

STAFFORDSHIRE BULL TERRIER CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW – 17 OCTOBER 2015

Judge: Lourens ten Napel – Sivhana Staffords South Africa

Firstly I would like to thank the club for inviting me to judge our beloved breed at such a super venue. The weather was fantastic and it was such a privilege for me to be part of your special day. I wish to take this opportunity to thank each and every exhibitor for bringing out your dogs under me and for the sporting manner in which decisions were received. I had a fantastic time in Australia and special thanks to Jayne and Kerry for all the arrangements and the whole committee and exhibitors for making me feel like royalty. I certainly made new friends. The show was expertly run and I'm sure all exhibitors appreciated the hard work put in by the committee and all the wonderful prizes. Unfortunately I could not stay long in Adelaide due to a planned visit to David and Fiona Lowe who kindly took me in their home and showed me around Melbourne and treated me to some interesting delicacies including Skippy.

In general I thought the condition of all exhibits were very good and overall the quality of the bitches was slightly better than the males which is actually a good thing. The majority of the placed dogs were excellent and some could have changed places any day which is healthy for the development of the breed. Top honours went to exceptionally good specimens that will hold their own in any country.

Interesting to notice in the catalogue is that there are so many artificial inseminated dogs and bitches, which tells me that good thought was applied when breeding and therefore the breed is clearly in responsible hands and the future of Staffords in Australia are bright and exciting and I will follow with great enthusiasm.

I must say that I was concerned with hind movement, weak hindquarters and angulation on some exhibits. Many dogs and bitches toed in at the back and lacked drive from the rear. It is also important that lips are tight and clean as it should be for a dog that was originally bred for fighting. As in South Africa incorrect tailsets and the vanishing of the pump handle tail is creeping in; be careful when breeding future stock because it's a difficult problem to breed out of your line.

Teeth were not mentioned with the baby puppies as most were teething and for me it's not an important factor to consider at such a young age.

Best wishes going forward!

BABY PUPPY DOG (11)

1st KEELFORD CRACKER JACK. 5 month old Black brindle boy with white chest showing good development in all departments. Balanced throughout and appreciated his proportions. Showed good air on the stack. Well developing head of correct proportions and lovely expression. Strong front, tidy feet, well developing spring of rib, level topline on the stack and move with developing hindquarters and acceptable angulation. Movement will improve with age, but showing signs of a good mover and handled well.

2nd KOENDIDA THE DRAGON TATTOO. Black with white chest. Striking expression when alert and showing correct development all round. Stronger in bone than 1 and should develop into a strong adult. Classic head shape with dark round eyes, strong muzzle and correctly placed ears. Good front, level topline and good developing hindquarters. Lost out on movement and maturity to nr.1

3rd POWERPAWS THE GUNS FELL SILENT. 5 and ½ month old red boy with white marking on chest. Strong headed boy, yet balanced throughout and showing correct proportions throughout. Appreciated the pigment on him and credit to his handler for showing off his alertness. Preferred tighter skin around the face area of 1 and 2 and unfortunately coat not in best condition today. Moved ok.

MINOR PUPPY DOG

1st BROOKSTREET RATE THE APPLAUSE (ai). 6 and ½ months old red boy with white chest showing good development all round. Head developing with correct proportions with dark strong muzzle, scissor bite and lovely dark round eyes. Would prefer smaller ears, but I trust that he will grow into them as he matures. Appreciated the substance shown for his age and perfect front. Up on his toes and alert at all times. Strong neck flowing into level back and muscular hindquarters. Coat in gleaming condition and excellent pigment. Moved and handled well. **Best Minor puppy in show.**

2nd LYNNEVE PAINT IT BLACK (ai). Also a 6 and ½ months old black male. Stronger and more mature boy than 1. Head of correct proportions, scissor bite and strong underjaw. Level topline and good hind angulation. Moved ok. Preferred cleaner head and tighter front of 1.

PUPPY DOG

1st ROCKPORT INK MASTER (ai). Quality black boy with white marking on chest. Although still a puppy, he was tight and muscular all round and credit to his owner for having him in such good condition. Punishing expression, clean head of correct ratio. Dark round eyes set well into skull. Distinct stop, broad underjaw and lovely length of muzzle and rounded off with rose shaped ears set correctly on skull. Strong neck flowing into muscular body. Clean front with good depth of brisket. Tight feet and up on his toes. Well developed spring of ribs. Level topline which he held on the move. Nice tuck up with well-muscled and angulated hindquarters. Pulled on the lead today as can be expected from a lively puppy, but still awarded me the opportunity at times to assess his movement which was parallel and he showed good drive from the rear. Work on the movement and he should do very well as an adult.

2nd LLANGIBBY ZIMBA. Tiger brindle with white socks. Good bone throughout. Lovely head shape of correct proportions. Moved and handled well. Coat in good condition.

JUNIOR DOG

1st BROOKSTREET RUSSIAN MAFIA BOSS (ai). Red dog with white chest. Cracking head with punishing expression. Distinct stop, dark round eyes and well set rose shaped ears. Powerful broad muzzle with perfect scissor bite and excellent pigment, but would prefer slightly cleaner lips. Strong front with tidy feet and good depth of brisket. Strong neck, correct length of back and level topline. Hard, muscular hindquarters with perfect rear and front angulation and tail well set. Coat in perfect condition. Moved powerfully with drive from the rear and parallel. **Best Junior in show.**

2nd CH. SOOKALOTT STOP N STARE. Red boy with white markings. Well developed head of correct proportions with strong expression. Distinct stop, broad muzzle dark eyes en well set ears. Strong

short neck flowing into well laid shoulders. Clean front with wide chest, level topline and good hindquarters. Coat in good condition. Moved and handled well.

INTERMEDIATE DOG

1st CH. ANVILHART POETI KOOL JUSTICE (ai). White dog with black markings on head. Excellent pigment all round. Correct head and body proportions with required substance. Distinct stop, dark well set eyes, small rose shaped ears set well onto skull. Lips tight and clean with good bite and strong muzzle and underjaw. Powerful neck flowing into well laid shoulders. Nice front with good bone, tidy feet and shown well up on his toes. Good depth of brisket, well sprung ribs and good tuck up. Level topline which he held on the move. Well muscled hindquarters with required angulation and tail well set. Sound mover and handled expertly.

2nd POWERPAWS MADE TO ORDER. Red dog with white collar and socks. Another male I really liked and challenged closely for 1st place. Perfect substance and balance throughout. Lovely head shape of correct proportions. Rose ears and well placed dark eyes, good stop and nice length of muzzle with correct bite and good depth of underjaw. Clean front, tidy feet, good depth of brisket. Correct length and broadness of neck, well laid shoulders. Good spring of rib, correct length of back, level topline and muscular hindquarters with correct angulation. Moved and handled well. Pushed hard for 1st place.

3rd CH. LIKALOT CHILDS PLAY. Black dog with white chest. Another outstanding specimen in a class where 1, 2 and 3 could change places any day subject to personal preference. A dog that stood out in his class due to his fit condition and pristine coat condition. Cracking head shape, punishing expression, tidy small rose shaped ears set well onto skull, good stop, dark eyes, good length of muzzle and strong underjaw with correct bite and large teeth, but would prefer tighter skin. Strong short neck, good shoulder layback. Excellent front with tidy feet and well up on his toes. Excellent length of back with level topline. Muscular back-end with correct angulation and well set tail. Moved parallel with good reach in the front and drive from the rear.

STATE BRED DOG

1st CH. RAVENSWOOD MOVES LIKE JAGGER. Brindle dog with white marking on chest and slight blaze. True to type with correct substance. Lovely head shape with well placed ears and round dark eyes. Correct length of muzzle with strong underjaw and correct bite. Good reach of neck flowing into well laid shoulders. Clean front with good bone and tidy feet. Slightly long in back, but with level topline and good hindquarters and low set tail. Presented in fit and lovely coat condition. Moved ok.

2nd CH. ANVILHART REGGIE MENTAL. Brindle dog with small white marking on chest and feet. Strong headed boy with good substance and shown in fit condition. Similar to 1 in all departments and also being also slightly long in the back, but requires training to give him the best opportunity of reaching his full potential.

AUSTRALIAN BRED DOG

1st CH. WOOLLOOSTAFF THE DEVILS WINGMAN (ai). Black brindle dog with white markings on his chest. Great balance and breed type. Enjoyed going over this dog as he was not overdone in any way whatsoever. Classic head with distinct stop, well placed dark round eyes and rose shaped ears. Clean face with good length of muzzle, strong underjaw, and correct bite. Short, well muscled neck with good shoulder angulation. Clean front, ample bone and tidy feet. Good depth of brisket, well sprung ribs, short back with level topline. Muscular hindquarters and well set tail complimented a well put

together body. Coat in immaculate condition. Powerful and free action on the move and held his topline well.

2nd CH. REMBLAK CARBINE. Black dog also not over exaggerated in any way. Neat rose shaped ears set onto skull with dark round eyes and distinct stop. Good length of muzzle and depth of underjaw. Large teeth with scissor bite finishing off a classic Stafford head shape. Nice reach of neck flowing into well placed shoulders. Clean front with lovely bone and excellent depth of brisket. Tidy feet and well up on toes. Well defined body with good spring of rib and tuck up at loins. Well muscled backend with correct tail set. Unfortunately not moving as well in the rear as the 1st placed dog.

OPEN DOG

1st CH. ANVILHART HOT ON YOUR HEELS. Black brindle with white chest. A dog that oozes breed type and possesses all qualities I look for in a Stafford from proportions, substance and most importantly fit for function. Classic head with correctly sized rose shaped ears set correctly onto skull. Medium dark round eyes, distinct stop, clean muzzle of correct length and strong underjaw with large teeth and correct bite. Perfect length of neck flowing into well laid shoulders. Cleanest of fronts with excellent bone, broad chest with excellent daylight. Tidy feet pointing east to west and well up on his toes. Perfect length of back with level topline and well sprung ribs. Well muscled hindquarters with excellent angulation and tuck in at loins. Correct tail set with pump handle tail and carried correctly when moving around and also kept a level topline whilst on the move. Moved freely with economy of effort and showed good reach in the front and pure drive from the rear. His handler knew exactly which buttons to press to get the best of out of him. I had no hesitation in awarding a dog of his qualities **CC Dog and Reserve Best in Show.**

2nd CH. LINWEST THUNDER BIRD. Brindle pied dog with excellent pigment. Another top class dog with a combination of excellent qualities who pushed hard for top honours. His alert and keen expression is a strong point and this was utilised well by his handler. Powerful head with tidy ears set well onto skull. Well defined stop with medium, dark round eyes well set. Clean muzzle of correct length and strength with clean bite. Strong short neck flowing into well placed shoulders. Lovely clean front with good air and straight legs with strong pasterns and well padded feet. Presented up on his toes which gave the impression of being alert, active and agile. Well defined body with perfect length of back, level topline and low set tail. Coat in excellent condition. Moved and handled well.
RCC Dog

3rd CH. LIKALOT DIVILS WANDERER (ai). Black dog with white marking on chest. A dog that was slightly more bodied up than 1 and 2 and also pushed hard. Loved his piercing expression and although we were in the heat of the day, his fitness pulled him through in a tough class. Easily to realise why he is a champion with his well shaped head, tiny ears which were well placed and dark round eyes. Powerful front with tidy feet pointing slightly outwards and always being up on his toes and ready for action. Attractive, well muscled body which was complimented with his glooming coat condition. Perfect angulation in the rear and well set tail. Moved ok.

NEUTERED DOG

1st CH. SEIGHFORD IKE OODNTWAIT. Black brindle dog and eight years old. Complements to the owner for having him in tip top condition. One would never guess his age and he seemed nothing more than 5 years old. Enjoyed every moment in the ring and his eager and alert expression was something to behold. Classic head with tidy rose shaped ears. Dark round eyes and clean broad muzzle. Strong underjaw with scissor bite. Short neck flowing into well placed shoulders. Straight

front with strong pasterns and well padded feet. Good depth of brisket and ribs well sprung. Back rather short and level topline with a well set tail. Coat in good condition. Moved ok.

2nd NEUT. CH. CALOJO CRASH BANG. Brindle top sized boy. Good head shape, well bodied up and coat in good condition. Well muscled and angulated all round.

BABY PUPPY BITCH

1st WOOLLOOSTAFF GOT IT FLAUNT IT. 3 and ½ months old black girl with white chest. She definitely has it and knows how to flaunt it. Well done to the owner for training her so well, she is a real show off and I foresee a bright future. Lovely clean developing head with correctly sized ears for age and placed well onto skull. Dark round eyes with clean muzzle and correct width for her age. Clean front, strong bone and well up on her feet. Short in back and level topline. Moved loosely as would be expected from a baby puppy, but she will tighten up. **Best baby puppy in show.**

2nd TOPLOADER ROWDY ROUSEY. 3 and a ½ month old black girl and still very much a baby, but very smart looking and has the cute factor going for her. Pushed hard for 1st place and not much in it between 1 and 2. Hopefully she will grow into a correctly sized bitch because she has excellent qualities. Lovely head shape that will see her develop into a bitch with a cracking head and punishing expression, yet feminine. Clean muzzle, dark eyes and tidy ears. All round she looks to be developing well with correct proportions and correct tail set. Perfect coat condition, moved like a baby puppy will and just having fun.

3rd WHADABOUTME QUEEN OF HEARTS. More mature than 1 and 2 and all round a very good specimen with a good head, clean muzzle, dark eyes and tidy ears. Would prefer a tad better angulation in the rear, which unfortunately resulted in her losing her topline slightly on the move, but still she has excellent qualities that saw her through in a tough class.

MINOR PUPPY BITCH

1st LACHCON YOU TALKIN TO ME. 7 and ½ month old black girl with a lovely developing head shape and keen expression. Neat ears fitted well onto skull with round eyes and clean muzzle with correct bite. Good substance and well developing chest. Good front and tidy feet. Would prefer to have slightly more daylight underneath, but this could still develop with age and experienced handling could give better effect thereto. Short neck flowing into well laid shoulders, correct length of back and level topline. Moved ok. Understandably she is still very young and there's plenty time for improvement, but handler needs to work with her to give her the best opportunity to reach her full potential.

2nd JAGARRA KOKOPELLI. 7 month old black brindle and white girl. Higher up on the legs as 1. Well developing head with rose shaped ears and dark round eyes. Clean muzzle and good bite. Neck flowing into well placed shoulders. Clean front with required strength of bone. Level topline, but would prefer slight more angulation in the rear and better hind movement.

PUPPY BITCH

1st SOOKALOTT ETERNAL FLAME. White with remarkable pigmentation and perfect proportions throughout. Cracking head shape with tidy rose shaped ears set well onto skull. Dark round eyes, definite stop with clean, broad muzzle, strong underjaw and perfect bite. Punishing, yet feminine expression which caught my eye every time I looked back over the bitches in the class. Lovely clean front with broad chest, straight legs, strong pasterns and well padded feet. Well sprung ribs, short

back and level topline which she kept throughout moving. Well muscled hindquarters which were also perfectly angulated and low set pump handle tail. Definitely one of the best movers of the day showing good reach and drive and moving perfectly parallel. She looks a real record setter and I'm sure she will make her mark in history. **Best puppy in show**

2nd ROCKPORT INK ART (ai). Black. Another fine specimen who was unlucky to meet 1 today and a bitch I rate highly and who should do very well in the future. Lovely head shape with keen expression and alert at all times. Tidy rose shaped ears set well onto skull with distinct stop and dark round eyes. Clean broad muzzle, well developed underjaw and large teeth with scissor bite. Strong, short neck flowing into well laid shoulders. Clean straight and well boned front. Well defined body with good rear angulation. Moved ok.

3rd ANVILHART I HAD A DREAM (ai). Black brindle with white chest. Top sized bitch and full bodied. Classic head with rose shaped ears, dark eyes and clean muzzle. Short neck, well placed shoulders. Straight front and well boned. Good depth of chest and well sprung ribs. Slightly long in back, but holding a level topline. Good rear definition and angulation. Moved ok.

JUNIOR BITCH

1st SWANKY BRAW WEAN. Brindle with white markings in chest and toes. Top sized bitch showing correct proportions. Strong head with well placed rose shaped ears and dark round eyes. Definite stop, clean muzzle and good bite. Powerful neck, short back and level topline. Well angulated hindquarters and low set tail. Moved ok. Would prefer bitch to be in firmer condition.

2nd NUKLNOZ VELOCETTE VENOM (ai). Black with white marking on chest. Classic head shape with rose ears set low on skull. Dark round eyes placed well. Good stop, clean muzzle and good bite. Good forechest, well boned, tidy feet. Short back with level topline. Well muscled and well angulated hindquarters. Moved ok

3rd STEPPENWOLF TILLY DEVINE. Brindle with white chest. Good head with rose shaped ears and round eyes. Strong front with good bone, short back and level topline. Moved ok. Carrying too much weight and could do better if her body is toned up.

INTERMEDIATE BITCH.

1st CH. VANSTAFF PENNY BLACK. Black brindle, top sized bitch. Excellent head shape with alert and keen expression which she displayed throughout the class. Tidy rose shaped ears set well on skull with dark round eyes of correct size. Distinct stop with clean, broad muzzle and strong underjaw with correct bite. Powerful neck flowing into well laid shoulders. Clean front, well boned, wide chest with required daylight. Good spring of rib. Correct length of back, level topline with good tuck in at loins. Well defined hindquarters and perfectly angulated. Coat in gleaming condition and sound mover.

2nd KEELFORD GENESIS. Fawn with white marking on chest. Has a beautiful head on her with tidy rose shaped ears, round eyes, broad clean muzzle and strong underjaw with correct bite. Clean front with good bone and air underneath and well developed chest. Level topline, well muscled and angulated hind quarters. Moved and handled well.

3rd BROHEZ DARJEELING (ai). Black with white marking on chest. Slightly smaller than 1 and 2, but one of the best headed bitches of the day for me with tidy rose shaped ears, dark round eyes, clean broad muzzle and strong underjaw with a perfect bite. Short muscular neck widening to well laid

shoulders. Clean front, well boned for size and tidy feet. Always being up on her toes and showing good daylight. Excellent length of back with level topline which she held on the move. Good rear angulation and well muscled throughout. Unfortunately held her tail high on the move, otherwise a sound mover.

STATE BRED

1st VALOURFORCE GUCCI. Red with white markings on the chest and white socks. Lovely feminine bitch that fits the standard well and shown in fit condition. Classic head with half prick ears, set well on skull and well placed dark round eyes. Clean and broad muzzle with strong underjaw and good bite. Strong short neck widening into sloping shoulders. Clean front with enough daylight. Showing good substance, tidy feet and well up on toes. Good length of back, level topline and well muscled and angulated hindquarters with low set tail. Nice tuck up. Moved effortlessly around the ring with purpose and drive.

2nd CH. MIKINDA RAPT IN GOLD. Red with white chest and mask. Top sized quality bitch, but carrying too much weight on the day. Good head with rose shaped ears, which could be a tad smaller. Dark round eyes placed well on skull. Strong muzzle and underjaw with correct bite. Muscular front with good substance and tidy feet. Short strong neck flowing into well laid shoulders. Short back with level topline. Moved ok.

3rd ETERNALSTAFF GODS GRACE. Black with lovely coat condition. Terrier head shape and not as strong as 1 and two. Strong ears but well placed on head. Dark round eyes. Undershot. Front ok, slightly long in back. Well muscled throughout, moved ok.

AUSTRALIAN BRED

1st CH. BLACKSHOT POWER FAILURE. White with fantastic pigmentation which is hard to come by and highly appreciated. Absolutely the star of the day for me with her excellent front, keen and alert expression which she held throughout the class and challenges and her perfect proportions throughout. Classic head with rose shaped ears, which could be slightly smaller, but altogether her outstanding virtues weigh far more. Lovely dark round eyes with well pigmented eye rims. Clean, broad muzzle of correct length and powerful underjaw. Large white teeth with complete and perfect scissor bite. Short, muscular neck widening into well laid shoulders. Cleanest of fronts, with excellent bone, strong pasterns and well padded feet. Throughout she stood up on her toes and presented enough daylight. Good depth of brisket, well sprung ribs and close coupled. Well defined body with required angulation and low set pump handle tail. Moved parallel on the away and back with good drive from the rear and effortlessly when going around. **CC Bitch and Best in Show.**

2nd CH. WESTROVA STOIC FLIRT INA SKIRT. Black brindle and white pied. Quality bitch of correct size and proportions. Shown in fit condition and lovely coat. Strong head with neat rose shaped ears set well on skull and dark round eyes placed correctly. Good length and width of muzzle and strong underjaw with correct bite and tight and clean lips. Muscular neck of good length flowing into well placed shoulders. Clean front with good bone and tidy feet. Shown well up on her toes and presented a lovely outline. Good depth of chest with well sprung ribs and short coupled body. Well muscled hindquarters with well bend stifles. Pump handle tail which was set on low. Moved powerfully around the ring, holding a level topline and moved parallel on the away and back.

3rd SEIGHFORD ELLAVA DIVA. Won the best headed competition and looking at my critique I can see why. Classic head shape with punishing expression, but yet feminine. Well set rose shaped ears with dark round eyes placed correctly. Perfect length of muzzle with correct broadness and strong

underjaw with scissor bite and tight and clean lips. Square front with enough substance and up on her toes. Good body proportions with level topline, well sprung ribs and good depth of brisket. Preferred rear movement of 1st and 2nd.

OPEN BITCH

1st CH. TOPLOADER BLACK MARIA. Black female in excellent condition and very true to type. Lovely head shape with neat rose shaped ears placed well on her skull. Dark round eyes placed correctly with clean broad muzzle of correct length and perfect scissor bite. Square front with excellent substance and daylight. Perfect length of leg, strong pasterns and well padded feet. Good depth of chest with well sprung ribs and close coupled body. Level topline which she held perfectly on the move. Well muscled hindquarters with perfect rear angulation and tail set with a pump handle tail. Moved effortlessly with drive and stayed parallel on the away and back. **RCC Bitch**

2nd CH. REMBLAK WOODNT I. Black with classic head shape. Rose ears fitted well onto skull, would prefer to have them slightly smaller. Dark round eyes placed correctly with good length of muzzle and showing good width. Strong underjaw with correct bite. Square front and showed well up on toes. Strong pasterns and tidy feet. Muscular neck gradually widening into well laid shoulders with level topline. Well sprung ribs and good tuck up. Well muscled hindquarters with good rear angulation. Moved freely around the ring with good reach and held topline on the move. Preferred rear movement of 1.

3rd CH. BROHEZ BLACK ART. Black with white marking on chest. Strong feminine bitch showing no exaggeration all round. Lovely head shape with tidiest of ears which were well placed onto skull. Dark round eyes. Correct length and width of muzzle with strong underjaw and perfect scissor bite. She has a mesmerizing expression which I could look at all day. Squarely built with good bone for size and well up on her toes. Neat well padded feet and strong pasterns completes an outstanding front. Short, well muscled neck flowing into sloping shoulders. Good depth of brisket, well sprung ribs, level topline and close coupled body with a good tuck up. Moved effortlessly and with real spunk around the ring, but unfortunately held her tail high which spoiled her profile on the move. Handled to perfection and I sensed a special bond between handler and dog. Preferred size and body fill of 1 and 2, but this was a tough class and positions could change easily any day.

NEUTERED BITCH

1st CH. SEIGHFORD SURPRISE PAKET. 8 and ½ year old black in excellent condition. Perfect head shape of correct proportions. Tidy ears fitted well onto skull with dark round eyes looking straight forward. Clean muzzle with correct width and strong underjaw. Good bite. Muscular neck flowing into sloping shoulders. Square front with good bone and well padded feet. Good depth of chest with well sprung ribs, level topline and appreciated tuck up taking her age into consideration. Well angulated rear with surprisingly well muscled hindquarters. Moved around the ring like a 4 year old and thoroughly enjoyed her time in the sun. **Best Neutered in Show.**

2nd CH. LINWEST ELLA ENCHANTED. 8 and ½ year old red with white chest and socks. Another veteran in pristine condition and credit to the owner for keeping her in fit condition. Strong, yet feminine head with neat rose shaped ears set well onto skull. Dark round eyes placed correctly. Broad muzzle of correct length, but preferred cleaner face of 1st. Strong front with good depth of chest and neat feet. Well sprung ribs, level topline and good tuck in. Well set pump handle tail and moved with drive. Had a hard time choosing between 1 and 2.

3rd NEUT. CH. BROOMSQUIRES NEWBOLD NAN. Black with small white marking on chest. Good head with rose shaped ears, and well set eyes. Correct bite, square front, level topline and well angulated throughout. Moved ok and lost out due to excess weight.