

Shetland Sheepdog Club of North Wales Open Show 25.11.23

I would sincerely like to thank the small, hard working committee for the opportunity to judge this beautiful breed at your club Open Show. My thanks also go to Keith my steward, who stepped into the breach at the last minute due to illness & kept the day running smoothly & last but certainly not least, the exhibitors for allowing me the honour of judging your gorgeous dogs, I certainly had some super quality.

MPD (2,1) 1. Berry, Clegram & Clegram Smiddyshaw Here I Go Again, a well balanced sable of good breed type. Pleasing head of good proportions, correct eye & well placed ears. Good reach of neck with balanced front & rear assembly. Moved well.

JD (3,2) 1 Linford Hillhenry In Your Honour, 17 mth. black tri with masculine head of pleasing proportions. For me just a little steep in front & rear angulation, good rib with depth & spring. Would have preferred a little more flow on the move.

Maiden D (1) 1 Berry, Clegram & Clegram Smiddyshaw Here I Go Again, as per MP.

GD (1) 1 Pott Shadowess Jubilee Prince, 17 mth sable male of good type. Masculine head, correct eye, good pigment & bite. Good reach of neck set on a pleasing front assembly. Rib well sprung, level topline with sweep over loins. Balanced rear angles & moved out well.

PGD (1) 1 Sutherland Shelcrest Winter Solstice At Suthesly JW, masculine head of good proportions, well filled foreface & nice expression. Good reach of neck & balanced fore & aft. Deep well sprung rib, level topline with graceful sweep over loin. Easy mover. RBD.

LD (3,1) 1 Gamble Solyric Inaugural Gold JW OSW, sable lacking coat at present but pleasing outline. Masculine head with well placed ears, correct eye & bite. Good reach of neck set on well laid shoulders, good depth & spring of rib. Moved out well. 2 Sutherland Shougies Starmaker At Suthesley, black tri of pleasing proportions all though, just not the movement of 1 on the day.

Sp O Bred By Exhibitor Dog (1) 1 Barrowclough Shadowess Lockdown Hero, 3 yr old sable, good type with masculine head of pleasing, correct eye & ears which he used well. Balanced fore & aft, level topline with nice sweep over the loin. Moved well from all angles.

Sp O Not Bred By Exhibitor Dog (1) 1 Mottram Lundecock's Hoopie - Doo At Lochkaren JW (Imp Swe), 2yr sable male in good coat whose attitude hits you as he entered the ring. Confirmation was pleasing all through with head held proud on well arched neck. Balanced throughout & moved out well. BD.

MPB (4,1) 1 Hateley's Mohnesee's Meliya, this young lady must certainly have a bright future. 6 mth black tri full of type & so well put together. Her fore & aft angulation enabled her easy, flowing movement. One I will watch with interest in the future. BPB & BPIS. 2 Clegram's Smiddyshaw All The Glitz, another 6 mth tri with so much to like. Feminine head of good proportions, correct eye, ears & pigment. Well arched neck with balanced front & rear angles. Good topline with graceful sweep over the loin. Moved well. 3 Hayhurst's Keycharm Sweet Candy.

PB (5,1) 1 Hateley's Mohnesee's Meliya, as previous class. 2 Lee's Castlerose In Spirit At Chalynwood, 11mth sable, feminine head of correct proportions & pleasing expression. Balanced front & rear, level topline. Moved well. 3 Sandham's Balidorn Show Dance.

JB (4,3) 1 Barrowclough's Shadowness Ginger Biscuit, 17mth sable of nice type. Feminine, well proportioned head with correct eye & well set ears. Balanced all through with good rib. In good coat. Moved well.

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GB (8,3) 1 Botham's Balidorn Nutmeg, feminine sable with appealing head of correct proportions, correct eye, pigment, bite & ears. Head held proudly on good reach of neck. Well angled front & rear with pleasing rib/ loin ratio. In quality coat, this young lady won the class on her free, easy movement. 2 Hayhurst's Keycharm Samba, another feminine sable with so much to like. Balanced all through. Just not quite the movement of 1 today. 3 Spars' Jaelis Mystique Addiction.

PGB (2,1) 1 Ritchie's Jaelis Mystique Reality JW, sable of lovely type & overall outline. Pleasing feminine head & expression. Good reach of neck onto well laid shoulders. Nice rib & balanced rear. Moved well.

LB (4,1) 1 Rosslyn's Balidorn Golden Amber, sable in good quality coat & excellent breed type. Super feminine head of correct proportions, super expression. Good reach of neck onto well placed shoulders. Pleasing body proportions, level topline & balanced rear. Lovely mover. RBB. 2 Deveson's Milesend Sea Pearl, nicely made all through, of good type. Little wide in front on the move. 3 Johnson's Lineadicorra Icefountain.

VB (7,3) 1 Clegram & Berry's Smiddyshaw I'll B There For U JW, just loved this lady as soon as she entered the ring. Super shape & balance all through. Super head & expression, oozes quality throughout. Everything in the right place & flowed around the ring, a real showgirl. So pleased to award her BB & BIS. 2 Deveson's Janetstown Je Suis JW ShCM, another quality bitch with super feminine head & expression. Lovely type & outline, unlucky to meet 1 in such top form today. 3 Venton's Tri'n Stop Me At Mistyisle VW.

Sp O Sable/ White B (3) 1 Deveson's Janetstown Je Suis JW ShCM, as previous class. 2 Hateley's Mohnesee Maebelle JW, another quality bitch, with super feminine head correctly proportioned & lovely expression. Balanced front & rear in quality coat, just not quite as positive on the move as 1 today. 3 Rule's Bleatarn Gee Wizz.

Sp O Blue Merle Bitch (3,2) 1 Barrowclough's Shadowess True Blue, a super blue Merle in quality coat & lovely type. So feminine from head to toe, lovely expression. Lovely mover.

Sp O Bred By Exhibitor Bitch (2,1) 1 Rule's Bleatarn Gee Wizz, heavier build / type, feminine head with correct bite. Balanced fore/ aft. In good coat. Moved positively.

Sp O Not Bred By Exhibitor Bitch (4,1) 1 Mottram's Lundecock's There's No Limit At Lochkaren (Imp Swe), sable with feminine head of pleasing proportions & nice expression. Good reach of neck set on well laid shoulders. Level topline, balanced rear, moved well. 2 Deveson's Milesend Sea Pearl, as previous class. 3 Gamble's Balidorn Solitude At Solytic. JW.

Judge - Maureen Betts