

English Shetland Sheepdog Championship Show October 2018

It was a great privilege to judge bitches at this show. Thank you to all the exhibitors for bringing along their lovely dogs. I really appreciated your entry. I probably said the same thing after my last judging appointment, but I was struck by the wide variety of head patterns. The breed standard is very specific as regards what we are aiming for. Mouths on the whole were much better with less missing teeth and only a few abnormal bites. I struggled to find a good shoulder all day. However, I ended up with a bevy of beauties all asking for the CC so a good day in all.

Bitches

Veteran bitch 10(2)

1st Mrs M Bywater's Ch Tachmadra Evisu. 9 year old shaded sable in super condition. Loved her balance, which catches your eye as you glance around the ring. Head handles well with that combination of foreface and eye placement that is essential for a Sheltie. A grand pair of ears completed the picture. Covered the ground really well. Shortlisted for the CC.

2nd Miss C Stafford's Ch Rannerdale Star of the North. 9 year old glamour girl. Loved her rich red sable colour. Super sweet head with lovely well placed almond eye. Neat ears and good underjaw. Lovely turn of stifle. Moved well.

3rd Mrs K Main's Shenachie Snowberry

Minor Puppy Bitch 13(1)

1st Mrs Y Haensel's Sherkarl Copper Highlights. Very promising 6 month old baby Had it all going on. Well balanced head with lovely almond eye. Neat well placed ears. Soundly made and moved so well for her age. Only reservation was her size. Hoping she grows on.

2nd Mrs S Robinson's Lavika Spring Queen. Another 6 month old baby. Smart tri with rich tan markings. Liked the rapport with her young handler, which made the best of her stance and head carriage. Pleasing head with alert expression. Good rear angulation and positive on the move. A bright future awaits , albeit with the same reservation as 1.

3rd Mrs P Forster-Cooper's Sheltysam Midnight Lady

Puppy Bitch 11(2)

1st Mrs K Hateley's Mohnesee Sweet Dreams. Every now and again a dog comes along that really makes you take notice. Just 9 months this super sweet girl stole my heart. Loved her outline with excellent head carriage and lovely topline. Elegant head with that lovely combination of eye placement, foreface, backskull, and ear set, that makes you smile. Angulations balanced. Good bone and very together on the move. Couldn't resist awarding her the RCC in excellent company. Just what I was looking for.

2nd Mrs S Riding's Achor's Surprise Blackberry Way for Torinska(IMP). 10 month old Tri. Spot on for size. In good coat and colour. Pleasing head with well placed

ears, which she used to her advantage. Good rear angulation. Positive on the move.

3rd Mrs B Thornley & Mrs M Wither's Mitchfields Fashion Girl

Junior 4(2)

1st Mrs S Riding's Achor's Surprise Blackberry Way for Torinska(IMP)

2nd Mrs M Withers Neraklee Naomi At Stanydale. 15 month old Tri with in super condition. Head in proportion. Soundly made with good bone. Covered the ground well.

Yearling 7

1st Mrs L Whittington's Esterbon Three Kisses fir Tighness. Elegant Tri Not in her best jacket. Liked her outline with that graceful sweep over the croup. Head handles well with correct proportions. Nice eye with good placement. Good underjaw. Well let down stifle. Messed about a bit on the move.

2nd Mrs V Winfield's Carolelen Classic Star By Oakcroft. Pretty golden sable who scores in femininity and balance. FWC with good reach of neck. Rear angulation good. Moved well. Ears were a problem today.

3rd Mr & Mrs R Thornleys' Shelbrook Pandorra with Felthorn

Novice 8(1)

1st Mrs K Hateley's Mohnesee Sweet Dreams

2nd Misses P & J Wallis Peartbrook Perle D'or .3 year old sable bitch. Surprised to find her in novice. Beautifully balanced in outline with good ROK . Head handled well with a neat pair of ears and good underjaw. Well put together with good turn of stifle. Moved well. Overall effect is very pleasing. Suggest you show her a bit more !

3rd Mr & Mrs D Rule's Bleatarn Chantilly Lace

Tyro Bitch

8(1)

1st Mrs K Hateley's Mohnesee Sweet Dreams

2nd Mrs V Winfield's Oakcroft Celtic Fairy. 2 year old rich sable bitch who scores in femininity. Pleasing outline with head carried proudly. Nicely balanced head with neat well placed ears and good underjaw. Nicely constructed and moved well.

3rd Mr & Mrs D Rule's Bleatarn Chantilly Lace

Graduate Bitch 8 (4)

1st Blenmerrow Night Music. 2 year old Tri in good coat and condition. Head is in proportion. Liked her construction with good depth of chest. Level topline with graceful sweep over the croup.

2nd Mrs V Norris's Clanavon Love In A Mist. 2 year old plain sable bitch. Feminine in outlook, with pleasing head and expression. Soundly made and covered the ground well.

3rd Misses P & J Wallis Peartbrook Perle D'or

Postgraduate Bitch 12(2)

1st Mrs R Morrison's Jontygray Golden Dream At Ketim. 4 year old bitch spot on for size. Liked her shape. Good front angulation. Nice head proportions with super pair of ears. Good underjaw pleasing expression. Moved nicely
2nd Mrs & Mrs B Roberts Malaroc Covert Cove. Red sable in good coat. Elegant in outline and head pattern. Pleasing expression. Well turned stifle. Moved well.
3rd Mrs S Freeman's Willowgarth Crimson Dawn over Lanteague

Mid Limit Bitch 7 (1)

1st Mrs K Main's Sheanchie Lyric Of Light. 4 year old glamour girl. Liked her overall balance and reach of neck. Head handles well with good underjaw. Well angulated rear and covered the ground well. Short listed for the CC
2nd Mr & Mrs C Rossiter's Lorianian Starlight Wonder. Beautifully balanced sable in good coat. Liked her outline. Attentive to her handler. This showed off her lovely ROK. Neat well placed ears. Moved with ease.
3rd Mrs M Arnold's Shadoway Rosa Esmeralda

Limit 5(1)

1st Mrs S Robinson's Lavika Lucky Star. 3 year old bitch in fitting coat. Liked her bone. Nice for size. Pleasing head with well placed almond eye. Neat well placed ears and good underjaw. Good rear angulation. Parallel stance and handled to make the most of her.
2nd Mrs R Dunn's Neraklee Chardonnay At Shelleary. 3 year old shaded sable Scores in outline. Head is in proportion. Soundly made with good ROK. Good head carriage and good bone. Moved well.
3rd Mrs M Bywater's Lundecock's Cover Girl With Tachnamadra (IMP SWE)

Open 4(2)

1st Mrs S Walker's Tooralie's Matilda. 2 year old Tri with glamour markings. In super condition with jet black coat. Head is balanced with good underjaw . Good bone and good turn of stifle. Moved with drive.
2nd Mrs L Paterson's Lorainian Celtic Star. Feminine 4 year bitch. Super temperament with tail wagging the whole time. Elegant head pattern with good underjaw and sweet expression. Adequate lay back of shoulder. Moved true forward and back.

Special Open Sable and White 7(3)

1st Mr & Mrs L Barnett's & Mrs J Hardman's Rainway Returning to Seavall JW. 9 year old elegant shaded sable bitch. Well proportioned head with well placed ears. Level topline good depth of chest. Good rear angulation. Moved true forward and back.
2nd Mr & Mrs M Ritchie's Jaelis Mystique Reflection JW. Plain red sable not in her nest jacket. Soundly made with good bone. Head is balanced with neat well placed ears. Moved soundly.
3rd Mrs M Arnould's Shadoway Perchance to Dream JW

Special Open Tricolour 4 (1)

1st Miss M Gatheral's Herds Hallucination JW. 7 year old glamour girl. Liked her balance and soundness. Good ROK. Head handles well with neat ears and good underjaw. Moved well. Short listed for the CC

2nd Mrs S Robinson's Lavika Black Beauty JW. Sparkling Tri at one with her young handler. The ultimate show off. Head is balanced with neat well placed ears. In good coat and condition. Good rear angulation.

3rd Mrs P Simkiss's Malaroc Miss Behaving

Special Open Blue Merle 4(1)

1st Mr & Mrs L Barnett's Ch Rainway Crystal Star JW. Well what can I say? She knocked it out of the ballpark. 9 year old in fabulous condition. Beautifully marked blue. Lovely head with parallel plains and flat skull. Super ears and lovely expression. So soundly made. Moved with reach and drive and left the opposition standing CC & BIS BVIS with the agreement of my co judge.

2nd Mrs K Main's Shenachie Flakey Dove. 5 year old in good coat and condition. Head pattern is good with, pleasing expression and good underjaw. Level topline Angulations are balanced. Moved true forward and back.

3rd Mr & Mrs S Gruska's Samphrey Shades of Blue Sh CM

Breeders Bitch 5(2)

1st Ch Rannerdale Queen Of The North. 2 year old glamour girl not in her best jacket but little to hide. Beautifully balanced in outline. Pleasing head with neat well placed ears. Attentive to handler. Soundly made and moved with drive.

Short listed for the CC

2nd Lavika Good Luck JW. 3 year old pushing hard for first place. Liked her head pattern and expression. Good bone and depth of chest. Good turn of stifle. Made good account of herself on the move.

3rd Mohnesee Petticoat Lace JW

Special Open Working Bitch 6(1)

1st Mrs L French Sonymer Snowfall Over Lindfern. 9 year old shaded sable with glamour markings. Head is balanced with good ear set. Well constructed with good ROK. Moved well.

2nd Misses P & J Wallis Peartbrook Perle D'or

3rd Mrs P Simkiss's Malaroc Miss Behaving

J Hill Judge