My Gratitude goes to the secretary and her friendly and working committee for the invite to judge these breeds. It was my first experience of judging most of them and I thoroughly enjoyed my day. A huge thanks for the exhibitors who braved the current financial landscape to seek my opinion.

The surface meant some allowances had to be made in terms of movement.

Border Terrier

Puppy

1st Earthtaw Never a Dull Moment

10 Month old masculine well made lad. Lovey dark eye which when prompted gave him a lovely alert expression. He moved well over the surface. Didn't have the maturity to challenge in the line up but like him.

Post Graduate

1st Cedarhill Front of House

Showy Grizzle and Tan dog who caught my eye on his way in. Masculine head with dark eye and nose, he seemed alert all the way around the ring, easily spanned with no exaggeration throughout, harsh coat with a good pelt. Moved really well for his young runner. Pushed hard for BOB but just preferred the head of the winner on the day. RBOB

2nd Rodzina Lone Ranger

Very Alert lad, good head, housing correct bite and dark small eyes, level top line and decent tail set and carriage. Lost out to the overall balance and movement of 1st.

Open

1st Earthtaw Making the Day

Really Smart lad who wore a thick harsh coat, head for me is how I envisage a male borders head, masculine with a strong muzzle, he's spannable and shows no exaggeration from his black nose to his thick carrot like tail. He moved well both away and back. I liked him and was pleased to award him BOB

2nd Gameway French Fancy Avec Orangebox

Nice bitch with otter-like feminine head with correct bite, she has a keen alert expression, easily spannable and a level topline. Struggled with the difficult surface on the move and didn't have the coat of 1st today.

Bedlington Terrier

Post Graduate

1st Dunkeswell Teal Pudsey

Standard sized nicely put together boy, deep and narrow head with small eyes and correct velvety ears, correct depth of chest, nice typical arch. Movement was light and effortless even on a challenging surface and that gained him his place today. RBOB

2nd Dunkeswell Pebble Run

Litter sister to 1st and many of the same qualities. Lovely out line with a nice arch and chest depth, moved ok given the surface but for me didn't have the zip and showmanship of her brother today. Two nice examples of the breed.

Open

1st L'end Show Mystery Universe JW ShCM ShCEx OSW (Import Russia)

Father to 1 and 2 in the last class and another quality dog. Stood alone in this class but commanded the ring, super mover. He has good length to his narrow head, correct bite. His rise over the loin meant he looks a picture in profile. Movement was faultless. Thought he was a smart dog for sure. BOB

Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier

Open

1st AM/CAN CH Silkcroft Freeze Frame JW JWW18 B.J.W BE 18 BEL JUN CH

Stood alone today but it would have taken some dog to beat him I think. As I looked up from critiquing the previous class I was struck by the handsome outline and super topline of this lad. Confident dog with a super coat. Correct strong dentition. He is overall a superbly balanced dog with no exaggeration to be seen. I guess the letters before and after his name mean I'm not breaking ground but I really liked him, my eyes kept falling back to him as I wandered around post judging. BOB

Bull Terrier

Post Graduate

1ST Villensia Pink Grapefruit

A bitch who for combined strength of femininity to maximum effect. Clean Lip with correct bite, strong and muscular without being over done, tail carriage was correct both on the move and stood. Really rather liked this bitch and thought she represented fitness and strength. Pleased to award her BOB

2nd Kirkville Constantine Bay

A raw puppy who certainly didn't give his handler an easy day. He's already a powerful and imposing dog with an excellent domed head. He had a wide deep chest. He's going to need more practise but showing is new to him and his handler and I'm sure they'll both enjoy the journey. Good luck with him. Lost out today on movement and overall balance which will come with age. BP

Fox Terrier (Smooth)

Post Graduate

1st Tamodan Take Two

Black and white handsome lad, he has a very masculine head, dark eyes, well set ears and a strong jaw, moves well but does carry his tail over his back which spoiled the overall outline, overall a sound dog. Tail carriage meant he was edged out for the main award but happy to award him RBOB.

2ND Lanyons Secrets and Lies

Really smart and feminine bitch puppy who pushed the older dog all the way in this class, She has quality throughout and I predict a big future. Her head is lacking maturity at this stage but that will come, she moved out well and her construction is sound. For me today she was just giving away too much in maturity but time is very much on her side.

Open

1st Lanyons Prime Suspect

WOW. He's a cracker and still a puppy. Super smart dog. His super head houses small dark eyes and strong scissor bite. Small well set ears. His expression is to die for. He has bone aplenty and fit and well muscled. He moved superbly in both directions making a mockery of the difficult surface. I believe I've judged a superstar today. I was pleased to see my colleagues award him Group1, Puppy Group 1, BPIS and RBIS. I wish you every success with him he deserves what he will undoubtedly achieve.

Parson Russell Terrier

Post Graduate

1st Tegtaran Jumbly Juno

Nice outline, with a cracking expression with a lovely dark eye. Really feminine girl, Easily spanned. Nice level topline with correct rear angulation. Took a little while to settle on the move (that surface again) but when did her movement was sound. RBOB Just edged out by the alertness and classical outline of the open winner.RBOB

2nd Mindlen Miami

Fitness of this bitch is A1 and caught my Eye early. Nice dark eye, Spanned easily. Nice dense smooth coat. Her conditioning means her correctly angulated rear end is strong and displaying a clear 2nd thigh. On the day I preferred the head and expression of 1st.

Open

1st Pacolito Recent Rumour

Liked this bitch, I've underlined Class in my notes. Lovely outline, excellent head and neat ears, Straight well boned front. Cracking alert expression with her dark eyes showing she's always on her toes. Super tail carriage. Her movement was sound from every angle. Liked her! BOB

2nd Kylini Prima Diva for Lenacourt

Classical Wedge shaped head, Neat ears and dark eyes, Decent front, easily spannable, correct tail carriage. Moved out well. Couldn't match winner on overall balance or animation on the day. Decent level of fitness which added to the overall picture.

Jack Russell Post Graduate 1st Calavey's Enchantress 8 month old bitch right out of the top draw. Correct size and dimensions. Small dark eye with cracking ear set. The very best of expressions which I kept coming back to. Moved with attitude and precision, holding her topline at all times with correct tail carriage. She stood out a mile today and very nearly talked me into the top award but in the end she settled for RBOB and BPB.

2nd Chatmoss Chaterbox at Tufterslodge

Nicely Balanced dog with a lovely masculine head, correct and strong bite. Level topline and outline both on mood and stood. Preferred tail carriage of winner. Easily spannable. Seemed to lack a bit of zip on the day but a quality dog throughout. Moved well.

Open

1st Calavey's Double Oh Seven

Another Superbly presented Jack from the same kennels as my last winner. Top class outline from every angle. On his toes at all times. Balanced and masculine head with well placed ears, Spanned well and in superb condition. Excellent movement confirmed my thoughts that I had on my table a well constructed lad. Had a fight on his hands but prevailed to claim BOB.

Miniature Bull Terrier

Open

1st Risibully Girls on Film with Fegustaff

A superbly balanced puppy with a really good level of fitness for her age, feminine yet strong head. Correct bite, clean lip. Muscular throughout with the image of balance and strength within the standard size. Will follow her progress with interest. My BPIB and BOB

2nd Liara Tsoni

Another feminine bitch with decent balance and class about her, decent shape of head, correct bite housed in a strong jaw, nice construction throughout. Couldn't match 1st on movement today. I was told afterwards she was at just her 2nd show, hopefully she'll have plenty of fun going forward. Good luck with her.

WHWT Open 1st Jamabis Devon Boy Blue

Sadly stood alone today but it was a pleasure to judge this masculine, well balanced lad with good harsh coat, dark eye with excellent ear set, correct bite. Compact body with strong rear quarters, moved well with an aura. Fitted the standard well for my money. BOB