## MIDLAND BOXER CLUB OPEN SHOW 28<sup>TH</sup> November 2015

Judge Kerry Hobson

I would like to thank the Midland Boxer Club for the invitation to Judge at their Open show, the warmest of welcomes, great hospitality & beautiful gifts. What would have been a super entry was affected by Kennel Cough! Thank you for your entries & to the Exhibitors on the day for your great Sportsmanship. I had some very tough decisions to make & was splitting hairs in many classes! I thoroughly enjoyed my day.

Veteran Dog - No entries.

Minor Puppy Dog - 3 entries, 3 absent.

**Puppy Dog** - 3 Entries, 1 absent. 1st & Best Puppy Dog - Cook & Postance Mrs J & Miss C - Manic Heart Breaker. 11mths B/W. Eye catching stylish puppy who is all Male. Head clean & developing nicely. Good neck which he used to advantage. Lovely front & correct height on foreleg. Super round bone but retaining the required elegance. In profile short back & smart. Just needs to strengthen behind. 2nd Flintoft,S - Boxania Fire Bug. 10mths R/W. Different type to 1st & not as mature. Head heavy for me & would prefer less wrinkling. Correct eye shape with kind expression. Excellent mouth, straight wide & correct dentition. Correct rear angulation, good quarters & width of thigh.

**Junior Dog** - 4 Entries, 3 Absent, 1st Beardsell & Van-Beck C & V - Newlaithe Bug On JW. 16mths B/W. A smart Boy with a clean head. Nicely balanced, nothing over done. Would prefer a larger eye. Good mouth. Short strong back. Correct rear angulation. In excellent muscular condition throughout but a tad too much muscle over the shoulder. A shame he played up a bit today.

**Novice Dog** - 1 Entry. Stewart Mrs J.P - Boxygen Snygg Och Rod. 18mths R/W. Good head with correct rise of skull, evident stop & lovely turn up of nose. Correct eye shape & good expression. Would prefer a cleaner skull. Good mouth. Slightly long cast. Well muscled quarters. Moved ok. Very unsettled & different Handler on the move.

**Post Graduate Dog** - 6 Entries, 2 Absent. 1st, RBD & RBIS - Payne Mrs D - Boxania Spice Innovation at Birleyvale. 25mths Dark B/W . Very handsome Boy with substance & elegance. Very good head which is clean. Good length, width & padding to muzzle. Beautiful eyes & the most cheeky expression! Well balanced throughout, short strong back, good spring of rib, elbows nicely tucked in. Moved out well Loved his attitude, so mischievious - he really wanted my squeaky toy. Very close decision in the challenge. 2nd McArdle Mr S & Mrs M - Wildax Lookin Good at McArmadale. 23mths B/W. Smart Boy with a good clean nicely balanced head. Correct eye shape & kind expression. Super long strong neck which he used well. Good front & lovely shaped front legs. Would prefer a tad more rear angulation. 3rd Beardsell, Van-Beck & Fielding C V & S - Newlaithe the Fugitive.

Limit Dog - 4 Entries. 1st, BD & BIS - McArdle Mr S & Mrs M - Redmol Read all about it at McArmadale JW - 2yr4mth Dark B/W. I've admired this Dog from the ring side & wasn't disappointed going over him. A very eye catching Boy with the required substance & elegance. Beautiful balanced headpiece, lovely eyes, gentle kind expression. Correct muzzle well padded & of good length & width. Evident chin. Long strong muscular neck. Good front, shoulders, short strong back. Good angulation both ends. Very close decision in the challenge and they could easily change places. Splitting hairs but just preferred the height of foreleg on BIS. 2nd Cherry Mrs Y - Cherryforge Botticelli. 30mths Dark B/W. Another favourite of mine. Beautiful head which is clean. Padded muzzle, good rise of skull, evident stop, good tilt of nose. Correct dark eyes with kind expression - although he had the devil in him today & misbehaved throughout! Evident chin. Very stylish outline. 3rd Welch Mrs J & Mr T - Newlaithe Trojan for Treju.

**Open Dog -** 3 Entries, 2 Absent. 1st Fielding Sarah - Newlaithe Fast & Furious. 5yr11mth R/W - all Male. Typical head, dark eyes & nice expression. Nice short back. Well muscled throughout with good width of thigh. Movement a little erratic. More height of foreleg required & would prefer more elegance throughout.

**Veteran Bitch** - 1 Entry. 1st & Best Veteran in show Stewart Mrs J P - Ch Berwynfa Bom Chicka Wah Wah for Boxygen. 9yrs B/W. In good condition for her age. She was enjoying her day out & had a super happy temperament. Clean pretty head, plenty of padding to muzzle, good rise of skull, evident stop, kind eyes. Good mouth for age. Correct front. Moved out guite well, just a little close behind.

**Minor Puppy Bitch** - 4 Entries, 2 absent. 1st McCarthy & Gething D & S - Sunvalley Heart on Fire at Jeddhi. 6mth B/W. A pretty raw baby. Head correct for age. Dark eyes. Nicely put together. Very smart outline. At one with Handler on the move & moved out well for one so young. Some in-toeing coming towards me. Would prefer less rear angulation. 2nd Edwards Mrs Lisa - Sunvalley Final Touch for Zaluxa. 6mth dark B/W. Another lovely raw baby. Head correct for age with plenty of chin, could go over. I managed to get a glimpse of this puppy's outline which was very nice. Good overall body shape. Would prefer more bone & substance. Movement was erratic - but puppy was jumping at the bait! When stacked she was over stretching for bait & her back was roached. Handler to keep practising.

Puppy Bitch - 8 Entries, 3 Absent. 1st & BPIS - Woolliss Mrs E - Boxania Jitter Bug with Rameleon. 10mth B/W. I have admired this puppy from the ring side & wasn't disappointed today. When her Handler has her bob on she is superb, on her one to one today she was picture perfect! Beautiful balanced head which is correct & nothing overdone. Mischievous dark correctly shaped eyes, good rise of skull, evident stop, chin, neat ears which she used well, good padded muzzle. A cobby Bitch, plenty of lovely round bone & substance but retaining her elegance. So well put together. Her body is balanced throughout. Good length of neck which she used well. Evident fore chest, good quarters & width of thigh. Moved well retaining her topline. The one I would have loved to take home. Should have a promising future. 2nd - Cook & Postance Mrs J & Miss C - Manic Heart of Glass. 11mth Dark B/W/ Another lovely puppy. Not as mature as 1. Head is very pretty & clean. A very stylish Girl with a super elegant outline - everything flowed. Good height on foreleg. Moved out well. Correct gentle sloping top line. A lot to like about this Girl & unlucky to meet 1st. Just preferred the overall substance & balance of 1st. 3rd - Watson & Crooks A J & C - Roylark Scarlet Ohara.

Junior Bitch - 5 Entries, 2 Absent. 1st Griffiths Mr M - Lanfrese Catwalk. 16mth B/W. Another eye catching Girl with ultra elegant outline. Good head, super lip placement, good rise of skull & correctly shaped eyes. Balanced throughout, lovely body shape, neat tuck up & well muscled throughout. Well handled to get the very best from her & at one with her Handler at all times. Very close decision in the Challenge, splitting hairs! Just preferred the forechest of the RBB. 2nd - Huxley Angela - Seacrest Beryl the Peril at Blixen. 13mth dark B/W. Cobbier than 1. Another with a super elegant outline. Good head properties with well padded muzzle. Correct height on foreleg. Gently sloping top line. Evident tuck up. Good angulation both ends & good width of thigh. Moved well. Lovely bone & substance. Just preferred the expression of 1. 3rd - Stewart, Pynegar & Murray - Berwynfa Zig Zaga Fuzz Buzz via Boxygen.

Novice Bitch - 1 Entry, 1 Absent.

Post Graduate Bitch - 6 Entries, 1 Absent. 1st & RBB Flintoft Sheila - Boxania Spice Inspiration. 2yr B/W. Beautiful balanced clean head, super chin but no exagerations. A cobby Bitch with a short strong back. Good front, quarters & width of thigh. Good angulation both ends. Good musculation throughout. A sound Bitch of lovely breed type. To be hyper critical I would just prefer a bit more oomph especially on the move! 2nd - Chippendale Mrs C - Mylicam Moon Maiden JW. 20mth R/W. Another quality Bitch that I have often admired. A very pretty head with good qualities & lovely pigment. Ultra short back & compact body. Deep chest & nicely tucked in elbows. Elegant outline. Well muscled throughout, but still retaining that required elegance - what you see is what you get! Well put together. Super width of thigh & good quarters. In gleaming condition showing off her short tight deer red jacket. Just preferred the overall substance of 1. 3rd - Mackay C A & J - Caljan Zoli Diamond.

Limit Bitch - 4 Entries, 1 Absent. 1st & BB McArdle Mr S & Mrs M - Redmol ina Pickle at McArmadale JW. 2yr4mth R/W. Beautiful sound, quality Bitch. Balanced throughout. Well up on size. Her head is lovely with no exagerations & dark well shaped eyes giving a lovely expression. Well muscled throughout. Good height on foreleg. Very good quarters & width of thigh. Good angulation both ends. A strong, long elegant neck which she used to advantage. Moved out well. To be hyper critical would just like her a shade shorter. 2nd - Taylor Mrs P - Pure Target with Newlaithe.3&half yr dark B/W. Unlucky to meet 1 today. A very stylish Bitch with elegant flowing outline. Nicely balanced head. Pretty Girl. Well made honest Bitch. Moved ok. Preferred the overall substance of 1. 3rd - Burgess Mr J - First Choice Ruby at Afandou.

**Open Bitch** - 2 Entries, 1 Absent. Chippendale Mrs C - Mylicam Waltzing Matilda JW. 2yr11mth R/W. Another lovely quality Bitch from this Kennel. Good head properties, pretty Girl, evident chin. Ultra short back, good angulation both ends. Well muscled throughout but retain the elegance. Excellent quarters which enabled her to move out well. Just a little close behind. Super temperament.

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