JUDGES COMMENTS

When I was told that I was to judge the national specialty, June 2006 seemed an impossible time to wait. It was years in the future; would the time ever come? It was worse than waiting for Christmas when I was a child. Show time did finally arrive, and what a treat it was! It was well worth all the waiting!

The fairgrounds and the actual ring area were just lovely. As someone from the southwest desert, all the greenery and trees makes for a real change for me.

My focus from the beginning was to balance the combination of type and soundness, as I never want to sacrifice either, a difficult proposition for sure. I was fortunate to find both in many of the exhibits shown to me. Many decisions, as to be expected in competition of this caliber, were made on the most minor of points. I had several classes, especially the Best of Breed group, where I just wanted to stop and give everyone a ribbon. Several dogs that I would be proud to own were not able to receive the recognition they deserve on this particular day. The junior puppy dog class was also of particular note with the depth of quality in these babies.

I am amazed at the improvement of front movement, coming toward the judge. Gone are the days of most exhibits doing something peculiar with their front legs, whether throwing elbows, flipping pasterns, or winging those feet out.

Side gait was more difficult to assess. The grass was a bit too long for our small dogs, with the result that most showed me more height of front leg lift and bend of pastern than I like to see. Heads and mouths were also a pleasant surprise with very few oddly set eyes or poorly placed teeth. Pelts and coats were also very good, with only a very few lacking the proper thickness and texture.

The problems I did find were the problems that I’m afraid will be with us for some time to come: the drag of our breed, thick, short and stuffy. Several exhibits also paid the price of lack of condition. I have large hands, so if I have to struggle to span a dog, it’s too big. This breed must be longer than it is tall, with a racy outline, long flattish rib and the proper angulation to give the open side gait and the attempt to converge to a center line that will allow it to do the job it was bred for.

I will close with a heartfelt thank you to all the people who worked so hard to make this show run so smoothly. This can not be an easy task to commit oneself to, and your efforts are much appreciated. I must also thank the members of BTCA for inviting me to judge this year. I am ever honored by your support.

Harriet Haydon

PS in reading over my comments on my placements, they seem very similar, class after class. I was looking for certain features that I consider essential, and I wanted to recognize them in the dogs that won under me. I hope they are of some value. – HH

Breed Winners

Best of Breed: Foxrun Clove-R, J Holder
Best of Opposite Sex: CH Skyline Gentleman’s Agreement, M Henning/K Henning
Best of Winners: Foxrun Clove-R, J Holder
Winners Dog: McHenry’s Ewok Of Endor, M Ensor/M Ensor/C Giese
Reserve Winners Dog: Ganymede’s Dark Hunter, L Hauenstein
Winners Bitch: Foxrun Clove-R, J Holder
Reserve Winners Bitch: Wellswood Razzle Dazzle, R Bromberg/P Bromberg

Regular Classes

Puppy 6-9 Dogs (13 entries, 1 absent)


Puppy 9-12 Dogs (8 entries, 0 absent)


2 61 BENDYWOOD’S CHIEF JUSTICE. RN 09048204. 07-02-05. By Bendywood The Corner On T’ Market - Bendywood’s Forget Me Not. Owner: Margaret A Brandel., Fredericksburg, VA 224053172. Breeder: Betsy Kirkpatrick & Cindy Peebles & Margaret Brandel. JUDGES CRITIQUE: Similar to #1, although a bit bigger. Also needs to mature in head.


Puppy 12-18 Dogs (6 entries, 1 absent)

1 71 KANDUS DEAL ME AN ACE. RN 07952301. 03-24-05. By Ch Tenpenny Prince Andrew - Ch Hideaway’s She Kandu It. Owner: Phillip C Klosinski., Toledo, OH 43613. Breeder: Phillip C Klosinski & Lynn D Looper. JUDGES CRITIQUE: Narrow, sound nice movement. Still coming to his head.


Bred By Exhibitor Dogs (18 entries, 0 absent)

1 131 MCHENRY’S EWOK OF ENDOR. RN 09611604. 09-22-05 By Ch Towzie Tyke Laird O’Glenmore - Ch Towzie Tyke Wuthering Heights JE. Owner: Mark & Mary Beth Ensor & CT Giese., Baltimore, MD 21228. Breeder: Mark & Mary Beth Ensor & CT Giese. JUDGES CRITIQUE: Strong masculine head, nice bone, tall without bulk, narrow and narrow throughout, easily spanned, held his topline on the move.

2 67 OBAN’S JACK OF HEARTS. RN 09126704. 08-12-05. By Ch Oldstone Franc - Oban’s Nala Lion Heart. Owner: Wendy Turner & Julie LaFreniere., Kittery Point, ME 03905. Breeder: Lucille M Collins & Julie LaFreniere. JUDGES CRITIQUE: Nice length of body, pretty head, good size, narrow throughout.

3 163 REDGATE’S FOREST PHANTOM. RN 05130801. 04-17-04. By Ch Oldstone Franc - Ch Redgate’s Silver Lining. Owner: Judith G Rivers., East Haddam, CT 06423. Breeder: Judith G Rivers. JUDGES CRITIQUE: Nice moving dog, pretty angles, outstanding head, full backskull, nice varminty eye, good fill, good bite.

American-Bred Dogs (3 entries)

1 151 WILDWOOD BRAMBLE BANDIT. RM 09040302. 07-22-05. By Ch Hickory Ridge Lenny - Ch Wildwood Daphne NA NAJ. Owner: Tracy Pence & Annette Neff., Columbus, OH 43231. Breeder: Annette Neff. JUDGES CRITIQUE: Sound mover, nice length of body.


Open Dogs (8 entries, 1 absent)

1 225 WILDWOOD FURZE IN A TUX. RN 05209304. 04-28-04. By Ch Dunraven Cuddy’s Crag Bandit - Ch Wildwood Daphne. Owner: Susan M Hinnant & Anette Neff., Louisville, KY 40206. Breeder: Annette Neff. **JUDGES CRITIQUE:** Beautiful head, nice outline, up to size but able to span.


3 19 FOX RUN’S BRAVEHEART SE. RN 04334301. 01-19-04. By Fox Run Tucker Me Out SE - Fox Run Silver Spoon. Owner: Mary Frances Davis & Brenda Weintraub., Hillsborough, NC 27278. Breeder: Mary Frances Davis. **JUDGES CRITIQUE:** Strong head, pretty outline, not able to span this big boy.


Puppy 6-9 Bitches (20 entries, 4 absent)

1 218 THISTLEBITTLE PAISLEY ABBEY. RN 10783201. 11-03-05. By Ch Krispin Basil - Sherwood’s Red White Liberty. Owner: Karen Nesbitt., Mallorytown ON, CN K0E 1RO. Breeder: Karen Nesbitt. **JUDGES CRITIQUE:** Cute head, good bone, pretty mover, nice length of body.


Puppy 9-12 Bitches (13 entries, 3 absent)

1 144 HIDEAWAYS SOAPWORT IN BLOOM. RN 09440801. 09-09-05. By Ch Hideaways Beetleweed - Ch Hideaways Earliblue Plum. Owner: Lynn D Looper., Granite Falls, NC 28630. Breeder: Lynn D Looper. **JUDGES CRITIQUE:** Pretty head, nice overall outline, good bone, sound mover, a very attractive little girl.


3 94 O'BAN'S HEARTLAND. RN 09126705. 08-12-05. By Ch Oldstone Franc - Oban’s Nala Lion Heart. Owner: Lucille M Collins & Julie LaFreniere., Petersham, MA 01366. Breeder: Lucille M Collins & Julie LaFreniere. **JUDGES CRITIQUE:** Nice movement, needs a bit more length of body.

4 28 HIDEAWAY TEA TIME AT TIDEWATCH. RN 09440803. 09-09-05. By Ch Hideaways Beetleweed - Ch Hideaways Earliblue Plum. Owner: Claire L Robinson., Hickory, NC 28602. Breeder: Lynn D Looper. **JUDGES CRITIQUE:** Nice length of body, needs to mature in head.

Puppy 12-18 Bitches (10 entries, 1 absent)

1 124 TOWZIE TYKE ANAMCHARA. RN 07543001. 01-21-05. By Ch Towzie Tyke Duncan Mackenzie - Ch Towzie Tyke Wayside Flower. Owner: Wayne R Kirn & Joyce Kirn., Bel Air, MD 210156601. Breeder: Wayne & Joyce Kirn & Al & Lois Langish. **JUDGES CRITIQUE:** Nice length of body, good carry back of rib, pretty head, would wish for a bit more length of leg.

2 284 THISTLEPATCH'S ICING ON THE CAKE. RN 07786803. 04-17-05. By Ch Kobold’s Road Warrior - Ch Thistlepatch’s Whurly Burr ME. Owner: Mary Ellen Moehler & Sharlene Dyer., Heathsville, VA 22473. Breeder: Sharlene Dyer & Mary Ellen Moehler. (Dawn Mahaffey, Agent). **JUDGES CRITIQUE:** Another nice length of rib and body, good bone, pretty angles, up-on-leg, a bit big for me.

3 178 HABIBI. RN 07938104. 05-05-05. By Ch Otterwise Opie ME RE - Ch CB’s Ewok Of Otterwise RA. Owner: Heidi Jo Elyea & Mary Jo Landergan., Fort Wayne, IN 46825. Breeder: Mary J Landergan. **JUDGES CRITIQUE:** Pretty head, moved well, lovely length of rib, also wish for a bit more length of leg.

4 212 FOXRUN ECHO IN THYME. RN 10220101. 05-10-05. By Ch Krispin Basil - Talex Good Thyme Gal. Owner: Karen Nesbitt., Mallorytown ON, CN K6V 5T4. Breeder: Jen Holder. **JUDGES CRITIQUE:** Up-on-leg, racy, good overall outline, might wish for a bit more bone.
Bred By Exhibitor Bitches (25 entries, 3 absent)

1 102 FOXRUN CLOVER- R. RN 09072301. 05-08-04. By Ch Krispin Basil - Foxrun Myristica Fragrance Hout. Owner: Jen Holder., Beaverton ON, CN L0K 1A0. Breeder: Jen Holder. Winners Bitch, Best of Winners, Best Bred By Exhibitor, Best of Breed. JUDGES CRITIQUE: Absolutely stunning red grizzle. Strong bitch head, elegant and smooth under hand. Every piece just fit with every other piece. She was in beautiful condition, with perfect coat and pelt. Her outline gave everything needed. She filled my eye, and resisted all challengers.


3 202 MARLEA'S GUINNEVERE. RN 07013902. 11-18-04. By Ch Foxforest Casanova - Oban N Marlea’s Annie Oakley. Owner: Sheila Demers & Judith Rivers., Granby, MA 01036. Breeder: Sheila Demers. JUDGES CRITIQUE: Lovely flat rib, lean through the shoulders and quarters, held her topline on the move, nice angles.


American-Bred Bitches (9 entries, 1 absent)

1 92 OBAN TAKE NO PRISONERS. RN 08982801. 07-01-05. By Ch Oldstone Franc - Ch Oban’s Calisto Warrior Queen. Owner: Lucille M Collins & Julie LaFreniere., PETERSHAM, MA 01366. Breeder: Lucille M Collins & Julie LaFreniere. JUDGES CRITIQUE: Nice front, pretty angles, ready to go, lovely side gait, a real eye catcher.


Open Bitches (13 entries, 0 absent)


3 40 WOOLY BULLY’S DORA EXPLORA. RN 04355501. 11-15-03. By Ch Wooly Bully’s Count Me In - Ch Desparado’s High Caliber. Owner: Cassie Becker & Pam Wright., Kingston, OK 73439. Breeder: Pam Wright & Mark Lechten. JUDGES CRITIQUE: Nice length of body, good mover.


Veteran, 7-10 Years Dogs (6 entries, 2 absent)


Veteran, 10-13 Years Dogs (5 entries, 0 absent)


4 139 SILVERCREEKS MR DIRT DEVIL CDX SE. RM 15489603. 10-09-95. By Ch Luvemur Silvercreeks Mr Max UD - Ch Luvemur Silvercreek Ms Mazie CDX. Owner: Donna Hames & Paul M. Hames., Springdale, AR 72762. Breeder: Jennifer & Gerald Tollefson & Dr John & Laurale Stern. Award of Merit. JUDGES CRITIQUE: Another boy holding his pretty front movement well. I would wish for a bit more length of body.

Veteran, 13 Years & Over Dogs (3 entries)


2 85 CH TOWZIE TYKE MACALISTER ME. RM 02144301. 07-08-91. By Ch Towzie Tyke Tweedle-Dee - Ch Krispin Rona Of Towzie Tyke. Owner: Wayne R Kirn & Joyce Kirn., Bel Air, MD 21015. Breeder: Owners. Award of Merit. JUDGES CRITIQUE: Nice to see these two happy boys going round the ring.


Veteran, 13, 15 & Over Bitches (9 entries, 0 absent)


Veteran, 10-13 Years Bitches (4 entries)


2 12 CH JOSANAH’S JOYFUL ENCORE ME CD RA OA OAJ. RM 16757104. 02-21-96. By Jam’s Uptown Jonah CDX AX OAJ JE - Ch Angelsong Sandpiper CDX NA NAJ. Owner: Deborah K Greer., Huntertown, IN 467489316. Breeder: Debra J Donnelly. Award of Merit. JUDGES CRITIQUE: Pretty side gait, not as correct going away.


Veteran, 13 Years & Over Bitches (2 entries)

JUDGES COMMENT: Both these ladies were so happy to be in the ring.


Working Dogs (11 entries, 0 absent)

JUDGES COMMENT: Lots of quality in this class.


Working Bitches (5 entries, 1 absent)

1 16 CH TYNESIDE DANBY ROULETTE CD RN OA NAJ JE. RM 31615001. 07-14-00. By Ch Hollybridge Raffles UD TD AX JE - Danby's Tyneside Haleigh TD. Owner: Jane Worstell & Leslie Ward., Belton, MO 64012. Breeder: Leslie Ward & Jane Worstell. JUDGES CRITIQUE: Pretty head, nice length of body and rib, pretty outline


Stud Dog (11 entries, 1 absent)


Brood Bitch (6 entries, 3 absent)

1 182 CH STANDISH'S QUEEN'S ARE WILD. RM 32030403. 08-04-00. By Ch Standish's Hot To Trot - Ch Standish's Blue Angel. Owner: Janice & Timothy Moore., Foristell, MO 63348. Breeder: Regina Maxwell & Joyce Standish.


Brace (7 braces, 2 absent)


3 236 CH TERRA’S OFF ON A LARK. RN 04237201. 09-20-03. By Ch Rainsbarrow Bracken - Ketka’s Teasel VCD1 JE NJP. Owner: Linda Wischover., Columbia, MO 652029378. Breeder: Linda Wischover.


Best Otter Head - Redgates Forest Phantom

Best Veteran, Award of Merit CH Danby’s Tabor ‘N Fife, ME

Best Working CH Wellswood All Fired Up JE

Awards of Merit

73 CH KANDU’S BURLAP OF HOWWAY. RN 04424002. 04-11-98. By Ch Standish’s Kissen’ Bandit - Ch Deswinds Cricket Be Good. Dog. Owner: Phillip Klosinski., Toledo, OH 43613. Breeder: Anita L Owen. JUDGES CRITIQUE: Beginning to show his age a bit in his face, otherwise as strong and sound as ever. Not a prettier side gait at this show.

113 CH DANBY’S TABOR N FIFE, ME –

131 MCHENRY’S EWOK OF ENDOR


197 CH DUNRAVEN CUDDY’S CRAG BANDIT CD OA NAJ ME.
