The Merseyside Boxer Club Championship Show 21/04/2024:

Special Memorial Stakes Classes, Judge: Mr Ian Chapman (Norcairn)

I would like to offer my sincere thanks to the officers and committee of the Merseyside Boxer Club for giving me the opportunity to judge at their championship show and for those who entered and graciously accepted my opinions on the day.

I was genuinely impressed with the quality of all the youngsters, most were very 'typey' and all in tip top condition.

SAC Puppy Dog or Bitch:

1st: Misses L & S Mair. Sulez Striker at Glenauld.

7 month old brindle male who stood out in the class. Strong, but by no means overdone masculine head, expressive dark eyes, beautifully padded muzzle, correct dentition, super ear set and that typical boxer expression when alerted. Beautifully balanced body, giving him a perfect profile. Strong, thick neck, slightly arched, strong, straight front on good pasterns and tight feet. Lovely top line and tail set. Well arched rib with a lovely tuck up. Strong, muscled hindquarters with good angulation. Shown to perfection, reaching out in front on the move with great drive from the rear. Best Special.

2nd: Mrs D Pain. Jeddah Spice It Up at Farvalley.

10 month old brindle bitch. Very pretty girl with a lovely feminine head. Dark eye, well padded muzzle and correct upturn. Another who is beautifully balanced. Correctly arched neck, good shoulders and a straight front. Straight back with correct tail set. Well muscled rear with good angulation. Covered the ground effortlessly and soundly.

SAC Junior Dog or Bitch:

1st: Mrs D Pain. Birleyvale Burning Heart.

Loved this girls head and expression. 16 month old brindle bitch. Beautiful feminine head, expressive dark eye, well padded muzzle, great dentition and wide open nostrils. Super ear set giving her the most appealing expression. Strong, arched neck, super straight front, good pasterns and tight feet. Another stunning profile, short, straight back, good ribs, defined tuck up and well muscled and angled hindquarters. She moved soundly, effortlessly, with plenty of drive from the rear.

2nd: Miss D Faye-Smith. Lorrosa Missy Elliot.

Another oozing breed type and quality. 9 month old brindle bitch with a soft, feminine head with dark eye, good padding around muzzle and correct dentition. Strong, slightly arched neck on good shoulders and a straight front. Correct level top line, good spring of rib and tuck up and well muscled hindquarters. Lovely movement, covering the ground with minimal effort.

Ian Chapman.