

## **Western Afghan Hound Club Championship Show Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2023 Bitch Critique.**

### **Judge Emma James**

To all exhibitors, thank you for my lovely entry which although not large was full of quality, beautifully presented and in some classes, particularly post graduate and limit, very hard decisions to make. It was a warm day but most moved well, being outside. It was a privilege to go over them: thank you.

To the committee, thank you for a well organised show, excellent steward, lovely lunch and friendly atmosphere.

### **Class 12 Veteran Bitch**

#### **1<sup>st</sup> CH ZANDAHAR JUST TIGER LILY JW ShCM VW (MRS G ADAMS)**

Brindle of excellent proportions with beautiful head and expression with correct eye shape and dark colour. A long neck leading to good lay of shoulder. She has a balanced construction with good angulation fore and aft and moved around the ring with style and her tail up, enjoying her day. Lovely depth of chest and good ribbing with a level topline. **BVIS in agreement with the referee.**

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> CH/IR/NED/INT CH POPOVS BORA BORA AT ORASHAN JW (IMP NLD) (MRS G A LINK)**

Black masked Gold bitch who was also nicely constructed and a worthy champion. Good angulation and long neck and in good body condition. Lovely stacked profile, I just preferred the head of 1 and she wasn't as enthusiastic on the move. Beautifully presented with lovely silky coat.

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> JUWAN EL SHARIAT VON ZORBA (IMP NLD) (H AND R DOWNES)**

### **Class 13 Minor Puppy Bitch**

#### **1<sup>st</sup> ALTSIDE HOT SHOT AT ARUSHKHAN (MR T AND MRS J SCOTT)**

Lovely self-masked cream puppy with a feminine head and the most beautiful dark pigmentation around her well-shaped eyes and the blackest of noses. She has a long strong neck going into a well laid shoulder. Her angulation is balanced and her body is in good condition with well sprung ribs. Her tailset is excellent with a lovely ringed tail. This young lady has really got her act together with long easy steady strides and sound coming and going. I'm sure she will have a bright future. **BP in agreement with the referee.**

### **Class 14 Puppy Bitch**

#### **1<sup>st</sup> ALTSIDE HOT SHOT AT ARUSHKHAN (MR T AND MRS J SCOTT).**

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> PRAMYA KEEP YOUR EYES O ME (IMP FIN) (MRS S BELLRINGER)**

Another lovely puppy bitch, Black masked gold, lovely dark eye that is correct in shape. Good depth of chest with well sprung ribbing. Correct tailset with good carriage and ring. Lovely big feet. Moved purposefully around the ring, driving from the rear, with steady confident movement. Beautifully presented.

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> KATANGA'S BLACK WIDOW AT SHIMONAY (MRS A CALLARD)**

### **Class 15 Junior Bitch**

#### **1<sup>st</sup> SITANA LOVE AND THUNDER (MR H MRS J SANGHERA)**

Lovely shaded mask gold bitch with a deep red saddle and patterned coat, leaving nothing to hide. Correctly shaped dark eye, with a good length of muzzle. Strong neck into correctly laid shoulder with balanced angulation fore and aft. Short strong loin and level topline. She is really fit and in good condition with a good depth of chest, well ribbed. She moved soundly with her well set ringed tail raised.

**2<sup>nd</sup> SITANA MOON STAR AT ZHAROOK** (MR R.E AND MRS P.A AND MR P. MRS T LATIMER AND LATIMER AND GORMAN AND GORMAN)

Litter sister to 1 and with similar construction in many aspects. Long strong neck and well balanced angulation and depth of chest, also with a short strong loin and in good fit condition. She has a wealth of silky coat, well presented. Moved well and soundly. I just preferred the expression of 1.

**3<sup>rd</sup> PRAMYA KEEP YOUR EYES ON ME (IMP FIN)** (MRS S BELLRINGER)

#### **Class 16 Yearling Bitch**

**No entries**

#### **Class 17 Novice Bitch**

**1<sup>st</sup> PRAMYA KEEP YOUR EYES ON ME (IMP FIN)** (MRS S BELLRINGER)

**2<sup>nd</sup> KATANGA'S BLACK WIDOW AT SHIMONAY** (MRS A CALLARD)

Black and tan with a lovely, pretty feminine head and correct eye shape and expression. Good neck into well laid shoulder and nicely constructed throughout. Naughty but nice, today she was giving her handler a hard time and I am sure she will have a bright future.

#### **Class 18 Graduate Bitch**

**1<sup>st</sup> AYOUBKHAN MAGNOLIA AT KABELLA** (MRS A R ALLAN)

Heading a trio of litter sisters, this pretty self-masked cream girl has good pigmentation around eyes with correct expression. She has great overall construction, well angulated, balanced fore and aft. Good depth of chest but immature in body at the moment. She was shown in super hard condition and had the edge over her sisters because of her light springy movement with excellent lift and drive, displaying a well-set raised tail.

**2<sup>nd</sup> AYOUBKHAN PORCELAIN DOVE** (MRS N HUMPHREYS)

Litter sister to 1 and pretty too, although finer in head. Soundly constructed with good bodyweight and ribbing, good depth of chest. Many of the same attributes apply. Long neck into well laid shoulder and balanced angulation. Great tail set and carried her tail well on the move. Moved soundly but not quite as smoothly as her sister.

**3<sup>rd</sup> AYOUBKHAN SILVER SAILS** (MR I AND MRS K STEVENS AND CRAFT)

#### **Class 19 Post Graduate Bitch**

**1<sup>st</sup> AYOUBKHAN HONEYSUCKLE TO SHUKRIYA JW** (MR R AND MRS J PARSONS)

Another litter sister to my graduate winner with a lovely feminine head and correct expression with good pigmentation and chiselling. Balanced outline with good overall construction, elegant neck going into well laid shoulder and correct return of upper arm and matching rear angulation. Fit and well bodied with a level topline, well-set tail, raised in action. She moved purposefully with lift in the

class but moved beautifully in the final challenge and is definitely one to watch. A very promising young lady.

**2<sup>nd</sup> SHIMALMA CAMPARI GOES TO IFMARAF (MR I AND MRS M FISHER)**

Another lovely bitch, cream with a shaded mask, oozing femininity. Beautiful head, super pretty with correct eye shape, colour and expression. Longer cast than 1 and overall, a beautiful picture on the stack. She has a long neck into correctly angled balanced quarters, still maturing in body, with level topline and perfect fallaway and tail set. She moved soundly, with long easy strides. A bright future I'm sure.

**3<sup>rd</sup> GEZANCOL KISSED BY AN ANGEL (MRS A D AND MR P W SMART)**

**Class 20 Mid Limit Bitch**

**1<sup>st</sup> GEZANCOL FALLEN FROM GRACE (MR C, MRS G AND MR P HUGHES AND LUTY)**

Pretty, shaded masked gold with good overall construction accentuated by her patterned coat. Strong neck into well laid shoulder, good return and level topline. Well ribbed with deep chest, good angulation fore and aft. Correct fallaway and tail set with ringed tail. Big feet and powerful easy movement, covering ground with long easy strides and a style of high order.

**2<sup>nd</sup> SYRDARYA CEYLON CHAI DRISHAUN (MRS A M, MR M AND MISS C, LANCASHIRE AND O'DONNELL)**

Beautiful self-masked red bitch, classic feminine head of correct proportion and with desired chiselling. Completely different to 1 but also well-constructed with good flow from neck to shoulder correctly placed. Balanced angulation front and rear. Well bodied and ribbed well back with level topline and correct fallaway and tail set. She moved with light easy strides but lacked enthusiasm and head carriage of 1.

**Class 21 Limit Bitch**

This class was a challenge. Some of my favourite bitches all in one place, all different.

**1<sup>st</sup> SAXONMILL MIRROR IMAGE (MISS C AND MISS A DOWD AND MALIA)**

Black and tan with feminine head and correct expression. Beautifully presented, with excellent overall construction, presenting a picture of balance, power and strength. Well bodied with good angulation, short strong loin, level topline and well-set tail. She is in excellent fit condition and moved around the ring with a style of high order, showing light, springy ground covering action. I was pleased to award her RCC.

**2<sup>nd</sup> CLOUDSIDE SUNSET (MRS M AND MRS P FAIRBURN AND ROBERTS)**

Super pretty feminine bitch with a lovely balanced head and expression. Superb construction, she is really good to go over with a super flow from neck to well laid shoulder and good length of upper arm. Complementary rear angles, level topline and excellent fallaway and tail set. She has good ribbing and depth of chest. Excellent stacked, I really love this girl but just felt that she is carrying a little too much weight to demonstrate her excellent qualities to her full potential.

**3<sup>rd</sup> TULAK DRIVING MISS DAISY TO SITANA (MR H AND MRS J SANGHERA)**

**Class 22 Open Bitch**

**1<sup>st</sup> CH DRISHAUN FAITH IS LIKE A LILY FOR JAVIDAN JW (MISS L AND MS C O'DONNELL)**

Lovely brindle bitch, well proportioned, who is in fabulous condition from top to tail, well-muscled and superbly presented. Lovely outline stacked. Her head is beautifully balanced, feminine and with chiselling. Her eyes are dark, perfectly shaped and positioned, giving that true afghan expression. Her angulation front and back is well balanced. She has good forechest and is ribbed well back with good spring and depth of chest. Her short square loin is well muscled and she has a level topline. She has correct tailset and fallaway. She presents a picture of strength, moving soundly and steadily, with long lifting strides. I was pleased to award her the CC.

**2<sup>nd</sup> CH SAXONKILL MAJIC MIRROR (MRS R HALL)**

Another lovely bitch in excellent muscular condition and a powerhouse on the move. Different in type to 1, and a worthy champion. She has an attractive head of good proportions. A balanced outline and excellent construction, correctly laid shoulder, level back, deep chest, well bodied and short strong loin. Sweeping rear angulation giving power and drive. Well set tail. Looking her best on the move, very sure footed, she covers the ground in long easy strides. Beautifully presented.