

The Griffon Bruxellois Breeders Association
24 Class Championship Show held on Saturday 17th July 2010
Judge: Mrs C E Cartledge

DOG CC & BIS – CH MARQUANT MY ROMEO
BITCH CC, RBIS & BOS – MARQUANT DESIRE
BPIS – MARQUANT THE BAD BOY
BVIS – CH JAYDEAN LENA HORNE

From the first class to the last these amazing little clowns provided entertainment – you could never be depressed around Griffons! On the floor most were totally in charge with a look of supreme confidence. A few of the youngsters were a bit unsure on the ‘go round’ but 95% rallied and got over their ‘stage fright’. The Weedon Bec Village Hall is an ideal venue for this size breed show but puppies, who perhaps had never been indoors before, could understandably find the echoes and restricted space off-putting. A thoroughly enjoyable day for me with a good atmosphere and the ringside sportingly applauded every class winner whether they agreed or not! Brenda and Peter Taylor were my stewards, very experienced and efficient, making my job of judging much easier. I found some classes difficult – the PG Bitch class was very mixed in both quality and size. Movement generally was disappointing, front action in particular was poor. The Marquant kennel had a clean sweep winning both CCs and also best puppy. Best in Show was Ch Marquant My Romeo, RBIS & BOS Marquant Desire, making her a champion on the day; and BP Marquant The Bad Boy, a Romeo son. Ch Jaydean Lena Horne, an 8yr old black rough bitch was best veteran.

MPD (3): A class of mini-hooligans!

1. **Martyn’s RHOSEPHIRE MAN ABOUT TOWN**, 7 months r/s, lovely shape and proportions, good topline, monkeylike expression, hilarious character who had to do things his way – or not at all! Excellent body, coat and condition, when he put his mind to it moved well – his energies and enthusiasm need to be channelled in the right direction;
2. **Thompson’s BEAUVIEW NIGHT IN THE CITY**, quality b/t/r of 8 months, large rounded head, good expression, looked very well when his handler stacked him on the table. Moved OK but not quite sure of himself walking on the mats;
3. **Duncan’s CASTAFIORE NOIR DESIRE.**

PD (4):

1. **BP, Price’s MARQUANT THE BAD BOY**, 9.5 months r/r, cobby and square little dog, full of himself, lively and enthusiastic showman and mover, I liked his head, wide open nostrils, expressive eyes, well carried ears, good topline and body, well presented coat. Son of BIS winner, good potential;
2. **Andrew’s BALTHAZAR PUNK ROCK** 9 months r/s with excellent coat, good bone and depth of body, showed off all the time on the floor, not quite so cocky on the table, eyes dark, round and full of expression. Would like a little more width of underjaw;
3. **Ogden’s BEAUVIEW BRAVE AS A BLIZZARD.**

JD (1)

1. **Swinge's BALTHAZAR DEVIL IN DISGUISE**, r/r of 13 months, bouncy and animated, movement could have been more fluent but he was so excited about it all that his legs weren't quite in rhythm! Rounded head, expressive eyes, excellent body, good topline high set tail, sympathetically handled.

YD (No entries)

PGD (2): Both were r/s and both were a little overweight –

1. **Carpenter's KLANSTED HARVEST MOON**, masculine 3 yr old, positive showman who moved better than 2nd, firm topline, good bone and depth of body, glossy coat. Attractive head, eyes could be a shade darker;
2. **Duncan's RHODON SONNY JIM**, 3.5 yrs, gassy showman, happy character but panting throughout so expression difficult to assess, pigmentation could be stronger. Good width and depth of chest. Failed in front movement.

LD (6,2a): Difficult class I thought:

1. **Conway's SAMARANDA DOUBLE AGENT AT STORMJAC**, 2.4 yrs b/r, short back, very focused on the job, attractive head, typical expression, dark eyes, excellent coat texture, well proportioned, made the most of himself standing, good quarters, moved well behind, a bit careless in front;
2. **Mercer's FENNYMORE PERSIE RAMROD**, 15 months r/r, masculine head but could have more width of underjaw, sturdy body, good bone, well handled. Movement not 100% but he was nevertheless a close 2nd;
3. **Higgin's JAYDEAN DENZIL BLACK** what a shame this 4.5 yr old b/r can't be persuaded to enjoy this showing lark a bit more. Lovely head and eyes, wide open nostrils, cobby body, well fitting jacket, moved OK but without any animation.

BLACK DOG (2):

1. **Conway's STORMJAC DUTHCAN CAN COOP**, 2yrs rough, expressive eyes, rounded head of good size, harsh coat, good bone, legs and feet, well proportioned, moved well, responded well to his handler, alert showman. Considered him for the RCC and he was not far off;
2. **JAYDEAN DENZIL BLACK**

BLACK & TAN DOG (2,1a):

1. **Smith's BEAUVIEW I CAN HEAR THUNDER**, 2rs smooth, expressive dark eyes, pleasing head, well muscled and quite fit. Shade long cast, did not help himself as he didn't like the hall and refused to show or move with any conviction. Looked much better when moving around with the other class winners.

RED DOG (4,1a):

1. **Hewitt & Spittle's RHODON CAPTAIN SCARLET**, 2.5 yrs smooth in good form, monkey like expression, lovely feet, well muscled quarters, steady showman, responded well to his handler;
2. **RHODON SONNY JIM**;
3. **Fletcher's MILLBONE WILL SCARLET**

OD (8, 1a): Splendid Class:

1. **CC & BIS, Price's CH MARQUANT MY ROMEO**, nearly 3 this r/r, lovely type and size, really turned it on, vivacious showman, plenty of style standing and moving. Well balanced with fit firm body, delightful head, expressive eyes, good turn-up, held his topline on the move, good bone and feet. On this form he certainly could not be denied the top award;
2. **RCC, Mercer's CH FENNYMORE PINKIE ROYALE**, fully mature r/r approaching 5, real macho man, masculine head, expressive eyes, neat ears, arched his neck, short back, well sprung ribs, excellent type, focused showman. Not quite as positive in movement as Romeo;
3. **Guy's VENDETTA'S COQ'DOR AT DONZEATS (Imp)**, completed a decent trio of quality Griffons. This 2 yrs r/r had plenty of style, expressive eyes, monkey like expression, good body and outline, moved well behind, room for improvement in front, well handled.

VETERAN DOG (2):

1. **Ogden's CH BEAUVIEW OUT OF THE CLOSET**, b/t/r, nearly 8 yrs, good coat, handsome head with good beard, lovely expression, quite a spring in his step, sturdy body shade long cast;
2. **Swinge's BEAUVIEW HOT GOSSIP ShCM**, 7.5 yrs r/r, coat not at its best today and movement was a bit uncoordinated, showed well standing, enjoyed his turn in the ring.

MPB (7,1a):

1. **BPB, Thompson's BEAVIEW WITH A CHERRY ON TOP**, charming r/r of 8 months, already knew exactly what to do, firm body, feminine head, high set tail, well proportioned, showed with composure, promising;
2. **Fletcher's MILLBONE COCO BLUSH**, 8 months r/s, another quality puppy with potential, pretty and feminine, well conditioned, good coat, topline and quarters, monkey face, lovely eyes, moved OK;
3. **Newitt's DEBMAR JUST THE TICKET.**

PB (5,1a):

1. **Murray's OPERASTAR PRECIOUS PEARL**, 9 months r/s, composed little showgirl, ultra feminine, cobby body, all the confidence in the world, typical head and expression, glossy coat;
2. **Conway's STORMJAC EMBER IN THE NITE**, 9 months b/r, good topline, attentive showgirl with good bone, legs and feet, excellent coat texture, well handled and presented;
3. **Price's MARQUANT THE DANCING GIRL.**

JB (10,3a):

1. **Thompson's BEAUVIEW JUST CAN'T HIDE IT**, r/s of 14 months, quality youngster in good form, most appealing head, expressive dark round eyes, firm body and quarters, got her act together on the move, showy and smart;
2. **Guy's DONZEATA ROYAL THREAD**, 14 months r/s, cobby body, feminine head, excellent pigmentation, eyes full of expression, high set tail, such a positive showgirl, well handled and conditioned. Front movement let her down today;
3. **Fray's CILLEINE SPUR RYAL AT LIONDOR.**

YB (6, 2a):

1. **Thompson's BEAUVIEW POSH NOSH**, won this class very comfortably and was in the last four for the CC. R/r of 20 months, great coat and condition, beautifully presented, all quality head, lovely eyes, arched her neck, well sprung ribs, good bone and feet, well muscled quarters. Bit wide in front movement. In the challenge held her own for quite a while but just at the wrong moment dropped her tail;
2. **Suggitt's APTRICK GILTHONIEL**, 20 months b/r, attractive head, expressive eyes, good body and bone, moved OK. Bit long in body and coat presentation could be better;
3. **Rose's RHODON REGAL MAID.**

PGB (9, 4a): definitely the most difficult class the day!

1. **Rose's RHODON MISS CHIEF**, 3.5 yrs r/s, pretty head good expression, neat feet, excellent coats, showed steadily, sympathetically handled, adequate mover;
2. **Fletcher's MILLBONE SCARLET CONTESSA**, 2 yrs r/s, could have won this class but she was panting and pulling to one side on the move today. Typy bitch, monkey face, dark round eyes, good body and coat. Not making the most of herself;
3. **Simpson & Bagshaw's NOSYGRIFF A CLOSE ENCOUNTER.**

LB (7,1a)

1. **Barney's CILLEINE ANOTHER DAY**, 2yrs r/r of good size and type, well proportioned and bodied, pleasing head, expressive eyes, tail on top, stylish mover and showgirl. Coat not at its best today but still deserved to be in the running for the CC;
2. **Ogden's BEAUVIEW FLY THE FLAG**, 22 months b/t/r with good expression, excellent coat texture and body, moved OK behind;
3. **Rose's RHODON REGINA.**

BLACK BITCH (4,2a):

1. **Prouve's Int, Bel & Ir Ch LIAMFORD MISS DAMSON**, 5 yrs rough. On the ball and showing her socks off, intense expression, dark intelligent eyes, good body and coat texture, happy and co-operative, sturdy body, well handled;
2. **APTRICK GILTHONIEL**

BLACK & TAN BITCH (1):

1. **Smith's BEAUVIEW BOUNCED CHEQUE**, 3 yrs smooth, front not her best feature, good body and outline, feminine outlook, alert expression, plenty of body, steady showgirl.

RED BITCH (6,2a):

1. **RCC, Guy's DONZEATA ROYAL TAFFETA**, 14 months r/r litter sister to 2nd in JB, real little smartie pants who didn't miss a trick. Attractive head, very good eyes and expression, well proportioned with good body, topline and tailset, well fitting coat, moved soundly, showed right up to the end, very well handled.

2. **Barney's CH CILLEINE IMAGINE STERNROC**, 6.5 yrs r/s, quality head, good tailset and hindquarters, topline a little slack but put plenty into her showmanship. Well sprung ribs, good coat, positive mover;
3. **Rose's JAYDEAN MISS TEAK AT RHODON.**

OB (6,2a):

1. **CC, RBIS & BOS**, Price's Marquant Desire, 22 months r/r, lively and full of sparkle, excellent quality and type, short back firm body, well muscled quarters. Round head with dark eyes, good turn up, cheeky expression, moved with a purpose, natural showgirl, good coat;
2. **Murray's OPERASTAR RHAPSODY IN RED** , 5 yrs, dam of PB winner, excellent coat, high tail set, moved OK, attractive head, eyes could be a shade darker. Topline a little slack when standing at ease;
3. **Payne's CHECAR COZ I'M GORGEOUS.**

VETERAN BITCH (7,4a):

1. **BV, Higgin's CH JAYDEAN LENA HORNE**, 8 yrs plus, b/r, still got a good topline, front movement a bit extravagant but she moved well behind. Quality head, bright sparkling eyes, happy showgirl, firm body, excellent coat texture;
2. **Owen's CILLEINE CRIANZA AT SANTARRA**, 9.5 yrs r/s, grey and distinguished frosting, typical head, moved nicely when she concentrated, longer in body than 1st;
3. **Barney's CH TUTTLEBEES FASCINATING TO CILLEINE**, grand old dame of nearly 11, still full of her own importance, but movement rather tired.

SPECIAL BEGINNERS D/B (6, 2a)

1. **KLANSTED HARVEST MOON;**
2. **Simpson & Bagshaw's NOSYGRIFF SUMMER WINE**, 2 yrs r/s bitch, not enjoying herself indoors but a typy bitch with good head, excellent feet, firm body, glossy coat, well conditioned. Not getting her tail up and front movement could have more reach;
3. **CASTAFIORE NOIR DESIRE.**

PROGENY (2):

1. **Thompson's BEAUVIEW TROOP THE COLOUR** with his offspring, typy with good heads and cobby bodies.

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