Shetland Sheepdog Club Of Wales Championship Show 17.3.19

DOGS Thank you to the club for the invitation to judge at this well run Championship Show, it was a lovely venue with plenty of ring space and a lovely park outside to exercise the dogs. Thanks also to my two Stewards for keeping me and the ring organised. Apart from the usual problem of finding many lacking good front assemblies a few otherwise nice dogs spoilt their chances by standing with sickle hocks.

V (9,1) 1 Ch Kelgrove Just Blue At Stormhead JW ShCM 8 year old b/m, good colour and nicely broken markings, nice for size and a lovely balanced outline, eye shape and well set and carried ears combining to give lovely expression, good reach of neck, good rear angulation and moving well. 2 Samphrey Moonlight Shadow JW, nearly 9 yrs old tri, nice shape of head, well set, dark eyes, ears neat and well used, balanced outline, nice angulation front and rear, moving ok, well presented gleaming coat. 3 Sundark Starlight ShCM.

MP (5,1) 1st & BPD Keycharm Gold Standard Of Milesend. 7 month s/w, lovely angulation front and rear, nice for size, balanced outline, oval, dark, well set eyes, ears neat and well used, head carried on well arched neck, well developed for his age, unfortunately played about too much in challenge for Best Puppy in Show. 2 Kelgrove Midsummer Blue At Stormhead. 8 month b/m, lovely colour, well broken markings, nice shape of head and lovely alert expression, good rear angulation, lovely set tail and sweep over loin combined with reach of neck to give desired outline. 3 Jolex Silver Sixpence With Cadlyn.

P (5,1) 1 Mistmere Masterpiece For Shelridge. 10 months with four white feet, lovely head and expression, neat well used ears, lovely dark, oval shape, obliquely set eyes, adequate angulation front and rear, stood and showed steadily. 2 Tooralie's Ochos Rios. 11 month s/w, rather rangier than 1st, nice reach of neck, ears neat & well used, good rear angulation, balanced outline, moving well. 3 Kelgrove Midsummer Blue At Stormhead. J (5,1) 1 Highbrook Hobnob JW s/w, good head with dark eyes, well set, ears neat and well used, nice angulation front and rear, good for size and balanced outline with nice reach of neck, good bone and feet, moving ok. 2 Jacanshe Be Our Guest At Santiara tri, nice reach of neck, level topline with nice sweep over loin making a good, balanced outline, good rear angulation, ears rather heavier but used well, dark eyes, well set, giving good expression, moving ok. 3 Shelridge Toastmaster.

Y (3) 1 Guxel Golden Ringer From Amethrickeh s/w, nice shapely head, good expression from dark, oval eyes, well placed, ears well used, rather widely set, good bone and feet, adequate front angulation, good rear angulation, nice outline, well presented profuse coat, moved out well. 2 Castlerose Foxtrot JW, richly coloured s/w, rather longer in foreface than 1st, good eyes, obliquely set, neat ears, nice reach of neck and balanced outline, good rear angulation, moving ok, not so mature as 1st. 3 Kyleburn Hidden Dream TAF. **Maiden (3)** 1 Mistmere Masterpiece For Shelridge. 2 Kelgrove Midsummer Blue At Stormhead. 3 Dukeson Golden Fleece At Lynscot.

N (1) 1 Kelgrove Midsummer Blue At Stormhead.

G (3) 1 Lavika Lush Life JW, s/w, lovely outline and balance, well presented, lovely colour of coat, nice expression, good eye shape and set, ears neat and well used, good rear angulation, level topline with nice sweep over loin, moving well. 2 Milesend Morello, s/w, very close decision, rather darker colour, good front and rear angulation but moving closer behind, nice balance and body shape, head nice with dark eye, obliquely set, well used ears, not so mature as 1st. 3 Castlerose A Shropshire Lad JW ShCM.

PG (5) 1 Highbrook He's Got Style JW - and he has! s/w, with lovely balance and outline, nice reach of neck, level topline, good sweep over loin, good angulation, nice head and eyes, ears neat, tipped well, moving well. 2Kyleburn Everlasting Dream s/w, rather out of coat but showing off his well made body and construction, good head shape and expression, dark eyes, rather round but well set, head carried on good reach of neck, moving well. 3 Hillhenry Winter Storm Over Riggsbeck JW.

ML (3) 1 Wyckwood Ice Blue, b/m, well broken, silvery blue colour, good body shape, nicely balanced, good angulation front, tending to stand sickle hocked, moving well, nice head, dark, oval eyes, nicely set, neat ears giving alert expression, nicely arched neck. 2 Keltihope In The Frame At Yasleyrose s/w, good head, dark, nicely shaped eyes, ears rather wide set, good rear angulation, moving ok, nice topline and good sweep over loin. 3 Keltihope Koalite At Richjoy.

L (9,1) 1 & RCC Philhope Buzzword s/w, very typical, lovely for size and shape, level topline and good sweep over loin, nice wedge head and alert expression, dark eyes, oval shape and obliquely set, ears neat, adequate reach of neck, nice angulation front and rear, moving well. 2 Malaroc Mystery Writer JW s/w, another good for size and shape, good head and eye, ears neat and well used, level topline, good rear angulation and moved well, showed steadily. 3 Chalmoor Shades Of Gold At Fernfrey JW.

O (9, 1) Very strong class with many quality dogs. 1st CC & RBIS BLENMERROW MUSIC MAKER s/w, another very typical, elegant dog of correct size and shape, well balanced outline, nicely carried head on arched neck,

good sweep over loin, wedge shape head with dark, oval, well set eyes, neat ears, nicely tipped, used well, alert expression, nice bone and feet, good angulation front and rear, moving with drive and covering the ground well, showed steadily and was always standing correctly. I understand that although very lightly shown this was his 3rd CC, well done. 2 Ch Highbrook Hot Heir JW s/w. very close to 1st and many similar comments apply, just preferred the more refined head of 1st, ears just set a shade wider, slightly toeing in at front, moving well.3 Evad Whougonnacall At Stormhead ShCM.

Special Breeders (3) 1 Solyric Inaugural Gold JW s/w, nice for size and balance, dark eyes, well shaped and set, ears used well to give good expression, nice rear angulation, rather unsettled but moving ok. 2 Ch Lavika Luminary JW s/w, not the forehand of 1st and rather broader in head, nice topline and sweep over loin, nicely shaped and set dark eyes, showing steadily. 3 Gylmar Dreamaker.

Sp Open Sable/White (5) 1 Ch Lafitte De Moorstile Chez Shelridge JW, lovely size and outline, lovely head and expression with dark, oval, well set eyes, ears neat and well used, nice reach of neck, good angulation, moving well, presented and showing well. 2 Solyric Inaugural Gold Jw. 3 Evad Whougonnacall At Stormhead ShCM. Sp **Open Blue Merle (6,1)** 1st & BVD Castlerose Spiritmaster JW ShCM One I have long admired, colour has darkened with age but well broken markings, well balanced with good level topline and nice sweep over loin, good wedge shape head, dark eyes, well set and nicely shaped, ears neat and well tipped, good angulation, covering the ground well in moving. 2 Ch Kelgrove Just Blue At Stormhead JW ShCM. 3 Wyckwood Ice Blue. **Sp Open Tri-Colour, Black & White (4,1)** 1st Ch Stanydale Shot In The Dark JW lovely shape with good reach of neck and balanced outline, nice sweep over loin, nice wedge shape head, dark, well set eye, neat and well used ears complete lovely expression, stands and shows steadily, well presented. 2 Pacarane Polar Stormtime nice shape and angulation, nice eye shape and set, ears neat but one was being a little troublesome, moving well. 3 Gylmar Dreamaker.

Judge - Roger Bathurst

Bitches This is such a lovely club Ch show. I had a nice entry and some quality bitches however generally I was very disappointed with movement finding short upper arms and many lacked drive from behind. There were short heads with deep stops, strong muzzles and receding skulls contrary to what our Standard requires. Presentation was excellent. My thanks go to my very efficient stewards John and Colin.

V (10,1) 1. Lycett's CH Shebaville Saucy Secret at Iliad JW. Lovely blue Merle in excellent coat and condition, spot on for size, nice head. Shape and eye placement good rounded muzzle and under jaw. Good reach of neck and very well constructed a pleasure to watch her moving. 2. Parks. CH, Milesend Gold Token at Eljetia JW. S/Sable Good head pattern and dark eyes ears well set, good straight front with excellent bone, she is well angulated and kept her top line on the move. Today I just felt her huge well presented coat detracted slightly from her femininity. 3 Deveson's Lucky Liaison at Lianbray ShCM.

MP (8,2) This was a very mixed class of puppies. 1. Pierce's Philhope Taste of Summer. Very pretty sable with a full white collar she has a nice shaped head and almond shaped eyes, neat ears which she used to advantage. She has good angles and basic shape with well let down hocks. Moved steadily and true. Very promising puppy with lots of presence. Best puppy and Best puppy in Show. 2. Hardy's Sandwick Stage Secret. Tri in lovely bloom correct size pleasing head shape with dark eye, good reach of neck and front angulation. Nice level top line and sweep over loins, good rounded bone, when settled moved out and back. 3. Bendelow's Shelegian RingO'Bells of Amethrickeh.

P (5) 1 Walker's Channerswick Penny Wise. Lovely coloured B/M white white collar, well presented and correct for size. Soundly constructed throughout. Good wedge head and pleasing eye shape and set. Straight front and nice feet Moved steadily to gain this place. 2. Haensel's Sherkarl Copper Highlights Sweet sable with soft expressions and neat ears. Good reach of neck, excellent front a ample bone, well balanced and moved with ease around the ring. Another nice puppy. 3. Harries Mistmere Tilly.

J (9,2) 1 Miles Milesend Megan. Pale sable bitch, lovely breed type, clean wedge head and pleasing expression all held proudly on good reach of neck. Sound construction with level top line and nice sweep over loins. Good bone and nice feet moved well. 2 Atkins Jontygray Kiss N,Tell. Pretty feminine sable lovely size and well balanced good wedge shaped head, dark eyes and rounded muzzle good underjaw well set ears all creating sweet expression. Soundly constructed and in good coat. 3. Withers and Thornley Mitchfields Fashion Girl. Y (9,1) 1. Forster Parish Lowick Mistletoe Blue Merle well broken colour and rich tan. Lovely head and expression. Firm body straight front and nice feet and well put together enabling her to move out and back with drive. 2. Withers Neraklee Naomi at Stanydale Tricolour, correct for size nice wedge shaped head well place dark eyes and good ears, straight front and is well angulated, would have liked a little more length of neck for balance but a good honest bitch. 3 Walker's Tooralies No No Nanette.

MAIDEN (7) 1. Robinson's Lavika Spring Green Tricolour correct size, lovely body shape and good bone. Nice clean head topped with neat ears, would have liked a slightly softer expression but she is well constructed and moved with style and purpose. Well handled and beautifully presented. 2. Atkins Jontygray Kiss N' Tell. 3 Haensel's Sherkarl Copper Highlights.

N (10) 1. Robinson's Lavika Spring Queen. 2. Blenmerrow Night Music. Smart tricolour of correct size and plenty of substance. Pleasing head pattern with good eye placement and nice underjaw, lovely rounded bone and good feet. Her top line is good, and she is soundly constructed and moved out well. 3. Withers & Thornley Mitchfields Cover Girl.

G (5) 1 Hateley's Mohnesee Millybelle JW Pretty feminine sable correct size with plenty of substance, lovely head and expression and neat ears. Good straight front legs and nice feet ample neck and good top line, moved freely with drive. 2. Woods Malaroc Rainydaze sable a size larger than one but a good honest type who is soundly constructed and stood full square. Balanced head quality would have liked a little more neck to complete the picture, moved fairly well. 3. Straws Dukeson's Sweeter than Wine.

PG (8,1) 1. Roberts Malaroc Covert Love. Lovely type sable with pleasing body shape, clean head properties and nice expression. Well made with firm body good legs and feet, sound on the move. 2. Eaves Kyleburn Forever a dream. Tricolour who could not be overlooked for her sound construction, correct for size. Head is a little stronger in cheek, but eye well placed and good underjaw, excellent rounded bone and moved with drive. 3. Thomas's Jolex Guilded Lily.

MID LIMIT (7) This was a very nice class of bitches. 1. Arnold's Shadoway Rosa Esmeralda very feminine sable such a lovely breed type correct for size although a tad short of coat she had nothing to hide. Good wedge shaped head and sweet expression, straight front and nice feet, firm body contours good to go over moved out well. 2. Robinson's Lavika Time of my life JW. Quality sable all thorough, nice head, flat skull and lovely expression and near ears excellent reach of neck and she is well constructed which enabled her to move around the ring with ease. Well presented. 3. Bray's, Shelridge Chantilly Lace At Lianbray JW.

L (6) 1. Lycetts Herds Hallicia at Iliad. Golden sable in good condition and nicely presented. Head handled well in correct proportions, good expression she is a little steep in front angulation, has good bone and feet nice level top line and sweep over loins. Moved fairly well and deserved her place here. 2. Dunn's Neraklee Chardonnay at Shelleary. Nice sable good for size and balance. Pretty head with soft expression. Nice reach of neck, firm body, good legs and feet however would have liked a little more extension when moving. 3 Hirsts Sundark Simply a Star.

OB (10) 1. Hateley's CH Willowgarth Tangerine Lace at Mohnesee JW ShCM. Beautifully presented sable in lovely bloom quality head and nice expression good underjaw. Straight front and nice shaped feet. Well balanced and firm body contours and with lovely sweep over loins. Moved out well. 2. Hardy's Sandwick Silhouette S/sable good reach of neck and well constructed, today hiding nothing. A good honest type of girl. Clean wedge shaped head flat skull and good expression, good legs and feet. Her forehand is good and she moved soundly. 3. Atkins Jontygray to Find a Dream.

SPECIAL BREEDERS (6) 1. Arnold's Shadoway Perchance to Dream JW. Quality sable bitch lovely size and feminine with plenty of presence. She appeals in head and expression with good under jaw. She has a well balanced flowing outline and bend of stifle nice reach of neck and good front and rear angulation thus enabling her to move freely around the ring I was very happy to award her a well deserved Res CC, and with my Co judge Best Veteran in Show. 2. Atkins Jontygray to find a dream. Golden sable correct size lovely head shape well placed eyes and neat ears. To be critical Would like a little more neck but she is well constructed and balanced. She was in lovely coat and presented a pleasing picture when standing. Moved fairly well. 3 Ch Lavika Good Luck.

SP OPEN Sable/White (6) 1. Freeman's Willowgarth Crimson Dawn over Lanteague. Soundly made sable in good condition. Nice for size, head handled well and she has nice expression. Good front angulation, nice bone and feet. Coat of correct texture and she moved steadily to secure this place. 2. Thomas's Guilded Lily. Sable good balanced head with pleasing eye shape and good ears. Nice reach of neck and straight front. Good forehand angulation and bend of stifle. Moved fairly well. 3 Hateleys Mohnesee Sweet Dreams.

SP OPEN BLUE MERLE (3) 1. Coopers Wyckwood Crystal Sky. Merle of correct size well broken markings, correct reach of neck. Straight front and well made body. Her jacket fitting her nicely. Pleasing head qualities and used her ears well. Would have liked a little more extension when moving. 2 Mitchell & Fiddock Milesend thistle at Lowenek. Merle a shade larger but a lovely colour, rather angulated and today in her underclothes. Refined head but lacking in stop, excellent reach of neck and decent top line and sweep over croup. rather unsettled when moving.

SP OPEN TRICOLOUR BLACK/TAN BLACK/WHITE (6) 1. Hardy's CH Dippermoor Joie De Vivre at Sandwick. Stunning tricolour my overall impression is that of a beautiful bitch in excellent condition her black coat gleaming and fitting her well. Perfect for size, bone and substance, elegant neck and a simply gorgeous head smoothly contoured and one piece with well set neatly carried ears, nicely shaped and expressive eyes good finish of fore face and under jaw. She has a well laid shoulder and good length of upper arm and rear angulation with well let down hocks all enabling her to move out true and back covering the ring effortlessly. A real joy to watch. CC and on the referees decision BIS. 2. Eaves Kyleburn Forever a Dream.

Judge - Gill Partridge