Bull Terrier Club of St Louis Westin Kennels Wentzville,MO March 8, 2024

Judge: Jan Dykema

What fun. I always enjoy the St Louis shows be it judging or exhibiting or just watching. I wanted to start by quoting a song about St Louis but did you know there are so many songs about the area by so many great artists. So if this critique is a bit late I can blame going down the internet rabbit hole of Leon Redbone, The Squirrel Nut Zippers, Booker T Washington and, of course, Louis Armstrong and so many more.

I could not find a song about Wentzville but there probably is one. Maybe it should be about Bull Terriers, the St Louis Club and the fabulous the event they seem to pull off every year. This year was no exception. The hospitality? Un paralleled. the food? Delicious, but the topper is always the dogs. The numbers were high, the quality super and the sportsmanship outstanding. Thank you for bringing your dogs for me to judge. I enjoyed every moment. My lovely judges gifts will be treasured.

WHITE

WINNERS DOG

Bulpak Rebel Bear BOP FYB.

Breeder: ErikMaklari.

By: Bulpak Polar Bear - D-City Dark Freedon. Owner: Miranda Carter & April Renee Young.

What a noggin on this boy Such a strong head wows you from the beginning. Wide and strong and also turned. Fat head would be appropriate! In a good way. His bite lets him down a bit. Scrambled. Short enough in back. Shoulders could be more laid back causing topline to suffer. Moved well. Still "learning the ropes" but did a fine job. If and when he grows into that head he will be formidable

RESERVE WINNERS DOG

Tredecim Izanaginomikoto.

Breeder: Trudy Shelley-Avery / Stephen M Avery.

By: MBIS MBISS CH Bulroarus Bobby Dazzler ROM - MBISS GCH CH

Tredecim Eloquence Of Benzaiten ROM GROM. Owner: Trudy Shelley-Avery & Stephen M Avery.

White with black ears. Head is gently sloped, Bite is good. Expression is keen. Like the winner his shoulder be could be better causing a break in his neck behind the collar. More upstanding than the winner. Moved well.

WINNERS BITCH/BEST OF WINNERS

Stonehouse's Little Dove At Glentom.

Breeder: Melany Aten.

By: Stonehouse's Can't Say No - GCH CH Bestuvalls Hot Little Pistol.

Owner: Glenna WRight & Tom Wright.

Terrier type bitch, Upstanding. Plenty of "sweeps and curves" that go with her style. Head is long and turned. Bite slightly under. Tiny eyes make for good expression. A bit better shoulder would give more forechecst and shorter back. Moved well. Needs to fill out and spring ribs. A few more pounds would help.

RESERVE WINNERS BITCH

Galactic Queen Of Hearts.

.Breeder: Donna Lamneck, Krista Prater-Piles, Beth Evans.

By: CH Galactic King Of Hearts -Formula Drama At Galactic.

Owner: Beth Evans & Steve & Cathy Egnot, Anna Cremeans, J. Leonard

A bit more flesh than the winner and shorter on leg. Decent mover. Lovely head with good expression. Bite just under. Moved well coming, closer going away. A nice bitch.

BEST OF VARIETY

CH Alaric Star Spangled Sister. Breeder: Victoria Sottile & Andrea Coppiano By: GCHS CH Malajo's Formula For A Dra-ma Devil - CH Alaric Wish Upon A Star.

Owner: Greg Armstrong.

Stunning, sparkling feminine bitch with all the style and type one could ask for in a bull terrier bitch. Head help high coming in and going around where she seemed to float around the ring on tiny cat feet. Excellent movement in all directions. Standing she presents a picture that is close to perfect. Going over her was a pleasure as her shoulder is well placed and laid on sweeping to a short back and well-turned stifle, well-muscled second thigh and short hocks. Proper slight rise over her loin and tail held out like a flag. Front view is a straight front, strong pasterns and tiny compact toes. Plenty of bone that continues from top of leg to pasterns and feet. This makes for a prominent fore chest and proper construction of the front assembly. Her head is long enough strong and deep, glinty expression and neat ears which she used well. Presented like the "Star' she is.

BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX

CH Grabo Subtle as Thunder. Breeder: Grace and Bob Thomas.

By: Rabram Rock Star - Grabo Bahama Moon. .

Owner: Grace Thomas & Bob Thomas.

Exuberant, young dog with so much promise already fulfilled and still more to come. Wonderful "roundness' to him in head, bone and body. Medium sized in height and oh so typy in nature. From his long filled and turned head capped off with a perfect bite to his lovely short back and well laid shoulders he tells you I am a BULL TERRIER. So you look further. Watch him turn on his personality. And there is plenty of spark and jaunt to him. He moves well all around the ring due to his proper construction and animated style. One to watch mature to his full potential.

SELECT DOG

GCH CH Formula For A Drama Free Brother CGCA CGCU TKA VSWI.

Breeder: Krista Prater Piles, Franne Berez.

By: GCH Action Devils Apprentice By Formula - GCH Actions Formula For A Queen CGC.

Owner: Shirley O'Doherty & Kimberley O'Doherty, Krista Prater -Piles Stud dog personified. Large round bone right down to his proper small feet. Big fat head that you love to put your hands on. No dips, no hollows filled right up to under his nice small eye that are deeply sunk. Still has a scissors bite Moved freely around the ring .and wow his ears are up. I judged him at 6 months. Loved him then but his ears were looking a bit soft. Now? Up and on top and using them well. A credit to his owners and breeders.

SELECT BITCH

CH Action Kiss'd By The Sullinator From Old Forge TKN ATT.

Breeder: Franne Berez, Dale & Chris Schuur.

By: GCH CH Formula For A Drama Free Brother CGCA CGCU FDC TKA -

GCH CH Action Kissed By The Divine From Old Forge.

Owner: Shirley O'Doherty & Kimberley O'Doherty, Dr. Franne Berez

Daughter of the Select Dog and showing much of the same style. Cobby and typy all around. Strong and powerful head like Dad. Filled and turned with ears on top and using them well. She is more bully than some in a good way. Round bone, straight front good mover. Still has plenty of time to mature.

COLORED

WINNERS DOG/BEST OF WINNERS

Hawthorn Killian's Irish Red CGC TKN.

.Breeder: Paul O'Driscoll.

By: Tawnbarr Devils Eye From Gorbain – Hawthorne Shirley Temple.

Owner: Laura Anderson & Paul O'Driscoll.

Number 117: Compact, ultra typey red and white with an excellent turn of stifle, nice short hocks making for excellent rear movement. Coming in and going around also fine holding his topline well. Good tail set. Topline with proper rise, very short backed, and fairly well laid shoulder, viewed from front deep fore chest nice bone and substance and love those tight cat feet. Head is long enough, expression excellent with a tight eye, bite good, width of muzzle and turn of profile just right, ears on top but he could show them more often! An all-around excellent example of a neat clean typy bull terrier. BOW on type.

RESERVE WINNERS DOG

*Broken Arrow Sandstone Diakomahalis...

Breeder: Paul & Miriam Hopkins, Melanie Whitehair.

By: GCHS CH Hawthorn Dragons Heart - GCH CH Broken Arrow Dancing With

Sandstone Under Bullymoon.

Owner: Paul Hopkins & Miriam Hopkins, Melanie Whitehair.

Number 119: Notes say, "beautiful rich brindle dog" The first thing that hits you is his wonderful thuggy headpiece. Filled and curved but not "extreme", just very masculine with both width and pack. Ears right on top help with sly expression. Well made with a good shoulder and straight front. Back a bit longer than the winner. Moved out with good drive and smooth coming in. A worthy dog with a good bite with a tight canine. Not quite as confident as the winner but a sure champion in the making.

WINNERS BITCH

Hawthorn Bloody Mary. Breeder: Paul O'Driscoll.

By: Tawnbarr Devils Eye From Gorbain - Hawthorn Shirley Temple. Owner: Paul

O'Driscoll. Number 132

Another red head spicing up the ring, trimmed in white. I see from the catalog she is a littermate to the winners dog and possesses many of the same qualities Head quality super, excellent profile, well filled, ears perky, slight mouth fault. Body shape is similar to the winner's dog, shapely, typey with a very short back and excellent movement. Prominent fore chest, leading to a straight front with small toes. Notable on both littermates is a well-turned stifle

RESERVE WINNERS BITCH

Hawthorn Americano Breeder: Paul O'Driscoll

By: Emred Devil's Spy – Ch Hawthorns Black Currant Stout

Owners: Connie Whitmer & Paul O'Driscoll

Number 148

Sparkling brindle with white. My notes say, could go either way as both are beautiful. Lovely head with plenty of turn and fill. Varminty expression with super ears set. Good bone for size. Front is straight with slight turn out at pasterns.

Moved true and held topline, Moved well. Two wonderful bitches that much to offer the breed in the future

BEST OF VARIETY

GCHS CH Rocky Top's Dream Chaser.

Breed-er: Lori Kibler, Rebecca P. Poole, William F. Poole.

By: GCHB Hawthorn Dragons Heart - GCH Rocky Top's Sweetest Dream.

Owner: Lori Kibler & Rebecca & William Poole.

Dark brindle cobby style dog. Compact and typy all around like a little thug. Plenty of bone right down to small feet and straight front, wide and full making for a lovely forechest Head if packed and full with a perfect scissors bite. Keen expression. Moved as made like a freight train chugga chugga..straight down the track and back

BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX

CH Highgrade Ayedahoe of Sierra View.

Breeder: Kristen Christiansen.

By: Kingsfarms Dutch Royal - Wright Way Bullies Sada. Owner: Kristen Christiansen, , Beau Benner. Maryjo Antle

Shiny black brindle superstar. She is full of vim and vigor and on her super toes the entire time. Her handler was "handling" the entire time. Lovely turned head with pack but still feminine. Expression is great with nice ear set. Ears set on top. body shape is round and full, short back, lovely "turkey breast" fore chest. Short back.

Moved very well in front, a bit close in rear. Could use a bit more turn of stifle. Won this on her marvelous attitude. So typical of a bull terrier.

SELECT DOG

CH Grabo Moves Like Jagger At Wildblue.

Breeder: Grace Thomas & Robert Thomas.

By: Rabram Rock Star – Grabo Bahama Moon.. Owner: Sara Pearce & Grace Thomas & Robert Thomas.

Substantial brindle and white dog with scads of bone right down to his small, neat feet. Packed uo head, bite slightly under. Expression good. Moved well in all directions. A "thick" type of dog that is substantial and solid.

SELECT BITCH

GCHB CH Old Forge Hershey Kisses By Action

Breeder: Franne Berez, Dale Schuur, Christine Schuur.

By: CH Formula For A Drama Free Brother CGC TKA VSWI - GCH Action

Kissed By The Di-vine From Old Forge.

Owner: David & Cheri Croucher & Dale & Christine Schuur

Brindle and white feminine bitch. Does not mean she does not carry enough bone and substance. She has plenty of both. Good bite. Head is somewhat shorter than the winner. Expression is still good enough with nice tiny ears lending to the quality picture. Nicely laid shoulder leading to a short back. Moved well in both directions and held topline on the go around. Two very nice bitches