

## Critiques North of England Dobermann Open Show 2023

### Judge Steve Robertson

I would very much like to thank the committee for this engagement. I was very well looked after, especially by the catering staff and my 2 great stewards – thank you.

The only disappointment for me was losing half my bitch entry due to clashing with the Champ Show. I understand that the Champ Show must take priority and it was an extremely hot day.

A big thank you to all the exhibitors who gave me this outstanding entry and for showing their lovely dogs under me.

Temperaments, condition, and dentation were all very good.

**Minor Puppy Dog** – 4 (0) – 1<sup>st</sup> Mrs C Bishop, Korifey Heartbreak to Sacaria (Brown/tan) – Good square puppy with excellent head planes and good length of muzzle, correct neck, very good front construction, deep brisket to tight elbows, good bone and cat like feet. Good spring of rib, firm top line, nice turn of stifle, strong short hocks. Moved true for such a young lad. Happy to award him Best Puppy Dog and Reserve Best Puppy in Show. Just thought the young bitch was a bit more finished.

2<sup>nd</sup> Kent, Kent & Sutton – Korifey Reckless (Black/tan) – Litter brother to winner and had many similarities. Nice dark eye, correct head planes, strong front assembly. Slightly longer in loin than the winner. Very promising puppy, a bit loose on the move, sure will tighten up with maturity.

**Puppy Dog** – 2 (0) – 1<sup>st</sup> Mr L Blackburn, Knecht Little Richard (Black/tan) – Very strong puppy, excellent blunt wedge, correct head planes, dark eye, good deep underjaw. Would like to see a slightly longer neck. Brisket deep down to tight elbows. Very good bone, tight feet, short coupled and good rear angulation. Strong hocks, moved and handled very well with good rear drive.

2<sup>nd</sup> Mrs L Hart – Supeta's Scorchio (Brown/tan) – Very apply named for the day. Very big puppy of good proportions, slightly light eye, good neck, deep in brisket, very well boned. Good spring of rib, correct loin length, strong rear assembly with good hocks. A bit loose on the move maybe due to the heat on the day.

**Junior Dog** – 4 (0) – Mrs E Fletcher, Scaria Whisper of Hope (Brown/tan) – Super breed standard dog, not overdone anywhere, blunt wedge, parallel planes, dark eye. Swan neck, excellent depth of brisket. The tightest of elbows, strong round bone, excellent strong pasterns, cat like feet. Short, very strong top line, excellent rear angulation, super turn of stifle and well developed second thigh. Strong hocks. Reach and drive on the move, true footfall which enables him to cover the ground with effortless ease. Very well handled. This dog is going to trouble the best. Best Dog and Best In Show.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Mrs D Wilson, Pursang Shimmy Shimmy Ya (Brown/tan) – Slightly coarser head than the winner but with good planes, would like to see darker eye colour. Well-developed fore chest to well boned legs and good feet. Short firm top line with a very good tail set. Good rear construction and short strong hocks. Movement was good.

**Yearling Dog** – 2 (0) – 1<sup>st</sup> Hunt & Flitcroft, Tuwos Mr Majestik Vonsallate (IKC) (Brown/tan) – Good blunt wedge head with nice parallel planes, would like darker eye. Good depth to brisket, well boned, tight feet. Short firm top line, short coupled, strong short hocks. Moved well.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Miss D Wall, Jarjarjinx It's In His Kiss (Black/tan) – A little broader in head than the winner, good dark eye, correct neck, nice deep brisket, well boned with good feet. Firm top line, nice rear angulation with good turn of stifle, strong hocks, plenty behind the tail. True movement.

**Novice Dog** – 2 (0) – 1<sup>st</sup> Mr L Blackburn – Knecht Little Richard, (1<sup>st</sup> Puppy Dog)

2<sup>nd</sup> – Kent, Kent & Sutton – Korifey Reckless (2<sup>nd</sup> Minor Puppy Dog).

**Graduate Dog** – 1 (0) – 1<sup>st</sup> Mr J Wright– Kitado Ever So Funky (Brown/tan) – Nice blunt wedge with good planes, good eye colour. Good arched neck into sloping firm top line. Nice depth to brisket, tight elbows and cat like feet. Good length of loin with nice rear angulation. Moved and handled very well.

**Post Graduate Dog** – 1 (0) – 1<sup>st</sup> Massey and McGeoch, Mr R & Dr R, Manzart Zebedee JW (Brown/tan) – Good blunt wedge with very nice ear set, would like slighter darker eye. Good swan like neck into strong top line, good depth of brisket, well boned, and tight feet. Nice rear angulation with good turn of stifle, strong short hocks. Moved and handled well.

**Limit Dog** – 7 (0) – Best class of the day – full of quality.

1<sup>st</sup> – Mrs J McLaren – Aritaur Invincible at Teuschon (Black/tan) – Very nice standard sized not over done boy. Strong blunt wedged head with parallel planes, lovely shaped neck into strong short top line. Good depth of brisket to tight elbows. Well boned with cat like feet. Short coupled but with nice length to loin. Lovely turn of stifle with short strong hocks. Had a nice rhythm to his movement. Pleased to award him Reserve Best Dog.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Mr F Santoriello – Rafterhouse Amulet's Child – (Black/tan) – Very nice looking dog slightly heavier set than winner, dark eye with good fill under, nice length of muzzle, clean neck into strong top line, very good depth of brisket, well boned with strong pasterns. Strong rear angulation with good hocks. Moved and handled very well.

**Open Dog** – 4 (0) – 1<sup>st</sup> Mrs K & Mr A Wedgbury, Manzart War Emblem (Black/tan) – Nice standard male, good blunt wedge, dark eye with clean neck into strong short top line. Nice depth to brisket with strong bone and tight feet. Short coupled into nice rear angulation. Plenty behind the tail, moved well.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Mrs J Woodhouse, Ch Jojavik Master Cutler (Black/tan) – Larger than one but not any heavier set. Strong head with dark eye with good fill under into nice set neck. Very well developed fore chest, good bone and nice feet. Longer in loin than winner but still balanced in profile. Strong rear angulation, good reach on the move.

**Veteran Dog** – 1 (0) – 1<sup>st</sup> Mr G Hunt & Miss G Flitcroft, Teuschon Sir Hermes (Brown/tan) – Ten year old, nice head, parallel planes with good front and strong parallel legs. Well boned with nice feet. Short coupled, nice rear angulation. Moved well considering his age and the heat. Best Veteran Dog.

**Minor Puppy Bitch** – 3 (2) – 1<sup>st</sup> Mr P Merrett, Korifey Sweet Child of Mine (Black/tan) – Stood alone in this class but you could still see this young lady is of outstanding quality. Lovely strong blunt wedge head, parallel planes, dark eye with good fill under, swan neck into slightly sloping top line. Excellent shoulder placement, the tightest of elbows, strong pasterns into cat like feet. Good length of loin but still short coupled. Well-developed rear angulation with strong short hocks. Only a very young puppy but movement was true and balanced. Look forward to seeing this girl develop. Very well handled, Best Puppy Bitch and Best Puppy In Show.

**Puppy Bitch** – 4 (2) – 1<sup>st</sup> Mr R Downie, Knecht Mileena (Black/tan) – A well-developed strong young bitch with good blunt wedge head, parallel planes, dark eye with good fill. Strong well developed front into deep brisket, super bone with nice tight feet. Short top line through to well set croup. Nice rear angulation with good turn of stifle and short strong hocks. Movement was good.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Mr & Miss D & S Murray, Nerak Unconditional Love (Black/tan) – Not so thick set as one but very elegant with nice feminine head. Dark eye, parallel planes with clean neck. Brisket should develop more with age. Tight feet with nice rear angulation and short hocks. I am sure this bitch will improve even more when she fills out a little.

**Junior Bitch** – 2 (1) – 1<sup>st</sup> Mr R Evans, Amazon Just Let Me Adore You (Black/tan) – Good blunt wedge, dark eyes with good fill. Clean in neck and brisket is deep to elbows. Parallel legs which are well boned, tight feet, short coupled with nice rear construction and nice turn of stifle. Strong short hocks. Moved and handled very well.

**Yearling Bitch** – 1 (0) – 1<sup>st</sup> Mr & Mrs Mackintosh-White, Teuschons Shadow Spell (Black/tan) – Lovely blunt wedge with parallel planes, dark eye, clean in throat with well-developed fore chest. Tight at elbows with good bone and cat like feet. Short, firm top line into very strong rear assembly. Lovely turn of stifle and well developing second thigh. Short strong hocks. When settled moved with reach and drive, pushed hard for Reserve Best Bitch.

**Novice Bitch** – 2 (1) – 1<sup>st</sup> Mr R Downie, Knecht Mileena, (1<sup>st</sup> in Puppy Bitch).

**Graduate Bitch** – 7 (5) – 1<sup>st</sup> Mr R Evans, Amazon Just Let Me Adore You (1<sup>st</sup> in Junior).

2<sup>nd</sup> – Mr & Mrs Lafford, Lateagain Wild Heart avec Sariandobes – (Brown/tan) – Very feminine bitch, eye could be darker, good length of muzzle. Nice clean neck into well-developed brisket, tight elbows and cat like feet. Firm top line with good rear angulation. Hocks short and strong. Moved well.

**Post Graduate Bitch** – 1 (0) – 1<sup>st</sup> Mr & Mrs Pollard, Manzart Yuliana at Whizzbean, (Black/tan) – Strong blunt wedged head but still very feminine with excellent head planes. Dark eyes with good fill, swan neck into very well developed deep brisket. Tight elbows and feet with good bone. Firm top line with strong rear angulation with good turn of stifle. Hocks were strong and short, moved and handled very well.

**Limit Bitch** – 5 (1) – 1<sup>st</sup> Mr P Merrett, Grafmax Titania (Black/tan) – Very nice standard girl, not over done anywhere. Good head planes with dark eye, nice shaped clean neck, well developed fore chest with tight feet. Short firm top line into well set croup. Nice rear angulation with good turn of stifle into strong short hocks. Plenty behind the tail. Nice balanced movement.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Miss P Gallagher, Izralight Jitterbug, (Brown/tan) – Feminine head with lovely expression, parallel planes, nice long clean neck with good depth to brisket. Nice bone and tight feet. Short

coupled with firm top line and good length to loin. Strong rear angulation and hocks. Covered the ground well.

**Open Bitch** – 6 (4) – 1<sup>st</sup> Ms A Pardoe, CH/Lux CH Aritaur Sonnet, (Brown/tan) – Outstanding bitch with great expression and presence. Standard size with strong feminine head. Parallel planes, dark eye which is well filled under, clean swan like neck, super fore chest. Brisket down to the tightest of elbows. Parallel legs of very good bone, cat like feet, short sloping top line, short coupled but with good length to loin. Good rear angulation, strong short hocks. Covered the ground with super reach and strong rear drive. Very happy to award her Best Bitch and Reserve Best In Show.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Mr I Rimmer, Amazon Touch The Breeze in Millwood, (Black/tan) – Another standard size bitch in good hard condition. Nice head proportions with good dark eye which is well filled under. Clean neck, strong deep brisket, well boned with tight feet. Good top line, nice rear angulation with very good turn of stifle. Strong short hocks and moved well when settled.

**Veteran Bitch** – 2 (0) – 1<sup>st</sup> Mr & Mrs T & L Lainchbury, Ch Ashlain Trypiti JW ShCM VW (Black/tan) – 8 year old standard bitch with just enough of everything which makes her so well balanced. Strong feminine head, parallel planes, dark eye with good fill. Lovely swan neck, good lay of shoulder into super fore chest. Good deep brisket, tight elbows with good feet. Firm top line, good rear angulation with super turn of stifle and strong hocks. Moves like she is still a youngster with balance, reach and drive. Could not deny her Reserve Best Bitch and Best Veteran In Show.

2<sup>nd</sup> Miss P Gallagher, Izralight Sugababe JW ShCM VW, (Black/tan) – Oldest of the day at 11 years but still in very good condition. Feminine head with dark eye. Lovely happy expression. Clean neck, fore chest down to brisket, tight elbows with cat like feet. Nice rear angulation with good turn of stifle. Movement was good considering how hot it was.