

## BORDER UNION - 2017

### DALMATIAN

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The combination of a very hot day and the lack of shade meant that the later classes had to be moved a little less for the sake of the dogs. Once again, the general lack of forechest in the breed was of major concern, but the number of good fronts is slowly increasing. I did not find many really excellent feet, which should be such an important feature of the breed.

PD (2) 1 Wheaton's Buffrey The Last Word At Acinonyx. 11 mth old b/w of good type, head slightly plain but with a good eye, good front construction but still needs to develop in forechest, good level top-line and moderate turn of stifles, slightly narrow all through at this stage and moved a little close behind, needs time but has potential. 2 Newton & Newton-O'Brien's Chizzmic What A Carry On. 11 mth old l/w who was very unsettled, he has a promising head that still needs to broaden in skull, good eye colour, has good angles in his front construction but is a little wide in chest, good topline and tail set, moved well but I never saw enough confidence from him to challenge for the class win today.

JD (3) 1 Cobb's Kalokairies Carbon Copy. 16 mth old b/w, compact and substantial, good strong head with a dark eye, well made front, good depth of body, lovely turn of stifle, presented a well balanced outline, movement good when he could be persuaded to trot. Should have an interesting career. 2 Barclay & Sampson's Dalstorm Eternal Flame. 16 mth old l/w, liked his expression and eye colour, of good substance and with an excellent spring of rib for his age, well boned and muscled but a little heavy over his shoulders today, good low hocks, could not quite match first on front angulation or tail set, but lots to like about him. 3 Lamb's Dalpetro Digby.

ND (3) 1 Dalstorm Eternal Flame. 2 Buffrey The Last Word At Acinonyx. 3 Chizzmic What A Carry On.

PGD (7, 1) My first impression on sending this class around the ring was of high tails on the move! 1 Croft & Cobb-McGill's Kalokairies Bullet Proof. Upstanding 19 mth old l/w who is impossible to overlook, with his "look at me" attitude, lovely length of muzzle, good eye colour, I loved his front construction and hindquarters, lovely bone, his movement in profile was a delight to watch, he just looks a little long in back at his current stage of development, but when he bodies up in the coming months, I think that he will come into his own. Definitely one to watch. 2 Marley & Libbey's Bellili's D'Amore De Loin. Substantial 21 mth old b/w with jet black spots, built on a slightly smaller mould than first, good strong head and dark eye, good front, level topline and excellent turn of stifle, good low hocks, moved a little close behind but his profile movement in the final run round moved him up the line. 3 Whincup's Tamilanda Midnight Lilly JW.

LD (7, 1) 1 Vockings & Smethurst's Portunes Green Day JW. 4 yr old l/w who I have admired from the ringside, he has a very good head and expression, good length of neck, a lovely front construction, a strong, mature body leading to hindquarters showing excellent angulation, correct, unexaggerated stifles, a lovely tail carriage,

nicely marked and in good, hard condition. I would prefer slightly tighter feet, but he moved well to win this class with ease, but unfortunately went lame in the challenge, where he would have been a very strong contender. 2 Todhunter & Robinson's Millbelle Young Gun JW. 6 yr old l/w, lightly marked but of lovely colour, sturdily built, really good, hard condition, lovely head and eye, strong neck, good layback of shoulders, lovely depth of body, excellent topline and tail set, adequate stifles, moved beautifully truly, his handler tends at times to mar his outline slightly by overstretching him on the stand, he could not quite match first for angle of upper arm, but a lovely dog. 3 Alcock's Creaganbrec Face Of Beau At Dalspartan.

OD (6, 1) A lovely class. 1 Goff-Leggett's Ch Washakie Shoshone Chief JW. Very sound and solid b/w, nearly 3 yrs old, my Best Puppy the last time that I judged, he has matured into a lovely dog, unexaggerated in all respects, lovely kind head, good strong, long neck, excellent front, distinct withers, lovely spring of rib, correct turn of stifle, excellent tail carriage, today was not moved as fast as I think that he should be, but he did enough to win the CC. Had a very good day, winning another CC a little later at the partner Breed Club Show. 2 Pratt's Ch Gwynmor Finch Hatton At Solostar. 5 yr old b/w, another grand dog of substance to whom I have previously awarded a Res CC, good head and eye, lovely forechest due to his correct front angulation, strong body and good turn of stifle, he was feeling the heat more than some others but his excellent movement won him the Res CC again. 3 Christie's Ch Sophtspot Gold Dust JW.

VD (3, 1) 1 Hartley & Griffiths' Ch Creaganbrec The Favourite At Miragua JW. 10 yr old b/w, I love his head and expression, good lay of shoulder, excellent bone and good turn of stifle, lovely tail set and carriage, coped very well with the heat and moved very well. 2 Barrett & Fort's Ch Shulune Ice Phantom Of Dalamanti ShCM. 7 yr old b/w, another lovely dog, slightly stronger in head and longer in back than first, well boned, lovely hindquarters with low hocks, very close between these two.

PB (8, 3) 1 De Rozario, Webb & Chrystal's Jemblewood Jelly Bean. 12 mth old b/w in her last Puppy class, a substantial girl who I feel has been rather overlooked to date, of good size and balanced in outline, adequate forechest of good width, excellent level topline, correct hindquarters, lovely tail set and carriage, good even spotting, her coat needs to fine down a little, best mover in this class and her extra maturity of body gained her the edge over the dog to earn her Best Puppy. 2 Neath-Duggan & Baker's Buffrey Hanky Panky By Dalleaf. 11 mth old b/w, eyecatching, happy youngster who has a super relationship with her handler, she has a lovely head and eye, good depth of chest, lovely layback of shoulder but I would prefer slightly more angulation of upper arm, correct tail set, unexaggerated hindquarters, I found her slightly narrow in body at the moment, which I feel affected her ability to maintain accuracy of movement on the uneven ground. 3 Quayle's Chizzmic Carry On With Cubalibre.

JB (10, 2) 1 Richardson's Mapplewell Ely Brown. 17 mth old l/w, very sound, substantial youngster with very good front construction, she has a pretty head with good eye colour, very well boned, good tail set but she only really used her tail when moving, beautiful hindquarters with a good width of thigh, lovely colour and distribution of spotting, moved very accurately if slightly unenthusiastically, only just did enough to win this class over some very nice bitches. 2 Harrison-Stratford's

Dalminshi Dark Dakota At Dalkereve. 17 mth old b/w, rather different type from first, being slightly rangier in outline at this stage, another very pretty head, she has a lovely length of neck, good shoulders, upper arm of good length but could be slightly more angulated, deep chest, lovely turn of stifle, lovely tail set and carriage, well handled, moved slightly close behind on the rough ground, a close decision with first. 3 Sampson's Dalstorm Eternal Promise. Completed a trio of lovely youngsters.

NB (5) 1 Buffrey Hanky Panky By Dalleaf. 2 Chizzmic Carry On With Cubalibre. 11 mth old b/w who was third in Puppy, a smaller, more compact type, I loved her head and expression, gorgeous long neck, well bodied, good, defined withers, excellent topline and lovely tail set and carriage, very good turn of stifle, I would prefer more angulation of upper arm, she moved with great accuracy in front but a little close behind. 3 McCarthy's Tolkain Gold Star For Kilndandy.

PGB (12, 3) During this class, I found myself feeling rather unwell with the heat, and feel in retrospect that this may explain why I shortlisted only five; to my dismay, one of these five went marginally lame in the run-off and I was only able to award four prizes, for which I apologise to the other exhibitors in the class. 1 Whincup's Tamilanda Pick-A-Lilly JW. 19 mth old b/w, a beautiful, substantial bitch with a lovely front, gorgeous head and expression, classic withers, very well boned, good width of thigh and good stifles, lovely tail set and carriage, very well marked, has bags of potential, she just needs to strengthen in topline to complete the picture. 2 Croft's Kalokairies Barberella From Koryza. 19 mth old l/w, another beautiful exhibit with wonderful liver colour of spotting, she has lovely angles everywhere, slightly less substance than 1 but very close up here, she has a lovely eye colour, excellent length of neck, good depth of chest, very good tail set, maybe slightly long in second thigh, to be picky I would like her to have a slightly larger head to balance her overall frame perfectly, but I loved both of these exciting bitches. 3 Stevenson's Macula Midnight Mystique JW.

LB (10, 3) 1 David & Saunders' Dalticino Interlagos From Dallydyl JW ShCM. 3 yr old l/w, I judged her as a Junior when she was going through a slightly awkward stage, she has now matured into a beautiful example of the breed, she has good eye colour, strong neck of good length, her front construction conforms closely to my ideal, strongly bodied and in hard condition, with level topline, correct, unexaggerated hindquarters, lovely tail carriage, well boned, in good coat, she moved very true, overall she filled my eye to gain her first CC and her extra verve just gave her the edge over the dog for BOB. Delighted to hear that she gained her second CC (& BIS) only hours later at the partner Breed Club Show. 2 Dawson's Washakie Endless Summer. Nearly 4 yrs old b/w of a slightly different type than first, but she has plenty of substance, a lovely expression with excellent eye colour, good neck and shoulders, very good topline, her tail set and carriage are exemplary, beautiful hindquarters with correct turn of stifle, scored over first with her slightly better length of muzzle but could not quite match first for forechest, overall close up to a bitch on top form, I rate her highly. 3 Wilkinson's Gwynmor High Five To Hunacres JW. Disappointed to find her very naughty today and did not do herself justice either standing or moving.

OB (5, 2) 1 Christie's Ch Sophtspot Glitterati JW. 2 yr old b/w, a glorious bitch of real quality, very good head, wonderful flow of neck into shoulders, adequate forechest,

correct level topline, well boned and bodied, correct moderate turn of stifles, excellent tail carriage, her height to length ratio is what I perceive as ideal for the breed, overall a really excellent type, combining substance and elegance as required, could not quite match the Limit winner for accuracy of movement, but very pleased to add a ResCC to her show record. 2 Philip's Dvojica Bubble N'Chic At Nordalset. 4 yr old b/w, a very good bitch with a good front with clean shoulders and well defined withers, good spring of rib, excellent topline and hindquarters, very good tail set and carriage, another whose accuracy of movement appeared to be affected by the rough ground, but seen in profile her movement was up there with the best. 3 Webster's Int Ch/Ir Ch Tamilanda Pink Addition To Dalmarno.

VB (3) 1 Quayle's Ch Cubalibre Spot On, 7 yr old b/w. Another top quality bitch of great substance to whom I have given a ResCC in the past, she is slightly strong in muzzle for me but has a lovely eye colour, beautiful front construction, really well ribbed, good topline, well set and carried tail, moderate stifles, moved very well, Best Veteran. 2 Dore's Ch Daldior Ace Of Diamonds JW. Nearly 9 yrs old b/w, built on slightly finer lines than first, but still a bitch of excellent quality, she has a pretty face with good, flat skull, beautifully broken ear markings, excellent eye colour, good length of neck, well defined withers and level topline, well balanced outline with well matched angulation, could not quite match first on spring of rib and length of stride. 3 Barrett's Marrisdale The Gold Digger Of Dalamanti ShCM.  
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