I October 2011—Championship Show

Judge: Gayle Denman

Thank you for inviting me to judge your show. Dick and I enjoyed touring a bit of Canberra, meeting new and old friends at the show and the friendliness of all the exhibitors.

After the judging, a few of us got together and viewed photos of dogs from years past, it was really fun. Di is trying to put together some history of the Australian bull terriers and wanted David to identify some English dogs. It was a fun evening. That evening's conversations stimulated me to think about some of my old favorites and to find one of my all time favourite photos of Aricon Eye Shy. I thought I would share it with all of you.

In general, the bull terriers were of very good quality. I found several excellent bull terrier heads (i.e. terrific profiles, good depth of muzzle, along with excellent expression). Remembering the bull terrier should give the impression of strength, energy and quickness, my recommendations for improvements are to breed for more correct canines, more length in the upper arm - better lay back, stronger and more upright pasterns and shorter hocks.

I would like to recognize how very difficult it is to obtain a championship in Australia and want to congratulate those of you who have obtained championships on your BT and MBT, or continue to pursue this prestigious award. Congratulations to all of you!

As a side note, I have learned over the years (due to my own neglect) that good/clean teeth are imperative to the health of our bull terriers. The medical professional has advised that poor hygiene does lead to heart problems in our beloved canine friends.

I have segmented my critiques between the bull terrier and the miniature bull terriers and only critique the winners.

BULL TERRIERS

BOB

28. **BULLROY BK CRUISER** 3100245876 3/9/10

S: Bulloy Rok Posta D: Bullroy Baggy Britches Owner/Breeder: S & S Humphrey

Brindle and White having a dramatic/exaggerated profile (albeit should be cleaner, more sweeping), excellent expression, good length of muzzle, good ear set. One inside canine indicating a somewhat narrow jaw. She has good length of neck that tapers into the shoulder as a result of a correct angulation shoulder. Her topline could be better as she has a slight dip behind her withers. However, she has good bone and substance. Good make and shape. Front pasterns were the strongest and most correct. Rear movement was with power. Best movement in all directions. This bitch was awarded based on soundness and most correct proportions when viewed from the front she is quite striking.

RUNNER UP BOB

ALUNDAY OH YEAH BABY (AI) 4100175056 8/6/09 S: Shirvin Excaliber D: Alunday Charlotte Owner/Breeder: L & T Hoare

In close competition with #28. White with brindle markings on ears and eyes. Smooth profile, good

expression, good depth of muzzle. Scissors. A very attractive silhouette. She has good make and shape, having marked spring of rib, slightly arched over the loin, good broad chest. #28 was award BOB based on her more correct front movement.

BEST BABY PUPPY

16. MISSIGAI MISSOLLY 2100341414 7/6/11 S: Ch Wynnafred Eye Witness D: Ch Missigai Mahiri 7/6/11

Owner/Breeder: M & D Cross

Brindle and white with half mustache. Very good movement. She has a good smooth profile, length and depth of muzzle, correct expression. Scissors bite. Ears are correctly placed and held upright. Good make and shape, well sprung ribs for her age. Also good bone and substance. Slight arch over her loin. Should be fun to see her develop.

BEST MINOR PUPPY

SHIRVIN ZAHLIA 3100252628 18. 3/3/11

S: Shirvin Rasputin D: Shirvin Over The Rainbow Owner/Breeder: V & S Healand

White with brindle eye patch, good bone and substance. Good profile, smooth and long having good fill as well. Scissors. A good make and shape to this girl. She is a feminine bitch having good bone and substance. Had fun with her owner/handler as she had picked the littermate that I placed 2nd.

BEST PUPPY

20. BRASSHEAD BEWITCHED 5100061788 7/11/10

S: Evildouer Kung Fu Panda D: Ch Brasshead Bear Witch Owner: R Campbell Breeder: Brasshead Knls This puppy has one inside canine, a dramatic/exaggerated profile. She has good expression and was in good weight.

BEST JUNIOR

28. BULLROY BK CRUISER 3100245876 3/9/10

S: Bulloy Rok Posta D: Bullroy Baggy Britches Owner/Breeder: S & S Humphrey

Brindle and white, with good bone and substance. Good topline accented by a correct tail set. An exaggerated profile, deep set eyes having good expression. One inside canine. Has correct front proportions and width of chest. Good movement in all directions.

BEST INTERMEDIATE AND RUNNER UP BOB

30. ALUNDAY OH YEAH BABY (AI) 4100175056 8/6/09 S: Shirvin Excaliber D: Alunday Charlotte Owner/Breeder: L & T Hoare

In close competition with #28. White with brindle markings on ears and eyes. Smooth profile, good expression, good depth of muzzle. Scissors. A very attractive silhouette. She has good make and shape, having marked spring of rib, slightly arched over the loin, good broad chest.

BEST AUSTRALIAN BRED

33. ALUNDAY ORSM (AI) 4100175053 8/6/09

S: Shirvin Excaliber D: Alunday Charlotte OwnerBreeder: L & T Hoare

White bitch having tight reverse scissors bite, smooth profile, good depth of muzzle and correct fill. She has good rib spring, correct topline with slight rise over the loin, had the best neck sloping into good shoulders. Moved a bit close in the rear.

BEST OPEN

38. ALUNDAY HONKY TONK 4100154293 13/11/07

S: Shirvin Excaliber D: Ch Awwalia Sweet Trouble Owner/Breeder: L & T Hoare

White bitch with brindle markings. She has a good profile, good depth of muzzle and good length as well. Correct topine. Front pasterns and movement could be better.

MINIATURE BULL TERRIERS

BOB AND BEST OPEN

AM GR CH BONSAI FOOLS GOLD RN18581205 2/4/09

S: Bonsai Alouie Louie D: Dazobri Agent Ninetynine Owner:

Oldfield/Wistuba/Simonds Breeder: G Simonds

A very typey brindle and white miniature male, having excellent fill, smooth profile, good teeth, very good depth of muzzle and keen expression. Of good proportions. He has good bone and substance, a correct tail set. This MBT was shown in excellent condition and well muscled.

RUNNER UP BOB

SPEIREAD NOUGHTS N CROSSES 5100057107 16/11/09

S: Speiread I Dream A lot D: Speiread Fire Cracker Owner/Breeder: Speiread Knls

Also a very typey MBT having a beautiful/smooth profile, keen eyes (better than Fools Gold), good depth and length of muzzle, 2 inside canines, very good make and shape. She has more correct movement than the winner. The handler shared with me, she will be retiring this very pretty bitch, I was saddened to hear that as she is indeed beautiful.

BEST BABY PUPPY

REVHEAD BLUES BUDDY 310025997 6/6/11

S: Pagwin Little Big Man D: Aldridge Crimson Tide Owner: K & F Willox

Breeder: M Giliberto

Brindle and white, scissors bite, very good fill, correct ear set, very good depth of muzzle. excellent make and shape.

BEST PUPPY

NOBUL SHAKE DOWN 5100063150 29/1/11

S: Prefurabull Thunda Down Unda D: Nobul Let There B Rock Owner/Breeder: Nobull Knls

White with red markings. A little up on leg and a little lacking in depth of muzzle at the moment. But having good triangular eyes, correct ear set. Should mature nicely.

BEST JUNIOR

SHADBRAYE PICTURE PERFECT 6100069307 21/10/10

S: Stardom Black Adder (AI) D: Shrinkabull Eye LinerOwner/Breeder: S Robinson

Very good depth of muzzle and profile. A fawn/red smut bitch. Scissors bite. Good size and make and shape ending with a correct tailset. Keen expression. Moved correctly in all directions.

In close competition with #58 (Nobel Littlebitabling was a white bitch also having very good make and shape, good profile and fill and keen expression – scissors bite)

BEST INTERMEDIATE

PAGWIN LITTLE BIG MAN 4100172664 17/5/09

S: Melarbro Me Brudda D: Gragal Zeena Owner: R Eyers Breeder: G & P Whincop

In close competition Fools Gold in that this is a substantial typey male and looks similarly to a dog in Arizona, USA that I almost bred my girl to. This male has a reverse scissors bite and somewhat of a light eye color. Else, his movement in all directions was excellent, he covered ground very well. Excellent fill and excellent depth of muzzle. His ears were up on his head nicely. Very good make and shape. I understand from his owner that she has exported semen to an American bitch, as such it will be fun to follow the breeding and see how his pups turn out.

BEST AUSTRALIAN BRED

NOBUL LITTLEBITABLING (AI) 5100060423 21/7/10

favourite MBT that this particular handler, perhaps owner, exhibited.

S: Ch Bullactiv Stalking Wolf D: Nobul Taking Chances Owner/Breeder: Nobul Knls In close competition with #45 at the end. This is a white bitch also having very good make and shape, good profile and fill and keen expression – scissors bite) she moved well in all directions and was the