

WELKS CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW 23RD APRIL 2022 - SHETLAND SHEEPDOGS

I would like to thank everyone for their super entry. Also the WELKS committee for inviting me to judge this lovely show and to my stewards who did a great job. I went for breed type, quality and confirmation and was pleased with all my winners. Some lovely exhibits had to go without cards as the quality was so good. Shoulder angulation and balance could be better in some exhibits but all my main winners had everything I was looking for.

VD (3, 2) 1 Riding's Anchors Surprise Percy Polaris For Torinska (Imp Che). Stood alone but a very nice 7 year old B/M of good colour. Good head qualities, correct eye shape and placement, good ear carriage, sufficient reach of neck, well balanced throughout, lovely shaped, moved well.

MPD (5, 1) 1 Mottram's Lundecock's Hoopie-Doo At LochKaren (Imp Swe) NAF TAF. Very eye-catching 7 month old sable/white puppy, head qualities were good for his age and he had a lovely dark almond eye and ear placement giving him the lovely expression asked for in our breed. He was a lovely shape with a good reach of neck and a good length of tail and covered the ground well. I am sure he will have a bright future. Pleased to award him BPIB. 2 Pierce's Philhope Flame Thrower. Another very nice puppy with good head qualities for his age, correct eye shape and placement, well placed ears, good reach of neck and length of back and tail reaching to his hocks. He was a lovely shape but I just preferred front movement on first on the day but still only a baby. 3 Hirst's Sundark Scaramouche.

JD (5, 1) 1 Sutherland's Shelcrest Winter Solstice. 16 month old S/W with super head qualities, well moulded and well balanced head, flat skull and the correct eye shape, colour and placement, ears on top which he used all the time all together giving him a typical sheltie expression. Just needs to mature on front angulation but still a youngster. Lovely shape, good length of tail. Moved ok. 2 Creamer's Lyngarso Captain Tom. Very nice Tricolour. Well moulded head with correct eye placement and ear set. Good length of neck leading into well angulated shoulders. He was a lovely shape and had a good length of tail, moved well. 3 Robinson's Lavika The Winter Soldier.

YD (4) 1 Robinson's Lavika Starlight Salute. I really liked this boy. He has the most lovely head qualities, well moulded and well balanced with a lovely dark almond eye. His ear placement was correct and altogether giving him a super expression. He had a good length of neck, good depth of chest and was well angulated front and rear, stood proud in the line up and was a strong contender in the challenge, just needs to mature but I'm sure he will trouble the best in time. Covered the ground with ease. 2 Sutherland's Shelcrest Winter Solstice. 3 Lambert's Blenmerrow Merry Minstral.

ND (3) 1 Mottram's Lundecock's Hoopie-Doo At LochKaren (Imp Swe) NAF TAF. 2 Winfield's Lirren Quickstep To Oakcroft. Well moulded head, eye shape and placement correct, good length of neck lovely shape, correct length of tail moved ok. 3 Moore's Frecia Lockdown Wonder At Santiara.

GD (4) 1 Robinson's Lavika Deep Blue Ocean. Eye-catching Blue with super head qualities, Well balanced head with a correct almond shaped eye and correct ear placement, flat skull, correct stop super reach of neck, he was well balanced, a lovely shape good length of tail and covered the ground with ease. 2 Glover-Guest's Doonlodge The Explorer. Well moulded head, flat skull, correct eye shape and placement, well balanced with a good length of tail. He carries a bit too much coat which spoils his outline and I just preferred the shape and outline of first. 3 Arnould's Shadoway Chance Encounter.

PGD (2, 1) 1 Pattinson's Kylburn Hidden Dream. Very nice well moulded head, good eye shape and placement, sufficient reach of neck, good length of tail, moved ok. 2 Moore's Frecia Lockdown Wonder At Santiara. Well broken B/M, well placed almond eye, good reach of neck and length of back, well muscled, tail reaching to hock. He moved very well, I would have just liked a little bit less of him.

LD (10, 1) 1 Fisher's Shellamoyed Gold Fever. Star of the day. A stunning looking dog G/S dog with a beautiful head and a super expression, Well moulded and well balanced head, flat skull, correct stop and well placed dark almond shaped eye, correct ear set, super reach of neck leading into well angulated shoulders, good depth of chest and spring of ribs, well boned with well let down pasterns, tail reaching to hocks and he covered the ground with ease coming and going. A picture in the eye on stance, and I was pleased to award him the CC his third I understand. Well deserved on the day and so pleased to see him shortlisted in a huge group. 2 Moore's Jacanshe Be Our Guest At Santiara JW. Eye-catching tri with good head qualities, well moulded and balanced head, correct stop, good reach of neck, good depth of chest, and spring of ribs, tail reaching to hocks, well angulated throughout and he covered the ground with ease. Stood out for his lovely shape in a super class. 3 Stock's Shemist Sea Dragon.

OD (9) 1 Pearson's Ch Edglonian Golden Graham. Another eyecatching dog. Lovely S/W with a lovely well balanced well moulded head, super eye shape and placement, correct ear set which he used all the time. Good reach of neck leading into well angulated shoulders with a good depth of chest. He was well angulated with a good spring of ribs and length of back, tail reaching to hocks. Covered the ground with ease. A worthy Ch. Pleased to award him the RCC. 2 Stafford's Ch Rannerdale The Showmaster. Another favourite of mine who catches the eye, He is of super breed type with a lovely well moulded head, correct eye shape and ear placement, good depth of chest with a good reach of neck and length of back, tail reaching to hocks. Well balanced throughout and he moved well. I just preferred the outline and movement of 1 on the day but these two dogs could change places on another day. 3 Anderson's Se/Dk/Lt/Hu/NI Ch Lundecoocks Russian Dream EUW21.

Sp Beg D (1) 1 Sutherland's Shelcrest Winter Solstice.

VB (9, 5) 1 Rossiter's Lorian Starlight Wonder. I have judged this girl before and she hasn't changed. 7 year old S/W lovely girl, well balanced well moulded head, super eye shape and placement, ears on top. Good depth of chest. Very good reach of neck, good length of back, tail reaching to hock. She is a stunning shape with a lovely coat. Well balanced throughout. Moved extremely well. Pleased to award her BVB & BVIB. 2 Hirst's Sundark Simply A Star. 8 year old tri girl who again stood out in this lovely class. She had a lovely well moulded and balanced head, correct eye shape and placement and a good ear set. Good angulation and she was a lovely shape and well balanced throughout. Covered the ground with ease. 3 Ritchie's Jaelis Mystique Reflection JW.

MPB (6) 1 Hayhurst's Edglonian Roxanne At Keycharm. 7 months old S/W. Very much a baby but a lovely head and a lovely eye shape and placement giving her a sweet expression, correct ear set, sufficient neck and good length of back, Tail reaching to hocks. Moved ok. 2 Hirst's Sundark Symphony In Suede. Another nice puppy of good quality. Tri of 7 months, nice head, correct eye shape and placement, ears set was good and she was a lovely shape. Good length of tail reaching to hocks. Moved ok. 3 Collett's Colmae Sundancer.

PB (6, 2) 1 Smith's Keimont Paris Is A Charmer. I loved the head and expression of this puppy. She had a very nice head, eye and ear set giving her the sweetest of expressions, Flat skull and ears on top which she used all the time. good depth of chest. Good length of back with tail reaching to hocks. Moved well and Showed non stop for her handler. Pleased to award BPB. 2 Attwood's Black Forest Of Terriwood. Another eye catching puppy with good head qualities, correct eye shape and placement, good ear carriage, sufficient reach of neck and length of back, she was a lovely shape when stood. I just preferred the movement of first on the day, but nevertheless, these two could change places on another day. 3 Winfield's Oakcroft Cosmic Flower.

JB (7) 1 Stafford's Rannerdale Queen Of The Dark. I have liked this Tri girl since first seeing her in the ring and was not disappointed. Her lovely head qualities, eye shape and ear set are all what I was looking for to give that sweet expression we ask for which we don't often see in a tri and when she stands and shows she commands attention and says 'Look at me'. Good reach of neck, angulation was very good and she was well balanced throughout, good spring of rib and length of body with tail reaching to her hocks. She should have a bright future and I was pleased to award her the RCC. 2 Smith's Keimont Paris Is A Charmer. 3 Bray's Jontygray Trice As Nice By Lianbray.

YB (4, 1) 1 Robinson's Lavika Lucid Dreams. Lovely blue with super head qualities, correct almond shaped eyes and placement of ears. Lovely reach of neck and angulation was very good. Good depth of chest and length of body, super colour and she moved around the ring with drive. She looked lovely in the challenge but on the day was just short of coat but she should have a bright future and I really liked her. 2 Redfern's Fernfarm Summer Romance. Very eyecatching S/W girl with very good breed type. Correct head qualities with a lovely well placed eye and good ear set which altogether created a lovely sweet expression. Well angulated, good depth of chest and good length of body with tail reaching to her hocks. Moved really well around the ring. 3 Craig's Shougies In The Mood At Drakeshyde.

NB (7, 1) 1 Waldron's Frecia Golden Times. Very pretty girl with a beautiful outline. I loved her head and expression, super shape and well angulated and a good reach of neck she was well balanced throughout and when settles should do well. For some reason she was in graduate class as well and was very apprehensive with the wind blowing so I couldn't assess her movement but very eye catching. Moved ok. 2 Winfield's Oakcroft Cosmic Flower. S/W girl. Good head qualities, very good reach of neck, good length of body and length of tail, well angulated and well balanced. Moved well. 3 Ritchie's Jaelis Mystique Reality.

GB (7) 1 Mottram's Lundecock's Theres No Limit At Lochkaren (Imp Swe). Lovely breed type. She has a lovely head and expression. Correct dark almond eye shape and placement, flat skull, good ear set giving her that typical expression we ask for in our breed, sufficient reach of neck, she was well angulated and balanced throughout, good length of tail and moved with drive. 2 Doyle's Sevenoaks Angel's Reflection, same applies a first. She is a lovely girl of very good breed type, super shape and correct angulation and balance, Covered the ground with ease, just preferred the finishing of first on the day. 3 Aurnold's Shadoway Charlotte Rose.

PGB (7) 1 Hateley's Mohnesee Enchanted. Very nice girl with correct head qualities, well, balanced, well moulded head, flat skull, super eye shape and placement giving her that lovely expression ask for in our breed, correct ear set, good reach of neck and length of back. She carries a lovely coat and looks a super shape, very eye catching. Moved ok. 2 Haensel's Philhope Summer Highlights Of Sherkarl. Another very pretty girl, lovely head, well moulded, flat skull, super dark almond eye shape and placement, good ear set, lovely expression, well balanced and well angulated. I was splitting hairs but just preferred the substance on first but she is very nice and they could perhaps change places on another day, Moved well. 3 Waldron's Frecia Golden Times.

LB (17, 4) This was a super class and I was splitting hairs as the quality was so good. 1 Hill's Molson Moneyppenny. Very nice S/W, loved her head which was so well balanced, well moulded and of very nice breed type, lovely dark almond shaped eye placement, good ear set, super reach of neck, good depth of chest, very well angulated and good length of back and spring of rib, tail reaching to hocks, she was well balanced throughout and moved extremely well. 2 Barrowclough's Shadowess True Blue. Another one of my favourites. Lovely coloured blue girl, she has super head qualities, correct eye shape and placement sufficient reach of neck, good depth of chest, and length of body, tail reaching to hocks. She moved extremely well and deserved her place in such a large class. I was splitting hairs between the two but just preferred the outline of first on the day but a quality girl. 3 Dunne's Longrange Cailn Dubh.

OB (14, 6) 1 Pierce's Philhope Taste Of Summer. Absolutely loved this girl, she has the sweetest of expressions and super head qualities and so well balanced, lovely dark almond well placed eye obliquely set, flat skull, correct ear carriage, good reach of neck, good depth of chest and spring of rib and length of back, she was balanced throughout and looked a picture in my eye in the challenge. A girl that should never be overlooked as she has all the qualities asked for in our breed. She moved extremely well and I was pleased to award her CC. Her second I understand. I hope the other isn't too far away. 2 Doyle's Ir Ch Little Barbie Girl Des Romarins De Mayerling For Sevenoaks. Another quality girl that I have always liked. Good head qualities, well moulded, flat skull super eye shape and placement, correct ears carriage, good reach of neck and depth of chest, angulation was very good and she was well balanced and covered the ground with ease. 3 Pearson's Edglonian Starlet.

JUDGE - Denise Rowan