Redpath's Pathaaron Eye Of The Storm. This two year old tri is just coming into her own. I see she is the daughter of my Res CC winner and similar comments apply. In fact she has a better reach of neck than her dam. One to watch when she fully matures. 2 Brodie & Rathel's Shanaburn La Ve est Belle. A sable and white with an excellent reach of neck, nice round bone, good depth of chest and shown in good condition. Another case of splitting hairs again, I really could have had two red cards in this class.

**LB (10)** All present. What can I say about the exhibits in this class. I wrote at the top of my notepad WOW SUPER. I really could have placed them all. Quality abounded and it came down to fitting the breed standard and personal preference. 1 Redpath's Sonymer Storm Doris. A tricolour who is everything I like in one parcel. She is a lovely shape, soundly constructed, moves with good forward reach and excellent drive behind. I'm sure she could do a days work if required. She has excellent bone in relation to size without being too masculine. If I had to be critical I would like a little more reach of neck but I certainly could take her home with me. I was delighted to award her the Res CC and I'm sure her recently deceased breeder, Ann Latimer, would have been delighted. 2 Hill's Molson Its Morven. A very pretty sable with an attractive head pattern, truly sweet and feminine. Neat ears which were well used. Very sound on the move. Shown in good coat and pressed the winner hard, I'm sure her day will come. 3 Mitchells Valdosta Tri Ya Luck. Another well constructed tri, good black coat of correct texture, well presented. Nice reach of neck and construction giving a lovely overall shape and balance. Well bend stifle giving good drive from behind. Unlucky to meet the first two.

**OB (7)** Maybe not a numerically strong class but the quality was there and it was a pity to have to leave somebody out of the cards. 1 Hill's Molson Movie Star. Well standing in the ring showing off her charms she certainly looked like a star of the future. Almost three years old of correct shape and balance, everything just where it should be. Good round bone, deep chest, coat of correct texture, well presented. Moved confidently round the ring. 2 Rannerdale The Showgirl. This sable girl excelled in head and expression. Truly soft and feminine. She is a lovely overall shape but she wasn't very settled today and had to give way to winner. 3 Pearson's Edglonian Rhythm N Rhyme. A very striking tri, excellent conformation enabling her to move well. Super shape and very confident showgirl. I liked everything about her but just wished she was a little more feminine. No doubt she will gain her title in time as she has so much quality. VB (6) 1 Hardy's Ch Dippersmoor Joie De Vivre At Sandwick. What can I say about this lovely bitch that has not been said before. I have seen and admired her from the ringside many times but this was a privilege to go over her and I don't feel I can add anything to what has already been said. She is beautiful and pressed hard for top honours. Best Veteran Bitch. 2 Lycett's Herds Hallicia At Illiad. An eight year old sable shown in very good coat and condition. Very feminine head and expression. Nice dark eye correctly shaped and placed giving that elusive sweet look. Just felt first placed had a better front. 3 Main's Senachie Snowberry. Blue merle who has retained her lovely colour and moved out so well defying her twelve years. She is a real credit to her owner.

**SPECIAL SABLE & WHITE (1)** 1 Winfield's Carolelen Classic Star By Oakcroft. Stood alone in this class but was a worthy winner. She is a correctly shaped bitch with good balance and a nice outline. Well shaped head with correct planes and nice dark eye. Very easy to tell that she is a bitch. Moved sedately but soundly round the ring.

**SPECIAL TRICOLOUR (4,1)** 1 Hardy's Sandwick Stage Show. My find of the day. I do not recollect having seen her before but she just filled my eye when she walked into the ring. She has such correct fluid movement which was a joy to behold. Correct jet black coat of correct texture, well presented, with rich tan markings enhancing her expression. A great reach of neck to add to her lovely shape. Well bend of stifle and nice short hocks enabling her to move with drive. Stood naturally to show off her charms. Pleased to award her the Bitch CC. 2 Walker's Tooralie's Matilda. Another very nice exhibit shown in gleaming coat, certainly a lesson in presentation and pressed the winner hard in this respect. Sweet feminine expression which is not always easy to get in a tri. I just preferred the front of the winner. 3 Thomson's Lochdee Miss Marlie. Good coloured coat and rich tan markings. Just at the teenager stage. Would like to see her when she is more mature.

**BLUE MERLE (3)** 1 Hardman's Ch Blue Panda Among Clemwood. What can one say about this fabulously coloured merle. Such a difficult colour to get just right but she has achieved it colour wise. She moved out well

as her shape and construction suggests. Lovely reach of neck adding to the elegant outline. She was very responsive to her handler, suing her ears well and is certainly a worthy champion. 2 Main's Shenachie Flakey Dove. Very similar in colour to the winner. Moved well for her nine years of age. She has lovely round bone, good structure and condition. I would like a little more reach of neck but she is a lovely example of the breed. 3 Shaw's Bluequarry Pearl Blue. Rather darker in colour but well made, shown in good condition, nice neat ears and a lovely rounded muzzle.

**BRED BY EXHIBITOR (8,3)** 1 Hill's Molson Miss Money Penny. Another sable from this kennel who seem to produce a consistent type. Very well constructed, excellent mover, sweetest of heads and expressions. Almost three years old, should have a bright future. 2 Robinson's Lavika Time Of My Life. Very little to separate the first two. Lovely outline, sweetest of expressions, beautifully presented, would like a little more underjaw. 3 Hateley's Mohnesee Millybelle. Very unlucky to come up against the first two. Lots to like about her particularly her head pattern and expression.

**NOT BRED BY EXHIBITOR (2)** 1 Hill's Ellenyorn Exclusive To Molson. A very pretty sable who was unhappy on the table but after moving her she was more settled and we tried again. This time she was quite happy to be examined. It was, after all, the end of a very long day. She won the class on her very attractive head and expression. 2 Lewthwaites' Rannerdale Not On Your Nelly.

**Judge - Mary Glover-Guest**