

## WEST OF ENGLAND LKS CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW 26<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2026

I would like to thank the Society for inviting me to judge Shetland Sheepdogs at the show and also to the exhibitors who supported the entry. I would also like to thank my two excellent stewards Caroline and Chris who kept everything flowing. I thoroughly enjoyed my day.

**VD (1)** 1 Goodwin's Highbrook Hobnob JW, sable and white 8 year old in excellent condition. Spot on for size, lovely head with a well placed dark eye. Neat bone, level topline which he carried on the move. Moved out well with drive and purpose. Showed himself to full advantage. Presented in first class hard condition.

**MPD (2)** 1 Hill's Cocaro Van Helsing, 8 month sable and white who is maturing nicely. Lovely head with a sweet expression, well placed almond eye, neatly tipped ears. Nice shape with a long arched neck. Good size. Liked his length to height ratio. Well constructed which allowed him to move freely. 2 Bray's Lianbray Launcelot, 7 month old sable and white who gave a bit away on maturity. Lovely puppy of ideal size, in good coat for age. Neat feet, good straight front, well off for bone. Good shoulder placement. Level topline, well bent stifles, moved out well. Just needs time as he is very promising.

**PD (3)** 1 Walker's Cuilshelties Touch of Class with Grandgenes. 11 month old blue merle in excellent coat of correct colour. Lovely well placed almond shaped eye. Correct head planes. Good front assembly, neat bone. Soundly constructed with good reach of neck. Moves very well covering the ground with excellent reach and drive. BPD. 2 Robinson's Lavika Man in Black, 11 month black and white in lovely jet black coat. Lovely head shape and planes. Good underjaw. Very attentive to handler. Correct size, level topline. Good bone. Moved round the ring well. Another very nice puppy. 3 Norris' Ferngrove's Onyx.

**JD (3)** 1 Forster-Cooper's Sheltysham Sandy Shore TAF, 17 months shaded sable and white. Lovely head, excellent planes, correct almond shaped dark eye which was well placed to give a lovely expression. Good underjaw. Neat ears which were well used. Straight front with excellent bone. Excellent reach of neck, level topline and carrying just the right amount of weight. Lovely sweep over the loins. Moved round the ring very well with reach and drive. One I liked a lot " will watch his progress as he is an excellent example of the breed. Res CC. 2 Weller's Evad Halloween Tzar JW, Shapely sable and white. Lovely head with neat ears, dark eye and good underjaw. Good depth of chest. Liked his height to length ratio. In excellent well groomed coat. Moved out well. 3 Arnould's Shadoway Escapade.

**YD (4,1)** 1 Stafford's Rannerdale Jammy Dodger, 18 month old sable and white. In lovely coat and condition and excellent presentation. Very well balanced, lovely head with neatly tipped ears and dark almond shaped eye. Good bone, tight feet. Good sweep over the loin. Stifles well angulated. Well let down hocks. Moved out well as his construction suggested. 2 Cheal's Faemadra Firestorm, 21 month old sable and white. Of good size. Nice head planes, good underjaw. Tight feet which were well shaped. Good depth of chest. Level topline which he held on the move. Moved out well with reach and drive. 3 Moore's Philhope by Your Side at Santiara.

**ND (4,2)** 1 Bray's Lianbray Launcelot, 2nd in Minor Puppy. 2 Norris' Ferngrove's Onyx, jet black tri with rich tan markings. Typical head with nice planes. Flat skull with neat ears. Lovely shape. Stands proudly with good reach of neck. Long tail, hocks well let down. Moved out well.

**GD (5)** 1 Robinson's Dippersmoor Starmarker for Lavika, golden sable and white who immediately appeals for shape, balance and ring presence. Wedge shaped head with excellent planes, almond eye of good shape and colour. Lovely reach of neck. Correct topline and nice sweep over the loin. Moved out well. 2 Gartland's Arcot Polished Black JW, tri with rich tan markings. In good coat. Neatly tipped ears which were well used. Dark eye. Well off for bone. Tight oval feet. Well constructed. Level topline which he carried on the move. Well set tail. 3 Hardy's Sandwich Ace of Hearts.

**PGD (4,1)** 1 Hawkins and Foy's Beldones Just A Hunch. 2 year old sable and white with great ring presence. Good underjaw, flat skull, lovely eye shape and colour. In excellent coat which was well presented. Good depth of chest. Straight front. Carrying the right amount of weight. Very well constructed and well balanced. Moved soundly around the ring. 2 Fenton's Shannmie's Dark Arches, shaded sable and white of ideal size. Not a flashy dog but very nice type, well constructed and moved enthusiastically with good reach and drive. Good length of tail which was carried correctly. Good length to height ratio. 3 Norris' Ferngrove's Code Blue JW.

**LD (11)** 1 Stafford's Rannerdale Mister Majic, sable and white dog. Dark almond shaped eye, good ear set. Flat skull. Good length of neck. Shoulders well laid back. Well balanced with a nice height to length ratio. Spot on for size, lovely bone, neat feet, level topline. Headed a quality class and moved well as his construction suggested. 2 Pierce's Philhope in Good Taste, another quality sable and white. Ideal size. Good harsh textured coat. Lovely head with a good underjaw and with the desired sweet expression. Excellent reach of neck. Level topline. Nice sweep over the loin. Hocks well let down. A dog that can move with reach and drive. 3 Lindford's Hillhenry in Your Honour.

**OD (7)** 1 Forbes' Ch Degallo The Prodigy JW, Headed a quality class. Took my eye as he entered the ring, excels in shape and balance. Has a classic head, lovely eye shape and colour, lovely pigmentation, neat ears. Very well constructed as showed in his movement. Ideal length to height ratio. Nice sweep over the loin, well let down hocks. Handled and shown to get the best out of him. A lovely young dog who will only get better with maturity. CC. 2 Pearson's Ch Edglonian Golden Graham, another quality sable and white. Of excellent breed type. In good coat which was beautifully presented. Lovely head with the desired sweet expression, dark almond shaped eye, neat ears which were well used. So well constructed. A dog that really moved out well. Liked depth of chest. Good length of tail, short hocks. An excellent example of the breed. 3 Robinson's Ch Lavika Deep Blue Ocean.

**VB (6,1)** 1 Welford's Ch Ristine Emerald VW, 7 year old jet black tri with rich tan markings in excellent hard condition. Not showing her age. Lovely head with good underjaw, neat ears, good reach of neck. Well balanced and well constructed. Level topline which she held on the move, a girl that can really move out well. BVIB. 2 Hirst's Sundark Simply A Star VW, 12 year old tri in excellent condition. Lovely head with well placed dark almond shaped eye, well placed neat ears giving the desired expression. Flat skull, well rounded muzzle. Good reach of neck. Straight front with good bone, correctly shaped feet. Moved out well. 3 Hardy's Sandwich Stage Show.

**MPB (4)** 1 Hateley's Mohnesee Ria'ly A Dream, 8 month old sable and white. Lovely head with well placed dark almond shaped eye and neatly tipped ears which gave the desired sweet expression. Super reach of neck, just the right amount of bone. Well constructed, level topline, neat hocks, moved out soundly. Just needs a bit more time but a lovely prospect. 2 Ritchie's Jaelis Mystique Realism, 8 month old sable and white. Another lovely

puppy. Well balanced, super head with a good reach of neck. Straight front, nice sweep over the loins. Good bend of stifle, neat hocks, moved round the ring well. Just unlucky to meet 1. Another one with a bright future. 3 Law's Cocaro She's Kryptonite.

**PB (8)** 1 Symons' Sendora Skylark, 9 month old blue merle of excellent colour. In lovely coat. Ideal size. Wedge shaped head with well rounded muzzle and good underjaw. Well constructed, level topline with a nice sweep over the loins. Moved out very well covering the ground with ease. Will follow her future with interest. A lovely puppy. BPIB. 2 Hateley's Mohnesee Ria'ly A Dream, 1st in Minor Puppy. 3 Stock's Sapphire Moon for Shemist.

**JB (3,1)** 1 Sutherland's Holamber Gold Blonde Diva, 12 month old sable and white. Very feminine, just carrying the right amount of weight. Ideal for size. Straight front, neat well shaped feet. Good reach of neck. Level topline. Well bent stifles. Very attentive to handler. Moved out well. 2 Arnould's Shadoway Minuette, 15 month old sable and white. Nice head pattern. Neat ears, well filled foreface, flat skull. Held her topline on the move. Of lovely breed type. Just needs time and unfortunately not in full bloom today.

**YB (7)** 1 Stafford's Rannerdale Coco Pop, 18 month old sable and white. In excellent coat of good texture who was very well presented. Lovely head, flat skull, well rounded muzzle, dark almond shaped eye, neat ears which were well used. Good reach of neck. Nice depth of chest, well sprung ribs. Well balanced. Moved out well both coming and going. 2 Bray's Lianbray Lucy Locket JW, 22 month old sable and white. Another one in lovely coat. Well balanced, lovely outline. Well filled in foreface, good underjaw, sweet expression. Well angulated rear stifles. Shown to get the best out of her. Of excellent breed type. 3 Haensel's Frecia Blue Saffire at Sherkarl.

**NB (7)** 1 Hateley's Mohnesee Ria'ly A Dream, 1st in Minor Puppy. 2 Ritchie's Jaelis Mystique Realism, 2nd in Minor Puppy. 3 Stock's Sapphire Moon for Shemist.

**GB (11,3)** 1 Rossister's Molson More About Me at Cocaro. 2 year old golden sable and white. Very shapely. Lovely expression, dark almond shaped eye with correctly positioned neatly tipped ears. Well arched neck, well constructed. Well sprung ribs, good length of body. Nice long tail. Moved out well as her construction suggested. 2 Pierce's Philhope Clearly Precious, 2 year old sable and white. Appeals for breed type. Well placed stop, flat skull, almond shaped dark eye and well placed ears. Good underjaw. Well off for bone. Neat feet. Well constructed, good depth of chest. Moved out very well. Just unlucky to meet 1. 3 James' Valmay Victoriana.

**PGB (4,1)** 1 Cheal's Valdosta Galadriel at Faemadra JW, 3 year old sable and white. Lovely girl of excellent breed type. Well filled foreface, good underjaw. Well laid back shoulder. Ideal height to length ratio. In excellent coat and feathering. Very attentive to handler. Moved around the ring with ease. 2 Johnson, Jacobs and Johnson's Willowthorn's Roulette JW, 2 year old shaded sable and white. Very feminine, lovely to handle, just the right amount of weight. Well arched neck. Nice spring of rib. Well let down hocks. Moved around the ring with excellent front extension. Just needs a little more coat to finish the picture. 3 Hirst's Sundark Symphony in Suede.

**LB (19,4)** A quality class, thank you for bringing them. 1 Ritchie's Jaelis Mystique Reality JW, 4 year old sable and white. Lovely head, well rounded muzzle, well filled foreface, excellent eye shape and position. Good underjaw. Good pigmentation. Neat ears which were used well. Ideal size. Well arched neck. Well constructed. Moved very well in all directions. A lovely girl. 2 Robinson's Dippersmoor Dazzling Star JW, 2½ year old shaded sable and white. Very feminine. Appeals for her overall balance and breed type. Lovely head with a dark almond shaped eye. Well constructed. Just the right amount of bone. Tight oval feet. Good

spring of rib. Stood and showed to advantage. Moved out well round the ring. Unlucky to meet 1. 3 Lewthwaite and Stafford's Rannerdale Queen of Majic.

**OB (7,1)** 1 Pearson's Ch Edglonian Slack Alice, 4 year old shaded sable and white. In lovely well presented coat. Very shapely, elegant and well balanced. Lovely head with neat ears, dark eye, well filled foreface, long blunt wedge, flat checks, excellent pigmentation. Very well constructed. Good reach of neck, level topline, good bend of stifle. A girl that could really move and certainly capable of a day's work. A first class example of the breed. CC and BOB. 2 Hill's Molson Mine Till Midnight, 3 year old flashy sable and white. In excellent coat with lovely featherings and presented in first class condition. Head handles very well with nice underjaw and good pigmentation. Nice dark almond eye which was well placed. Flat skull. Well construction, good spring of rib. Moved freely around the ring. Unfortunate to meet 1. Res CC. 3 Forbes' Degallo Blonde Ambition.

**Judge - Iain Forbes (Wellneuk)**