NORTHERN AND MIDLAND COUNTIES BEAGLE CLUB

30TH August 2021

It was a privilege to be asked to judge the bitch classes at N&MCBC for my first CC awarding appointment. My thanks go out to the Committee for giving me the opportunity to go over an entry of lovely hounds. Overall the quality of the entry was very good with some exceptional examples of the breed on show but with a couple that could have been cleaner. I appreciated the work of the stewards who kept things flowing and in good order in the ring and thanks to the exhibitors who seemed to have enjoyed this terrific show at the Newark Showground.

It was a pleasure to have the vastly experienced Penny Carmichael as my co-judge who was responsible for the dog entry and we came to an amicable decision on our final awards. In our joint decisions we chose the dog, Ch. Davricard Jacob (Ai), as our BIS with BOS Bayard Glory Bee. Best Puppy (Bitch) was Serenaker Agatha Raisin and Best Veteran (Dog) Ch. Molesend Kaftan JW Sh.cm. The Referee, Kath Parkin, was called in for the Veteran decision as Penny was in partnership with the owners of the Veteran Bitch.

Minor Puppy Bitch (7, 0 abs)

1. **Thorntons' Julemark Primrose at Maplelayne.** Delightful T&W 6 month old puppy with such a sweet expression. Feminine head, dark eyes, good reach of neck and level topline. Although there was a little roll of the topline on the move I believe this will firm up with age and improved muscle development. 2. **Goldbergs' Molesend Crumble (Ai).** 6 month old T&W puppy of excellent quality. At this stage just preferred head of first place but she had many strengths to commend her including the quality of her bone. Again nice level topline and good set of stern, moved steadily for one so young. 3. **Stewart & Binks Dughallmor Hot Gossip**.

Puppy Bitch (3, 1 abs)

1. Evans & Barnes' Bellvalley Blackthorn. 9 month old blanketed tri bitch that stood well in profile and had good bone. Gentle expression and nice shaped head, good reach of neck with straight front leading to tight feet. Level topline. Moved a bit close behind. 2. Lennards' Butterow Token. 9 month old tri bitch. Slightly heavier made puppy than first but not overdone. Wasn't co-operating on the day and will do better in future I am sure when she settles. Desired soft ears set giving gentle head and expression, good shoulder placement and excellent bone.

Junior Bitch (3, 0 abs)

1.Havards' Annavah Buttercup. Stunning T&W bitch with so much to love. Just over 12 months and yet looking very grown up. Delightful head with dark pigmentation and soft ear set. Lovely reach of neck flowing into correct shoulder placement and level topline with well-set stern. Good depth of chest and short coupled. Excellent rear angulation and developing second thigh. I have seen her move a little more freely but loved her overall balance. **RBCC 2. Edge and James-Dow's Jalhar Crowning Glory.** Tri bitch 13 months old .Well balanced with good bone. Looked a little stuffy in neck when compared with the first place but had level topline, short coupled and good turn of stifle. Covered the ground steadily. 3. Firth's Nictony Vision.

Yearling Bitch (6, 2 abs)

1. Arden's Annavah Star above Madika. At 18 months this is a well-balanced tri bitch of good substance. Feminine head and expression with sufficient reach of neck and firm level topline. Nice depth of chest and although she was inclined to stretch herself out when free-standing she was relatively short coupled. Good muscle tone, strong and firm in her rear angulation. 2. Bell-Thomas' Amorpapaver Juno. Tri bitch of 20 months. Pleasing head with good reach of neck and depth of chest, short coupled. Well off for bone. Moved a little close behind. 3. Nictony Vision.

Beginners Bitch (2, 0 abs)

1. Amorpapaver Juno. Showed herself off to better advantage in her second class. 2. Timmins' Jarrowley Daisywood. T&W bitch that was difficult to assess as she was very fidgety. Both dog and handler looked a little unsettled in the ring and this didn't allow them the opportunity to show the good points she had. Pretty head and gentle, dark eye giving a delightful expression. A slender outline, showing a little tuck-up but nicely short coupled. Time and show practice will help along with the opportunity to body up.

Novice Bitch (6, 4 abs)

1. Parker & Stevens' Serenaker Agatha Raisin. Quality tri bitch of 11 months presented in lovely condition and well-balanced in outline. Delightful feminine, well-proportioned head with soft leathers framing face. Well-defined stop. Good reach of neck leading into decent shoulder placement and level topline, straight front with plenty of depth of chest. Moved with drive using well-developed muscles and good turn of stifle. BP. 2. Julemark Primrose at Maplelayne. 3. K. Brown's Mckleesum Athi.

Graduate Bitch (9, 0 abs)

1. **Deans' Gempeni Cornflower**. Delightful Tri bitch that showed her socks off. Gentle head and expression with dark colouration. Good reach of neck flowed into

correct shoulder placement. The bone, which was good, gave straight forelegs and well-toned muscles with good rear angulation produced a free-flowing profile and level topline on the move. One of the best movers of the day. 2. **Kimber's Coachbarn Crier.** Pretty Tri bitch with dark eyes and gentle folding leathers resulting in a pleasing head. Out of a smaller mould than first but not losing any substance. Excellent bone for size and short coupled. Good muscle tone and level topline held on the move. 3. **Lennards' Butterow Skylark.**

Post Graduate Bitch (8, 0 abs)

1. Henningsson-Dundas' Julemark Lolita. Smaller tri bitch but no lack of substance. Needs to be careful of extra weight as it will soon show. Feminine head and soft ears. Sufficient neck leading into level topline. Good depth of chest .Plenty of bone for her size. Strong over the loins and well developed hindquarters with good turn of stifle. 2. Precy & Bolan's Detrick Audacity. Quality flashy tri bitch with pleasing head and excellent pigmentation. Felt she was stretched out a little too much when standing which made her look long in comparison to first. Deep chest and tight at the elbows. Well off for bone with a level topline, good turn of stifle and well balanced on the move. 3. Taylor's Deaconfield Lively.

Mid Limit Bitch (15, 2 abs)

This was the biggest class of the day and consequently some lovely bitches went unplaced 1. Arden's Madika Spot on JW Sh.cm Aw(G)..Beautiful, free standing open marked tri bitch. Her handler got the maximum performance out of her. Good head with nice pigmentation although the full white blaze can give the illusion of too much breadth head on, her head is in the correct proportions. Lovely reach of neck, good depth of chest, well sprung ribs and excellent bone. Level topline and nicely set stern showing how happy she was. Good rear angulation on the well-muscled thighs and well let down hocks. Her flowing movement was very pleasing on the eye. 2. Hardisty's Blunderhall Miss Bee Hayvin. Pretty, compact tri bitch of good substance. Dark pigmentation, soft ear set and well-defined stop giving a gentle, feminine head. Excellent reach of neck flowing into good shoulders. Straight front with deep chest and short coupled. Rear quarters nicely muscled with good angulation and firm hocks. Looked good on the move. 3. Foster & Jones' Stormpasture Rockette.

Limit Bitch (7, 2 abs)

 D. Brown's Raimex Reed Bunting. Lightly marked quality hound that wasn't cooperating on the day but stood long enough to go over her. Feminine head soft leathers with good reach of neck flowing into the correct shoulder placement.
Excellent, round bone with straight forelegs well placed under her body. Deep chest and well-sprung ribs giving plenty of lung room. 2. Stewart & Binks' Devinebrae She's on Fire. A good honest, tri bitch in a similar mould to first with lots to commend her. Head feminine and pleasing if a little lighter in weight but with a lovely dark eye. Nice, reachy neck leading into good shoulders and level topline. Good propulsion from well-developed rear muscles. 3. **Henningsson-Dundas' Julemark Ariadne.**

Open Bitch (11`, 1 abs)

This was a lovely class of top quality bitches. 1. Craig's Bayard Glory Bee. What can I say about this stunning T&W bitch. She took over the ring with her presence and has reached maturity in wonderful style. Having looked at her parentage the quality is not a surprise. Caught my eye from the off. Sweetest bitch of excellent type and construction. . Good pigmentation, real melting expression, well defined stop with correct ear set, nice length of neck, flowing into correct shoulder placement. Tidy front with good, round bone and neat, tight feet. Compact in body, short in the couplings with ribs well sprung and extended back. Hindquarters were muscular and firm with excellent second thigh development enabling her to move freely and true out and back. Looks a picture when stacked; a real eye-catcher who feels as good hands on as she looks in the ring. Presented in pristine condition. Easy to award her the CC (which gave her Champion status subject to KC confirmation) She strongly challenged her successful kennel mate for BIS. 2. Goldbergs' Molesend Tranquil Jw. Quality T&W bitch with delightful head and feminine expression and the softest leathers set on low. Turned out in lovely condition and well-handled to best advantage. Reachy neck leading into good shoulder placement and tight at the elbow. Level topline with strength over the loins and excellent rear angulation on the stifle giving drive on the move. Well let down hocks. Moved true at all angles. Plenty of bone and substance in her body. 3. Havard & Havard's Annavah Lady Gaga.

Veteran Bitch (13, 1 abs, 1 w)

These two oldies could easily change places any day. 1. **Hunt & Norris' Shercroft Duchess**. At 11 years of age this girl was still keeping it all together. Tri but looking like a blanketed T&W she has a lovely feminine head with nice length of neck and level topline. Deep chest, well sprung ribs and good condition in her body for her age. Moved well. 2. **D. Brown's Raimex Rowanberry**. At over 12 years old this open marked, flashy tri bitch was looking delightful. Dark pigmentation gave a beautiful feminine look, nice reach of neck good shoulders and front. Body condition was excellent for age and I thought her coat was in excellent condition. Bone was more than adequate Preferred movement of first. 3. **Leader's Rosrodens Aphrodite**.

Judge:- Jessie Bell (Claybank)