

## LKA CH SHOW, 10/12/16 - Mastiffs

### **Mastiffs**

A challenge to breed such a large dog, rear them well & get them sound. I thought type was rather mixed, with a variety of heads. Some eyes could be a little tighter. Generally I thought the breed is in pretty good shape, with a band of enthusiastic & dedicated owners.

**MPD (0). PD (1)** 1 Whiteley's Mulaloo Magic Touch, very happy puppy of 11 months who is very promising. Broad head which is well proportioned. Eyes could be better placed. Strong neck. Good front. Feet could be better. Deep & fairly broad chest. Well ribbed back. Has a fair amount of hind angulation. Moved well. BP.

**JD (2)** Two teenagers having fun, lots to like about both. 1 Coulman-Hole's Faynad Humpty Dumpty, well boned & bodied dog. He has a masculine head, good width of skull. Dark eyes, well placed. Ears rather large. Enough neck. Fair front. Can develop a little more width of chest. Better in pastern & feet than 2. Topline could be better. Fair hind angulation. Very good tail. Moved quite well; 2 Coulman-Hole's Faynad Fifty Shades, liked his outline. He has a broad skull, super eye & expression. Enough neck. Slack in plaster. Chest to his elbow & well ribbed back. Very moderate in hind angulation. Would like a better tail. Very bouncy on move.

**PGD (1)** 1 Phillips' Cedwalla Richard, 3 years dog, still looks very slightly leggy. Well proportioned head with dark, tight eyes. Could have a fraction more neck & slightly better lay of shoulder. Chest to his elbow. Very good feet, patterns slightly slack. Well ribbed back. Has a level topline. Fair hind angulation. Has a fairly easy action.

**LD (5,3a)** Two quite different dogs & at different stages of development & both had much to like. 1 Clark's Cwmtyswg Madoc, 2 years & still needs to finish in body. I preferred his proportions of these 2. He has a broad skull, dark eyes, which could be better. Correct length of neck & a very good front assembly. Deep in chest. Well ribbed back. Topline OK. Enough hind angulation & very well muscled but can turn hocks in slightly stood. OK mover. RCC on better movement in challenge than the two in open; 2 Miller's Mullak Handsome Hugo, older, more mature & has plenty of size & substance about him. Broad skull very good eyes. Would prefer a little more neck & a better shoulder. Good feet. Deep in chest. Has a better topline than 1. Could have a fraction more hind angulation. Moved OK.

**OD (3,1)** 1 Zadeh's Ch Faynad Frankincense, remarkably mature for his almost 2 years. He has size & substance & is very light on his feet. Broad skull, correct proportions of muzzle to skull. Dark, tight eyes. Correct length of neck. Well made front. Feet & pastern OK. Well filled chest. Level topline. Moderate hind angulation. Could carry his tail better on the move. CC & BOB; 2 Whelan's Ch Fragilis Firework, very good dog full of type. He has a well proportioned head, broad skull, fairly flat. Eyes could be tighter, but v dark. Enough neck & a well laid shoulder. Quite good in pastern & feet. Deep body, level topline. Very good hind angulation, although can stand a little narrow at the rear. Good out & back mover.

**MPB (1)** 1 Gapp's Thomaster New Beginning, just a baby of 6 months showing lots of promise. Feminine head, correct width for her age. Good balance of muzzle to skull. Good neck. Fair front. Holds a level topline. Moderate hind angulation. Moves as a baby should.

**PB (3)** 1 Gapp's Thomaster New Beginning; 2 Zadeh's Faynad Storm Imogen, she has a good outline. Well proportioned head but eyes are rather loose. Ears could be better. OK for neck. Better in shoulder than 3. Well filled chest that reaches her elbow. Well ribbed back. Slightly high at the rear at the moment moderate hind angulation; 3 Harding's Mulaloo Midnight Moonbeam.

**JB (4,1)** 1 Facey's Hexnorden Everlong, feminine bitch who has plenty of substance. Well proportioned head, still needs to finish. Dark eyes. Lengthy neck. Well made front. Good depth & fill of chest. Holds a level topline moving. Well ribbed back. Moderate bend of stifle & a well angled hock. Moved well when not bouncing about. Could have pushed further in the challenge had she used her rear properly; 2 Phillips' Noblehart Coco Chanel, quite a typy outline. Could have more stop, low set ears spoil her expression. Lengthy neck. Well laid shoulder. Better fill of chest than 3. Well ribbed back. Needs a bit more hind angulation & rather up at the rear at the moment; 3 Herring & Dodd's Faynad Annie For Ya Nanny by Heffalump.

**PG (0).** **LB (1)** 1 Zadeh's Faynad Black Rose Brindle, very well made bitch who could be better muscled & use herself just a bit better on move. She has a v good head, well proportioned. Eyes are ok. Strong neck. Well made front. Deep & well filled front. Topline OK. Could have just a little more hind angulation . Very good bitch. RCC.

**OB (1)** 1 Pass' Ch Quicksilver Of Seven Oaks for Lygonhall, mature 4 years bitch, she is full of substance but still fem all through. Super head proportions. Dark, clean eyes. Well set ears. Correct neck & a super front. Deep & well filled chest. She is a bit too long in body. Topline is quite good. Correct turn of stifle & hock. Moves OK, could perhaps go in a straighter line & be tidier in front. CC.

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