

THREE COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW - 8TH JUNE 2018

I was very happy to get an entry of 119 Shelties on a Friday! 18 absent leaving 101 dogs to judge. To say the depth of quality was present is a bit of an understatement. In several classes lovely Shelties left the ring without a card. The Limit & Open classes in both sex really did take some sorting out. I was pleasantly surprised to be told after judging My BOB I had given Best Puppy the last time I judged, and at that show the lady who owned the BOB Bitch I had also given Best Puppy the previous show! I honestly did not remember But if nothing else I am Constant.

MPD (3) 1 Gamble, Solyric Inaugural Gold, almost 9 months. Quality, liked his size and balance, a lovely head and eye, correct bite. Good neck, straight front correct bone and feet. Shapely body a lovely jacket and he moved freely and well, thought he shows much promise. 2 French, Lindfern Light Sabre, just 6 month, certainly held his own, quality, typical in outline, lovely head, eye and bite, straight front and lovely strength behind, full of confidence and attitude, sure to do very well. 3 Sutherland, Richmaus Ted Boy.

PD (9,1) 1 Mottram, Lanteague Gold Sovereign At Lochkaren, this sable instantly caught my eye. Full of quality and breed type, excellent size, masculine head, lovely expression, correct neck and straight front, lovely feet, the very best of bodies, and wonderful strength behind ex tail set and carriage, in super jacket that was presented to perfection, lovely action both back and front in profile he looked stunning, I seriously considered him for the Res CC and was pleased to be told later he won his (JW) today, must having an exciting future in the breed, certainly impressed me. 2 Jacob & Johnson, Willowthorn Dream Gazer, different but another pup of the highest quality and breed type, loved his profile, and that rich sable coat, lovely head, eye and bite, again that lovely easy sound action I insist upon, also going to enjoy his future in the ring, shows huge promise. 3 Gamble, Solyric Inaugural Gold.

JD (7) all present but I could find nothing I liked better than the two pups. 1 Lanteague Gold Sovereign At Lochkaren. 2 Willowthorn Dream Gazer. 3 Robinson, Lavika Lush Life.

YD (3) 1 Bray, Lianbray Lothario (JW). This was a quality youngster, loved that head, correct eye giving him such a lovely masculine expression, excellent ear set and he used them. Good neck, immaculate front, excellent bone, lovely shape to his body, strong quarters, shown in immaculate form a real showman, full of his own importance, looked really well in the challenge, ticket quality in my view. 2 Savage, Willowthorn Kobalt Star By Savataurus, (JW) Jun Ch Lots to like, pleasing head, nice outline a little careless with his tail at times but he's sound and honest. 3 Wynn, Malaroc Crafty Copper.

PGD (5,1) 1 Goodwin, Highbrook Hes Got Style (JW). And I would agree with that. A lovely male super head, eye and bite, sable of the highest quality. Loved his body, ex jacket, A1 presentation and boy he could move. 2 Jackson, Shellamoyed The Kingsman. Quality sable, loved his breed type overall shape and balance, little careless with his tail at times, super head, excellent feet, sound covers the ground with little effort. 3 Laversuch, Pacarane Polar Stormtime.

LD (12) all present, very strong class, good shelties not placed and it did take a little sorting, some very close decisions. 1 Res CC, Haensel, Sherkarl Uptown Funk (JW) Sh CM. Sable of pure quality and a lovely breed type, liked his size and overall balance, quality head. Super neck, straight front, excellent bone and lovely feet so important in any breed. My hands just flowed over his body and his quarters matched his front, excellent easy ground covering action, I thought him Champion quality hence the Res CC and he had to be on top form to top this class. 2 Robinson, Lavika Luminary (JW) no walk over and he pressed the winner all the way, a dog of the highest quality and breed type, he also was on form and another that pleased my eye on the move, I could have easily swapped this pair around and been just as happy, class. 3 Withers, Stanydale Shot In The Dark (JW) again pushing all the way, I did not know there was so many top class Shelties been shown, the breed in my opinion is in a very good state, long may it be so!

OD (12,2) 1 CC and BOB, Winfield, CH Oakcroft Star Force (JW). The fact this stunning dog topped this entry about says it all! He totally satisfied me from nose to tail end. In super jacket, presentation perfect. And boy he could move. What more can I say. 2 Rutterford, Ch Kelgrove Just Blue At Stormhead (JW) Sh CM. B/M. Another I would have no trouble sighing a CC for, looked what he is a Champion with all the qualities you would expect to find on a titled dog and he also can move, in immaculate jacket, top class. 3 Walker, Dippersmoor Star Gazer By Tooralie Sh CM, dark sable and one of the few I knew. I gave him a Res CC I think his 1st and I know he is on two Ccs, surely capable of his title, but then I can understand it's not easy in a breed that contains so many good males, fingers crossed for that third.

VD (4) 1 Bastiani & John, Fait Moi Rever Jocker Des Romarins De Mayerling At Auberswell Sh CM. What a Name! This rich sable was in lovely form. liked the head, excellent eye shape dark. Good bite, shapely and sound. 2 Hirst, Sundark Starlight Sh CM. B/M also much quality and proof indeed the lasting qualities of this

breed. Liked the head his overall outline and again in lovely body and coat condition. 3 Rutterford, Evad Whougonnacall At Stormhead SH CM.

MPB (7,2) 1 Walkers, Tooralies No No Nanette, B/W. Oh I was so taken with this little girl, attitude or what she is lovely but she knows it, very feminine, super head eye and a lovely reach of neck that with her body shape gives her a lovely profile, She shouts quality. In super jacket, must have an exciting future and she can move. 2 Redfern, Fernfarm Sweet N Sassy, this sable well named, sweet she is, quality, very nice head, excellent eye and bite, moves freely and well but she meet something special in this class. 3 Jacob & Johnson, Willowthorns Wasting Light.

PB (4) 1 Best Puppy & Puppy Group 4. Atkin, Milesend Merchant, glamorous sable of wonderful quality and breed type, feminine, rich colour coat, loved that head, super neck which she used, straight front, excellent bone and feet, loved her outline and that strong backend, she was shown to perfection and you don't have to be clever to see she is something special, going to do big things in the breed if there is any justice, I just loved her, class, correct and totally sound about sums her up. I will watch. 2 Moore, Sanscott Sweet Edition, feminine sable of very pleasing overall quality and balance, liked the head, eye and bite, good ears. Shapley body and that sound easy action I want. 3 Biswell, Goldwell Rockabye Velvet.

JB (8,2) 1 Robinson, Lavika Time Of My Life. I have wrote this class was topped by two cracking girls! This glamorous sable really appealed to me, and I did look at her more than once in the challenge, such was the depth of quality present today, I will be amazed if she does not finish titled, loved everything about her from the very best of heads to the strongest of hind quarters, her jacket was immaculate. 2 Winfield, Carolelen Classic Star By Oakcroft, again a one that's so well named, surely a future star and another I can see winning CCs, all quality with all the breed points I was looking for plus that movement to impress. 3 Withers, Neraklee Naomi At Stanydale.

YB (8,2) 1 Classic Star 2nd in last class. 2 Robinson, Lavika Black Beauty (JW) Tri loved the outline and breed type on this girl, excellent head good eye, straight front, correct bone and feet, deep chest and strong quarters, shown to perfection by a young girl, must continue to impress. 3 Fransham, Shelcrest Starling.

PG (15,4) 1 Dunn, Neraklee Chardonnay At Shelleary. Topped a good class, lovely sable girl. Feminine excellent size, shape and a lovely outline, excellent head type, good eye and bite, straight front. Strong quarters and she again moves to perfection looked so good in the challenge. 2 Arnold, Shadoway Rosa Esmeralda, quality, shapely feminine, lovely head correct eye and bite, looked balanced on the table and was just as good moving. 3 Thomas, Jolex Guided Lily.

LB (13) all present, super class real quality present and some lovely girls left the ring with nothing! 1 Paterson, Lorainian Celtic Star, class and in my opinion CC quality, super head eye expression. Good neck, straight front. Excellent body and quarters in wonderful form, a case I wished I had more CCs, available, in excellent bloom she looked lovely but then she knew it. 2 and pushing all the way, Roberts, Willowgarth Love Story, and 3 French, Lindfern Bee Enchanted (JW) as was this girl, these three really took some separating, as with the 2nd top class. All the qualities I was looking for, Judge them tomorrow and I could easy swop this pair around and I would not be wrong.

OB (10,1) 1 CC, Arnould, Shadoway Perchance To Dream (JW), well her Dream came true today! I thought this bitch just lovely, so good to go over and so good moving in cracking form, well deserved her win and I was a little surprise to be told it was her 1st! She as some res CC surely capable of her title, I loved her and wish her well for the other two. 2nd Robinson. Lavika Lucky Star (JW). I seem to have done very well today for this affix, and this girl is another of the highest quality and breed type, shown in wonderful form and she can move. 3 Atkins, Ch Esstremere Exquisite Sh CM this Tri I have done very well for in the past! Not changed my mind, this was a lovely line-up, certainly a worthy Champion.

VB (10,2) 1 Res CC, Gatheral, Herds Hallucination (JW). Tri. Well what proof do you need to see the lasting qualities of this breed. 7 year old and I would say at her very best! A little surprised to see her not titled but told later she has 2 CC s, surely that title cannot be far off. I just loved her, feminine a lovely size not a big girl but all the qualities I was looking for were present and that movement was always going to impress me, in lovely jacket, fingers crossed that 3rd comes to her will make a worthy Champion. 2 Laversuch, Stormyisles Sound Of Music At Pacarane (JW). Sable lady of quality, another that does look nothing like a Veteran, and she can move in super body and coat condition. 3 Parker, Tolarock Ice Ice Baby (JW).

Judge - Barrie M Croft (Malcro)