Border Collie Club of Great Britain Special Award classes

Saturday 11th September 2017

I would like to thank the officers and committee for inviting me to judge Border Collies Special award classes at the Border Collie Club of GB show.

A very friendly show with a good atmosphere, lovely good sized ring. I would also like to thank the exhibitors who gave me this lovely entry, the exhibits were very well presented and handled, thank you for an enjoyable day.

Special Award Junior Dog/Bitch

1st Tillers, Lesnuages Persephone by Foxbarton, 12 month old sable bitch, beautiful expression with oval eyes, good reach of neck and depth of chest. Parallel legs front and back with good bone, good upper arm with well laid shoulders. Lovely top line with sloping croup, low set tail reaching past the hock. Moved very well around the ring with drive, good condition with and solid muscle.

2nd Turns, Fyglia Mei Tatiana, 16 month blue merle, this young bitch gave her handler a bit of a hard time in the ring, I was pleased to see so much patience used. Ears set high and well giving a keen expression, oval shaped eyes, and good reach of neck with an excellent upper arm, well laid shoulders in good condition with a lovely temperament.

Special Award Post Graduate Dog/Bitch

1st Childs, Rogansrock Dream Lover, 21 month old black & White dog, I absolutely adore this boy, so please he was on his best behaviour today. Beautiful head and expression, correct stop with broad skull, good reach of neck with good upper arm and well laid shoulders. Deep broad chest parallel legs front and back with good bone, nothing is overdone, beautiful top line with slopping croup, long low set tail carried well on the move which was held effortlessly, lovely flowing motion around the ring with good reach and drive, good amount of coat with a thick undercoat, in fantastic condition, well-muscled, presented and handled well.

2nd Barwick's, Tobermoray Talk of the Town JW, 2 year old black and white dog, lovely head and expression, broad skull, masculine, in lovely condition with a wonderful temperament, good reach of neck with a lovely top line, good upper arm, moved well around the ring, excellent movement coming and going, presented well.

Special Award Open Dog/Bitch

1st Wiltshire's, Caleykiz Make M'ya Aphrodite, Dark 3 year old bitch, black and white, I could watch this girl move around the ring all day, fantastic forward reach and rear drive, moved well once she settled. Lovely feminine head without any weakness with correct stop, lovely dark oval eyes giving her a gentle expression. Ears are not her best feature but not heavy in anyway, good reach of neck, great shoulders and upper arm, beautifully constructed, just my cup of tea, handler bought the best out of her, well done.

2nd Simmons, Glenshannon What's occurring at Miraje JW, 9 year old bitch black and white, the only thing I would of preferred was a little less square in shape on the croup, but she out moved the rest of the exhibits in the line-up other than my first placing, Such a feminine lady, lovely expression, correct head with everything in proportion, certainly doesn't look her age and in fantastic condition, well-handled and presented.

Kathryn Entwistle (Judge)