

## **South West Region GSD Group**

### **Regional Show 4<sup>th</sup> April 2015**

#### **Critiques – Shirley Hutchinson (WUSV)**

I would like to thank the committee for inviting me to judge this show and the exhibitors for entering their dogs under me. It was a pleasure to spend the weekend with Herr Mai and his wife and to listen to his stories and views. The quality of the entry was good with all exhibits having sound temperaments. My overriding observation was that a significant number of dogs did not hold a correct backline during movement with varying degrees of arching or raising of the back – these were puppy classes and so the proportions of the exhibits will develop and this aspect may change but I believe it is an issue we should all pay particular attention to.

#### **Class 1 Long Coat Special Puppy Bitch**

##### **VP1 Cuthbert's Cruaghair Havana**

6 months black and gold, medium size, strong, feminine bitch with good head and expression. Normal withers and back a little soft but acceptable at this age. Correct length and angle of croup. Correct over and under lines. Correct forehand construction with firm pasterns. Very Good hind angulation with firm hocks which are currently a little close. Moved soundly away and back. At all speeds movement was co-ordinated with good forward reach and hind thrust.

##### **VP2 Exley and Fitton's Starkherz Kasia**

7 months black and gold, large, medium strength, feminine bitch with good head and expression. Normal withers, firm back. Correct length and lay of croup. Overline was correct but underline a little short. Correct forehand construction with firm pasterns. Hind angulation is good and hocks are firm. Moved soundly away and back. When walking and gaiting the backline shortened. Forward reach and hind thrust are adequate.

#### **Class 2 Long Coat Special Puppy Dog**

##### **VP1 Dooley's Cezar vd Zenteiche**

9 months black and gold large, strong, masculine dog with good head and expression. Withers are pronounced and back firm. Croup is short and steep. Overline is correct but underline is short. Chest depth is correct, upper arm short, pasterns firm. Hind angulation is good and hocks firm. Moved soundly away and back. Movement was well co-ordinated at all speeds with sufficient forward reach and hind thrust.

##### **VP2 Sumner's Giantlands Gandolf**

9 months black and gold large, medium strength masculine dog with good head and expression. Normal withers and soft back. Croup is short and steep. Shoulder is well angled, upper arm short, pasterns firm. Hind angulation is sufficient and hocks are firm. Over and under lines are correct. Moved soundly away and back but elbows are rather wide. This dog needs more training and did not settle for long on the walk but when gaiting was well co-ordinated. Sufficient forward reach and hind thrust.

##### **VP3 Phillips and Yates' Vongraf Shama**

7 months very well pigmented, large, medium strength sable masculine dog. Normal withers and back could be firmer. Croup is short but well angled. Correct over and under line. Shoulder is of good length

and well angled but upper arm is short and steep. Pasterns are firm. Hind angulation is sufficient and hocks are firm. Moved soundly away and back. Elbows are a little wide. Movement was well coordinated but he was dropping on the forehand. Forward reach was sufficient but should have more hind thrust.

#### Class Three Minor Puppy Bitch

##### **VP1 Apps and Tucker's Felsental Estelle**

8 months, well pigmented, black and gold, medium size, medium strength feminine bitch with good head and expression. Pronounced withers and firm back. Good length and lay of croup. Good over and under lines. Good forehand construction with firm pasterns. Very good hind angulation, hocks could be firmer. Correct moving away and back. Well co-ordinated movement with good forward reach and hind thrust. Lively temperament and good presentation.

##### **VP2 Cullen's Veneze Roma**

6 months, very well pigmented black and gold, medium size, medium strength feminine bitch with good head and expression. Normal withers and firm back. Croup is short but well angled. Correct over and underlines. Correct forehand construction with firm pasterns. Good hind angulation and hocks sufficiently firm. Tail set a little high. Moved soundly away and back. Well co-ordinated movement with excellent forward reach and good hind thrust. Another lively female.

##### **VP3 Howell's Xantippe Nora**

8 months, large, medium strength, feminine, sable female with good head and expression. Pronounced withers and back could be firmer. Croup is of good length and angle. Over and under lines are correct. Correct forehand construction with firm pasterns. Good hind angulation and firm hocks. Moves soundly away and back. Well co-ordinated movement at all paces with good forward reach and hind thrust.

##### **VP4 Payne's Videx Chianti**

6 ½ months, richly pigmented, very glamorous, medium size, medium strength feminine bitch with good head and expression. Slightly overshot at the moment. Withers are pronounced and back firm. Croup is of good length and angle. Correct over and under lines. The shoulder is well angled, the upper arm is well angled but a little short. Pasterns are firm. Very good hind angulation and firm hocks. A slight hook in her tail which she needs to grow into! Moved soundly away and back but elbows a little wide. Well co-ordinated movement at all paces with sufficient forward reach and hind thrust.

##### **VP5 Pegg's Wallu vd Freiheit Westerholt**

6 ½ months black and gold, medium size, medium strength, feminine bitch. Head could do with a little more pronounced stop. Slightly overshot at the moment. Normal withers and firm back. Croup is short but of good angle. Correct over and under line. Well angled shoulder but upper arm is short and slightly steep. Firm pasterns. Tail set rather high. Moved correct away, elbows a little wide. Movement is generally well co-ordinated but on the gait she ambled from time to time. Good forward reach and hind thrust.

##### **VP6 Farley's Nikonis Emmy**

6 months, medium size, medium strength feminine sable bitch with good head and expression. Normal withers, firm back and very well muscled. Croup short but well angled. Correct over and under line. Correct forehand construction with firm pasterns. Good hind angulation but hocks could be a little

firmer. Tail set a little high. Moved soundly away and back. Well co-ordinated movement at all paces, looked better in movement than in stance today.

#### **VP7 Miller's Haus Muller Ava**

7 months, very well pigmented black and gold, medium size, somewhat light framed feminine bitch. Head could be stronger. Normal withers and firm back. Good length and lay of croup. Correct over and underline. Correct forehand construction and firm pasterns. Good hind angulation and firm hocks. Moved soundly away and back but elbows are a little wide. Ambled at most paces and her back line was raised. Good forward reach and sufficient hind thrust.

#### **VP8 Gouck's Haus Muller Alva**

7 months, black and gold, medium size, somewhat light framed feminine bitch. Head could be stronger. Normal withers, firm back. Correct length and lay of croup. Correct over and under line. Shoulder well angled, upper arm steep but of good length. Pasterns are firm. Good hind angulation, hocks a little long. Tail carriage high at times. Elbows a little wide. Well co-ordinated movement but dropped on forehand. Sufficient forward reach and hind thrust.

#### Class 4 Minor Puppy Dog

#### **VP1 Payne's Videx Shiraz**

6 ½ months, very well pigmented, glamorous, medium size, medium strength, masculine black and gold dog with good head, eyes could be darker. Normal withers and firm back. Correct length and lay of croup. Correct over and under line. Correct forehand construction with firm pasterns. Good hind angulation and firm hocks. Moved soundly away and back. Well co-ordinated and harmonious movement with good forward reach and hind thrust.

#### **VP2 Apps and Tucker's Felsental Escort**

8 months, large, strong, masculine black and gold dog. Pronounced withers in stance but flattening somewhat during movement. Croup short but well angled. Correct over and under line. Correct forehand construction with firm pasterns. Good hind angulation and firm hocks. Moved soundly away and back. Well co-ordinated movement at all paces with good forward reach and hind thrust.

#### **VP3 Reynold's Reyanheath Warrwick**

7 months, medium size, medium strength masculine sable male with very good coat and good head and expression. Normal withers and firm back. Slightly short croup but well angled – spoilt somewhat by untidy coat over the croup. Correct over and under line. Correct forehand construction. Well co-ordinated movement – forward reach needs to be freer, hind thrust sufficient.

#### **VP4 Quinn's Haus Muller Armstrong**

7 months, medium size, medium strength, masculine black and gold dog. Normal withers and firm back. Croup short but well angled. Correct over and under line. Correct forehand construction and firm pasterns. Moved soundly away and back, elbows a little wide. Movement was hard to assess due to excessive pulling, forward reach and hind thrust sufficient.

#### **VP5 Moore's Reyanheath Wilbo**

7 months, large, medium strength, medium size sable male with good head and expression. Normal withers and firm back. Croup of good length but a little steep. Correct over and under line. Shoulder

is well angled, upper arm is a little steep. Pasterns are firm. Good hind angulation and firm hocks. Moved soundly away and back, elbows a little wide. Well co-ordinated movement with sufficient hind thrust but forward reach could be freer.

#### Class 5 Puppy Bitch

##### **VP1 Cullen's Bea v Grafenbrunn**

11 months medium size, medium strength, feminine black and gold bitch with good head and expression. Normal withers and firm back. Croup is short but well angled. Correct over and under line. Shoulder is well angled, upper arm is steep but of good length. Pasterns are a little weak. Hind angulation is good and hocks are firm. Moved soundly away and back, elbows a little loose. Well co-ordinated movement, retaining wither height throughout. Good forward reach and hind thrust.

##### **VP2 Horrock's Jamniska China**

11 ½ months, medium size, medium strength, feminine black and gold bitch with good head and expression. I would like a little more substance throughout. Normal withers and firm back. Correct length and lay of croup, Correct over and under line. Correct forehand construction and firm pasterns. Good hind angulation and firm hocks. Moved soundly away and back. Well co-ordinated, powerful gaiting but raised her back a little intermittently. Good forward reach and hind thrust.

##### **VP3 Wilson's Clynalwin's Lillie**

11 months, medium size, medium strength, feminine black and gold bitch with good head and expression. Pronounced wither and firm back. Correct length and lay of croup. Well angled shoulder, upper arm is well angled but slightly short. Pasterns are firm. Moved soundly away and back. Well co-ordinated movement with excellent forward reach and good hind thrust.

##### **VP4 Bevan's Bruckeberem Equinox**

11 months, medium size, medium strength, feminine black and gold bitch with good head and expression. Normal withers in somewhat soft condition. Correct length and lay of croup. Correct over and under line. Correct forehand construction and firm pasterns. Good hind angulation and firm hocks. Moved soundly away and back. Well co-ordinated movement with sufficient forward reach and good hind thrust. Pulled too much when walking and dropped on the forehand as a consequence – better when gaiting.

##### **VP5 Yate's Welle Lano of Lornastone**

9 months, medium size, strong, glamorous, feminine bitch with good head and expression. Normal withers. Correct length and lay of croup. Correct over and under line, Chest a little deep. Well angled shoulder with slightly short but well angled upper arm. Pasterns are firm. Good hind angulation and hocks are sufficiently firm. Moved soundly away and back. Well co-ordinated gait with good forward reach and hind thrust.

##### **VP6 Caton's Puna v Nordteich**

9 ½ months medium size, medium strength, very well pigmented, black and gold, feminine bitch with good head and expression. Pronounced withers and firm back. Croup is short but well angled. Overline is good, brisket is rather deep as is the underchest. Correct forehand construction and firm pasterns. Good hind angulation and firm hocks. Moved soundly away and back. Well co-ordinated movement at all paces with good forward reach and hind thrust.

**VP7 Hensley and Swift's Zuberg Greta**

9 ½ months, medium size, medium strength, feminine black and gold bitch with good head and expression. Normal withers, back could be firmer. Correct length and lay of croup. Under chest slightly deep. Correct forehand construction and firm pasterns. Good hind angulation and firm hocks. Moved soundly away and back. Well co-ordinated movement at all paces. Good forward reach and hind thrust.

**VP8 Gill and Richard's Jadema Jowan**

10 months, medium size, medium strength, feminine black and gold bitch. Top plane of muzzle should be straighter. Pronounced withers, back rather soft. Correct length and lay of croup. Correct over and under line. Correct forehand construction. Slightly long thigh and hocks not totally firm. Moved correctly away and back. Well co-ordinated movement at all paces with good forward reach and hind thrust but soft condition detracted.

**VP9 Spelman's Astana Qualli**

11 months, very well pigmented, medium size, medium strength, feminine black and gold bitch with good head and expression. Normal withers. Correct length of croup but slightly steep. Correct over and under line. Correct forehand construction and firm pasterns. Good hind angulation and firm hocks. Moved soundly away and back. In her individual she moved with good co-ordination and sufficient forward reach and hind thrust but as the class went on she did not perform and lost several places.

**VP10 Fryer's Hundark Sophie**

10 ½ months, medium size, medium strength, feminine black and gold bitch with good head and expression. Normal withers and slightly soft back. Correct length and lay of croup. Correct over and underline. Well angled shoulder with steep upper arm of good length. Firm Pasterns. Good hind angulation and firm hocks. Moved soundly away and back. Gaiting was spoilt by excessive pulling on the lead.

Class 6 Puppy Dog**VP1 Pegg's Dahlmann Beppo**

10 months large, strong, masculine black and gold male with good head and expression. Normal withers and firm back. Croup is of good length but a little steep. Correct over and under line. Correct forehand construction and firm pasterns. Good hind angulation with firm hocks. Tail set a little high. Moved soundly away and back. Well co-ordinated movement with good forward reach and hind thrust but tail spoilt overall picture.