

The Trent Boxer Club Championship Show, 3rd October 2015

DOGS

Firstly may I offer my apologies that this show report reaches you later than I would ideally have liked. I would like to thank the committee of the Trent Boxer Club for the invitation to judge the males at their show. It was of course a surprise to find - at very short notice - that I was taking up this invitation a year earlier than planned! Secondly may I thank my two very able stewards and thirdly all the exhibitors who so graciously accepted a substitute judge on the day. I thought the standard of exhibits was excellent, so much so that my top placings and winners manifested an outstanding quality which just marked them out from all the excellent ones. There being so many high-quality animals, in making my decisions I looked for the 'fearless' and 'self-assured' qualities which the standard demands of a boxer - the icing on the boxer cake, as it were. There were dogs who stood in the ring and said 'Look at me, I am a fabulous boxer' while others, possibly fabulous too, stood there under sufferance saying that they would really rather be somewhere else, which lost them the edge in the finer decision-making. Mouths seemed to be rather variable; some were very good with canines wide apart and a good row of visible incisors, others were poorly shaped, and a few were difficult to access to find the teeth through heavy lips and gums.

MPD (7): 1. J, L & S Mair's Glenauld The Entertainer. Golden br/wh baby of just 6 mths who completely filled the eye, very square outline, arch of neck into super topline, great amount of bone. Good slope of shoulder, depth in brisket, and broad, curved thigh. Moved as you would expect of a baby, but showing great drive and scope. Beautiful eye shape with alert, confident, interested expression, substantial width and depth of muzzle with correct lip-to-lip placement, super length of naso-labial line. Balance of substance to elegance throughout. BPD and subsequently also the referee's choice for BPiS. 2. Henderson's Taranut Stereotype. Br/wh, almost 9 mths. Squarely constructed and with good bone. Super head properties showing good width and depth of muzzle, wide nostrils, dark eye and alert expression. Good rise of skull with slight arch to dome. Round well-muscled neck with elegant arch, good slope of shoulder. Clean outline in body, firm sloping topline, well muscled hindquarters. Has yet to drop in brisket. 3. Cairns' Galicar McSteamy.

PD(4): 1. Cairns' Instinctive for Galicar. Dark br/wh 10 mth. This puppy has plenty of 'presence', square in outline, with good bone and well muscled throughout. Good height at shoulder complimented by correct depth at brisket, well angulated in hindquarters. Has a firm outline which he maintains both standing and on the move. Good width and depth of muzzle. Square lower jaw. Gentle boxer expression, good wide nostrils. 2. Taylor & Lay's Latest Image at Wivendene. Dk br/wh. Square upstanding male, balanced in outline, with good hindquarters, well muscled, hammy upper thigh. Good width of muzzle with dark eye. 3. Cook & Postance's Manic Heartbreaker.

JD (7, 1a): A super class, and these three were all of outstanding quality. 1. Drinkwater's Kiss Tag with Sulez. Golden br/wh with eye-catching outline and lovely head properties. Right blend of substance to elegance, great bone. Height and body length in beautiful balance. Neat, tight feet. Proud head carriage with arched, muscled neck flowing smoothly down to sloping topline. Head well-proportioned with width and depth of skull/muzzle construction, gorgeous padded muzzle and ears lying close to cheeks, big wide nose, good lip placement, direct gaze and slight arch at dome of head completed the picture. Firm and driving on the move. 2. Kelly's Casemates Dumbledore JW. Red/wh. Another super example of the breed. Very similar properties in stance and on the move to 1, with square, clean outline, lovely crest of neck, great amount of bone, correct depth at brisket leading to sweeping curve of lower abdominal line. Dark melting eye with knowing expression and super width and depth of muzzle. 3. Carters' Lullmire Adam Guessing at Susancar.

YD (6): 1. Watson & Crooks' Roylark Commander in Chief JW. Red/wh. with self-assured presence both posed and on the move. Good size in this class, he has substance and musculation without exaggerations, clean lines throughout. Super crested neck with great reach, well arched ribs, short, straight back and well muscled hindquarters. Dark mask and eye. Shown in good condition. 2. Morison's Jobaran Marathon Man to Xandene. Golden br/wh. Similar clean lines to 1, nicely balanced outline; long sloping shoulder and good bone, loin tucked up enhancing smooth underline curve to rear, with

well-angulated hindquarters and long curving thighs. Intelligent eye with lovely expression, good width of muzzle and lip placement. Beautifully shown with minimum interference from handler. 3. Cook & Postance's Let Me Go to Manic.

ND (3,1a): 1. Murfin & Renshaw Turner's Farvalley Dark Knight. Dark br/wh. Smart youngster looking very proud of himself. Sharp outline with level topline into good tailset. Short, firm back. Well dropped in brisket, straight front, good bone. Nice rise of skull, muzzle in balance, very alert with gorgeous expression. 2. Beardsell & Van Beck's Newlathie Bug On. Golden br/wh, similar attributes to 1. Long reach of neck leading to good slope of shoulder; short-coupled in body, straight front with good bone and strong pasterns, super tailset. Dark eye, correct earset and alert expression. Still quite raw, needs time to mature for all these attributes to come together in full harmony.

DD (4): 1. Payne's Boxania Spice Innovation at Birleyvale. Dark br/wh. Solid construction as a male should be. Good bone, well balanced throughout, well angulated in hindquarters. Lovely small, catlike feet. Musculation right for a fit dog. Positive on the move. Alert boxer expression with dark eye, well-padded muzzle and deep, wide lower jaw with correct upward curve giving very good lip-to-lip placement. 2. Frary's Tigalian Double Up at Waiheke. Dark br/wh, very alert active dog, shown in gleaming condition. Powerful, with good angulation, firmly muscled, and balanced in profile. Very neat feet. Good width of muzzle, dark eye, correct earset, long round muscular neck strongly arched. Quite excited today and not giving his handler an easy time. 3. Hyde's Rosshill Hot Shot.

GD (7): 1. Smith's Winuwuk Scouting for Girls at Lorrosa. Golden br/wh. This dog really fills the eye with his powerful outline. Well muscled and cleanly built, his strong neck flows into short, firm back with right amount of slope to it, complimented by super tailset. Straight front with plenty of bone. Well angulated, driving hindquarters. Lovely curve of underline enhances the picture. Super neat feet and on his toes, ready to do his handler's bidding. Dark mask and good depth to muzzle, alert eye with true boxer expression and good lip-to-lip placement. 2. Mullis' Idleforde Prime Suspect. Dark br/wh, well-proportioned and in correct muscular condition, clean slope of topline with bang on tailset and nice sweep of underline. Good bone, pasterns and neat feet. Head has nice dome. Lovely dark expressive eye. Still looks a baby in some respects and felt he needs more time to mature fully. Slightly reluctant to show himself off today. 3. Clayforth's Casual Affair with Faerdorn.

PGD (10): Mitchell's Diceulon The Desperado with Winuwuk JW. A 2 yr old red/wh dog who filled the eye with his smart appearance and so many positive aspects. Very clean-lined with plenty of presence. Short, firm topline with the right slope, well-muscled with substance but not losing out on elegance. Good height at shoulder, which was long and sloping, with well-filled forechest, straight parallel front with good bone and gorgeous tight cat-like feet. Nicely-muscled hindquarters with correct angulation and perfect tailset. Beautiful boxer head properties, with lovely rise of skull, slight arch to dome, dark mask and dark eye with alert, fearless, most appealing inquisitive expression, wide nostrils and super width and depth of muzzle in proportion to skull. Round, well-muscled neck. 2. Revill & Blyton's Verdendo Country N'Western. Dark Br with a hint of white. Another super example of a well-built, fit, powerful, alert boxer. Short-coupled with flowing lines and balance of substance to elegance. Arched, muscled neck leading to well-set-back withers, great slope to shoulder and well-filled forechest, strong bone in foreleg and well-arched toes. Smooth slope of topline, tailset right on. Well angulated in hindquarters with musculation showing clearly in good long thigh which is broad and curved. Head clean and well balanced in muzzle/skull, good depth and super lip-to-lip placement. Very slight upturn to tip of nose. Fearless, alert expression in his dark eye. Working keenly today in full co-operation with his handler. 3. Bell's Surfstone No Nonsense.

LD (21, 6a): 1. Huggins' Daervlish All Because of You JW. Dk br/wh. This lad just shouts 'boxer'. Extrovert stallion of a dog, keen to get on with the task in hand. Super height at shoulder, long, arched, roundly muscled neck leading to defined withers, long sloping shoulder and well arched ribs, back firm, broad and well muscled. Strong amount of bone, straight front, really neat, tight feet. Good depth of body at brisket. Evident forechest, smooth curve of underline through to broad muscled thighs on well angulated hindquarters. Length and width of muzzle in balance to skull, lovely big nose and nostrils. Moved like a powerhouse, with great drive and reaching action. Worthy RCC winner, who went on to

be RBiS under the referee's decision. 2. Godwin's Sultash Frankel. Another lovely br/wh d, good height, short-backed and carries his head just right to give a very flowing topline. Balanced construction throughout, neatly built with no flaws or exaggerations. Similar qualities to 1 in his long, sloping shoulder, defined withers, good depth of chest and strong bone. Lovely rise of skull, and depth of muzzle with incisors in straight line across wide lower jaw. Wide nostrils with tip of nose just turned up. Dark eye and the desirable alert boxer expression with positive, fearless attitude. On his toes today, showing himself off really well. 3. Palmer's Olleyville Billy Buck Blue via Palerty.

OD (12, 1a): A super class including nine lovely champions so I was spoilt for choice! 1. Mairs' Ch Carmond Gerry Webber at Glenauld JW. Good sized r/wh d of almost six years. From every angle his contours flow smoothly to give such a complete, well-finished appearance, with his attitude combining grace and confidence. For me this dog truly has the 'great nobility' that the opening words of the standard call for and he completely fills the eye. Nothing about him is skimped, but equally, there are no excesses. Beautiful balance of substance to elegance throughout, from his head, which he carries with assurance and quiet pride, to his tail. Head not overdone, just wrinkling when alert, good width and depth in skull and muzzle, the latter is well padded with good lip placement. Wide nose, dark mask and such an intelligent eye with gentle expression. Muscled round neck with sleek arch to defined withers, well sprung ribs extending well to rear. Topline firm with slight slope. Forelegs straight and parallel, very well boned, really neat, tight feet with well arched toes. Long sloping shoulder enhanced by deep chest which flows into smooth curve of underline to rear. Hindquarters and thighs correctly angulated and muscled, not overdone. Co-ordinated on the move with free, driving stride, covering the ground soundly. In full co-operation with his handler. CC winner, and delighted that the referee decided on him for BiS. 2. Miller's Ch Walkon First Past the Post. Light br/wh, very upstanding male with self-assured attitude. Long reach of neck with smooth arch leading to well set back withers. Long sloping shoulder with long upper arm in proportion. Forelegs very well boned, straight and parallel; super small catlike feet. Correct angulation and musculature in hindquarters. Cleanly made head with wide muzzle and width to nostrils, correct set and fall of ear. Highly alert expression with a real twinkle in his eye. Scopey movement. 3. Pynegar's Ch Berwynfa Fully Loaded JW.

VD (8,2a): 1. Feaver & Cormack's Very Attracted to Newlaithe. 8 ½ year old br/wh with strikingly neat outline. An elegant gentleman, he has a super upper outline from his head through his arched neck, set back withers, very even topline and smart tailset. Long sloping shoulder, good bone and neat small feet. Similarly the underline is clean with a sweeping curve from the brisket under the ribcage up to the stifle, leading into broad thighs which are still well muscled. A very kind eye and beautiful expression in his face, which has the merest hint of distinguished grey. Lovely rise of skull, broad muzzle in balance. BVD and pleased that he went on to be chosen as BViS by the referee. 2. Wild's Sarsbrook High Roller. Dark br/wh 8 ¾ years old. Another smart gentleman with similar qualities to 1 with smooth flowing lines to top and abdomen. Crest to neck, right slope of topline, slope of shoulder and deep forechest. Good bone, with length to upper arm giving him height and elegance, with straight parallel front and well angulated hindquarters. Gentlest of expressions in his dark eye. Head well finished, with broad nose, super width of muzzle in balance to skull. 3. Peck's Enesha Curly Wurly.

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