2019 Classic Critiques for Saturday 9/7 judge: Iodie Sing (Pranksta)

NESBTC 'The Classic'

Total privilege to be invited a second time around to judge for this club. I experienced by first international big trip to judge at this club back in 2013, not only was I warmly welcomed and taken care of, but very impressed with the small club achieving big things - setting strong roots for the Staffordshire Bull Terrier in the United States, Naturally it was with great delight that I accepted a second invitation to judge again alongside an impressive panel selected for the Classic weekend: Fiona McBride, Lynn Caswell, George Urbanski, Nicola Yates and Dana Merritt. I was pleasantly surprised to see that the club was still thriving with new fresh faces included and continued to set the bar and maintain standards that I remembered, ensuring the breeds future and health within their country. Their enthusiasm and hosting of myself, Fiona and Nicola is to be recommended. We had lovely accommodation, tours fo New York City and the best it had to offer, local restaurants, local sites and attractions, nothing was too much. A heartfelt thank you extended to the committee and special mention to John Diaz and Andrea Killkenny for covering everything for us. Thanks also to Brooke Hoopengardner for keeping me occupied, being my personal chauffeur and introducing me to FastCAT, I thoroughly enjoyed it.

Overall the quality of dogs was pleasing and I think you all have great understanding and direction, always improving. Most dogs were presented in fit condition, overall type was good and very few mouth issues. I was very happy with my line-up. You all are to be commended on your ring etiquette, sportsmanship behavior and support of each other's successes. The vibe around the ring was friendly and pleasant, the trophy table was amazing, the weather was kind and the ring was a good size to assess movement. Another truly memorable and lasting experience with a great bunch of proper Stafford enthusiasts. I urge and encourage anyone considering this appointment upon invitation to accept and enjoy. Thank you to all that sought my opinion of your dogs, I thoroughly enjoyed the experience once again. Best breed in the world.

Your in Staffords, Jodie Sing Pranksta - Australia

DOGS

PUPPY 12 - 18mths:

1st: (23) Willaby's High Voltage

Black Brindle. Promising youngster, clean and unexaggerated head. Deep through skull and correct muzzle/skull ratios. Dark eyes set well on the head. Ears of good size, correct scissor bite. He was alert and had a keen expression. Short neck into good, clean, well-boned front. Neat, well-padded feet supported by strong pasterns. Level topline even though longer in the loin, Developing hindquarters with plenty of depth through thigh and second thigh, he moved along nicely and enjoyed his time in the ring. Turned out in fit condition and weight today for a puppy his age, a nice puppy, that should have a lot to offer, was my reserve winners dog as well Congratulations

RESERVE WINNERS DOG

2nd: (19) Days of Staff I Shot The Sheriff

Pied/ white with black markings,

A little more leg than my first place however balanced for size and pleasing outline. He has a clean head of proper proportions, broad muzzle deep through, distinct stop, clean tight lips, ample under jaw and dark round eyes. I would prefer his ears to be a little tighter, however of good size and placed well on the head. Has a short neck into a wide nicely boned front, with neat feet and was well up on his pasterns. Needs a touch more depth in brisket, but this can and hopefully will improve with age as he matures, as he is still very young. He moved without effort, another nice puppy, just preferred overall balance of number one but this guy too, has a lot to offer

3rd: 917) Wavemaker Secret Agent Man

Black brindle

This dog has an obvious rapport with his handler, was lovely watching them together. This dog has more substance than the first two, plenty of bone, a strong head, with plenty of depth square muzzle with ample under jaw, distinct stop, dark well placed eyes, ears little untidy but of good size and correct position. Short neck into decent boned front, tended to lose topline a bit on the move. Had a muscular set of hindquarters, with plenty of depth through thighs. Neat feet, darkest of pigmentation. Coat was short and close

BRED BY EXHIBITOR:

1st: (27)Takedowns Not Happenin Imar

Still very much a youngster but obvious qualities, all I like for a puppy of this age. Had the edge today, a tidy package, clean well shaped head of good proportions plenty of under jaw, correct scissor bite. Dark pigmentation, typical keen expression when alerted, dark round expressive eyes, neat rose ears with thin leathers finished it all off. Good length of neck into a well boned straight front with tight padded feet and pasterns that turned out slightly as is sought. He has plenty of sternum on inspection, and kept his level top line on the move. Hindquarters developing nicely moving along without any effort, ample angulation in rear, a pleasure to watch him move. He was turned out in lovely condition, short gleaming coat, and handled to his advantage. A lovely puppy with all signs pointing to a bright future so far, maturity will finish the picture. Good luck, had no hesitation awarding him Winners Dog congratulations

OPEN DOG:

1st: (25) Fountainheed's Sympathy For The Devil

Black Brindle dog, liked the overall type of this boy, clean and unexaggerated with pleasing profile and abundance of breed type. Dark round eyes, small ears with thin leathers of good size, set well on the head. Clean strong muzzle with correct scissor bite. Short neck into well laid shoulders, plenty of depth of brisket and ample spring of rib, plenty of engine room. Longer cast in loin but level topline, nicely angulated from all views. Hindquarters muscular and powerful with well let down hocks. Short close coat and worked well with his handler, another nice dog

2nd: (33)Passions Civil Disobedience BCAT RI DN TKN CGC

Brindle dog. Standard sized, clean overall balanced dog that was unfortunate to come up against number one. This guy had a lovely unexaggerated head of good proportions, clean tight lips and plenty of underjaw, scissor bite, and neat rose ears. He had the best of brindle coats that was short close and gleaming. Ample bone and width in front with plenty of heart and lung room. Short coupled, tuck up in loin, well defined muscular hindquarters that powered him along. Tight feet, correct tail set, another that could easily have changed places. Liked him alot

3rd: (39) Sheaman's Right To Bear Arms

Brindle dog. Another dog that had good overall breed type. Standard sized, plenty of bone. Slightly longer cast in back, however kept a good top line on the move. Preferred overall outline of one and two. Worked well with handler looked a professional duo.

BITCHES

PUPPY 9-12 months

1: (14) Alebastaff Lady Hawkeve

Black brindle: What a little beauty. One that catches your eye on sight. Feminine, oozes breed type. She has the best of heads for one so young, everything I want to see in a puppy. Beautiful chiselled head, clean tight lips scissor bite, black pigmentation, developing masseter muscles, fill under her dark round eyes, neatest of ears that frame the head and finish off the typical expression for me. She has a pleasing profile from all angles. Plenty of bone for size, short coupled, could do with more pro sternum and depth of brisket however she is very young and this could come with age and maturity. Well angulated hindquarters with parallel hocks, tail set on correctly. Well done to her breeders and good luck with her future an exciting puppy

Congratulations

BEST PUPPY

PUPPY 12-18 MTHS

1: (40) Tartans Knockout Of of Dynastaff

Black brindle bitch with pleasing head and expression. Larger all over, however balanced for size and pleasing profile. She has a wonderful expression. Eyes consisting of correct shape although would prefer them darker. Small neat ears, and clean muzzle, plenty of underjaw. Possesses a straight front, plenty of brisket and adequate spring of rib. Well padded feet. Slightly longer in loin, but still maintains a level topline when on the move. Tail set on correctly and carried low, dark pigmentation. She also moved with drive and purpose, happy with her time in the ring

RESERVE WINNERS BITCH

Congratulations

2nd: (10)Jammnstaffs I Put A Spell On You

Brindle bitch. Smaller than first place, good head proportions, clean and plenty of depth through. Good muzzle length, ears a little untidy. Dark eyes of nice shaped and well placed. She has a good front with neat tight feet. Plenty of rib. Topline was level, a tidy package just like the overall balance and profile of my first place

3rd: (38) Black Country's The Glamorous Life

Red with white, an eye catching, beautiful clean headed bitch with round darkest of eyes. Feminine, my notes say no exaggeration. A real eye catcher. Neat small rose ears with thin leathers, finished off when alert that typical stafford expression. I would like a bit more depth in front however plenty of bone for size and width. Neat tidy feet,she is in the lovely condition. Topline rises slightly over loin, tail set is correct and carried well. Has well defined muscular hindquarters, moved and worked well with her handler

BRED BY EXHIBITOR

1st: (20) Black Country's I Feel For You

Brindle bitch. My notes say muscular tidy package of standard size possessing plenty of breed type. Dark round eyes. Clean tidy lips w/ scissor bite. Ears half pricked of good size and thickness and well placed on the skull. Shows her all her attributes well when she is relaxed. Short neck into okay front. Muscular hindquarters and saw a decent top line when she moved and settled. Darkest of pigmentation. Neat tidy well padded feet. Hindquarters are muscular nicely angulated, and well-defined. Was keen and alert showed off her keen Stafford expression. Handled professionally.

2nd: (30) Takedowns Pin U Like Nickal

Black Brindle puppy a larger bitch then first. Head of decent proportions, would prefer a darker eye, but nice shape. Rose ears well placed. Has a good topline and muscular development for age. She has a decent front with neat feet turning out at pasterns. Hocks parallel, tail a little long. Moved well once she settled.

OPEN BITCHES

1st: (32) Ballyhoo All On Black BCAT

It's always a great feeling and one hopes that you all have those moments when judging when a dog fills your eye on first sight, and you hope on closer inspection that all things you look for will be in the one place, ticking all the boxes. This bitch did that for me today as others have in the past she is clearly, in my books, up with some of the best dogs I have had the privilege of judging. A real beauty that epitomizes all that a Stafford bitch should be.

She defines the word femininity, and has strength for size, from her beautifully sculpted head to her tail she is class. Cleanest of heads, no exaggeration, smooth tight lips. Black pigmentation both lined her lips and filled her mouth. Dark round eyes, scissor bite with large teeth. Rose ears with thin leathers, set on the skull to frame her head. She has ample under jaw, breed type in abundance, and arrogance of knowing she has it. She is powerful yet agile on her feet, has good angulation in front and rear, turns on a dime. Level topline, balanced from any angle. She has width and depth in front, muscular well conditioned hindquarters that power her along with purpose and economy of effort. Coming and going I could watch her all day. She was presented and handled in top condition, coat was tight short and close. A real pleasure to watch this duo work together. Congratulations to her breeder /owners. A real beauty. I wish you all the best for the future. More than happy to award her Open bitch class. Wish she were mine

WINNERS BITCH BEST OF WINNERS BEST OF BREED

2nd: (8) Licentia Poetica Enamorada

Red bitch. Larger all over than first place, with plenty of leg, yet still remained balanced. Neat ears, eyes round, could be a bit darker, and placed well on the head to give typical expression. Good straight front, plenty of bone and width. Level topline, tail set good and carried low. Nice angles in front and rear, a good set of hindquarters. Would have liked her fitter. A good honest bitch with a lot to like.

No.3 Alchemist's Black Opal

Black brindle bitch with lovely expression. Round eye, would prefer darker, rose ears. Liked her headshape. Abundance of breed type. Adequate bone, plenty of brisket, tidy front, ample rib. She is slightly over angulated in rear, which affected her movement. Made her handler work hard today

BEST OF BREED/BEST OF WINNERS

No.32 Ballyhoo All On Black BCAT (see critique)

BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX

GCHB Pinnacles You Can't Take Command CGC

Black Brindle. A dog I have judged before when younger and maturity has only improved him. He is all dog, oozes breed type. He has a classic well chiselled head of good proportions and distinct stop. Clean muzzle with a keen round dark eyes. Typical expression ,complete scissor bite, pronounced cheek bumps, cleanest of lips and wide short muscular neck into a straight wide front. Ample bone, neat feet supported by strong pasterns. He has plenty of rib and powerful hindquarters that are fit and toned. I see he still makes his handler work hard. Coat is short and close and gleaming he is a sound mover, and handled well, deserving of his award, Congratulations

SELECT DOG

No.37 Willaby's Gone Walkabout

Black Brindle dog that I also liked very much. Skull of correct proportions depth and width. Darkest of eyes, neat ears framing the head. Scissor bite, good expression, you see when you catch his interest, and blackest of pigmentation. He has a strong short neck into a tidy front. He has developing cheek muscles that fill under the eyes, wide nostrils, pigment lines his lips. He's up on pasterns that slightly turn out, tight neat feet. Short coupled, developing hindquarters that will only improve with road work. Level topline, correct tail set. A real gem that will surprise with more maturity, Everything I'd want in a young stafford, good luck with his future. Congratulations

SELECT BITCH

No.28 Willabys Little Creature

Another nice one from this kennel. Black brindle bitch of good size. Clean and balanced from all angles. Good head shape with decent proportions, no exaggerations. Clean muzzle, dark eyes,rose ears. Has a short neck into a straight well boned front. Her tail set is correct and she has well developed muscular hindquarters with sufficient angulation. A bit flat today, but didn't take away from her qualities she moved and was handled well Congratulations