

Critique NESSS open 23

Judge Mrs E Brown

I would like to thank the officers and committee of the Northern ESS Club for affording me this judging appointment which I very much enjoyed. Thank you also for the lovely gift.

Veteran Dog or Bitch (4entered 2absent)

1. Watsons ShCh Bordacity Honey Rider 9yrs l/w b. Very typical ESS, she has a lovely head and expression, a good length of neck leading to well angulated shoulders. She is well off for bone and I appreciated her tight feet. She has a good depth of chest and is well ribbed, and has strength and power through her hindquarters. She moved with drive and ground covering action to take this class but in the challenge she had lost her sparkle which was disappointing!

2. Rose's Westaway Dream Angus of Rosannoch (imp Nor)

8yrs l/w male. In super condition, this dog had a balanced outline, pleasing male head and expression, strong neck of good length and was well angulated front and rear. He moved well but couldn't match the bitch for forward drive and strength of topline.

Minor Puppy Dog (1)

Stevensons Peasblossom Brogan at Gaolachcara.

7month b/w with a lot of promise (my notes say part kangaroo as he was very bouncy!) Masculine head with a soft expression although eyes are still to darken. He had a strong neck and well angulated shoulders, altogether showing a nicely balanced outline. He moved well when settled.

Puppy Dog (2/1)

Harvard's Annavah Accomplice. BPD, BPIS.

9month l/w male. Impressive puppy, very nicely made all through, masculine head which will only improve as he matures, lovely neck with slight arch leading to correctly angulated shoulders. His outline was very balanced, with strength to his topline ,and good width to his hindquarters. He really scored on the move showing impressive reach and drive. Shall watch his career with interest.

Junior Dog. (2)

1. Wilson and Connor, Pinereoch No Stunts Larry. 17month l/w who presents an impressive picture. He was in lovely coat and condition. All male with plenty of bone and good tight feet. Pleasing head and expression, he had a very balanced outline and held his topline well on the stack and while moving. He moved with reach and drive. Res BD

2. LeClerks Hunterheck Fade to Black

16month b/w. Much less mature than 1, but I really liked his soft expression and those lovely dark eyes. He tended to move with a shorter stride than ideal, but more Ringcraft will help him to stride out.

Yearling (0)

Graduate (0)

Post Graduate (0)

Limit Dog (3)

1 Topliss, Beresford Bolt From the Blue.

3yrs b/w. This dog really stood out for his outline and breed type. Loved his head and melting expression, he had the darkest of eyes and is masculine without coarseness. Ample bone and good tight feet, his front and rear angulation match without any exaggeration. He had good deep forechest and plenty of width to his hindquarters .He moved with power and drive and a really good tail action. Pleased to award him BD and BIS

2. Richardson and Terry Richardsons Cherishym Dofida

3yrs b/w. This dog was determined to give his handler a really hard time today, his attention was definitely elsewhere. Impressive dog presented in first class coat and condition, lovely balanced masculine head with soft expression and dark eyes of correct shape. He was well off for bone with tidy feet. He had a balanced outline and held his topline well. On the move he was rather erratic but showed reach and drive when settled.

Open dog (2/1)

Richardson and Terry Richardsons Cherishym Draconis

3yrs l/w Masculine dog of good breed type, he had a balanced head with good earset. Strong neck and good depth to his forechest, short strong loin and good width to his hindquarters, his angulation fore and aft matches well. Ample bone and substance. He moved with reach and drive.

Special Beginners (1)

1. LeClerk Hunterheck Fade to Black

(2nd in Junior)

Minor Puppy Bitch(2)

1. Harris Melverly Amy Dorrit with Coastalglows 8month b/w

Charming puppy, presented a lovely balanced outline, liked her head and melting expression, darkest of eyes and good depth of muzzle. No exaggerations, nicely angulated front and rear with strong loin and good width behind. She moved out well showing reach and drive.

2. Tolladay, Calvdale Half a Story Bethersdon.

7month b/w. Much more of a baby than 1, but showed lots of promise. Pretty head and good length of neck, showed a balanced outline and good breed type. Just needs time to mature.

Puppy Bitch (3/3)

Junior (5/4)

1. Savell, Petranella Tipping the Wink.

16month l/w. Very feminine head and expression, well arched neck and good layback of shoulder. She is well ribbed with enough depth of chest for her age and has correct hind angulation.

She moved straight with reach and drive, in the challenge she moved even better to take reserve Best B

2. Rose, Pinereoch Amethyst of Rosannoch

17month l/w. Presented a lovely outline stacked, in beautiful coat and condition. She has a balanced head with dark eyes and good length and depth to her muzzle. Well angulated fore and aft with good width and depth to her chest and strong hindquarters. However on the move she refused to co operate with her handler, making it very difficult to assess her movement, just couldn't get her to go in a straight line so had to pay the price. Am sure this will change on another day.

3. Joyce, Peasblossom Aura at Felltops

Yearling (3/)

1. Savell Petranella Tipping the Wink(repeat of JB)

2. Topliss Beresford It's a Sin

20month l/w

Feminine Bitch of lovely breed type. Pretty head and expression, good low earset and good length and strength to muzzle. Presented a balanced outline. I preferred her length of leg to 1. On the move she was in a rush and didn't cover the ground as I'm sure she can.

3. Richardson and Terry Richardsons Daenerys Moondancer to Cherishym

Graduate B (2/1)

1. Unwin Allenies the Other Side.

4yrs l/w Presented in good coat, this feminine lady had a pretty head and expression with lovely dark eyes.

She had a balanced outline but just carried a little too much weight over her shoulders. She moved really well in profile showing reach and drive.

Post grad (0)

Limit B (4/2) 2 really different types here, both with merit.

1. Corbett Trimere Turn Back Time,

Won here on her typical 'springer' movement. She showed real freedom in her action, lots of reach and drive. She still has a lot of maturing to do, but she has a lovely outline and is well angulated both ends.

2. Wilson and Connor, Potrail turns on the Swag for Pinereoch

6yrs l/w Much more mature than 1, and preferred her head and expression. Presented a very nice outline, she had good shoulder placement and super depth and width of chest. Her hindquarters were strong and she held her topline well. On the move she couldn't match the reach and drive of 1, but nevertheless a lovely typical

ESS.

Open B

Corbett ShCh Trimere Time Fly's

2yrs l/w Full of quality, this young lady stood out among the girls today. She has an attractive head with lovely length and depth to her muzzle, Lovely arched neck leading to good layback of shoulder and good length of upper arm. Strong loin and good bone and feet, she held her topline at all times. She really covered the ground showing reach and drive.

In the challenge for BIS I just preferred the melting expression of the dog.

Special Beginners (2)

1. Harris Melverly Betsy Trottwood of Coastalglows.

8month l/w

Very promising puppy who had a lovely overall body shape.

Typical head and expression with good length and depth to her muzzle and well shaped dark eyes. Moderate angulation

front and rear giving a balanced outline.

2. LeClerk Hunterheck Lost in a Spell

16month b/w

Pleasing head and expression, moderate neck and good depth to her chest.

She was rather erratic on the move , more practice will improve her action.

Ellen Dobson Memorial Stakes.(1)

1. Cunliffe, Ir ShCh Calvdale I Say if Fallenleaf.

6yrs l/w

Very Typical ESS!

Shown in lovely coat and condition , this lady presented a really balanced outline. Pleasing head and expression with lovely dark eyes with that extra hint of character, she was totally unexaggerated but had a super neck and shoulders, good depth of chest, plenty of bone and tight feet. She was well ribbed and had a short strong loin and well angulated hindquarters. On the move she showed power and drive.

Liz Brown.