

**TRENT OPEN SHOW – 24<sup>th</sup> May 2014**  
**JUDGE – MR DAVID HIGGINSON**

Thanks to the stewards and committee for taking such good care of me and making sure everything ran smoothly from my arrival to departure. Thanks also to the exhibitors for the excellent entry.

It is 3 years since I judged in the UK. The last time I judged many of the dogs were short in the upper arm, and this was also evident in the entry today. Unfortunately this time, this was often combined with lack of angulation in the shoulder. When viewed from the front these dogs were too shallow in chest. Interestingly, all three veteran bitches had relatively good upper arm and shoulder placement.

The entry seemed to be split between well-constructed substantial dogs with over wrinkled skulls, and dogs with lovely clean heads, who were narrow throughout with the type of front described above. Having said this I was impressed by my main winners and had the privilege to judge some very good Boxers.

BIS, Wragg and Huxley's Harmaur Blue Collar trader with Blixen, Best Bitch and Best Puppy Pynegar and Murray's Berwynfa Déjà vu

**MPD - 3 (1)**

1<sup>st</sup> Gold's Cascorike Osodapper

Substantial r/w puppy, correct square shape, flat topline, well arched neck and good depth of brisket. Lovely dark well shaped eyes, weak in muzzle proportion to skull which was over wrinkled.

2<sup>nd</sup> Woollatt's Boxania Spice Innovation at Birleyvale

Not as mature as winner. Well-proportioned head with dark well shaped eyes giving a lovely expression. Good shape with flat topline, however short in upper arm and lacked shoulder angulation.

**PD - 4 (1)**

1<sup>st</sup> McArdle's Redmol Read All About It at MacArmada

Very smart b/w, elegant outline coming from his lovely arched neck, flat topline, well angulated rear and well placed shoulders. Lovely head, lean skull, dark well shaped eyes, good proportions between muzzle and skull, lovely expression. Would have preferred more chin. **Best Puppy Dog**

2<sup>nd</sup> Cairns and Paterson's Jimbren Dance in the Dark at Galicar

Unfortunately I have no notes on this dog, my memory is that he was a more substantial b/w male, flat topline, short back, well angulated rear. Not so well angulated in the shoulder which also shortened his neck.

3<sup>rd</sup> Beardsell, Van Beck and Fielding's Newlaithe the Fugitive

**MPB - 7**

1<sup>st</sup> Pynegar and Murray's Berwynfa Déjà vu

Very smart r/w with a stunning outline, which came from her beautiful crested neck, well angulated shoulder, good upper arm and depth of brisket, correct rear angulation with good short hocks. Lovely lean skull, beautiful well shaped dark eyes, broad muzzle in proportion with skull. I liked her in the class, but when she came in to compete for best bitch she moved up a gear and showed her socks off. I could not take my eyes from her. **Best Puppy Bitch, Best Puppy and Best Bitch.**

2<sup>nd</sup> Hobson's Allerz Maid in Black by Nickerbox

Smaller bitch, good square shape with shorter neck, lacked a little shoulder angulation, good rear angulation. Pretty head, lovely well shaped dark eyes, could do with more breadth in muzzle.

3<sup>rd</sup> Flintoft's Boxania Spice Inspiration

**Puppy Bitch - 4 (1)**

1<sup>st</sup> Drinkwater's Love Song for Sulez

Compact b/w bitch, flat topline, well placed shoulder with good depth of brisket, well angulated rear and nice tight feet. Lovely head, dark well shaped eyes, good width of muzzle in proportion with skull. I would have preferred more height at the front.

2<sup>nd</sup> McArdle's Redmol Ina Pickle at MacArmada

Well-constructed substantial bitch, well arched neck, good shoulder and depth of brisket with good tuck up to the rear. Good head with dark eye, lacked width in muzzle.

3<sup>rd</sup> Wimbush's Redmol Careless Whisper

### **Junior Dog - 1**

1<sup>st</sup> Clayforth's Casual Affair with Faerdorn

Good square shape, flat topline with good rear angulation, adequate shoulder placement and a little short in upper arm. Well shaped head with good proportions, lovely dark eyes, well padded muzzle, lacked chin.

### **Novice Dog 3 (2)**

1<sup>st</sup> Wooliss's Rameleon Play Away

Good square shape, nice short back, good angulation front and rear with crested neck, all contributing to a lovely outline. Well proportioned head, lovely dark eyes, over wrinkled in skull and lacked chin.

### **PGD – 13 (1)**

1<sup>st</sup> Pynegar and Murray's Berwynfa Fully Loaded

Beautiful outline, well angulated shoulder, upper arm a little short, resulting in a loss of depth in the brisket. Short back with flat topline and well angulated rear. Typical head with beautiful dark well shaped eyes, muzzle in proportion to skull.

2<sup>nd</sup> Chell and Cook's Manic Countdown

Very smart, good shape coming from his elegant neck and good angulation. Lovely head, dark eyes with correct shape, nice broad muzzle. It was a tough decision to choose the winner, but in the end it came down to presence and the winner was indeed fully loaded.

3<sup>rd</sup> Huxley's Harmaur Blue Line Trade with Blixen

### **LD - 6 (4)**

1<sup>st</sup> Wragg and Huxley's Harmaur Blue Collar trader with Blixen

Elegant stylish male beautifully balanced combining strength with elegance. Strong crested neck, short flat back, good angulation front and rear. Best head of the day, good width and depth of muzzle, in perfect balance with his skull. Lovely dark well shaped eyes, gorgeous expression. A laid back character the more I looked at him the more I liked him. He stood out in the challenge for best dog and no other dog could match his movement, particularly his rear action. **Best Dog and BIS.**

2<sup>nd</sup> Fielding's Newlaithe Fast 'n Furious

### **OD - 4 (1)**

1<sup>st</sup> Pynegar and Murray's Berwynfa Vedi Veni Vici

Very stylish eye catching dog, good shoulder and upper arm, and good depth of brisket, flat topline, but overangulated and weak in rear. Beautiful well proportioned clean head with broad muzzle lovely dark well shaped eyes. **Reserve Best Dog**

2<sup>nd</sup> Kelly's Casemates Casanova

Good square shape, lacked angulation in shoulder and short in the upper arm, short flat back, well angulated rear with nice short hocks. Lovely dark eyes, but over wrinkled in skull.

3<sup>rd</sup> Davis's Stanryk Rocky Dreams at Bricliff

### **Veteran – 3**

1<sup>st</sup> Hobson's Berwynfa Bump 'n' Grind Avec Nickerbox

9 year old bitch who has retained a good shape with a lovely square outline, well placed shoulder and upper arm which gave her an evident forechest. Good crested neck and good rear angulation. Well proportioned head, good width and depth of muzzle, lovely well shaped dark eyes. **Best Veteran**

2<sup>nd</sup> Phillips Merjeric Make a Wish

Younger bitch and similar comments would apply. However, the winner had more height at the front, which gave her the edge.

3<sup>rd</sup> Murfin's Sonshoby Chardonnay at Farvalley

### **JB – 4 (2)**

1<sup>st</sup> Woods Per Una from Newlaithe

Stylish dark b/w, good shoulder placement, flat topline and good rear angulation with lovely short hocks. Nice crested neck, lovely feminine head, dark eyes, muzzle lacked a little breadth, good chin.

2<sup>nd</sup> Saunby's Norwilbeck Bellchime Diva

Stylish golden b/w, good neck, lacked shoulder angulation and short in the upper arm. Well proportioned head with nice dark eyes, however, could do with more turn up of nose.

#### **NB – 4 (2)**

1<sup>st</sup> Cobb's Stanryk Street of Dreams

Stylish r/w, lovely shape and good bone, nice topline and nice short hocks. Pretty head with good width and depth of muzzle and lovely well shaped dark eyes.

2<sup>nd</sup> Flintoff's Boxania Olympic Spice

Smaller more elegant bitch, lacked front angulation and each time I looked at her she had a roached topline. Well proportioned pretty head with dark eyes.

#### **PGB – 6 (2)**

1<sup>st</sup> Drinkwater's Sulez Luvlijubbly

Beautiful shape and harmonious throughout. Good angulation fore and rear, lovely short hocks, good depth of brisket and a flat topline. Lovely well proportioned head, good width and depth of muzzle, beautiful well shaped dark eyes and expression. The more I looked at her the more I liked her, at this point I felt sure she would be my best bitch. In the challenge for best bitch she just seemed to blend into the background.

2<sup>nd</sup> Carter's Susancar Honor Wynna

Very eye catching golden brindle and white bitch. Beautiful outline when stacked, crested neck, and good topline. Also had a lovely well proportioned head, beautiful eyes and good width and depth of muzzle. When I first walked round to look at the class, she made me stop in my tracks. However, the eventual winner was more correct overall and certainly more correct in shoulder angulation.

3<sup>rd</sup> Phillips Mejeric Madame Cholet

#### **LB – 6 (4)**

1<sup>st</sup> Golds Cascorike Osolusty

Classic boxer square outline combining strength with elegance. Excellent forearm and shoulder placement, crested neck flowing into her flat topline, finished off with nice short hocks. Beautiful head, correctly proportioned, good width and depth of muzzle, lovely dark well shaped eyes and a beautiful expression. **Reserve Best Bitch**

2<sup>nd</sup> Murfins Fairvalley Sirocco's Gift

More substantial red and white also with a good shape although not as good in forearm as the winner. Nice crested neck and flat topline. Good width of muzzle though heavily wrinkled skull and lacked chin.

#### **OB – 5 (2)**

1<sup>st</sup> Gold's Cascorike Osoposh

At first I thought this owner had returned with the same bitch from the previous class. Turned out this was the mother of the previous class winner. Similar comments would apply, but she could not match her daughter in head, same lovely eyes, but shorter in foreface and lacked chin.

2<sup>nd</sup> Davis's Stellvanna Enchanted at Bricliff

Golden brindle, lovely head proportions, good width and depth of muzzle, dark well shaped eyes. Not so well angulated or as correct in forearm as the winner.

3<sup>rd</sup> Fairbrother's Vaneck Kupfer Gold

**David Higginson**

**Judge**