

ANGLIAN BOXER CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW  
Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2020  
BITCHES

Firstly I would like to thank the exhibitors for their entry and the committee for their hospitality, I thoroughly enjoyed my day and the opportunity to judge bitches (which I have not judged for 7 years). It was a pleasure to judge alongside Juan Miguel Rodriguez who was charming and most professional and we had no problems in agreeing upon the major awards, while respecting each other's choices.

Today I saw some beautiful boxers and I hope rewarded them accordingly, but I do have some real concerns for the future of the breed. There is no doubt the world of dog showing is changing rapidly, entries are falling and large kennels are being replaced with "occasional" breeders. I see exhibitors who just want a dog to win with and consequently I believe we are losing the depth of knowledge, quality and breed type, which comes from years of breeding and experience. At present education and judge's training has never been so accessible but I am concerned that many exhibitors may not recognise exactly what they are looking for.

I was very pleased with overall temperaments, presentation, handling and construction although unfortunately a few, otherwise good, exhibits lost out due to poor condition or movement which in particular still leaves a lot to be desired. Generally the heads were pleasing and were of good proportions but I found mouths, especially in the young classes quite shockingly bad. The boxer head is unique to our breed and the mouth is a defining part of its correct construction. Narrow, and excessively undershot jaws are not acceptable; nor are over wrinkled heads with eyes that are too small, deep set or hooded by flesh. From a health perspective the Kennel Club has added pinched nostrils to its Breed Watch list for boxers and I am happy to say that I found nostrils generally good and large and was not aware of any pinched nostrils.

Veteran Bitch (3)

1<sup>st</sup> – Carter – Ch Susancar Anna Compliss

Lovely bitch of good type, in nice condition and with good profile movement. Smart, balanced outline with a strong clean arched neck running into good shoulders. Good length and angle of upper arm with deep chest resulting in pronounced forechest. Short coupled with good hindquarters and turn of stifle. Beautiful, balanced head with well shaped dark expressive eyes giving that all too important stamp to the boxer head. Well proportioned muzzle with correct width of lower jaw and a good mouth resulting in evident chin with good lip placement. The skull is lean and clean with wrinkle when alert. One of the nicest heads of the day.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Taylor & Lay – Izzamoor Trick Of The Light At Wivendene ShCM

Another lovely bitch of similar type to the winner. She too has a lovely head of good proportion with a strong muzzle, good mouth, wide bottom jaw and well padded lips. Again the lovely well shaped dark expressive eyes shout boxer at you. Not as lean in skull as 1, but clean and without excessive wrinkle. Smart square outline with distinctive crest to the neck, good shoulders. Clean parallel front and strong, well angulated hindquarters with good musculature. A little more angle to her upper arm would perhaps give her the extra freedom of movement that gave the winner the edge.

3<sup>rd</sup> – Swansborough – Boxatiel Tern To Gold

### Minor Puppy Bitch (7, 2 Absent)

1<sup>st</sup> – Pearce & Francis - Longsdale Follow That Dream

Very smart baby who caught my eye as she entered the ring with her style and self assurance. Very feminine, with a elegant outline. Lovely reach of neck flowing smoothly into well laid back shoulders and correct upper arm with a clean parallel front and straight front legs finishing in good pasterns and feet. She has evident spring of rib with good depth of brisket, strong well angulated hindquarters with broad thighs and well developed muscle although I would like her shorter in loin. Very pleasing head, clean with flat cheeks and good rise of skull. The muzzle is well balanced with padded lips with evident chin and should finish nicely as she matures. She has an alert, mischievous expression in her dark eyes. Moved well from all angles with freedom and confidence.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Banks - Sunhawk Norwatch Party Time

Another quality puppy of good type. She presents a square, well balanced outline without exaggeration, exhibiting good bone, pasterns and lovely feet. Strong muscular neck, of ample length, flowing nicely into her withers. Good front assembly with forechest and depth of brisket, short back and loin with slightly sloping topline and defined underline. Strong quarters with good width of second thigh although she overstretched herself on occasions. Good head with balanced proportions and rise of skull, lovely well shaped dark eyes of good size, padded muzzle with well developed chin. Well handled and moved well.

3<sup>rd</sup> Sherry & Marsden - Finity Time To Shine With Sherbin

### Puppy Bitch (12)

1<sup>st</sup> – Huckerby & Dowell – Norwilbeck Bellchime Love Heart

Just loved this puppy and was pleased to award her BPB and BPIS (in agreement with my co judge). Dark brindle, with a nice balance of substance and elegance. Her long arched neck runs smoothly into her withers and topline. Long sloping shoulder with well angled upper arm resulting in obvious forechest. Good height of foreleg with a clean straight front and nice pasterns and feet. Straight short back, slightly sloping to her croup with a short loin. She has ample depth of brisket with a sweeping, well tucked up underline. Good angulated quarters with defined muscle and parallel hocks complete her a well balanced stance. Her head is lovely and of good proportions, with depth and width, well shaped dark eyes and a lovely alert expression. Her skull is lean with good rise and not overwrinkled and her well padded muzzle, chin and lip placement complete her balanced head. Well handled and moved with fluidity covering the ground.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Hawkins - Geenawell Ka Ching At Melhawk

Another dark brindle with a square outline. Beautiful crested neck with a distinct nape and smart outline. Good front assembly and nice bone with tight cat like feet. Square with short back, sloping topline and short loin with well set on quarters showing good turn of stifle and musculation although I would like a little more width of second thigh. Clean front, with straight parallel legs, and parallel hocks at the rear. A nice balanced head with well shaped dark eyes, flat cheeks and well proportioned muzzle with a good mouth. Moved well in profile.

3<sup>rd</sup> – Kelly – Conchobar Hermione At Casemates

### Junior Bitch (3, 1 Absent)

1<sup>st</sup> Crooks – Flyingfox Flyinghigh For Uftonponds

The more I looked at this bitch the more I liked her. She has real boxer stature with a typical head and in good fit condition. She presented a very smart, square outline with a strong, clean neck arching down to her withers. Her shoulders are well laid back, with a good length and angle of upper arm which gives her evident forechest and a well constructed front, which is clean with straight parallel legs, good bone and feet. Her topline is strong and slightly sloping connecting to strong quarters with a good turn of stifle, well defined muscles and well let down parallel hocks. Her head has good rise of skull with well shaped dark eyes and an alert untroubled expression. She has a well defined stop, good width of muzzle and lower jaw with a good mouth. A little more depth to her muzzle would just complete the picture. She showed and moved well for her handler but could have put in a little more effort on the move.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Drinkwater – Maranseen Seduction At Sulez

A quality bitch of high station, full of presence you cannot ignore. Tall and upstanding she has a fabulous long arched neck with distinct nape running into well laid back shoulders and a clean front with well boned parallel front legs and good depth of brisket, but not quite the upper arm of 1. She has a level topline she holds well on the move, with sweeping hindquarters that have good width of thigh and defined muscles. Nice head with, well shaped, dark expressive eyes. Her skull is lean and clean with good rise and without excessive wrinkle. Her muzzle is well proportioned with nicely padded upper lips and a good mouth. More upsweep to the bottom jaw and tilt to the nose would for me complete her head. Well handled and moved effortlessly round the ring but would like to see her quarters driving more from underneath her.

### Yearling Bitch (4)

1<sup>st</sup> – Huggins – Daervlish Elevation

Another bitch that caught my eye when she entered the ring. I loved her overall shape, femininity and elegance. She presented a sharp square outline with good height of foreleg and depth of brisket, well sprung ribs and a firm, tucked up underline. Her neck is strong and clean with a lovely arch flowing smoothly into nicely sloping shoulders and a well angled upper arm and good forechest. She has straight front legs with strong pasterns and tight cat feet. Her strong well muscled quarters are well set on with good width of second thigh and parallel hocks giving her a balanced stance. Her head is clean and of correct proportions with a lovely shaped dark eye. Her muzzle is well balanced with good width and padding and mouth OK. Only her movement let her down, which was erratic coming and going and I felt not in harmony with her handler, which could have cost her the class.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Jones & Charles – Charlons Astute

I liked this bitch very much for her true boxer type. She is unexaggerated, compact, powerfull, well constructed consequently was one of the best movers on the day, covering the ground with drive and extention. She stood four square with a strong, arched muscular neck exhibiting a distinct nape. Lovely lay back of shoulders with well defined withers, good upper arm and straight forelegs giving a well angled stable front assembly with ample forechest. Short strong pasterns and tight feet. Her topline is straight, firm and slightly sloping to powerful quarters of good width and length of thigh with stable hocks. She has a good head with a balanced muzzle and skull. Her muzzle is broad and well padded and mouth OK. I would just like a slightly larger eye and cleaner skull to complete the picture. Very close decision between her and the winner.

3<sup>rd</sup> – Merritt – Merquin Million Dollar Baby

### Novice Bitch (6, 1 Absent)

1<sup>st</sup> – Fay-Smith - Lorrosa Oops I Did It Again

Substantial bitch of good type. Very smart on the stack, with a muscular neck which smoothly transitions into a good shoulder. She displays a clean front with parallel legs and adequate forechest, which would be enhanced by a slightly longer and more angled upper arm, while her pasterns would be stronger if they were slightly less sloping. She has good spring of rib with a firm topline sloping nicely to the rear where it is coupled with strong quarters that have well turned stifles and clearly defined muscles. A very pleasing head with dark expressive eyes, which could be a shade larger. Her skull is clean and with good rise and ear set. Her muzzle is in proportion with nice lip placement and mouth OK. She moved well and steadily.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Morrison - Myntie Black Orchid To Xandene

A medium sized bitch, shorter coupled than 1 with many of the same comments applying to both. She is stylish and presents a lovely long neck, strong and with a super arch to it. Her shoulders are well laid back, but her upper arm needs more length, her pasterns could be a little less sloping but finish with good feet. I liked her deep brisket, well defined withers, shorter loin and underline which is well tucked up to the rear presenting a smart outline with angulated quarters and straight hocks. She has a nice balanced head with good rise of skull, depth of muzzle, well padded lips and dark expressive eyes. She has good chin and lip placement although I would prefer more upsweeping of her lower jaw and tilt to the nose. Moved well.

3<sup>rd</sup> - Payne - Birleyvale Bellini

### Graduate Bitch (4, 1 Absent)

1<sup>st</sup> – Brooks - Jackintabox Just Amazing By Junnybrux

Three very different bitches in this class, all with their own virtues. Not a big bitch but stylish and elegant. She has a long clean neck, free of excessive dewlap, which flows smoothly into her shoulders and topline. Well angulated shoulders with a clean parallel front, straight front legs, strong pasterns and tight cat feet. She has plenty of depth of brisket with a nice tuck up, and a little more angle to her upper arm would produce better forechest. Her topline is level and firm connecting to her quarters which are well muscled with good second thigh. Nice head with beautiful expressive dark eyes, of good size and set. Her head is well balanced, lean and clean, with the right amount of wrinkle on top, good rise of skull and a balanced muzzle of good depth and width. Very nice chin with good lip placement. Moved very well to secure her win.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Murfin & Renshaw-Turner - Farvalley Picture Perfect

More substantial bitch than 1 with a strong arched neck running into a well angled forehead with good layback of shoulder and reasonable upper arm. Front on she has forechest and nice parallel legs, while in profile she exhibits a very deep brisket, short back with a firm topline. Her quarters have a good turn of stifle although I would like a little more width of thigh. She has a strong head with a nice eye and expression. Her head could be cleaner but is well balanced with a powerful muzzle and good mouth with a tight bite. She did not always make life easy for her handler during the class but showed well for her write up! Moved well.

3<sup>rd</sup> – McArdle - Redmol Strike A Pose At Mcarmadale

### Post Graduate Bitch (15, 1 Absent)

1<sup>st</sup> – Humphries - Chribanna Amethyst Shower

Biggest class of the day and a pleasure to judge, with some nice bitches going cardless. I just loved this bitch that combined good boxer type with substance and elegance. She is well constructed presenting a clean sharp outline without exaggeration. Excellent depth of brisket reaching her elbows, with just the right amount of tuck up to give her plenty of heart and lung room. Her neck is clean, strong and nicely arched with a lovely crest. She has good front assembly with a long sloping shoulder and distinct wither. Her upper arm is well angled and of good length so she exhibits forechest and with her well boned parallel front legs, strong pasterns and tight feet she stands with stability on her forehand. Her topline is good and firm connecting to strong quarters with good width and depth to the thigh and just the right turn of stifle. She has a lovely head of correct proportions with good rise of skull, well shaped dark eyes of good size and with a super expression. Her head is clean with just the correct amount of wrinkle and a broad muzzle, which is deep with a good chin, well placed, padded upper lips and a good mouth. She moved well, although I would like to see a little more enthusiasm from her, but was worthy of her shortlisting for the CC and I hope her day will come.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Brown & Hutchings - Winuwuk Sun Kissed

Very attractive red brindle with a great attitude and well handled to make the most of it. Another stylish bitch with a sharp square outline, starting with a clean arched neck running into a good sloping shoulder and defined withers. She has ample upper arm to give a good front assembly with forechest and stands on straight on parallel front legs with good feet and pasterns. Not as deep in brisket as 1 but shorter coupled, with a strong straight back, slightly sloping topline and good tuck. Her quarters are well muscled quarters. She has a lovely head, which is without any exaggeration and a melting expression. Her skull is lean and clean, with good rise, beautiful, well shaped dark eyes and a distinct stop. She has a perfectly balance muzzle which is well padded muzzle and of good width and depth complemented by a lovely upsweep and good lip placement giving her a real boxery outlook.

3<sup>rd</sup> – Kay - Miofrey Morning Glory

### Limit Bitch (7)

1<sup>st</sup> - Crooks – Uftonponds Making Waves

Another quality class of bitches headed by this striking dark brindle, which was presented in excellent condition. There is little I would change about her and the more I looked at her the more her boxer type and femininity filled my eye. Her outline is sharp, she is short coupled with good depth of brisket and a lovely tuck up. She has a strong neck of ample length, which is clean and arches nicely down to her withers and excellent front assembly. Her ribs are well arched extending back to her short loin and well defined waist. She is in excellent muscular condition, a credit to her owners exercising I suspect. Her front is clean with straight front legs, good forechest, strong pasterns and nice feet. She has a lovely head with a clean skull and balanced muzzle, which has good bone structure and is not overfleshy. She has good chin and with well padded top lips and a good mouth. Her eyes are dark, well shaped and of a good set with an expression which is true and untroubled as she looks at you.

A sound bitch and a good mover and I was more than happy to select her in my last three for the CC. Today was not quite her day but I am sure her time will come.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Feaver & Cormack – Winuwuk Whole Lotta Love At Sugarwood

This bitch took my eye when she came into the ring with her elegance and presence and again I found little to fault on her. She too was a good mover, and in my final assessment I was splitting hairs between her and the eventual winner. A taller bitch in great condition, with good height of foreleg but balanced by a deep brisket. She has a lovely clean arched neck running into a well angled forehead with forechest strong boned straight front legs with excellent feet and pasterns. In profile she has a clearly defined underline, which sweeps up nicely to the rear. She has well sprung ribs and a strong back that connects to well muscled hindquarters with a good length of thigh. She has a lovely clean well balanced head with correct, intelligent dark eyes, and just the right amount of wrinkle on her head when alert. Her muzzle too is well boned and free of excess padding, her nose is broad with good nostrils and she has a good mouth, although I would have liked a more prominent chin. Another lovely bitch whose title must be within reach.

3<sup>rd</sup> – Jones & Charles - Charlons Nostalgia

#### Open Bitch (7, 1 Absent)

1<sup>st</sup> – McCarthy & Gething – Ch Sunvalley Heart On Fire At Jeddhi

It was a great pleasure to judge this class with every bitch worthy of the CC making for some difficult decisions. However this girl was for me the star of the show and I was more than thrilled when my co judge agreed, without discussion, that she should indeed go Best In Show. Her head is beautiful, clean and totally unexaggerated, with gorgeous well shaped expressive dark eyes, which are nicely set and forward looking. Her skull has good rise with a slight arch on top, correct wrinkle when alert and neat well placed ears. Her stop is well defined and her muzzle has width across both the front and under the eyes, as well as the correct depth so it is balanced from all angles. She has just the right amount of padding on her muzzle, her upper lips are thick, her lower jaw is of good width and with its slight upward curve gives her that lovely chin which is so characteristic of a good boxer head. Her nose is wide with good nostrils and just turned up enough to complete the picture. Her outline is stunning with clean sharp lines. She has a long neck free from dewlap with a lovely crest starting from just behind her ears and flowing into a beautifully constructed front assembly with great depth of brisket and obvious forechest. She has lovely round bone, strong pasterns and good feet, when viewed from the front her legs are parallel and her shoulders clean giving a nice straight front. Her ribs are well sprung extending well back, her topline is firm and correctly sloping. She has a good tuck up, strong muscled quarters with good width of thigh and her stifle directly under her hip all supported by strong hocks. She moved well from all angles and I had no hesitating in giving this lovely bitch the CC, she is a credit to the breed.

2<sup>nd</sup> - Brown & Hutchings – Ch Winuwuk Looking For Love

Another beautiful bitch, which pushed the winner very hard with her style and elegance only losing out on maturity. There is little I would change on this young bitch and I believe she will get better and better with time. She presents a lovely outline with a strong arched neck running into clean, well laid back shoulders and good front assembly with plenty of forechest, just needing to drop a little more in brisket. She stands well over straight front legs, which are parallel with neat strong pasterns and good feet. Her ribs are well sprung and her back is strong giving a firm topline that she maintained on the move. Her quarters are excellent with good muscle, a nice sweep to her stifles and strong hocks resulting in a stable balanced stance. She too has a beautiful balanced head of excellent proportions. Her skull is lean with flat cheeks, clean on top with a nice arch and wrinkles when alert, it has good rise and a defined stop. Her muzzle is in perfect

proportion. She has good width under her eyes, which are dark of good shape and well set, giving her a lovely expression. She has width to the front of the muzzle formed by good bone structure and a good mouth finished off with padded lips and an evident chin. She was well handled and beautifully presented, moved effortlessly with good ground coverage and I was more than happy to award her the RCC.

3<sup>rd</sup> – McDonald – Ch Yeteb Little Miss Muffet

Yvonne Miller (Judge)