

Midland Boxer Club CH Show

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Critique

Dog judge- Charlotte Carpenter-Crooks

First of all, a thank-you to all of the exhibitors who entered under me, also a huge thank you to the Midland Boxer club for inviting me to award tickets for the first time, my Stewards Trevor and Julie were brilliant, and made my experience as smooth as possible especially with the running of the open show at the same time. The catering was second to none as usual, thank you A J catering. It was great to have my grandparents Jean and Tony Watson watch me give my first set of CCs.... I hope I made them proud!

The quality was excellent along with my entry I was elated, however I do feel there are a good quantity of dogs with a steep upper arm, therefore in turn lacking in fore-chest, in general I do also think heads are on the stronger side from when I previously judged in 2019, in saying this I really enjoyed myself, and it was a pleasure to judge along -side the bitch judge Sheena Peck.

Class 1- Veteran Dog (5 entries 2 absentees)

1st Littlewood & Bowler's Olleyville Stanley Man At Whirlobox- A sound dark B/W male, looking fabulous for 8 years old, stands on his toes the whole time for his handler, well balanced front and rear, strong back and top-line, correct reach of neck free flowing into his top-line, strong hammy quarters as to which he uses on the move. Correct rear angulation in turn allows him to drive around the ring, pleasing head with plenty of padding, fabulous chin, correct bite, beautiful dark pigment, along with a dark eye. Was pleased when he was awarded best veteran in agreement with my co-judge.

2nd Kelly's Casemates Gandalf- Smart B/W male, again very balanced, strong arch of neck, correct depth of brisket, slightly more fore-chest than one however preferred top-line on one as his croup slopes upwards therefore just giving him a lesser sharp outline. Correct rear angulation, straight hocks, tight feet front and rear. Fabulous front and lay back of shoulder, correct spring of

rib, his chest filled my hand when going over him. Again, pleasing head, balanced, correct muzzle to skull proportions, dark pigment, correct wide bight, just preferred slightly tighter eye on one.

3rd Louis's Rameleon Nights in Harlem.

Class 2 Minor Puppy Dog (4 entries 0 absentees)

1st Mair's Glenauld the Chase- What a superb puppy! Very eye-catching R/W male combining elegance and substance, a beautiful outline, balanced from head to toe, lovely- crested neck leading into a strong straight top-line, correct front angulation with superb lay back of shoulder, correct angle of upper arm giving him a fabulous fore-chest. Well-off for spring of rib, fabulous depth of brisket for a youngster, lovely hammy quarters with evident second thigh, correct rear angulation. Beautiful straight front leading into tight feet, correct slight slope in pastern. A lovely balanced head, good width of muzzle along with a correct amount of padding, clean expression, fabulous markings, dark pigment. Expressive dark eye giving him an over- all mischievous and alert expression, lovely rise of skull, good mouth. Moved with front reach, with plenty of rear drive, clean going away and coming towards. Finally, to mention his fabulous happy temperament! I am sure this dog will have a bright future. Was pleased to award him best puppy dog, then in agreement with my co-judge, awarded best puppy in show.

2nd Bell's Surfstone A Few Good Men- Smart dark B/W puppy, lovely overall outline, clean neck, well crested neck, in lovely condition showing a glossy tight coat. Correct depth of brisket, leading into an evident tuck-up, making a lovely under-line. Slightly sloping top-line leading to correct slight fall off in croup, slightly straighter in stifle than one, would prefer a straighter hock. Stronger in head than 1 when alert, this male still has an eye-catching expression, evident stop leading into a beautiful rise of skull, plenty of chin, correct bight. Kind expressive eyes, well balanced overall in head. Handled well.

3rd Payne's Jeddhi Through the Flame to Birleyvale

Class 3 Puppy Dog (4 entries 0 absentees)

1st Johnson & Pynegar's Sashbob Never Would I Ever from Berwynfa- A striking B/W male, he never puts a foot wrong for his handler, lovely over all outline, has elegance along with substance, good front angulations, lovely amount of bone, good reach of neck to which his handler enhances beautifully. Lovely

hammy quarters, leading down into ample of rear angulation, good turn of stifle correct cat-like feet, bang on tail-set. Head of good proportions, skull slightly rounded, correct ear carriage, inquisitive expression, dark mask, soft shaped eye. Moves well with purpose, would prefer a slightly sharper top-line, a little longer in back than my best puppy dog winner.

2nd Kavanagh's Arkeney Endeavour with Marbleton- A taller and rangier puppy than 1, long elegant neck, slightly sloping top-line, good rear angulation leading to straight hocks. Straighter in front angulation than 1, just lacks upper arm angle to give him an evident fore-chest. Square in out-line, well off for bone. Good head type, slightly less wrinkle on head than 1 when alert, good shape eye, dark pigment, large nostrils, slightly higher ear placement than 1, good mouth and teeth, covers the ground well when on the move.

3rd Payne's Willow Stardust.

Class 4 Junior Dog (4 entries 0 absentees)

1st Huckerby & Dowell's Boese L'amore For Norwilbeck Bellchime- A very honest Boxer, I have admired this young dog from the ring side since he was 6 months old, going over him certainly did not disappoint. Square and balanced in out-line, beautiful neck flowing nicely into a slightly sloping top-line, bang on tail-set. Strong quarters which enable him to use on the move, so elegant, not over-done in any way, yet still portrays substance, presented in beautiful condition, straight front leading to perfect cat-like feet, correct slight lay-back of pastern. Beautiful head type shouts male without any over exaggerations, one of the cleanest heads of the day, lovely shaped expressive eyes, well proportioned head, brilliant length of foreface to skull proportion, good mouth, would prefer a little more chin ... but you cannot have everything. It was a pleasure to pull him out in the last four for the CC, however his slight lack of maturity compared to the other three, lost it for him on the day.

2nd Hare's Jimbren the Irishman- Another typey male, plenty of bone and substance, in hard condition, strong neck leading into a strong back with level top-line, strong hammy quarters, evident second thigh, correct rear angulation, straight hocks. He as a strong chest, good front angulation, straight front leading to super tight feet. A good head- type, just preferred cleaner head on 1 as he had less wrinkle when alert, mischievous expression, dark eye, slightly wider skull than muzzle width. Moved well with purpose, correct rear movement with drive.

3rd Van-Beck's Newlaithe Respect JW.

Class 5 Yearling Dog (2 entries 0 absentees)

1st Mair's Ch Sulez Scorcher at Glenauld- A very substantial male, oozes quality, balanced and compact with ample bone. He is a pleasure to go over, turned out in excellent condition, elegant neck leading into a good lay back of shoulder, well sprung in rib, a very well- balanced body, square in outline. Strong quarters, good rear angulation, as to which he uses on the move to his advantage with plenty of rear drive, excellent on the move, he moves with purpose, at one with his handler. Good head type, on the stronger side, ample padding around his muzzle, lovely wide bottom jaw, good mouth, beautiful dark pigment, inquisitive expression. Pulled out in the last four for the CC.

2nd Neilson & Connell's Borestone Secretariat- A good R/W Male, not as compact as 1, good overall shape, would like a sharper topline, however he possibly needed time to settle, good rear angulation leading into straight hocks, lovely tight feet front and rear. Preferred front angulation on 1 as could do with a better lay back of shoulder, good head type, nice dark almond eye, good ear set, ears set flush to his cheeks, lovely dark pigment, slight wrinkle when alert.

Class 6 Novice Dog (no entries)

Class 7 Graduate Dog (3 entries 0 absentees)

1st Louis's Boxania Over The moon- A good type of male, dark B/W, gleaming coat, good reach of neck, firm back and top-line, good bone and substance, a tad short in depth of brisket, doesn't quite meet his elbow, good under-line, well- turned stifle. Strong head type, plenty of substance, tight jowls, good mouth, evident stop, good rise of skull. Moved and handled well.

2nd Bell's Surfstone Get Carta- A very well-made male, the first thing I noticed is his superb front angulation, his angle of upper arm and lay back of shoulder are excellent, however he does have a slight roach to his topline. Plenty of substance, good rear angulation, tight feet. Excellent head type, again on the strong side, evident stop, well padded muzzle, good mouth, beautiful eye shape, splitting hairs between this dog and 1 for 1st spot, however he was closing one of his eyes on the day which spoilt his overall expression.

3rd Lowery's Danlow Magic Bullet.

Class 8 Post Graduate Dog (5 entries 0 absentees)

1st McDonald's Yeteb Totally Charming- A very eye- catching male, very balanced, sharp square outline, just an honest Boxer. Superb top-line, bang-on tail-set, well spring rib, short in loin, very much an air of elegance about him, Good straight front again with tight feet. He has good rear angulation, however, would prefer a slightly stronger back-end as he tends to turn his back feet out at times, this does not deter as to how much of a quality male he is. Excellent head type, typey clean head, with no over exaggerations, he has a look of what mischief can I find next in his eyes, lovely dark pigment, correct eye shape, wide nose with excellent nostrils, excellent mouth, good lip placement. Good movement, a very forward going temperament which I like to see.

2nd Nason's Arkeney Barrister- overall nice male, lovely neck, evident withers, strong back, good tail-set. Has not got quite the rear and front angulations as 1, strong quarters, good turn of stifle, good length of hock. Good depth of brisket, Handler could pull his front legs in slightly to make the most of his front. Clean in head, good type, dark brown eye, slightly rounder in eye than 1, excellent rise of skull, slight curve to skull, no excessive wrinkle. Straight front movement handled well.

3rd Law & Pynegar's Shellark Spence Is Dynamite with Berwynfa.

Class 9 Limit Dog (11 entries 0 absentees)

1st Kuech's Boese Jiggerlardo- This male stood out for me, he is well constructed, balanced, square in outline, he is of excellent quality. He is a good size, on his toes the whole time, his front angulation is excellent, plenty of chest to fill my hand when going over him, again another dog that oozes quality and type. Elegant firm neck leading into excellent shoulders, strong flat back leading into a slight fall off in croup, brilliant tail-set. His rear angulation is near perfect, leading to excellent straight hocks. His brisket meets his elbows, correct underline flowing into a superb turn of stifle. He is in good fit hard condition, with a gleaming coat, lovely in front, leading down to excellent tight feet. Head type a little stronger for what I would usually go for however he does have an excellent head type, balanced muzzle to skull ratio, superb wide mouth, good clean teeth. He has an honest expression, with a soft kind eye, plenty of padding. I love his temperament, he never puts that tail down, he moves well with purpose, excellent rear drive as to which he uses to push off the ground well, he has a ground covering gait. It was a pleasure to award him his 2nd CC, well deserved.

2nd Bell's Surfstone Master Spy- Another sound male, B/W of medium size, firm neck, strong top-line, good tail-set. Good rear angulation, slightly straighter in upper arm than 1, good spring of rib, excellent depth of brisket, again in hard condition. Good head type, again on the stronger side, shorter in fore face than 1, evident stop, with good rise of skull, would prefer slightly less bubus cheeks, however he does have a soft expression, with an excellent shape of eye and colour. Very sturdy front leading down to strong pasterns, and tight feet, pulled back in to compete for the reserve CC.

Class 10 Open Dog (10 entries 0 absentees)

1st Woolliss & Flintoft's Ch Boxania Roamin Around at Rameleon- A lovely dark B/W male, again a very honest Boxer, this class was superb, however this male stood out in profile as he oozes type. A medium size male, a little more compact to some of the others in the class, in saying this he is still beautifully balanced, excellent rear angulation, hammy quarters, thighs in strong hard condition, correct front angulation, love his evident fore chest. Lovley head type, again strong in head, however he has an eye- catching expression. Slight wrinkle on head when alert, beautiful dark eye, good width of muzzle, good mouth, he really is easy on the eye, a pleasure to go over. He moves well, clean going away, and coming back, pleased to award him the reserve CC, he just didn't have the and oomph on the move, on the day as the CC winner.

2nd McCarthy & Gething's Ch Boxania Romanoff To Jeddhi- I'll be honest I have never paid much attention to this dog from the ringside, I was impressed when I went over him, very sharp outline, taller in height than 1, square in outline, free flowing neck leading into a good topline, however I felt the topline on 1 slightly sharper. Beautifully balanced, spot- on rear angulation, strong quarters leading into straight hocks. He was deserving of his 2nd place in this stunning class, he has a superb clean head, excellent width of muzzle, no excessive wrinkle when alert, lovely shape eye, tight jowls, good mouth, moved well, just felt 1 had more sparkle on the day.

3rd Brough & Cairns's Ch Galicar Invesigating with Limubox JW