

For the attention of Our Dogs Show Reports team:

THE BORDER COLLIE CLUB OF GREAT BRITAIN

Breed Championship Show, Sunday, 19th March 2023

It was an honour and a privilege to be invited to judge bitches for the breed's Premier Club where I was rewarded with a lovely quality entry, (90 making 124 with only 10 absent), several exhibitors crossing the Channel. Many thanks to Secretary Anita Gowling and her committee. Pleasure, also, to judge alongside John Ritchie.

I was provided with an excellent steward in Jan Longhurst who couldn't have been more helpful. It was lovely to meet up with Elain Saxon, Joyce and Karen Monk and Deidre Hales from Australia who kindly sponsored the Veteran classes. Tracey Wilkinson and her team provided an excellent dinner and lovely to see her mum Pat, who I co-judged Rough Collies with at Crufts.

BITCHES – MP (6,1a) 1 Austin & Zolakova's Hysteps My Irish Colleen, quality well presented 8 ½ month homebred b/w who certainly knows how to strut her stuff. In lovely bloom, she stood out for make and shape, loved her head, balanced, pleasing dark eye and expression, good neck, very good shoulder, good rear, well muscled thighs, well let down hocks, very good feet, very attentive to handler, moved with authority for such a youngster, lovely temperament. I understand she won BP in breed at Crufts. Now only a few points off her JW. One with a future; 2 Milham's Elystari This Must Be Love, homebred b/w, 8 months, appealing shape, well presented, pleasing head, nice eye and expression, good reach of neck into good shoulder, very good temperament, moved soundly; 3 Bligh's Borderbrook Princess Ray. **P (12,2a)** 1 Akester & Wiltshire's Thwaitlake Turn Back Time, homebred 10 month b/w, immaculately turned out, most pleasing head, good dark eye, lovely feminine expression, good ears, good reach of neck and length of back, strong boned legs, good depth of chest, strong in loin, very sound temperament, impressive on move, good side

extension. BPB; 2 Carley's Jupavia Silver Flame, homebred 10 month, very feminine, pleasing head, good dark eye, intelligent expression, lovely temperament, sound on the move, well presented; 3 Dunlins' Thwaitlake Time After Time for Jachelm, litter sister to class winner. **J** (12), 1 Large's Wizaland My Jeztic Socks, homebred b/w of 17 months whose wins, I am given to understand completed this most appealing bitch's JW, congratulations. So typical of the breed in make, shape and movement. Well balanced head, good dark eye, intelligent expression, good skull, strong neck, well constructed throughout and moved accordingly, well turned out, lovely temperament; 2 Shahmatova's Nashdom Lost In Your Eyes, 14 month homebred b/w, very feminine, lovely clean head, good eye and expression, always concentrating, good legs and feet, length of back, good turn of stifle and let down of hocks, well muscled thighs enabling impressive movement; 3 Smith's Arrodare Never Say Never. **Y** (8,1) 1 Simmovon Sheer Delight JW, homebred 16 months b/w who is as delightful as her name, daughter of my RBCC, between coats but what she had was well prepared and only went to enhance her good body shape, very very pretty bitch, super dark eye, intelligent, inquisitive expression, very good overall conformation, good bend of stifle, short hocks, good feet, excellent on move, lovely temperament, litter brother won YD; 2 Lampier's Pencoppen Joyeux Soiree, homebred 14 month of Tonkory breeding, another feminine b/w of pleasing make and shape, good head, eye and expression, good reach of neck and length of back, strong in loin, good rear construction, well animated on move, lovely nature; 3 Lea's Calareto All My Loving JW. **N** (9) 1 Large's Wizaland My Jeztic Socks; 2 Kilsby's Grandver Pure Addiction, homebred 15 month b/w, beautifully prepared, ultra feminine of lovely make and shape, beautiful head, good dark eye, intelligent expression, good topline, very good mover with pleasing side extension; 3 Fawcett's homebred Laceway Deja Vu, beautifully prepared, had the quality to win but not so co-operative as 1 and 2. **PG** (10,1) 1 Walters' Goytre Red Rose, homebred two year old, ultra feminine b/w in full, well groomed coat covering body of excellent proportions, really pleasing head, beautiful expressive dark eye, good neck and length of back, hardly any white on this exhibit except for her feet but definitely looked the part, impressive on move, lovely nature; 2 Crompton &

Ratcliffe's Piece Of Happiness Heavens Miracle by Arroddare (imp Hun) , very well put together 2 ¼ year old bitch of good proportions, pleasing head, good dark eye, lovely expression, good neck, very fit body, good feet, strong hocks enabling strength from rear, effortless mover, very good temperament; 3 Kempton's Borderbrook Winter Sunset JW. **ML** (10,3) 1Brady's Bordercot Fantastic Rhythm, b/w rising seven, well between coats but illustrates her good make and shape, beautifully presented, pleasing head properties, good dark eye, kind expression, good topline and rear construction, very good mover with impressive side extension; 2 Kinton's Kinaway Kisses With Fire (AI) homebred three year old b/w, well presented, good overall make and shape, pleasing head, lovely dark eye, sweet expression, good muzzle, good neck, strong in loin, good bend of stifle and let down of hock, excellent feet, impressive on move, pressed 1 very hard; 3 Lampiers' Pencoppen All Time Love. **L** (15,1) 1 Carley & Singers' Jupavia Heart Of Melita via Senzafina, b/w bred by first owner, between coats emphasising her lovely shape, super fit girl of three years who knows the way home; beautifully balanced head, sweetest of eye and expression, good neck into good shoulder, well toned body, level topline, very true on move, good side extension, lovely temperament; 2 Kempton's Borderbrook Fame Or Fortune ShCEx, homebred b/w rising four, excellent shape, in fabulous condition, pleasing head properties, good eye and expression, good front and hindquarters, strong hocks enabling great movement from rear; 3 Lewis' Shemella Moonlight Skye, homebred 3 ½ year old b/w, balanced head, lovely eye, feminine expression, good topline held on move, well boned legs, sound on move; **O** (12) Quality class. 1 Green & Ratcliffe's Sh Ch Fayken I Am Love JW, bred in the purple by first owner out of a bitch I have awarded a CC to, this b/w is sheer class. Presented in best of order in her best clothes covering such a fit, sound, well muscled body, good depth of chest, natural showgirl who sets herself up to show off her charms, beautiful head to handle, good skull, very good ears, good muzzle, lovely expressive dark eye mirroring intelligence, concentration and total femininity, well arched neck into good shoulder, good length of back, excellent rear construction, good bend of stifle, well muscled thighs, well let down hocks, movement spot on. Delightful. No hesitation awarding her the CC. Congratulations; 2 Simmons & Inverno's

Sh Ch Sashdan Never Ending Story (AI) JW, have always had a soft spot for this b/w bred by latter owner, like 1, another class b/w who scores so heavily on movement as her excellent construction would suggest. Turned out in first class condition, beautifully balanced head to handle, good skull and ears, gorgeous eye and expression, good depth of chest, superbly built, fit with excellent overall construction, very feminine, pleasing temperament. **RCC**; 3 De Cree & Schevenels' Eyes Of The World Total Eclipse Of The Heart, another bitch I admire. Homebred, I have done her well on the Continent and pleased to place her in this excellent class, most beautiful head, eye and expression, totally femininity, turned out in first class condition, full coat covering well constructed body, good depth of chest, strong in loin, strong hindquarters enabling good thrust from rear, lovely soft temperament. **Special Open (Colour)** 1 Hughes' Langamay Go With The Flo, homebred b/m rising three, unplaced in Yearling, could lose some weight round girth to advantage but nevertheless, a sound positive mover. Cleanly presented, balanced head, good ears, nice eye, pleasing expression, very good legs and feet, well handled; 2 Rollingbones Jamaica, homebred b/m rising two, makes best of herself, good clean head, sweet eye and expression, good temperament, well boned legs, unplaced in earlier classes; 3 Tiller's Foxbarton Queens Gold, ten month homebred s/w, unplaced in earlier classes but by now, getting her act together and aware of requirements on the move, good overall make and shape, out of coat, kind attitude, sweet expression. **GCD** (7,2wdrn) 1 Austin & Zolakova's Hysteps My Irish Colleen; 2 Hartfield's Moshanta Memories Move On, homebred b/w, 4th in J, just out of puppy, between coats, pleasing head, good dark eye, lovely inquisitive expression, well presented, good topline, strong legs, moved well; 3 Hodson & Johnson's Littlethorn Mini Two. **V** (11,1) lovely quality class of well conditioned ladies. 1 Walters' Sh Ch Goytre Daddy's Saucie Girl JW, awarded this homebred b/w a **RCC** at a club show a few years back, still as fit as a fiddle, beautifully presented in good coat, at 9 ½, has lost none of her verve, in excellent condition, lovely balanced head, good ears and skull, good dark eye, feminine expression, good front, strong legs, good feet, pleasing on move, lovely temperament; 2 Fawcett's Sh Ch Laceway Echo Falls JW, homebred b/w rising nine, magnificently presented as always from this exhibitor whose dogs never

have a hair out of place, clearly a lot of hard work goes into their overall condition, she deserves this special mention, sets the bar very high. A joy to watch her on the move, looks good – and knows it! Ran 1 very close as she is equally feminine, really true balanced head of correct proportions, super dark eye and expression, very good reach of neck into good shoulder, good topline held on move, good rear quarters enabling required thrust, lovely attitude, endearing temperament; 3 Hoskins' Sh Ch Birkcross Gracie at Lefevre, 8yo b/w of obvious quality who completed a trio of semi-senior ladies, none of whom showed any sign of coarseness, just all dignified with refined beauty. **Special Open Working** (2) 1 Lewis's Shemella Drifting Snow, homebred blue, very feminine 8yo, out of coat but correct body beneath, balanced head, good eye, sweet expression, sound on move; 2 Farris's Tobermory Heaven Sent for Flintrix, 2 ¼ years b/w, sweet eye and expression, good overall outline, strong legs, good feet, easy on the move. **Geoff Duffield**