

BITCHES

Thank you to the AHA for giving me the opportunity to judge at their well organised and run championship show. A show that in the past has given me some wonderful memories. There were some lovely tributes paid to their President Jeff Bunney after his sad loss recently and I thought the giving out of wild flower seeds in his memory was such a nice idea. My co judge Pat Latimer and I were delighted with our, by today's standard, lovely entry, I valued each and every one but I had to make some very tough and soul searching decisions, especially in Limit and the Open class.

Some of the young bitches in the earlier classes seemed to lack body and substance, really worrying when coupled with lack of spring of rib. We must remember that this is a hound bred to hunt over mountainous and difficult terrain, they need body to give stamina and strength plus good ribbing for heart and lung room. One hopes that this will come with maturity. I was delighted with my final quality line up of winners. Last but not least thank you to my two able stewards who did all the work organising the ring allowing me to concentrate on my judging.

VB 3 - 1 Adams Ch Zandahar Just Tiger Lilly Well Known attractive brindle who belies her age. Good head and neck, firm top line, very good angulation front and rear, sweeping hind quarters, in lovely condition, moved well showing the youngsters how it should be done. A credit to her owner BVB BVIS.

2 Chadwick Sofico Graffiti, a very feminine grizzle bitch I have admired before, lovely head nice outline and though moved well not quite the style of one.

MPB.4. 1 Moyes Rhazmakh Heart of Summer, Gorgeous B/silver baby I could easily have taken home. Has everything you would want at this age, nice head complete with delightful monkey whiskers. Good firm body with substance, moved soundly and very well for such a youngster, a real show girl already, I wish you much luck little one at the start of your show career.

2 Scott Altside Hotshot at Arushkhan, Attractive self-cream of different type, feminine and nice outline but not as settled on the move or as mature in body as one but showing much promise to come.

3 Morgan, Morgan and Kemp, Rhazmakh Spirit of Summer.

PB 5, 1 Rhazmakh Heart of Summer 2 Hammond Affyneeta Mixed Blessings, houndy B/silver, quite a tall puppy and another who is rather immature, attractive in appearance and nice head and eye, deep chest, high pin bones and correct set on tail, lack of confidence spoilt her movement today.

JB 5 Sanghera, Sitana's Love and Thunder, Lovely quality shaded red youngster, correct head and eye, liked her overall shape and balance with correct angulation front and rear, nice ribbing and depth of chest, sweeping quarters complemented by a ring tail, moving well with purpose, liked her a lot.

2 Lawson Ball Sitana's Mystic of Zarcar, another lovely shaded masked red, litter sister to one and just as pleasing to go over, played her handler up on the move to give the class to her sister but I am sure these two will change places many times in the future.

3 Howie, Sweetness of Day at Chinzaes.

YB,,,,,Just one but what a quality black/tan bitch. Dowd and Malia Saxonmill Mirror Image, liked everything about her, beautiful head and eastern expression, long neck into good shoulders, nice top

line and adequate ribbing , short strong loin, sweeping quarters and ring tail. Moving very well with reach and drive, sound coming and going, Another one I liked a lot which is not surprising as I see I gave her dam the CC and BIS last time I judged. This bitch was in my top 4 today.

MB ,2, 1 Rhazmakh Heart of Summer.

NB 4, 1 Sitana Mystic at Zarcar, moved better in this class as she was more settled.

2 Sweetness of Day at Chinzaes, Attractive blue brindle of nice type, liked her head and long reach of neck, level top line and good rear quarters , nice bone and substance but still feminine, moving well but not with the length of stride of one.

3 Andazraq Be my Brightness

Special Beginners. 4. 1 Sweetness of Day at Chinzaes ,

2 Hirst ,Ayoubkhan Snow Cloud, attractive self-masked cream bitch of nice type. Lovely head and dark eye , good balance and body shape , level top line and deep chest . Threw away her chances by pacing on the move, the clever bitch corrected herself each time but it spoiled the momentum and the handler seemed totally unaware , a shame.

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GB. 8 , would have liked 2 red cards here. 1 Tanner ,Link, Rhajikhan Athena of Aleyazar, really good brindle bitch of type, so sound in body and movement, anew one to me and I found her most pleasing to go over . Lovely head, long neck and nice corresponding angulation, firm top line and strong short loin, scored in movement, great reach and drive and True coming and going, really liked her.

2 Mitchell, Thornton & Smithson. Absolute Afghans India at Karnak. Very attractive B/M gold I have admired from the ringside, of different type to one, more houndy and longer cast in body shape, most beautiful head and dark eye , so feminine throughout and everything in the right place, well-handled and shown in immaculate condition and coat. Moved well , hard decision between these two lovely bitches. Stevens and Kraft. Ayoubkhan Silver sails.

PGB. 6. Smart. Gezancol Kissed by an Angel. B masked gold, nice overall bitch, good balanced head, deep chest and good spring of rib, big feet , level top line , good angulation front and rear, nice outline standing and moved very well , sound coming and going. Stood out in this class.

2 Fisher Shimalma Campari Goes to Ifmaraf shaded pale gold of different type to one, attractive head , nice balance to body shape, level top line and sweeping quarters , deep chest, moved well and nicely presented but I just preferred the body and substance of one. 3. Turner, Hutton and Boydell. Nightwind Your my Kind of Crazy.

MLB. 3. Hughes's and Links Gezancol Fallen From Grace Quality B/M gold bitch, litter sister to the winner of GB, must have been a very nice litter. lovely head and well-shaped dark eye, long neck into a good front, level top line and short strong loin, good ribbing and correct body, big feet, sweeping rear and finished with a ring tail , carried herself well on the move with good reach and drive.

2 Lancaster and O'Donnell. Drishaun Don't Guild the Lilly JW. Beautiful self-masked pale gold, almost apricot to my eye. Loved everything about her from the tip of her nose to the end of her tail ! More houndy in outline than one, very feminine in head with eastern expression, very pleasing to go over but sadly not happy on the move . My disappointment of the day.

LB. 11, What a super class of quality, I think I had a smile on my face the whole time I judged, It was hotly contested and sadly some nice bitches went home cardless.

1 Moore, Cloudside Flamenco, a beautiful brindle bitch I have not really noticed before, has quality throughout. Loved her head, long ,balanced and feminine. Good angulation front and rear, level top line, deep chest and well ribbed up. Just the right amount of weight, moved well and soundly, pushed the winners of the next class to the wire .

2 Hedge. Unstoppable Happy Go Lucky Black bitch of different type to above , lovely size and body shape, good head and neck into a very good front, balanced by good hind quarters, level top line , high pin bones , good fall away to a low set ring tail, not quite so steady on the move as one today but still a lovely bitch.

3. Vowles Neytiri De Koulangar with Azmari JW.

OB. 4 lovely champions in this class.

1 Nisbet & Forrester. Ch Pramyra Hot but Not Blonde at Finix JW The star of the show, a real black beauty. Lovely head and correct eye shape , good reach of neck and front angulation , level top line and strong loin, deep chest and good spring of rib, , high pin bones , good fall away to ring tail. Carried herself well on the move with lovely reach drive and spring, very sound coming and going I discovered afterwards that I gave her BPIS last time I judged, so pleased to see that she went on to full fill her early promise, BCC and BIS on a referees decision.

2 O`Donnell Ch Drishaun Faith is like a Lilly, this lovely feminine brindle is a favourite of mine ,another I did well as a youngster, nice size and balanced in outline. Love her head , has all the essentials to please and shown in lovely condition and well-muscled up , right amount of weight , moved well and soundly, so close to the above, winning a much deserved Res CC.

3. Gilberts Ch Altside Hot as Hell at Affietar, striking silver brindle, showing her heart out, making up a trio of quality champions.

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