

BORDER TERRIER CANADA NATIONAL SPECIALTY

BTC NATIONAL SPECIALTY 2013
OWEN SOUND & BERKELEY, ONTARIO
AUGUST 7 - 9, 2013

This year's National Specialty was held at Harrison Park, a beautiful park in downtown Owen Sound with earthdog being held at Jane Parker's "Parkers Piece" farm in Berkeley, Ontario. We couldn't have asked for better weather. In spite of calls for rain at various times during the week, the rain never really appeared except for the Tuesday night when some of our exhibitors had already arrived and set up camp. The sun shone for the other days and Friday during earthdog, we could have asked for a little less sun as some of our exhibitors can attest.

Tuesday started out well with two all breed shows, one of which our bitch, Can. & Am.Ch. Roschel's Firefly won Best in Show. Not bad for a 9 year old. This was followed by our welcome spaghetti dinner thankfully held in the Stone House in the Harrison Park campground. It was most generous of the Grey-Bruce Kennel & Obedience Club to offer us their judges' retreat for our social and business events. Thanks go out to Nancy Musters, Grey-Bruce's Show Chair. It turned out that we did not need the shelter but it was a great place with a kitchen to prepare the dinner and have a chance to meet other exhibitors and renew acquaintances. We had two participants from Alberta, Megan Crane and Bev Embley, and finally got a chance to meet Paul Wilson and his family. Paul is the Huntsman for the London Hunt here in Ontario and arrived here in Canada a few years ago via the US, Italy and from his original home in the UK.

Wednesday was a good day with two all breed shows before we started off our National Specialty by having our Sweepstakes and Veteran Sweepstakes capably judged by Theo Congdon of Redtwig Borders out of Maine, USA. It was fun to see the youngsters strut their stuff and it was hard to keep back the tears for the dear veterans. See below for the sweep results and Theo's critique.

Wednesday night we were the guests at the Grey-Bruce Kennel Club's BBQ. It was a relaxing time and gave us the opportunity to talk to other breed exhibitors. After the BBQ, we re-grouped in the Stone House to have our AGM. Most of the reports were routine and members were grateful to openly discuss the pluses and minuses of where our next National Specialty would be held. Although 2014 is still not decided, we are already looking forward to the National Specialty being held in Alberta in 2015. There may still be an announcement on 2014 by the time we go to press so watch for a "Stop the Press" announcement in this issue.

Thursday dawned with a slight reprieve as there was only one all breed show and Borders were in at 10:30 am. Our National Specialty was kicked off this day with the junior handling event. We had two very talented young men compete for the finals. One youngster was Giacomo Wilson who showed in naughty British hunting man's attire including cap, and another youngster, Nathan Billingham. Both young men were put through their paces by professional handler, Thomas Curley, who had a tough time deciding on the victor. In the end, Nathan Billingham, triumphed. Not bad for a young fellow showing a Border Terrier for the first time. To be fair, he has competed in Juniors with a table dog, namely a whippet.

Following the juniors, the regular classes in our National Specialty were judged by Patricia Clark of Gameway Border Terriers in the UK. Patricia took her time going over all dogs and moving them individually before she made her choices. Her thoroughness was appreciated by our exhibitors. Her placements are listed below along with her critique.

Once the official part of the National Specialty was over, we called on Patricia Clark, Theo Congdon and Camilla Moon to go over Border Terriers at ringside for the ever important, Border Essentials. It is a very interesting and educational part of our specialty that allows the three adjudicators to openly discuss the essentials of the Border Terrier consisting of Best Tail, Best Head, Best Ribs, Best Pelt and Best Gait. This information session was well attended by all and aptly stewarded by Jane Parker.

Once pictures were over, we all went about feeding and exercising our dogs before we met again at the Stone House for our well received pot luck dinner. It amazes me whenever we have pot luck, even with people travelling, how diverse and tasty our dinner turns out to be. Thank you all. The evening wound up with the annual silent auction where you can bid on many diverse and sometimes rare pieces. Thank you to Susan Rome for making this event such a success and to Anna Robaczewski again offering credit card payment so that "no cash" was no impediment to bidding

BORDER TERRIER CANADA NATIONAL SPECIALTY (cont'd)

Friday morning started early but the weather was good and all were on hand. Jane and Dave Parker's farm "Parkers Piece" is a beautiful farm and perfect for earthdog. We had the secretarial tent set up in the parking area (usually the horse paddock). From there people could walk through a wonderful hard maple bush stand into the open area where people gathered to watch. Vantage points just behind a rock wall offered a great opportunity for viewing all the classes. We had more than just Border Terriers competing so although we had a small entry at closing, the gate entries took us over the top. All in all a very successful day.

The final but most welcome event was a terrific BBQ put on by Jane & Dave Parker. Jane outdid herself with her special burgers, salads, cheeses and ever flowing wine and beer. A perfect end to a perfect day and another successful specialty week.

Thankfully there are many hands willing to make light work when it comes to hosting a National Specialty and I would like to thank our workers from far and wide (You don't have to live in the area where the specialty is being held to contribute). Most of all we thank the members who donated to our specialty fund. Although some of them could not make the trek, they were with us in mind and with their contributions.

Thanks to Pearl Humenny for spearheading the drive and Anna Fraser for compiling the Exhibitor Handout giving thanks to our contributors. Our earthdog day could not have happened without Jane & Dave Parker and their team preparing the grounds at Parkers Piece and the week ending BBQ in their back garden with the dogs romping around. Our Earthdog Chair, Jen Holder, and most importantly our Test Secretary, Sarah Jones, were ably keeping us on our toes and ran a tight ship to work through the entries. Pam Dyer was gracious enough to come out a few weeks earlier (no mean feat from Montreal to Owen Sound) to show us where and how to set up the dens and Jane, Dave, Tom Porter (digger extraordinaire) and Susan Graham worked to put the dens in. The Den Scenting & Changeovers were ably done with Giacomo Wilson and Theo Congdon's grandson, Jonah, pitching in. Our National Specialty trophies were lovely varied glass vases adorned with cold cast bronze heads of Borders and foxes created by artist Carole Guilfoyle who always donates her work to us but this year, her partner Jim Todd also donated the lovely stands for our judges' gifts, which were also Carole's work. Our club sales booth was organized and run by Anna Robaczewski with lovely handiwork produced by Anne Geall and Marnie Fielding. We also supported the Canadian Border Terrier Welfare at our booth with a silent auction. To our own silent auction aficionado, Susan Rome, who always seems to work in the background but runs such a successful event, thank you.

We have many members who just pitch in where needed and Jocelyne Tasse-Durocher is always there to do just that. This year, Judi Orsi, a devoted owner and supporter of Border Terriers, was also there to help out where needed. Susan Graham, in addition to working with the earthdog team, put together some terrific articles and stuffed our exhibitor bags which were well received. Of course, none of this could have happened without the expertise of our judges, Patricia Clark National Specialty Judge and Theo Congdon our sweeps judge and for earthdog, Camilla Moon, Pam Dyer and Anna Robaczewski. Thank you all.

Rosemary Shoreman



BORDER TERRIER CANADA NATIONAL SPECIALTY RESULTS

REGULAR CLASSES - Judge: Patricia Clarke
Gameway Border Terriers UK

Thank you to the BTC for inviting me to judge the 2013 Specialty. I had a very enjoyable day, I appreciate your entries and the sporting way you all accepted my decisions. I would also like to thank my efficient and helpful steward Kerrie-Lyn.



JUNIOR PUPPY DOG

1st 253 HUNTAWAY ANGUS MCTAVISH, AA503552, 01/16/2013, Breeder: Paul Wilson & Yvonne Wilson, by Ch Ganymede's Dalgleish ex Huntaway Tally Ho, Canada. Owner: Paul Wilson & Yvonne Wilson.

Smart puppy caught my eye as he came into the ring. Masculine head with a good expression. He has a strong muzzle with a good bite. His coat was in good order. Easily spanned. He held a good topline and his tail and set was fine. His front movement is not his fortune and his hocks were somewhat loose at this stage. However overall a typey balanced pup

2nd 245 THISTLEBITT DAWN TREADER, AA494341, 01/31/2013, Breeder: Karen Nesbitt, by Ch Blue Rock Bow To The Moon ex Ch Thistlebitt Gleniffer Braes Je, Canada. Owner: Becky & Adrian Holvik.

Puppy who has a quality head. Muzzle strong, good bite and varminty expression. He was very short of coat though there was some evidence of top coat. Taller rangier type than the winner and does not hold a very good topline. Movement both ways somewhat erratic.

SENIOR PUPPY DOG

1st 023 FOXRUN HARVEST MOON, ZU484483, 10/05/2012, Breeder: Jen Holder, by Borderhouse Lassiter (USA) ex Ch Foxrun Mistylow, Canada. Owner: Jen Holder.

Good headed puppy with an excellent bite and super expression. Correct neck flowing into nice shoulder and very good topline. He was well ribbed back. Racy hindquarters which were well angulated. Would prefer a shorter tail to balance the picture.

BRED BY EXHIBITOR DOG

1st 247 GANYMEDE'S ALCHEMIST, ZS472628, 09/01/2012, Breeder: Murray A. & Joanne E. Matheson, by Ch Ganymede's Pendragon ex Gchx Ganymede's Hope And Glory, Canada. Owner: M.A. & J.E. Matheson.

Masculine headed pup with a good bite. Put down in very good order his blue and tan jacket was harsh and his pelt was thick. Spanned easily. Keeps a super topline on the move and his straight tail is set on and carried well. Balanced angulation front and rear. Moved out well in front. Overall a typey puppy

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7 TO 9 YEARS VETERAN DOG

1st 022 CH L'DICKEN'S BANDERSNATCH DEVILRY, JE, ERN26001347, 01/26/2006, Breeder: Donna Hames, by Woolly Bully's Say It Aint So ex L'dicken's She's A Pistol, CA, Elsewhere. Owner: Margaret & Amanda Pough.

Attractive head on this seven year old. Good strong muzzle and a very good keen expression. Excellent blue jacket with a lovely thick pelt. His coat was harsh and there was plenty of it. He moved well both ways and was enjoying his time in the ring

BORDER TERRIER CANADA NATIONAL SPECIALTY RESULTS (cont'd)

10 TO 13 YEARS VETERAN DOG

1st 248 CH RUSSETHILL'S KISS ME QUICK, Dog, LJ732203, 05/24/2001, Breeder: Linda Hough, by Standish's Kissen' Bandit ex Ch Russethill's Tea For Two, Canada. Owner: Linda Hough.

Twelve year old dog who moved well for his age. Coat was in good order and he was well turned out. Nice tail well carried.

JUNIOR PUPPY BITCH

1st 252 HUNTAWAY ALICE IN WONDERLAND, AA503551, 01/16/2013, Breeder: Paul Wilson & Yvonne Wilson, by Ch Ganymede's Dalgleish ex Huntaway Tally Ho, Canada. Owner: Paul Wilson & Yvonne Wilson.

Littermate to dog winner. Young bitch with lovely feminine head, good mouth and lovely expression. Blue coat of good texture. Nice bodylines with a good rib and easy to span. Super tail well set and carried. At this stage she is erratic in movement. She may move better on a loose lead.

SENIOR PUPPY BITCH

1st 258 CROFTERSLEE PHOENIX, ZQ483964, 08/17/2012, Breeder: Celia Blair, by Gch L'dickens Bandersnatch Devilry ex Ch Achouffe Baycrofterslee, Canada. Owner: Celia Blair.

A mature puppy who was well turned out. She moved out well in profile and kept a good topline. Up to size and carrying a bit too much weight today.

12-18 MONTH BITCH

1st 257 DUETS A LEAF ON THE WIND, ZG458610, 04/08/2012, Breeder: Beverly Ferguson, by Mchenrys Rage Against The Machine ex Ch Duets About Last Night, Canada. Owner: Beverly Ferguson.

Feminine bitch with a super head. Mouth muzzle and expression good. Well turned out and in very good coat and condition. Spannable. Moved well both ways keeping a very good topline.

2nd 251 HUNTAWAY TETLEY, 1121424, 03/18/2012, Breeder: Paul Wilson, by Huntaway Tag ex Huntaway Tartan, Elsewhere. Owner: Paul Wilson.

Blue and tan coat which could have been harsher. Good in head and held a nice outline on the move. Easy to span. Moved ok both ways.

BRED BY EXHIBITOR BITCH

1st 021 BANDERSNATCH DEFYING GRAVITY, ERN12001102, 04/17/2011, Breeder: Margaret & Amanda Pough, by Ch L'dickens Bandersnatch Devilry, JE ex Ch Bandersnatch Rhapsody In Blue, Elsewhere. Owner: Margaret & Amands Pough, Lauren Moore.

Blue and tan bitch with good head properties and neat ears. Good bodylines and is well ribbed back. In good jacket with a thick pelt and coat of good colour. Well presented and handled. An honest unexaggerated bitch.

OPEN BITCH

1st 254 ASHIYAS MOON RIVER NOIRE, YS422382, 09/10/2011, Breeder: Susan Graham, by Meadowlake Black Muddy River ex Ch Foxrun Spirit Moon, Canada. Owner: Susan Graham.

A really lovely bitch who had a super otter shaped head. Good bite short strong muzzle with plenty of fill under the eye. Neat ears and a keen expression. Moderate neck flowing into well angulated shoulders. Well shaped rib and spannable, racy hindquarters. Keeps a good topline on the move and her short correctly shaped tail was well set on. Moved with drive and purpose to take top honours today. Tight new coat of correct texture with a good undercoat and thick pelt.

2nd 017 GLEN MARA GEORGIA ON MY MIND, 1116801, 07/04/2011, Breeder: Brigitte Belin Bernaudin, by Gameway Charles Dickens ex Conundrum Betty Blue, Elsewhere. Owner: Michael & Rosemary Shoreman.

Very pretty headed bitch with good muzzle to skull proportions a keen eye and strong jaw which won her best otter head. Super body shape harsh jacket. Easily spanned. Went very well for her young handler.

BORDER TERRIER CANADA NATIONAL SPECIALTY RESULTS (cont'd)

OPEN BITCH (cont'd)

3rd 144 SHERWOOD'S BRK-N-AWESOME ATTITUDE, ERN13000595, 12/25/2010, Breeder: Florence Prawel, by Sherwood's Button Down Knickers ex Sherwood's Cheated Heart, Elsewhere. Owner: Robert & Karen Brosius; Rita Bell. Agent: Hailey Griffith.

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7 TO 9 YEARS VETERAN BITCH

1st 244 CH FOXRUN ECHO IN THYME, RJ016086, 05/10/2005, Breeder: Jen Holder, by Woodlawn's Dusky Gentleman ex Ch Talex Good Thyme Gal, Canada. Owner: Karen Nesbitt.

Well presented bitch in good condition. In good coat and thick pelt. Moved out well around the ring. Enjoying her day

SPECIALS ONLY

018 CH ROSCHEL'S FIREFLY, Bitch, PC935084, 02/16/2004, Breeder: Michael & Rosemary Shoreman, Judith Orsi, by Otterkin Blue Bayou Conundrum ex Ch Roschel's Griffydam, Canada. Owner: Michael & Rosemary Shoreman, Judith Orsi.

AB 024 CH KERNOW FIDDLER'S GOLD, Bitch, 1115557, 04/17/2011, Breeder: Barry D. Rose & Susan D. Myers, by Talex Toscanini ex Kernow Abby Cadabby, Elsewhere. Owner: Jen Holder & Dail P. Corl.

052 CH GANYMEDE MAKTAWAE TWILIGHTSONG, Bitch, XS366451, 09/06/2010, Breeder: Al & Joanne Matheson, by Otterkin Blue Bayou Conundrum ex Ch Ganymede Pengelly, Canada. Owner: Lola Nichol, Al & Joanne Matheson.

054 ACHOUFFE BAYCROFTERSLEE, Bitch, 1110641, 02/20/2010, Breeder: Julie George-Ainscough, by Conundrum Malachite At Jaslou ex Golden Slipper Into Achouffe, Elsewhere. Owner: Celia Blair.

AB 246 CH GANYMEDE'S HOPE AND GLORY, Bitch, XC330814, 02/11/2010, Breeder: Murray A. & Joanne E. Matheson, by Otterkin Blue Bayou Conundrum ex Gch Ganymede's Canadian Idol, Canada. Owner: Murray A. & Joanne E. Matheson.

249 CH DUETS ABOUT LAST NIGHT, Bitch, WS319008, 09/11/2009, Breeder: Beverly Kolb & Patricia Lechten, by Ch Firelands Up In Smoke ex Ch Duets On Borrowed Time, Canada. Owner: Beverly Kolb.

250 CH HUNTAWAY TARTAN, Bitch, 1121422, 04/12/2010, Breeder: Karen Gray & Naomi L. Haddock, by Prestige Heartland Semper Fi ex Rose And Thistle Steeple, Elsewhere. Owner: Paul Wilson.

255 CH MEADOWLAKE BLACK MUDDY RIVER, Dog, 1112176, 06/15/2010, Breeder: Karen Fitzpatrick, by Ch Bever Lea Have Go At It ME ex Meadowlake Mona Lisa, Elsewhere. Owner: Susan Graham.

256 CH FOXRUN SPIRIT MOON, Bitch, WG282631, 04/28/2009, Breeder: Jen Holder, by Foxrun Thyme Piece ex Ch Foxrun Clove R, Je, Canada. Owner: Susan Graham.

085 GREYWOODE BRAMBLING AT HIGH DYKE, 1122210, 09/29/2011, Breeder: Patrick & Gillian Glover, by Meadowlake Van Gogh ex Peaceable Greywoode Aster Spectabilis, Elsewhere. Owner: Camilla Moon & Patrick Glover.

091 TUMBLEWEED MEANDERING CACTUS, 1114354, 09/09/2010, Breeder: Simon Simaan, by Ch Meadowlake Calhoun Of Wildwood ex Tumbleweed I'm A Flirt, Elsewhere. Owner: Megan Crane.

BORDER TERRIER CANADA NATIONAL SPECIALTY RESULTS (cont'd)

Best of Breed	<u>254</u>	Best of Opposite Sex	<u>085</u>
Best of Winners	<u>254</u>	Best Puppy in Breed	<u>247</u>
Select Dog	<u>022</u>	Select Bitch/AOM	<u>249</u>
Best Veteran	<u>022</u>	Best of Opposite Sex Veteran	<u>244</u>
Best Otter Head	<u>017</u>	Best Breeders Team	Holder's Foxrun Team
		Reserve Breeder's Team	Wilson's Huntaway Team

Highest Scoring Border at Grey-Bruce Obedience Trial Kenswith Lily Of St.Leonards - Camilla Moon

Border Essentials Facilitated by Patricia Clarke, Theo Congden and Camilla Moon)

Best Tail	#249	Kolb's Duet's About Last Night
Best Pelt	#022	Pough's Ch.L'Dicken's Bandersnatch Devilry
Best Ribs	#253	Wilson's Huntaway Angus McTavish
Best Head	#017	Shoreman's Glen Mara Georgia on My Mind
Best Gait	#249	Kolb's Duet's About Last Night



ASHIYAS MOON RIVER NOIRE
Winners Bitch, Best of Winners, Best of Breed

BORDER TERRIER CANADA NATIONAL SPECIALTY (cont'd)



CH. GREYWOODE BRAMBLING AT HIGH DYKE
Best of Opposite Sex



GANYMEDE'S ALCHEMIST
Winners Dog, Best Puppy in Breed



CH L'DICKEN'S BANDERSNATCH DEVILRY JE
Select Dog, Best in Veteran Sweepstakes



FOXRUN - Breeders Team



BORDER TERRIER CANADA NATIONAL SPECIALTY
PUPPY SWEEPSTAKES - Judge: Theo Congden

JUNIOR PUPPY DOG

1st 253 HUNTAWAY ANGUS MCTAVISH, Dog, Owner: Paul Wilson & Yvonne Wilson

Good tempered youngster both on the table and around the ring. He has a typey head with a strong muzzle, impressive teeth and scissor bite. Good width between the ears and eyes with a keen expression. Lovely neck that allowed a seamless transition into an ample layback of shoulder. Good length of upper arm with a nice return that set his legs correctly underneath his withers. A narrow body with moderate bone and a thick, flexible jacket with proper coat. Good length of top line, with a strong loin, leading into a racy, well angulated rear. Movement was immature and unfocused at worst, but gave glimpses of good drive and reach. My favorite on the day.

2nd 245 THISTLEBITT DAWN TREADER, Dog, Owner: Becky & Adrian Holvik

A nice looking puppy with a keen eye and expression. He has a lovely length of neck, but is a bit steep in the shoulder with less layback of rib than #1. Good top line with a short, nicely set tail. He was straight coming and going but lacks drive in the rear.

SENIOR PUPPY DOG

1st 023 FOXRUN HARVEST MOON, Dog, Owner: Jen Holder

This boy has a great head and expression with ample fill under the eyes and nicely set neat ears. He was well balanced with complementary angles front and rear, and he used them to his advantage on the move. Nice layback of rib, strong loin but with a long, wispy looking tail. He was second to my Best in Sweeps by a whisker.

2nd 247 GANYMEDE'S ALCHEMIST, Dog, Owner: M.. & J. Matheson

A nice and narrow blue and tan with a straight top line and lovely tail set. Not a showy head but it fit him well. Moderate in bone and a handy size. Did not move, on the day, with the authority of my 1st choice.

JUNIOR PUPPY BITCH

1st 252 HUNTAWAY ALICE IN WONDERLAND, Bitch, Owner: Paul Wilson & Yvonne Wilson

This up on leg blue and tan girl has a beautiful top line and under line. Lovely dark eye and feminine head with a good bite, and a short strong muzzle with very little stop. Good length of neck that drops into a proper front assembly. Nice and narrow through the rib, but she has some maturing to do and is a tad long in the hock and tail.

SENIOR PUPPY BITCH

1st 258 CROFTERSLEE PHOENIX, Bitch, Owner: Celia Blair

A beautiful, strong head on this girl with a stout muzzle, large teeth and a beautiful dark, keen eye. Up to size, easily spanned and very fit with a racy hindquarter. She moved with athletic authority. A bit straight in the upper arm but she used it well coming, going and looked good from the side. She has plenty of hide and coat, and I liked her best of all the girls.

12-18 MONTH BITCH

1st 257 DUETS A LEAF ON THE WIND, Bitch, Owner: Beverly Ferguson

Great mover with good bone, wonderful outline, and coat and hide. She has a great head with plenty of fill under the eyes that held a beautiful feminine expression. Small neat ears that helped to illuminate her otter look. A close second to my BOS.

2nd 251 HUNTAWAY TETLEY, Bitch, Owner: Paul Wilson

Good head with a nice ear set and pretty expression. Nice top line into a racy hindquarter with a proper tail set. A little straight in the front but she used it to her advantage on the move.

Best in Sweepstakes 253

Best of Opposite Sex in Sweepstakes 258



**BORDER TERRIER CANADA NATIONAL SPECIALTY
VETERAN SWEEPSTAKES - Judge: Theo Congden**

7 TO 9 YEARS VETERAN DOG

1st 022 CH L'DICKEN'S BANDERSNATCH DEVILRY, JE, Dog, Owner: Margaret & Amands Pough
It was a thrill to discover that I could span this boy. Up to size blue and tan with a great, thick pliable jacket and hard flat coat. Great rib compression and decent layback. He has a no nonsense, typey head with an expression that radiates a calm inner character. Strong but not coarse. Moves out with purpose and I was most pleased to award him Best Veteran in Sweeps

10 TO 12 YEARS VETERAN DOG

1st 248 CH RUSSETHILL'S KISS ME QUICK, Dog, Owner: Linda Hough
A handsome old boy with a strong neck into a top line that carried back to a proper tail set. Good layback of shoulder and he moved out freely.

7 TO 9 VETERAN BITCH

1st 018 CH ROSCHEL'S FIREFLY, Bitch, Owner: Michael & Rosemary Shoreman, Judith Orsi
A pleasure to go over this narrow well balanced veteran girl. A beautiful feminine head with a short muzzle and minimum of stop, including a good bite and a lovely focused expression. She has a strong but elegant neckline that traverses downward, starting from behind her ears in an unbroken line to the base of her tail. Equally balanced underline with plenty of rib in between to complete a refined silhouette. Proper blue color and flat broken coat. She has good shoulder layback and a proper length of upper arm to render just enough of a fore chest. And, she knows how to use it all on the move. Today she was my BOS veteran.

2nd 244 CH FOXRUN ECHO IN THYME, Bitch, Owner: Karen Nesbitt
A nicely proportioned girl of moderate bone with a good head and expression. She was spanned easily and had a more than adequate coat with a flexible hide. Good angulation and she used it well on the move.

Best in Veteran Sweepstakes 022

Best of Opposite Sex in Veteran Sweepstakes 018



BORDER TERRIER CANADA NATIONAL SPECIALTY CKC EARTHDOG TEST

Thanks to all the hard work of the volunteers, and the expertise of our judges, the August earthdog event in Ontario was a great success. We had beautiful weather for the 26 dogs entered in Master, Senior, Junior and Introduction to Quarry. By the end of the afternoon we had 10 qualifiers and one new title* (pending CKC approval):

Our excellent judges made a huge contribution to the success of the event: Camilla Moon (ME and SE), Anna Robaczewski (JE) and Pam Dyer (IQ). Thanks also to our hosts Jane and David Parker for their hospitality.

Sarah Jones

Test Secretary

INTRODUCTION TO QUARRY - Judge: Pam Dyer

Judging Intro to Quarry is right up there with judging Master in my opinion when it comes to seeing what our LBD's can do. My assignment at the Border Terrier Canada Earthdog Tests at Parker's Piece farm in Berkeley, ON was no exception. First of all, in all my years of judging, I don't think I have ever seen an Intro test area that offered the dogs such security while giving them lots for their noses to explore and a den that could not have been more inviting. We had several first time Borders that showed great instincts appropriate for their age and the situation. It was also nice to see several spectators, some of whom were also attending their first Earthdog test. Hopefully they were able to gain a little insight into some of the characteristics that are such an important part of our breed. In closing, my gratitude to BTC for allowing me the honour of judging and to the participants for giving me the honour of "playing" with your terriers.



Introduction to Quarry - Qualifiers

Border Terrier, Ch. Foxrun Spirit Moon (Taki), Susan Graham

Border Terrier, Ashiyas Moon River Noire (River), Susan Graham

Border Terrier, Ch. Pipruda Written Word Conundrum (Frankie), Jane Parker

Border Terrier, Achouffe Baycrofterslee (Ashada), Celia Blair

JUNIOR - Judge: Anna Robaczewski

It was an absolute pleasure to judge the 2013 BTC Specialty Earthdog Test.

The site was excellent, far enough removed from the parking and mingling area to allow the dogs and handlers some sense of a natural environment. Our Earthdog tests are the only way we, in North America, have of evaluating our dogs' instincts and desire to do what they were intended to do, and to get at least an idea of why they are supposed to have their specific conformation.

Junior Earthdog is fairly cut and dried. 30 seconds to reach the quarry, 30 seconds to decide what to do about it, 60 seconds to "work", that is try to bolt, bay or draw it if in a real hunting situation.

I was very pleased that the majority of the entries "passed" the test, and a couple of them really caused me to rake up all my observations of a dog's hunting style. That part was challenging and truly enjoyable as a judge.

Another highlight was that both BOB and BOS from the BTC conformation Specialty of the previous day demonstrated their instinct and desire to work....as it should be !



Junior Earthdog - Qualifiers

Border Terrier, Ch. Foxrun Echo in Thyme (Echo), Karen Nesbitt

Border Terrier, Jansim It's All About Me* (Finlay), Isobel McGowan

Cairn Terrier, Ch.(Alt) Linwell's Adelaide Nevertheless, CGN,RAE,CDX (Addie), Diane Grainger

Border Terrier, Greywoode Brambling at High Dyke (Scraper), Camilla Moon

Border Terrier, Ashiyas Moon River Noire (River), Susan Graham

SENIOR AND MASTER - Judge: Camilla Moon

I was thrilled to judge the Border Terrier Canada Earthdog Test at the Parker's lovely farm in Berkeley, ON. Thank you for honouring me with the invitation.

The Master den was beautifully laid out with lots of natural cover. The pine branches from the newly felled trees blended well into the landscape and were easy to handle. Not that I had to handle anything unless I wanted to, so a huge thank you to the excellent and amusing helpers. There was some shade over the den which was much enjoyed in the afternoon at Senior. The walk-up for master had plenty of cover and places available for the dogs to search, although the only two entrants didn't seem to think so. It'll be interesting to see what others make of it once there are a few more Canadian ME dogs around. The walk-up wound down a wide path with woods on either side and then through a small part of the woods to another path leading to the den. I have to say I like the Canadian modifications to the AKC test. For me these changes help to make the test more of a true instinct challenge. Quarry does get up and move and the dogs need to be quick off the mark to search and find it once more.



The Senior test also improves on the US layout by not having a "false" exit/entrance. Wherever the dog enters it must traverse 30'. However, that did not seem to assist entrants with the call out. Many dogs worked very well but unfortunately they either continued to bark when the quarry was removed, or just took themselves to a cool spot underground where their owner's voice was completely undetectable!

It was good to see so many people watching and asking questions. I hope seeing the dogs work and enjoy themselves will inspire some of those watching to enter their own dogs at the next opportunity. Altogether this was a wonderful and well run test in a marvelous setting. Congratulations to everyone who worked to build tunnels, dig them in, and who managed all the other work involved.

Master Earthdog- No qualifiers

Senior Earthdog - Qualifier

Border Terrier, Ch. Thistlebitt Gleniffer Braes, JE (Bree), Karen Nesbitt



2013 National Specialty Sponsors

The Members and Board of Border Terrier Canada appreciate the generosity and kindness of the club members and friends who support BTC throughout the year and we especially thank those who sponsor the classes and donate the prizes for our Specialty, and those who contribute to the Specialty Fund.

Class	Sponsor	In Honour or In Memory of:
Best of Breed	Jane Parker	In memory of Ethan, UK Champion Otterkin Blue Bayou Conundrum.
Best of Opposite Sex	Joanne & Al Matheson	In honour of Am Ch/MBIS Canadian Grand Champion Excellent Ganymede's Canadian Idol, CGN
Best of Winners	Jen Holder	In memory of Talex Spring Thyme
Select Dog	Duane Pulford	In honour of Timon and Reilly
Select Bitch	Donna Ralph	
Awards of Merit	Marnie Fielding	
Jr. Puppy Dog 6 - 9 mos	Janice Thomaschewski	
Jr. Puppy Bitch 6 - 9 mos	JaniceTthomaschewski	
Sr. Puppy Dog 9 - 12 mos	Janice Thomaschewski	
Sr. Puppy Bitch 9 - 12 mos	Elizabeth & Tony Hunt	In memory of Jansim Just Gizmo
12 to 18 months Dog	Laura Vance	In honour of Byth Burn Maggie
12 to 18 months Bitch	Laura Vance	In honour of Byth Burn Maggie
Best Puppy In Breed	Ann McLoughlan	In honour of Chloe McLoughlan
Open Dog	Heather Somers	
Open Bitch	Heather Somers	
Bred by Exhibitor Dog	Brenda Tyc	In memory of Happytime Ruby Tuesday
Bred by Exhibitor Bitch	Linda Hough	In memory of Tetley
Canadian Bred Dog	Ann McLoughlan	In honour of Sophie McLoughlan
Canadian Bred Bitch	Janice Thomaschewski	
Winners Dog	Karen Nesbitt	
Winners Bitch	Rose & Mike Shoreman	In honour of Am/Can CH Roschel's Mariah
Reserve Winners Dog	Bev Ferguson	In honour of Duet Border Terriers
Reserve Winners Bitch	Bev Ferguson	In honour of Duet Border Terriers
Best Veteran	Anna Robaczewski	In memory of Am/Can CH Jansim Holly Roger Am/Can JE, CG, CGC, Am RN, Can RA
Best Opposite Sex to Best Veteran	Pam Dyer	In memory of Lothlorien Peregrin Took
Veteran Dog 7-10 Yrs	Carol Soeldner	In memory of CH Sunkist Kissin' Run, RE, NA, NAJ, CGC, THD, VX (Banjo)
Veteran Bitch 7-10 Yrs	J. Anna Fraser	In memory of CH Duet's Spy In The Sky (Copper)
Veteran Dog 10 -13 Yrs	Elizabeth & Tony Hunt	In memory of Jansim Just Gizmo
Veteran Bitch 10 -13 Yrs	S. Sabourin/S.Bendall	In honour of "Parker Posey" – Shivaree Claddach Falconbrook

Class	Sponsor	In Honour or In Memory of:
Veteran Dog 13 yrs plus	Isobel McGowan	In memory of CH. OTCH Hollyhill Handsome Jansim, SE, ATCh, FDCh, CG, CGN
Veteran Bitch 13 yrs plus	Ann McLoughlan	In memory of Cricket McLoughlan
Working Dog	Jocelyne Tasse-Durocher	In memory of Bordeaux - Am.Can CH Twigganni Jansim Chutney TT, Am Can CD, CGC, ME, NA VAA DC, VH JDC
Working Bitch	Jocelyne Tasse-Durocher	In memory of Rosie – Am Can CH Jansim Just Rosemary, TT, Am Can CD, CGC, CG, Can JE, Am ME, ADC
Stud Dog	Anila Rondeau	
Brood Bitch	Deenie Galipeau	In honour of all fanciers of the Breed
Best Otterhead	Ann McLoughlan	In honour of Sophie McLoughlan
Best Overall Jr. Handler	Janice Thomaschewski	
Best Breeder's Team	Ann McLoughlan	
Reserve Best Breeder's Team	Deenie Galipeau	In honour of all fanciers of the Breed
Border Essentials		
Best Head	Anne Geall	In honour of CH Jansim I'm Your Man
Best Pelt	Deenie Galipeau	In honour of all fanciers of the Breed
Best Tail	Deenie Galipeau	In honour of all fanciers of the Breed
Best Gait	S. Sabourin/S.Bendall	In honour of "Parker Posey" – Shivaree Claddach Falconbrook
Best Ribs	Deenie Galipeau	In honour of all fanciers of the Breed

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Susan Graham	Heather Somers
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Jen Holder	Janice Thomaschewski
Linda Hough	Jim Todd
Ron & Pearl Humenny	Brenda Tyc
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