

NEFRA Critique - Dogs

2nd November 2025

I would like to thank the NEFRA committee for inviting me to judge at their show. I thoroughly enjoyed my day. I would also like to thank my stewards Kathryn and Michele..

All the dogs were presented well and as expected had good temperaments.

I was disappointed in hind movement, many dogs being very close behind and untidy moving away. I found several level bites.

I was pleased my winners.

My co judge and I agree on all of the top winners.

Veteran Dog (4)

1. Joyce Mr D & Mrs K Stranfaer Get Over It JW
9 1/2 years. Masculine head, dark eye and neat ears. Good length of neck. Good bone and feet. Pronounced brisket. Short coupled. Correct tailset . Short hocks. Shown in good coat. Moved the best in the class.
2. Smitherman & Roberts Miss & Dr L Seaheart Crian at Gloi JW
Lovely masculine head slightly round eye. Neat ears. Good length of neck into correct front angulation. Pronounced brisket. Feet ok. Short loin. Level topline stood and on the move. Shown in good coat and hard condition. Moved well in profile. Just preferred hind movement of 1.
3. Pierce Mr J & Mrs R Kentixen Malbec
9 ½ years. Kind masculine head. Tight feet. Good bone. Shown in good coat. Moved ok.

Minor Puppy Dog (1,abs)

Puppy Dog 9 (5,2 abs)

1. Mullins Mr M & Mrs P Seaheart Fabian at Dexanluc
Lovely head dark eye. Small neat ears. Good bone. Feet could be better. Liked his depth of body. Correct angulation. Still at the leggy stage. Level topline stood and on the move. Preferred his hind movement to 2.
2. Jacobs & Taite Mrs G & Mrs C Gemswin It's Raining Men
Lovely masculine head. Dark eye. Good bone. Feet ok. Short loin. Moved well in profile.
3. Churchard Mr D J M Flatcharm Dark Secret at Churchking
Masculine head, dark eye. Correct bone and tight feet. Very happy boy. Moved well in profile close behind at this age.

Junior Dog (6, 2 abs)

1. Walker& Roberts Ms EJ & Dr L Gloi Dubh Mormaer JW
Lovely kind masculine head with a dark eye. Good bone and feet. Deep chest. Correct angulation. Short hocks. Correct Tailset. Moved the best in the class. Shown in good coat and condition.
2. Harris Mrs A Ronevorg Highland Whisper of Saincala
Preferred 1's head. Shorter in muzzle than I prefer. Nice dark eye. Correct bone

and tight feet. Correct tailset and carried well. Moved well. Shown in hard condition and nice coat.

3. Pierce Mr J & Mrs R Wychwizard Forester at Tarnmillcrag JW
Smaller and finer dog than 1 and 2. Nice head and dark eye. Short in upper arm would prefer more length of neck. Feet ok. Short hocks. Moved ok.

Yearling Dog (5)

1. Fox Mrs H M Westoncruive Ace of Spades by Blacktoft JW
19 months. Having seen this dog as a puppy at working tests I was interested to go over him. Correct size with a lovely masculine head with a kind expression and dark eye. Good length of neck into correct front angulation. Good bone and feet. Short coupled. Correct tailset. Good rear angulation. Short hocks. Moved well with reach and drive. Shown in hard condition.
2. Harris Mrs A Ronevorg Highland Whisper of Siancala
2nd Junior
3. Hazelton & Vasey Miss A & Mr H Telurn Ghost of You for Hazeyvasey
Kind masculine head. Correct size. Good bone and feet. Shown in good coat and condition. Moved well.

Novice Dog (3)

1. Leigh Mrs K Benvellyn Denali at Willaura
Lovely masculine head with a dark eye. Good bone and feet. Would prefer more length of upper arm. Short in the loin. Correct tailset. A little straight behind. Moved the best in the class.
2. Mawson Mrs N Steelriver Isle View Robin
Lovely masculine head with a dark eye. Short in upper arm which showed in his movement had drive but little reach. Good bone feet ok. Correct tailset and held well on the move. Correct rear angulation. Shown in good coat and condition.
3. Shepherdson Miss E Murphy's Treat
6 year old liver. Kind head with correct eye colour. Less bone than I would like. Short in upper arm. Not in the best coat today. Moved ok.

Graduate Dog (5)

All dogs in this class were proud of their tails today. Two very different dogs.

1. Sullivan Miss V M Wyrebeck Shockwave
Smaller liver with a kind head and correct eye colour. Would prefer more length of upper arm. Good bone and feet. Correct hind angulation. Tailset a little high. Shown in good coat and condition. Best mover in the class.
2. Wild Mrs J Kviksans The Master Piper at Bluewater (Imp Swe) JW
Bigger dog all through. Kind expression with a dark eye. Neat ears. Good length of neck. Correct bone, feet ok. Would prefer more length of upper arm. Shown in good coat and hard condition. Moved with drive.
3. Hazelton & Vasey Miss A & Mr H Telurn Ghost of You for Hazeyvasey
3rd in yearling

Post Graduate Dog (6, 1)

Difficult class to judge due to movement.

1. Walker & Roberts Ms E J & Dr L Gloi Dubh Kristofer Robin JW
Masculine head with a lovely soft expression and dark eye. Good bone. Feet ok. Would prefer more length of upper arm. Short in loin. Carrying too much weight. Correct tailset and rear angulation. Short straight hocks. Shown in good coat. Moved best in the class.
2. Campbell & Brown Mrs J & Miss M Ronevorg Firefly Fantasy
Heavier in the head to 1. Good bone. Feet ok. Correct tailset. Would prefer more length of upper arm. Carrying too much weight. Shown in good coat. Moved with drive and enthusiasm.
3. Gulbis Mrs A M Blacklake Lysander for Gayplume
Masculine head eye a little round. Good bone and feet. Would prefer more length of upper arm Short straight hocks. Rear angulation correct. Moved with enthusiasm.

Limit Dog (11,1)

1. Wild Mrs J Bitcon Alliance with Bluewaters (AI) JW
Kind masculine head with dark eye. Good length of neck into correct front angulation. Pronounced brisket. Good bone and feet. Correct bend of stifle. Short loin. Correct tailset . Level topline stood and kept on the move. Shown in good coat and hard condition. Moved with reach and drive with his tail level with his back. CC and with my co judge agreeing RBIS
2. Perry Mrs T Rainesgift Audemars
Lovely masculine head with a dark eye. Good bone and best feet of the day. Correct angulation. Carrying too much weight which affected his outline on the move. Correct rear angulation. Short straight hocks with good width when moving. Shown in lovely coat and condition. Moved well.
3. Sullivan Miss V M Wyrebeck Caught By Surprise
Kind masculine head with a dark eye. Correct front angulation. Good bone and feet. Liked his size. Short loin. Correct rear angulation. Short straight hocks. Moved well in profile but today very close behind.

Open Dog (8,2)

1. Mullins Mr M & Mrs P Everblack Booze Cruise at Dexanluc
Lovely masculine head with a dark eye a little rounder than I prefer. Neat ears. Good bone and feet. Pronounced brisket. Correct front angulation. Deep chest. Short loin. Rear quarters slightly over angulated. Short straight hocks. Correct tailset. Moved well. Shown in good coat and hard condition. In the challenge unfortunately gave his handler a hard time. RCC
2. Macpherson Mrs & Miss J Rachanmill Columbo
Masculine head and dark eye. Good bone and feet. Pronounced brisket. Would prefer more length of upper arm. Short loin. Short straight hocks. Shown in good coat and condition. Moved well.
3. Walker & Roberts Ms E J & Dr L Gloi Dubh Just One Look ShCEx
Masculine head with a dark eye. Neat ears. Good bone and feet. Correct front assembly. Good rear angulation. Short straight hocks. Correct tailset. Shown in good coat. Moved well just carrying too much weight.

Champion Dog (4)

Movement was disappointing coming and going on the dogs.

1. Bellamy Mr D & Mrs R Ch Woodfinch Masquerade
Lovely head with soft expression and dark eye. Good bone and feet. Pronounced brisket. Correct front construction. Deep chest. Correct hindquarters and tailset. Shown in good coat and hard condition. Moved well in profile.
2. Knight & Jacobs Mrs S, Mrs G & Mr M Sh Ch Gemswin Erase and Rewind
Heavier dog with a strong head. Dark eye. Would prefer more length of upper arm. Good bone and feet. Rear angulation ok. Correct tailset. Shown in good coat and condition. Moved well in profile.
3. Anson & McManus Mrs R & Mr J Sh Ch Rotherfield Secret Code
Masculine head with a dark eye. Good bone, feet ok. Pronounced brisket. Tailset a little high. Shown in good coat. Moved well in profile.

Special Beginners Dog (5)

1. Clark Mr B & Mrs L Hurstclough Night Owl at Flanova
Lovely masculine head with a dark eye. Neat ears. Good bone and feet. Correct front and rear angulation. Shown in good coat and condition. Moved well.
2. Hazelton & Vasey Miss A & Mr H Telurn Ghost of You for Hazeyvasey
3rd yearling & graduate
3. Gulbis Mrs A M Blacklake Angelo for Gayplume
4th Veteran

Special Liver Dog (2)

1. Sullivan Miss V M Wyrebeck Shockwave
1st graduate
2. Shepherdson Miss E Murphy's Treat
3rd novice

Special Working Dog (2, 1 w/d)

1. Hewison Mr C & Mrs C Casblaidd Island in The Sky SGWC KCWGC VW
Masculine head with dark eye. Would prefer more bone for his size. Good front angulation. Over angulated at rear. Tailset correct. Shown in good coat and condition. Moved ok.

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