

East Anglian Whippet Club Championship Show and Special Award Classes 2017

Championship Show

Special Award Classes.

I would like to begin by saying a huge thank you to East Anglian Whippet Club for inviting me to judge the special classes at their championship show. This was a great opportunity for me to go over some quality exhibits and they did not disappoint on the day. The standard in all three classes was very high and I had to make some tough decisions.

Sp Y

This class was full of top quality youngsters who I will watch with interest.

1 Whitaker-Crosby's Cobyco Could Be The Last At Mulcair. This is a bitch I have judged before and she is even better the second time around. Feminine head and nice length of neck. Lovely overall shape and balance and good construction throughout. Moved with ease holding her topline well, maturing very nicely.

2 Courtney's Courtbirch Diamond Dust. First time out for this youngster who took it all in her stride. Loved her type, one I will be keeping an eye on.

Sp O 1 Smith's Coynachie Crazy For Love. Another I have previously judged and placed highly. What a showgirl, typical whippet head and nice neat ears, good front and rear angulation, curvy topline flowing from head to tail. Moved well coming and going excelling in profile. I feel this bitch should be getting top honours.

2 Whyte's Marvidara Maid Of Honour. Pretty elegant bitch with a lot to like. Good front and rear, moved well.

Sp Champion This was my toughest class by far, each and every one of these dog's deserve their champion title. 1 Dillon's Kierpark Smooth Criminal At Runforest JW. This young boy loved to show. There was nothing I didn't like, masculine head without being coarse. Good neck and well laid shoulders, curvy flowing topline and strong rear giving him plenty of drive on the move. Reminds me of one of my own dogs.

2 Johnston's Ch Danluke Lord Of The Dance JW. A dog I have admired from the ringside and this was a tough decision. My opinion of him hasn't changed I just felt on the day he wasn't giving his all possibly due to the heat. Could easily swap places on another day.

Ashley Place

Thank you to the above society for their hospitality, and to those who entered. I am sorry to say that I was disappointed with the quality of some of the exhibits, size is still a problem with some dogs looking like small greyhounds. Fronts as ever were mixed with far too many straight upper arms which of course affects movement. I was surprised to see how many people are not removing dew claws, visually I find this very ugly, a torn dew claw can cause a dog great pain and lead to surgery to remove the remaining bone.

After much deliberation my co judge and I decided that by the smallest of margins Best in Show should go to the lovely bitch Marvidara Maid of Honour, with the equally classic fawn Maidenbower Make Believe in reserve.

MPD (12) 1. Clewes and Cleaver's Shardbeck Jet Set. Lovely puppy, at this stage he is of the correct size and balance, with lovely head and front assembly with just the right amount of bone for his age with lovely definition of topline and underline, moved well and with confidence. BPIS. 2. Cox's Elmanash Express. Well balanced pale fawn brindle, clean head and eye stands over a true front, good bone for his size, topline still to come, strong hindquarters that gave him easy true movement, on the negative side a little weight loss would improve his overall appeal. 3. Mycroft's Supatas Secret Weapon.

PD (6) 1. Ellis's Railfield Rainmaster. Red brindle, quite light in frame and bone, but with a lovely body shape. Well constructed front with good depth and length of body, rather straight in second thigh, moved soundly. 2. Cahill and Timberlake's Enolacans Antonio Banderas at Chipperlake. Pale fawn of different type to 1, nice headed dog of good shape and make, could be a little smaller. He is well balanced and moved well, for me too steep in upper arm. 3. Wheeler's Mystic Balder Des Plaines des Bruyeres avec Ranvelli.

JD (8, 1a). 1. Ellam and Robinson's Taward Jaguar. Fawn and white parti, lovely type with typical outline, perfectly presented in gleaming condition with lovely head and ear set, long neck set into well angulated fore quarters, perfect for bone, lovely topline and definition of underline, strong hindquarters, giving him smooth easy ground covering movement. RCC. 2. Proctor's Collooney Move Over Darling. Pale fawn of bigger type who could do with better shoulder angulation, good overall shape he moved well coming and going. 3. Howgate and Hull's Palmik Whisper Again.

YD (5). 1. Tope's Falconcrag Class Act for Dowerstone. Fawn dog with lovely sweep from his long neck into his well laid shoulders, for me could be a touch smaller, curvy dog who is well ribbed with strong loin and well let down hocks, still needs to mature in topline, clean free flowing mover. 2. Young and Witham's Demerlay Out of the Mist at Armabay. Fawn and white parti, balanced dog with well laid shoulder and good length of upper arm. Deep brisket, correct underline, not the clean positive movement of 1. 3. Perkins' Jasarat Jettsetter.

ND (9, 2a). 1. Taward Jaguar. 2. Demerlay out of the Mist at Armabay. 3. Railfield Rainmaster.

GD (7, 1a). 1. Taward Jaguar. 2. Abiss's Knati God of Olympus. Brindle parti who stood over his ground well. Of lovely size and shape, not the front assembly of 1. Clean easy mover. 3. Third's Windfly Onner Blue Moon at Bruntsfield.

PGD (6) 1 Wilson's Shalfleet Simply Jeeves. Elegant brindle and white of lovely size and shape, well laid shoulders into a flowing topline, well ribbed with a good loin. Correct depth of brisket, sound free mover. 2. Tope's Briarrose Thesus at Dewaterstone. Fawn brindle of bigger make and shape, lovely type with good front with correct bone for his size, flowing topline giving him a good finish over the croup, moved soundly. 3. Traylor's Rearsbylea Blue Jacket.

MLD (9) 1. Holland's Elmanash Man o'war. Well balanced fawn and white parti masculine head with the darkest of pigment, long neck into well laid shoulders, plenty of front infill with good depth of brisket, well sprung ribs, good bone for his size, sound true mover. 2. Andrew's Railfield Rainkey for Sharmus. Larger size fawn built on similar lines to the winner, head neck and front assembly correct, great depth of brisket with lovely topline and underline, strong hindquarters another who moved really well. 3. Scholes Craigavad Once in a Lifetime.

LD (8) 1. Candler-Smith's Maidenbower Make Believe. Fawn dog, who must meet the ideal standard, lovely head with the kindest of expressions with elegant neck that flows into well laid shoulders, deep brisket and well sprung ribs giving him the correct topline and underline, strong hindquarters, shown in lovely condition, his easy flowing movement completed a very pleasing picture. CC and RBIS, BOS. 2. Robertson's Moonlake My Way. Fawn of similar type to the winner, not the front assembly of 1, well ribbed with good depth of brisket, strong well let down hocks that allowed him to move soundly, shown in fit hard condition. 3. Whyte's Marvidara Best Man.

OD (13). 1. Whittaker-Crosby's Mulcair May Contain Nutz. Elegant brindle of good make and shape, correct size with reachy neck into well laid shoulders, good body shape with correct topline and underline, moved soundly with easy daisy cutting action, in the challenge both dog and handler seemed to lose interest (pity). 2. Neale's Stormalong Romantic Romeo. Brindle of lovely size and type, excels in front assembly, well ribbed with plenty of length over the loin, strong well muscled hindquarters sound free moving dog. Could lose a couple of pounds. 3. Wilkinson and Ellis's Railfield Rain Icon.

SPVD 7 yrs plus (9, 3a) 1. Whitehead, Smith and Mixides' Citycroft Never Forget. Pale fawn of classic type, lovely head and expression with clean well angulated front, with good definition of underline, well angulated hindquarters, very fit and sound. BV. 2. Nunneley's Nimrodel Cognac. Another lovely golden oldie, super for type and construction, lost out on topline and movement to 1. 3. Wilkinson's CH Fletchgate Starwalker.

10 yrs plus (2). 1. Andrew's Chibuka Political Agenda. Pale fawn shown in sparkling condition with all the attributes of a really nice dog, moved with drive and enthusiasm. 2. Traylor's Who's the Daddy. 12 yr old who still has a clean neck and shoulder and retains his good topline, not moving as well as 1 as the heat seemed to be affecting his movement.

R & C (3). 1. Webber's Dark Wing. Black shown in the most beautiful condition, his coat shimmered in the sunlight, elegant make and shape of well laid shoulders flowing into his lovely topline, well ribbed back with strong loin and depth of brisket. In spite of the heat he moved very well. BR&C. 2. Scholes Craigavad Once in a Lifetime. 3. Fletcher's Going for Gold at Shuleah.

Kathy Thomas

Bitches Thank you to EAWC for the honour of judging bitches at this well run show. We had lovely large rings outside in the sunshine. Also a big thank you to my steward Danielle Seward who was very efficient. I was very pleased with the quality of my entry, several of which would have been worthy recipients of top honours, with some very promising youngsters on show. On the down side, teeth hygiene had been overlooked in some exhibits.

MP (14) 1 Reed & Pace's Dejare Dutch Dream. Confident 6mnth fawn /white trim of nice size and lovely overall balance headed this class of very promising puppies. Presented in just the right muscle and condition for her age. Lovely expression from well shaped eye with a twinkle of naughtiness, feminine head set on long neck into excellent shoulders and good upper arm angulation. Lovely topline with curvy underline. Very settled for such a youngster moved very true from all directions. BPB and RBPIS. 2 Fishers Marleben Dream Mover . Classic 8mnths fawn blue mask built on similar lines to the winner, just a touch longer on the leg at the moment and still to fill a little in front but excellent underline and topline. Beautifully presented with good bone for size and excellent feet. Moved confidently using her unexaggerated quarters to good effect with a correct sound stride. 3 Blacklees Collooney Eye For the Boys.

PB (13,2) 1 Wallers.Crosscrop Glittering Prize to Wrenella Well grown 8 mnths fawn, feminine head with correct ear set, lovely long neck into well placed shoulder and nice return of upper arm, good depth of brisket and spring of rib. Excellent underline but topline still needs to finish a little. Lovely width to unexaggerated hindquarters and excellent feet. Moved extremely well true away and back with a correct profile action. 2 Webbers Zoraden Darkest Wings. Very striking black of 11 mnths. A little finer all through than first but with plenty of substance. Presented in gleaming coat and firm condition. Attractive head and expressive eye. Elegant neck into excellent front, nice depth to brisket, a tad shorter in rib cage than first place, Lovely flowing underline and topline. Broad well muscled thighs, well let down hocks and well arched feet. needs to tighten a little in front but a beautiful profile stride. 3 Howgate & Hull Palmik Misty Eve.

JB (13,2) 1 Fryers Collooney Swing Low At Stonefox. Heading this top quality class of bitches was this 17mnths dark brindle/white. Feminine and balanced throughout. Beautiful head, long neck into excellent shoulder and correct upper arm placement. Well filled forechest and deep brisket, shapely topline. balanced hind angulation used to good effect on the move giving her lovely drive. Presented in gleaming condition and on sparkling form. In the final line up she simply demanded my attention and I was pleased to award her the RCC in hot competition. 2 Winkley Balmer Edenwhip Lady of the Lakes 11mnths. Pretty red fawn/white trim in gleaming coat and in firm condition. Nice head proportions correct ear set, nice depth to jaw. Long neck well set into clean shoulders. Mature body, excellent well filled forechest. Good depth of brisket and spring of rib. Lovely bone and well sprung pasterns. Very Sound mover from all angles. 3 Home & Fishers CityCroft Crème Cramel Of Jasarat JW.

YB (6,2) 1 Andrew & Rees' Kierpark Who's That Girl JW 17mnths striking black brindle /white trim of nice size. Good head with correct ear placement,, nice expression. Classic outline with well filled front and plenty depth to brisket with well laid shoulder. lovely underline to firm loin, topline still to finish a little. A little fidgety but when she settled showed a nice easy stride from well angled hindquarters. 2 Lain & Alexander Lolani Light Up The Room 18mnths Very Pretty fawn brindle, lovely feminine head of good proportions, nice length of neck into well filled forechest, just to drop a little in brisket, well sprung pasterns and excellent feet Well angulated hind quarters. Very nice little bitch

she just tended to tense her topline a little on the stack today. 3 Masons Veredon Geeoer Gawpin At Aphrael.

NB: (14,1) 1 Crosscrop Glittering Prize to Wrenella. 2 Akerbooms Crème Anglaise's La Colle Noir 14mnths brindle/fawn of lovely size. Attractive head of nice proportions with strong jaw.although would prefer a little more fill under the eye, long neck into a well filled front and well angled shoulder. good spring to pasterns. well ribbed back with a nice curvy underline. A little shorter coupled than the winner but balanced. Excellent rear angulation, well muscled thighs and short well let down hocks. Lovely profile mover. 3 Zoraden Darkest Wings (157).

GB: (8,2) 1 Crème Anglaises La Colle Noir. 2 Jones Jothryn Golden Glow. This blk brindle /white trim was 4th in a very strong junior class. Just 12mnths and showing much promise .In firm condition and beautiful coat. A little rangier than the winner. Lovely head and expression. Long neck into deep brisket, ribbed well back. Balanced angulation fore and aft. Curvy underline. moved very well in profile. 3 Mycroft's Veredon In Cahoots With Supetas.

PGB: (5) 1 Winkley Balmer & Bryant Crosscrop Wishing On A Star. 17mnths red fawn/white trim. Attractive head long neck into excellent front construction with well laid shoulder and balanced upper arm placement,deep brisket and well ribbed back although would prefer a little more shape to her underline. Well balanced quarters giving her good drive in profile. 2 Lolani Light Up The Room. 3 Bunneys Jothryn Bjorne To Party with Bunehug.

MLB: (8,3) 1 Finchs Danluke Lady Foxtrot At Zenobia JW What a glamorous pale fawn girl. Beautiful head with dark pigment enhancing her good looks. Very shapely outline, good topline and flowing underline ,. Ribbed well back .Straight forelegs to well sprung pasterns and neat knuckled feet. Well muscled hind quarters with good width to thighs and well let down hocks. Excellent mover in profile with good drive. 2 Smiths Coynachie Crazy for Love Pretty red brindle. A little scoper than the winner. Classical head with correct eye shape and neat fine ears. Long neck into well laid shoulder and good length to upper arm. Excellent fill to forechest. Curvy topline to well angled hindquarters. Good profile movement. 3 Hills Shimeree Black Satin JW.

LB: (10,3) 1 BIS, BCC Whytes Marvidara Maid Of Honour. Beautiful fawn/white full of quality in the most superb condition and fine gleaming coat. Perfect for size and bone . So feminine and shapely throughout with lovely curves and flowing lines. Lovely head and exquisite expression, elegant neck into well laid shoulders , classic topline balanced with her curvy underline Excellent angulation fore and aft allowing her to move out freely and correctly from all angles. Not exaggerated in anyway, beautifully balanced and so sound. It was a pleasure to award her the CC today and in agreement with my co judge BIS 2nd Home & Fisher - Home Citycroft My Fair Lady Of Jasarat JW Quality red fawn with a most attractive head and striking eye makeup .A shade more compact than the first placed but nice size and beautifully balanced throughout with classic lines and curves. Very close in type to the winner and one of the bitches I certainly considered for the RCC today. 3 Masons Aphrael Madam Cholet.

OB: (10,1) 1 Morris & Waddell Crosscop Brown Eyed Girl Quality brindle of nice size headed this lovely class.. Feminine head long neck into well laid shoulder and excellent upper arm placement, shapely topline to balanced hind quarters with good width to thigh,well let down hocks. Presented in firm condition Very sound mover from all angles with lovely drive in profile. Lacking a little sparkle in the final challenge. 2 Mycrofts Shiny Sensations Spirit Of Love for Supeta (imp ndl) ShCm Attractive brindle with the beautiful head and expression, neat fine ears. Elegant outline with lovely

angles to front, well filled forechest. excellent underline to firm loin and well angled quarters. Lovely extension in profile. 3 Wheeler s Adagio Behind Sunglasses At Ranveli (imp Swe).

SpV B (7-9) (7,3) 1 BVB and RBVIS Mycrofts Ch Supeta Dazzalicious JW Sh CM. Hard to believe this girl is in Veteran she is just getting better and better. Well presented in firm condition. feminine head with a lovely expression ,elegant throughout and well angulated fore and aft, well let down hocks and excellent feet. lovely underline to firm loin. excellent drive from well-muscled quarters. 2 Peacocks Linalkin Meadow Lark JW ShCM, attractive brindle with lovely head and forequarters with long neck and excellent layback of shoulder and correct upper arm placement giving her a lovely front extension on the move. 3 Wilkinsons Fletchgate Tiger Lily.

SVB (10+ years) (2) 1 Vaughans Shiratoe Silken Lady 10yrs fawn white trim in beautiful condition with lovely skin and coat. Presented a lovely curvy outline. well laid shoulder and lovely depth to brisket well ribbed back, lovely rise to loin, nice angles to hindquarters moved out well. 2 Picolos Kaymark Kiss N Tell A striking brindle/white of 13yrs of nice shape. Long neck and excellent upper arm, deep chest and good rise to loin although she is a little matronly around her waistline.

SR/Lure Coursing B (7,1) 1 Doherty & Van der Shaff NL Ch Crème Anglaises Sacre Couer (imp NI) (ATC AQ00910NLD), nicely sized brindle. /white bitch of good proportions. Excellent skin coat and condition .Very shapely throughout. Well laid shoulder to deep brisket and firm loin. Sound away and back. 2 Webbers Diamond Web, lovely brindle /white in gleaming coat and condition nice size and balance. Lovely head and strength to jaw, well constructed throughout but sadly starting to feel the heat a little in this class. 3 Windfly One Perfect Day (176)

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