Border Collie Club of Great Britain Ch Show 19/3/17 (bitches)

I would like to thank the committee of the BCC of GB for the invitation and the exhibitors for a super entry of 122 bitches making 159 entries, there were some high quality exhibits present and I was spoiled for choice for the top awards, shame the UK KC don't follow the idea from Finland that when you have more than 100 dogs entered you can award 2 CCs. Overall I found the breed improved since I last judged – with much better front angulation, though a number would require more hind angulation to be able to work all day long and be able to out manoeuvre a flock of sheep. Eye shape continues in my opinion to be an area that requires work by breeders, the eye shape is oval not round, and dark brown not black, I found a number to even be bulbous – giving a totally alien expression. Tails still have a tendency to be on the sort side – the bone should reach at least to the hock. Temperaments were excellent as was presentation. BIS on the decision of the Referee was Green's Sh Ch Fayken I am Legend JW, the RBIS - Portman's Sh Ch Caleykiz Smoke on the Water, BOS Lucas' Aculsia Turn My Swag On, BPIS - Smith & Green's Fayken Striptease, and RBPIS again on decision of the referee was Hartfield's Moshanta Must Be Movin.

Minor Puppy Bitch (9,0) 1 Hartfield's Moshanta Must Be Movin, lovely shaped pup, with athletic profile, well matured. Good topline to sloping croup, low set tail. Excellent presentation. Attractive head, very feminine, I would prefer eyes a little less round, broad skull, muzzle in good proportion. Excellent angles front and rear, moves freely and soundly in all directions, with good length of stride, RBPIS. 2. Walkers' Bordwalk Skyfall, very pretty baby, athletic appearance and smooth outline, good length to height and firm topline. Scores well on head, with dark oval eye and strong muzzle, lovely expressive tipped ears. She is well put together with good angulation but not as positive behind. Very alert to her surroundings. 3. Mullen's Bordwalk Quantum Of Solace, tri coloured litter sister to 2, very much a baby, but very promising. Attractive shaped head of good width, and balanced muzzle, correct eye and used neat ears well. Well angulated but not as steady on the move.

Puppy Bitch (13,2) 1 Smith & Green's Fayken Striptease, blue bitch, she caught my eye when viewed in profile, she has flowing outline, mature shape and is well coated and strong boned. Her topline flows correctly to rounded croup and low set tail, which is of good length. Has excellent reach of neck and well defined angulation front & rear. Lovely expression, broad skull, wide set prick ears, good stop and balanced muzzle, eyes are of good colour, and has alert intelligent expression and is very attentive to handler. Sound from all angles and covers ground easily, well handled, BPIS. 2. Rottger's Caleykiz Lets Dance, finer built bitch, lovely flowing smooth outline. Excellent angulation and good length of neck. Head is feminine but still needs to broaden. Good oval eye of dark brown, rounded muzzle. Good width to chest, strong topline to good croup, moved very easily, just needs to broaden throughout. 3 Green's Fayken I Am Love, attractive bitch who is very strongly made in body and bone. Has good angles, firm back and good croup. Well coated and presented. Found her head a little too strong for me and a shade masculine, would prefer slightly less round eye and little less strength to muzzle, her movement is excellent in all directions.

Junior Bitch (19,3) 1 Durie's Syanna Gifted Edition with Tribboch, Lovely athletic bitch, smooth outline, and well-muscled throughout. Has good angulation front and rear and a good reach of neck. Correct strength of bone and stands on oval feet. Very feminine head, broad skull, good stop and good tapering muzzle. Used ears well. Attentive character. Another very good mover — with

excellent reach, drives well. 2 Lawrence's Champarla Manoira Star, another very similar type bitch, smooth athletic outline with good angles. Attractive head, good eye, well used ears. Moved easily and soundly, shade close behind and not reach in front of winner. 3 Wettern's Alpana Strike A Pose, lovely feminine tri, smooth outline, shade longer cast, well angulated front and rear, and good reach of neck to feminine head. Head not quite as developed as the winners, would like little more development in muzzle. Lovely ear and eye. Good width of chest, moved well, with excellent ground cover.

Yearling Bitch (11,2) 1 Turner & MacDonald's Locheil Jilly Cooper, one who really caught my eye, a tall elegant bitch, lovely angles and ex reach of neck. Standing in profile she epitomises the shape and flowing lines of a border collie. Her head is feminine, with lovely oval eyes, and defined stop, ears are used well but slightly low set and folded level with head which tends to flatten head and affect expression. Well boned, moved very easily – sound in all directions and with super extension in front, seriously considered for top honours, only just out of junior, one who has a bright future ahead of her. 2 McDonald's Jupavia Secret Love, another very classic type, good outline and angulation, well-muscled neck of good reach. Very attractive head, good eye and preferred her expression to my winner. Ok for bone just not the reach of winner on move and had tendency to crab slightly. 3. Greening's Arniston Maid Of Honour at Kanamaren, stronger built bitch, deep chest, well balanced with correct length to height ratio. Attractive head, good eye. Well boned, but carrying bit of weight. Sound easy mover, but not the reach of 1 & 2.

Novice Bitch (13,7) 1 Moshanta Must Be Movin 2 Green's Fayken The Devil In Me, strong bitch, well boned and heavier in body, good angles and neck, firm back and correct croup. Head is correct shape with defined stop, good width, good ears, but found her eyes a little round and slightly bulbous. Good chest and moves well – sound in all directions. 3 Griffith's Janbell Zafrina, lighter built bitch. Shade longer cast, good angles, prefer little more slope to croup. Ok for bone, correct oval feet. Attractive head, good stop and eye. Moved soundly.

Post Graduate Bitch (19, 6) 1 Waterman's Deeann Magical Mayhem, strong built merle bitch, good size and well coated. Super body condition, with excellent muscle throughout. Not the ring training of some but lovely type, good outline, firm back and good croup. Excellent angles, good chest. Very attractive head, oval eyes, of good colour. Alert and lively – with keenness you expect in a border collie. Little erratic at first on the move, but once settled and concentrating on the job, moved very well with good reach and strong drive. With more ring training could challenge for top honours. 2. Gregory's Tonkory Moments Like This (AI), a lighter framed bitch, very smooth outline, giving correct shape in profile. Stands on correct oval feet with feminine bone. Good angulation front and rear, good width to chest and firm topline. Moves freely, and good reach in profile but a little close behind. Feminine head, lovely eye for shape and colour, alert and bright expression. Well handled. 3 Elliott's Goytre Bamburgh Beach Babe, attractive tri, pleasing outline, good angulation and topline to sloping croup. Well presented. Attractive head good width to skull, would prefer more oval eye shape to give alert expression. Moved well in profile but not so positive in front.

Mid Limit Bitch (5,2) 1 Wiltshire & Rottger's, Caleykiz Boogie On JW, athletic in physique, excellent angles and good reach of neck, with flowing outline to sloping croup, tail set on low and of good length. Well boned legs to oval feet. Head is of correct shape with broad skull and sufficient stop, but eyes are rather round which gave a worried expression. Another one who moved out well with good length of stride. 2 Milham's Tazaeos Cruizin For Love, another attractive bitch in profile, but not quite the rounded croup of winner. Well boned legs to oval feet. Good neck with very attractive head, good width of skull, defined stop and good eyes, lovely expression. Moved freely in profile but a shade close behind. Well presented. 3 Carley's Jupavia First Love, heavier framed bitch, in good

coat and carrying a little extra weight across loin. Would prefer lower set tail. Attractive head, good skull definition and eye. Moved ok but little fond of tail. Well presented.

Limit Bitch (17,4) 1 Lucas' Aculsia Run The World, an attractive bitch who is very heavily coated which can make her look heavy, but when you get your hands on her she is correctly made. Strong legs to correct oval feet. Excellent angulation front and rear, sloping croup to low set tail which is long and reaches well to hock. Good chest. Attractive feminine head good width to skull, good stop, lovely eye and strong muzzle of good length. Lovely ear set. Beautifully presented and well handled, is aptly named looks like could move forever as covers ground effortlessly. 2 Edmond's Tazaeos Movin On Over, an elegant bitch, shade longer cast than winner affecting overall balance. Good angulation and super reach of neck. Enough bone to correct oval feet. Feminine head, with excellent eye, and has sweet, alert expression. Good width of chest, strong topline. Moves well in profile just a shade close behind. 3 Wiltshire's Caleykiz Make M'Ya Aphrodite, a shorter coupled dark bitch, would prefer little more length to loin. Good angulation and croup. Attractive head, good eye, broad skull, well set ears. Good bone and chest. Well presented. Another moving well in profile but not quite enough drive behind.

Open Bitch (16,4) 1 Lucas' Aculsia Turn My Swag On, lovely bitch, caught my eye standing and didn't disappoint when I put my hands on her. Excellent angles, super reach of neck, good bone and in good coat to give a little touch of glamour. Well-developed chest, flowing outline from neck through topline to croup, low set long tail. Loved her head, broad skull and good stop, lovely oval eye of dark brown not black, muzzle in proportion to skull and with good jaw. Neat ears used well. Correct alert character, and keen expression. Super mover in all directions, really eats up the ground with low long stride, excellent presentation and well handled, CC. 2 McDonald's Sh Ch Jupavia Seventh Blessing JW ShCM, attractive bitch slightly long in back for height. Good angulation but not quite the reach of neck of the winner. Attractive head, correct eye shape and colour, skull broad. Feminine throughout, well bones and correct oval feet. Moves well with good reach. 3 Kernahan & Scott's Cebelrai Aludra, good height to length ratio, well off for bone, correct oval feet, and good reach of neck and well angulated. Attractive head, broad skull, eyes just a shade round. Not quite the slope of croup of 1 & 2. Moved well, well presented and handled.

Special Open (Colour) Bitch (13,5) 1 Vlascic's Hats Off Of Bordertreowe JW, loved this blue merle bitch, not yet two but very mature. Excellent bone and in good coat, super outline, nothing exaggerated at all. Excellent croup and well set tail. Very pleasing head, broad skull, good stop, lovely oval eye of dark brown, excellent ears used well. Lovely keen expression. Chest is broad and deep, good angulation front & rear and excellent reach of neck. Combined to give correct free flowing movement with minimum lift. Another who I considered strongly for top honours, but sadly when came back in the ring for the challenge she was less settled on the move. 2 Goytre Bamburgh Beach Babe 3. Lawrence's Sheltysham Sandy Shore at Champarla, red & white, heavier in body, ok angles and neck. Attractive head, with good eye for colour and shape. Not quite the low easy gait and ground cover of 1 &2.

Good Citizen Scheme Bitch (7,2) 1 Moshanta Must Be Movin. 2. Bamburgh Beach Babe 3. Aston & Rackham's Edwinoak Kelso Classic, black and white slightly square in outline, prefer more slope to croup. Feminine head, ears rather heavy, lovely eye shape and colour. Would prefer little more neck, moved freely.

Veteran Bitch (14,4) 1 Sh Ch Sheltysham Shockin Showoff, Strong bitch of excellent bone, good outline, carrying little weight but forgave for age and certainly didn't affect movement which was excellent from all angles. Flowing profile, good neck to firm topline and good croup – once identified

sticky up hair was cosmetic!, would prefer longer tail. Lovely head, broad skull, good stop and eye for shape and colour. Well coated and excellent presentation. Never put a foot wrong in challenge so delighted to award RCC. 2 Donald's Locheil Violets Are Blue, blue, similar type and outline just preferred croup and reach of winner. Lovely head, good broad skull balanced muzzle. Good chest, well boned to strong oval feet. Excellent presentation, moved ok. 3 Dawson's Tonkory Vivacious at Stubbylee, smaller frame, good outline, lovely head, good eye, intelligent and with a charming head tilt, excellent ear set, prick ears. Good neck and angle, moved ok, but a shade fond of tail.

Special Open Working Bitch (4,1) 1 Carr's Rajinka Safe Bet, attractive shape, strong contender in veteran, placing 4th. Good outline, and croup and angles. Attractive head, good skull, used ears well, good chest, well boned legs. Free movement in profile but rather close from behind. 2. Bridges' Kirkbridgend Rock Star, elegant bitch, shade narrow throughout body and skull. Feminine, correct eye. Oval feet. Good coup. Side gait show good length but rather close behind. 3. Farris Jephanil Fleck Of Gold for Flintrix, Attractive darker bitch very feminine head, good stop and eye, used ears well. Not quite the neck of winners, and as expected not the reach in front on the move.

Judge Toni Jackson.