

CRITIQUES FOR ADULT PHOTO COMPETITION

Judge Frank Kane's comments:

Judging dogs from photographs is a two dimensional and static exercise. Judging dogs in the flesh is both 3 dimensional, enabling the judge to feel bone and substance and watch the dog on the move...so important for me to see dogs move soundly and typically for their breed, and hold their shape on the move.

So I have judged from photographs and therein lies another problem: some good photos catching the dog well, and some taken from awkward angles where the whole dog cannot be seen....and this influenced my placing in a couple of groups.

Thank you for giving me the pleasure of looking at your dogs....I've been in isolation for 15 weeks so was getting withdrawal symptoms! A virtual show is a far cry from the real thing and in the flesh it might be very different! Enjoy your showing, take the judging for what it's worth...one person's opinion and keep a sense of balance about the game.

Above all, enjoy your dogs.....and stay well!

GUNDOG GROUP

Judge's comment: *A good group with some I liked not making the placings.*

1st



Retriever (Flat Coat)

Ch Whizzbangs All they Talk About at Mirain (imp)(Borrhalho)

He looks to be of lovely racy type and very good top line, tail and head shape and looks correct for size and substance.

PHOTO: C BORRALHO

2nd



English Setter

Ch, Int Ch Reidwood African Dawn (imp Can)(Wonfor)

Orange Belton English Setter who was very close with her lovely type and excellent presentation.

PHOTO: SUPPLIED

3rd



Retriever (Labrador)

Gr Ch, Ch Bunnichem Chimborazo of Rowania (Rowan)

Full of type without being overdone in substance.

PHOTO: R J VAN VUUREN

4th



Retriever (Golden)

Ch Gavalat Sunset Serenade (Pierrus)

Golden Retriever of good old fashioned breed type and balance.

PHOTO: DOGWORLD

HERDING GROUP

Judge's comment: *A very good group.*

**1st
BIS**



Corgi (Pembroke Welsh)

Gr Ch, Ch Everleigh Born to Perform JM (Tregoning)

This is a lovely photograph and shows off her length and topline and really excellent quarters well let down at the hock which decided this placing. Good forechest. She looks very feminine in head but wish I could I have seen it closer up. However, undeniable quality and type. Looks young and fresh and in peak condition.

PHOTO: N BAXTER

2nd



Samoyed

Ch Annan Burning Ambition (Edmondson)

Appealed for outline and balance.

PHOTO: SUPPLIED

3rd



Corgi (Pembroke Welsh)

Gr Ch, Ch Heronsway Silver Dollar of Everleigh (Tregoning)

I'm afraid the photo didn't do him justice...he looks a beautiful dog – a great pity.

PHOTO: N BAXTER

4th



Shetland Sheepdog

Ch Grandgables Most Appealing (imp Can)(Wylie)

She looks lovely in head and expression and has lovely croup and quarters. Hard to gauge her size and leg length but much to like.....She was pressed for this place by the blue merle of lovely colour.

PHOTO: J WYLIE

TERRIER GROUP

1st



Staffordshire Bull Terrier

Stapphire Tori Shaye for Tengeenie (Van Rijsbergen)

Looks very typy in head and body. I liked her front and chest and she has a muscular strong neck, all breed typical traits.

PHOTO: SUPPLIED

2nd		<p>Kerry Blue Terrier Ch Edbrios Fantasia at Braemore (imp Ire)(Griffin) <i>Looks full of type, a quality bitch with long head, good colour and good tailset.</i> PHOTO: DOGWORLD</p>
3rd		<p>Jack Russell Terrier Ch Chizelhurst Skye Dancer (Robertson) <i>Looks workmanlike and fit for function. Has good proportions, top line and tailset and straight front legs.</i> PHOTO: SUPPLIED</p>

TOY GROUP

Judge's comment: *A good set of Chinese Crested.*

1st		<p>Chinese Crested Fleetwoods Glitz and Glamour (Bruce) <i>A bitch who looks exquisite in type with beautiful head, eye, ears and excellent front legs and chest I would have like a more profile angle for the photo.</i> PHOTO: SUPPLIED</p>
2nd		<p>Chinese Crested Dragonmoons Exquisite (imp) (Bruce) <i>Full of quality.</i> PHOTO: SUPPLIED</p>
3rd		<p>Chinese Crested Starrstalactite Aquatic (Bruce) <i>Elegant male.</i> PHOTO: DOGWORLD</p>

UTILITY GROUP

1st



Shiba

Ch Orienta Playin Dirty of VonSpargs (imp) (Sparg)

Male from a good group of the breed here and I would have liked to have judged them in the flesh, but after much thought he won here for his correct proportions and looks to have good head type and good ears and tail and his markings and colour look correct.

PHOTO: T SPARG

2nd



Lhasa Apso

Gr Ch Int Ch Arrylmar SkySweeper (Heneke)

Looks a lovely dog and presented in perfect form making an excellent outline. He has breed type and quality.

PHOTO: D HENEKE

3rd



Miniature Schnauzer

Keystone's Eric Brave Rul'r (Spangenberg)

Black/silver Miniature Schnauzer which looks to have a cobby body and good forechest. The head has good length.

PHOTO: F SPANGENBERG

4th



Shiba

Ch VonSpargs Dirty Gold (Sparg)

I liked for her leg length, body proportions, correct neck and head type pressed hard by another good bitch.

PHOTO: S RUMNEY

WORKING GROUP

Judge's comment: *Closest decision in all of the group's between two high quality Siberian Husky females.*

**1st
RBIS**



Siberian Husky

Demavand's Nefertari of Northwind (imp USA)(Sim)

I loved her leg length and balance and neck into shoulder line and a lovely headpiece. Her bone looks correct for the breed and she has excellent quarters.

PHOTO: SUPPLIED

2nd



Siberian Husky

Gr Ch & Ch Northwind Lucky Charm (Sim)

She looks beautifully feminine and in better coat than the winner and another excellent example of the breed....I'd like to see them in the flesh and on the move ...that would be interesting! On the stack the proportions of the winner just edged her into the top spot.

PHOTO: SUPPLIED

3rd



Bullmastiff

Int Ch, Gr Ch, Ch Chizelhurst Checkmate of Haaita (Steyn)

Fawn Bullmastiff with good headpiece and strong quarters, so essential in the breed. He has a good chest and top line looks excellent.

PHOTO: N HUSH

4th



Rottweiler

VonSpargs J-Jedi (Sparg)

Rottweiler male looks well proportioned, athletic with good topline.

PHOTO : K SPARG