

Canadian Shield Trophy Show

July 17, 2016

Judge: Norma Smith

What an honor to be invited to judge this prestigious show. It is quickly becoming one of the must attend events. The entry was of the highest quality and I would like to express my appreciation to all the exhibitors for coming and presenting your beautiful dogs. It was a pleasure to share this assignments with my co-judges Carole Kilpatrick (Kilacabar) and Victoria Corse (Corsaire). The new venue was all you could ask for offering a good size building, acres of land to exercise dogs, easy parking, and a short distance from hotel to show site. Hats off to all the hard working members of the Bull Terrier Club of Canada on a very successful weekend. Congratulations!

Coloured Dog Finalists

Jaspers' **Rabram Royal Star** (Javarke Karbon Kopy at Rabram – Rabram's Bright Star) Impressive well-balanced black brindle with a lovely clean strong well filled head that has good length and is smoothly turned from top to bottom. Good depth, width and strength of muzzle. Scissors bite with one canine in. Dark well set keen eye and neat tidy ear carriage. Lovely neck flowing smoothly into a correct topline and tail set with desired slight rise over the loin. Clean straight foreleg with strong pasterns finishing into good tight feet. Well developed quarters with good turn of stifle. Moved so freely from the side with really good reach and drive, covering ground and carrying his topline well. Coming and going better than average. A pleasure to go over this high quality dog. In good condition and nicely presented. A very deserving winner. Congratulations to his breeders and owners. **Best Coloured Dog and winner of the 2016 Canadian Shield Trophy**

Parker's **Nuance Night To Remember** (Soquel Millenium Seafarer – Nuance Nonetheless) Ultra short backed black brindle with very good round bone right through to his feet. Nice straight clean front and good feet. Great spring and depth of rib. Moved ok coming but a little straight in stifle and moved accordingly behind with less drive. A masculine head with power but lacking some in profile. Correct bite. Neat well-set ears but eye could be tighter. A typey boy. **Reserve Coloured Dog**

Lewis and Brennan's **Ch Brenbolls Daniel The Greatheart** (Ch Lonestar Whole Lota Hoopla – Emred Devils Romance) This boy is all bull terrier with tremendous bone, volumes of body with lovely shape. Very strong well-filled head right to the end of his deep strong muzzle and underjaw. Moves with the typical bully jaunty air. Tremendous hindquarters that are well let down. He flexes well and really drives. Front coming at you is not his fortune. In excellent condition. Overall I felt a worthy cut maker.

White Dog Finalists

Bassakyros' **Ch Bulldor Anarchy** (Emred Devils Spy – GCh Bullayr Piece of My Heart At Bulldor) White with brindle ear and eye mark. I have admired this boy from ringside on several occasions. What a picture this boy makes stacked and at attention. Well balanced with a lovely short backed shapely body. Good bone for size. First class head with plenty of fill and beautifully turned. Good dark well set eye and ears on top. Lovely neck and good topline. Pushed the winner in some ways but failed somewhat on the move in both directions and alas his mouth is off with incisors slightly off and canines misplaced. A high quality dog with much to offer. **Best White Dog and Best of Opposite Variety**

Robichaud & Bassakyros' **Bulldor Covert Affair** (Emred Devils Spy – GCh Bullayr PieceofMyHeartAtBulldor) Masculine well balanced sold bodied boy with very good bone. Well made with better than average front angles. Straight foreleg leading into tight cat-like feet. Strong neck flowing smoothly into correct topline and tail set. A wide, well filled head that is gently turned with no exaggeration. Correct bite. Pretty good mover, would just like to see him dig in a drive with a little more attitude. **Reserve White Dog**

Coloured Bitch Finalists

Whitehair's **Sandstone's Moonlight Over The Maidens With Terjos** (Megaville Visions – Terjo's Touch of Magic) Fell in love with this brindle beauty. What a corker this thuggy little girl is with her short back, tremendous depth and spring of rib, good topline and tail set. Lovely body lines with all the pieces fitting just right. Good lay of shoulder with a straight clean foreleg and good feet. Nicely developed quarters with visible second thigh (missing in too many these days). Moved quite well in front but close behind. Good reach and drive from the side. Beautiful egg-shaped head that is smooth from every angle with no hollows or dips and excellent profile. Dark well placed eye and neat tidy ears right on top offered the desired keen expression. Correct bite. A wonderful aura about her that says "I'm all bull terrier" owning the ground she stood on and

never giving up. One to reckon with and should have a very bright future. Congratulations to her breeders/owners. **Best Coloured Bitch, Reserve and Best of Opposite Sex to Canadian Shield Winner**

Sottile, Berez and Conca's **Action's Soul Power of Alaric** (Emred Huntsman – Action Headed For Power) Another lovely brindle girl with a very good head that has excellent fill, length and turn. Good expression and neat ears. Scissors bite with one instanding canine. Strong depth and spring of rib with shapely body. Good bone and feet. Toed in on the move coming due to a steeper shoulder and upper arm. Close going away. Failed to winner on side gait losing her topline and high tail set. A consummate showgirl who always gives 100%. A beautiful pair of bitches. **Reserve Coloured Bitch**

Parker's **Nuance Night In Tunisia** (Soquel Millenium Seafarer – Nuance Nonetheless)

Another ultra typey feminine black brindle bitch with a super short back. Lovely neck and quality head that has fill and turn but without exaggeration. Enough bone for size. Would like a little better shoulder. Movement a little close in front, better behind. A better tail set would improve overall outline on the move. Nice overall balance.

Piles and Berez's **Formula For A Power Filled Ginger** (Emred Huntsman – Action Headed For Power) Have had this red/white girl a few times and she continues to improve. Different type from her litter sister Action's Soul Power of Alaric. Very shapely body with clean lines from all angles. Not as short in back as her sister. Good bone and lovely feet. Good depth and spring of rib. Long clean well filled head that could use a bit more strength and depth. Correct bite. Moved ok coming a bit close going away. Moved freely and carried her topline well from the side.

Bassakyros' **Ch Buldor Devil In A Red Dress** (Emred Devils Spy – GCh Bullayr PieceofMyHeartAtBuldor) Heavyweight red/white bitch with really good bone right through to her feet. Super spring and depth of rib. Short strong topline. Well-filled strong deep head with gentle profile. Correct bite. Ears could be a bit tidier. Well let down strong quarters. Powerful on the move both ways with good extension and carrying her topline well from the side. **Best Movement** on referee's decision.

Bassakyros' **Ch Buldor Diamonds Are Forever** (Emred Devils Spy – GCh Bullayr PieceofMyHeartAtBuldor) All white girl and litter sister to the above bitch. She was my choice for Best Movement and very similarly made to her red littermate. Not much to choose from between these two in construction. Lovely pair and a credit to their breeders/owners. Felt they were both deserving of recognition for movement so agreed to let the referee, Carole Kilpatrick chose.