

Tuxedo Park Kennel Club
North East Staffordshire Bull Terrier CLUB
September 8th 2023
Judge: Mrs Michelle Murphy - Brockmar

Firstly, I would like to sincerely thank the wonderful Committee for my invitation to come and judge the breed I love so much. I truly enjoyed my time there, Meeting like minded folk, making new friends and catching up with old ones too. You made my experience richer. It was an honor to share the weekend judging alongside my co judges. Special thank you to my lovely steward on the day for looking after me so well and keeping my ring organized.

Thank you to the exhibitors for your entries and support. It is greatly appreciated, the atmosphere was fantastic even under the beaming sun.

Moving swiftly on to the dogs. My overall view is there are some really quality staffords in America, I was lucky enough to have them entered under me. Some decisions I could swap and some I would gladly have sitting on my sofa. When you enter a ring you are entering to be judge on the standard on the dogs appearance so take that extra time to trim the dog's tail, clean the teeth spend that extra half hour during the week on ring training all this pays off. There was some lovely staffords there that spoiled themselves by misbehaving and making it harder to see the attributes. You will only get out of your dog what you put into them.

TEMPERAMENT is the most IMPORTANT quality in a stafford. You can have the best expressions, fronts, top lines, good bites, good movements but If you don't have the correct temperament then you need to rethink. BOLD, FEARLESS AND TOTALLY RELIABLE. It's what makes them stand out from any other breed. If a Breed Specialist who is well used to staffords who knows the difference between a boisterous Stafford and one that does not want them in their space tells you they don't feel comfortable assessing your dog. It has to be respected full stop. Of course, you can have a conversation afterwards. NO excuses should ever be made for a stafford growling at a judge. I have already address this issue and hope the owner can address this issue also. Try understand we all represent Staffords and want them ONLY to be seen in a good light, my decision to ask the handler and bitch to leave the ring was maybe not a popular one for the owner and her friends but I only have three things with me when I step into a ring the Standard, My Integrity and the breeds best interest.

Dogs

Puppy 9 & Under 12 Months Dogs.

1st. Jenn Irwin & Tatiana Lohr, NightGuard's Pendragon. I really liked this young dog, B/B with a lovely blend of bull and terrier, Lovely round dark eye, well placed rose ear, Great width & depth of Skull, Beautiful keen expression which he used so well, Ample of bone and substance, Good front, good tight feet, Nice profile, level top line, He is developing as he should at this age, One i would like to see again, Moved and handled very well.

12 & Under 18 Months Dogs.

1st. Gamalier Felici, Narkya Daredevil. Very eye catching young dog with lots to give, He worked his handler so hard on the day. Great keen alert expression, one that follows you, Good dark eye, nice length & depth to muzzle, Good under jaw, Nice rose ear which he never stops using, lovely depth of brisket with a good front, Good profile from all angles, once settled moved well.

Bred by Exhibitor, 6 & under 12 Months Dogs.

1st. Toni Pawson Amy & Bruce Rounsaville, Manorview's Captain Fantastic. His name suits him so well. What a fantastic personality this puppy has, So Happy to greet everyone. The temperament all puppies should have, Beautiful Red with a white chest very keen at all time showing off his smashing expression, good dark eye with nice pigmentation, good ear carriage, nice depth to brisket for one so young, tidy front with a good level top line, He moved around the ring like he was here to have a good time, He really made me smile, Lovely puppy to judge.

Bred By Exhibitor, 12 Months & Over Dogs.

1st. Michael Filippello & Linda Rodriguez, Freystaffs Ride The Lighting. Lovely compact dog with nice proportions, Great keen expression, Lovely head shape with great ear carriage, nice dark eye, good cheek bumps, clean lips, good depth of brisket, clean front with good tight feet, moved very well holding a good top line, strong backend.

American Bred Dogs.

1st. Jason, Shabray Matthews & Judith Heller, Moonstruck Meet Me At The Alibi. Very nice head shape with a pleasing on the eye expression, Good ear carriage, Strong under jaw, nice depth of brisket leading down to a good front, nice bend of stifle with a level topline, moved well shown in good condition,

2nd. Amy Conrad, Sublime Ciera Purple Dragon TKN VHMA VSWB. B/B with a keen expression and good depth of muzzle, Neat rose ears, Good front, tidy feet, Nicely balanced dog with a good topline, Lovely coat and shown in good condition,

Open Dogs.

1st. Karen Gregor & Dale Porcher, Ciera Thrashers Shoot To Thrill. This dog was presented in great condition, His overall profile caught my attention, Well developed head wide across and deep through, excellent ear carriage, Good round dark eye with great expression so keen, lovely pigmentation with good under jaw, straight front, he was well muscled throughout with a great topline, good angulation moved very well around the ring.

2nd. Haleigh Mansfield & Maryanne Mack DVN & Berna Welch, Pebwin From Scratch. Red Dog with white on his chest, A good blend of bull and terrier again very alert dog showing keenness at all times, Good round dark eye, ample of bone, tidy front leading down to good tight feet, short compact body with a nice bend of stifle, moved well.

Bitches

12 & under 18 months Bitches

1st. Gadiel Felicie.,T'Rivers -Of- Babylon De Karysha, A lovely young B/B with white on her chest, Standard size with a clean head shape, good dark eye, pleasing expression, straight well boned front with good feet, good rib into a sound backend, Nice profile over all, moved well.

Bred by Exhibitor, 6 & Under 12 Months Bitches

1st. Luciana McCullough, Bullwark A Girl Can Mack.B/B of quality, She has the most beautiful expression which she used at all times, Good round dark eye, good ear carriage, clean lips, well proportioned body with a level top line which she held stacked and on the move, good rear angulations, short in body, A bitch i would like to see in the future, she moved around the ring with ease and had that extra presence that made me want to keep looking at her, She is one I would gladly have on my sofa, Her handler showed her off for the quality stafford she is.

2nd.Judith L Heller, Moonstruck Mad Hops, Again a nice tidy bitch that showed a pretty expression, good dark eye, good front, nice amount of bone, nice profile on the stance, deep rib and brisket, moved well.

Bred By Exhibitor, 12 months & Over Bitches

1st,Mary Phalon & Jessica Yeagle. Nocturne Midnight Sun, This a very Classy Bitch, Lovely profile from every angle, lovely expression with a good dark eye, nice ear carriage, good front strong bone, good width to chest, once settled she moved well, She was one that stood out on the day.

Open Bitches

1st. Linda Ringle, Jane Mcmillan, Jessica Yeagle, Nocturne Poetry In Motion At Brewlin. B/B with white on chest, I liked this bitches overall balanced lovely alert expression which sealed her placing, good ear carriage, no exaggerations, good length & depth to stop, straight front with nice amount to width and bone, good feet, level top at all times, shown in lovely condition, moved and handled well.

2nd.Colleen Bragg & Dion Berry & Jodie West. Willabys 19 Crimes FCAT TKN.B/B with white on chest Nice and clean head shape, clean lips, pleasing expression, Good depth of brisket with a tidy front, good spring of rib, good hindquarters, sound backend, she looked like she enjoyed her time in the ring, moved well.

Best of Breed Competition, What a great class to judge with lots of quality staffords.

BOB Monica McGrew, GCH Pinnacle's Keyser Soze. As soon as I laid my eyes on him, I saw pure quality he has abundant of attributes for all to see, Strong, top size well balanced B/B with white markings, His head is well proportioned of type, deep through Cracking expression which

he held the whole time in the ring, beautiful dark round eyes that almost talks to you, correct ear carriage which he uses so well, good depth & width to muzzle, good under jaw, strong neck leading down to muscular shoulders, straight front with good bone, good depth of brisket, Deep in rib ,Level top line no matter when I looked at him, Strong muscular rear quarters, His movements were so sound and effortless, His excellent ring presence was enhanced by his handlers knowledge of what she has on the end of her lead. I was happy to watch my co judges appreciate his qualities as much as I did. A dog that should never be underestimated, One I will watch with interest.

Opposite Sex, Kelly Cromwell, GCH Ballyhoo Bewitched RN BCAT CGC, Beautiful B/B bitch that stood four square, The darkest of eyes giving her a beautiful expression, lovely ear carriage that are set perfect, proper blend of bull & terrier, Good amount width & depth of brisket, tidy front, close coupled with a good tuck up, sound backend, moved and handled very well, shown in lovely condition.

Select Dog, Jane Lasher-Sobus & Linda Ringle & Kimberli Strong, CH Brewlin's Small But Mighty. Beautiful brindle with white on chest dog, I loved this dogs over all type, His cracking expression held my attention, Great pigmentation, well placed dark eyes, small rose ears, clean in muzzle with deep stop, correct shoulder placement, good top lines stacked and on the move, well off for bone, good spring of rib, nicely muscled backend, moved with eased, shown very well.

Select Bitch, Jane Lasher & Linda Ringle, CH Brave Spirit Etta James RATO BCAT, This lovely bitch has ring presence, She makes it hard not look at with her lovely head shape, Dark eye good ear carriage, loved her alert expression, good front, nice sprung rib, level top line, good rear angulations, short coupled moved and handled well.

AWARD OF MERIT, Christina Shepley, CH Brewlin's Little Chef FDC BCAT CGC TKN ATT FITB, This dog caught my attention for many reasons, I loved his attitude in the ring, He moved around showing off his qualities, Beautiful head shape with a distinct stop, strong muzzle, strong under jaw with piercing dark eye, small rose ear, good amount of bone, he has a smashing white brisket with good depth, He likes to stick it out like the chef he is, nice spring of rib with lovely top line, His fantastic temperament is to be admire, pleasure to judge.

AWARD OF MERIT J & L Caswell, GCHS CH Wavemaker Nonesuch TT DN CGCA TKN VHMA FITG, Another quality dog that was lovely to judge, Nicely proportioned head with good width to muzzle, Good round dark eye with keen alert expression, nice length to muzzle, tidy front with good feet up on his pasterns, level top line, good tuck up, sound backend, nice bend of stifle, moved and handled well.

I would like to wish you all the very best of luck in the future and hope all your goals you set out to achieve come true.

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