

Hitchin & District Canine Society Open Show – 6th October 2013.

Staffordshire Bull Terriers.

Judge – Daniel Meara (Millamear).

I'd like to thank Mrs. Linda Payton for being my steward on the day who ran the ring very efficiently, much appreciated.

PUPPY : 5 ENTRIES – 2 ABSENT.

1ST – 384 – STAROLESTAFF MYSTIC MIMI. 19/02/13.

Quietly confident, feminine, black brindle bitch, - nearly 8 months old. Standard in size and weight, showing all the correct signs for her age. Very good, dark pigmentation. Shallow in brisket, good length of sternum. Good prominence of forechest. Narrow in front with no signs of looseness at the shoulders. Strong pasterns on good feet although a shade flat at times, but good enough for age. Feet turn out a little with black nails. Skull on the narrow side, also in keeping with maturity. Head overall a good 2:1 skull to foreface ratio that will broaden in time. Nice clean skinned foreface, has a shade of lip to grow into. Black nose, correctly set in relation to eyes viewed from the front (just below). Dark, round eyes & rims well placed, still to move a shade more into a straight ahead position as her head matures. Correctly placed rose ears, a shade lofted in carriage. Strong underjaw with good scissor bite. Distinct stop. Well laid shoulder blades with an upper arm of comparable length. Stands with her weight bearing forefoot pad close to a central, vertical position, directly under the shoulder blade. Short, close coat in good condition. Good spring of rib. Straight as yet along her body length viewed from above, again will develop the desired taper into waist as she develops. Close coupled & compact. Correct pelvic angulation & set on of tail. Hocks well let down with correctly angulated stifles. Stands with a good, level topline, retained on the move. Correct, low tail carriage. Free, agile, confident mover holding a good head height, with good forward reach. Will develop more drive as she matures. A nice, promising puppy, look forward to seeing her progress.

BEST PUPPY IN BREED. – TERRIER PUPPY 2.

2nd – 389 – MYSTICBULL'S STORM TROOPER. 14/01/13.

Black brindle dog nearly 9 months. Showing a lot more maturity than 1. Currently standard in size and weight with a deep brisket already a shade below elbow. Good length of sternum, prominent forechest, square front. Strong, wide, rounded shoulders. Strong pasterns with tight enough feet that turn out a little. Black nails. 2:1 head ratio with very broad, deep through skull, in balance with body. Pronounced cheek muscles. A bit loose lipped around the foreface, could be stronger in the underjaw in keeping with his strength of head, which is already at a mature strength despite his age. Distinct stop. Black nose, correctly placed under the eyes when viewed from the front. Correctly placed, round, dark eyes already set straight ahead. Correctly placed rose ears, neat enough. Perfect scissor bite. Strong, short neck, with nicely lateral sloping (viewed from front), rounded shoulders, well laid, of comparable length to upper arm. Forefoot pad centrally under the shoulder blade.

Short, close coat. Good spring of rib, with good taper along body length into waist viewed from above for age. Nicely close coupled and compact. Correct pelvic angulation (slight drop off) & onset of tail. Good tail carriage. Well let down hocks with correct turn of stifle. The difference in placing, being him slightly sunken in topline on the move, just past the withers. Not as free or economical in moving as 1, despite being decidedly more mature. Correctly conditioned for age, with a slight covering & little developed muscle.

3rd – 383 – STAROLESTAFF FIFTEE SHADES.

JUNIOR: 6 ENTRIES – 2 ABSENT.

1ST – 377 – ROUGESTAFF FLAMING ICE. 04/10/12.

Confident, feminine, white & red patched bitch 1 year 2 days old. Top end (perhaps just over) of standard in terms of height, & perhaps a bit lighter in relation, in terms of weight at present. She will no doubt strengthen with age and maturity. Brisket currently level to elbow. Good long sternum leading to very nice prominent forechest. Sound front (possibly a shade narrow still), with good strong shoulders. Strong, correctly angulated pasterns with feet that turn out a little. Feet tight, although held a shade flat at times but negligible. 2:1 head ratio with enough breadth in balance with body. Pronounced cheek muscles. Tight lipped, clean skinned foreface. Distinct stop. Black nose, correctly placed beneath the eyes when viewed from the front. Dark eyes & dark rim on red patched side. Well placed ears although held a bit high & long in relation to head size & breadth. Strong, square underjaw with perfect bite set square. Well laid shoulders with comparable length upper arm, & weight bearing forefoot pad held centrally under the shoulder blade. Shoulders likely to widen in in taper down from her short, strong, clean lined neck with maturity, although already nicely rounded. Short, close, well kept coat. She lacks a bit in spring of rib & is a bit straight in taper in body length, when viewed from above. A longer cast bitch with that bit extra in coupling. Light in the loin. Correct pelvic angulation & set on of tail. Well let down hocks & well turned stifles, with rear pasterns & hind foot directly behind a vertical plane from the furthest point of the buttocks, with pasterns perpendicular to the ground. Very good, level topline, both stationary and on the move. Correct tail carried low. Free, agile, economical mover with drive. Very good forward reach & naturally carries her head high with parallel rear drive. In lean, slight, muscular condition in keeping with age and maturity. One of the best movers of the day.

2nd – 386 – TONPAY BARMY ARMY. 24/05/12.

1 year 4 ½ month old black brindle dog with white blaze. Standard size dog in both height and weight. Very good pigmentation. Deep brisket with good length of sternum. Prominent forechest. Wide front with strong shoulders. Had a tendency to hold an overangulated pastern, dropping front in relation rear. Tight feet that turned out a little with black nails. 2:1 head ratio. Very strong, very broad, deep through head with strong cheeks, - on the borderline of being too much in balance with body, but ok. Deep, distinct stop. Clean enough foreface. Black nose very well placed beneath the eyes when viewed from the front. Very dark eyes & rims, round, and set correctly. Perfectly placed, neat rose ears. Strong, square, blunt underjaw with perfect bite. Well laid shoulders with upper arm of comparable length. Load bearing forefoot pad not held directly under the centre of the shoulder

blade when he carried an overangulated pastern. Wide, sloping, strong shoulders leading out of a short, strong neck when viewed from above. A short, close, well kept, shining coat. Good, barrel spring of rib & very good taper over body length into waist. Close coupled and compact. Light and strong in the loin. Correct pelvic angulation & set on of tail. Correct tail length, tidy & to a point. Well let down hocks & good turn of stifle. Nicely muscled rear end and croup. Unfortunately, sunken just beyond the withers. Although a powerful rear end, lacked forward reach and therefore uneconomical. Correct tail carriage. In very good, lean, muscular condition, with good muscle definition.

3rd – 382 – JODELS FLORENTINE.

Res – 379 – JORDANS ALL STAR.

POST GRADUATE: 7 ENTRIES – 2 ABSENT.

1st – 373 – HAMMYSTAFF HEAVEN KNOWS. 04/04/12.

Red with white front patched bitch with white markings extending from complete front into neck, & patched onto left/mid of head and foreface. 1 year 6 months old. Top end of standard in height & nice correctly related weight. Nice deep pigment. Deep brisket a touch below elbow. Long sternum leading to good, prominent forechest. Square, sound front with strong shoulder/elbow assembly. Strong, correctly angulated pasterns with feet turning out a little. Feet tight, although held a shade splayed at times but negligible. White nails matching coat colour on feet. 2:1 head ratio with balanced, broad, deep through skull. Pronounced, strong cheek muscles. Tight lipped, clean foreface. Deep distinct stop. Nice indentation between the eyes leading into top skull. Black nose, placed perfectly beneath and in relation to eyes. Eyes and rims dark, round, - & set correctly & straight ahead. Neat, light, rose ears, perfectly placed. Nice strength of underjaw, perfect bite. Well laid shoulders with a nice lateral slope from a strong short neck when viewed from above. Shoulder blade and upper arm of correct, comparable length. Load bearing forefoot pad held directly under the centre of the shoulder blade. Nicely conditioned, short, close coat. Good spring of rib although could be a shade more. Taper could be a shade better over body length but ok. A smidge longer in coupling, - light, firm in the loin. Correct pelvic angulation & set on of tail. Good length of tail to hock, - tidy. Hocks well let down with correct rear angulation, with rear pasterns & hind foot directly behind a vertical plane from the furthest point of the buttocks, with pasterns perpendicular to the ground. Nicely muscled rear end in keeping with overall condition. Level topline both stationary and on the move. Correct low carried tail. Free, powerful, agile mover. Nice rear drive & good forward reach with minimum forearm turnout from elbow. In good, slight, muscular, well defined condition. Light on her feet yet strong. Would love to see her pushed further in condition as she matures. – Nice bitch.

2nd – 374 – ASHBULL O'TOOLE. 06/10/11.

2 year old brindle dog with small white blaze. A shade over standard in terms of height and weight, with weight well related. Middle of the road in terms of bone strength for size and weight. Very good pigmentation. Brisket a smidge below elbow. Good, long sternum to prominent forechest. Very

nice, sound, square front with strong shoulder/elbow assembly, on strong correctly angulated pasterns and nice tight feet, that turn out a little, with dark nails. Correct 2:1 head ratio with very broad, deep through skull. Pronounced, strong cheek muscles. Lips tight enough. Correct, distinct stop. Nice mature indentation leading between the eyes into the skull. Black, correctly placed nose set just below eyes. Round, dark eyes & rims very well placed. Ears also well paced, rose and neat. All gives a very typical expression. Head in good balance with body. Strong enough underjaw, perfect bite. Well laid shoulders in comparable length to upper arm. Load bearing forefoot pad centrally held under the shoulder blade. Nice conditioned, short, close coat. Very good spring of rib & taper along body length into waist. Close coupled & strong in the loin. Unfortunately over angulated in the pelvis with an overly low set on of tail. Correct & tidy tail length. Well let down hocks. A shade straight in the stifle. – Roach backed in association of the above. Well muscled rear end. Gay tail carriage. A lack of forward reach and rear drive, with poor footfall. A shame in an otherwise very typical dog. Good condition, lean, well defined muscle.

3rd – 388 – KIPPASTAFF BLUE BELLE.

RES – 380 – KIPPASTAFF BOSSY BLUE.

VHC – 387 – BRIGHT LIGHTNING BOY AT KIPPASTAFF.

LIMIT: 5 ENTRIES – 0 ABSENT.

1st – 391 – ANTROBOSS TEMPESTA NERA. 18/08/10.

3 year almost 2 month old black brindle dog. Mid standard in both height and related weight. Very good pigmentation. Strong boned enough for his size. Deep brisket a smidge below his elbow. Long sternum leading to prominent enough forechest. Sound, square, strong front with no looseness. Strong, correctly angulated pasterns on tight feet that turn out a little, with black nails. 2:1 head ratio, very broad, deep through head, in good balance with body. Very strong pronounced cheek muscles. Tight enough clean lip. Very deep, distinct stop. Black nose, placed a shade high in relation to eyes, although slight, foreface horizontal plane is near level leading from between the eyes to nose, with the head held straight. – Which detracts slightly from an otherwise very typical spot on expression, & gives the impression of a shade overly short muzzle. Round, very dark eyes & rims set correctly looking straight ahead. Correctly set, perfectly rose ears. Strong underjaw with perfect scissor bite. Well laid shoulders with comparable length upper arm, with forefoot pad held directly under the centre of the shoulder blade. Well rounded shoulders from a short strong set neck clean in outline, but would benefit from a shade more width to his shoulders at his maturity. Has a short, close, well conditioned coat. Well sprung rib. Short backed, close coupled and compact. A shade soft in the loin. Ok taper along length viewed from above into waist, although cut in could be better. Correct pelvic angulation & set on of tail. Correct tail length to hock, neat to a taper point. Well let down hocks & correct rear angulation. Level topline both stationary and on the move. Low tail carriage. Free on the move with good enough drive & ok forward reach. Carries his head high, could move with more purpose. Economical enough. Had a tendency to crab on occasion, although appeared more related to a desire to have whatever his handler might have had for him than

anything else. In ok condition with a slight covering. I would like to see this dog in a serious condition because he would benefit massively in lots of departments. – Nice all round dog.

2nd – 375 – BLAZINSTAFF DYNAMYTEE AT ROUGESTAFF. 03/06/10.

3 year 4 month old red bitch. Top end of standard or possibly a shade over in height, with a well related weight. A good overall balance of strength and manoeuvrability. Brisket a shade shallow, level with elbow. Good long sternum leading to nice prominent forechest. Square, very sound front with no looseness. Strong pasterns & tight feet turning out a little. Dark nails. Good 2:1 head ratio, feminine & in good balance with her body & type. Nicely defined. Broad deep through enough. Nicely pronounced & defined cheek muscles. Clean skinned & tight lipped foreface. Distinct stop with nice definition to skull leading out from between the eyes. Black nose well placed beneath the eyes in view from the front. Very well set, round eyes looking straight ahead. Eyes a shade light but in relation to coat colour. Dark enough rims & mask. Very well placed and set ears, although carried a bit high. Her underjaw could be a tad stronger, but strong enough in keeping with her femininity and type. Perfect scissor bite. Well laid shoulders of comparable length to upper arm, - forefoot pad directly under the centre of the shoulder blade. Clean, short, strong enough neck leading into strong rounded shoulders, would benefit from a fraction more width to shoulders. Nicely conditioned close, short coat. Lacks a slight bit of spring of rib & a shade straight in body length from above. A bit longer in length and coupling. Light enough and firm in the loin. Correct pelvic angulation giving a nice drop off and set on of tail. Good tail length with nice taper. Well let down hocks. Very well muscled, powerful, correctly angulated rear end. Level topline both stationary and on the move, with correct tail carriage. Free, powerful, agile, economical mover who naturally carries her head high. Good forward each, powerful, parallel rear drive. In lean, muscular, well defined, firm condition. Would also like to see her pushed for condition even more.

3rd – 381 – ASHBULL OMEE.

RES – 388 – KIPPASTAFF BLUE BELLE.

VHC – 387 – BRIGHT LIGHTNING BOY AT KIPPASTAFF.

OPEN: 5 ENTRIES – 1 ABSENT.

1st – 392 – CURSUS SUMMER STORM JW. 13/06/09.

4 years 4 months old, petite, strong yet light, compact, powerful and feminine, black brindle bitch with get up and go. Mid standard in height and perfectly related in weight. Strong yet feminine boned. Very good pigmentation. Very good depth to brisket a shade below elbow, giving a nice balance & low centre of gravity with her rather wide, yet square front. – just the right depth. Long sternum leading to prominent forechest. Wide, square, sound front on a strong shoulder/elbow assembly. Strong, correctly angulated pasterns. Tight feet that turn out a little with black nails. 2:1 skull to foreface ratio. Perfect breadth & depth to head in balance with her body. Strong, well

muscled cheeks. Tight & clean lipped. Deep, distinct stop but not overdone. Very typically defined skull. Black nose placed perfectly between and below the eyes viewed from the front, with a slight fall from between the eyes down to the nose. Darkest of eyes, round, with dark rims, perfectly placed. Perfectly placed rose ears. Strong underjaw but not overdone and in keeping. All giving a strong, typical, well defined, feminine balanced expression in keeping with the rest of her. Perfect scissor bite. Well laid shoulders comparable in length to upper arm, very well naturally muscled and rounded giving superb taper from a short, strong, clean in outline neck down over. Fore foot pad and column of support to load directly beneath the centre of the shoulder blade. Short, close, shining, well kept coat. Nice spring of rib & defined taper over body length into waist viewed from above. Shoulder and hip width close to equal giving balance over length. Close coupled and compact. Light and firm in the loin. Nicely muscled croup. Correct underline. Correct pelvic angulation giving nice drop off & set on of tail. Correct tail length to hock. – Neat and tapering to a point. Well let down hocks. Well angulated stifles with rear pasterns perpendicular to the ground, & hind foot directly behind a vertical plane from the furthest point of the buttocks. She has a tendency to over angulate her rear end & drop her topline in preparation to thrust forward, - a sure sign of a get up and go temperament. Holds a level topline both stationary when relaxed and on the move, with correct low tail carriage. Moves free & with drive. Light on her feet & economical. Has confidence & naturally holds her head high. Good forward reach, footfall & parallel rear drive when at correct speed. In lean, well defined, muscular condition. Would love to see her pushed that bit further.

In summary, a superb balance between strength and femininity, power & manoeuvrability. Super temperament & body language. Right in the middle of the standard.

BEST OF BREED - TERRIER GROUP 2.

2nd – 376 – BLAZINSTAFF LIGHT MY FIRE JW ShCM. 05/05/09.

4 years 5 months old deep red & white patched dog. Strong boned dog naturally a smidge over the standard in height & weight. Super pigmentation. Very deep brisket below elbow. Good long sternum leading to nice prominent forechest. Superbly strong, sound, square front. Very strong shoulder/elbow assembly with no looseness. Strong, correctly angulated pasterns. Very nice tight, sprung feet that turn out a little. 2:1 head ratio. Very broad, deep through head with very defined, pronounced cheek muscles, in balance with his body. Tight lipped, clean skinned foreface. Distinct enough stop, very defined skull leading up from between the eyes. Black nose very well placed below the eyes viewed from the front. – Correctly angulated foreface. Round eyes perfectly placed, a shade light but in relation to coat colour. Rims dark. Perfectly set, neatest of ear carriage. Strong underjaw in balance with head, with perfect scissor bite. Nice deep black mask. All giving a very typical expression. Short, strong clean outlined neck, leading into well laid shoulders comparable in length to upper arm, very nicely rounded and well muscled. Load bearing forefoot pad held directly under the centre of the shoulder blade. A superb, short, close, shining, well conditioned and kept coat. He lacks a shade of spring of rib. Strong and firm in the loin with good taper into waist. Correct pelvic angulation & slight drop off to set on of tail. Correct length tail to hock, neat, and tapered to a point. Well let down hocks correctly angulated, with well bent stifles. Rear pasterns perpendicular to ground & directly behind the vertical plane from the furthest point of the buttock. Very well muscled rear end. Superb topline both stationary and on the move. Moves free, powerful & very economically with a naturally high held head. Moves with purposeful parallel

rear drive. Very good forward reach with a minimum of forearm turnout from elbow. Very good and regular footfall. In solid, muscular condition. A small criticism would be I'd like to see a tad more get up and go in him. – Nice dog.

RESERVE BEST OF BREED.

3rd – 385 – SUNNYSTONE PARTY GIRL AT TONPAY.

RES – 388 – KIPPASTAFF BLUE BELLE.

Judge - Daniel Meara (Millamear).