

Here are the Judge's Critiques for the Conformation Specialty Show:

I would first of all like to thank the Maritime GRC Committee and members for inviting us to judge the Specialty this year. It is an enormous honour for an overseas judge to be asked. We have a very special relationship with the club as we have been members for almost 20 years and have attended several shows during that time and had the privilege of judging a couple of times.

I would also like to reiterate something that Peter mentioned at the banquet and that is to say in the UK, we show most weekends and stand in the ring next to friends and colleagues, and every now and again we are the judge in the middle and our friends are showing their dogs under us. We always take the view that we leave our friends at the side of the ring when we start to judge, and pick up our friends when we finish. Sometimes our friends have the best dogs and do well and sometimes they don't. BUT they are still our friends and fellow exhibitors.

I must applaud the exhibitors and their dogs for coping so well with the inclement weather – I have judged in some pretty awful weather outside, but never a hurricane as long as I pleased were inside!

The dogs were beautifully clean and with the odd exception coped with the noise extremely well!

#### Junior Puppy Male

Three lovely puppies all with lots to offer and I am sure they will often change places.

1<sup>st</sup> Snyder's MUDLANE GAMES 2 PLAY AT CANWIN Very exuberant puppy who needed to settle to get the best from him. Exactly as he should be for 6 months, loose and leggy and not quite together. He shows much promise with a soft expression and lovely dark pigment and correct eye shape. Good bone and straight from equal angles and short neat hock.

2<sup>nd</sup> Taylor's SKYLON ON TRACK 3<sup>rd</sup> McLane & Vandersteen's MUDLANE'S HOCKEY IS OUR GAME

#### 12-18 Month Male

1<sup>st</sup> Carey's EASTER LILY ACADIAN PIPER Lovely mid-gold boy with a soft expression and dark eye. Good layback of shoulder and level topline, short in the coupling and good tailset. Lovely bend of stifle and superb musculature. He moves very freely on a loose lead, with positive foot fall and length of stride. Beautifully presented and handled. Reserve Winners Male.

2<sup>nd</sup> Christman's DREAMKEEPERS UNFORGETTABLE SONG.

#### Open Male

1<sup>st</sup> mCaULEY AND Degazio's TRAMIN LUKA ONE WAY Lovely mature blonde boy with gorgeous soft expression and dark eye. Good breadth of muzzle and chiselling under the eyes. He has super bone without coarseness and straight parallel front legs. He is well ribbed and short coupled with good bend of stifle and moves with real animation and purpose, covering the ground well – at one with his handler presenting a lovely outline. Winners male.

## Veteran Male

**1<sup>st</sup> March's GCH NAUTILUS KLASSIC HIGHLANDER CD CGN** This dog came into the ring as if he demanded attention and he did! I was amazed to learn that he was 10+ as he bounced in and strode around with such an attitude. This just shows that our breed are slow to mature and long lasting. He had a super head with twinkling eyes and a happy pleasing expression. Lovely reach of neck into beautiful shoulders and upper arm of equal length. Super straight front and beautiful catlike feet. He was showing no signs of his age, he was still up on his pasterns and in super muscular condition and tone. Well sprung ribs and short couplings, lovely bend of stifle and short neat hocks. His topline is held level even on the move and his tail carriage a dream coming straight off his back. His movement was a job to behold as he covers the ground with such ease and his head carriage and demeanour are wonderful to watch. This partnership obviously adore each other as they are as one and boy, does it show. His coat gleamed and was prepared to perfection, without any fuss or extremes. He was my star of the day and my BOB.



**2<sup>nd</sup> McCabe's CH GRENADIER NORTHERN SPY** Another worthy champion, with many of the attributes of one, just unlucky to meet him today.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Charlton's KYONS SMOKING GUN CDX**

## Junior Puppy Female

**1<sup>st</sup> Bernier's GOLDWATERS BERNFIELD BRITANNIA** Lovely six month old puppy, very raw, but a lot to like about her. Well balanced with super angulation front and rear. Sweetest of heads and dark large eye, good reach of neck, flowing into a level topline and having a good tailset. Lovely neat feet and short hocks. Her movement is a little erratic and she is a little high at the rear on the move, which you expect at this age. Her length of stride is superb and when she settled had a lovely flow.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Snyder's MUDLANE CANWIN THE GAME**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Daley's JBG'S ABSENT WITHOUT LEAVE**

## Senior Puppy Female

**1<sup>ST</sup> McAuley's CHRYS-HAEFEN FANCY OF KAIROS** 9-month-old blonde with a pretty head and feminine expression. Dark pigment and kind eye. Her bone is not overdone and has a nice straight front. Good layback of shoulder and level topline. Short coupled. Moves out well, tends to be a little proud of her tail.

Reserve Winners Female.

### 12-18 Month Female

**1<sup>st</sup> Degazio's TRAMIN DON'T WORRY BE HAPPY** and she was! Very exuberant, but lovely to see. Just 12 months and needs to mature. Well balanced throughout with good angles front and rear. Lovely reach of neck and well ribbed. Moves well and covers the ground with ease, not in her best coat today.

### Bred by Exhibitor Female

**1<sup>st</sup> Taylor's SKYLON NATIONAL DREAM MAKER** I really liked this little compact female, so well balanced, with short couplings and lovely angles. She had a very pretty head and expression with dark twinkly eyes. Lovely bone and neat feet. Elbows well tucked in and good spring of rib. Beautifully presented in full coat and lovely condition. Unfortunately she was troubled by the noise and did not give of her best today.

### Open Female

**1<sup>st</sup> Schofield's FREELIN'S SHINING ASTRA** Pretty compact girl with lots of personality who needed time to settle before she gave of her best. Super head and reach of neck, level topline and good tail carriage. Good layback of shoulder and upper arm. Short coupled and lovely bend of stifle, short hocks and neat feet. Is at her best on the move where she really strides out and covers the ground effortlessly. Best of Winners.



**2<sup>nd</sup> Klouman's KYON'S SHINING STAR.**

## Veteran Female

3 beautiful examples of our lovely breed!

1<sup>st</sup> Kelly's CH FREELIN'S JAVA JOLT CDX WC 9+ years old, this lovely female is a credit to our breed, still showing her socks off and letting the youngsters know they are not finished yet. Gorgeous head and expression and a real joy to watch. Her angles are perfect and her owner must be congratulated on her presentation, and muscular condition. Another totally at one with her owner. I note she has brains as well.

### Award of Merit



2<sup>nd</sup> Kelly's KYON'S SUMMER 'ART THROB CD

3<sup>rd</sup> Snyder's CAN AM CH PROSPECTORS GUESS WHATUM UP TO CGN

### Best of Opposite Sex

1<sup>st</sup> MacArthur's CH ATLANTICGOLD'S MISS QUE RN. Absolutely beautiful female, well balanced and compact with a gorgeous head and expression, lovely dark eye and pigment. Super chiselling in the face and good width of muzzle. Super reachy neck into well laid shoulders and upper arm. Level topline held on the move and good tail and head carriage. In tip top condition and muscle tone, she was very much on her toes. Great profile movement covering the ground with great ease and long effortless strides. A lovely picture.



### Best Puppy

Churney's SUNKOZI WILLOWBEC'S BIG TIPPER. Wow. What a lovely puppy this is. Only 10 months old, but has it all. A really delightful puppy, with a gorgeous head and expression. Well balanced for one so young, but not overly mature which is what you want at this age and there is definitely more to come. Super angulation front and rear, lovely bend of stifle and short neat hocks. Lovely on the move. I would be so excited if he was mine. Good luck!



### Brace

March's GCH NAUTILUS KLASSIC HIGHLANDER CD CGN & CH NAUTILUS ISLE OF JURA

### Stud Dog

Taylor's CH GILTEDGE TRAVELLER WC JH

### Brood Bitch

McLane & Vandersteen's CH VERDORO'S YYG

### Field Dog

1<sup>st</sup> Kelly's CH. FREELIN'S JAVA JOLT CDX WC

2<sup>nd</sup> Taylor's CH GILTEDGE TRAVELLER WC JH

Judge Barbara Mills

## PUPPY SWEEPSTAKES

### Junior Puppy Male

**1<sup>st</sup> McLane & Vandersteen's MUDLANE HOCKEY IS OUR GAME.** Well proportioned head with gentle expression. Good reach of neck, level topline, short coupled, straight front and rear with nice round feet. Settled quickly and moved with good reach and drive.

Close decision on these three promising youngsters with lots to come in the future.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Taylor's SKYLON ON TRACK**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Snyder's MUDLANE GAMES 2 PLAY AT CANWIN**

### Senior Puppy Male

**1<sup>st</sup> Churney's SUNKOZI WILLOWBEC'S BIG TIPPER** Very impressed with this boy from the moment he entered the ring. Gentle masculine expression with lovely dark eye. Good length of neck, well angled front, deep chest, short coupled, sturdy rear with gentle turn of stifle. Lovely balanced outline. Beautifully presented in hard muscled condition. Moved straight and true. Pleased to make him **BEST PUPPY IN STAKES.**



### 12-18 Month Male

**1<sup>st</sup> Carey's EASTER LILY ARCADIAN PIPER** Lovely masculine head with gentle expression, good pigment and dark eye. Good length of neck flowing into nicely angled shoulders and level topline. Straight legs front and rear with round catlike feet. Pleasing to watch on the move with his long powerful stride. Beautifully presented in good hard condition.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Christman's DREAMKEEPERS UNFORGETTABLE SONG**

### Junior Puppy Female

1<sup>st</sup> Snyder's MUDLANE CANWIN THE GAME Lovely baby girl with a gentle feminine head, straight legs front and rear with nicely rounded feet, level topline, short coupled, good tailset, sturdy rear with gentle turn of stifle. Well presented in her dark gold coat.

2<sup>nd</sup> Daley's JBG'S ABSENT WITHOUT LEAVE

### Senior Puppy Female

1<sup>ST</sup> McAuley's CHRYS-HAEFEN FANCY OF KAIROS Very pretty girl with a dark eye and good pigment. Liked her length of neck and short coupled body, giving a pleasing balanced outline. Angulation front and rear together with sturdy hind quarters, allowed her to move straight and true with drive.

### 12-18 Month Female

1<sup>st</sup> Fraser's CH. MARIGOLD PRETTY AMAZING GRACE CGN Gentle feminine head with a kind dark eye, pleasing balanced outline with level topline and gentle bend of stifle. Well presented in full mid gold coat. Moved with drive and animation. Pleased to make her BEST OF OPPOSITE puppy in Stakes.

## VETERANS SWEEPSTAKES

### Veteran Male (7-9 yrs)

1<sup>st</sup> McCabe's CH. GRENADIER NORTHERN SPY Loved his soft, gentle expression, with dark round eye, on a beautifully proportioned head. Good angulation front and rear and deep chest with short couplings, gave a pleasing balanced outline, moved straight and true with drive. My pleasure to make him BEST VETERAN IN STAKES.

### Veteran Male (9-12 yrs)

1<sup>st</sup> March's GCH NAUTILUS KLASSIC HIGHLANDER CD CGN Gentle masculine expression with lovely dark eye. Soundly made with good angulation front and rear, lovely round feet. Full of personality, he moved straight and true with drive and animation.

### Veteran Female (9-12 yrs)

1<sup>st</sup> Snyder's CAN AM CH PROSPECTORS GUESS WHATUM UP TO CGN Lovely 11 year old lady enjoying her day out to the full. Gentle feminine expression, good length of neck, level topline, deep thru the heart, lovely round catlike feet. Beautifully presented, still in good hard condition. Moved with drive and animation.

Judge Peter Mills