

BITCH CRITIQUE – LILAH WAINMAN

South West Whippet Club 15th September 2019. It was a great honour to be asked to judge at the 25th Anniversary Show. Thank you to my two most helpful stewards and the Committee who looked after Richard and I so well. The piece of cake we took home was delicious! I am only sorry we were held up in the traffic and there was not time to go round looking all your stalls. Thank you for giving me such a lovely entry of such quality bitches. At times, I was spoilt for choice and a lot of nice whippets went without cards especially in the higher classes.

I have now been judging for over 60 years. My first appointment was when the late Alec Mackenzie persuaded me to judge at Thame show in 1958! I have been thinking that this might be my 'swan song' as it was such a special and memorable show. Thank you to all my exhibitors.

Minor Puppy. 7 1A.

1 Allen. Zoraden She Walks in Beauty.

A quality and attractive baby of just 6 months. Nice size and mature for her age. Well balanced and showed and moved well. Won a good Minor Puppy Class.

2 Rees and Jones. You are my Sunshine

Another quality puppy of 6 months. Lovely head neck and shoulders but needs more time to mature.

3. Bridge. Chesilven Crème de Monte

Puppy Bitch. 4. 1a.

1. Saxby. Runaround Amazin' Grace with Sandspring
2. A very attractive and feminine puppy. Lovely balanced shape of the correct size, with a deep brisket. Pretty head with good length of neck. Nice pasterns with tight feet. Shown in lovely condition and I hope will have a bright future. She was my Best Puppy.
3. Webber. Zoraden Fifty Shades Darker. A very striking and strong puppy almost the same age as the winner. Covered the ground well with good flowing movement. Lovely condition with a fine and shining coat but also needs more time to mature.
4. Tottle Priestess Teela

Junior Bitch 4. 1A.

1. Chappell. Blueflight La Di Da. An elegant and fine boned 14month old, of nice size and true whippet shape. Lovely head and neck and top line. Good deep brisket, flowing lines, nice pasterns and feet and well muscled body.

2. Leathheart. Ringmore Hecate. Another attractive youngster, pretty cream bitch lovely size, full of quality but not so relaxed in the ring as the winner.
3. Reese. Pteridium Bracken
4. Maiden Bitch .4.3A.

1.Reese Pteridium Bracken. A striking, good looking young fawn and white bitch shown in nice condition. Sadly, the only one in this class but a little bigger than my other winners in the previous class where she was placed a well deserved 3rd.

Novice Bitch 6. 2A.

1.Norman. Wheelspin Lily of the Valley at Jarmane. A nice 2 year old fawn bitch. with good top line and angulation. Strong feet. She showed and moved well.

2.Richards. Dainty Devore. A pretty 4 year old fawn bitch correct size and a lovely old fashioned head and expression. Today, she did not have quite the drive of movement as the winner.

3. Bellinga. Southgrove Isabelle.

Graduate.Bitch 9. 2A

1 Chappell..Blueflight Bracing Breeze. A well balanced attractive feminine fawn and white bitch of the correct size. Full of quality with a nice head, neck and shoulders, good top line and hind quarters and shown in excellent condition. . I judged and liked her as a puppy and it was lovely to see her again having matured and looking so good. She was my Best Bitch

2.Meadham. Harerunner Halfpenny. Another quality brindle and white bitch with nice head, neck and topline. Feminine and yet strong and sound and built for speed. Not quite as happy in the ring as the winner.

3. Third. Stormalong Selkie at Bruntsfield.

Post Graduate Bitch 12 2A.

1.Gillespie.Penbriar for Pleasure. A striking black bitch, covered a lot of ground with flowing movement. Lovely shape with a deep brisket and nicely arched loin and good pasterns and feet. Shown in beautiful condition.

2.Baulch. Whisterfield Je Ne Sais Quoi. A pretty cream 3 year old bitch a nice size, feminine head with lovely eyes and sweet expression. Her movement did not flow today quite as well as the winner.

3.Strong and Clinton. Amphoras Magiq in Vogue by Mackjama.

Limit Bitch13. 3 A.

1. Franklin Haccasbrook Madam Gigi. An attractive 3 year old blue brindle bitch. Covered the ground well with good depth of brisket. Lovely head, neck and ears, well arched feet which she moved very well! Some really lovely bitches in this big class.

2. Julian Blondessa Be Happy JW. A pretty looking fawn with white trim bitch, beautifully marked head, good jaw line and lovely eyes, nice size and well balanced. Difficult decisions had to be made in this class

3. Taylor. Willingwisp Moment of Hope to Musblaiks

Open Bitch. 7 .3A

1. Hooper. Torbers Damara. A well balanced, particoloured bitch of pleasing size and nice type. The way she moved and her condition, she was looking very good for her age.

2. Davies. Collooney Black Velvet Pasharif. A striking black bitch, covered the ground well, had depth and length of body with a nice head and neck.

3. Dejure Dutch Dream NL/BEL JR CH.

Veteran Bitch. 14.2A

1. Third. Tango Time of Bruntsfield. A very fit looking 8 year old with a nice head, neck and shoulders, good depth and strong hind quarters. Flowing movement. She won a very good class of lovely veterans many of whom had to go sadly unplaced.

2. Hooper. Charuzian Sapphire. Another good looking 8 year old, well balanced with a pretty head and long neck, it was a close call but the winner just had it on movement today..

3. Saxby. Sandspring Sunset Gold.

Special Lure Coursing or Racing bitch. 9 . 4.A

5. Leathart. Ringmore Day Lily. A very elegant bitch, lovely type with a good head and long neck depth of brisket and turn of stifle, lovely to see such pasterns and well arched feet all of which make her truly fit for purpose. She was shown in perfect condition and was the Best Lure Coursing and Racing whippet in Show.

6.

Saxby Sandspring Sunset Gold. A very special little girl whom I have judged before over the years. Really feminine and pretty and in proportion. Sweet head and expression, looking marvellous and fit, still with strong feet and has retained her qualities in spite of her being nearly 10 years old., . I felt today she would rather be racing than in the show ring but lovely to see her here.

7. Reese. Millingtondale Mercury.

Special Height Bitch 14. 5A.

A class of lovely quality bitches of the correct height all of whom I had seen earlier.

8. Chappell. Blueflight Bracing Breeze.

9. Leathart. Ringmore Day Lily.

10. Julian. Blondessa Be Happy JW.

Thank you to all exhibitors.

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