**Championship Show Critiques 2017**

**Sunday 22nd October 2017**

**BITCHES**

I would like to thank the committee of South Western Rottweiler Association for the invitation to judge bitches at their championship show and for their hospitality and lovely gift. I would also like to thank the exhibitors for giving me the opportunity to judge some quality bitches and the gracious manner in which they accepted my decisions.

Minor Puppy Bitch (10 ENTRIES, 6 ABSENT)

1st Mulhall’s AMEERA VON MAGGLYNN - Good size 6-month-old puppy bitch, strong bone, good top and under lines, balanced on the stand, feminine head still in development, lacking a little stop at present, dark mouth pigment, dark eye, good ear set and carriage, correct coat and rich tan markings, feet could be better, easy fluid movement, top line a little soft at present, excellent tail – Best Puppy Bitch.

2nd Lockyer’s GUARDAMI LA LA LAND - 6-and-a-half-month-old bitch, feminine head, good ear set and carriage, medium eye, good top and underline, front still developing, adequate bone for size, correct coat, tan markings could be cleaner, good tail, moved OK holding her shape.

Puppy Bitch (3 ENTRIES, 1 ABSENT)

1st Bryant’s PANELMA GETI - 10-month-old compact bitch, balanced on the stand, with good front and rear angles, good top and underline, feminine head with correct proportions, dark eye, good ear set and carriage, dark mouth pigment, correct coat, lovely bone and substance, unfortunately did not raise her tail at all which affected her body carriage on the move.

2nd James and Thompson’s -  SHALKATO RIFF RAFF AT BAMABEL - 11-month-old puppy bitch, feminine head, dark eye slightly round, mottled mouth pigment, good ear set and carriage, good top and under line on the stand, slight wave in coat, tan markings could be richer, moved OK, holding her top line.

Junior Bitch (8 ENTRIES, 3 ABSENT)

1st Ward’s WARRIMEAD JYNX - 15-month-old bitch with lovely breed type, correct head proportions, good stop, dark eye, correct ear set and carriage, giving her super expression, compact body, good spring of rib, balanced front and rear angles, good bone, clear markings, good top and under line, energetic mover who holds her shape with a good tail.

2nd Gibbard and Watts’ JEZEVE BACK TO BLACK JW - 17-month-old bitch, pleasing feminine head type, dark eye, good ear set and carriage, black flews, longer cast than first, balanced angles, good top and under line, adequate bone, this bitch is light on her feet with adequate movement, holding her top line, good tail

Yearling Bitch (4 ENTRIES, 1 ABSENT)

1st Mulhall’s JUST ASK GRACE O’SHEA (IMP SWE) - 18-month-old-bitch of excellent type, correct head proportions, dark slightly round eye, strong neck into good top line, good spring of rib, strong bone, rich tan markings, slightly more rear angulation than in the front, purposeful mover with well carried tail.

2nd Clark’s BOTLIERSKOP SCARLET EMERALD - Smaller lighter framed bitch than first, feminine head, dark almond eye, dark mouth pigment, well set and carried ears, adequate bone for size, good top and under line, adequate mover holding her shape, good tail.

Post Graduate Bitch (11 ENTRIES, 3 ABSENT)

1st Barnes’ GYRIMA ORDRI – Feminine head, with excellent breed type, dark almond eye, well set ears, which when she uses them, give her a lovely expression, compact body proportions, strong neck into straight top line, good spring of rib, balanced front and rear angles, with good width of thigh, strong hocks, good bone with correct coat, this bitch has efficient ground covering movement and holds her top line with a well set and carried tail.

2nd Watts, Gibbard and Hawkshaw’s BEVANRAY QUARTZ AT JEZEVE - Quality bitch, longer cast than first, feminine head, dark almond eye, good ear set and carriage, strong neck, clean over the withers, good front angles, strong bone, good feet, strong rear and good tail, tan could be darker, purposeful mover holding her shape.

Limit Bitch (8 ENTRIES, 4 ABSENT)

1st Rowarth’s DARKARMAR SHAKIRA JW - Quality bitch of excellent type, correct head proportions with dark almond eyes, correctly placed and carried ears, giving a beautiful expression, dark mouth pigment, compact body proportions, correct front and rear angles, good spring of rib, strong hocks, good top and under line, correct coat and rich mahogany markings, good tail set and carriage, strong purposeful mover with excellent reach and drive. This bitch was on sparkling form today and I was so pleased to award her **second CC** and with the agreement of my co-judge, see her go **Best in Show.**

2nd - Mulhall’s JUST ASK GALA O’SHEA (IMP SWE) - Litter sister to my first in YB, longer cast than first, attractive feminine head, dark eye, well placed and carried ears, balanced on the stand with good front and rear angles, correct bone, clear tan markings, excellent movement with good reach and drive, well carried tail.

Open Bitch (11 ENTRIES, 1 ABSENT)

1st Hucker’s CH BEVANRAY OLIVE - Quality bitch of excellent type, strong but feminine head, expressive dark eyes, well set and carried ears giving super expression, correctly balanced front and rear angles, strong neck into straight top line, good spring of rib, strong hocks, lovely bone and substance, correct coat and markings, good tail set and carriage. For me this bitch comes into her own whilst on the move, she is such a strong powerful mover with excellent reach and drive allowing her to easily cover the ground whilst retaining her shape. I was delighted to award her the **RCC** today, for the second time.

2nd Horton’s CH JUFFTHER HAPPY BUNNY JW SHCM - Another quality bitch with an attractive feminine head of good proportions, dark eye with well-placed and carried ears, dark mouth pigment, compact bitch with well sprung ribs, strong neck into good top line, balanced front and rear angles with lovely bone and substance, correct coat and markings, well set and carried tail. Sound movement holding her top line couldn’t quite match first on drive and extension but pushed hard today.

Veteran Bitch (6 ENTRIES, 3 ABSENT)

1st Barnes’ CH GYRIMA LOIS - 7-year-old bitch, clean feminine head with dark eye, strong muzzle, dark mouth pigment, good ear set and carriage, balanced front and rear angles, good top and underline, good coat, this bitch has sound unrestricted movement holding her shape & topline with excellent tail carriage – **Best Veteran Bitch**

2nd Hucker’s CH BEVANRAY LOLLYPOP - 8-year-old bitch, strong feminine head, dark eye, well set and carried ears, dark mouth pigment, good front and rear angles, lovely bone and correct coat, excellent tail carriage. This bitch has strong purposeful movement with good reach and drive, although unfortunately today she just didn’t hold her shape as well as the first.

**Judge: Lorraine Sylvester**