

# BITCHES CRITIQUE

I would like to thank the committee for inviting me to judge bitches at their Championship

Show. It was a great honour for me & I was thrilled with my entry. It was unfortunate that it was the weekend of Storm Denis which understandably prevented some exhibitors from attending. Thank you to my efficient stewards for keeping the ring running smoothly, to my co-judge, Helen Rishworth, whom it was an absolute pleasure to judge with, to the committee for such a warm welcome & to the exhibitors for giving me the pleasure of judging your lovely dogs.

I was delighted with the quality of bitches throughout & in some classes I was really spoilt for choice & splitting hairs between my winners. I came across a few bitches well over sized

with heavy bone which made them look more like dogs losing their femininity & graceful curves. I was also surprised to find a few incorrect bites.

But on the whole the bitches were full of quality & all were well-presented & in great condition. It was a pleasure to judge them.

## **Veteran Bitch (12,6 abs)**

1. Hooper's TORBERS DAMARA. Very feminine 7 years old shaded f/w bitch, lovely head & expression, long neck into good lay of shoulder with deep brisket, very balanced throughout. Strong loin, good length of rib & well angulated quarters. A little untidy in front movement today but moved true with drive behind.
2. Reese's HAZELNUT HONEYCOMB. Pretty 9 year-old fawn bitch, shapely & elegant, attractive head with dark eye, good shoulder, deep chest & good spring of rib, well-arched, strong loin. True & easy mover. Liked her a lot just preferred length of 1.
3. Barnes' DODDRIDGE LOOK AT ME.

## **Minor Puppy Bitch (13,2)**

1. Place & Halliday's AARMINIAS SHE IS A BELTER. Absolutely loved this classy pale fawn 6 months old puppy, beautiful head & expression, long neck into well-laid shoulders, good length of body & well-angulated quarters, loved her elegance & clean lines, true & easy mover with good extension. Must have a bright future.
2. Glaholm's GAZENORTH TEAN. Another promising 6 month puppy, balanced fawn, really liked her shape & breed type. A little unsettled today but this didn't detract from her quality & sound movement. Attractive head, lovely

expression, smooth, clean lines throughout with lovely length of rib & well-angulated hinds.

3. Boughton-White's IPANEMA CALIFORNIAN GIRL.

### **Puppy Bitch (10,4)**

1. Howgate & Hull's BRYNTREIA WHISPERED LOVE AT PALMIK. Elegant f/w parti girl, lovely head & expression with dark eye, straight front with good depth of chest & spring of rib. Lovely length of body & topline with strong loin. Loved her overall shape & so balanced throughout. Well-angulated quarters. Moved true with good extension & drive. BPB.
2. Allen's ZORADEN SHE WALKS IN BEAUTY. Very attractive, shapely brindle/white parti girl, loved her elegance & curves. Beautiful head with the sweetest expression, well-angulated shoulders with deep brisket & well-sprung ribs, very balanced & not exaggerated in any way. Strong quarters. Free & easy mover.
3. Green & Halliday's BROCHINBELLE BORN TO RIDE.

### **Junior Bitch (8,2)**

1. Courtney's COURTBIRCH PRECIOUS OPAL. Classy pale fawn loved her shape, elegance & clean lines. Lovely head & expression, long neck into well-laid shoulders, good topline & underline with good length of rib & strength of loin, well-muscled hinds. Moved absolutely true with great drive.
2. Ainscough's KIDARUKA MAMMA MIA. Shapely fawn, another lovely bitch, soundly constructed throughout. Good lay of shoulder, deep brisket with well-sprung ribs. So well balanced throughout & presented in super condition. Moved true with good extension & drive.
3. Beetles' BEETELIAN KRISPY KREME.

### **Yearling Bitch (15,3)**

This class was full of quality & I was really splitting hairs between my top three.

1. Ainscough's KIDARUKA MOTHER OF MINE. Absolutely loved this pretty red fawn girl, beautiful head & expression, straight front with clean shoulders, deep chest with good length of rib, super topline & underline with strength in loin & strong quarters. Just so well-balanced overall & not exaggerated in any way. Presented in super condition. Moved effortlessly round the ring. Must have a bright future.
2. Winter's COLLOONEY BENDY WENDY. Another cracking fawn bitch who pushed 1 hard, lovely head & expression with dark eye & neat ears, long neck into well-laid shoulders, good depth of chest & spring of rib. Strong loin into well-muscled quarters. Moved absolutely true. A quality bitch who flowed from head to tail.
3. Trouton's Citycroft Grace Kelly of Runnel JW.

### **Novice Bitch (5,1)**

1. Green & Halliday's Brochinbelle Born to Ride. Attractive brindle girl who was 3<sup>rd</sup> in puppy. She is very elegant all through, pretty head, lovely long neck, straight front with good lay of shoulder & length of ribbing & well-angulated hinds. A quality bitch just hope she doesn't grow on anymore. Couldn't fault her on her free & easy movement which won her this class.
2. Davis' Jemalsheva My Giddy Aunt. Feminine & shapely pale fawn bitch really liked her classic shape & overall balance. Soundly made throughout just unsettled in front when moving.
3. Head's Demerlay Starshine.

### **Special Beginners Bitch (7,4)**

1. Baulch's Erinnis Mignonette. Classy fawn/white trim girl, super head & expression with dark eye, lovely clean shoulders with deep brisket, flowing topline & underline with well-muscled quarters. Really liked her clean lines & she moved absolutely true fore & aft.
2. Handley's Alysando's Rainbow Skies. Sweet fawn, finer in bone than 1 but nicely balanced throughout. Shapely bitch with ribs well-sprung & nice arch over loin. Moved out really well.
3. Zevenbergen's Little Willow Grouse.

### **Graduate Bitch (4,1)**

1. Howgate & Hull's Bryntreia Whispered Love at Palmik.
2. Webber's Zoraden Fifty Shades Darker. Beautiful black in great condition, unlucky to meet 1 today. Lovely head, long neck with clean shoulders & deep chest, balanced topline with strength in loin & well-muscled hindquarters. Moved true with great drive.
3. Baulch's Wisterfield Je Ne Sais Quoi.

### **Post Graduate Bitch (17,4)**

1. Head's Demerlay Strawberry Ice. Very attractive fawn girl loved her classic shape & clean lines, beautiful head, dark eye, long neck flowing into clean shoulders with deep brisket & good length of rib. Well-muscled but feminine & moved true with drive, just slightly unsettled in front today.
2. Miluk's Mollytop Lady Babu. Really liked this smart fawn brindle/white girl. Lovely head, sweet expression, good straight front with depth of chest, ribs well-sprung, shapely topline & well-angulated quarters. Loved her graceful curves & her overall balance. Moved free with good reach & drive.

### 3. Moncrieff's Runaround Symphony.

#### **Mid Limit Bitch (11,3)**

Really super class.

1. Lawley's Crosscop It's Magic for Lawleymoon. Loved this quality fawn girl who is so balanced throughout, soundly constructed overall with lots of elegance & feminine curves. Lovely head, long neck with clean shoulders & good length of body. Spot on for size & just flows with no exaggerations. Moved absolutely true. Considered her for top honours but she just lacked that sparkle in the challenge. I'm sure her day will come.
2. Julian's Blondessa Be Happy JW. Another quality red fawn bitch just loved her elegance & balance, so well put together & shown in great condition. She has the loveliest of heads with dark eye, well-angulated front, curvy outline, good depth of chest & ribs well-sprung, strong hindquarters which she used well on the move. Moved soundly & with ease.
3. Howgate & Hull's Palmik Queen of Diamonds JW.

#### **Limit Bitch (24,7)**

1. Davies' Collooney Black Velvet Pasharif. I loved this stunning black bitch; she just oozes quality & flows from her head to her tail. She is so smooth to go over & such a shapely, feminine girl. Elegant head, long neck, clean front with excellent shoulder placement, deep brisket & well-sprung ribs. Very balanced throughout with pleasing topline & underline, strong loin & well-angulated quarters with good bend of stifle & low hocks. In profile she just flowed effortlessly round the ring, moving soundly with great reach & drive. When being stacked she has a tendency to lean back into herself but once relaxed she is a perfect picture, all curves, full of elegance & I just loved her classic type & quality. I was delighted to award her the CC, her 2<sup>nd</sup>, & hope the 3<sup>rd</sup> one won't be far away. In agreement with my co-judge she went BIS.
2. Brown's Ardencote Sweet Destiny for Bluestreak. Smart fawn/white girl who is so well-balanced & soundly constructed throughout. Attractive head, good length of neck into clean shoulders, deep chest, ribs well-sprung with good length of body. Strong loin & well-angulated, muscled hinds which she used to her advantage on the move. A real honest whippet & I loved her overall balance, her shapely outline & her elegant curves. Moved absolutely true with good extension & drive & never put a foot wrong, couldn't be denied the RCC & went on to win RBIS on the referee's decision.
3. Courtney's Courtbirch Diamond Dust.

#### **Open Bitch (10,4)**

1. Place & Halliday's CH. Collooney Queen of Dragons with Brochinbelle JW. Very elegant fawn/white parti girl full of quality. Beautiful head & expression, clean shoulders with good depth of chest & length of body, well-sprung ribs, balanced topline with strong loin & well-angulated quarters. I loved her elegance, smooth lines & overall balance. Shown in great condition & was handled to perfection. The soundest of movers with great extension & drive & a very worthy Champion.
2. Green & Halliday's Collooney Hell's Angel of Brochinbelle JW. Classy brindle/white girl who really showed her socks off. Lovely clean lines throughout & so balanced. Attractive head with long neck, straight front & good shoulder placement, deep brisket & good length & spring of rib. Well let-down quarters, tight feet. Moved absolutely true. In great muscular condition & a picture of elegance.
3. Brown's Ardencote Star Maker.

### **Special Lure Coursing or Racing Bitch (5,3)**

1. Reece's Pteridium Bracken. Pretty fawn/white bitch with lovely head & expression, good depth of chest, balanced topline & nicely arched, strong loin, very shapely with feminine curves, strong well-muscled quarters. Moved soundly fore & aft.

**Judge: Catherine Fisher-Home.**