Thank you to the officers and committee of Hitchin and District Canine Society for the invitation to judge and hospitality at your show on the 16th April 2023. I would also like to thank the exhibitors who took my decisions with good grace and to my steward for their very good control and efficient running of the ring.

Diane Garratt

**BULLMASTIFF (1)**

**O (1)** Todd and Smiths Alonzobar Red Sky for Delaria 2 yr old strong fawn dog. He has bone and substance in abundance, strong headpiece with a lovely dark mask and eyes, correct mouth, good ear set and ample reach of neck leading to well laid back shoulder and level topline. Powerful drive on the move but still needs to tighten up behind. BOB

**D0GUE DE BORDEAUX**

**P (1a)**

**J (2)**

**1)** Hixon's Kenwone Peach Posy Avec Chardanmar 16 months confident red bitch lovely femine head with correct wrinkle and well set ears, square front, tight feet with good topline. Res BOB

**2)** Hodgkin & Lees Piechottka Mustang Sally 14 months bitch not as developed in head as 1 but good mouth, wide nostrils and lovely wrinkle, quality strong bone and sound on the move though just a little worried on the day.

**L (3)**

**1)** Hodgkin & Lees Piechottka Goldeneye 2 year old dog presented in fabulous condition lovely headpiece with correct bite and well placed ears, clear eyes and good wrinkle, square in front with well let down chest, tight feet and correct rear angulation sound dog and moved out well. BOB

**2)** Hixon's Chardanmar Little Bit of Argee Bargee 4 year old dog good underbite, chest wide and well let down, correct front assembly but rather loose in rear movement and out of coat today.

**O (2)**

1. Hixon's Punkie De La Tribu de Laza Avec Chardanmar 3 year old a smaller but sound bitch, with feminine head, undershot jaw correct ear set, short thick neck, square in front with well let down chest, enough front and rear angulation but would have liked tighter feet.

2) Spencer's Loggerheads Summer by Debsikay 3 year old bitch rather worried on the day which affected her performance, clear eyes with enough wrinkle, would have liked her wider in front but had good rear angulation. Timid on the move.

**BOXERS**

**P (2,1a)**

1. Wilsons, Thorpaige What a Kerfuffle 10 month old brindle bitch. This young girl took my eye the moment she entered the ring she had the presence of a future star. Lovely broad deep muzzle with correct upturn of lower jaw, dark eyes and ears framing her head correctly, great reach of neck leading to lovely front assembly, tight feet good tuck up and slight slope to her topline, great rear angulation which gave her superb drive on the move, she is square and balanced for one so young and I will watch her with interest in the future. BOB & BP

**J (2)**

1. Rodemarks, Bonmac Twinkle Twinkle, 12 months red bitch, well grown attractive square balanced bitch. square deep muzzle with a good underbite and upturn of lower jaw. Deep in chest, strong in back with slight slope leading to strong muscled hindquarters and ample hind angulation, tight feet and covered the ground purposefully with drive.
2. Wilsons Thorpaige Chasing Rainbows, 10 months brindle litter sister to puppy winner, head still needs to develop but showing broad deep muzzle, upturned lower jaw, lovely dark eyes and pronounced stop, ears set wide but left one needs to settle once she finishes teething. Good round reach of neck leading to a well laid back sloping shoulder and upright forelimbs with tight feet. Short in back with good rear angulation. Moved with good reach and drive, still a very raw puppy but an exciting prospect for the future.

**PG (1a)**

**O (1)**

1. Wheelers, Olibetay Bella Rose at Hipkins JW, 2 year old brindle bitch. Head well developed and in balance with her body, square and strong in muzzle with well developed sweeping under jaw, correct dentation lovely dark eyes and distinct stop, wide correct set ears. Lovely reach of neck leading to gently sloping topline, broad strong loins and good tuck up. Covers the ground and moves with drive and purpose. Res BOB