Western Afghan Hound Club Championship Show 26th May 2019

My thanks to the WAHC for the invitation to judge BIS and the hard working committee and stewards. I had the most enjoyable day.

Best in Show... Hall's Saxonmill Mirror Mirror. Beautiful black bitch winning her first CC today, I'm sure the others will follow soon. Stunning head, chiselled foreface balanced to skull, dark well shaped eye with the true Afghan expression of "look at and through one". She is so well made throughout, shown in perfect condition. She moved covering the ground with long easy strides. It was a pleasure to award her BIS.

Reserve Best in Show... Hitch and Barley's Ch. Zhivias Sunrise Suprise of Zenduskas. A great favourite of mine. Not exaggerated in any way but perfectly put together, beautiful feminine head, long graceful neck, sloping shoulder, good topline and fallaway to a perfect ringed tail. True Afghan movement with style and a free easy gait. Could not be denied RBIS.

Best Opposite Sex... Dowd and Malia's Ch. Thendara Fait Accompli. Tall black boy with so much to like, presented a balanced outline both standing and on the move. Well deserving of his CC. Masculine head, excellent expression and well made body with deep rib, huge coat, immaculate presentation.

Best Puppy... Lancashire and O'Donnell's Drishaun Star Among Lilies. Tall rangy brindle, a very promising puppy well made throughout with ringed tail very little to separate him from his litter sister I just preferred the balance of his head, but two delightful puppies who moved with great confidence around the ring.

Best Veteran... Ch. Sitana Nishana at Lakarnadream JW. I loved this beautiful bitch who seemed rather bored by the whole thing but she oozes quality with her superb type. Balanced in outline good angulation front and rear, correct coat pattern, dark natural saddle to perfect fallaway finished with a ringed tail, long silky coat very well presented. All finished off with a stunning head and eye. I would have gladly taken her home.

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