THE BORDER COLLIE CLUB OF GREAT BRITAIN

Sunday 18th March 2018

Many thanks to the Committee of BCCGB for the invitation to judge at this prestigious show, I thoroughly enjoyed my day, even though for the main part we were freezing cold – not that the dogs minded! Thanks as usual to Tracey Rankin & her very able team doing the food, as usual, always tasty & hot. Thank you also to Glynis Dowson for doing an excellent job of stewarding for me & to the exhibitors for your entries. There was a lot of variation in a lot of the bitches today. Sizes ranging from tiny up to full size. A few with incorrect dentition. Several were very upright in upper arm, short necks and short tails. Movement was disappointing, some were high stepping, some were moved far too fast resulting in loss of balance. Several of the girls were very square in body, which is not in our breed standard. My pet hate as I state every time I judge is dogs moving with their heads up. It interferes with their front movement & needs correcting. When preparing dogs for the ring, please pay attention to the croup area, many look boxy (square) because the coat isn't thinned or flattened. Totally ruins the look but on saying all of the above, I was pleased with my overall winners & place getters. I really think that we as breeders should be correcting some of the faults that are in the show ring

Minor Puppy Bitch 5 entries (1 absent)

1st Mr A & Mrs E Akester THWAITLAKE MAGICAL LOVE 8 mth old Raw baby, black & white, stood well. Would prefer a stronger head, but still time to change. Good reach of neck onto nice level topline, good angulation front & rear. Sloping croup onto well set tail. Pulled out to the side on the move but could see the movement I wanted. Well done.

2nd Mrs M Bradley CZECH ME OUT GASKO PRIM 8½ mth old. Pretty black & white with up & tipped ears. Good angulation, good topline onto sloping croup, nice tight feet. Little unsettled on the move to begin with but soon settled.

3rd Dr Shahmatova NASHDOM LA VIE EST BELLE

Puppy Bitch 11 entries (5 absent)

1st Mrs P & Miss H Fawcett JANBELL OUT OF THE BLUE AT LACEWAY 11 mth old merle, upto size (definitely no bad thing). Good head shape complimented with up & tipped ears. Good reach of neck onto correct shoulders. Level topline held on the move. Good angulation front & rear. Sloping croup, tight feet. Turned out to perfection. Moved steady around the ring. Well done

2nd Mrs P Alcorn DALGUISE ENDLESS LOVE 11 mth old black & white. Feminine head with up & tipped ears, good bone, good angulation front & rear. Level topline onto sloping croup & correct length of tail. Not settled on movement to begin with but once settled was much better

3rd Mrs K Mitchell BORDABEARS SPECIAL LEGACY

Junior Bitch 14 entries (5 absent)

1st Mr P & Mrs I Schevenels-De-Cree PRETTY AYALA ROSE VAN DE VOSKESDROOM [ATC AU01129BEL] 15 mth old black & white. Very pretty head with up & tipped ears. Good reach of neck on correct shoulders. Good bone on parallel front legs. Level topline onto sloping croup & correct tailset. Tight feet. Totally out of coat but nothing to hide. Really excelled on movement with a lovely side gait. Well constructed. Well done.

2nd Miss V Carley JUPAVIA ECHOTA 16 mth old. Pretty feminine black & white, good head with up & tipped ears, good reach of neck. Level topline, well constructed with good bone & good angulation front & rear. Tight feet. Moved steady

3rd Mr L J & Mrs S E Collins BLACKGOLD DARK CRYSTAL

Yearling Bitch 12 entries (4 absent)

1st Mr R, Mrs D & Miss H Lucas ACULSIA CHEAP THRILLS 23 mths. Very feminine black & white. Not the strongest of heads but excelled in her movement. Good reach of neck onto correct shoulders, level topline when stood & on the move. Good angulation front & rear, sloping croup onto correct tailset. Tight feet. Lovely side gait, well done

2nd Mr R K Green FAYKEN THE DEVIL IN ME JW 23 mth, black & white. Lovely head proportions, so feminine with pretty up & tipped ears. Lovely reach of neck onto correct shoulders, strong parallel front legs with tight feet. Correct angulation front & rear. Correct tailset. Not the movement I usually see from this girl, pulled away today & seemed unsettled

3rd Ms S Carr KIRKBRIDGEND RHEA

Novice Bitch 4 entries (2 absent)

1st Mrs G Gorley & Ms J Ratcliffe ARRODARE GIRL CRUSH 9 mth old black & white. Feminine head in correct proportions, good reach of neck onto correct shoulders. Level topline, sloping croup & well placed tail of correct length. Good bone on sound legs & tight feet. Moved sound coming & going with correct side gait. Well done

2nd Mr A M & Mrs E Akester THWAITLAKE MAGICAL LOVE

Post Graduate Bitch 17 entries (1 absent)

1st Mrs J Bloomfield ALPANA STRIKE A POSE 2 yrs 1 mth old. Lovely rich tricolour with the sweetest feminine head of correct proportions, up & tipped ears. Not overdone but nothing to hide. Good reach of neck onto correct shoulders. Level topline when stood & on the move with good rib. Correct angulation front & rear. Sloping croup onto well set tail of correct length. Sloping pasterns onto nice tight feet. Moved soundly coming & going and with ease, side gait very pleasing to watch. Turned out beautifully. Pleased to award her Res CC. Congratulations

2nd Mr N SMITH & Mr R Green FAYKEN STRIPTEASE JW 23 mth old blue & white. Have always liked this pretty girl but not so settled today. Lovely feminine head with very appealing pricked ears (would prefer to

see them tidied up) good reach of neck onto correct shoulder angulation. Level topline onto sloping croup & correct set of tail. Good bone & tight feet. Moved okay

3rd Mesdames A & S Lawrence SHELTYSHAM SANDY SHORE AT CHAMPARLA

Mid Limit Bitch 10 entries (4 absent)

1st Mr R K Green FAYKEN I AM LOVE JW 23 mth old black & white. Beautiful head of correct proportions with up & tipped ears which complimented her. Good reach of neck onto correct shoulders. Good angulation front & rear, level topline when stood & on the move. Sloping croup onto correct tail set. Moved sound coming & going & moved steady going round the ring. Good bone onto tight feet. Well done.

2nd Dr A J Oliver & Miss J Ratcliffe ALLYMOON QUIRK OF FATE FOR ARRODARE (IMP ITA) 2 yrs 8 mths, black & white. Chunkier than No.1. Very feminine head with pretty up & tipped ears. Good length of neck onto correct shoulders. Good angulation front & rear. Sloping croup onto good tailset of correct length. Good bone onto sloping pasterns & tight feet

3rd Mrs J K Gregory TONKORY PUTTING ON THE STYLE

Limit Bitch 12 entries (2 absent)

1st Miss A G Gowing MIRAJE IT'S TOO DARN HOT AT PIKARA 4 yrs 8 mths black & white. More of a rangey type of girl but powered around the ring like she owned it. Feminine head with up & tipped ears, good reach of neck onto correct shoulders. Level topline held on the move & when stood. Sloping croup onto correct tailset. Good angulation front & rear. Well done

2nd Mrs P Alcorn DALGUISE ETERNAL DREAM 3 yrs 8 mths black & white. Feminine head onto good length of neck. Correct shoulders, good rib, good angulation front & rear. Sloping croup onto correct tailset. Not the drive I like to see, a little unsettled but moved soundly

3rd Mr J & Mrs J Entwistle ROGANSROCK DREAM MAKER AT BEESTING

Open Bitch 16 entries (4 absent)

1st Mrs B MacDonald SH CH JUPAVIA SEVENTH BLESSING JW ShCM 6 yrs 8 mths old black & white. I've always loved this girl. Very feminine head with good use of up & tipped ears. Good reach of neck onto correct shoulders, good bone onto lovely straight legs, sloping pasterns & tight feet. Level topline stood & on the move, sloping croup onto good tailset & correct length of tail. Good angulation front & rear. Moved effortlessly around the ring & looked like she could've carried on all day. So pleased to award her the CC & on the decision of the referee, she went BIS. Congratulations.

2nd Miss K Rettie & Ms P Alcorn DALGUISE FOREVER SPECIAL 5 yrs 4 mths black & white. Beautiful girl that I really like but a bit erratic on the move today. Lovely head onto good length of neck, correct shoulder angulation with good straight legs & tight feet. Level topline onto sloping croup, good hind angulation & correct set of tail.

3rd Mr R, Mrs D & Miss H Lucas ACULSIA RUN THE WORLD

Special Open (Colour) Bitch 12 entries (6 absent)

1st Miss J C Spurr DREAMWORK INTERSTELLAR 3yr 8 mth old Red & white. Very feminine head with correct eye colour. Good reach of neck onto well angled shoulders, good bone onto sloping pasterns & tight feet. Level topline onto sloping croup, good tail set & tight feet. Not got the thickest of coats but when it came to movement, she immediately took my eye. Moved with stealth & drive & owned the ring. Well done.

2nd Mrs J C Horne & Mr J Carter KINAWAY CHOCOLATE DELIGHT 3yrs 8 mths Red & white. Pretty girl, not showing her best but moved steady. Good length of neck, good angulation front & rear. Level topline & correct tailset. Not in full coat.

3rd Mesdames A & S Lawrence SHELTYSHAM SANDY SHORE AT CHAMPARLA

Good Citizen Dog Scheme Bitch 9 entries (4 absent)

1st Mrs L F & Miss R A Hodson LITTLETHORN CORTINA 8 yr old blue tricolour. Very pretty feminine head with up & tipped ears. Good angulation front & rear, good length of neck, level topline, sloping croup & correct tailset & tight feet. Really drove around the ring in this class. Well done

2nd Miss F A Snook & Mr G G James TONKORY QUICKSTEP WITH PITCOMBE JW (AI) 24 mths black & white. Very pretty head with up & tipped ears. Good neck length, good shoulder placement, correct angulations front & rear, level topline & good tailset.

3rd Mrs J Pepper JAKOVALL LOVERS GHOST AT PEDMORE

Veteran Bitch 16 entries (8 absent)

1st Mrs J Grant LOCHEIL ALL THAT'S MAGICAL AVEC COUSSIERE 11 yrs old black & white. Always a favourite of mine, lovely compact girl. Very pretty, feminine head with up & tipped ears, good reach of neck onto correct shoulders, good bone onto straight legs & tight feet. Level topline stood & moving, sloping croup onto correct tailset. Good angulation front & rear. Moved with drive around the ring that would put a lot of the youngsters to shame. Well done

2nd Ms S Carr RAJJINKA SAFE BET 10 yr old black & white. Nicely put together with good head proportions, good reach of neck onto correct shoulders. Good rib with level topline, sloping croup, good rear angulation. Moved really well, well done.

3rd Miss H Fawcett SH CH LACEWAY WIGGLY GIGGLY

Judge ANNETTE WALTERS