SOUTHERN COUNTIES CANINE ASSOCIATION Championship Show 1st June 2019

It was a pleasure for me to judge an excellent Shetland Sheepdog entry with very few absentees. As always, there was a quiet ringside, very little clapping or cheering, but that is Sheltie people for you! An elderly lady collapsed and had to be taken to hospital. I did phone Dave Cavill after the show and he assured me that all was well, and the lady had been taken home. It is always a worry as the lady in question had dogs entered under me and she had also given a lift to another exhibitor who, at one point, wondered how she was going to get home! But that problem was resolved as someone offered to take her home.

MPD (3) 1 Stafford's Rannerdale Showmaster. 8 mths, very mature and finished looking for his age, good length of head, clean neckline, plenty of coat, excellent body, moved and showed well when he remembered to concentrate! 2 Norris' Sandyvalley Basil Brush. Just 6 mths, so a real baby, well carried ears, lovely eyes and expression, just needs time to grow up, failed in outline standing, but moved ok.

PD (4) 1 Woods' Shemist Blue Aura For Sheltiewood. 11 mths b/m, easy winner for me. Could have a slightly stronger muzzle but taken as a whole the package is appealing, well carried ears, clean coat, well conditioned and handled, front movement needs to strengthen. 2 Winfield's Aventurine Bohemia Classic Joins Oakcroft (Imp Cze). 9 mths, just a little apprehensive on the table and needs to relax generally as he is of good shape and proportions, lots of coat already, typical head and eyes, sympathetically handled. 3 John's Jolex Silver Sixpence With Cadlyn.

JD (8) 1 Moore's Jacanshe Be Our Guest At Santiara. 14 mths tri of good size and type, good outline and overall proportions, clean neck, firm body and topline, most attractive head and expression, well carried ears, well coated and conditioned well handled. 2 Goodwin's Highbrook Hobnob JW. 17 mths sable, another good looking Sheltie, masculine head and outlook, attentive showman, well fitting coat and in excellent nick, moved and showed well, pressed hard for first place here. 3 Walker's Tooralie's Ocho Rios.

YD (6) 1 Moore's Sanscott Limited Edition. 22 mths sable who showed non stop, happy and positive and looked to be enjoying himself, quality head, neat ear carriage, expressive eyes, good for size and type, well proportioned, beautifully clean and well presented coat, well handled. 2 Durant's Shougies Winter Wizard At Neraklee JW. Nearly 2 this b/m, sound, fit and healthy with a good silhouette, masculine head of good length, steady showman, splendid coat and body. 3 Johnson & Jacobs' Willowthorn Dream Gazer JW ShCM.

MD (4, 1) 1 Aaron's Shelridge Toastmaster. B/m, attractive youngster, very clean and well turned out, pleasing head and expression, well carried ears, easy mover. 2 A Bohemia Classic Joins Oakcroft (Imp Cze).

GD (3) 1 J Be Our Guest At S. 2 Mottram's Lanteague Gold Sovereign At Lochkaren JW. Up to size, very good coat quality, strong head standing a little slack in feet today, does not want to carry any more weight. **PGD** (9) 1 Isdale's Viewdale Cuddly Dudley JW. Two and a half yrs sable of nice quality and type, good outline, attractive head, well fitting coat, in excellent form and condition, strong body, went well. 2 Hillman's Kelmstone Toyota. 6 yrs, still clearly likes the showring, very good silhouette, good size, typical head, just a little bit lazy at the end. 3 Pattinson's Kyleburn Everlasting Dream.

LD (15, 1) 1 Robinson's Lavika Lush Life JW. Very good looking two and a half yr old in perfect form, coat and body, well balanced and never put a foot wrong today. Excellent head properties, well carried ears, moved very well indeed, brilliant showman, beautifully presents. Well deserved his CC and BOB. 2 Fransham's Jontygray Gilt Edged For Franmead JW ShCM. 6 yrs but very fresh and smart looking, quality head, expressive eyes, good coat and condition, moved and showed well. 3 Bendelow's Guxel Golden Ringer From Amethrickeh.

OD (9, 1) 1 Haensel's Ch Sherkarl Uptown Funk JW ShCM. 4 yrs, sable of correct make and shape, all quality head, lovely eyes and expression, well fitting coat, in excellent form, well proportioned, moved and showed with composure, well able to hold his own in top company. 2 Robinson's Ch Lavika Luminary JW. 3 yrs. I preferred expression of first but a decent dog nevertheless, handled to perfection, always alert and keenly interested, clean well presented coat, sound mover. 3 Stafford's Rannerdale The Entertainer.

VD (7) 1 & RCC, Goodwin's Ch Highbrook Hot Heir JW. Will be 8 in October and still a lovely dog that I have put up before. Super shape and outline, quality head, intelligent expression, well carried ears, good body and coat, moved and showed nicely. 2 Bastiani & Johns' Faitmoireverjocker Des Romarins de Mayerling At Auberswell (ATC AP00378FRA). Eight and a half yrs, rich sable with a very long name! Well coated and conditioned, expertly handled, excellent overall proportions, good head, eyes and expression, moved well. 3 Pattinson's Kyleburn Acis.

GCD (4) 1 French's Lindfern Light Sabre JW. 18 mths, easy winner here, quality youngster in excellent coat, good silhouette, attractive head, expressive eyes, good topline and quarters, showy and also moved ok. 2 Hirst's

Sundark Starlight ShCM. Ten and a half yrs b/m who still has a spring in his step, masculine head, steady showman, excellent coat, easy mover. 3 Laversuch's Pacarane Polly Flinders JW.

MPB (10) 1 Stafford's Rannerdale The Showgirl. 7 mths, as yet not 100% confident but she is a classy puppy with a very good outline and proportions, feminine head, well carried ears, excellent coat and condition, well handled. 2 Walker's Tooralie's Odeluce. 18 mths tri, flying her tail occasionally, pretty head, clean and well turned out coat, firm body, moved and showed quite well. 3 Weller's Evad Halloween Queen.

PB (6) 1 Pierce's Philhope Taste Of Summer. 9 mths, very shapely and appealing feminine head, neat ear carriage, well fitting coat, handled to best advantage, easy relaxed movement, good showgirl. 2 Bendelow's Shelegian Ring O'bells At Amethrickeh. 9 mths, already has a big coat, attractive head and expression, big trousers, well presented coat, showed herself off well, fit body, well handled. 3 E Halloween Queen.

JB (12, 3) 1 Thornley & Withers' Mitchfields Cover Girl At Felthorn. 17 mths b/m of very good quality, cleanest of outlines, good coat and condition, appealing head and expression, good bone, excellent neckline, moved with style. 2 Harries' Mistmere Tilly. 13 mths sable, already has an abundant coat, pretty face, expressive eyes, well handled and conditioned, moved and showed well. 3 Atkins' Jontygray Kiss N'Tell.

YB (8, 1) 1 Hateley's Mohnesee Millybelle JW. Coming up two yrs, rich sable with lush coat, well proportioned and showed herself off to best advantage, attractive head, expressive eyes, could be a tad firmer in front movement. 2 Withers' Neraklee Naomi At Stanydale. Tri of nearly 2, quality bitch, everything fits, good mover, well presented and handled, pleasing head and ears. 3 Mitchell's Valdosta Tri Ya Luck.

MB (6) 1 Hillman's Kelmstone Rosemary. Two and a half yrs, very good size, showy and co-operative, excellent coat and body, moved and conducted herself well. 2 M Tilly. 3 E Halloween Queen.

GB (8) 1 Winfield's Carolelen Classic Star By Oakcroft JW. 2 yr old sable of good quality and type, feminine head, neat ears, covered plenty of ground on the move, responsive showgirl, well coated and bodied. 2 Fransham's Shelcrest Starling. 2 yr old sable, good silhouette and overall proportions, free, easy mover, showed well for both owner and runner. 3 Mottram's Lanteague Stage Whisper At Lochkaren JW.

PGB (9, 1) 1 Hateley's Sanscott Sweet Serenity At Mohnesee JW. Very good bitch in excellent coat, quality head, showed for all she was worth to win this quite strong class. Well balanced, glamorous coat, strong quarters, moved and showed well. 2 Roberts' Malaroc Covert Love. Three and a half yrs, good honest bitch with typical head and expression, showy and responsive, excellent coat and condition. 3 Trueman's Carolelen Chorus Line.

LB (10, 2) 1 Robinson's Lavika Time Of My Life JW. This handler fielded a good team today. 2 yr old of excellent quality, most typical head, well carried ears, intelligent expression, so very clean and well presented, very good outline and proportions, keen showgirl, moved well. 2 Hirst's Sundark Simply A Star. Tri of 5 yrs, showed well and deserved her place here, easy side gait, pleasing head and expression, good coat, moved ok. 3 Morrison's Jontygray Golden Dream At Ketim.

OB (7, 2) 1 & CC, Stafford's Ch Rannerdale Queen O'The North JW. 3 yrs, harsh coat, beautifully groomed and presented, she had to work hard to win this even class, very good head properties, lovely outline and body, excellent proportions, keen and showy, sound mover, athletic and very fit. 2 & RCC, Robinson's Ch Lavika Good Luck JW. 4 yrs, lovely girl, feminine, keen and alert, very pleasing head, firm topline and quarters, handled to advantage, stylish showgirl, another free mover. 3 Allan's Willowtarn Time To Frolic.

Sp Beg B (1) 1 Kennedy's Oakcroft Aurora Dream At Donbeley. 14 mths, a bit erratic in front movement, also rather long cast, good length of head, used her ears well.

VB (8) 1 Hirst's Sundark Tsarina. 11 yrs tri, still knows how to move with an easy stride, good head, excellent coat, very fit for her age. 2 Whittington's Tighness Tip The Wink. 10 yrs, feminine sable in excellent form, pretty head, good body and coat, went well. 3 Gruzska's Samphrey Shades Of Blue ShCM.

Judge - Mrs Liz Cartledge