YORKSHIRE SHETLAND SHEEPDOG CLUB Championship Show 5th May 2024

(**Dogs**) I would like to thank the Committee for inviting me to judge at their show and to thank my two stewards who kept things flowing throughout the day. My co judge, Mrs D Moore, and I were in complete agreement with the final placings.

Minor Puppy (1,1) 1. No Entries

Puppy (6,2) Fenton: Shannmie's Dark Arches – This 10 month old, shaded s/w had a good reach of neck and a good depth of chest. Moved with drive and showed non-stop for his handler. BPD 2. Berry/Clegram: Smiddyshaw Here I Go Again – This 11 month old s/w had well laid-back shoulders with a level topline and a gentle sweep over the loins to a correct low set tail, though his slightly heavy ears spoilt the overall look. 3. Miles: Milesend Mulberry

Junior (8,2) 1. Winfield: Oakcroft The Mandalorian – 16 month s/w maturing nicely. Good head with a flat skull, correctly placed almond shaped eyes and neat ears combine to give a sweet but masculine expression. 2. Fenton: Shannmie's Cartier – 14 month tri with a full white collar. Good angulation resulting in easy movement. Showed well for his handler. 3. Parker: Edglonian Prime Target with Tolarock

Yearling (9,2) Stafford: Rannerdale The Tramp – Well presented s/w with well laid back shoulders, topline level with a graceful sweep over the loins and the croup gently sloping to a low set tail of good length. Good bend of stifle with well let down hocks. 2. Mitchell: Valdosta Gracelands – Another well-presented s/w with good front and rear angulation. Moved with drive round the ring. 3. Simpson/Main: Shenachie Secretariat

Maiden -No Entries

Novice (5,3) 1. Greenwood: Esstremere Easy Rider – This b/m had correct rear angulations and a good depth of chest, level topline and a gentle sweep over the loins to a low set tail. Very attentive to his handler. 2. Fenton: Shannmie's Dark Arches

Graduate (4,0) 1. Miles: Ribans Goldstar of Milesend (JKC) - Well constructed s/w which was so obvious when he moved. Lovely flat skull and dark almond shaped eyes and when he used his ears he had a lovely expression. 2. Aaron: Shelridge Santino – b/m. Another well-constructed dog with good head, flat skull, correctly placed almond shaped eyes and neat ears combine to give a sweet expression. 3. Thornley: Felthorn Barnaby Rudge

Post Graduate (5,1) 1. Dimmock: Shoughies Secret Agent for Fernhill —This lovely jet-black tri had rich tan markings. Good underjaw, dark eyes and neat ears which he used nonstop. Angulation both front and rear very good, level topline with a gentle sweep over the loins. Moved effortlessly round the ring. 2. Brady/Lynn: Afterglow Sky Miles to Bordercot — Well broken b/m with a good depth of chest. Another well-constructed boy which again showed in his movement. 3. Aaron: Shelridge Santino

Limit (14,4) 1. Mottram: Lundecock's Hoopie Doo at Lochkaren JW (Imp Swe) – This s/w has a flat skull, with a well-rounded muzzle and good underjaw. Well laid-back shoulders going down to a good depth of chest. Level topline and gentle sweep over the croup. 2. Norris: Ferngrove's Valentino JW - Smooth one-piece attractive head, good reach of neck, well angulated both front

and rear with a level topline which he kept whilst on the move 3. Lambert: Blenmerrow Merry Minstral

Open (5,0) 1. Pearson: Ch Edglonian Golden Graham – S/W with correct angulations certainly meant he covered the ground with ease. Lovely depth of chest and a long, low set tail. Superbly presented as to be expected from this kennel. 2. Hull: Mohnesee's Dream Date of Lizmark JW – Very good construction with a level top-line which he kept whilst moving with ease around the ring. His flat skull, well-rounded muzzle and good underjaw combine to give a sweet expression. 1. Johnson/Jacob: Willowthorn Dream Gazer JW ShCM ShCEx OSW

Veteran (5,2) Stafford: Ch Rannerdale The Entertainer – This s/w with his c Moved effortlessly round the ring as his construction would suggest. RDCC/BVD 2. Greenwood: Omebrid Gives Warm Hugs – Good head and expression. Well laid-back shoulders and good rear angulation. Very attentive towards his handler. Unfortunate to meet 1st on the day. 3. Bird/Caden: Molson Mr Blue Sky JW

Special Owners (1,1) 1. No Entries

Special Open S/W (6,2) Miles: Lundecock's Theodor (Imp Swe) – This s/w had a lovely flat skull, dark almond shaped eyes and a good underjaw. His depth of chest was excellent as were his front and rear angulations. He certainly covered the ground with minimum effort which was a joy to watch. DCC/BIS 2. Winfield: Ch Lirren Quickstep to Oakcroft JW – Another well-constructed dog moving round the ring with ease. Flat skull and dark almond shaped eyes and when he used his ears gave him a lovely expression. 3. Aaron: Shelridge Sirius

Special Open Tri (3,1) 1. Robinson: Lavika Moonlight Storm JW – Beautifully presented tri with a jet-black coat and rich tan markings. His angulations were very good as was his depth of. Moved effortlessly round the ring. He was very attentive towards his owner. 2. Greenwood: Omebrid Gives Warm Hugs

Special Open B/M (3,0) Robinson: Ch Lavika Deep Blue Ocean – This well-presented b/m boy has well laid back shoulders and a good depth of chest. Back level with a graceful sweep over the loins. Rear angulations were good which showed in his movement. Greenwood: Esstremere Easy Rider 3. Bird/Caden: Molson Mr Blue Sky JW

Judge - Lesley Goodwin

Bitches: Firstly I must thank the YSSC committee for inviting me to judge this prestigious show. It is always an honour to judge so thank you to the exhibitors for giving me the chance to go over your precious shelties. I had a lovely day, good food and a great entry of beautiful sheltie bitches. Not enough cards to go around. Thank you also to my two stewards Anita and Debbie, they kept everything in good order. A few observations on the entry, Although the puppies were mostly of very good construction I felt some of the head qualities were lacking. There were quite a few with what I can only describe as "snippy" muzzles which looked pinched in from the eyes to the nose. This completely spoils the expression. Even as puppies there should be a smooth rounded muzzle. Another thing I saw were some quite round and full eyes, where are the beautiful almond eyes going? It makes such a difference to the whole expression. Yes we need sound shelties that can do a days work, but the essence of a beautiful shaped and placed eye is

so important and an important part of our breed standard. From a working dogs point of view, if the wind comes straight on to an almond eye obliquely set the dog can half close the eye and the wind will pass straight over the head. Front angulation is getting better, and overall rear ends and movement were very good. Most were in excellent condition but I did find a few with sticky coats. I could have happily given the CC to any of the 5 in my final line up.

MP (6) 1 Hately's Mohnesee Lullaby Ice. Mature B/M has it all together. Good neck and general outline, Moved out soundly. Well made with good round bone. Pleasing head flat skull, stop needs to settle and fill out in foreface. Good well used ears. In lovely coat, beautifully groomed. Good size for age. 2 Rowan's Rowancrest Cinderella. This pretty S/W Won this place on her free flowing and sound movement. Due to her correct angulations. She really flowed around the ring. In good coat. Flat skull and well placed eye, still needs to fill out in foreface. Just the right size for age. 3 Sorockj's Shazbec Maid Of Honour At Sheltisha.

P (11,2) 1 Robinson's Lavika Sunset Rose. Exquisite. B/M most beautiful fitting coat of clear silvery blue colour. Classic balanced head, correct eye shape obliquely set, rounded muzzle and good well use ears all combine for a really pleasing head and expression. Soundly made both ends, With her lovely round bone her movement coming and going was a joy to watch, true and single tracking. All together a really lovely puppy, BPIS Another top quality sheltie from this Kennel. 2 Hately's Mohnesee's Meliya JW. Another lovely puppy, soundly made with good legs and feet. A Jet black Tri in beautiful coat and bloom. A tad deep in stop but a really pleasing head and expression, well placed almond eyes and smooth rounded foreface. Lovely overall body shape and moved soundly. Top class puppy. 3 Lambert's Blenmerrow Lullaby.

J (9,2) 1 Thornley, Thornley & Withers' Felthorn Good Time Girl. Her owners will certainly have a good time with this beautiful B/M. Her full and expertly groomed coat is a perfect silvery blue. Her head is of good proportions and well balanced, flat skull clean cheeks and well filled foreface. Good well used ears. She is soundly made with just the right amount of bone, movement was true and sound. Showing herself well she was my bench mark for the future classes and in my final 5 for top awards. 2 Stafford's Rannerdale Touch Of Magic. Although not completely happy in the ring I could not deny this absolutely beautiful S/W bitch this place. Really lovely head and expression, perfect eye shape and placement, smooth rounded foreface and good ear carriage. Lovely body shape and movement her super well fitting coat just completing a lovely picture. 3 French's Skeldale Wish Upon A Star Over Linfern (imp nld).

Y (11) 1 Mitchell's Valdosta Goddess JW. The perfectly placed almond eye on her well balanced head and good ears. Give this really pleasing S/W the sweetest of expressions Good well used ears, confident show girl. In her well fitting coal of good condition she covered the ground soundly and steady as her construction would suggest. Altogether a very pleasing picture. 2 Miles' Milesend Shadow Dancer. Very stylish pale S/W. She has a well balanced and very pretty good quality head held on a super arched neck. Her lovely body shape is enhanced with a good round bone and steady sound movement. In full well conditioned coat looks a picture. 3 Stafford's Rannerdale Queen Of The Nite.

Maiden (9,1) 1 Lambert's Blenmerrow Lullaby, 3rd in Puppy, S/W Ideal size. Really pretty shape, good neck body shape and outline. Well fitting coat. Pleasing head, eye perhaps just a tad full. Good well used ears. A happy girl moving and showing well. 2 Stafford's Rannerdale Queen Of Majic. This kennel certainly produce very good heads with correct almond shaped eyes. This tri is

no exception. Really enjoying her day, showing off her super neck and out line. Really pretty and well balanced head. Lovely size and true almond eyes, flat skull, correct stop and rounded foreface all combine to give her a sweet expression in full jet black tri coat. 3 Hateley's Mohnesee Lullaby Ice.

N (12,2) 1 Jackson's Ribans Starlet Of Milesend. Such a pretty body shape on this feminine S/W. Well arched neck and good top line Pleasing head and expression a lovely type. Well made both ends with good bone. Really sound on the move covering a lot of ground. Showing well. 2 Hill's Mad About You With Molson. Another lovely type, not too sure of her self but lots of quality. Classic head properties with sweet almond eye. Lovely body shape, arched neck and level top line good stifle and well let down hocks. Moved out soundly and true. Beautiful well fitting G/S/W coat. 3 Wither's Felthorn Athena At Stanydale.

G (7) 1 Watkins' Esstremere Silver Lady. Won this class on her classic movement. Super lay of shoulder and return of upper arm gave her plenty of reach. Matching rear angulation gave her the drive. Just flowed around the ring. She has w well fitting coat of a really pretty B/M colour well broken up. Eye could be a tad sweeter but her head is balanced and one piece. 2 Gartland's Arcot Take A Moment JW. Smart S/W really pleasing head and expression, well placed almond eyes. Flat skull and rounded fore face. Lovely body shape, showed and moved really well with log flowing petticoats. 3 Attwood's Black Forest At Terriwood.

PG (7,1) 1 Ritchie's Jaelis Mystique Reality JW. Won this class on her good breed type. Very sweet head and expression, lovely shaped and placed eyes. Well used ears. Good lay of shoulder, upper arm a tad steep. but she covered the ground well. Really loved her well fitting coat and pleasing outline. 2 Fenton's Shannmie's Canary Blue. Stylish B/M. Good arched neck and general body outline. Well made with good round bone. She has a balanced head flat skull and rounded foreface. 3 Revill's Mosardi Forget Me Not.

L (11,2) 1 French's Lavika Soul Of Gold For Lindfern. First three in this class were all very similar and will change places often. Although a tad out of coat I could clearly see this S/W girls lovely body shape. Well arched neck and level top line, good sweep over croup and well set tail. I preferred her upper arm angulation over 2nd & 3rd. Soundly made with good round bone and showing off her pleasing head and sweet expression. Clean smooth cheeks and flat skull. Moved out with drive. 2 Brays' Dandlewood Kiss'n'tell (Imp NId). Very appealing S/W. Attractive body shape. Good neck and top line. Lovely legs and feet. She has a flat skull and sweet well placed eyes giving her an endearing expression. 3 Rosslyn's Balidorn Golden Amber.

O (7,2) Lovely class. 1 Hateley's Ch Lizmark Lullaby Moon Over Mohnesee. Overall a really good quality B/M. So well balanced throughout, nothing out of place. Clean one piece head, good well placed eyes and showing her neat ears nonstop. She is so well made with good round bone and neat oval feet, excels in movement due to her super conformation. Good depth of brisket with plenty of heart room. Her full coat fits her like a glove. Lovely arched neck and level top line, good sweep over her croup. Could not be denied the Res CC over some other lovely girls. 2 Hill's Molson Its Morven. Another beautiful S/W from this breeder. I loved her flowing body shape and correct angulations. Well made with good round bone. Her really pleasing head is held on a super arched neck. Very graceful overall outline with flowing coat. Really lovely feminine expression. Gorgeous girl. 3 Pearson's Edgelonian Slack Alice.

V (9,2) What a wonderful class, showing well and enjoying their day out. 1 Pearson's Edglonian Starlet. The beautiful shape on this gorgeous rich S/W stole my heart. Her front angulation is text book correct, Super lay of shoulder and return of upper arm. She has a well arched neck and outstanding out line, level top line, sweep over her croup, good turn of stifle well let down hocks and low set tail. Needless to say moving she covered the ground with the minimum of effort. From the front her legs are straight with a good depth of chest and good feet. She has a clean balanced one piece head and charming expression held high on her arched neck. Using her ears and showing herself non stop. It was her absolutely super outline with correct angulations and flowing movement which won her the CC & RBIS Well done. 2 Clegram & Berry's Smiddyshaw I'll Be There For U JW. Another lovely shape on this rich S/W. Well made with lovely round bone and neat oval feet. Her correct construction allowed her to move soundly and freely. Very pretty head and feminine expression. Well placed sweet almond eyes. In well fitting good quality coat. 3 Gamble's Balidorn Solitude At Solyric JW.

Special Owners (6) 1 Hickling's Sheltisha Bell Of The Ball At Natara JW. Really liked the head and expression on this B/M. Well balanced clean one piece and sweet eye and placement Showing her neat ears well. Carrying a good coat she is well made with good neck and outline and moved soundly. 2 Revill's Mosardi Forget Me Not. 3rd in P.Grad. Ideal size this B/M showed her self well. She moved out well on her good legs and feet. Although her eye is a tad full she has pleasing expression and rounded foreface. 3 Diviney's Divinecroi's Bonnie Ailbhe.

Sable & White (6,1) 1 Hill's Molson Movie Star. Exquisite S/W very feminine. Clean one piece head beautiful obliquely almond eyes give her the dreamy expression so rarely seen. Excellent body shape and lovely round bone gives her a real quality appearance. Her flowing coat fits like a glove. Her all round movement was sound and true. A really super girl and in my last 5 for the CC, her day will certainly come. 2 Hateley's Ch.mohnesee Enchanted. Loved this rich S/W in huge well fitting coat beautifully groomed. Lovely over all type, clean one piece head and lovely expression. Soundly made with lovely round bone. Moved with plenty of reach and drive. Preferred the front movement of first coming towards me. 3 Lycett's Herds Hallicia At Iliad.

Tri-Colour (3,1) 1 Stafford's Ch Rannerdale Queen Of The Dark. I feel so pleased that this beautiful girl has reached upper house. She came under me at the ESSC CH show, her first show, from a good entry I gave her BPB. She has certainly fulfilled her early promise. She has a really pleasing head held high on a super arched neck She excels in out line which her beautiful full coat tries hard to hide. She moves with plenty of reach and drive due to her excellent conformation. She has lovely round bone and good feet. A real quality girl and in my final 5 for the CC. 2 Welford's Ristine Emerald. Really pleasing girl in good coat. Good reach of neck and top line Lovely legs and feet. Her head is clean and one piece with good eye shape and placement Moved soundly.

Blue Merle (3,1) 1 Thornley & Withers Felthorn Good Time Girl. 2Main's Shenachie Flakey Dove. This 11 year old is a real credit to her owners, she was VHC in the strong VET class. She is a lovely shape and carries a good coat which is still a lovely colour. Very pretty head and attractive face markings. Moved around soundly and showed herself well. Brace (2,1) 1 Hateley's Mohnesee.

Judge - Diane Moore