NATIONAL WORKING & PASTORAL BREEDS CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW Saturday, 14th April, 2018. Border Collies - Judge: Val Tiller (Foxbarton)

Many thanks to NW&P Breeds committee for my invitation to judge, and a lovely entry, thank you all. I guessed the very hot day might affect movement in a some exhibits, which proved to be the case, and rather spoiled their chances. Temperaments were excellent, but short tails and round feet are sadly on the increase, as are bouncy gait and abundant coats. To have a healthy mouth, dogs' teeth must be kept clean, which too many owners still ignore, whilst bathing and trimming to perfection.

MINOR PUPPY DOG (1,1)

PUPPY DOG (4)

1 Dr M Shamatova's Nashdom Putting On The Style. 10 Mths B&W, very promising, well-made youngster, with a lovely expression, dark eye, good ear set & scissor bite. Good profile, well set shoulder and he moved out well, although needs to muscle up, but beautifully presented.

2 Misses J & C Dunlin Thwaitlake Magical Dreams For Jachelm. 10 Mths, B&W. Lovely head, well made front and good angulation. Coming on well, but a little unsettled on the move, which will improve as he gains experience.

3 Misses Ambler & Johnson's Wicked Sensations

4 Mr & Mrs Harnett's Chartleygems Beni

JUNIOR DOG (4)

1 Miss J Ratcliffe's Arrodare Hear It For The Boy. Just out of puppy classes, this lovely, well made B&W boy has a dark, well set eye, giving a pleasing expression. Very good neck and shoulder, level topline, good slope to low set on tail, and well angled behind. Much to like and he moved with drive. Sure to have a bright future.

2 Dr M Shamatova's Nashdom Putting On The Style. 1st in Puppy Dog.

3 Mr & Mrs M Johnson's Tonkory Talking Point At Tidespring

4 Miss B Lee's Master Of Illusion

YEARLING DOG (5)

1 Heggie, Thompson & Large's Anscot Take A Chance On Me. 21 Mths, B&W dog. Loved his head, with tipped ears, scissor bite and kind expression. Good reach of neck, and well proportioned throughout, he was balanced on the move, and held his topline. Well muscled, in gleaming jacket, and nicely attentive to his handler.

2 Mr D Pollard's Janbell The Force Awakens. 19 Mths, B&W boy, bigger than 1. Good masculine head, and liked his overall shape, with good angles fore and aft and he moved well.

3 Mr & Mrs Kinton & Mrs Davis's V Kinaway All Is Said And Done For Jacamalis JW 4 Ms P Forster-Cooper's Sheltysham Shy Bushman (ai)

5 Mrs M Garland's Tonkory Royale

POST GRADUATE DOG (8,2)

1 Mr & Mrs Brierleys' Bramblesaz Aqua Freedom. 4 Yrs, handsome, prick eared B&W, with a nice eye, giving a good, alert expression. Well turned out and well made throughout,

giving balanced outline. A natural show off, he moved out well, but would like him to be less proud of his tail.

2 Heggie & Large's Wizaland Celtic Connection. Beautifully presented 2 Yrs, B&W boy with tipped ears and a melting expression. Good shoulder and upper arm, and best of feet. Love this boy's make and shape, and sure he'll do very well, but although he moved soundly, I think the heat affected him, and he didn't move out as well as I'd hoped.

- 3 Mrs K Hayward's Laceway Especially For You
- 4 Mrs J Heggie's J Janbell One Step Beyond

5 Mrs G Walford's Kinaway Live The Dream (ai)

LIMIT DOG (12,1) A lovely strong class, I was spoiled for choice.

1 Mr R TUNNICLIFF's Littlethorn Manta JW. 2 Yrs, B&W, a gorgeous dark boy, so well handled, as usual, he has a lovely, well placed eye, in a beautiful head, tipped ears and scissor bite. Well muscled throughout, with excellent front and hind angulation, well let down hocks, good tight feet and correct length of tail. Held his topline and very well balanced, he moved as a BC should, with reach and drive, and minimum lift of feet, both in this class and in the challenge. Please to award him his 2nd CC.

2 Mr, Mrs & Miss Lucas's Aculsia Rhythm Is A Mystery. Another beautiful B&W boy, who has everything, and unlucky to come up against 1 today. Pleasing head and expression, such a good front with a well laid back shoulder, and good hind angulation to match. Good slope of croup, tight feet and well presented, in super jacket, he also moved out correctly, despite the heat, holding his topline level.

3 Mrs K Entwistle's Janbell Here Comes Trouble

4 Dr M Shamatova's Nashdom Unpredictable

5 Miss J Large's Wizaland Northern Soul JW

OPEN DOG (14)

1 Mr & Mrs Akester's Beesting Buzzwagon. Just turned 6 Yrs, B&W, a dark boy whom I have long admired, he has an excellent, masculine head, with a lovely eye and scissor bite. Good shoulder placement and angles and a strong topline, he's well off for bone, with good, strong feet. His construction allows him to move beautifully. Just a pity it was so hot, and spoiled his drive in the challenge.

2 Miss H Fawcett's Sh Ch Laceway Photo Finish. 5 Yrs B&W. A top quality dog, and a long time favourite of mine, he's a handsome boy in every respect. Super head, excellent reach of neck, leading onto good topline and slope of croup, finishing in a low set tail of correct length. He stands four square naturally, and moves out so well. Beautifully presented, as usual.

3 Mrs A R Spencer's Tobermoray All About Banksy JW

4 Dr M Shamatova's Nashdom Putting On The Ritz

5 Miss J Ratcliffe's Arrodare Hear Me Roar

VETERAN DOG (7,1)

1 Miss P Hales's Sh Ch Laceway Lone Ranger JW. Another top dog from this kennel, now 8 Yrs, who happily gained his title last year, and has gone from strength to strength. Free stood, four square, in gleaming jacket, he couldn't fail to catch my eye the moment he stepped into the ring. Lovely strong head, good reach of neck, well laid back shoulder, strong bone, and good oval feet. Balanced in outline, he has excellent angles and moved with drive, holding his topline. Well deserved RCC, and my Best Veteran today.

2 Mrs J Heggie's Ir Ch Locheil Great Expectations. Also 8 Yrs, another lovely boy. Such a good head, I loved his mild expression. Muscular neck, and straight front, good bone and feet. Well bodied, with good depth of chest. So well turned out, and in excellent condition, but I don't think he liked the baking hot day.

3 Mrs S D Jones's Sianworth Firecracker

4 Miss A G Gowing's Wildblue It's The Business ShCM (Imp)

5 Mrs V Davis's Kinaway I Am Sir Matt for Jacamalis ShCM

SPECIAL BEGINNERS DOG (3,1)

1 Miss B Lee's Master Of Illusion. Res in Junior Dog, this nice, 13 Mths, B&W boy went better in this class. He has a nice head with tipped ears and oval eyes, and a good neck. A good frame, he's sure to improve all around as he grows into himself and settles into more balanced movement.

2 Mr & Mrs Harnett's Chartleygems Beni. A Black Tri boy, Res in Puppy Dog, his last day as a Puppy. Loved his colouring. Promising overall construction, he was a little immature in attitude, but I'm sure he'll learn to concentrate, as he settles, to do his best.

MINOR PUPPY BITCH (4,1)

1 Mr & Mrs Hartfield's Moshanta Making A Move. Another lovely puppy from this kennel, 8.5 Mths, feminine B&W, she's developing nicely. Correct head, good length of neck, she has good angulation front and back, correct length of tail and a lovely level topline. Moved well, as I would expect and well handled. BP & PG4, very well done. Will watch her progress with interest.

2 Mrs S Small's Tobermoray Godrevy Beach. 6 Mths, pretty B&W puppy at her first show, and she showed her class here. Liked her overall make and shape, and she was very well balanced for one so young, should have a bright future, just unlucky to come up against 1 today.

3 Miss W Allison's Zeabo Yankie Girl (Imp)

PUPPY BITCH (4)

1 Mr & Mrs Hartfield's Moshanta Making A Move. 1st in MPB, BP & PG4.

2 Mr & Mrs Simmons & Mrs Inverno's Sashdan Never Ending Story (ai.) 9 Mths B&W, another very nice puppy from this kennel. Lovely in profile, pretty expression, scissor bite, good front, and nice angles. Just outmoved today by 1, sure she'll improve as she muscles up.

3 Dr M Shamatova's Nashdom La Vie Est Belle

4 Mr & Mrs Harnett's Chartleygems Gabrielite

JUNIOR BITCH (7,2)

1 Mrs L Mann's Borderpride Time To Dance. 14 Mths B&W, with tipped ears and sweet expression, she's well made throughout, with correct head, length of tail and nice angulation, she was the best mover in this class.

2 Miss J Baldwin's Breevana Queen Of Hearts. 17 Mths, very pretty Sable & White bitch, by the winner of OD. Love her expression, excellent reach of neck, level topline, good angles and length of tail. A pity it was now very hot indeed, and I didn't see her move as well as I know she can.

3 Misses Strathmore, Walker & Alcorn's Dalguise Justify My Love 4 Smit-Sirall, Smit & Wiltshire's Birkcross Remember Her Name

5 Dr M Shamatova's Nashdom La Vie Est Belle

YEARLING BITCH (5,2)

1 Mr & Mrs Johnson's Tonkory Reverie At Tidespring. 21 Mths lovely, feminine B&W bitch, with tipped ears and a soft expression. Good neck, straight front and good feet. Well angulated front and back, with level topline, she moved very well in all directions.

2 Mr & Mrs Dalby's Axernamoon African Queen. Another pretty, well made feminine bitch, now 13 Mths. Lovely head and expression, good shoulder and upper arm, and hind angulation. Just a little unsettled on the move today.

3 Mr & Mrs D Kinton Kinaway I Have A Dream JW

POST GRADUATE BITCH (11,4)

1 Mr & Mrs Johnson's Kanamaren Anything She Does At Tidespring. From the same kennel as the winner of YB, another lovely B&W bitch, rising 24 Mths. Good eye and tipped ears giving sweet expression. Beautiful profile, all in proportion, loved her shape, and she didn't disappoint when she moved out well.

2 Snook & James's Tonkory Quickstep With Pitcombe JW (ai.) Lovely 2 Yrs B&W bitch, of good proportions all round. Mild expression, straight front and level topline, with excellent feet, on which she covered the gound well in all directions.

3 Mrs S D Jones's Sianworth Special Edition

4 Mrs A S Elliott's Goytre Bamburgh Beach Babe

5 Mr & Mrs Preston & Miss J Large's Wizaland Breakaway Beth

LIMIT BITCH (10,4)

1 Miss L Fawcett's Laceway Echo Falls JW. Beautiful 3Yrs B&W bitch. So feminine, with the prettiest of correct heads, and sweetest expression. Beautifully presented, in gleaming coat, loved the way she stood, four square, totally focussed on her handler. Excellent front, best of feet, lovely topline, excellent hind angulation, slope of croup with well set on tail, the correct length. Well muscled, she simply flowed around the ring, despite the heat, showing how a Border Collie should move. After 5 RCCs, delighted to award her her 1st CC & BOB. Congratulations on going 2nd in Group too, so well deserved.

2 Messrs Smith & Green's Fayken Striptease JW. 2 Yrs, pretty Blue & White, prick eared bitch. Impressive, athletic appearance and well balanced construction. With a straight front, oval feet, level topline, good hind angulation and correct tail, carried low, she impressed me with her movement, to secure the RCC.

3 Misses Zolakova & Vlascic's Hats Off Of Bordertreowe JW (Imp)

4 Mrs P Cornforth's Altricia Touch The Stars For Charchris

5 Mrs K Entwistle's Rogansrock Dream Maker At Beesting

OPEN BITCH (14,4) A strong class as usual, any of the first three could have won it. **1 Mr, Mrs & Miss Lucas's Aculsia Princess Of Diva.** Striking 5 Yrs B&W home bred bitch, just my type, being so well proportioned and athletic in appearance. Lovely dark, well placed eye and prick ears, giving a keen expression. Good straight front, level topline, and good angles, she's quite well off for both bone and coat, and she moved so well, in the hottest part of the day.

2 Mr B Tunnicliff's Littlethorn Shelby JW. Another super bitch from this kennel. 4 Yrs, B&W, she's both lovely to look at and to go over, with everything in the right place. Just outmoved today by 1.

3 Mr R Greens' Sh Ch Fayken I Am Love JW4 Miss J Large's Wizaland Cry Me A River5 Miss J Baldwin's Magic Mystery At Breevana

VETERAN BITCH (7,4)

1 Mrs D Richards' Tonkory Bundle Of Fun At Chastanse. 7 Yrs B&W, B&W and she was having fun in the sun today, and looking great. A lovely shape, with a beautiful head, good reach of neck, shoulder, upper arm and hind angulation, and she moved out well.
2 Miss H Fawcett's Sh Ch Laceway Wiggly Giggly. 10 Yrs B&W, very well presented. Lovely feminine head, with neat tipped ears, correct depth of chest, bend of stifle and broad hindquarters, she covered the ground so well. Just preferred the lovely neck of 1.
3 Mrs E & Ms J Walker's Ravenskirk Ms Independence ShCM

SPECIAL BEGINNERS BITCH (5)

1 Miss J Baldwin's Melneg Magic Mystery At Breevana. Lovely 4Yrs, B&W bitch, my VHC from the stong OB class. Loved her outline and attention to her handler, for whom she moved very well. Best Special Beginner.

2 Mrs A Elliott's Goytre Bamburgh Beach Babe. 3 Yrs, Tricolour bitch, whose wonderful bright colour I love. She has a good head and kind expression, good neck and topline, and good angles fore and aft, a lovely shape overall. So sound and well balanced on the move, both out and back, and in her side gait.

3 Miss O Turns' Fyglia Mei Titania

4 Mr & Mrs Harnett's Chartleygems Gabrielite