

GOLDEN GATE MATCH CRITIQUE

I would very much like to thank the Golden Gate club for inviting me to judge your match. The weather was fabulous for both the dogs and myself. The club extended me its wonderful hospitality and, what could be better than seeing all those gorgeous corgis in the green grass on such a splendid, sunny day. I would also like to thank all the exhibitors that brought their lovely dogs to me. I certainly enjoyed judging every one of these delightful corgis.

3-4 MONTH DOG:

1- #7 A lovely red and white puppy with good substance and lovely expression with dark eyes and plenty of pigment. He had very good length of body, adequate angulation and a level topline and croup, which produced a nice picture both standing and on the move.

6-9 MONTH DOG:

1 – #11 A handsome red and white dog with nice head, a dark eye and loads of pigment, good shoulder and rear angulation. He had plenty of substance and a level croup but was slightly high in the rear today. He moved out well on the go round.

2 – #10 An attractive black headed tri who pushed hard for first place. He had good substance and was well balanced and proportioned. He had a stunning head and kindly expression with nice length and arch of neck. His movement was good, both coming and going and on the side. I would have preferred a slightly better topline and croup today.

3 – #8 A red and white male with adequate substance, he had lots of pigment and a kindly expression though I would have preferred a slightly shorter muzzle. He was lacking a bit in angulation so was not quite as smooth on the go round as #1 and #2. I would have seen preferred a bit lower station.

4 – #9 A red and white boy with nice length of neck, lovely head and dark eye. Held his topline both standing and on the go and pushed hard for the #3 spot but was lacking a bit in substance and angulation.

9-12 MONTH DOG:

1 - #12 A lovely red and white dog with adequate substance and luxurious coat. He had good head proportions though I would have preferred a somewhat darker eye. His topline was a bit unsettled today and I would have preferred more rear angulation.

NOVICE DOG:

1 – #14 A very glamorous red and white dog with wonderful type, length, topline and croup. This dog had loads of substance, nice balance and adequate, smooth movement. He was clean both coming and going and held his topline nicely standing though roached ever so slightly on the move. Nice angulation, especially in the rear. I was pleased to award him BEST IN MATCH.

3-4 MONTH BITCH:

1 - #16 A darling tri girl with lovely substance, angles and balance. She had a stunning head and expression. She appeared to move well coming and going and on the side. Very good length of body and wonderful type.

2 - #19 Another appealing tri bitch with adequate substance but not quite the overall balance and scope of the first place. Her expression was sweet but she had a slightly smaller ear. She was bit unsettled on the go round today.

3 - #18 A red and white bitch of a somewhat lighter build. Nice head with lots of pigment and good length of neck. She was adequate coming and going but lacked the substance and angulation of the #1 and #2 bitches. Her topline was a bit unsettled today.

4-6 MONTH BITCH:

1 - #20 A stunning pale red and white bitch oozing with type. Her head and expression were lovely. She had a very level topline and croup as well as good rear angulation, though I would have preferred slightly more length of neck and shoulder angulation. She used herself very well on the move. I was pleased to award her BEST OPPOSITE IN MATCH and BEST PUPPY IN MATCH

2 - #23 A sable bitch with lovely side gait and good angulation, topline and croup, beautiful reach of neck and forechest. Higher in leg and slightly less substance than #1.

3 - #21 An attractive young bitch with a dark eye and lovely head and expression, nice coat and substance, good topline and level croup. Not quite the angulation of the #1 and #2 bitches.

4 - #22 A dark red and white bitch of good length, she did not possess the type, head and expression or the angulation of the #3 bitch. She was clean coming and going but I found her topline roached a bit today.

6-9 MONTH BITCH:

1 - #26 A glamorous, free moving bitch with a good topline and wonderful length, angulation, balance and substance. She had very attractive type with a correct head with kindly expression. I am sure she will do very well.

2 - #27 A red and white bitch with good proportion, substance and lots of type. Not the length of neck or freedom of movement of the #1 bitch. She was slightly high in the rear today.

3 - #24 A bitch with good length of body and neck. Nice head with lovely expression. I would have preferred a bit more substance.

4 - #25 A red and white bitch with nice expression. She had a level topline but I would have preferred a bit more substance and angulation.

9-12 MONTH BITCH:

1 - #29 A stunning red headed tri with lovely head, length of neck and expression, she had good substance, a level topline and croup. She moved adequately on the side and held her topline. I might have preferred slightly more length of body.

2 - 28 A pale red and white bitch with nice type and expression, she moved well and had good angulation, especially in the rear. Her length of body was adequate but I would have preferred slightly more substance.

NOVICE BITCH:

1 - #33 A very appealing red and white bitch with lots of type, good length, and balance. She had a lovely, correct head with dark pigment and soft expression and nice length of neck. She had a very correct coat. Her topline and croup were level both standing and on the move and she moved freely around the ring.

2 - #30 A very engaging red headed tri bitch who showed beautifully and pushed hard for first place. She was a bit longer in body than the #1 bitch but lacked some of the type and also angulation of #1. Her topline was slightly unsettled today.