

I would firstly like to thank the Officers and Committee for inviting me to judge for them. The venue is excellent for shows of this type and although there were some absentees on the day, the good weather ensured that the atmosphere around the ring remained upbeat and friendly.

Surprisingly, I found my BIS in a six month old harlequin puppy dog whose general construction, overall outline and balance gave me everything I was looking for. Yes he is heavily marked on his show side and I'm certain he will get knocked for this by some, but looking through this, his other attributes won him through on the day.

### **V D (2)**

1<sup>st</sup> Battersby & Williams, Internos Arizona

Well known harlequin male now 7½ yrs young, not really enjoying the heat of the day too much but did enough for me to win against his kennel mate. Good head planes, topline and tailset are as they should be and he still holds it all together on the move. A lovely dog who has had a really great show career. A credit to his breeder/owners for consistently turning out top winning dogs.

2<sup>nd</sup> Battersby's, Internos The Heavyweight

This Blue boy is the same age as Arizona but aptly named as he is much bigger and heavier built all round. He again is in lovely condition for his age and moved soundly. For me, he has a slightly more rounded croup and lower tail set and on the day he was just pipped on movement by 1. Again a dog who has had a great show career. Well done

### **M P D (4, 2abs)**

1<sup>st</sup> Henshall's, Calchas Willowbee Wiseman

7 months Harlequin male of excellent make and shape. Well balanced with correct height to length ratio, level topline which, when his handler got him moving, he holds well with good front extension and rear drive. Yes he's a bit roly at the moment, but for his age I wouldn't expect to see any difference. Lovely head planes with correct length of foreface, good reach of neck into correct shoulder placement, well filled front. Not overlong in the loin, he has good angulation all through with plenty of bone and substance to grow on. Despite his heavily marked show side I loved him and I shall watch his progression with interest. BIS, BPIS

2<sup>nd</sup> Sainsbury's, Preveli Don't Judge Me

7 month old Fawn puppy, who although 4 days older than the harlequin is at a much 'rawer' stage of growth and looks very much the baby. Again he has good bone and substance, lovely head planes and dark eye and typically ears that look like they don't fit at present. Very short coupled and so is bum high at the moment. As he grows he should hopefully drop into his hind angulation which in turn will make him look more balanced. Moved ok with his novice handler, and together as they gain experience they should have some fun.

### **P D (1 abs)**

### **J D (3, 2abs)**

1<sup>st</sup> Roan's Carbarline Real Love

This 18 month old Fawn boy has not long been returned to his breeder and he really gives her a hard time in the ring and today he proved to be challenging though I felt improved since I last saw him. Tall lad with lovely masculine head with correct planes and dark eye, good reach of neck into correct shoulder placement and level topline. Good croup and tailset. Movement was a bit erratic. His overall appearance is quite pleasing though I feel he is at the age where he looks a bit like a gangly teenager and he now needs to start to fill out his framework. I'm sure that his breeder will persevere with him as he has great potential and he is another I shall watch with interest.

### **Y D(2, 1 abs)**

1<sup>st</sup> Middleton's Leirumdane Mea Fortuna For Dornoir

23 month old heavily marked Harlequin male. Head planes ok, though expression is spoiled by his prominent Hawes. Not the best of fronts as he is steep in upper arm and doesn't have the sternal construction to bring about the required front fill for his chest. A pity as his topline is good as are his croup and tailset. Moderate angulation behind. Moved ok.

### **N D ( No entries)**

### **G D (No entries)**

### **PG D (1, abs)**

### **L D (2, abs)**

### **O D (2, 1 abs)**

1<sup>st</sup> Stapleford's Madjax The Lothario

3yr old Mantle Dog. This boy was without a doubt the best mover of the day as he really drives from behind and his front movement is straight and true. Lots of exhibitors should watch him and compare ! He is very stocky and short coupled and holds his topline well. His head planes are ok when viewed in profile and it's only my preference for more length of foreface and narrower back skull that stopped me from giving him anything further today.

### **Sp Beg D (0 entries)**

### **Sp O Fawn (0 entries)**

### **Sp O Brindle ( 2 abs)**

### **Sp O Harlequin (2)**

1<sup>st</sup> Battersby & Williams Internos Arizona ShCM

2<sup>nd</sup> Middleton's Leirumdane Mea Fortuna For Dornoir

**Sp O Blue (3, 2 abs)**

1<sup>st</sup> Battersby's Internos The Heavyweight

**Sp O Black (no entries)**

**Sp O Mantle (2, 1abs)**

1<sup>st</sup> Waring's Ravendane Equinox At Elleyenda

4yr old Mantle dog with full white collar. Would personally prefer more white colouration up his legs to complete the picture. Tall boy with good side profile. Good head with correct length of foreface and narrow top skull. Good topline with correct croup and tailset. Would benefit from more breadth of chest and better hind angulation. Moved ok, though he has a tendency to hackney in front but I think this is due to his handler's slow pace which restricts his front extension more than anything. RBD

**BITCHES**

**V B (3)**

A lovely trio of bitches that are a great tribute to their owners

1<sup>st</sup> Battersby & Williams Internos Cosi Fan Tutte

Gorgeous feminine Black bitch 6½yrs young and just starting to grey on her muzzle. This bitch was sister to her famous brother 'Paddy' and her breeder tells me she took back stage with her show career while he was being campaigned. Super make & shape, correct topline and angulation throughout. Lovely head planes with good length of foreface and parallel backskull so often missing in the breed these days. Moved steady with her handler and lovely to see that her tail never stopped wagging. Pleased to award her Best Veteran in Show.

2<sup>nd</sup> Taylor's Kenmilquin Black Magic

Black bitch, 9½yrs of age but in good condition. Smaller type than one with shorter coupling all through. Head planes ok and in proportion with body. Moved well for her age.

3<sup>rd</sup> Wiltshires Darlou Lord's Lady of Ladymere

7yr old Fawn bitch who enjoyed her day out. Like many of us in our advancing years, carrying a few too many pounds but still of good breed type all through. Didn't want to move too far on the day and in the heat of the day this was respected by her owner.

**M P B (5, 3 abs)**

1<sup>st</sup> Bishton's Jaydania Sadie Frost

Fawn bitch 7mnths of age. Another from this kennel that will have a great show career. Lovely head with correct planes, good reach of neck into well laid shoulders, correct front with straight, parallel planes. At present she is bum high as so many are during this major growth phase, but she has excellent bone and moved well once settled. BPB

2<sup>nd</sup> Henshall's Calchas Wincy Willis

Nicely marked Harlequin bitch with good clean markings, 7mnths old and litter sister to my Best In Show. Smaller, finer built bitch than 1. short coupled, front ok, slightly prominent in prosternum. Topline has a tendency to fall away over croup. Moved ok

**P B (3)**

1<sup>st</sup> Waring's Ravendane Queen of Darkness For Elleyenda

10mnths Correctly marked Mantle bitch with full white collar. Head planes ok but at present lacks chiselling and depth of stop which should come as she grows and her head develops. Good topline which she holds well on the move. When viewed from the front her chest is well filled but I would prefer more breadth throughout.

2<sup>nd</sup> Taylor's Alsphuzazz Ecosse Electra For Daneheart

8mnths heavily marked Harlequin bitch. Different type to 1 in every way. Head planes ok though would benefit from more length to foreface. Good topline, croup and tailset. Moderate hind angulation, moved ok.

3<sup>rd</sup> Bithells Bourntwyn Never Forget

**Class 21 Junior Bitch (6, 3 abs)**

1<sup>st</sup> Kelleway's Jaemlok's Dannie of Clunton

15mnths old heavily marked Harlequin bitch. Lovely balanced bitch with good angulation all through. Not the biggest but her proportions are correct which gives a pleasing outline. Good straight front with correct infill to chest. Moved well. Pleased to award her RBB

2<sup>nd</sup> Park's Rayjen Ace of Diamonds

Nice Blue bitch just 12 months old. Very feminine with good head planes from both side view and front, good reach of neck and correct topline which she holds on the move. Just felt that she is going through a growth spurt at the moment and needs to fill in front. This will come as she matures.

3<sup>rd</sup> Harrison's Culseadan's Aurora Storm

**Class 22 Yearling Bitch (2, 1 abs)**

1<sup>st</sup> Burton's Ravendane Enchanting Dream at Elbarevol

18mths Harlequin Bitch. Nice cleanly marked bitch with good white base colour and black torn patches so often missing in this colour. Good head planes, reach of neck. Well filled front. Good topline and croup though would prefer a higher tailset to complete the picture. Moved ok

**Class 23 Novice Bitch (4, 2 abs)**

1<sup>st</sup> Kelleway's Jaemlok's Dannie of Clunton

2<sup>nd</sup> Park's Rayjen Ace of Diamonds

**Class 24 Graduate Bitch (1 abs)****Class 25 Post Graduate Bitch (4, 3 abs)**

1<sup>st</sup> Harrison's Culseadan's Aurora Storm

17mths pale Blue bitch with good head planes, reach of neck and well filled front. Unfortunately her topline lets her down as she is steep in croup with a low tailset. Movement is ok when settled.

**Class 26 Limit Bitch (5, 3 abs)**

1<sup>st</sup> Grierson's Jaydania Wyoming

Topsize 2yr old Fawn bitch from this well known kennel. Lovely breed type with correct head, excellent reach of neck into straight well filled front. Correct lay of shoulder, good topline, croup and tailset. Just wish she had more angulation behind to complete the picture. Moved ok. BB, RBIS

2<sup>nd</sup> Burton's Dornoir Wyr at Elbarevol

3½yr old Harlequin bitch who on the whole has good clean markings with only a few flecks in her basecoat. Smaller type than 1 but well put together. Head planes ok but expression spoiled by prominent hawes. Well filled front, good topline and angulation. Moved ok

**Class 27 Open Bitch (3, 2 abs)**

1<sup>st</sup> Merwick's Saalan Show and Go

4yr old Fawn bitch. Lovely typey bitch that I had really admired as a youngster. Correct head planes showing good length of foreface and parallel top skull. Good reach of neck into correct lay of shoulder. Slightly prominent in prosternum. Good topline, croup and tailset though is long in loin. When stacked she appears over angulated behind but I think this is mostly because she lacks muscle tone. Owner doesn't get the best out of her on the move and this was apparent with a different handler in the challenge.

**Class 28 Special Beginner's Bitch (no entries)****Class 29 Special Open Fawn Bitch**

1<sup>st</sup> Merwick's Salaan Show and Go

**Class 30 Special Open Brindle Bitch (no entries)****Class 31 Special Open Harlequin Bitch (2)**

1<sup>st</sup> Kelleway's Jaemlok's Dannie of Clunton

2<sup>nd</sup> Burton's Ravendane Enchanting Dream at Elbarevol

**Class 32 Special Open Blue Bitch (3, 1 abs)**

1<sup>st</sup> Park's Rayjen Ace of Diamonds

2<sup>nd</sup> Harrison's Culseadan's Aurora Storm

**Class 33 Special Open Black Bitch (3, abs)****Class 34 Special Open Mantle Bitch (1)**

1<sup>st</sup> Waring's Ravendane Queen of Darkness For Elleyenda

**Class 35 Brace (3, 1 abs)**

1<sup>st</sup> Burton's Harlequins

2<sup>nd</sup> Waring's Mantles