NORTHERN STAFFORDSHIRE BULL TERIER CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW $24^{\rm TH}$ MARCH 2012

First may I thank you all for the kindness and hospitality I have been shown since my arrival, also to the officers and committee for a well organised show and to exhibitors and spectators for the honour of judging their dogs, and the sportsmanship of the exhibitors and spectators on some very close decisions, was impressed with the dedication of exhibitors to the breed, overall quality was good majority of exhibits well within the standard and little problem with mouths, ear placement was also of good standard as this can completely change the expression,

PUPPY DOG (1) 1ST C. CLAY'S WESTWOOD AMARILLA MOONSHINE Oh full of himself this b/b youngster just 7mths old today, lovely shaped head developing, clean bite, well placed ears, body in keeping with age and expected development, matured well in hindquarters for age, played hard but handler managed to settle enough to access on the move, interesting to see how he develops. B/Puppy in Show.

JUNIOR DOG (5) 1ST W&B GARDYNE'S WHITESTAFF DEMOLITION MAN, good type and shape to this 16mth lad, well proportioned head piece, with width to skull, good stop, clean scissor bite liked his ear placement adding to expression, depth to brisket well ribbed and in at loins not disappointed on the move keeping topline firm moving soundly with ease.

2ND R.WOOD'S OAKSTAFF GOLDEN SOVEREIGN, Lovely pigmented 13mth red, short dense coat in sparkling condition, lovely balance of skull and muzzle clean outline flowing into well laid back shoulders, well ribbed lots to like about this lad 3RD B&C INGLISS-TOPP's REGALCROSS BARETTA BOY well developed 20mth pied lovely head of correct proportions, short strong neck into well laid back shoulders, ribs well sprung with good angulations in hindquarters, needs to settle but should be worth the training

INTERMEDIATE DOG (1) 1ST M. MEREDITH'S CHALLENGER LIMITED EDITION Lovely striking b/b/w standing in profile well up on pasterns this handsome lad has class, well chiselled head, width in skull, good stop and strength in underjaw clean bite, good ear placement and dark eye adding to expression, short strong neck, leading to well laid back shoulders, plenty of lung room, liked his rib and well in at loins into strong well angulated quarters, not disappointed on the move with power both fore and aft, Reserve Challenge Certificate

NEW ZEALAND BRED DOG (7) 1ST A.BAARS DACAHO ABOUT TO ROCK Lovely fit dog, good size matching bone to overall substance, pleasing balanced headshape, clean bite, short strong neck plenty between well boned legs, nicely ribbed, length in keeping with size with strong tuck up and strength in quarters, which showed on the move with power in stride

 2^{ND} L.MAHER'S ROJEME RHYTHM N BLACK, impressive overall balance of body and headpiece, nice space between legs with good brisket, liked his shoulders, well boned frame with defined head shape, width in skull with good stop, not quite as positive on the move.

3RD M.SUTCLIFFE'S CHAVI-JONNY OF SAFFASTAFFS, Lovely fronted pied, strong head, good scissor bite, strong underjaw, plenty of lung room, well boned body

and rib, well in at waist and good strong quarters, just needs more training to show his attributes,

VETERAN DOG (2) Well loved companions brought in top condition they were a credit to their owners both strutting their stuff and showing the young ones they still had it in them,

1ST A. BAARS CH ROJEME TARBUCK, over 8yrs old still full of himself and what a lovely shaped head, width to skull, still good underjaw and scissor bite, lovely strong teeth, good front with well boned legs, plenty of rib, in at waist and plenty of muscle in hindquarters, still plenty of power in quarters as he used the full ring to show his stride off when moving

2ND W. MAHER'S CH ROJEME LADY'S MAN. belied his age of over 10yrs old as he strode in the ring, good eye looking straight ahead from a still well structured head piece with good stop, lovely condition of teeth, bone and body structure belied age, free flowing movement as he proudly took the ring enjoying his day out

OPEN DOG

Quality class, little between decisions

1ST L & D BLACKWOOD'S SURESTAFF ULTIMATUM (IMP UK) stood four square, liked the overall size to length ratio, nothing overdone on this smart b/b, good head proportions with ears well placed, good skull and tight mouth strong underjaw, depth to brisket, plenty between legs with shoulder well laid back, in at loin to strong quarters, firm topline, well up on pasterns, sound proportions throughout blending the balance of bull and terrier giving him the right propulsion for good sound, strong action, Challenge Certificate and later piping his litter sister for best in Show 2ND R.WOOD'S NZ & AUST CH BELLEDEN GOLDEN PRINCE (IMP AUT) what a beautifully pigmented red, strong solid head, nice eye, clean mouth, good structured body shape, with strong boned legs, strong neck with spring of rib, correct angulations' of hindquarters lovely tuck up, strength in hindquarter, moving without hesitation without loosing his topline, pushed hard for top honors,

3RD S. NEW'S GR CH ROJEME POP GUN Lovely all round dog has everything in profile with body and headshape, solid skull with muzzle in ratio, lovely dark eye to finish the head and expression, well constructed body with good angles, has the right bone, and substance for size, just needed that little more power on the move today which made the decisions, but well in contention

BABY PUPPY BITCH

1ST R.WOOD'S DRAGONSTONE FIZZIBELLA (NAF) plenty to like about this b/b baby, lovely outline in both head and body shape, with head nicely sculptured and lovely set ears, body frame in balance for age and development, keeping handler on her toes managed to move round the ring full of sparkle, one to watch with interest.

PUPPY BITCH

1ST N & E BYERS PITSHAFT STELLAR ECLIPSE, naturally at just 6 months still a baby this pretty b/b with white toes, but has a lovely attitude, enjoys the ring a great advantage as she progresses, with overall body shape and bone in keeping with her age, and head and skull shape well in balance at this moment in time, has a good front and liked her body style with bone and substance a nice put together package

JUNIOR BITCH

1ST A.BAAR'S DACAHO PRAISE THE SHADOW, 15mth m/b, lovely dark eyes neat ears to match in a sculptured head shape, strong teeth good scissor bite and underjaw, width at front with well boned legs and bone and substance throughout body shape to complete the picture, in a strong class just had the edge on movement today no hesitation

2ND A McONIE-PERFECT 'S CH WESTWOOD DREAM ON, lovely body profile well boned and just the right substance and covering to match giving overall impression of strength but still keeping her feminine charms, solid head, good stop, with strong neck, well ribbed, quarters to match.

3RD M & C ANDERSON'S CHALLENGER SHADY SADIE, smaller frame but in proportion in all quarters this attractive 13 mth b/b, good head width to skull and lovely ratio of skull to muzzle, lovely ear set and dark eye enhancing expression, nice quarters in keeping with frame size, not so settled but went better on the second move, feel she still has more to offer time is on her side

INTERMEDIATE BITCH

1ST P & D DAY'S CHALLENGER GIRLINTON GERTIE liked this m/b/w dark eyed lady, head in proportion with ear and eye placement to match ratio of skull and muzzle, strong neck, well off for bone without being overdone, spring of rib and strong quarters, lovely firm topline on the move, feel just a little less round the loins would completer the picture

NEW ZEALAND BRED BITCH

1ST S & P ALDOUS CH ALDOUSHIRE BURLESQUE BABE, impressive 16mth b/b, beautiful head, good cheek muzzles and stop, solid all round framework well up for muscle and strength with bone and substance in the right quarters, lovely rib and well in at the loins, no problem on the move.

2ND M & C ANDERSON'S CHALLENGER INCANTATION, pretty 13 mth package, lovely headshape, dark eye good mouth strong teeth, like her litter sister earlier has plenty to offer, lovely framework in body, substance to match this shape, nicely boned and liked her tuck up in loin, moved well, just needs the extra maturity to firm up on muscle which will come.

OPEN BITCH

1ST L & D BLACKWOOD'S SURESTAFF UCAN DO IT TOO (IMP UK) Lovely type and shape to this strong headed fit lady, skull structure balanced to muzzle, good scissor bite with strength in underjaw, dark eyes with ear placement to match, clean neck in proportion to her body, substance to bone with shape and style, clean outline flowing into well placed shoulders with depth to chest, standing in profile had quarters to match well muscled and well up in loins, totally at one with her handler parallel movement both fore and aft with power both ways, gave her the edge today Challenge Certificate and reserve Best in Show

2ND N. PEDEN'S WARMASTER DOUBLE SHOT close decision with above this lovely b/w pied, although strong headed there was no doubting her sex, lovely marked head, good stop nice eye and strong muzzle, tight clean mouth, used her ears throughout never stopped showing, well boned ample substance compact body well in at waist, lovely hindquarters with muscle and well up on pasterns good rear action which showed on the move, above just had that little more drive on front movement

and tighter feet, but splitting hairs in this class happy to award Reserve Challenge Certificate 3RD S & P ALDOUS'S NZ CH PEPSTAFF MAKEM CRY (IMP AUST) lovely

3RD S & P ALDOUS'S NZ CH PEPSTAFF MAKEM CRY (IMP AUST) lovely feminine bitch, good proportions with strength in head and jaw, tight mouth good neck, well constructed compact body enough width between well boned legs, with depth to brisket in at waist, well up on pasterns lovely shaped bitch, just not the drive in movement of above but not to be dismissed

JUDGE MAUREEN WARD