

Christmas Cracker Regional Show 2013

Judge Craig Rice (Critiques for all dogs under 12 Month & Junior Handling)

I would like to thank the committee of the BRG for their invitation to judge this show. A big thank you to my stewards on the day Brigid and Sally and to Hazy for taking my notes. The whole show ran very smoothly, well done to the committee for a superbly organised event.

I was very impressed with the overall quality of the puppies presented. As the Baby Puppy classes were not judged no critiques are available but I would like to note the very high standard of both classes and look forward to seeing them in the ring next year.

I was also asked to judge the Junior Handling classes. I was very pleased to see a good turn out of young handlers. The 6 to 11 year class has some very good handlers who are getting better every time I see them, particularly the first two. The handlers in the 12 to 16 years group are of an excellent standard. I had judged some of them already earlier in the year and the improvement they have made is incredible. I hope exhibitors will start to give these youngsters the chance they need with some good dogs, they really deserve it.

Minor Puppy Female (6 Entered & 6 Presented)

VP1. **Dahlmann Ava** (Illiano v Fitchenschlag x Conbhairean Coco vom Dahlmann) 10/04/2013

Ava is a large, strong, expressive, black and tan female with excellent pigmentation. She has feminine but strong head with dark eyes. Very good overall proportions. She has a high wither and firm back into a well moulded croup which should be somewhat longer. Excellent front and rear angulation. Correct fore chest development and a very good underline. She stands correct but elbows must tighten when moving towards, correct moving away. Very good reach and drive on the move where the topline is maintained. This female impressed from the moment she entered the ring, her excellent overall construction and presentation made her the clear winner of this class.

VP2. **Antilli Freda** (Fred v Rumbachtal x Antilli Connie) 26/03/2013

A large, substantial, expressive, black and gold female who has a good expression with a very feminine head. She has a high wither, firm back with a long but slightly sloping croup. The upper arm should be slightly longer and better angled. Very good rear angulation. Good reach and drive on the move, she holds her wither but had a tendency to raise her tail until settled. This female improved throughout the class and was able to make one place in a very good class.

Minor Puppy Male (4 Entered & 4 Presented)

VP1. **Dahlmann Axel** (Illiano v Fitchenschlag x Conbhairean Coco vom Dahlmann) 10/04/2013

Axel is a large, strong and substantial, black and tan male with excellent pigmentation. A strong head with dark eyes and firm ears. Very balanced proportions. He has a high wither, firm back into a long well moulded croup. He has excellent front and rear angulation. Good fore chest development and correct underchest. Moving away he is slightly close but correct coming. Very good reach with effective hind thrust. Very good presentation with a great enthusiasm. A very impressive male with a bright future providing he does not grow much more.

VP2. **Clynalwin Kayson** (Tormenstorp Never Ever x Clynalwin Dee) 02/04/2013

A large, strong, substantial, black and tan male with an excellent expressive head. Very good height to length balance. He has a high wither, firm back into a very good croup. Good fore, and very good rear angulation. He stands correct both ways. A good steady gait but has the tendency to loose concentration which results in a slight lack of drive. Another male of very high quality who with further training to improve his presentation he should have a very bright future.

Puppy Female (3 Entered & 2 Presented)

VP1. **Kesenburg Casha** (Conbhairean Chico x Conbhairean Nathalie at Kesenburg) 04/01/2013

Casha is a medium size, medium strong, expressive, black and paling gold female. She has a high wither, firm back which flows into a very good croup. She has very good fore and rear angles. Her fore chest is correct, but she has a slightly short under chest. Stands correct and she is sound coming and going. She has good reach and drive and retains her wither in extended movement.

U1. **Danisof Blance** (Milow v Dakota x Daisy v Team Arlett) 21/12/2012

A medium size, medium strong and expressive richly pigmented sable. She has a normal wither, firm back into long and well moulded croup. She has excellent fore and rear angles. Excellent fore chest and very good underline. She stands correct and moves soundly coming and going. She has excellent stride with good effective drive holding her top line. A female that I have admired at previous shows. Unfortunately today she was not happy with the character test and so received the lowest grading.

Puppy Male (1 Entered & 1 Presented)

VP1. **Barshar Tyras** (Gayvilles Lennox at Barshar x Barshar Lacy) 05/02/2013

Tyras is a correct size, strong and substantial, black and tan male with an expressive head. He has a high wither but there is a slight nick behind it. Slightly short and steep croup. He has good fore and rear angles. Good fore chest but the under chest should be longer. He stands correct. Coming and going he is sound. On the move he has good drive and holds his outline, tending to step highly in the front.

Special Longcoat Puppy Female (3 Entered & 2 Presented)

VP1. **Conbhairean Jessika** (Ballack v d Brucknerallee x Conbhairean Leska) 01/05/2013

Jessika is a correct size, strong, expressive, black and tan female with excellent pigmentation. She has a normal wither, firm back into a well moulded croup. She has very good fore and rear angulation. Excellent fore chest development and correct under chest. She stands correct. Coming and going she is sound. She has good reach and drive on the move where she holds her over line. Her ears need to be more firm. She has great enthusiasm to perform, is of excellent type and is full of quality.

VP2. **Hazroh Vixen** (Conbhairean Waro x Hazroh Sassy) 25/01/2013

Large, strong, good proportioned, expressive, grey female with a strong but feminine head. She has a high wither, firm back into a well moulded croup. She has very good fore and rear angles. She stands correct. Moves soundly going but coming she is a little wide in front. In movement she has good reach with good drive and she holds her over line. A more consistent performance would benefit her.

Special Longcoat Puppy Male (3 Entered & 2 Presented)

VP1. Iolanda Dax (Xeron v Fitchenschlag x Hawan v Mining) 20/02/2013

Dax is a correct size, strong, expressive, black and tan male with excellent pigmentation. Good overall proportions. He has a high wither, firm back into a well moulded croup. He has very good fore and rear angulation. He has a very good fore and under chest. He stands correct and is sound coming and going. He has very effective hind thrust and good reach. A lovely young male who should have a bright future.

VP2. Mavic v. Cinderhof Varanguard (Orion Mavic Poland x Hera v Tejada Schloss) 07/02/2013

Very large, strong, expressive black and tan male with excellent pigmentation. He has stretched proportions. A high wither, firm back into a slightly steep croup. Fore and rear angles are good. His fore and under chest are correct. Sound coming and going. In movement he has good drive with a good stride and retains his outline. His ring presentation could have been better.

Baby Puppy Female (12 Entered & 7 Presented)

Baby Puppy Male (5 Entered & 4 Presented)

Junior Handling 6-11 Years (6 Entered & 6 Present)

1st: Sophie Harris

2nd: Erin Cuthbert

3rd: Sam Hutchinson

4th: Isabell Harris

5th: Tallulah Garrick Brinn

6th: Aidan Cuthbert

Junior Handling 12-16 Years (3 Entered & 3 Present)

1st: Ashley Gordon

2nd: Kayleigh Hoult

3rd: Carter Hoult