

The Griffon Bruxellois Breeders Association Open show. 11/02/2018.

Thank you to the GBBA for inviting me to judge their open show, it was an honour to be able to judge so many lovely dogs.

A really lovely class to start.

S.O Red D/B (4).1 Huges and Crawford's Ch Beauview Check Me Over. R/r male of lovely balance and proportions. Square and cobby with a big masculine head. Large nose pad, moderate sized dark eye, good layback and wide mouth, loved his neat high set ears. Moderate arched neck set into a well laid back shoulder. Correct balanced angulation fore and aft. Plenty of width of chest and well sprung ribcage of correct depth, with close fitting elbows, straight front with great bone. Topline strong and level most of the time can have a slight tendency to slope when not concentrating, kept rock solid standing and on the move, finished with a highset and ideally carried tail. Well muscled strong loin. Hindquarters moderately angled, strong second thigh, rear pasterns heavily boned and parallel. Feet neat and round. Moved with the desired drive behind and enough reach in front without excessive lift. Shown in ideal coat, harsh and in good colour and pattern. So sound and typical BD and BIS.

2. Swinge's Vendettas Tangerine Balthazar (IMP) R/r completely feminine, with the loveliest head and expression. Very dark expressive eyes, dark nose pad, really good turnup and layback, nicely rounded skull and high set ears. Straight front, chest wide with tight elbows, well laid shoulder and spring of rib. Loin short and strong, high set tail nicely carried. Preferred the depth of chest of my winner. A sound and free-moving bitch with plenty of drive and reach. In lovely coat of great colour. Liked her very much.

3. Payne's Beauborne Artemis.

S.O Black D/B (4). 1. Conways, B/r Ch Flirt Alert Unlimited at Stormjac. Stood out for her lovely outline and rock solid topline. Large headed bitch with dark lustrous eyes, large nose pad with ample layback and turnup yet without exaggeration. Excellent mouth. Perfect, small, neat, high set ears.

Neck nicely set into shoulders would prefer them with a little more layback for perfection, wide chest, more than deep enough and superbly sprung ribs. Short strong loin with wide muscular hind quarters, strong second thigh and straight pasterns, absolutely parallel. Small, neat feet. A very precisely made bitch. Movement very sound with desired reach and not too much lift, good drive. RBB.

2. Donnellan's Shevilan Everybody Knows Alice, B/r, smaller than the winner, a good shape with plenty of bone. Large head, very dark eye of moderate size, good neck well set, straight front, very neat feet. Strong topline, high tailset and carriage. Lovely temperament. Not is such good coat as my winner.

3. Chapman and Price's Marquant Media Storm.

S.O Black and Tan D/B(5,1a). 1. Roberts' Ch Beauview Raining Men, smooth dog that is really cobby with lovely bone, excellent width and depth of chest. Well ribbed with a strong loin balanced angulation good topline, highset tail well carried. Very masculine big head, good mouth, dark eye, lovely high set small ears, plenty of turnup. Moved with drive and not too much lift in front RBD.

2. Bennett-Harrington's Beauborne Crusader, smooth dog with a large head and excellent layback. Good length of neck set on well angulated shoulders. Good topline, but a little longer in loin and less width of chest than the winner. Moved well and in excellent condition.

3. Wood's Gainer Starr Dinastija Delightbull.

SBD/B (2).1.Meaden's Topmead Marmite Love or Hate. B/r 7 yrs. Lovely head, dark eye. Good bone and width of chest, a little lacking in spring of rib, would prefer a little less length of loin. Had correct angulation all round that was balanced, very good front. Moved well.

2. Payne's Beauborne Steal my Heart. R/s. Lovely head and expression, good turnup and layback. Would prefer more width of chest and spring of rib. Topline good standing but lost slightly on the move. Well angulated fore and aft. Excellent deep red. Tendency to pace at times.

VD/B(9,2a).1. Barney's Ch Cilleine Another Day, R/r. Small, cobby bitch. Less angulation than some but balanced and square very typical. Really lovely head, small very highset ears which is a bit of a rarity. Good width of chest spring and depth of rib, straight front, good neck. Excellent topline and tailset. Very sound and sprightly. Coat in good fettle. BVIS.

2. Conway's Stormjac Dutchcan Can Coop. B/r. Large headed with lovely dark eye and neat small ear. Wide chest and excellent spring and depth of rib. Correct angulation, very balanced, would have preferred a little more neck. Topline rock solid, lovely tail set and carriage. Good bone, straight legs with neat feet. Very sound. In great coat, very harsh and black.

MPD (1). Swinge's Balthazar Ultravox, R/r. A naughtily, leggy baby with a really beautiful head, good nose pattern and layback, very dark lustrous eyes and wicked expression. Ears need to settle. Good reach of neck and nice shoulders, obviously at this age needs to develop in spring and depth of rib. Good topline and short loin. Tail set high. Very sound on the move, coat a good colour.

PD (4). Donnellan and Robert's Brus Konfident Step Vonici (Imp UKR) R/r. Thought this puppy really stood out. Small, square confident and immaculately presented in coat and schooling. Lovely head, large for his age with plenty of width. Great expression, with dark sparking eyes, nice nose pad, correct layback and turnup. Beautifully put together shoulder and neck. Straight front, level topline, short loin, lovely rib for age. Completely balanced in angulation, rear pasterns parallel, short and strong. Excellent movement. Made the most of himself at all times. Very promising BPIS.

2. Conway's Stormjac Nic Nac. B/s, Good head with the sweetest of expressions, lovely small highset ears. Width of chest coming, rib a good shape that just needs to spring. Good bone and neat strong feet. Well balanced all round. Topline, tail set and carriage good. Moved well.

3. Moran and Prouve Hierners Buckingham (Imp Swe).

JD (3). Suggitt's Aprick Time for Eleveses. R/r Excellent type. Good angulation fore and aft, liked his reach of neck, tight elbows and straight front. Head large enough with dark expressive eye, nice turnup. Ribcage developing nicely with spring and depth good for his age. Level topline, short loin, high set tail. Coat of great colour and texture. Well presented. Moved really well with plenty of reach and drive. Very promising.

2.Conway's Stormjac Spocktacular Nite. B/r Also of lovely type and size and bone. Excellent moderately large head with a big nose pad, open nostrils and good layback and turnup. Liked his square outline, level topline and short loin. Lovely spring and depth of rib. Plenty of angulation fore and aft but a little short in upper arm. Tail set and carried well. In great coat, harsh and very black. Very sound.

3.Torkelsen's Haldde Borealis Justin.

ND(1). Donnellan and Robert's Brus Konfident Step Vonici (Imp UKR).

PGD(2). 1.Ritchie's Cilleine Remembrance at Glogriff. R/r Compact with a lovely outline. Large head, dark eye and good turnup. Wide chest, deep enough with plenty of spring of rib. Tight elbows and straight front. Correct balanced angulation fore and aft, well set on neck. A little wide between the hocks at times but very sound, looked particularly good moving when in profile. Topline good with well set tail. In good coat, harsh nice colour and well presented.

2. Bennett-Harrington's B. Crusader.

LD (4)1. Swinge's Balthazar Johnny Angel. R/r Small and compact. Lovely outline, an old fashioned type that matures later just as the breed should. Excellent head and expression with good layback. Open nostrils, neat high set ears. Good front and shoulder assembly, straight legs and neat round feet. Well balanced angulation, enough neck well set on. Level topline, nicely set and carried tail. In excellent deep red harsh coat. Moved soundly and correctly. Lovely temperament.

2.White's Emjaycee Country Playboy of Wistleyhill. R/s of larger and heavier type than the winner. Cobby, heavy boned with a large head, larger ear than the winner. Wide chest, huge spring of rib. Good topline, strong short loin. Good angulation fore and aft. Lovely fine, deep red coat. Preferred the feet and tail set of my winner. Moved very soundly. Well shown.

3.Ritchie's Sabai Sartori at Glogriff.

OD(7(1)).1.Conway's Shevilan Voyager at Stormjac. B/r. Square dog with a large head, gave a typical outline. Lovely expression, big nose pad, open nostril, dark sparkling eyes and good layback and turnup. Small highset ear with broad skull between. Excelled in spring of rib, short strong loin, balance and angulation. Good bone, straight front, tight elbows and neat feet, rear pasterns short and parallel. Topline level and strong, tail well set and nicely carried. Moved soundly but lacked animation, a difficult dog to show. In great coat, very black and harsh, well presented. Considered him strongly for RBD.

2.Hughes and Crawford's Beaubourne Galieo. R/r cobby dog of really excellent type. Wide chest, straight front, excellent rib, lovely length and set on of neck. Good rear angulation, strong second thigh and strong pasterns. Large head, good expression, dark, medium sized eyes. Good width of skull. In good coat, well presented. Lost out on movement as he refused to cooperate and messed his handler about no end which was a shame.

3. Prouve's Ch/IT/IR Ch Shevilan Buddha.

MPB(1) Swinge's Balthazar Shakira, R/r, very much like her litter brother in many ways. Raw and leggy with some developing to do within a correct well made frame. A very attractive head and expression, completely feminine, good layback and dark eyes. Good reach and set on of neck. Nicely angulated shoulders. Topline level and strong. Balanced well angulated fore and aft. Coat coming in nicely and of good colour. Moved very well. A real baby.

PB(4,1a)1.Cooper and Seymour's Manticorns Fedora Over Settrenda (Imp SWE). R/r Lovely outline, cobby with straight front, tight elbows with chest wide enough for age. Good spring of rib, level topline. Correct balanced angulation fore and aft. Tail set high. Good size skull with ample turnup, dark eye of lovely size and shape. Excellent ears, high set and small. Moved with drive, sound and correct from all angles. Beautifully presented in great coat. BPB.

2. Donnellan's Vonici's Frizzante, Bt/r Very pretty and well marked, feminine head and expression, dark sparkling eyes. Excelled in length and set on of neck leading to very nicely laid shoulders. Rib starting to spring and chest widen. Topline level,

just a touch longer in loin than the winner, high set and nicely carried tail. Great bone for size. Moved very soundly.

3. Huges and Crawford's Beauborne Demelza.

JB(4,1a).1.Meaden's Stormjac Val Can in the Nite,B/r presented a typical square outline. Liked her well laid shoulders, and length of upper arm, she had just enough neck. Short level back, very short strong loin, high set tail nicely carried. Excellent rear angulation. Large head, dark lustrous eye, open nostrils, nose needs to finish to put the final touch to her expression, plenty of turnup, small, high set ears. In great coat, harsh and very black, another nice one so typical of this kennel. Moved soundly with drive.

2.Suggitt's Aprick Liquorice Toffee, B/s. Thought she had a lovely head and expression, small high set ears and good turnup. Her outline was strong standing but lost a little on the move. Very good bone, very well laid shoulders, nicely balanced. Topline good standing tailset high with well carried tail. Moved very soundly. Not as black as my winner.

3. Hughes and Crawford's Cobblehill Gucci with Beauborne.

NB(2,1a). 1. Payne's Beauborne Babe of Hearts,R/s. Small demonstrating a lovely outline. Pretty, feminine head, good mouth, plenty of turnup, dark eye. Nicely angulated shoulders with good width of chest, well sprung rib and good topline. Balanced angles fore and aft. Deep red with fine coat.

PGB(8,2a) 1. Donnellan's Vonici's Voodoo Doll Bt/s. Good shape and balance, with plenty of bone. Wide chest, well sprung rib and good front, very good lay of shoulder. Level topline with short strong loin. Correct rear angulation, well muscled hindquarters. Stood out for her movement, true in all directions with reach and drive. Very fit and in great condition.

2. Swinge's Balthazar Tainted Love R/r. Presented a lovely correct outline not quite as mature as the winner just waiting for her rib to spring a little more and chest to drop. Stood out for her beautiful head which was large and with good layback and turnup. Dark lustrous eyes. Excellent topline and tail set. Coat a good red of harsh texture. Moved correctly and soundly but messing around a little today.

3. Rose's Rhodon call me Madam.

LB(3)1. Rose's Rhodon Regal Madam R/s. Small, compact, fully mature with lovely overall shape. Excellent bone for size. Liked her length and set of neck, well laid shoulder and wide chest. Nicely sprung rib, short strong loin and balanced correct angulation. High set and correctly carried tail. Large head with correct skull shape, short muzzle, attractively sprinkled with a little grey, good turnup. Sound and lively movement.

2. Payne's Beauborne Artemis R/s. Similar to the winner in many ways but not as mature in rib and chest. Short strong loin and excellent tail set. Lovely small, high set ears and dark eye. Nicely angulated fore and aft. Moved well with purpose.

3.Wood's Imgosbull Abstractia Delightbull (IMP).

OB(3,1a)1. Rose's Rhodon Bit of a Madam, R/s. Small, cobby, square and full of her own self importance. Excellent bone for size. Wide chest, very well off for spring of rib and depth of ribcage. Nicely set shoulders with good reach of neck. Short level back and strong short loin. Liked her moderate rear angulation and wide well muscled hindquarters, strong second thigh and short parallel rear pasterns. Excellent tail set and carriage. Large head with a dark lustrous eye, open nostrils and enough layback and turnup. Small well set ears. Head not overdone. In excellent coat, fine and deep red. Moved so soundly with drive and not too much lift in front. BB and RBIS.

2. Payne's Beauborne Steal my Heart, R/s. A very pretty bitch with a lovely expression, dark eye and good turnup. Good length of neck and lay of shoulder, upper arm of correct length. Less mature in chest and rib than the winner. In good coat, excellent deep red and fine, in gleaming condition. Tending to pace at times. Lovely temperament.

Judge: Jessica Gruninger.