

HWVA Championship Show, 19th April 14
Special Awards – Bitches
Judge: Rachel Newman

Thank you to the committee for inviting me to judge the special awards at this very friendly, well organised show. In a numerically small breed these awards represent the opportunity to examine more dogs per class than a judge would usually find at open shows and therefore are invaluable for gaining hands on experience of judging the breed. I was looking for breed type, correct coat, bone and balance and 'fit for function' – a dog which looked like it could do a day's work.

Thank you to the exhibitors for entering and allowing me to assess your lovely dogs.

Special Award Junior: (4)

1. Wearing's Zoldmali Anizs. Nine month puppy and the best mover in the class. A well balanced puppy with thick, harsh wire coat. Attractive head of correct proportions with furnishings and a kind eye. Straight forelegs and good feet. Correct shoulder and upper arm angulation and moderate hind angulation. She really extended on the move.

2. Parry's Leiborschy Lenya, eight month puppy. Another nice bitch of different type, slightly bigger all through than 1. Good coat, tight feet, furnished head, good rear angulation.

3. Dempster's Hosokter Szirom Matt Madilor.

Special Award Post Graduate: (8,7)

A mixed class in which movement varied and the placings reflected this.

1. Cooper's Zoldmali Narcisz with Deifstock. Russet bitch with a close fitting, harsh wire coat. Attractive head and expression with correct proportions. Good feet and straight front legs. Deep brisket, short loin. Well angulated behind she powered around the ring.

2. Aldridge's Gwaithmaes Devine Design. Nicely balanced bitch with good feet, ribbing and loin. Heavy coat, head and intelligent expression. She moved well.

3. Munday's Deifstock Dolce Vita at Kubear.

Special Award Open: (7)

The best class with some very good bitches.

A close decision between 1 and 2 being quality bitches of different type.

1. Reed's Cuffnell's Sweet Violet. Eye catching well boned bitch who stood over plenty of ground. Harsh russet coat, good shoulder and upper arm placement, correct height to length ratio. Correct length of rib, short loin and level topline. Moderate angulation behind she extended well on the move. Attractive head and expression with good furnishings. Tight feet.

2. Collier's Belatarr Mahalia Jackson. She is at the top end of the standard and presents a very pleasing picture. She has bone and balance and a good harsh coat. Well furnished head, kind expression, moderate neck, correct body proportions with deep ribbing and correct loin, level topline, moderate hind angulation, moved positively.

3. Morgan and Schofield's Cwsscwn Calico