

National Australian Shepherd Association OPEN SHOW 14TH MAY 2022
(JUDGING CRITIQUE) Gill Brown (Shepwood)

I would just like to say thank you to the committee for inviting me to judge their show. It was a lovely venue. And we were blessed with the weather. Thanks must also go to my steward for the day. Lynn Myall with the help of Mel for keeping the ring going and keeping everyone in order.

I would also like to say thank you to the exhibitors for giving me your entries and accepting my placings with such good grace.

JUNIOR DOG

1ST Middleton AMBERSLADE FIRE CRACKER

Blue merle 13mths. Well balanced youngster, masculine head which is still developing. Good length of neck, straight parallel legs, slightly sloping pasterns, well angulated rear. Moved really well, both coming and going away.

2nd Chave handled by Vohra AMBERSLADE HEART OF FIRE. Litter brother to my winner and lots of similar points apply, flat skull, moderate neck, correct length to height ratio. At this time his front needs a little bit more time to develop, which showed in his movement coming towards.

3rd Wray-Ramsden CARONLEA CELTIC FIRE STARTER FOR TAKHISIS (Ai) (IKC)

4th Sieczkarek BREEZE BIG-HEART MELODIA FLEITA (imp Belarus)

NOVICE DOG

1st Chave AMBERSLADE HEART OF FIRE

2nd Stopford AMBERSLADE CATCH THE DASH

20mths dark black tri. Still very much a youngster and just needs time to mature. I would prefer a little more stop and his head needs to broaden. Moderate length of neck, straight front legs, moved wide behind, but I think he was more used to doing heelwork for obedience, so crabbed a bit.

POST GRAD DOG

1st Knott SHALAKO'S COME HELLR HIGH WATER (imp usa)

2yr red tri. Lots to like about this boy. Everything in proportion, flat skull, correct stop, well set ears. Nice arched, moderate neck with a lovely well angulated front. Shorter compact body than some, but was in proportion. Moved fairly well keeping a nice level topline. Just needs to settle down a bit which I'm sure will come with maturity. Res Best Dog.

2nd Rogers RAZKIAH HIGH FLYER

Good masculine head with a nice expression, well defined stop, ears just a little low set for my liking. Well muscled, a little longer in body and a little shorter in leg which just threw his overall outline out a bit. Moved well with good drive from rear.

LIMIT DOG

Spenceley QUILTERS KINGFISHER

3yr old blue merle. I really liked this dog. Nothing was overdone. He had a lovely balanced outline, everything is in proportion. A nice shaped head with correct length skull to muzzle ratio, well set ears, well arched strong moderate length neck. Good straight well angled front

and rear. Moved with an athletic stride round the ring. He just needs a little bit more ringcraft to get the best from him.

2nd McKinnon DIALYNNE ENZO FARRARI

4yr old red tri. A very striking, well marked boy who has lots to like about him. Lovely shaped head and expression, well arched neck of good length, well angulated front and rear. Just standing a little wide at front which shows up on the move, but when he settles, has a nice steady side gait. In lovely coat and condition.

OPEN DOG

1st Spenceley QUILTERS KINGFISHER

VETERAN DOG

1st Knott LYVEDEN RAIROCK REBEL

11yr old black tri. Going a little grey but still has lots of spirit about him. Head ok with moderate stop. Lovely well boned, balanced outline, well arched neck into well laid shoulders. Good angulations both front and rear. Moved really smoothly with an effortless gait. Best Veteran Dog

2nd Lillington TRIBROOKS BONES Mc COY

9yr old blue merle. Another boy looking well for his age. Lighter in type, moderate neck, shorter in body, but still looked in proportion. Well defined head with flat skull and well set ears. Moved out well.

SPECIAL OPEN RED MERLE

1ST Rogers RAZKIAH HIGHFLYER

SPECIAL OPEN BLUE MERLE

1st Knott LYVEDEN TEXAS RANGER

7yr old. Lovely balanced head, flat skull and well defined stop with correct length muzzle. Well arched neck of good length, well angled front and rear. A little longer in body, but still in proportion, moved well with minimum lift, very nicely handled and presented.

2nd Spenceley QUILTERS KINGFISHER

3rd AMBERSLADE FIRE CRACKER

SPECIAL OPEN BLACK DOG

1st Morley handled by Lillington TRIJEM THREE TIMES THE MAGIC

I loved this boy. Still a youngster at 20mths, but has so much going for him. Lovely head, almond shaped eyes, well defined stop, well proportioned skull and muzzle with strong under jaw. Such a well balanced body with correct angulations, straight front, good turn of stifle and well off for bone. Moved really well. Shown in lovely coat and condition and handled to get the very best out of him. Very pleased to award him Best Dog and res Best in show.

2nd Fuller TRIJEM SINGLE DIGIT

4yr old. This boy has matured so well since I last saw him. A lovely well balanced well boned dog. Good strong head, flat skull, a well arched moderate neck, deep chest with well angled pasterns. Strong level topline with good slope of croup. Well muscled rear which he used to move effortlessly round the ring.

3rd Stopford AMBERSLADE CATCH THE DASH

SPECIAL OPEN RED DOG

1st Mc Kinnon DIALYNNE ENZO FARRARI

2nd Sieczkarek BREEZE BIG-HEART MELODIA FLEITA (imp Belarus)

15mth old youngster that needs more time to develop. He has a nice broad skull with correct length muzzle, moderate length neck. He has a nice profile when standing, good rear angulations, but he is still very narrow which shows up in his front movement. He is a beautiful rich red and was shown in lovely condition.

SPECIAL OPEN WORKING DOG

1st Fuller TRIJEM SINGLE DIGIT

2nd Knott LYVEDEN RAIROCK REBEL

PUPPY BITCH

1st Sieczkarek ALCAZAR DREAM (Fci) Garen (imp PI)

7mth blue merle. Well shaped head with a pretty expression. Good length of neck, front ok, just needs time to develop. A nice balanced outline when standing with a good height to length ratio. A little erratic on the move, but that's to be expected in one so young. Happy to award her Best Puppy in Show.

JUNIOR BITCH

1st Meads ALTUSSI GYPSY QUEEN AT KEXICAN

14mth black tri. A little out of coat today, but this only enhanced this bitch's lovely outline.

Lovely shaped head, broad flat skull, defined stop and correct length muzzle. Almond shaped eyes giving her the kindest of expressions. Moderate length of neck with well angled front and rear. Lovely level topline which she kept on the move. I'm sure she can only improve as she matures.

2nd Herraty RAZKIAH FIZZING WHIZZBEE

15mth red tri. Well presented bitch that was handled very well. The head proportions need time to develop, but she has a good ear set. Moderate length neck and good overall body shape. Could do with a little more rear angulation. She was a little erratic on the move, but she still has lots of time to improve.

NOVICE BITCH

1st Bassett DIALYNNE LEAVE YOUR MARK AT STARLINK

20mth red tri. Another young lady that had left her coat at home. Lovely head shape, well defined stop, broad flat skull, lovely almond shaped eyes. Neck well arched and of good length leading onto a well laid back shoulders. Beautiful outline with correct angulations. Moved round the ring with an effortless gait.

2nd Coutts AMBERSLADE CATCHING ANGELS

20mth black tri. Not quite the head proportions. I would prefer a little bit more definition in her stop. Moderate length neck. Nice straight front, with slightly sloping pasterns. Good height to length ratio. Well angled rear giving her a nice balance outline. Just wasn't quite as settled on the move as my winner.

3rd Chorley TRIJEM RETURN OF THE SLAYER

POST GRADUATE BITCH

1st Land & Gittings SOLOYAL STORYTELLER FOR CASMAWILAN

2yr black tri. Lovely head proportions, well set ears, almond shaped eyes, well defined stop. Well arched neck of good length set on well angled shoulders. Strong, well boned straight front . A little longer in body, but still kept a nice level topline on the move.

2nd Bassett TRIJEM STAR OF THE SNOW AT STARLINK

4yr black tri. Quite a different type to my winner. Head proportion ok, but I would prefer a little more definition. Overall she has a nice balanced outline with good angulation, a well sloped croup. I would prefer just a little more substance to her. Good muscle tone and moved really well.

3rd Chorley TRIJEM RETURN OF THE SLAYER

LIMIT BITCH

1st Roberts MAGICAL LOVE ELVIKAM (imp Pol)

4yr red tri. I just love this girl and have done since she was a puppy. Lovely broad flat skull, strong muzzle, well set ears with the loveliest of expressions. Good length of neck, well laid shoulders and straight well boned front with slightly sloping pasterns. Strong level topline into a well constructed and well muscled rear end with parallel hocks. Moved round the ring with minimal lift. Sound coming to and going away. Beautifully presented and handled. I had no doubts in awarding her my **Best in show**.

OPEN BITCH

Burt VILLANYDA FLAMING HOT WITH AUSSIAME (Imp Esp)

3yr red merle. Lighter made bitch, broad flat skull, moderate stop, well set ears. Well arched neck of good length, nice deep well sprung chest with good tuck up. Well sloped croup. Nice balanced outline when viewed from the side. Just tending to stand a little wide in front. Moved well. Res Best bitch

2nd Spenceley Int Ch EDENISIE HEAVEN SENT (IMP)

9yr black tri. This bitch had a nice overall shape. Good head proportions, kind expression. Strong shorter neck. Front ok, heavy coated and carrying a little bit too much weight which caused her to lose her topline and move a little close in the rear when moving.

VETERAN BITCH

1st Challenger LYVEDEN RAIROCK RYTHMN

11yr old dark black tri.

This girl looked so well for her age. Good head shape, well defined stop, strong muzzle with good underjaw. Moderate neck with good shoulder angulation. Nice straight front, well off for bone, overall very balanced outline keeping a very level topline on the move. Moved effortlessly round the ring with minimum lift. Pleased to award her Best Veteran in Show

2nd Fuller CH TRIJEM THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX

8yr black bi. Another lovely girl. Quite different in type to my winner being a lighter build, but still had all the quality. Good head proportions, nice length of neck. Such a balanced outline when standing. Correct angulations and slope of croup. I just preferred the depth of bone and the movement of my winner.

3rd Coutts AMBERSLADE DELAWARE

4th Spenceley Int ch EDENISLE HEAVEN SENT(IMP)

SPECIAL OPEN BLACK BITCH

1st Land&Gittins SOLOYAL STORYTELLER FOR CASMAWILAN

2nd Summerley SCULLYMADRA GREEN HILL

7yr black tri. Well balanced, slightly finer head with well defined stop and nice expression. Moderate length of neck, deep chest with good spring of rib. Rear angulation ok. Was just moving a little close behind when going away.

3rd Bassett TRIJEM STAR OF THE SNOW AT STARLINK

4th Coutts AMBERSLADE CATCHING ANGELS

SPECIAL OPEN BLUE MERLE

1st Coutts AMBERSLADE DELAWARE

9yr. Well balanced little girl. Good head proportions, moderate stop, well laid back shoulders, deep chest, short strong back, with well muscled rear quarters. A little loose at elbows which affected her movement coming towards me.

SPECIAL OPEN RED BITCH

1st Roberts MAGICAL LOVE ELVIKAM (POL IMP)

2nd Bassett DIALYNNE LEAVE YOUR MARK AT STARLINK

3rd Herraty RAZKIAH FIZZING WHIZZBEE

SPECIAL OPEN WORKING BITCH

1st Fuller CH TRIJEM THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX

2nd Bassett TRIJEM STAR OF THE SNOW AT STARLINK

JUNIOR HANDLING

Adele Lillington

Lots of promise. Tried really hard to get this big lad to stand correctly, especially when he was distracted.

Moved him round the ring really well. Just needs a little more practice working together as a team.

Happy to award Adele Best Junior Handler