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As Seen By The Judges

West Of England Bull Terrier Club Dual Breed Open Show June 16th, 2013
Judge: Andrew Brace (Tragband)

What an enjoyable day this was amongst such a sporting group of exhibitors who applauded each and every class enthusiastically – would that other breeds greeted their winners thus. I have a special fondness for the breed but do find judging them challenging and mentally draining as there are so many compromises to be made.

In the Bull Terriers I found much more depth in the bitches than the males and felt there were several bitches that were clearly of Champion quality.

BULL TERRIERS

Special Beginners Dog (2 Entries, 1 Absent)

1. Malden's **Louka Kolor Koded**.

Dark brindle and white yearling of excellent basic type. Ample substance and very well knit with clean outline and a look of quality. Well proportioned head with well shaped eyes but profile could have a little more arc and the bite is slightly under. Good bone, feet could be tighter, well ribbed and coupled but could have a shade more angulation front and back. Moves true and with drive behind but comes on rather wide. Has power and scope in profile but topline runs up a fraction. Still a good overall package.

2. Tudor's **Ukusa Fire Demon**.

Bigger framed red and white in fit hard condition but lacking the body shape and compactness of 1. Rather plain in head, lacking sweep and fill and reluctant to use his ears which are rather low set. Strong willed and reluctant to show his bite. Strongly boned, feet could be tighter, well ribbed but again could have more angulation fore and aft. Moves close behind and wide in front and tends to break in topline in profile. Quite a handful for his hardworking handler.

Puppy Dog (1 Entry, 0 Absent)

1. Williams' **Karmara's Public Enemy**.

11 months white very much all of a piece and of excellent overall type. Quality head which could have a little more profile but his eyes are well shaped and placed and his bite perfect. Ears still a little soft but he used them well when focussing. Smoothly contoured outline with quality bone and good feet, dry and powerful neck, nicely ribbed, short coupled, moderate angulation but needs to develop second thigh. Moves true going away but a little wide in front and does not need to get any heavier over the shoulder. On his toes and full of character. Nose pigment needs to fill in.

Junior Dog (2 Entries, 0 Absent)

1. Nelson's **Bilboen Yanis**.

15 months tri oozing masculinity and substance and very pleasing in all the basic requirements of type. Strong well filled head with good profile, well placed eyes and ears and perfect bite. Just enough neck, well sprung ribs, strong bone but feet aren't his fortune. Well angulated front and back, moves true and with determination behind but comes on rather wide. Makes the best of himself on the stack, full of character and animation.

2. Smalley's **Briden Backchat**.

12 months white who has lots of quality,

almost to the point of rendering him a little feminine. Beautifully schooled and in lovely condition, very pleasing head which could still have a little more fill under the eyes, perfect ear placement but reverse scissor bite. Beautifully balanced outline free of humps or bumps and a real posing machine. Complimentary angulation front and back and better feet than 1. Moves a little close hocked going away and tends to be wide and high stepping in front. Despite his shortcomings he has a look of real class.

Novice Dog (2 Entries, 1 Absent)

1. Carr's **Quentinhill Masterpiece**.

Not a sudden impact dog as he is not the most outgoing but this 14 month white has so much type and quality about him when you get past the initial lack of enthusiasm. Beautifully balanced head with sufficient profile, typically placed and shaped eyes, perfect bite and when he concentrated used his ears well. Strong dry neck, well developed forechest, enough bone, tighter feet than most and well ribbed and coupled. When he relaxed and didn't overstretch he showed optimum angulation front and back and an outline that was very much all of a piece. Goes away dead parallel but rather generous coming on. Still has so very much to like.

2. Moore's **Charming King**.

This 2½ year old brindle is rather more Terrier than Bull which probably accounts for his total accuracy moving up and down. Good basic head type with well shaped and set eyes, perfect bite, well placed ears but not as much arc as 1. Has more angulation behind than in front and not the forechest of 1 but he has excellent feet and just enough bone. A little lighter over the loin than 1 but an interesting dog with some positive virtues.

Limit Dog (3 Entries, 1 Absent)

1. Kocaba's **Badlesmere Bertie's Brother**.

Best Dog & Best Opposite Sex

This tri has an immediate advantage as he is impeccably schooled with a handler who stands well in front of her dog and allows him to reach out, standing well over his front and displaying a clean necky outline. Good head type with excellent eyes and ears but the arc is a little broken above the nose and he could have a little more fill in front of the eyes. Perfect bite, very impressive neck, nicely arched, head and powerful, strong bone but a manicure would improve the feet. Very well ribbed and coupled with firm backbone and ideal rear angulation but could have more length of upper arm. Nicely filled forechest, moved a little close behind and sloppily in front but he has a stallion look about him which won him this interesting class. On overall merits and performance he won BD as, of the unbeaten males, I felt he was the gladiator in the line-up.

2. Pullen's **Louka Gone Racin'**.

Another tri of quality out of a slightly smaller mould but none the worse for that. Impressive head with perfect bite again and possibly more classical profile than 1 but showing a little eye white reduces the intensity of expression. Good bone and feet, well filled front, good spring of rib and short coupled. Moderately angulated front and rear, moved true behind but rather loose in front.

3. Jerome & Cambridge's **Ounsdale Return Of The Mac At Elysianplain**.

Open Dog (3 Entries, 1 Absent)

1. Phillips' **Bullyon Umeasureabull**.

Reserve Best Dog

15 months white and the original coiled spring! Despite his youthful exuberance and his kangaroo tendencies his quality is obviously for all to see. Beautiful head type, smoothly contoured with good sweep and fill and a wicked eye. Perfect bite, ears could perhaps be placed a little closer together but they complete the outline well when he does actually concentrate. Lovely quality bone, feet could be a little tighter, so well ribbed and bodied, close coupled and he has ample angulation front and back but still needs to develop in second thigh and harden up in topline. When he did settle he moved very well behind, truer than most in front and held himself well in profile, covering the ground well. Could feasibly end up the best of the males with full maturity. On the day didn't look as clearly stallion-like as the Limit winner but overall quality took him through to RBD.

2. Atkins' **Hentarw Executive Decision**. All male tri-colour who ran 1 close as he is a bigger framed, more overtly masculine dog. Beautiful head, smooth, well filled with perfect bite and well shaped and set eye. Powerful neck with no suggestion of throat, well ribbed and boned with decent feet and he has particularly well angulated hindquarters with plenty behind the tail. Really on his toes and full of attitude, it was his front movement that let him down and eased the challenge but he has virtues aplenty and his sheer ring presence will always command a second look.

3. Heard's **Shacadia's Black Mamba At Glazed**.

Veteran Dog or Bitch (2 Entries, 1 Absent)

1. Brown's **Ply For Hire**.

9 years brindle male in amazing form for his age and still showing off like a two year old. Excellent head type, well filled with excellent profile and perfect bite. Really well bodied and muscled, good bone, quite good feet and he is very well ribbed and short coupled. Moves away with great drive and although he is a shade wide coming on he was still truer than many half his age. Very light on his feet in profile. Not the biggest male but so perfectly balanced. Conditioning was a credit to his owner.

2. Waycott's **Waybully Bewitched**.

7 years brindle bitch of generally good breed type though longer cast than 1 which was no big deal allowing for the sexes. Pleases in head profile but unfortunately rather narrow in underjaw and badly undershot. Well filled front, enough bone but rather broken down front and somewhat open-footed. Nicely ribbed, well angulated rear, movement behind is strong and driving but coming on she is rather elbowy.

Special Beginners Bitch (1 Entry, 0 Absent)

1. Waycott's **Ukusa Rhapsody For Waybully**.

Reserve Best Bitch, Reserve Best Of Breed & Reserve Best In Show

19 months white of far superior quality to what one generally expects to get in this class and I'm sure her handler won't be eligible for it for much longer. In beautiful

condition she stood like a statue and yet had great animation on the move. Very impressive head profile, perfectly placed ears and eyes, correct bite, elegant but powerful neck, well filled front, quality bone, neat feet, well ribbed and nicely filled over the loin. Optimum angulation front and back, moved true in all directions and she has style and purpose in profile. Carries her tail a little high on times but a minor fault I could easily forgive against her multitude of virtues. At this juncture I thought to myself she could very easily end up winning BOB but little did I realise what was about to appear in the next class! Even so, well deserved Reserve Best Bitch and later Reserve BIS.

Puppy Bitch (2 Entries, 0 Absent)

1. Williams' **Karmara's Rumour Has It**.

Best Puppy, Best Bitch, Best Of Breed & Best In Show

11 months white of superior quality and beautifully schooled and conditioned. Dramatic head profile with perfect arc, neatest of eyes, well placed ears and perfect bite ... type and power yet with an intrinsic femininity. Just enough bone, already well filled front, quite tight feet, so well ribbed and bodied for her age, wonderful angulation, moves a tad close behind but far better in front than the majority. Moves around steadily but just needs to develop her carriage and deportment. A sure fire Champion I am sure and when she pulled herself together and threw out an outline she gave me goosebumps and made my day.

2. Samways' **Hardysview Rubies Legacy**. 8 months tri totally overawed by being here and would clearly have preferred to be at home reading the Sunday papers! In outline she is essentially well balanced, was nicely conditioned and her basic construction is actually quite promising. Very feminine head, clean neck, already quite well sprung ribs, not happy about having her mouth examined and she slunk along when asked to move. That said, when she relaxed and pulled herself together for the critique she had moments of brilliance when she looked a real classy package. One well worth persevering with.

Junior Bitch (3 Entries, 0 Absent)

A really super class but not easy to judge.

1. Hicks' **Bullyon Love Unmeasured For Crisalia**.

16 months white of excellent overall type and quality. Beautifully balanced outline with pleasing profile, perfectly placed and shaped ears and eyes, excellent neck, bone and tremendous rib with well filled front and decent feet. Perfect bite, moderate angulation front and back, so well coupled, goes away a little close and slightly wide in front but uses herself so well in profile, going with reach and drive, holding her topline well.

2. Smalley's **Briden Summer Breeze**.

12 months white with matching eye patches who pushed hard. Beautifully moulded head with excellent profile, excellent sweep and fill, perfect bite, well filled front, good bone and feet, nicely ribbed with superb angulation front and back. Moved steadily behind, rather loose in front and did not quite have the scope of 1 in profile but it was a close call as both bitches are top quality and standing she throws out a really striking outline.

3. Atkins' **Taylajay The Chosen One**.

Novice Bitch (4 Entries, 0 Absent)

1. Williams' **Karmara's Consider Me**.

Supremely elegant 11 months white who was up against three tricolour bitches at completely the other end of the spectrum. Enthralling head with glorious profile, classic expression but two lower incisors are misplaced. Very necky, so clean in front, quality bone, tight feet, superb angulation front and back, already well ribbed but can still fill out her frame more. Moves true up and down and holds her outline well. She has a little colour on her body but I forgave this because of her intense quality and she either had to stand first or last. This exhibitor's handling and presentation were inspirational and I see this bitch is litter mate to the BPD and BIS ... this must have been some litter.

2. Brown's **Louka Pretty Lady**.

Much lower stationed tri, far more Bull than Terrier, so looked totally different to 1. Excellent head type, well filled with good length, perfect bite and pleasing expression. Heavy bone, tight feet, well sprung ribs, well coupled, moderate angulation front and back and has a firm back line. Moves true behind but wide and loose in front.

3. White's **Shanthana Thai Black Orchid**.

Limit Bitch (2 Entries, 0 Absent)

1. L'Homme's **Goodbye To Helen Wheels At Kaiserbull**.

Easy win for this very typy white who was well schooled and presented if a little over chalked (which I still prefer to dirty!), excellent head profile, well placed ears and eyes but could have a little more fill in front of them. Perfect mouth, correct length and strength of neck, well filled front, nicely finished bone, tight feet, well ribbed but topline tends to break a little. Well angulated fore and aft, moves closer than ideal behind but quite true in front. Free and easy profile but her the break in topline shows up.

2. Mills' **Simbartahill Tell Tail Lass**. Brindle with minimal white trim, much more Terrier than 1 and consequently constructed in such a way that it is easier to achieve true movement up and down. Pleasing head profile, feminine but typical expression, sadly decidedly undershot. Strong but elegant neck, well filled front, quality bone, slightly open feet, nicely ribbed and coupled and is totally balanced in her own way.

Open Bitch (1 Entry, 0 Absent)

1. Malden's **Louka Frosty Lady**.

Beefy white bitch of good type, head profile could be a little more accentuated but she has typical eyes and well placed ears, plenty of bone, tremendous spring of rib, topline tends to undulate but she has moderate angles front and back. Movement up and down could be a little cleaner.

Special Brood Bitch (2 Entries, 0 Absent)

1. Catalina & Szewczyk's **Carramba Quentinhill**.

Beautiful type white with glorious head and expression, lots of substance and essentially well constructed and angulated but a little low on leg, even allowing for the illusion an undercarriage can create. Very well schooled and conditioned, moves purposefully in profile but could be truer up and down.

2. Malden's **Louka Lady Luck**. Another solidly made white, not the eye, ear, mouth or cleanliness of 1 but nicely

put together body, shorter coupled than 1. Moved with power but could be truer up and down and hold her tail better.

MINIATURE BULL TERRIERS

Junior Dog (2 Entries, 0 Absent)

1. Plumley & Workman's **Debully's Danny Boy**.

Best Dog, Best Of Breed & Best Opposite Sex In Show

9 months white well up to size but has so much quality, balance and such clean lines. Beautiful head, well filled with pleasing profile, well set ears, neat eye and perfect bite. Plenty of bone and substance, very well ribbed, already well developed forechest, firm topline, optimum angulation, moves steadily behind, has great carriage and deportment in profile but is a bit bossy coming on. Still his overall merit took him through to BOB and later BOS in show.

2. Hughes' **Graymor Gifted Heir**. 17 months brindle whose size I preferred, quality head, correct bite, enough bone for his size and good overall balance but not as firm in topline as 1, not using his tail and even wider in front.

Post Graduate Dog (1 Entry, 1 Absent)

Open Dog (2 Entries, 1 Absent)

1. Hughes' **Graymor Gallantry**.

Reserve Best Dog

17 months brindle who didn't really do himself justice on the move, tending to scrabble, but I saw sufficient to conclude that he is capable of moving very well behind but rather wide in front. Quality head with wonderful expression, perfect bite, nicely ribbed and coupled. In profile his topline tends to undulate.

Junior Bitch (2 Entries, 1 Absent)

1. Walton's **Graymor Genoa**.

17 months brindle not really enjoying herself. Feminine head of good type but slightly undershot, just enough bone, firmly bodied, could have a little more angulation in front and behind, moves well going away but tends to throw her front about.

Post Graduate Bitch (1 Entry, 0 Absent)

1. Hughes' **Graymor Glacial Dawn**.

Best Bitch & Best Opposite Sex

17 months white of excellent size and shape, well moulded head, feminine but typy and perfect bite. Just enough bone, needs to spring in rib a little, well balanced outline with good angles front and back, sound and steady behind but needs to tighten in front and strengthen in pastern as she tends to flick her left front. On her toes and showing so obligingly. When in optimum condition and more settled in front should make up.

Open Bitch (1 Entry, 0 Absent)

1. Hughes' **Graymor Galliani**.

Reserve Best Bitch

Amazingly attending her first show at 21 months. Brindle with quality head, perfect bite, carrying plenty of weight, good basic construction and moved quite smartly when she got the hang of it.