

Show 1 – Anthony Allen

Many thanks to the Central and Southern GSP Society for inviting me to judge at their open show and for running a very successful double open show with last years postponed show. There were very few clashes, and with the guidance of my super stewards the day ran very smoothly. To the exhibitors my thanks for the sporting way you accepted my decisions and for bringing some super dogs for me to go over, I found the quality very high.

DOGS

MPD. (3,1)

1. Kavacanne Bolt from the Blue. BPD.

Good overall shape on this young man, head pleasing, and he has a clean outline for his age. Good front on him, shoulders well placed and a decent return of forearm. Body of good proportions, slightly longer in loin but that should even up as he grows. Well boned legs with neat feet. Quarters well made, stifles well bent. Still needs to find his feet on the move but once he got going had a good side gait and was better on the move than the second placed dog giving him the class.

2. Montalba Mister Tea Time

Just six months old and clearly giving a lot away to the winner in maturity at the moment. Lots of potential about him, head of good shape. Well boned legs and neat feet. Good overall proportions.

PD. (3,2)

1. K. Bolt from the B.

JD. (8,0)

Some super dogs in the class and was a really tough decision between the first two.

1. Orchidstar Bolts of Speed

I thought this chap had the edge on the move out of the first two. He has a good overall shape and balance and had a bit more finish against Pop the Dom. He has a clean neck into a decent front assembly, stands on good legs and super feet. Elbows well laid back. Body of good proportions, firm back and quarters well made. Good footfall on the move with plenty of drive.

2. Magregor Pop the Dom over Pothouse

Another one I really like but not quite the finish of the winner today. I preferred his head to that of the winner but today but he was looking a little heavy over the shoulders on the stack which spoilt his outline. His shoulders are well set

and a good return of upper arm, ribs well sprung. Quarters well-made which he used to advantage on the move, just lost his shape on the stack at the end. Smart dog that should have a bright future ahead of him.

3. Seasham the Groover

ND. (4,1)

1. Barleyarch Hoopla at Forestpoint

Young dog at that in-between stage at the moment, head was masculine with a pleasing expression, neck clean and standing on good legs and neat feet. Needs to fill his frame which he will do in time. Moved out well.

2. Fayemm Sea the Stars

Close decision with the winner but he kept losing his shape on the stack, he held it better on the move. Head a tad strong for my tastes, neck into shoulder is clean. Good body proportion, ribs springing well and decent quarters on him. Not as accurate on the move as the winner today and that cost him the class. Shown in excellent hard condition.

3. K. Bolt from the B

PGD. (4)

1. Elfindrew Endrick to Valger

This chap stood out in this class, presenting that clean balanced outline that I was looking for. Head masculine with a good eye. I liked his neck into shoulders, which were correctly placed. Depth to chest and elbows well laid back. Stands on straight legs. Good through the body, ribs well sprung. Quarters well developed with stifles well bent. Did enough on the move to take the class, footfall was accurate but just didn't get going in the challenge.

2. F. Sea the Stars

3. Balvenie Double Diamond J.W.

LD. (4, 1)

1. Taftazini Aiden Abbett

This dog just got better as the class went on, presented with the cleanest of outline. He has a good overall shape and size about him. Head masculine, strong clean neck into well set shoulders, with a good lay-back. Stands on well boned legs, with elbows tight to the body. Good depth to his chest, ribs well sprung, firm short back. Quarters well made with good angulation. Moved out well to take the class.

2. Seasham Live Wire at Shoshoni

Well-made dog, good overall shape, for my tastes would have like a little bit more substance of him. Head is well proportioned with eyes of a good colour, neck clean. Decent depth of chest on him and ribs well sprung and back, good angulation behind. Not quite the topline of the winner, moved out well but needs a little more front extension.

3. Pingarypoint Top Secret at Kavacanne

OD. (6)

What a fabulous class this was to judge, some top quality exhibits who will no doubt change place many times over their careers.

1. Sh Ch Barleyarch Pringle JW. BD & RBIS.

Last judged him as a very young puppy, I liked him then so was pleased to see him here as the finished article and wow, has he matured into a super boy. He just commanded attention as he came into the ring. Presents with a super outline, totally in balance. Head is masculine, good breadth of skull and overall proportion. Good eye shape giving that intelligent expressions. Super clean neck in to well set shoulders. Stands on well boned, straight legs and neat feet. Depth to chest and ribs well sprung, firm in loin to give the correct topline. Quarters well made with stifles well bent and in good muscular condition. Excellent coat with harsh texture. Excelled on the move to take the class with a ground covering action. **Best Dog** and **RBIS**, thank you for bringing him again.

2. Sh Ch Barleyarch Ariat JW. RBD

Another cracking dog who I have seen from the ring side and pleased to see him walk into the class. I liked his head and expression, clean reach of neck into a decent front assembly, good depth of forechest, ribs well sprung. Topline correct which he held on the move. Well-made quarters, with stifles well bent. Moved out well with a good ground covering action, just not as tidy as the winner as he came towards me, which cost him the top spot. Please to award him **Reserve Best Dog**.

3. Orchidstar Bonds of Speed JW ShCM

VD. (2, 1)

1. Sh Ch Barleyarch Firefly. BVIS.

First encountered this chap when he was a youngster at one of his first shows, he did well that day and was great to see him here today as a veteran, also pleased to see he gained his title. Now at seven-and-a-half still lots to like about him. Super outline on the stack, totally balanced and in proportioned. He has a pleasing head, clean cut with a soft intelligent

masculine expression, just those few grey hairs giving away his age. Clean neck in to well set shoulders, stands on good legs and tight feet. Depth to chest and ribs well sprung, just a little soft in topline. Quarters are well made with stifles well bent, good from hock to heel. Moved out well with plenty of drive and accuracy of foot fall. Thank you for bringing him **Best Veteran in Show**.

BITCHES

MPB. (2)

1. Balvenie Eye Candy

Nice puppy, just seven months and growing in all the right directions. Liked her head and pretty expression, clean in neck, into well set shoulders. Good outline and overall proportions and quarters well made. Was more together on the move, had the better action to take the class.

2. Montalba Mrs Whitlow

Another of 7 months, not quite as mature as the winner and was at her very first show so was all a new experience for her. I liked her head and expression, good shape and overall proportions. Clean reach of neck, shoulder placement OK, good length of body. Needs to settle on the move but should happen as she gains experience and confidence.

PB. (2)

1. Winterwell Thatllldo for Desjiem.

What a smart lady she is, so well together for her young age. She has a super outline and balance. I really liked her head and expression, clean cut head with a kind eye. Neck into shoulders is excellent leading into a super front assembly with the correct lay of shoulder. Standing on straight legs and correctly place elbows. Good depth of chest for her age, firm back and well-set tail. Quarters are well made, stifles well bent. Once she settled on the move, she had a good action and covered the ground well. One I like a lot and if she continues growing in this vein, she should have a bright future ahead of her. **Best Puppy in Show**. I will follow her career with interest.

2. B. Eye C.

JB. (4)

1. Barleyarch Shindig with Kavacanne

A very smart bitch with a lot to like about her. Won the class on her outline and the more correct action on the move. Clean outline I liked her neck in to correctly set shoulders, decent return of upper arm and we set elbows. Good straight legs and depth of chest correct for her age. Back firm and

ribs springling nicely. Quarters, well angled with a good bend of stifle. Moved out well, had the better action in the class. Liked her a lot and ran her off in the challenge but understandably lacked the finished of the older girls.

Another that should do well in the future.

2. Soellis Fancy Nancy

Another good one, smaller framed and not quite as good in front action as the winner today. Head of good shape, hope her eyes darken a little to complete the picture. Neck is clean, shoulder lay back is good. Stands on well boned legs and neat feet. Body of good proportions and quarters well developed. Moved out well with plenty of drive. Coat was harsh. I suspect she will change places with the winner many times in the future.

3. Laoirebay Crystal Gem

NB. (3, 1)

1. B. Shindig with K.

2. Keigame Queenie

Good outline on this girl, head of good shape and proportions. Good neck into well set shoulders, Stands on good legs and neat feet. Ribs well sprung, not quite as good in finish to the croup as the winner. Quarters well made, with a good bend of stifle. Moved out well with drive but was a tad untidy as she came towards me.

PGB. (8, 1)

1. Fayemm Forever Together

Liked the balance on this girl. Her head was pleasing, and she had a feminine expression. Clean neck into a well-made frontassembly. Body had good overall proportions, ribs well sprung and firm loin. Carrying a little extra weight which made her topline a little soft. Quarters well made, stifles well bent and well-muscled. Moved out well.

2. Keigame Sweet Lullaby of Barleydust

Good overall shape and outline, finer in bone and type than the winner. Head is pleasing with good proportions. Neck clean leading in to well set shoulders. Well proportioned.

3. Jomeel Now I'm Here

LB. (9, 2)

1. Winterwell Stoney Trail

This bitch took time to settle. She just got better as the class went on, initially on the stack she was very rigid and did not present the best shape but as

she relaxed. Head is pleasing and of good proportions. Clean in neck, shoulders well set and stands on good straight legs. Body well made, ribs well sprung and quarters well made. Moved out well. In the challenge she presented the most super outline and was very close to top honours.

2. Drysika Cha Cha at Pelenrise

Soundly made bitch, well up for size but this did not detract. She has good construction with balanced angles front and rear. Head is proportionate, good front assembly on her, body in proportion with ribs well sprung. Quarters well made with a good bend of stifle. Moved out well to take this place in a competitive class.

3. Orchidstar Jenga

OB. (7, 1)

1. Barleyarch Skye at Longbarrow ShCM. BB & BIS.

Last judged this girl as a puppy and she has really come on, now definitely coming to her best. Not a big one but has femineity stamped through her, clean in outline, beautiful neck into shoulders which are well set with good angulation. Elbows are well back, she stands on straight legs and neat compact feet. Body of good overall proportions, correct depth to chest and ribs well back. Super quarters which are correctly angulated. Moved out well with a ground covering action to take the class. She excelled in the challenge to win **Best Bitch**. Against the dog they were very evenly matched but on the final run round I thought she had the better front extension, and she took **Best in Show**. Many congratulations

2. Ch. Winterwell Inca Trail JW.

Very smart bitch presented a balanced picture on the stack with correct angles front and rear, standing over plenty of ground which gives her the correct shape. Head is well proportioned and has a pleasing expression. Clean reach of neck into a super front, shoulders well placed and a good return of upper arm. Stands on good straight legs. Correct depth of chest, ribs well sprung, short back. Hindquarters well-muscled with well bent stifles. Super shape but not with her usual handler on the move in the class and just didn't flow, so stood second. Called her back into challenge and lifted her game to take **Reserve Best Bitch**.

3. Balvenie Bella JW

VB. (1)

1. Jomeel Kissantell

I know it is a phase that is used often but this lady was really enjoying herself, nine years old and full of life, tail never stopped, she was a pleasure to judge. Well made throughout, head is feminine with a pretty expression, moved round the ring like a youngster which was lovely to see. **Best Veteran Bitch.**

Show 2 – Elaine Bradley

I would like to thank Adam Rose and his committee for their kind invitation to judge their well organised and run open show, it would have been a lot of work to get one show up and running so hats off that they ran two shows together having held last years postponed show on the same day. It worked very well with the other judge commencing with the dogs half an hour before I started with the bitches, resulting in very few clashes of classes for exhibitors. It was lovely to be back in the ring judging again after a long 18 months and I was delighted with the entry of some super quality GSPs making for some very tough, close decisions in some of the classes. Exhibitors are also to be commended on getting their dogs, particularly some of the Junior/Post Grad ones through a tough time last year where the dogs had little or no opportunity for formal training and getting used to a show situation, I had only one on the day who was a little unsure of proceedings, otherwise everyone coped & performed admirably. Thank you all for the opportunity to judge your dogs and thank you to my stewards Mark Slimak & Joanna Braine for keeping everything running smoothly.

MPB (3): 1. Schoneville's Balvenie Eye Candy very close between 1&2 in this class, both 7 months old, this girl has a nice head & expression, well set ears, good depth for age but topline needs to strengthen, correct angulation, moved well and just a bit more together on the day than 2. Brown's Montalba Mrs Whitlow I liked this little girl, same age as 1 but looking a little more immature at this stage, lovely head which I actually preferred over 1 but both still to darken in eye colour, she needs to drop a bit again in chest but has a strong topline, strong neck into well laid shoulders, well balanced front & rear, not quite so positive as 1 on the move, two nice youngsters 3. James's Keigame Nell Gwyn at Cwngiedd

PB (3): 1. Brown & Filby's Winterwell That'll do for Desjiem 10 months old a what a promising puppy she is, lovely head & expression, strong neck into well laid shoulders, good forechest & depth, good bone without being overdone, strong topline & correct tailset, good angulation, moved well but would like to see handler just move her a little faster and let her go, this girl has got to have a bright future, BPB & BPIS 2. B. Eye Candy 3. K Nell Gwyn at C,

JB (4): 1. Ellis's Soellis Fancy Nancy 13 months, not a big girl but she's got it all there, lovely head, correct eye colour, ears of correct set & length, well

balanced front & rear, good depth & excellent forechest, moves with drive & well-handled to get the best out of her, she stood away for me in this class and was the easy winner, RBB 2. Rose's Barleyarch Shindig with Kavacanne nice bitch but not quite the stamp of 1, nice head & expression, eyes still to darken a little more, good in forechest but not the depth of 1 at present, strong topline & correct tailset, good feet but I'd like to see nails just a fraction shorter on her front feet, moved well 3. Callaghan's Laoirebay Crystal Gem

NB (4,1abs): 1. Roden's Keigame Queenie almost 2 yrold and coping well considering she is one of those who's had least exposure to this game because of Covid, beautiful head with lovely eye colour giving a soft & gentle expression, good depth, strong in topline, well ribbed back, good angulation fore & aft, strong legs down to good feet, moved well, would just like to see a fraction more length of leg to complete the balance 2. B Shindig at K 3. Stainsby-Soanes's Whistlecraft I'm a Rogue

PGB (6,1): 1. Harris's Barleyarch Pakora this is a lovely bitch, just over 2 years old, super head & expression, lovely eye colour, well-constructed all through, solid well-muscled girl, correct tailset, firm topline both standing and on the move which she does with style, I thought she would be my RBB but she was a little unsettled and tense in the final challenge, I understand she recently experienced a traumatic accident and combined with lack of show opportunities unfortunately today it wasn't to be for her but I have no doubt she will have a very bright future once she regains all her confidence 2. Staley's Jomeel Now I'm Here slightly older bitch, ok in head, good body proportions, enough depth and correct moderate angulation, moved well, unlucky to meet 1 today 3. Lockett's Fayemm Together Forever

LB (8,2): A very strong class, first 3 could probably change places on another day which made for some tough decisions; 1. Roden's Jacofraze Desire from Keigame almost solid liver, smaller size, beautifully made, solid but elegant, pretty head and kind expression, strong neck and topline, super depth, enough forechest, moved well but was toeing in a little in front 2. Trow's Winterwell Stoney Trail slightly bigger than 1, preferred head of 1 but this girl has lovely eye colour, well set ears of correct length, strong in topline and well ribbed back, nice angulation, strong legs to good feet, moved out well but a little close behind 3. Sielski's Orchidstar Jenga

OB (7,1): 1. Blay's Barleyarch Skye at LongbarrowShCM this girl is just starting to come into her own, caught my eye as she entered the ring & didn't

disappoint, loveliest head and expression, correct eye colour, strong slightly arched neck into well laid shoulders, super depth & forechest, strong level topline that she holds on the move, well angulated, strong legs to good feet, nothing overdone, moved round the ring like she owned it, which today she did, delighted to award her BB & RBIS 2. Ellis's Soellis Fannie Annie JW another lovely bitch who pushed hard, I preferred the head of 1, nice head but a little round in eye, good depth but not quite the forechest of 1, again strong in topline, correct tailset, moved well with drive

3. Schoneville's Balvenie Bella JW

VB (1): Staley's Jomeel Kissantell 8.5 year old girl who was certainly enjoying herself, her tail never stopped, slightly bigger bitch but still nicely made throughout, pretty head and lovely dark eyes highlighted by her delightfully grey eyebrows, moved ok BVB

MPD (2,1): 1. Brown's Montalba Mister Teatime l/w ticked 7 month old, lovely head for age, eyes still to darken, enough depth & forechest, excellent bone and lovely tight feet, good topline & tailset, moderately angulated fore & aft, very steady on the move for his age, BPD

JD (8): 1. Brown & Burn's Magregor Pop the Dom Over Pothouse almost 17 months & no mistaking this is all male, strongly built but retaining elegance, lovely masculine head, good expression, strong neck, well laid shoulder, super depth & good forechest, held his topline well on the move & standing, well angulated to provide strong, powerful movement, handler just has a habit of standing him a bit "rocking horse" but when right he is a picture 2. Sielski's Orchidstar Bolts of Speed little to choose between 1&2, 1 just a little more mature on the day but this 15 month old gives the impression of being so laid back & relaxed, nice head & expression, balanced & well angulated, good bone, strong legs, tight feet, lovely sound mover, two promising boys 3. Peebles' Seasham The Groover

ND (2): 1. Pocock's Fayemm Sea The Stars solid liver of just over 2 years who I was quite taken with, probably best muscled of the day and certainly looks like he could do a days work with ease, nothing overdone here, nice head & expression, well-made front assembly with matching hindquarters, strong topline held on the move, sound driving action 2.

Collins's Barleyarch Hoopla at Forestpoint 16 month old who was unplaced in Junior, looking very raw at present, nice head, chest needs to drop and needs more forechest, ok for angulation, moved ok, not the maturity of 1

PGD (4): 1. Mann's Elfrindew Endrick to Valger nice headed dog with lovely expression, well set ears, a little heavy in flew for my taste, good in forechest, enough depth, nicely angulated, strong topline, moved well and made for a very close decision between 1&2 2. F Sea The Stars, unlucky to meet 1 in this class 3. Schoneville's Balvenie Double Diamond JW

LD (3): 1. Pingault's Taftazini Aiden Abbett, really liked this dogs head, sweet gentle expression, strong neck into well laid shoulder, good depth & enough forechest, excellent strong topline held well both standing and on the move, good angulation front & rear, strong legs down to good feet, moved really well, not a big lad but well put together and happy to award him RBD 2. Goff & Dales's Seasham Live Wire at Shoshoni another nice one, nice head & expression with good eye colour, moderately angulated, not the topline of 1, moved ok 3. Rose & Hunt's Pingarypoint Top Secret at KavacanneJW

OD (6): 1. Harris's Sh Ch Barleyarch Pringle JW I've liked this boy since the first time I saw him at about 8 weeks old, he has grown in to a lovely specimen and he really didn't disappoint today, most lovely head & expression, beautifully constructed, strong, clean neck, good depth, enough forechest, strong straight legs down to tight feet, super angulation behind, strong back & topline with correct tailset, balanced and elegant, well-muscled boy who moved with drive and purpose, eye-catching without being flashy, BD and a close decision against the lovely BB but he couldn't be denied top honours today, BIS

2. Adams's Sh Ch Barleyarch AriatJW another I have long admired, nice head, good depth & forechest, strong topline with correct tailset, nice angulation front & rear, moves well in profile & going away just a little loose in front coming towards me but still a really nice boy 3. Manns Valger Ragnar JW

VD (1): 1. Bennett & Slimak's Sh Ch Barleyarch Fireflyalmost 8 year old handsome lad, correct head with lovely eye colour, strong well-boned legs, super tight feet, good neck, correct angulation all through, well-muscled fit boy who strode out round the ring with purpose and drive, BVD & BVIS

Show 1 Special Award Classes - Karen Stopforth

Thank you to the committee for inviting me to judge THE CARINA SMILLIE Memorial Special award classes. I was delighted with the entry, and it was a great pleasure and privilege to be able to go over quality dogs. A special thanks to all those that entered, and to the two stewards who were very helpful in running the ring efficiently and smoothly.

JUNIOR DOG OR BITCH (12 entries, 2 absent) 1st ORCHIDSTAR BOLTS OF SPEED 14-month-old male. Masculine head and dark eyes. Good reach of neck falling into well placed shoulders. Nicely angulated with level topline and correct tail set. Good muscle tone & tight feet. Moved well showing reach and drive. **2ND WINTERWELL THAT'LL DO FOR DESJIEM** 11-month-old bitch. Lovely feminine head with a kind eye. Good reach of neck. Well, angulated with a nice return of stifle. Good bone with nice tidy tight feet. Moved well out and back.

3rd Macgregor Pop The Dom Over Pothouse

POSTGRADUATE DOG OR BITCH (10 entries, 2 absent) 1st WINTERWELL STONEY TRAIL 2-year-old bitch. Pleasing head with a kind expression, with good length of neck leading into a straight front. Good body proportions with compact feet. Moved around the ring soundly and with drive. **2ND FAYEMM FOREVER TOGETHER 2-year-old male.** Masculine head with a dark eye. Good angulation and reach of neck, straight front and tight feet. Nice coarse coat. Moved well.

3rd Jomeel I'm Here Now

OPEN DOG OR BITCH (9 entries, 3 absent) 1st TAFTIZINI AIDEN ABBETT 4-year-old male. Good Masculine head. Good length and reach of neck into well laid shoulders. Correct proportion with a deep chest and fore chest. Level top line and correct tail set. Moved well with drive. **2ND Ch WINTERWELL INCA TRAIL JW** 5-year-old bitch. Lovely head with a kind expression. Nice length of neck. Well balanced with good top line. Moved well.

3rd Orchidstar Jenga

Show 2 Special Award Classes – Jane Graham

Many thanks to the Committee for their invitation to judge the Special Award Classes. I was very impressed with how the youngsters coped with the return to showing, considering some would have had little or no training in an indoor show environment.

JD/B (9,4) 1. Brown & Burns Magregor Pop The Dom Over Pothouse, pleasing head shape with gentle expression, stands true in front on good legs and feet, correct lay of shoulder, excellent depth of chest and well ribbed back, shows strength throughout without coarseness and very balanced for his age. Moved out soundly fore and aft. 2. Brown & Filby's Winterwell That I do For Desjiem, delightful puppy bitch, loved her head and overall balance, ample bone and body for age, short backed, moved out well just giving a lot away in age to the winner today. 3. Brown's Montalba Mister Teatime, very smart baby just turned 7 months, moved out steadily and soundly for one so young.

PGD/B (7,1) 1. Lockett's Fayemm Forever Together headed a lovely class, found her to be a very honest bitch, nothing flashy about her but everything where it should be. Lovely head with clean neck and well laid shoulders, good depth and ribbing, looked a picture standing and didn't disappoint on the move. 2. Trow's Winterwell Stoney Trail, another super bitch, pleasing head and expression, loved her overall balance when stood but just lost her enthusiasm on the move. 3. Pocock's Fayemm Sea The Stars, I notice this is litter brother to the winner and all 3 are sired by the same dog. Nicely shaped head with kind expression, ample bone and body, stood and moved out well.

OD/B (8,5) 1. Trow's Ch Winterwell Inca Trail JW, beautiful bitch who is so well put together, super head, strong neck with well laid shoulders, good depth and spring of rib, short back leading to well muscled hindquarters. Correct coat texture. Moved with ease round the ring. 2. Taylor & Taylor-Morris Drysika Cha Cha At Pelenrise, pleasing type with feminine head, stands on good legs and feet, ample ribbing sound mover. 3. Staley's Jomeel Naughtylicious of smaller type, finer throughout, moved okay.