Bull Terrier Club of St. Louis 9th March 2025 St. Louis, MO, USA Judge: Andrea Gates (Archetype)

I would like to thank the committee for the invitation and hospitality. I was pleased with the overall quality of exhibits and the top presentation I have come to expect in America. I judged the show eight years ago and since then I've noticed an improvement in bites and shoulders. I was interested to find that my top selections included two brother/sister pairings. As always, my critiques cover the virtues and the faults of the winners. I hope everyone takes them in a sporting manner. For me, it is important to give a complete picture. For me, quality does not mean faultless. Thank you to the exhibitors for the opportunity to judge your beautiful animals.

# COLOURED

Winners Dog and Best of Winners Best of Variety **117** 

Anderson & O'Driscoll. **HAWTHORN KILLIAN'S IRISH RED CGC TKN** (Tawnbarr Devils Eye From Gorbain ex Hawthorn Shirley Temple) Compact, masculine, 19 month old red & white dog. Strong, filled head with long, sweeping profile and good bite. Cobby, OK shoulders, short coupled with sloping top line and excellent rear angulation. Tendency to stand bunched with a roached top line but on the move, correct body lines. Straight front with good bone down to tight feet. Moved parallel and with drive. Quality dog. One I will watch with interest.

# Reserve Winners Dog 119

Hopkins, Hopkins & Whitehair. **BROKEN ARROW SANDSTONE DIAKOMAHALIS** (GCHS CH Hawthorn Dragons Heart ex GCH CH Broken Arrow Dancing With Sandstone Under Bullymoon) Mature, brindle and white dog. The overall impression was one of strength and power. Crashing profile with enough fill, two instanding canines. Steep shoulders, which caused his top line to be broken, adequate hind quarters with strong second thigh and correct tail placement. Super temperament, clearly enjoying his day. Moved well.

# Winners Bitch

# Best of Opposite Sex **128**

Byzewski & Thomas. **GRABO PAINT THE TOWN RED AT MAGOR** (Rabram Rockstar ex Grabo Bahama Moon) Well marked, rich red & white with beautiful flowing body lines. Long smooth, arcing head with fill and OK mouth. Small, neat ears held alertly adding to a good expression. She stood showing off her reaching neck, tidy feet, excellent shoulder placement, level top line and well angled hindquarters. To be critical, she could be a little shorter coupled. She covered the ground easily. Outstanding bitch exuding quality.

# Reserve Winners Bitch **132**

O'Driscoll. **HAWTHORN BLOODY MARY** (Tawnbarr Devils Eye From Gorbain ex Hawthorn Shirley Temple) Up on leg red & white bitch. Nice head with sweeping, filled profile, correct incisors, one instanding canine. Super expression with well placed ears. Correctly made with nice angulations in front and rear. A quality bitch that was a bit out of coat on the day. Moved parallel with drive.

# Select Dog 151

Kibler & Poole. **GCHS CH ROCKY TOP'S DREAM CHASER** (GCHB Hawthorn Dragons Heart ex GCH Rocky Top's Sweetest Dream.) Cobby 2 1/2-year-old brindle and white dog. Nice profile with enough fill and a perfect bite. Short back with OK bend of stifle and a good top line while standing. Parallel coming and close going.

### Select Bitch 162

Christiansen, Antle & Benner. **CH HIGHGRADE AYEDAHOE OF SIERRA VIEW** (Kingsfarms Dutch Royal ex Wright Way Bullies Sada) Gleaming black brindle and white two year-old bitch. Head is long and filled with wide, fat muzzle. Good incisors, one tight canine. Correct shoulders with strong second thigh. Moved well and with drive.

# WHITE

### Winners Dog and Best of Winners 123

Carter & Young. **BULPAK REBEL BEAR BOP FYB** (Bulpak Polar Bear ex D-City Dark Freedom) 19 month old white dog with red ears. He has an eye catching fat head that is tremendously wide, filled with super turn, but not too much and a punishing expression. Messy bite with one instanding canine. Short coupled with steep shoulders, causing a ruck in his top line, hind angulation is ok. Moved close going, parallel coming. He still looks like he needs to grow into his head and is a bit unsure about the show ring.

# Reserve Winners Dog 113

Shelley-Avery & Avery. **TREDECIM IZANAGINOMIKOTO** (MBIS MBISS CH Bulroarus Bobby Dazzler ROM ex MBISS GCH CH Tredecim Eloquence Of Benzaiten ROM GROM.) White 22 month old dog with black ears. Head has gentle turn, perfect bite, and tiny well placed eyes. Shoulders are forward causing him to have a stuffy neck, short back, strong second thigh. Out of coat on the day. Movement OK and with drive.

### Winners Bitch 146

Wright & Wright. **STONEHOUSE'S LITTLE DOVE AT GLENTOM** (Stonehouse's Can't Say No ex GCH CH Bestuvalls Hot Little Pistol.) All white 18 months old bitch. Long, sweeping profile with fill and a piercing expression, strong under jaw, ears low set, mouth reverse scissors. Nice, reaching neck, shoulders need more lay back, which would help shorten her back. Moved parallel with ease.

# Reserve Winners Bitch 130

Evans, Egnot, Egnot, Cremeans & Leonard. **GALACTIC QUEEN OF HEARTS** (CH Galactic King Of Hearts ex Formula Drama At Galactic) Small, white bitch with brindle head markings. Nice profile with fill and small eyes, mouth reverse scissors, lacking under jaw. Decent shoulders, excellent hind angulation, she held tail correctly when standing, but on the move her tail becomes a bit high, moved parallel coming and close going.

# Best of Variety 159

Thomas & Thomas. **CH GRABO SUBTLE AS THUNDER** (UK CH Rabram Rock Star ex Grabo Bahama Moon) Eyecatching, balanced, top quality white youngster with brindle head markings. He seemed to have a light on him, constantly drawing the eye. Long, turned head with fill, a perfect bite and small, well placed eyes. Cobby male with correct shoulders, short back, excellent stifles and tight feet. Moved and presented well. One to watch.

#### Best of Opposite Sex 158

Armstrong. **CH ALARIC STAR SPANGLED SISTER** (GCHS CH Malajo's Formula For A Drama Devil ex CH Alaric Wish Upon A Star) Beautiful white bitch with sweeping profile, plenty of fill and small eyes, mouth reverse scissors. Correct shoulders giving her a super forechest, short, level top line that she kept while moving, strong second thigh, moved parallel. Super quality bitch that was handled and presented well.

Select Dog 157

McHatton, McHatton & Bebb. **CH SUNNY SKY ST GEORGE CANYON MOON** (CH Lonestar Whole Lotta Hoopla ex St. George Sugar Sugar) White dog with nice profile and enough fill, mouth under. Short coupled with smooth body lines, nice shoulders, well angled front and back. Moved parallel coming and close going.

### Select Bitch 154

Cremeans, Jackson, Leonard & Evans. **GCHS GALACTIC BITTERSWEET LEGACY AT IRUKANDJI ATT BCAT CGCA** (Mighty Crew Irukandji ex Galactic Double Star) Beautiful, graceful white bitch with brindle ear. Lovely head with fill and a piercing expression, mouth evenly under with two standing canines. Good shoulders, strong back end with correct tail placement. Moved well both ways with a jaunty air.