

Many Thanks to the Mancunian Boxer Club for inviting me and making me feel most welcome, and to my stewards who were very effective.

Thanks also to all exhibitors for trusting me with such a lovely entry! I know we all think twice these days where we travel and under who we show our dogs.

I know breeders in the UK are ok with and used to judging their friends dogs. It is no secret I really love Sara's best dog, but I decided to call for the referee in BIS as I felt it was the right thing to do as the owner is one of my dearest friends in the UK and this put us both in an awkward position. This way BIS was a fair competition for all. For me ethics is of most importance, as is judging on the day.

My expectations of the day were high and this truly was one of my most enjoyable judging experiences ever.

Top quality bitches in all classes so my line up was to die for! I felt very proud walking down the line as they came back in. Thank you!

I would happily have awarded a CC to any of my shortlisted bitches!

VB

1. Edgelar's, Kezialeigh Prime Meridian

8,5 year old b/w in excellent condition. Feminine head with excellent proportions muzzle to skull. Dark eye, big nostrils, lovely chin. Lovely neck, strong back though a tad long in loin. Excellent brisket in depth and length. Good croup and bang on tailset. Good width of thigh. Excellent bone and feet. Moved very well for age and looked like she enjoyed the day out! Lovely temperament!

2. Murfin's, Farvalley Sirocco's Gift ShCM

7,5 year old r/w. Another girl in excellent condition! But on the move no 1 moved with that little bit extra today. Dark well shaped eye that gives a pretty expression, lovely big nostrils, nice chin, would prefer fewer wrinkles, Lovely neck flowing into a well laid shoulder, strong back, good croup and tailset. Excellent brisket and ribcage. Well angulated rear, Lovely temperament.

3. Sadler's, Jetboom I Vee League Aus Ch

MPB

Two super puppies which made my decision difficult!

1. Mair's, Vandenrob Tisoni at Glenauld

r/w 8,5 months old bitch with stunning square outline. Pretty head with good proportions muzzle to skull, lovely dark, well shaped eye giving a melting expression, excellent bite, well padded muzzle and excellent chin, Lovely neck, strong back, excellent depth and length of brisket for age, evident forechest, well angulated front and rear making her a super mover from all angles. Lovely temperament! Was happy to see her go BPiS with my co judge's approval. This girl has a bright future for sure!

2. Fay-Smith's, Lorroza Shine Like a Diamond

B/w 9 months, Another very stylish and stunning puppy in super condition. Very pretty head though no 1 has come a little bit further in maturity of head details atm. Lovely big nostrils, dark expressive eyes. Body very mature for age, beautiful neck that flows into a short, strong, firm back. Well angulated at both ends, excellent quarters, Excellent brisket in depth and length, exc bone and feet. Moved with reach and drive. Happy temperament. Very promising!

3. Jones & Charles's, Winuwuk Justify My Love at Charlons

PB

A difficult class as they were all at different stages of maturity. Three bitches stood out.

1. Pye's, Burnden Secret Lover

B/w Square, feminine in excellent condition, well developed body for age, very pretty head for age with a good rise of forehead, well padded muzzle, dark expressive eyes, good bite. Good neck, strong back, exc croup and tailset, exc width of thigh, slightly upright in upper arm, excellent bone and feet. Free mover! Excellent temperament. Well handled!

2. Fay-Smith's, Lorroza Scout's Honor

b/w feminine with very smart outline, in excellent condition. Slightly longer than no 1. Pretty face with dark eye, good bite but prefer a little more chin, lovely big nostrils, Good ribcage and depth of brisket for age. Well laid back shoulder, evident forechest, exc quarters and tailset, moves very well from all angles. Lovely temperament!

3. Pynegar & Esder's, Berwynfa Zoom Zoom Shu Boom

JB

A lovely class with three extra shining girls

1. Griffiths, Lanfrese Limelight

b/w Very attractive, feminine with super outline, beautiful head with good proportions, well padded muzzle, dark eye with melting expression, good mouth, lovely crested neck and level topline, excellent depth of brisket. Well laid back shoulder, good upper arm, good quarters in hard muscular condition. Excellent bone and feet. Covered the ground with great drive the whole day and never let her owner down. Well handled. Last 4 for CC but just felt a shade more condition would have perfected the picture.

2. Bell's, Surfstone Calypso

Stylish b/w elegant square, Pretty head with good proportions, dark eyes, lovely big nostrils. Prefer No 1's padded muzzle. Beautiful neck and topline, excellent ribcage, slightly straight in upperarm. Well angulated rear with exc tail set and croup. Good mover with lovely temperament! In gleaming condition!

3. McCarthy & Gething's, Sunvalley Careless Heart at Jeddhi

YB

1. Jones & Charles's, Charlons Nostalgia JW

B/w Another well maid elegant bitch, beautiful head with lovely rise of forehead, excellent proportions muzzle to skull. Dark, well shaped eyes giving a lovely expression, lovely big nostrils, good bite, elegant neck, strong topline, excellent ribcage, Good front and rear. Exc bone and feet. Free mover. Lovely temperament and in excellent condition.

2. Payne's, Birleyvale Bellissima

B/w slightly more substantial, lovely outline. Lovely head with dark expressive eyes, well padded muzzle, good mouth, lovely big nostrils, pleasing neck, strong back, nice fore chest, good tail set, well angulated with excellent width of thigh. Round strong bone and cat like feet. In excellent condition with gleaming coat. Moves parallell. Lovely temperament.

3. Mair's, Glenauld Eaden

NB

The two first really stood out. I was really splitting hairs to separate them.

1. Morison & Gunnarsdottir's, Bjarkeyjar Blue Lagoon with Xandene

B/w This bitch won as she has a some better details in head.

Square, feminine, well balanced with a lovely clean, feminine head and expression. Dark, well shaped eyes, well padded muzzle, evident chin giving a lovely profile. Lovely crested neck. Level topline. Good depth of brisket. Excellent bone and cat feet. Bang on tailset on an excellent croup. Moved well from all angles and gave that little extra. In gleaming condition! Well handled throughout the day! This girl is beautiful and she knows it!

2. Beardsell & Van-Becks, Newlaithe Wandara

Square b/w in excellent condition, A construction I really love. Pretty head but prefer a little more rise of skull, she has an evident chin & big nostrils! Lovely neck flowing into laid back shoulders, firm topline, exc croup and tailset, good depth of brisket and evident forechest, excellent bone and feet. Great mover! Super temperament. Gleaming coat, well presented!

3. Fairbrother & Madin's, Vaneck Quick Silber

GB.

A lovely class, but breeders have to be careful as some of the heads are going towards a slightly heavier type with too much wrinkle than preferred in a female.

1. Brown & Hutching's, Winuwuk Spice Girl

B/w Stylish, square, very attractive outline in super condition. Dark expressive eye, well padded muzzle, but prefer less wrinkles. Excellent front with lovely forechest, excellent brisket, lovely neck and strong firm back. Lovely rear with exc tail set and croup, bone and feet. Her handler really got the best out of her on the move and standing. Lovely temperament. Shining coat and hard muscular condition.

2. Bell's, Applewest A Flash of Magic at Surfstone

B/w Another very attractive and stylish girl. Slightly longer in body, Would prefer this head cleaner, dark expressive eyes, good nostrils, excellent earset, Neck of good length, laid back shoulder and level topline. Good brisket, Good width of thigh and strong hocks. Not as much drive on the move as no1. Shame she did not give that little extra. Nice temperament.

3. Seeney's, Maranseen Encore

PGB

1. Fay-Smith's, Lorroza Lusty Pleasure

B/w very attractive, flashy, feminine, square bitch that caught my eye immediately when she came into the ring. Wins this class because of her pretty feminine head with correct proportions, beautiful profile, dark, expressive eyes, good nostrils. Good bite. Lovely arched neck that flows into a laid back shoulder, strong short back, exc brisket in depth and length. evident forechest, well angulated rear with low hooks. Parallell. Good bone and feet. Gleaming coat. Lovely temperament and she moved effortless round the ring throughout the day.

2. Kelly's, Casemates Hufflepuff

R/w Very attractive in body. Bitch on the bigger scale, Would prefer head to be a little less wrinkled and more padded muzzle. Dark eye, flat cheeks, big nostrils, beautiful neck, strong back, well angulated in front and rear. excellent brisket, parallel movement, presented in the very best condition. Moved with impressive drive and reach. Lovely temperament.

3. Bell's Surfstone Stormtastic

LB

A really super class which in itself would have made the whole trip worthwhile!

1. Pearce, Francis & Townshend's, Jenroy Clarice Cliff with Longsdale

And eventually my CC winner. A stylish, breathtaking, medium sized, square, brindle w white bitch that had me from the minute she came into the ring. And the more I looked, the more I loved her! A true feminine bitch that has the right mix of substance to elegance (dare I say the "old" excellent type) Stunning, clean, feminine head with all the details that makes a lovely expression. Dark, well-shaped eyes perfectly placed, wellpadded muzzle, excellent chin and lip placement, good bite, lovely arched neck going into strong back. Lovely fore chest. Super construction and excellent condition made her move like a bomb all day long. Her Handler got the best out of her and more! Lovely temperament! Always lovely to see a mutual loving bond between the dog and handler. And true joy of winning! I was happy to hear this made her up! She had to beat some first class bitches to get there so they should be very proud! I wish she was mine!

## 2. Goodwin & Cartwright's, Tyegarh Negroni

B/w another stylish, square, attractive feminine girl. Feminine head with exc proportions, dark eye giving a kind expression, good bite, exc pigment. big nostrils. Lovely neck that flows into a strong short back. Super forechest, laid back shoulder, exc underline and rear angulation. Ex croup and tailset. In first class condition and she moved effortless with a happy temperament at all times. Well handled!

### 3. Cook & Postance's, Manic Heart of Glass

OB

Another super class I am very proud to have been fortunate enough to go over!

#### 1. Pearce & Francis, Longsdale's Let it Go JW

B/w Stunning, square, substanceful yet feminine full of quality. lovely crested neck, strong back, excellent brisket. Well angulated and parallel from all angles. A lovely head and melting expression to match.

Well presented in perfect condition and she did not put a foot wrong on the move, covering the ground.

#### 2. Pye, Ch Willow Reach For The Stars at Burnden JW

B/w another very attractive and appealing, square, top quality bitch. This girl also caught my eye as she entered the ring. Though this also is a bitch with a lovely head I prefer details on no 1. Lovely outline, short back and sound conformation made for another great mover. Gleaming coat and super condition. Well handled. Lovely temperament.

#### 3. Griffiths, Lanfrese Chin Chin

CB.

I realised it was premiere for the Champions class and that there had been discussions prior if the winner of champions class have an easier way to the CC. Coming from Scandinavia and being used to champions class I feel when judging it, it is like any other class. Many of our working breeds in Sweden, including boxers, need working merits to be able to compete for the CC and to become champions. Sometimes they get their CC's being the only one in their class! Unfortunately I often see champions at home that do not belong in the class and they are often later beaten on breed type. I believe it does not have to be a benefit to go in to a class unless you "belong there". As an exhibitor I take big pride in going into champions class and think everyone in the UK should do so. My champions today were of outstanding quality and I think proved the class really fill a purpose.

#### 1. McCarthy & Gething, Ch Sunvalley Heart on Fire at Jeddhi

B/w Full of quality and she knows it! Stunning head with excellent proportions, Lovely dark, well shaped eyes perfectly placed, well padded muzzle, exc chin, lovely profile, lovely neck and strong topline, excellent brisket in depth and length, super construction, excellent bone and tight feet. And what a

mover she is! Effortless covering so much ground and she could have kept on all day. Handler shows her in perfect condition and keeps her on her toe all day long. My RCC winner.

2. Mair's, Ch Vanderob Nina Roche at Glenauld JW

R/w Another really striking, attractive bitch full of quality. Unfortunately on the move today she was not as powerful as no 1. Lovely head with correct proportions, dark eye giving a melting expression, good pigment, well padded muzzle. Clean outline, lovely neck, short strong back, excellent brisket and lovely underline with just the right tuck up. Sound construction giving her the the ability to move with reach and drive. Lovely rich red color and in gleaming condition. If she had been a little more active today she would have pushed hard for the top spot.

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