Wow, what an honor and what an experience. I cannot thank enough; the judge's selection committee, the support people (especially the ring stewards), and the exhibitors. It would go amiss, not to share the privilege of going over some very fine dogs with two stalwarts of our breed, Carolyn Lambert and Hans Konings. The whole experience was fantastic from start to finish. I have watched many shows this year, but it was fun to finally get my hands on dogs I admired from ringside. The surprise was to see how dogs on the day performed. When it comes to judging fine animals, presentation can be the difference on the day.

Best Colored Dog and Silverwood Winner

Sodomsky, Sodomsky and Prater-Piles' GCHS CH Malajo's Formula For A Drama Devil (GCH CH Action Devils Apprentice By Formula X GCH CH Actions Formula For A Queen CGC)

Red & white dog with a beautiful outline. Head is filled with gently sloping curve in profile. Perfect bite. Fantastic eye and a colored at that, with a good ear set. Good angles in front which give good reach and good bend of stifle giving drive from the rear. This is not a heavy weight dog, but his maturity shows in his depth of brisket and width of chest. Ramrod straight front, good round bone with the tightest cat feet. Moves very well although a little exuberant in his rush to get around the ring. When he slowed down, it only enhanced his quality.

Reserve Colored Dog

Thomas and Thomas' GCHB CH Grabo Sympathy For The Devil Moon (Rabram Rock Star X Grabo Bahama Moon)

Brindle & White, cobby, square and powerful for his medium size. Fat filled head with a decent eye. Ears marginally wide. Mouth is reverse with good canines. Good length to his neck, rolling into his shoulder. Layback is OK, a little short in upper arm. Chest is powerful and wide with a deep brisket. Short back. Good round bone with tight cat feet. Movement OK going away. Dog screams type.

Finalist

Klein, Arroyo, GCH CH Action Kiss My Grits From Old Forge (GCH CH Formula For A Drama Free Brother CGCU TKA VSWI X GCH CH Action Kissed By The Divine From Old Forge)

Brindle and white boy of great strength and power. Head is wide and filled with a good eye and bang on top ears. Mouth off. Good shoulder angles with layback and length of upper arm, excellent round bone and tight cat feet on a big dog. Good depth of brisket and a wide powerful chest. Could be a tad shorter in loin. Good angles in the rear. Movement is parallel coming and

going. Good reach in front. To be picky would like a tad more drive in the rear but he pushed hard for the Movement Trophy.

Finalist

Kibler, Poole and Poole's GCHS CH Rocky Top's Dream Chaser (GCHS CH Hawthorn Dragons Heart X GCH CH Rocky Top's Sweetest Dream)

Smaller compact dog but great strength in a small package. Powerful packed head with good expression. Perfect bite. Shorter cobby type neck leading into a good layback of shoulder. Great spring of rib and good depth in brisket. Front is straight with excellent bone and cat feet. Short backed with a strong well angled rear. Moved well going away but a bit choppy coming. Another example who shows strength can come in a smaller dog.

Best Colored Bitch

Croucher and Croucher's GCH CH Old Forge Hershey Kisses By Action (GCH CH Formula For A Drama Free Brother CGCU TKA VSWI X GCH CH Action Kissed By The Divine From Old Forge)

Brindle & white with great balance. Profile with the gentle sloping curve, fat filled head with exquisite eye and correct ear set. Mouth off. Good length of neck, rolling into a well laid-back shoulder and length of upper arm. Good bone with cat feet. Spring of rib, depth of brisket with short coupling lead into a strong rear with good bend of stifle. Moved well coming and going. Overall balance won her the day.

Reserve Colored Bitch

Berez, Schuur and Schuur's GCH CH Action Simply Divine By Old Forge (GCH CH Formula For A Drama Free Brother CGCU TKA VSWI X GCH CH Action Kissed By The Divine From Old Forge)

Powerful brindle and white bitch without being coarse. She has a long filled head with perfect bite. Strong neck leading into a powerful shoulder with good layback. Good forechest with width and depth of brisket. Strong round bone with tidy cat feet. Would prefer a little less rise on the loin but it rolls into a strong muscled, well angled rear with good 2nd thigh, that is lacking in many exhibits. She gave her handler a lot to do as she seem more interested in the ground but when she got moving, she moved well in both directions.

Finalist

Harlamoff, Boyda, Waynee, Ruppel and Draper's GCH CH Bayshore Swears Like A Sailor In Soquel

(CH Unfailling Ocean View X Quicksilver Song Of The Sea At Soquel)

Brindle & white who is also very balanced. Nice length to head with good expression. Strong neck with great shoulders. Straight front with good bone and cat feet. Well rounded chest, short backed, correct rise with good tail set and good bend of stifle. Movement good both directions.

Finalist

Poole, Blackwell, Blackwell and Kibler's GCHB CH Rocky Top's Chasing Dreams (GCHS CH Hawthorn Dragons Heart X GCH CH Rocky Top's Sweetest Dream)

Solid looking brindle more on the terrier style. Phenomenal width of head all the way down to the end of the muzzle. Perfect bite. Good shoulder angle, with laid back shoulder and length of upper arm, producing good forechest. Good bone for style and tight feet. Strong ribcage with depth and breadth leading to well set on tail. Good bend of stifle. Moved well coming and going.

Finalist

Christiansen, Antle and Benner's CH Highgrade Ayedahoe Of Sierra View (GCHS CH Kingsfarm's Dutch Royal X GCH CH Wright Way Bullies Sada)

Strong black brindle bitch with well filled head, good ear set. Great strength from the neck all the way through the body while still looking feminine. Broad chest, with good depth, tuck up as required. Good layback of shoulder, with forechest. Strong round bone and tight cat feet. Topline flows with correct rise over the loin. Strong rear with well-muscled 2nd thigh. Movement was good in both directions.

Best White Bitch, Runner Up, BOV and BOS

O'Doherty, O'Doherty and Berez's Action Kiss'D By The Sullinator From Old Forge TKN (GCH CH Formula For A Drama Free Brother CGCU TKA VSWI X GCH CH Action Kissed By The Divine From Old Forge)

White bitch with outstanding breed type. She caused a bit of a conundrum for the judges as she would play like the puppy she is but when she pulled it together, her type and quality couldn't be ignored. Her head is long and well filled with great expression. Good layback of shoulder with length in the upper arm forming a beautiful forechest. Not a big girl but a good broad chest with great depth and correct tuck up. Strong bone and tight cat feet. Topline with rise over the loin. Tail set on well, good strong rear with super strong 2nd thigh. When she decided to move, she moved with power and drive.

Reserve White Bitch

Corse and Searles' GCH CH Corsaire Chrome Pony of Requiem (Ch Patterned Head Bull Boot X Khromeheart Corsaire from Provokacija)

Well handled, never put a foot wrong. Medium bitch, with good depth and width of chest. Her lines and balance with great presentation outlined the virtues which earned her Reserve. She has a well filled head, smooth profile and good expression. Perfect bite. Front angles are good, decent bone. Good topline, slightly long in loin. Good angle with good bend of stifle in the rear. Moved well both ways but would prefer a little more drive.

Finalist

Maddox's GCH CH Quicksilver Stellar Teenage Queen (Quicksilver Wanted Man X Quicksilver Moonlit Seas At Diablo)

A strong white bitch who would present herself better with a few less pounds. Even so, her excellent movement cannot be denied. She stands out with her rear drive and parallel movement. She has a long, filled head, with good expression and ears. Mouth is slightly off. Straight front with excellent bone, as to be expected with her overall strength. Tight feet. Good angles on her well laid-back shoulder and rear. Would prefer a shorter loin. Her strength in movement earned her the best movement trophy.

Finalist

Cremeans, Evans and Leonard's GCHS CH Galactic Bittersweet Legacy At Irukandji RI FDC BCAT CGCA CGCU TKN ATT FITB (Mighty Crew Irukandji X Galactic Double Star)

Another strong bitch of similar type to Teenage Queen. Good length of head with a good eye and ear set. Mouth slightly off. Good length of neck, into a well angled shoulder, straight front and good bone. Feet could be tighter. Excellent width and depth of chest. Good angle and bend of stifle in the rear. Moves OK coming, a little close in the rear.

Finalist

Armstrong and Sottile's CH Alaric Star Spangled Sister (GCHS CH Malajo's Formula For A Drama Devil X CH Alaric Wish Upon A Star)

Terrier type bitch with good lines. Long filled head, perfect bite, short in back. Front angles good. Bone good for type. Smooth topline with correct rise over loin. Good rear with bend of stifle. Movement was OK coming and going.

Finalist

Prater and Prater-Piles' CH Formulas' Heart Has Chosen (GCHG CH Grabo Testarossa Formula For Drama X CH Formula Cosmic Connection To Action)

Medium built bitch, with a strong rear. Typey shape with good strength for her size. Head is long, smooth profile and good fill. Good eye and ears with slightly off mouth. Good length of neck which flows into the shoulder. Angles good both front and rear with good depth and breadth of chest. Straight front with good movement coming, slightly narrow in the rear.

Movement Trophy

Maddox's GCH CH Quicksilver Stellar Teenage Queen (Quicksilver Wanted Man X Quicksilver Moonlit Seas At Diablo)