## MIDLAND COUNTIES CANINE SOCIETY Championship Show 26th October 2019

An enjoyable day with the Shelties and their sporting owners. Thanks to my lone steward, Sandra Newton, who kept the ring managed and flowing nicely throughout the day. A couple of comments which I hope will be taken as constructive criticism. Several had noticeably upright shoulders which obviously affected front movement, and quite a few lacked muscle tone, especially on second thighs. Temperaments, coats and presentation were first class, and on the plus side, only a couple of short tails. A few of the younger ones were not too happy with the noisy dogs in the adjacent ring, and I took this into account when judging them.

MPD (4) 1 Bastiani & John's Lirren Showtime Joins Auberswell. 8 mth tri. Well put together throughout giving a balanced outline. Wedge shaped head, progressing nicely, just needs to grow into his ears. Nice eye for shape and set. Straight front, good shoulders and well ribbed for a youngster. In good coat for age. Free, true mover. BPD. 2 Botham's Balidorn Charmer. 6 mth sable. Very much a baby. Well balanced head with a kind eye, and well set ears. Straight front with nice round bone. Good overall shape and balance. Well muscled for a youngster and coat progressing nicely. Moved well enough when settled. 3 Jeenes' Ontoco Cherished Lucky Chip.

**PD (3)** 1 Withers' Mitchfields Dizzee Rascal At Stanydale. 9 mth b/m. Good overall shape and balance. Head still developing, so stop should break with maturity. Nicely boned with straight front and adequate shoulder angulation. Well ribbed for age, in good coat which was well presented. Out moved the others. 2 Norris' Sandyvalley Basil Brush. 11 mth sable with strong head for age, dark eye and good earset. Nicely boned, but stands a little ten to two in front. Ribcage still developing. Level topline, nicely angled croup, good tailset and carriage. Moved well enough when settled. 3 Chaplin's Bramblecroft He Is Gus.

JD (6,1) 1 Stafford's Rannerdale Showmaster. 13 mth sable/w. Aptly named dog who almost looks the finished article. Balanced throughout, mature for age, with good wedge shaped head, and well shaped dark eye. Ear placement and carriage good. Nicely boned, with straight front, good shoulders and plenty of depth to chest. In good coat, well presented, moved true with verve. 2 Pattinson's Kyleburn Hidden Dream. 15 mth sh/sable. Well proportioned, with pleasing head, eye just a tad round. Well set and used ears. Nicely boned, with adequate shoulder angulation and good ribcage. Well coated, with smooth slope to croup and well set and carried tail. Just preferred the movement of first. 3 Hepburn's Foxstone Follow Your Heart TAF.

**YD (6,1)** 1 French's Lindfern Light Sabre JW. 22 mth sable/w with good overall body outline. Scores in head for shape and balance with expressive, well shaped eyes. Well set and carried ears. Correctly boned with straight front, good shoulders and depth of chest. Nicely coated, good on the move. 2 Goodwin's Highbrook Hobnob JW. 23 mth sable. Another well proportioned young man showing good head shape and proportions with well carried ears. Nicely boned with good front and shoulders, and well shaped ribcage of good depth. In good coat, moved well, just preferred the eye of first. 3 Walker's Tooralie Ocho Rios.

**PGD (9,2)** A very mixed class in type, age and development. 1 Isdale's Viewdale Cuddly Duddley JW. Nicely boned and well put together giving a balanced overall outline. Well shaped head with enough stop, nice eye shape and set. Kind expression. Straight front good neck and shoulders with enough rib. Nicely coated and presented, best mover. 2 Officer's Castlerose A Shropshire Lad JW ShCM. 4 yr sable. Correctly boned with straight front, adequate shoulders and good depth of chest. Nicely shaped and carried head with well set ears. Level topline, nice slope to croup, well set and carried tail. In good coat, moved ok. 3. Tinker's Hillhenry Winter Storm Over Riggsbeck.

LD Nice class. (6) 1 Bendelow's Guxel Golden Ringer From Amethrickeh. 2 yr sable/w. Well constructed throughout with good round bone. Masculine head without being coarse. Nicely shaped, dark eye, kind expression, well set ears. Good angulation front and rear, with plenty of depth of rib. In hard condition and excellent coat. Moved round the ring as if he owned it, never stopped showing CC, his third I was told, well done, and BOB. 2 Goodwin's Highbrook He's Got Style. Well named 3 yr sable. Slightly smaller type than first, but with excellent shape and balance. Lovely head qualities, nice eye, good earset and use. Nicely boned, straight front, complementary front and rear angulation. Level topline, well muscled, in good coat, moved well. 3 Robinson's Lavika Lush Life JW.

**OD (9,1)** Class full of quality in depth. 1 Winfield's Ch Oakcroft Star Force JW. 5 yr sh/sable with well carried head of good shape and balance. Correct eye shape, kind expression. Well set and carried ears. Correctly boned with straight front, arch to neck, well angulated front and rear. Balanced overall outline, well set and carried tail. In super coat, smooth, true mover. 2 Robinson's Ch Lavika Luminary JW. 3 yr sh/sable. Another nice one. Super head and eye with well set and carried ears. Straight front, good neck and shoulders, well off for rib. Strong rear quarters with good turn of stifle. Immaculately presented, moved well enough, just

preferred tail carriage of first. 3 Bastiani & John's Ch Hawk Blues Eyes Des Romarins De Mayerling Joins Auberswell JW (Imp Fra).

**VD (5)** 1 Rowan's Ch Degallo The Vindicator At Rowancrest JW. 9 yr mahogany sable. Super dog all through with good overall shape and balance, carrying his years well. Nice head shape and carriage. Lovely eye for shape, colour and expression. Correctly boned, straight front, good forechest and ribcage. Good shoulders with balanced rear angulation. Level topline, nicely angled croup, well set and carried tail. Excellent double coat and in hard muscular condition. Moved well. RCC over some strong competition. In challenge for BV, just outshone by the bitch. 2 Pattinson's Kyleburn Acis. 11 yr sh/sable. Nicely put together and not showing his age at all. Good head properties, with nicely shaped eye and kind expression, well set ears. Well boned with straight front, well angulated front and rear, plenty of depth to chest. Nicely coated and presented, moved well. 3 Rutterford's Ch Kelgrove Just Blue At Stormhead JW ShCM.

MPB (4,1) Robinson's Lavika Star Babe. Very raw 6 mth wheaten. Well proportioned head, nice eye with the sweetest expression. Well set ears. Straight front with well angulated shoulders. Ribcage still developing. Nicely coated for age. Very well schooled for one so young, moved confidently and smoothly round the ring. Promising. BPB and BP. 2 Attwood's Terriwood Shes Marie. 6 mth sable of nice type. More mature in body than first. Nice head and eye. Good front and shoulders. Enough rib for age. Well coated for a youngster. Well presented, moved positively. 3 Winfield's Oakcroft Princess Tiana TAF.

**PB (9,2)** 1 Wilson's Mohnesee Dare To Dream At Dasgeda. 11 mth sable. Still immature in body for age, but well balanced all through, with lovely head proportions, nice eye, sweet expression. Straight front, good shoulder angulation. Ribcage still developing, level topline, well coated, moved well. 2 Sorockyj & Haine's Mohnesee Share The Dream. 11 mth sable. Litter sister to first, and similar comments apply. Slightly more forward in body than first. Another nice mover, just preferred the head of first. 3 Dunn's Brilyn Baccarat Crystal To Beechmere.

**JB (8,3)** 1 Hickling's Sheltisha Bell Of The Ball At Natara NAF. 13 mth b/m of good overall balance. Feminine head of correct shape, nice eye, well carried ears. Nicely boned, straight front, adequate shoulder angulation, well off for rib. In good coat and condition. Smooth, true mover. 2 Dunn's B Baccarat Crystal To Beechmere. 11 mth sable. Balanced body shape, with straight front, good depth and shape of ribcage. Adequate shoulder and complementary rear angulation. Nicely coated, level topline on the move. Just not the head of first. 3 Barrowclough's Shadowess True Blue.

YB (6,1) 1 Hateley's Mohnesee Sweet Dreams JW. 21 mth sable. Super young lady from all angles. Beautiful head of correct shape and proportions with dark, expressive eyes. Well set and carried ears. Straight front, arch to neck, well angled shoulders with balanced rear angulation. Well ribbed, in lovely coat and condition. Typical Sheltie movement a joy to watch. Pushed the Open winner for top spot. RCC. Her turn will not be far away. 2 Thornley & Withers' Mitchfields Fashion Girl At Felthorn. 21 mth b/m. Another nicely balanced youngster with shapely head, good eyes and ears. Correctly boned with straight and good ribcage. Nicely angled front and rear. Well presented coat of good texture, good on the move. 3 Kennedy's Oakcroft Aurora Dream At Donbeley.

**PGB (12,6)** 1 Withers' Neraklee Naomi At Stanydale. 2 yr tri. Balanced overall with the sweetest expression from a well shaped head and dark eye. Well boned, straight front, adequate shoulder angulation. Well off for rib, level topline, nicely angled croup, well set and carried tail, super coat, best mover. 2 Hickling's Sheltisha Sweet Peanut At Natara NAF. 2 yr tri. Slightly longer cast than first. Nicely shaped and balanced head, ears well set. Good bone, plenty of rib. Balanced front and rear angulation, good turn of stifle, well coated, moved ok. 3 Forbes' Wellneuk Dancing Flame JW ShCM.

**LB (14,5)** 1 Saunders' Chalmoor I'm A Peach At Fernfrey. 4 yr sh/sable. Heavily coated which makes her look a bit stuffy in neck which she isn't. Balanced all through, with feminine head of good shape. Kind expression from nice eye, well set ears. Correctly boned and nicely ribbed. Straight front, tight feet. Good neck and shoulders. In hard condition, moved well with a lightness of foot. 2 Walker's Tooralie's No No Nanette. 2 yr old eyecatching black/w. Well constructed throughout with no exaggerations. Nice head, dark eye, well set and carried ears. Clean neck, good shoulders and depth of chest. Level topline, nicely sloped croup, well set and carried tail. Strode out well. 3 Robinson's Lavika Black Beauty.

**OB (6,1)** 1 Stafford's Ch Rannerdale Queen O' The North JW. 5 yr sable/w who fits the standard to a T. Super head, eye shape and set, kind expression. Well set and used ears. Correctly boned, straight front, arched neck, well angled shoulder. Good depth of chest. Strong, level topline, nicely sloped croup, well set and carried tail. In full bloom, moved like a well made Sheltie should. In challenge for BOB, just seemed to lose her enthusiasm and was just pipped by the dog. 2. Rowan's Ch Rowancrest Blue Champagne At Shellamoyed JW. 4 yr b/m. Another nice one. Coat of excellent colour and quality topped off a very well constructed bitch. Well shaped,

feminine head with nicely shaped eye, good earset and carriage. Straight front, arched neck, good shoulders and ribbing, in hard muscular condition, well turned stifles, good on the move. 3. McDonald's Fearnach Making Mischief (ATC AV015601KC).

**VB (8)** Lovely class of oldies. 1 French's Lindfern Enchanted Sunrise. 9 yr sable, carrying her years well. Good overall construction and balance. Lovely head, sweet expression, well carried ears. Correctly boned, straight front, well angulated front and rear. Excellent ribcage for shape, depth and length. Nicely sloped croup, good tailset and carriage. Super coat and condition, sprightly mover. In the challenge for BV, thought she showed a bit more sparkle than the dog. BV. 2 Gatheral's Herds Hallucination JW. 9 yr tri. Another good oldie who could show some of the youngsters how to move. Balanced all through with nice head and kind eye. Well boned, balanced front and rear angulation, nicely ribbed, in super coat and hard condition, strode out well. 3 Parkes' Ch Milesend Gold Token At Eljetia.

Judge - Mick Taylor