

WESTERN AFGHAN HOUND CLUB – CHAMPIONSHIPSHOW - 15th OCTOBER, 2017.

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I would like to thank the committee of the Western Afghan Hound Club for inviting me to judge at this well run and friendly show with the committee being very welcoming. A big thank you to my two stewards who were very attentive. This was my first time awarding CC's and I had a memorable day. A big thank you to all the exhibitors who spent time and money to enter under me, I really appreciate it and very honoured by it. Some super quality bitches to judge today and I was very pleased with my main winners, in particular my CC winner who informed me afterwards this was her third and crowning ticket and I feel privileged to have had a part of this.

VETERAN BITCH. (2)

1st – Hitch's Ch Zendushkas Sparkling Rose This lovely lady was certainly on sparkling form today, in super condition, feminine head, good length to neck, well placed shoulders, good conformation all through. Firm topline, gleaming coat and was presented to perfection. Strong movement with good length of stride.

2nd – Small's Metewand Mamabula. Another lovely lady in great body condition for age. Closer coupled than first place, balanced shape in profile, moved really well with firm topline and ringed tail.

MINOR PUPPY BITCH. No entries.

PUPPY BITCH. (4) – 1 absent

1st – Gilbert's Affietar Glen Magillie JW. Super black/tan youngster, feminine head with dark eye, good length of neck and well placed shoulders. Balanced conformation all throu, with good depth to chest, strong topline, correct tail set. Moved out with a lovely springy action and good length of stride. Definitely one for the future, has an air of importance about her, liked her a lot. **BPIS**

2nd – Fairclough's Affietar Glen Shira. Litter sister to first, lots to like about her, but not as together as her sister in development - feminine head, balanced angulation. Once settled on the move and into her stride moved well, sympathetically handled to get the best out of her.

3rd – Waggett & Wilkinson's Saxonmill Kiss Bang Bang.

JUNIOR BITCH. (6) - 3 absent

1st – Pascoe's Popovs Sazerac at Sarakhan (Imp Ned). Black masked gold with so much to like about her. Feminine head with dark eye, super expression, good length to neck and well laid shoulders. Front and rear angles balanced, good depth to chest, correct tail set with ring. In really good body condition and comes into her own on the move, really strides out well holding her topline. Presentation first class, another who has a good future.

2nd – Lockett-Davies Rhazmakh Tyme n Tyde. Super houndy brindle of a nice type, lovely head and eye, well placed shoulders, balanced angulation, strong topline. Another in first class condition. Moved really well once she settled into her stride. Should mature well.

3rd – Kriepe's Nightwinds Xactlywhatiwant.

YEARLING BITCH. (4)

1st – Lockett-Davies Rhazmakh Tyme n Tyde. Second in previous class but a lot more settled in this class. Handled to get the best out of her and pulled out all the stops to win this class.

2nd – Greenfield's Pashtari Lady Windermere to Phelezzi. Very elegant black girl, lovely overall balance and shape, very sound on the move, pushed first place very hard.

3rd – Milner's Pashtari Lady Chiltern.

NOVICE BITCH. (2)

1st – Waggett & Wilkinson's Saxonmill Kiss Bang Bang at Clenagh. Well made black & silver puppy, houndy in outline and has good extension on the move. Well presented.

2nd – Milner's Pashtari Lady Bracknell. Nicely made all throu but longer in body than first place and not the length of stride.

GRADUATE BITCH. (4)

1st – Coates Gilari Silken Flame at Bukhara. Super typey red with classic head and desired chiselling, dark eye and good expression. Great length to neck, with well placed shoulders, balanced angulation, firm topline, good fallaway and ringed tail. Once settled into her stride, moved with great purpose really covering the ground – liked her a lot.

2nd – James Gilari Vermillion Venus JW. Litter sister to my first place and all the above comments apply just preferred head of one. I'm sure these two will often change places, two very nice classy bitches.

POST GRADUATE BITCH. (7) – 1 absent

1st – Coombes - Zilbec Zilandra. Black masked gold with classic head and desired chiselling, dark eye, good length to neck with well laid back shoulders. Balanced conformation all throu, moved very soundly holding her topline and shown at the correct pace.

2nd – Lancashire's Drishaun in Black Velvet. A little on the tall side for me but lots to like about her. Pleasing head, balanced outline, great body condition which enabled her to really cover the ground with ease.

3rd – Pascoe's Tianze Ice Crystal (A1) (Imp.Aus).

MID-LIMIT BITCH. (9) – 1 absent

1st – Dowd & Malia's Saxonmill Love Struck Luna. A quality red brindle who stood out for me in this class and didn't disappoint on going over her. Feminine balanced head, dark eye and good expression, good length to neck with well placed shoulders, good depth to chest, balanced conformation all throu, in great muscular condition, moved with purpose and style holding her topline and with raised ringed tail. Loved everything about her and pleased to award her the **CC**.

2nd – Hughes Gezancol Saving Grace. Black masked gold who I particularly like, classic feminine head, balanced size and overall shape, another in good body condition, moved soundly but today preferred overall balance of first.

3rd – Lockett-Davies Bondor a Golden Age over Rhazmakh JW.

LIMIT BITCH. (3)

1st – Lancashire's Drishaun It Ain't Over. Typey red, super head with desired chiselling, good length of neck, deep chest, well sprung ribs, firm topline, very well balanced all throu. Moved with purpose and great length of stride, has matured into a really nice hound.

2nd – Hughes Tit for Tat. Another quality hound in good hard body condition, balanced conformation all throu. Once settled into her stride moved really well.

3rd – Broadhead,s Tulak Ever After for Tazieff.

OPEN BITCH. (9)

1st – CH Syrdarya Malted Milk at Wilbus JW. Headed a really fabulous class of bitches, has matured into a most beautiful classic afghan hound - a very worthy champion. Balanced head, great expression, good length of neck, text-book conformation, so well balanced all throu, in super condition and handled at the correct pace to show her stylish movement.

Pleased to award her **RCC**

2nd – Hitch & Barley's CH Zhivias Sunrise Surprise of Zendushkas . A firm favourite of mine. So very feminine in head, great balance and in super body condition, good front and return of upper arm, good depth of chest, firm topline, ringed tail, moved with style and enthusiasm.

3rd – Dare's CH Sitana Nishana at Lakarnadream JW.