

MARION LYONS CRITIQUE MAY 2017

Class 1 - Baby Puppy Dog and Baby Puppy in Show

Jancerie Hot Chocolate.

1. Lovely lovely outline standing still. Very well balanced. Neck going into the shoulder and topline and the beautiful coated dog right down to the wrap on his tail and even though a baby, once he got going on his own he just strutted right out. I loved the attitude. The tail was going right off the back. Nice nice drive from the rear and good reach and, at this age, surprisingly, the underline matches the topline and he looks wonderful. I'm sure this puppy has a promising future

Class 2 - Minor Puppy Dog and Minor Puppy in Show

Wynstream Limited Edition

1. Lovely yellow male a little bit long today; this age group is sometimes difficult. He is the only one in his class, but he has a doggy face, clean head, good ears, lovely forechest and bone. Right now he is a little long in the hock and his coat's a little soft - maybe because of bathing, I'm not sure, but happy and wonderful temperament and he looks like he will be a very strong working dog - very fortunate to have this quality at such a young age being shown

Class 3 - Puppy Dog.

Chaser's Chalk It Up Charlie

1. Yellow dog, great balance, wonderful poise, stood like a champ and he just put every foot right where he should. Good reach and drive, great topline, nice neckline falling into the shoulder. Good tail set, nice thick tail, very thick coat, like to see a little more coarseness to it but very dense. Good quarters fore and aft, well angulated and lovely to look at and lovely to watch move and his head is very very kind - quite a nice looking dog.

Willowspring this is it.

2. Black dog not quite as mature in his movement as first placed dog. Very nice shoulder, laid back, and upper arm. Good bone, good quarters, but in the rear but not as strong in movement from behind. Has a wonderful attitude, tail never stopped going right off the back. His coat nice and thick and dense and tight, his head a little immature but it will come on just fine. Has lovely eye and clean mouth.

Croftsway One Night Stand

3. Black dog definitely not as mature as the other two, doesn't quite have the confidence: still has the makings of coming on nicely. Looks like he's coming into his proper coat. He has good enough balance but that coat will make a difference around his thigh area and his second thigh - his head is very nice, kind eye, and good shape to his eye and wide nostrils and good mouth and set on his ears. Nice strong feet. This class was very nice. Very pleased to see the strength and the balance and type of these three dogs.

Class 5 - Junior Dog and Junior in Show

NZ CH Croftsway Tommee

1. Black dog little heavier in the forehand than in the rear. Good makings of the head, little bit light in the eye. Clean mouth, like to see his ears with little more air on him. Nice neck and forechest and he kinda tapers off as he gets towards the rear but he has a good topline, a thick tail, looks like he should come around nicely. Coat quite adequate and he has very good type. Feet I would like to see a little bit stronger foot, but a good dog all around.

Blackhills Star of David.

2. Yellow male I would like to see a cleaner head and a little more symmetry to the head, but he has a nice attitude. Nice thick neck, a little bit short in upper arm. He has good reach and drive. His coat is a little bit soft, good balance though - he's a nice dog and I'm sure he'll have fun It's interesting how nice these tails are coming off the topline. I haven't see a bad one yet strong quarters on this dog

Cornerstone Talent to Burn

3. Yellow dog; clean head, a little upright in shoulder blade and upper arm but interesting he does have plenty of neck length. Topline not as strong as the other two, a little bit short in the coat. Wider in the front and placement of the elbows, but good strong bone and nice dark eye.

Class 6 - Intermediate Dog and Best Dog and Best in Show

NZ CH Blackhill Michelangelo

1. Black dog; lovely type and outline, short coupled and a really nice moving dog; strong on the go around and very clean coming and going. Would like to see a little less stop and more of a diamond shaped eye, but his head all in all is still Labrador. Nice wide nostrils. Nice neck and balance with his fore quarters and hind quarters. Topline good and again a lovely coat that just feels right and looks right. Tail never stopping. Well let down in the hock, good front bone back bone as well. Like to see a little more width in the chest from elbow to elbow, but all in all terrific picture and a lovely type.

NZ CH Bradorla Counter Measure [Imp Aust]

2. Black dog; a little bit longer in outline but lovely neck and shoulder. Not quite strong going away from you, hocks in a little bit turning out the feet, but makes a lovely picture and has a really striking head, good nostrils little more flew than I think he should have. Good topline and underline; has a good texture to his coat and makes a very nice outline. Like to see him clothed a little bit more on the rear and the tail.

Alpyneair Coast to Coast [Imp Aust]

3. Black dog; longer than the others, much longer cast dog, more of a two piece than a one piece animal .Nice shape to his head and his ears, like to see a little more eye than he has, he is still a Labrador. Has a nice neck and good depth of chest. Stands under himself at times, but has a good coat and is well clothed all the way around.

Class 8 - NZ Bred Dog

Te Kuri Italian Stallion

1. Yellow dog; a little bit more leg than the others. Very clean lines, short clean coat and plenty of strength. Clean head, nice shaped eye and good mouth. Lovely ear set, nice neck going into well laid shoulders, nice length of upper arm not too heavy in the front. Good bone matches the rear. Good topline and tail set. Moves very well and very sure of himself. Nice clean one piece dog

Elrond of Easton Park Q.C.

2. Black; not as balanced and a little short coupled for what the length of his rib is but nice Labrador. Good coat, nice and clean. Very sweet kind face; good eye, nice fore chest, medium bone. Good depth of chest, tail right off the back. A little straight in the rear and did not use himself as well as dog number one.

Kyeburn Code Breaker

3. Good type, a little shorter on leg. Nicely shaped body, good shoulder. Coat is a little bit soft and a little bit open; like to see that coarser but has a nice thick tail. Good .attitude. Good moving away and to me. Very well handled. He's a nice dog, would like to see a little more size on him

Class 10 - Veteran Dog and Veteran in Show

NZ CH Mistybrook Mr Bojangles [CGCF]

1. Black dog - lovely one piece sporting dog. Great strength, very very fit. Nice kind head, good eye, lovely fore chest, good bone right down to the feet. Nice shoulder lay back, and when he moves he just floats around the ring. Good rib, good depth of body, nice topline everything just flows right not pieced at all. Strong hindquarters and he uses them very well. Not over-angulated, tail right off the back- a very nice dog.

CH Southerly Scubadiver

2. Another black dog; he has good type, good bone adequate to match the rear, a little bit under himself today when he moves. I don't think he is quite himself but he's a good Labrador, nice thick tail at the base and pretty outline

Jancerie Mellow Yellow [Imp UK]

3. A yellow; a little bit cleaner dog all the way around, a little shorter coupled, a little bit longer in hock. He has a nice elderly shaped head very interested in his owner. Feet are going nicely on move. He just is size wise not up to the other two but good balance in underline and good topline.

Class 11 - Open Dog Open in Show and Reserve Dog

NZ CH Wynstream Wing Master [Imp Aust]

1. Black dog one piece, very fit, beautiful outline doesn't put a foot wrong. I would like to see a little bit more muzzle in length, and he is a little heavy in the flews but has a kind eye and shows a spark of intelligence also not to be critical because he is really a lovely dog. It is amazing how well he moves considering I would like to see a little more roundness over his shoulder down towards the elbow - he is a little bit slab sided and slabby in shoulder but he just uses himself so well. Nice feet, good bone a very nice dog with good looking coat

NZCH Kirkdell Bobby Dazzler [Imp Aust]

2. Yellow dog a little bit slighter in build, very heavy headed but for what I have in the class he uses himself extremely well, lots of reach and drive even though he doesn't have as much angulation as the other two, but he is all Labrador.

CH Mistybrook Matthais

3. Black dog very nice head decent coat and shoulder blade a little bit light in the rear for his forehand but has plenty of turn of stifle his tail is set up on his back line a little bit higher than I would like it to be and does carry his tail high which throws the picture off but other than that he is a nice dog.

BITCHES

Class 1a Baby Puppy Bitch

Alpyneair Double Exposure (Imp Aust)

1. Black baby girl has a very lovely outline, standing still the type is quite evident. On the move she just floats around - she is a little bit heavy, thick in the throat a little wet necked. I would like to see a little bit cleaner head, but she is so well managed and the neckline into the topline is beautiful. The tail is right off her back, lovely neck and forechest and good bone. Terrific feet, nice and strong, and again at this age underline matching the topline. Good angulation fore and aft. Wonderful coat, nice little wave down the back right into the tail

Blackhills Ring of Fire for Willowspring

2. Yellow girl a little more upright, standing a little short in the upper arm and a little forward, but all in all she has lovely type. A pretty pretty face, and head quite correct and nice dark eyeliner and nose. Nice nostrils and good mouth. Very nicely ribbed, nice round ribbed and short coupled. Very pretty moving, and again tail right off the back. Nice thick coat of good texture.

Blackhills Time's A Wastin

3. Black puppy; right now her head is a little bit in the smaller side compared to her body, but the type and depth of quality is definitely there. Lovely neck and fore chest - good bone down to her feet. Nice black thick coarse coat has good texture to it. Nicely bodied, and it's so nice to see not one fat puppy - these puppies are very very nice I am very pleased with them - has good tail off the backline and good turn of stifle

Class 2a Minor Puppy Bitch

Croftsway Tilly

1. Yellow minor puppy; very pretty face, lovely ear set, and nice neck into her shoulder. Very thick dense coat. She is shorter coupled and a little bit better balanced than the other puppy, nice tail and good quarters fore and aft has very pretty front coming at you

Croftsway Could Be Bluffing

2. Bit bigger bitch puppy, more body, certainly more length. Not as clean in the topline. Well angulated, the head threw me off a bit, it's a little bit houndy. She does have nice wide nostrils and excellent pigment and good bone down to her feet

Class 3a - Puppy Bitch Best Bitch and Puppy in Show and

Kirkdell Image [Imp Aust]

1. Yellow bitch; lovely type, terrific balance and outline. Very pleasing head, lovely dark pigment, nice ear set, strong neck into sloping shoulders, good front, nice feet. Topline and coat just wrapping around the body, not sparse in any way. Good rib spring, short coupled, nice wide thick thighs, strong hock, and tail went right off her back and she just reached and drove all the way around the ring

Croftsway One Starry Night.

2. Black; very lovely on the move, nice outline and good type. Nice neck, front end assembly matching the back. A little bit longer in body. Moved very well. Nice backline into the tail set. Head - a little bit too much throat, a little flewy. A kind eye. Very nice puppy but a little weak in the feet.

Ashdale Willo D'Wisp

3. Chocolate puppy was as balanced as the other two coming and going; she wasn't very clean, but she is typical from the side. She has got a kind face, nice coat, short and dense and coarse to the touch. Bit longer in body I would like to see a bit more second thigh. A nice little Labrador but a bit easy westy in the front has good strong hocks behind.

Class 4a - Novice bitch and Novice in Show

Croftsway Trixie

1. Black compact bitch; very nice type from the side, makes a beautiful outline; a little narrow coming and going and not very strong in the rear. In close in the front. A very pretty head, again type from the side. Going round reaching and driving she looks lovely. Nice neck and fore chest. Looking down on her head is very kind and sweet; darker in the eye. Lovely topline and coat good thick, dense and good texture. Lovely tail a good little dog. Very good balance wise

Eventide Holly Go Lightly

2. Yellow - a bit higher in leg, longer in body, stretches herself out nicely, different style all together from the bitch that won. Head is a little bit stronger, and the eyes a little coarser than we would like to see, but nice pigment, good neckline into topline. Again a nice coat. These dogs are very clean and easy on the eye to look at. I commend what is going on with these youngsters because there isn't a bad one in the lot.

Jancerie Jersey Butter

3. Think this may be her first day out, she just loves everything that's around her but not so much what is in front of her; not very interested in the ring and she had a tough time going around. She has a lovely body and she has good balance and a very kind head good feet and bone

Class 5a - Junior Bitch and Reserve Best Bitch

CH Roughfield Diamond Smile

1. Yellow bitch; very clean lines, nice length of leg to body, pleasing head nice pigment good mouth nice wide nostrils. Doesn't put a foot wrong. Clean round boned right down to her feet. Lovely topline, underline matches the topline. The coat has good density to it, good texture. Tail right off the back. Very balanced hind quarter to fore, and well let down in hock. Very attentive and smart. Good reach and drive.

Mistybrook Mirabella

2. Lovely smaller type black bitch; lovely outline, good type. Sweet sweet head, good balance in the head and nice mouth on her.. Good ear set, lovely coat neck I would like to see a little more leg on her. Good angles, nice tail, very pretty in outline and a very strong smart mover.

Kyeburn Diamond Dynasty

3. Another lovely black, a little bit larger in size to the others. Nice head and neck clean lines, in fact just clean lines all over in these young bitches. Lovely shoulder and topline. She uses her tail extremely well. Nice thick thigh, nice second thigh, good bone and feet, and well let down in the hock area.

Class 6a - Intermediate Bitch

Chaser's Pippin Peach

1. First, a yellow lovely going around the ring. Side gait pulls herself and looks very balanced; she makes a very pretty outline, clean and lot of strength. Nice head and neck line into the shoulder, deep chested but balanced not tucked up in any way. In very good condition. Lovely topline, good strong legs good feet, coat and tail moving nicely - a very happy outgoing dog.

Ch. Blackhills Arianna

2. Lovely, typey black bitch; nicely balanced and she uses herself very well going round the ring with reach and a very kind face with intelligence - there's no chance of missing that good bone to the feet. Good topline, deep chested good quarter's nice tail.

CH Sarasota No Bones about It

3. Another black of a different style - a little bit cleaner - more of an old fashioned look than a lot of these bitches that I'm seeing. Longer in neck, finer in head, but very feminine. Lovely shoulder, good topline, and coat with coarse texture. Nice round bone into her feet and good hindquarters.

Class 8a - NZ Bred Bitch and NZ Bred in Show

Ch. Mistybrook Mona Lisa

1. Black bitch; lovely type, compact, very good mover side gait, good reach and drive. Very feminine and very well balanced head. Nice eye, lovely shaped eye and colour. Ears well set on. Everything flows together, a one piece bitch. She has a lovely neck, shoulders and topline. Bitch line here that this fellow seems to be working with and his dogs are very very nice a very good compliment to the breed.

Ohakuri Gifted and Black

2. Not as tightly put together, a little bit looser. Feminine, nice laid back shoulder into good upper arm. Nice forechest head very pretty and good bone down to her feet. Lovely second thigh, a nice topline and good hocks

Blackhills Isabella

3. Lovely compact yellow, a little more energy than the other dogs but right now, standing here she looks picture perfect. She has a nice well wrapped tight coat, good head and eye nice bone - a little bit short and straight in upper arm but balanced to her rear and has a good tail set. I think she would make a very nice working dog

Class 10a - Veteran Bitch

CH Jetsun Sweetheart

1. Lovely old style bitch. Beautiful outline, such a balanced head, lovely eye. The neck into shoulders- beautiful. The topline and underline is terrific. Good bone into feet and her hindquarters have well set knees, nice second thigh, strong hocks, and the tail just going away straight off the back. Very difficult to judge these classes there is quality throughout one after another

CH Sarasota Ifionlyhadtime.

1. A yellow I think she is the oldest in the class. Very typical lighter coloured yellow, softer coat but good neck and shoulder you just don't see that often anymore. Wonderful. Nice turn of stifle balanced to the front. Well let down hocks, nice tail a very nice bitch

Ch Sarasota If Ya Got It Flaunt It.

3. Another lovely black of great quality and type. Again each one different from the rest, but the balance of them is absolutely lovely. You would not know they were old enough to be in veteran class. Very pretty head, good open nostrils, clean mouth, good ear set, nice set of shoulders. Very fit looking. Good rib spring, good bone right into strong feet. Lovely topline, not as angulated as the other, but uses herself extremely well side gait reach and drive and lovely. All nice nice nice bitches

Class 11a- Open Bitch

CH Ohakuri Fern's One

1. Compact very well moving yellow bitch; well proportioned, nice head, great neck into a nice sloping shoulder, elbows under the shoulder, good forechest, not too much, just balanced with the hind quarters. Good round bone into good feet. Lovely topline and coat wraps around her. Good thick thighs, she just handles herself very nicely

CH Willowspring Eternal Flame.

2. Again a lovely typical black bitch; more of an elegant line to her. A little more upright in neck and upper arm, but a mover, really nice long second thigh in balance with her hock and upper thigh. Good coat and her tail right off her back.

Ch Sarasota Didya See Me

3. A little shorter muzzled, heavier headed bitch. Nice shoulder, good forechest. These three are very lovely bitches - just minute differences between them all three moved terrifically from the side, this one driving well with a lovely topline. Just a nice bitch with good type and outline.