

Hitchin & DCS
Sunday 14th October 2018

Border Collies

J (1/0) 1- Simmons & Inverno's Sashdan Never Ending Story (ai). 12 month old, b/w bitch. RBOB. Broad skull with moderately short muzzle. Pleasing arch to neck set on a level topline. Still developing so hopefully chest will become deeper. I would have preferred more muscle to 1st thigh. Very attentive and full of life.

PG (3/1) 1 – Simmons & Inverno's Sashdan Never Ending Story (ai). 2 – Buxton's Meisterwerk Star Dreamer. 21 month old, b/w bitch. Somewhat smaller than 1 but retains good proportions to skull. Pleasing eye colour and placement. Good muscle tone to rear. Somewhat let down by tail carriage.

O (4/1) 1 – Paton's Nahrof man Overboard For Willianways (Imp Aus). 2½ year old, b/w dog. BOB, Grp 3. The 'stand out' dog in terms of outline. Covered his ground well, with body slightly longer than height at withers. Moderately wide skull with ears set well apart. Arched neck that broadens to shoulders. Carried a level topline both standing and on the move. Excellent muscle tone to thighs but I felt that the hocks could be a little stronger. Presented in excellent condition.

2 – Buxton's Meisterwerk Last Chance. 21 month old, b/w dog. Not quite the proportions of 1. Good width of skull with semi-erect ears set well apart. Arguably the best front angulation of all present. Plenty of muscle in the rear but spoiled by hindlegs that were not parallel from the hock downwards. Tail set on a touch high and carried somewhat gaily

3 – Tansley's Bilyara Ice Maiden.

Reserve Best Of Breed Stakes (40/7).

1 – Markis' Labbadax Montebello [Dachshund (Long-Haired)]. 10 month old dog. Although still developing all of the essential elements were there. Excellent proportions to skull – tip of nose to eyes equal to occiput to eyes. Head and neck carried proudly. Super angulation all round with very pleasing muscle tone, front and rear. Was an absolute delight on the move. A 'hands down' winner in a very large class.

2 – Wildsmith & Brown's Trimere Tickle Me Fancy [Spaniel (English Springer)]. 3 year old bitch. Significantly more mature than 1. Head shape not exaggerated in any way. Dark brown, almond-shaped eyes. Good length to ears with correct feathering. Good depth of chest with well-sprung ribs. Super muscle tone all round. Movement was top notch.

3 – Frosdick's Kalwig Roulette [Welsh Corgi (Cardigan)].

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