



**BORDER COLLIE CLUB**  
OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

# 2024 MAY SPECIALTY CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

JUDGE'S CRITIQUES

4<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2024

This document can be read in conjunction with the results for the May 2024 Border Collie Club of SA Championship Show. Included within are the critiques of all class placings on the day supplied by our judge Mrs Sue Chaytor from Dajarra Border Collies in New Zealand, and we thank her for her time in recording these for us.

Critiques by Mrs Sue Chaytor (New Zealand)  
JUDGE

### **Border Collie Club of South Australia - 4<sup>th</sup> May 2024..**

I would like to express my sincere gratitude for the invite to judge at your show, Judging at a Specialty show is always a highlight for me and I cherish each and every one of them.

My impressions of the day are as follows - the weather was gorgeous, the ring size was excellent and it is fair to say the quality of dogs was outstanding, however there is no perfect dog but I trust you took the best one home with you. Which is what I attempted to do - pick the ones that I would take home if I was looking for one to breed on with.

My thanks to my steward on the day and the fantastic photography that has been made available for all exhibitors and has helped me immensely to do this critique as I have been unwell since returning home.

Overall both dogs and bitches were presented in excellent condition and handled beautifully, some of the youngsters need a bit more ring training and could be considered a work in progress but keep it up it will fall into line eventually.

On the construction side I did note a few who were a little short in upper arm and some lacked a little in their angulation both fore and aft, however this makes for a balanced dog - but something breeders need to be aware of. Some class decisions were really difficult to make but I could only make the one the winner on the day for which I apologise as there quite a few that could have been in the top awards.

#### **Baby Puppy Dog - class 1 - Belclaren If U Want Me To Stay.**

Exh # 1 - Chocolate 5 month old baby, a little unsettled on the move but showed great promise when he agreed to work with the handler, a very promising puppy with good angles fore and aft, would prefer stronger pigment, but good bone and short hocks. Baby in show.



#### **Minor Puppy Dog - class 2 - Borderfire Midas Touch.**

Exh # 2 - Black and white youngster, good head proportions, good angles fore and aft, good bone, a bit naughty and needs to settle, a little high in hind quarters at this stage. Minor in Show.



**Puppy Dog - class 3 - Pukawidgee Legacy [AI]**

Exh # 3 - black and white 7 months, good bone, good head shape but would prefer better stop, good ear set. Very good topline and moved with ease when he settled. Good knuckles to grow into, good proportions, good pigment and under jaw, correct front angles. Opp Puppy in show.



**Exh # 5-- Wynnlake Danger in The Dark.**

Black and white 11 month old .Very good head, stop and expression, lovely ear set, good bone would prefer a little stronger under jaw, slightly up in the rear but held his topline on the move.



**Exh # 4 - Beecee Style Master.**

Black and white 11 month old youngster, nice head and good under jaw and body, would prefer stronger pigment. Great topline.



**Junior Dog-Class 4 - Ch Pukawidgee Last Shot Oth Moon.**

Exh # 8 - Black and white 16 month, a bit unsettled on the day and very unsure of himself, good bone, angles and body, very good pigment and under jaw with good head proportions, short hock, moved well when he settled. Junior in Show.



**Exh # 6 - Merrinda As Long As You Love Me.**

Black and white 15 months, another who was slightly unsettled on the day, good bone, neck and angles, very good head proportions and pigment but would prefer better ear set, very good angulation fore and aft.



**Exh # 7- Belcaren Don't Stop Me Now.**

Black and white 14 months, very good head proportions and ear set with good pigment, very good length of neck. Slightly steep over the croup and slightly short in the body.



**Intermediate Dog - Class 5 - Tookurra Shaken Not Stirred.**

Exh # 14 - Black and White 15 month with very good head, slightly loose in jowls, good pigment, good bone, great coat, great body proportions would prefer him to be a little less steep in croup. Moved well. Intermediate in Show.



**Exh # 13 - Waveney What The Funk.**

Black and white 2 years, good size, a good head and ear set, strong pigment, good body proportions and angles, slightly long in body for me and would prefer stronger topline.



**Exh # 12 - Calee Next In Line.**

Black and white 18 month old, Good head and ear set, good neck that transitions into his shoulders well, very good topline and good angulation. A bit out of coat and unsettled on the move.



**Aust Bred Dog - class 10 - CH Nahrof Tip Of The Iceberg.**

Exh # 16 - 6.5 year old black and white male lovely head proportions with good pigment and expression, a great coat showing a smooth outline, nice short hock, a little steep in croup, well presented and well handled, would prefer a lower head carriage on the move. Opp Aust Bred in show.



**Exh # 15 - Bordacraft Weapon X.**

Red and white 3 year old with a good head, expression, ear set and pigment, would prefer better angles but he is balanced although topline needs to be firmer.



**Open dog - Class 11 - Supreme Ch Nahrof Ice Breaker.**

Exh # 17 - Black and white male of 7 years - what a picture he makes when moving around the ring, great head type, ear set, pigment, underjaw, lovely short hock, smooth outline showing his graceful qualities and angles, lovely condition, presented and handled well. Dog CC and Runner UP Best in Show. OppOpen in Show.



**Exh # 18 - Ch Clanabby August Caesar.**

Black and white male 5 year old that pushed the winner. Very good type, good head proportions, expression, pigment, eye could be a little darker, good ear set with good bone and neck, Good angulation fore and aft, well presented and well handled although would prefer to see lower head carriage on the move. Reserve Dog CC.



**Runner Up Best in Show went to Supreme Champion Nahrof Ice Breaker.  
[Gr Ch Nahrof Icelander x CH Nahrof Play It Cool]**



## Border Collie Club of South Australia - 4th May 2024 - Bitches Critique.

The Bitch classes were very strong and I wished I could give out more placings and higher awards.

### **Baby Bitch - Class 1a - Wilderblu Prima Donna.**

Exh # 20 - What a sweetie this wee baby was, did nothing wrong on the move, she had good bone, head and body - one to watch in the future. Opp Baby in Show.



### **Minor Bitch - Class 2a - Pukawidgee Luminance [AI].**

Exh # 21 - Black and white 7 month old bitch, classically marked and showed a lovely outline, good ears, very good underjaw, good pigment, would prefer a better stop had lovely reach of neck, very good front and body, moved, presented and handled well. Opp Minor in Show.



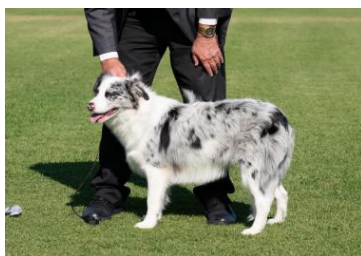
### **Exh # 23 - Nahrof Chiese [AI]**

Black and White 7 month old that showed very good qualities all over, good angulation fore and aft, good pigment and ear set, another that was classically marked and on any other day could have been placed higher.



### **Exh # 22 - Bordacraft The Skyes The Limit.**

Merle 7 month old that had good head proportions, ears a bit wayward, would have preferred better pigment and tad more angulation and she and her handler need some show training to get the best out of her attributes. A really good clear silvery blue.



Puppy bitch -class 3a - **Beecee Don't Steal My Style.**

Exh # 26 - Black and white 11 month old typey bitch, good head, ear set could be a wee bit better, but she has pleasing head properties and good expression with a dark eye, good underjaw and pigment, front needs further development, shows a good topline on the move. Puppy in Show.



**Exh # 25 - Beecee Stole My Look.**

Black and white 11 month old, stronger head than 1, ear set could be better, good pigment and underjaw, a little high in rump, good bone and body proportions, needs more ring practice.



**Exh # 24 - Wilderblu Cant Stop The Feelin.**

Black and white 11 month old who struggled to work with her handler on the day, good head, bone and expression, well let down hock, a little short in body and a little steep in croup for my liking.



Junior bitch - Class 4a - **Beecee Cherry Blossom [AI].**

Exh # 30 - Red and white 18 month bitch who showed a good head, ears, expression, pigment, angles and neck, good topline on the move and well let down hocks.. Opp Junior in Show.



Exh # 29 - **Quinora Scouts Honor.**

**Black and white 12 month old bitch, lovely type with good head, pigment, expression and bone, good length of neck, slightly up in the rear, just lost it a little on the move, a very moderate bitch, handled and presented well.**



Exh # 27 - **Trumagik Time After Time.**

Black and white 12 month old bitch with good bone, head, pigment, expression, underjaw and ear set, a little short in upper arm but was balanced on the move.



Intermediate Bitch - Class 5a - **Wonaka Witches Britches.**

Exh # 37 - Black and white 27 months old bitch a very good bitch with very good proportions, good head, expression, pigment, bone and a good medium harsh coat. Nice topline and good angles. Opp Intermediate in Show.



Exh # 36 - **Ch Nahrof Stolen Liberty.**

Black and white bitch of very good quality all round, showed her socks off, good head, neck and very expressive, good angles, lovely topline. Well presented and well handled.



**Exh # 33 - Borderfire Dream Shadow.**

Black and white 26 month old that had good head properties, ears a little wayward, good expression, underjaw and neck, good bone. Would prefer smoother outline on the move.



Exh # 34 & #35 were placed 4 and 5 respectively and could easily push for higher places on any other day.

**State Bred - Class 9a - Beecee Dolls Got Style.**

Exh # 41 - Black and white almost 4 year old bitch of good quality, very good head, underjaw, pigment, front, neck. Would prefer a better ear set. Well let down hock. Good coat texture. Good side gait. State Bred in Show.



**Exh # 40 - CH Belclaren Timeless at Trumagik.**

Black and white 2.5 year. Good head, expression and very good pigment, would prefer a better ear set, a little straight in her angles but she moved well although would prefer a better topline and out of coat today.



**Exh # 39 - Ch Calee La Bonnitte.**

Black and white almost 3year old that needs more time, but had some very good qualities such as head, underjaw, pigment and good body proportions. Very nice topline.



**Aust Bred - Class 10A - Wynnlake Storm in a Teacup.**

Exh # 44 - Black and white 5 year old bitch that looked the part as she entered the ring, she had good bone, head, topline, would prefer better ear set. Very good body proportions and angles and moved well.. Workman-like an knew what she had to do, not a lot of coat but it was in great condition. Aust Bred in Show.



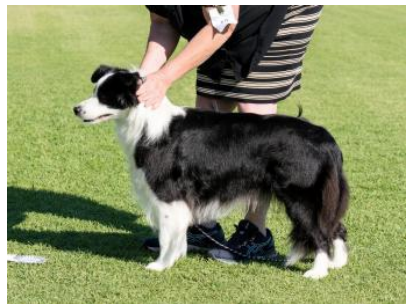
**Exh # 43 - Ch Nahrof Storm Front.**

Black and White 8 year old another good example of the breed, good head and pigment, good ears and expression, lovely neck that transitions well into her shoulders. Would prefer better topline on the move.



**Exh # 42 - Tookurra Starlight Serenade.**

Black and white holding her age well for an 8 year old, nice bitch with a good head, pigment and ears. Good body proportions and nice topline on the move.



**Open bitch - Class 11 a - CIB CH & Supreme Ch Pukawidgee The Moon In Winter.**

Exh # 49 - Black and white almost 4 year old in her prime, outstanding qualities from her nose to the tip of her tail. Hard to fault her quality given her lovely head, expression, pigment, ears and lovely neck that transitions into her well placed shoulders. Lovely shot hocks. Super front and smooth outline on the move. Expertly handled, presented - Congratulations on Best in Show, BCC, BOB. Open in Show & Breeder of Best in Show.



**Exh # 47 - Ch Calee We Like To Party.**

Black and white 3 year old, another quality bitch, good head and expression but in her bikini today, good size, moderate angles very good head, underjaw, expression, pigment and ears. Nice neck flowing smoothly into her shoulders, good topline, Reserve CC.



**Exh # 46 - Ch Cambrae Second Time Lucky.**

Black and white 5 year old bitch showing good head proportions, good pigment, underjaw and ears, a little uneven in the topline. Preferred the head of previous ones.



**Congratulations to CIB CH & Sup Ch Pukawidgee The Moon In Winter - Best in Show**



