

THE FIRST BORDER COLLIE NATIONAL
Sunday, 23rd April & Monday, 24th April

JUDGES CRITIQUE: Heather Turner (Scotland)

Thank you to the First Australian Border Collie National Committee for inviting me to judge, and for making us so welcome. Thanks to the exhibitors for bringing their wonderful dogs and for accepting my decisions so sportingly, it made it a pleasure for me. I was looking for a correctly constructed Border Collie with good breed type, who could move with a typical effortless gait, maintaining a good outline on the move. This I found in my winners.

Parts that need watching, and I think these comments apply worldwide and not just in Australia: Correct front assembly, with a good length of well placed upper arm is the exception, not the rule. Also some of the rear movement is very close. I'm happy to accept that Border Collies move a bit closer than some breeds, *but* some dogs move much too close behind. These are just observations and should not detract from the fact that I had some outstanding dogs to judge and I was 'over the moon' with my winners.

On the plus side, I came not really knowing what to expect. I had been told that I would find overdone Border Collies, with excessive kick back in rear movement and flying tails... How wrong were they!!! I have watched and judged Border Collies in the UK, watched the breed Nationals twice in America, been to shows in Finland and to two World Shows in Europe, and nowhere have I seen anything like the depth of quality of 'correct type' Border Collies as I have seen at this show. I was privileged and honoured to judge them. Thank you all!

BABY PUPPY DOG – 8 present, no absentees (1 – 9, number 5 not in catalogue)
 Lovely babies, a pleasure to judge.

Place	Exhibit	Name	Comment
1	8	Glenloy Hell Raiser (J & S Smith/R Tapp)	Beautiful 3 month old black and white male, good head, lovely shoulder and front angulation, correct body proportions, strong rear. All this resulted in excellent movement for one so young, one for the future. So well behaved!
2	3	Khayoz Leader Othe Pack (Khayoz Kennels)	3 month old, another lovely puppy, outstanding head with well used ears giving a beautiful expression, nice overall make and shape, moved well, another very promising puppy.
3	6	Korella Don Perignon (R Mathew)	This almost 5 month old, nicely constructed baby moved well to take this place. He also shows a lot of promise for the future.
4	7	Quinora Etched In Stone (L Quinto)	5 month old, well made pup who should make a nice adult, moved well for the age.
5	9	Glenloy Hell Ofagoodtime (J & S Smith/R Tapp)	3 months old, who shows a lot of promise.

MINOR PUPPY DOG – 14 present, 2 absent
 A class of promising youngsters.

Place	Exhibit	Name	Comment
1	23	Danari Desert Storm (P & T Wheatley)	Just under 9 months old black and white male, lovely construction, extremely good neck, well placed shoulders and upper arm, nice body length, nice strong back end with strong straight hocks, good croup and tail set, expressive head, moved extremely well in all directions.
2	10	Yeoville All He Can Be (R Atyeo)	6 months old black and white male, nice construction, good neck, nice straight front, nice length to height ratio, masculine head, well placed ears giving nice expression, smallish male, moved very well for age in all directions.
3	12	Bordalace Eye Spy	Almost 7 months old black and white male, masculine head, well

		(A Cowin)	placed ears, nice length of neck, good shoulders and upper arm placement, nice croup, nice length of tail, moved fairly well, promising puppy.
4	17	Trumagik Touch Thetartan (N & M Kay)	7 months old, black and white, very attractive head, nice length of neck, perhaps slightly steep upper arm, fraction long in body, nice condition, moved well with good reach and drive, needs to mature more.
5	18	Clanheath Designa Future (P & J Marshall)	8 months old black and white male, very masculine head, nice shape, well used ears, could perhaps have benefit from a little more front angulation, nice rear, good length to height ratio, moved quite well.
6	20	Benshiva Sportsman (G & P Purvis)	Black and white male, extremely promising young dog, would benefit from better handling, nice construction, lovely head, nice front, correct length of body, lovely croup, moved well when settled. This dog and handler partnership is really worth working on as you have a very promising puppy, who could have a very exciting future in my opinion.
7	22	Libertybrook Forevernow (J Stockbridge)	6 month old baby black and white male, head very babyish at the moment, needs more time, nice straight front, good neck, and nice length of body, moved well when settled.

PUPPY DOG – 15 present, no absentees
A very strong Puppy class.

Place	Exhibit	Name	Comment
1	29	Winpara The Alchemist (R Evans)	9 month old black and white male, very nice overall construction, very alert expression, perhaps needs to strengthen in head a little bit but with time that should come, nice straight front, moderate bone, nice neck and shoulders, good length to height ratio, nice croup, rear end and tail set. Excelled on the move, moved very soundly in all directions, showing nice reach and drive, a promising youngster.
2	35	Nahrof More Than Words (Somers/Bador)	9 months old black and white male, masculine head, nice construction, nice shoulders, nice bone, nice length, held top line very well on the move, nice strong rear, lovely croup and tail set, well carried tail, presented and handled beautifully, a promising youngster.

3	36	Nahrof Spirit World (Somers/Bador)	9 month old male, nice construction, very typical Border Collie head, very alert, nice expression, good neck and shoulders, good length, very typical Border Collie, nice rear, moved very well, slightly unsettled today, a promising puppy.
4	28	Etherial Double Agent (Douglass/Goulding)	Almost 12 month old black and white male, very mature of heavier type, in full coat and beautiful condition, very nicely handled, masculine head, very nice neck, good shoulders and upper arm placement, nice correct front, good length of body, nice strong rear, good croup, moved well, a promising youngster.
5	38	Danari Di Caprio (P & T Wheatley)	Nicely constructed 10 month old male, black and white, moved well, head would benefit from a little bit more stop, nice shoulders, nice bone, handled very well, good croup and tail set, nice strong rear, moved well to gain this place.
6	24	Danari Dramatic Sequel (Bailey/Wheatley)	9 months old black and white male, lovely expressive head, well used ears, good length of neck, nice shoulders and upper arm placement, correct length of body, nice croup, moved well.
7	31	Waveney Caught In Time (J Johns)	11 months old, expressive head, well used ears, nice length of neck, perhaps could have more angulation in front, nice straight front, good top line, nice croup, a promising youngster.

JUNIOR DOG – 12 present, 1 absent
A quality class.

Place	Exhibit	Name	Comment
1	43	Innisman All Said N Done (G & A Hall)	13 month old male, very attractive head, alert expression, nice eye, good ears, good front, lovely neck and shoulders, good length to height ratio, nice strong rear, good croup and tail set, really excelled on the move, very sound dog, very promising.
2	42	Winpara Enter The Dragon (R Evans)	13 months old, masculine head, well used ears, nice dark eye, medium bone, correct length, strong rear, good croup and tail set, moved well in all directions, well presented and handled.
3	49	NZ Tasman Trekker O Clan-Abby (Imp NZ) (J Vos-Butler)	15 months old black and white male, nice head, well used ears, good neck, lovely strong rear, good croup, nice tail set, really came into his own on the move, an excellent mover.
4	46	Maghera Swingingona Star (Maghera Kennels)	Nicely constructed black and white male, 15 months old, nice head, good neck, nice shoulders, good condition, nice croup, moved well.
5	45	Steadfast Chick Magnet (G McKiernan)	13 month old black and white male, good head, nice alert expression, nice eye shape, good length of neck, lovely croup, moved well when settled.
6	39	Pawtails Xpress Edition (M & T Barwick)	Nicely constructed male, 12 months old, good neck, playing up a bit today, but a very promising youngster.
7	41	Kennoway Brush Strokes (Bukley/Attard)	Black and white male, just 12 months, good neck and shoulders, nice croup, good tail set, moved nicely.

INTERMEDIATE DOG – 18 present, 2 absent
Again a quality class.

Place	Exhibit	Name	Comment
1	58	Ch Nahrof Enough Said (Hannigan/Somers/B)	2.5 year old black and white male, nice substance, good head, well used ears, good neck and shoulders, nice body shape, good rear which was used to advantage, moved extremely well to win

		adior)	this strong class, beautifully presented and handled.
2	66	Nahrof Bad Moon Rising (Somers/Badior)	Extremely nice black and white male, shows very well, handled beautifully, masculine head, well used ears, good neck, nice body proportions, nice strong rear, good croup and tail set, very nice male.
3	71	Fetchemin A Knights Tale (D & J Wilden)	Larger type black and white male, 22 months old, very nice head and expression, well used ears, nice straight front, good neck and shoulders, slightly longer cast than the two previous dogs, moved very well, nice strong rear.
4	55	Ch Kayani Seein Stars (J Cant)	20 months old black and white male, glamorously marked, good masculine head, well used ears, nice straight front, good neck, nice shoulder placement, nice length, good croup, moved well.
5	69	Ch & NZ Ch NZ Kiwi Murphy Of Clan-Abby (Imp NZ) (J Vos-Butler)	Black and white male, 2.5 years old, lovely masculine head, nice straight front, nice eye shape, good neck, very nice body length, nice height to length ratio, strong rear, perhaps lost top line a little bit on the move.
6	54	Ch Kayani Outa The Blue (J Cant)	Blue and white male, 2 years old, nice straight front, masculine head, up and tipped ears, reasonable length of neck, good croup and body proportions, moved well.
7	70	Taerlin Bohemianrhapsody (AI) (T & C Wilcher)	Black and white male, 18 months old, one of the younger ones, good straight front, masculine head, good neck, nice body length, good strong rear, good length of tail, moved very well.
8	68	NZ Phantom Mist Oz O Clan-Abby (Imp NZ) (Smith/Tapp)	Nice typical Border Collie head, well used ears, moderate bone, good neck, nice shoulder placement, nice rear, moved very well.
9	64	Maghera Fooled U This Time (K O'Halloran)	Black and white male, nice head, nice head shape, nice straight front, good body shape, and nice rear with a good croup.
10	56	Bordalace Loch Laddie (A Cowin)	Not presented for critique.

AUSTRALIAN BRED DOG – 29 present, 1 absentee

A very, very strong class!

Place	Exhibit	Name	Comment
1	78	Grand Ch Borderfame Mr Magic (Borderfame Knls)	Very typical Border Collie male, excellent head, well used ears, masculine but not over done, very good neck, excellent shoulder placement, correct body proportions, lovely croup, strong rear, well carried and well set tail, move exceptionally well, 'motored' around the ring, with ground covering typical Border Collie movement. Just my type.

2	73	Ch Showioz Makin Waves (K Ashdowne)	Masculine black and white male, strong masculine head, good neck, lovely bone, slightly longer cast, very good strong rear, nice croup and tail carriage, moved exceptionally well. Lovely presentation and handling.
3	84	Grand Ch Benshiva Dot Com (B & M Farrell)	Very well constructed black and white male, lovely head, well used ears, nice neck and shoulders, good body proportions, nice well turned stifles, moved well with good tail carriage.
4	80	Pawtails Hot Buttered (C & J Cavanagh)	Red and white male, masculine head, very nice stop, nice eye shape, good underjaw, good neck and shoulders, nicely placed upper arm, good height to length ratio, strong rear, moved very well.
5	91	Grand Ch Korella Strike A Light (R Mathew)	Black and white male, quite darkly marked, gained this place on his movement, nicely handled, good overall construction, lovely croup and tail set.
6	83	Ch Nahrof Collectors Choice (T Daly)	Masculine black and white male, very masculine head, nice well placed ears, kind expression, good neck, nice strong bone, good body shape and strong rear.
7	94	Crestock Rythemof Thnite (B Scott)	Smaller type black and white male, very nicely constructed, well used ears, good neck and shoulder placement, nice body proportions, strong rear, lovely croup, moved well.
8	101	Ch Danari Destinys Child (P & T Wheatley)	Nicely marked black and white male, masculine head, nice straight front, good length of neck, nice body proportions, good croup, strong rear, nice short hocks.
9	87	Ch Kyntaf Blessing N Disguise (S Krol)	Masculine headed male, nice eye shape, good neck, nice strong bone, good body proportions, strong rear, moved well.
10	92	Ch Wiralee Wild World (M Ralph)	Nice headed male, well used ears, good neck, nice straight front, good body proportions, nice shoulder placement, nice croup, a nice male all round.

OPEN DOG – 23 present, 3 absent (very strong class)

I had previously thought Open Dog at Crufts was a strong class, but this class was better. An outstanding class!

Place	Exhibit	Name	Comment
1	108	Ch Etherial Chase The Ace (Douglass/Goulding)	Mature, upstanding male that never put a foot wrong, beautifully presented and handled, exquisite head with lovely ears and correct male Border Collie expression. Nice neck, good shoulders and very good upper arm placement, nice length of body, good strong rear, nice croup, nice strong hocks, and full of quality and breed type. I loved him for his soundness, moved effortlessly round the ring, maintaining a beautiful top line, a delight to judge.
2	109	Ch Winpara Secret Obsession ADM JDX (R Evans)	Top quality male, beautiful head, lovely ears, very good neck and shoulders, very pleasing outline standing and on the move, nice well muscled rear, short well let down hocks, moved extremely well to take second in this very, very strong class, could win anywhere in the world.
3	103	Aust Grand, Am, Lux, Dut, Pol, UK Sh Ch Borderfame Heart N Soul (Borderfame Knls)	Top quality, upstanding male, masculine head, nice neck, good shoulders, nice bone, nice backline, strong rear, moved extremely well to take third place in this exceptional class, a lovely male, presented, handled and trained to perfection.
4	122	Aust, Int & Jap Ch Border Lane JP Talisman (Imp Jp) (L Somers)	Smaller type male, extremely nice head, well used ears, lovely neck and shoulders, nice straight front, nice backline, strong rear, another exceptionally nice male.
5	107	Grand Ch Tuckonie Ycan If Ywanto CD	Strongly made male, masculine head, well used ears, nice neck, good shoulders, nice backline, strong rear, move very well for this

		(Cox/Powell)	place in this exceptional class.
6	126	Ch Fetchemin Caught Ya Lookn (D & J Wilden)	Very free moving black and white male, moved very nicely, expressive head, good neck, nice body proportions, good croup, moved well to take this place in this exceptionally strong class.
7	111	Aust Grand & Tr Ch Borderfame Ima Believer CDX ADX JDM ET HIC (P & V Hofto)	Quality male, nice head, well used ears, nice eye shape, nice strong bone, good backline, strong rear quarters, nice croup, again a top quality male in an outstanding class.
8	104	Grand Ch Monochrome Currency Creek (N & L Butler)	Nice quality male, lovely head, well used ears, nice front, very well handled, moved well to take this place in this class.
9	118	Ch Monochrome Maestro (W & P Nicholls)	Black and white male, lovely masculine head, well used ears, nice neck, nice shoulders and back line, nice strong rear, lovely croup, again a very nice dog.
10	72	Ch Borbern Mastrs Aprentice (P & E Wong)	Masculine head, black and white male, nice straight front, good back line, nice strong rear, moved well.

VETERAN DOG – 8 present, no absentees

Another exceptional class, outstanding quality throughout, I was spoilt for choice.

Place	Exhibit	Name	Comment
1	134	Aust & Jap Ch Nahrof The Talisman (Somers/Bador)	Top quality 8 years old, black and white, straight out of the top draw, text book angulation, moved like a dream, a pleasure to judge, presented and handled beautifully. I loved him!
2	135	Grand Ch Tullacrest Soul Mate (Tullacrest Kennels)	9 years old, black and white male, also top quality, I was splitting hairs between them, lovely head and eye, very correct angulation, moved exceptionally well, a privilege to judge.
3	128	Grand Ch Danbeth Fullstop (Atkins)	9 years old, black and white male, masculine head, very good stop, nice eye shape, good underjaw, lovely body proportions, good croup, moved very well, nicely handled.
4	133	Grand Ch Korella Fire N Ice (R Mathew)	Red and white male nearly 10 years old, lovely head and ears, good neck, nice body proportions, moved very soundly, a lovely dog presented and handled beautifully.
5	131	Grand Ch Waveney Midnite Nuance (Douglass/Goulding)	9 years old black and white male, masculine head, lovely ears giving typical Border Collie expression, good neck, nice body proportions, good croup, moved very well, again beautifully presented and handled.

CHALLENGE DOG – Open Class Winner - Exhibit No 108

Aust Ch Etherial Chase The Ace

I was spoilt for choice, between the Veteran, the Open and the Australian Bred. I could have easily had any of them. The Open winner appealed to me because he was so masculine. Everything fitted – everything in the right place. He moved like a dream, very correct shoulders and upper arm placement. I couldn't fault the dog. I could have taken him home!

RESERVE CHALLENGE DOG – Australian Bred Winner - Exhibit No 78

Grand Ch Borderfame Mr Magic

I could have easily given it to either of the three again. I chose the Australian Bred Dog. Once again he excelled in shoulder and upper arm placement, which results in lovely forward reach. Lovely, fluent, typical Border Collie movement with minimum lift of feet. The Veteran, sadly, played up a little with the clapping.

The Dog Challenge line up, in my opinion, was phenomenal, all top quality, at varying levels of maturity. Breathtaking to look at, and a total privilege to judge!

BABY PUPPY BITCH – 13 present, no absentees

Place	Exhibit	Name	Comment
1	143	Trucharm Front Page News (S & K Leslie)	Black and white bitch, 5 months old, extremely promising puppy, very feminine head, well used ears, lovely neck and shoulders, good body proportions, nice strong rear, nice bone, moved exceptionally well for the age.
2	139	Ethereal Curtain Call (Douglass/Goulding)	Black and white bitch, 5 months old, strongly made, nicely constructed, moved very, very well, well used ears, a very nice puppy.
3	138	Bordataz Angelic Star (A Cowin)	Darkly marked, very pretty, 4 months old, nicely constructed, moved very well for her age, very promising.
4	136	Tehya Reach Forth Stars (T Bailey)	Very glamorously marked, 5 months old, very pretty head, well used ears, good neck and shoulders, nice back end, very promising puppy.
5	148	Glenloy Hellfreezersova (Smith/Tapp)	A cute little baby puppy, very nicely constructed, 3 month old baby puppy bitch, very nice to go over, very promising, everything in the right place, should make a nice adult.

MINOR PUPPY BITCH – 12 present, 2 absent

Place	Exhibit	Name	Comment
1	160	Dalheath Lady In Lace (M Rockey)	Extremely pretty black and white bitch, very feminine head, lovely tip ears which she used constantly, lovely straight front, good neck, good length of back, very strong quarters, nice tail set, moved beautifully. A very, very promising bitch puppy.
2	154	Kyntaf Ima Little Star (S Krol)	A very well constructed black and white bitch, very nice neck and shoulders, nice substance, very strong back end, really came into her own on the move, beautiful mover, very promising for the future.
3	156	Trumagik Bon Appetite (J Mannell)	Red and white bitch, very pretty and feminine, very feminine head, nice dark eye, good neck, shoulders nicely constructed, moved very well.
4	152	Bordalace Th Eyes Hav It (A Cowin)	Feminine black and white bitch, nicely constructed, moved well.
5	159	Quinora Singin Intherain (L Quinto)	Black and white bitch, just 7 months, nicely constructed, moved well.

PUPPY BITCH - 15 present, no absentees

A very strong class.

Place	Exhibit	Name	Comment
1	169	Ethereal Double Platinum (Douglass/Goulding)	Beautifully constructed black and white bitch, almost 12 months, very pretty feminine head, well used ears, very nice neck and very correct shoulders and upper arm placement, nice body length, good strong back end, lovely croup, moved extremely well.
2	167	Nahrof Girl Talk (L Cook)	Very feminine, pretty, black and white bitch, lovely straight front, pretty head, nice height to length ratio, moved extremely well, very typical Border Collie action.
3	173	Ethereal Double Delight (J Schmid)	Black and white bitch, 9 months old, moved very well, promising puppy, nicely presented and handled.
4	172	Winpara The Chalice (A Ochman)	Red and white bitch, this bitch was her own worst enemy today sadly, nicely constructed, glimpses of very nice movement, needs

			more ring training but is worth persevering with, a very nice bitch, whom I liked a lot.
5	177	Danari Demi Moore (Tolstikoff/Wheatley)	Very pretty, feminine, dark headed, black and white bitch, 10 months old, beautiful side gait, moved very well, very promising for the future.
6	168	Danbeth Time To Return (Danbeth Kennels)	Dark headed, black and white bitch, moved well when settled.
7	170	Fearma Lady Igraine (Harris/Herbert)	Very pretty black and white bitch, again moved well when settled.

JUNIOR BITCH – 12 present, no absentees - A beautiful class.

Place	Exhibit	Name	Comment
1	189	Royal Oz-Star O Clan-Abby (Imp NZ) (J Vos-Butler)	One out of the top draw, extremely nice, feminine bitch, moved like a dream, lovely head and expression, well used ears, good neck and shoulders, beautiful body proportions, very correct in every department, lovely croup and tail carriage, very nicely presented and handled, a real joy to judge.
2	179	Tookurra Magic In The Cards (Douglass/Goulding)	Black and white bitch, 14 months old, very nicely constructed, moved extremely well, this was a very strong class, the first two was really just splitting hairs, a lovely bitch in all aspects, she has a very promising future.
3	187	Dalheath Paint Th Stars (M Rockey)	Black and white bitch, 12 months old, nicely constructed, left her coat at home today, moved very well which gained her this place. One for the future.

4	185	NZ Star Of Phantom O Clan-Abby (Imp NZ) (K O'Halloran)	Black and white bitch, 12 months old, moved very well to take this place, nicely constructed, nice head and ears, nice neck, good bone and substance, moved well.
5	184	Steadfast Catchme If U Can (G McKiernan)	Feminine black and white bitch, 13 months old, moved well to take this place, very well presented and handled.

INTERMEDIATE BITCH – 25 present, 7 absent
Another wonderful class.

Place	Exhibit	Name	Comment
1	216	Nahrof Never Off Key (Somers/Badior)	Extremely feminine 2 year old bitch, lovely head and ears, nice straight front, good neck, nice body length, strong quarters, moved extremely well to win this strong class, presentation and handling first class.
2	218	NZ Ch Clan-Abby NZ Thunders Krestrel (Imp NZ) (J Vos-Butler)	Very sound moving black and white 2.5 year old bitch, nicely proportioned, good neck and shoulders, nice croup, good back, moved well to take second in this strong class.
3	212	Aust & Jap Ch Dazzling Bluestar JP A Dreamy Girl (Imp Jpn) (G Richens)	Black and white 2 year old bitch, extremely sound and effortless movement, feminine head, good back line, good top line held on the move, strong rear.
4	204	Ch Waveney Red Hot Rumours (J Johns)	Red and white, stronger made bitch but still feminine in head, nice well used ears, very good construction, moved extremely soundly.
5	217	Lochardin Dresd N Dimonz (P Wachtel)	Feminine black and white bitch, 20 months, nicely used ears, nice straight front, good top line standing, nice strong rear.
6	219	Danari Drama Queen (P & T Wheatley)	Feminine black and white bitch, nice strong back line, very well presented and handled, moved very well.
7	190	Showioz Makin Magik (K Ashdowne)	Very feminine, very pretty head, lovely tip tilted ears, nice strong back line, extremely sound mover, left her clothes at home today.
8	220	Ch Danari Datewith Destiny (P & T Wheatley)	Feminine black and white bitch, lovely head and expression, nice construction, moved soundly, although was losing her top line on the move today.
9	214	Famewyn Rumour Has It (B Scott)	Very pretty headed black and white bitch, nice straight front, perhaps a touch longer in body than I prefer, very nicely presented and handled.
10	196	Kayani Kiss N Tell (J Cant)	Red and white bitch, extremely pretty, feminine head, lovely tip tilted ears, a very pretty little girl, sound mover.

AUSTRALIAN BRED BITCH – 28 present, 9 absent
Another excellent class, again, spoilt for choice.

Place	Exhibit	Name	Comment
1	222	Ch Nahrof Ghost Ofa Chance ADX JDX (M Aldous)	5 year old black and white bitch, extremely feminine, well used ears, alert expression, very good neck and shoulders, nice body length, strong rear, moved exceptionally well to head this strong class, very well presented and handled.

2	223	Ch Dykinta Rave Review (W Atkins)	3 year old black and white bitch, split face which doesn't detract at all, nice feminine head, good neck, nice length, good strong rear, nice croup, moved very well to get second in this very strong class, well presented and handled.
3	253	Ch Gremaric My Myself I (G Richens)	5 year old black and white bitch, a bit out of coat, very pretty feminine head, nice straight front, moved like a dream to gain third place in this very strong class.
4	226	Ch Danari Destinys Rose (Bailey/Wheatley)	3.5 year old black and white bitch, pretty feminine head, good neck, good substantial body, nice croup, well turned stifle, moved well, very nicely handled.
5	238	Ch Cucriche Chances Are (Douglass/Goulding)	Black and white bitch, 6 years old, very pretty head, expressive, lovely ear carriage, nice eye shape, very nice body and very good coat condition, moved well to gain this place in a strong class, very nicely handled.
6	236	Ch Bordalace Luck Of The Irish (Cowin/King)	3 year old black and white bitch, smaller type, moved very nicely, well presented and handled, lovely outline standing, correct front and rear angles.
7	239	Ch Benshiva Heaven Can Wait JD (B & M Farrell)	4 years old, very nice type bitch, lovely head, very good ears, nice straight front, nice correct body shape, overall a very nice bitch who did well in a very strong class.
8	248	Ch Clanheath Cause A Scandal (J & P Marshall)	4 year old black and white bitch, smaller type, very good ground reaching, ground covering movement, moved well to secure this place, nicely handled.
9	251	Ch Tastown Designer Lady (L Prowse)	Nice 3 year old black and white bitch, feminine head, well used ears, lovely dark eyes, good eye shape, perhaps carried a little too much weight, nice condition, well handled.
10	258	Ch Keyonne Touch O Willow (K & Y Williams)	Pretty 5 year old black and white bitch, good stop, nice back line, well presented and handled.

OPEN BITCH – 23 present, 5 absent

A fantastic class, all 10 placed are beautiful bitches, I was slitting hairs on the day.

Place	Exhibit	Name	Comment
1	261	Ch Kennoway Colour Me Tartn (Buckley/Kennoway)	4 year old black and white bitch, very pretty head, well used ears, really came into her own on the move, moved beautifully, got better as the class went on, side gait excellent, giving a lovely flowing action, an excellent bitch, well handled to top this strong class.
2	278	Ch Tullacrest Moulen Rouge (Tullacrest Kennels)	4 year old black and white bitch, beautifully presented, very well handled, expressive head, well used ears, moderate bone, good back line, nice strong rear, well carried tail, excelled on the move, lovely long, flowing action.
3	269	Ch Kennoway Paintmeapicture (Kennoway Kennels)	7 year old black and white bitch, pretty head, well used ears, nice stop, good eye shape, nice neck, good back line, strong rear, lovely tail set, moved very well.
4	271	Ch Maghera Stars Inher Eyes (Maghera Kennels)	Pretty black and white bitch, 5 years old, lovely expressive head, well used ears, very feminine, nice body shape, moved well.
5	280	Grand Ch Danari Dance Away (P & T Wheatley)	5.5 year old black and white bitch, extremely pretty bitch, very feminine, lovely head and ears, nice neck, good back line, perhaps could be carrying a shade too much weight, extremely nice bitch, very well presented and handled.
6	262	Dual Ch (T) Cucriche Bat Outa Hell CDX JD (E & P Camp)	Really lovely 6 year old bitch, one of my favourites from the start, pretty head, well used ears, nice body shape, sadly today didn't give her all on the move, another day perhaps.
7	270	Ch Trucharm The	Pretty headed 3 year old bitch, nice front, good back line, moved

		Power O Three HIC (S & K Leslie)	well, well presented and handled, another top quality bitch.
8	274	Ch Gremeric All Talk HT (G Richens)	4 year old black and white bitch of nice type, moved very well, nice back line, good croup, lovely long tail, well handled and presented.
9	283	Ch Fetchemin Tohot To Touch (D & J Wilden)	7 year old black and white bitch, very pretty head, lovely expression, good ear carriage, nice back line, short strong hocks, lovely croup, moved well in this strong class.
10	284	Ch Keyonne Loch O Legend (K & Y Williams)	6 year old pretty bitch, lovely head and expression, nice back line, good croup, handled very well to take tenth place in this very strong class.

VETERAN BITCH – 9 present, 1 absentee

A wonderful class of bitches in their prime, all of them very worthy Champions.

Place	Exhibit	Name	Comment
1	288	Ch Bordalace My Sweet Lady (Cowin/King)	8 years old bitch, I love this bitch, beautiful type, lovely head type, lovely straight front, good neck and shoulders, lovely back line, lovely croup and tail set, just my up of tea, moved extremely well, thanks for bringing her.
2	290	Aust Grand & Am Ch Trumagik Attah Tude (N & M Kay)	Another lovely black and white bitch, 9.5 years old, moved extremely well, very feminine, lovely back line, nice croup, moved out well to take second in this very strong veterans class, well presented and handled.
3	294	Grand Ch Nahrof Turning Point (Somers/Badior)	8 years old, very nice type of bitch, beautifully presented and handled, moved well, nice strong back line, to take third place in this strong veterans class.
4	291	Grand Ch Monochrome Roseworthy (Keniry/Nicholls)	7 years old black and white bitch, this bitch gained this place on her movement, a nice type, nice head, as I say moved very well.
5	292	Ch Kellagem Keepsake (W & M Morgan)	Almost 8 years old black and white bitch, very pretty head, nice ears, moved very well to take this place.

CHALLENGE BITCH – Veteran Class Winner - Exhibit No 288

Ch Bordalace My Sweet Lady

Very tough decision in a really beautiful line up. Bitch Challenge went to the Veteran Bitch. I adored this bitch, I adored her breed type. She is everything to me a Border Collie should be... she just oozes Border Collie. Couldn't look past her.

RESERVE CHALLENGE BITCH – Open Class Winner - Exhibit No 261

Ch Kennoway Colour Me Tartn

A difficult decision, I was torn really between three, the Open, The Australian Bred and the Intermediate being all outstanding bitches. They all moved out well, but the Open winner really excelled, the more she went the better she got, so she gained the Reserve Challenge. But I was delighted with my Bitch Challenge line up, each a credit to the breed.

BEST IN SHOW – Aust Ch Etherial Chase The Ace

RUNNER UP IN SHOW - Aust Grand Ch Borderfame Mr Magic

I gave Best In Show to the Dog Challenge, and Runner Up To Best In Show to the Reserve Dog Challenge. Overall today I felt the males were the stronger sex, and I had, in my opinion, the best in the world to judge. However, this comment in no way detracts from the quality of my winning bitches, also who in my opinion, could win anywhere in the world.

BEST BABY PUPPY IN SHOW – Glenloy Hell Raiser (Exhibit No 8)

Best Opposite Baby Puppy In Show – Trucharm Front Page News (Exhibit No 143)

Two very promising babies, both should have excellent futures. Today I chose the baby boy, good luck with him for the future.

BEST MINOR PUPPY IN SHOW – Danari Desert Storm (Exhibit No 23)

Best Opposite Minor Puppy In Show – Dalheath Lady In Lace (Exhibit No 160)

Again nothing to choose between them, both delightful. On moving them again I decided today the dog had the edge.

BEST PUPPY IN SHOW – Etherial Double Platinum (Exhibit No 169)

Best Opposite Puppy In Show – Winpara The Alchemist (Exhibit No 29)

Both extremely promising Puppies. The bitch got it as a bit more mature, but both moved out beautifully.

BEST JUNIOR IN SHOW – Royal Oz-Star O Clan-Abby (Imp NZ) (Exhibit No 189)

Best Opposite Junior In Show – Innisman All Said N Done (Exhibit No 43)

Both lovely Juniors, delighted with both. Today the bitch was my choice.

BEST INTERMEDIATE IN SHOW – Nahrof Never Off Key (Exhibit No 216)

Best Opposite Immediate In Show – Aust Ch Nahrof Enough Said (Exhibit No 58)

Loved both of these, nothing between them at all. But a choice had to be made, and the extremely pretty bitch won.

BEST AUSTRALIAN BRED IN SHOW – Grand Ch Borderfame Mr Magic (Exhibit No 78)

Best Opposite Australian Bred In Show – Aust Ch Nahrof Ghost Ofa Chance ADX JDX (Exhibit No 222)

Two top quality exhibits. Today this male was exceptional on the move and could not be denied this win. The winner was my Runner Up To Best In Show.

BEST OPEN IN SHOW – Aust Ch Etherial Chase The Ace (Exhibit No 108)

Best Opposite Open In Show – Aust Ch Kennoway Colour Me Tartn (Exhibit No 261)

Two beautiful examples of the breed. Of course, the winner was my Best In Show.

BEST VETERAN IN SHOW – Aust & Jap Ch Nahrof The Talisman (Exhibit No 134)

Best Opposite Veteran In Show – Aust Ch Bordalace My Sweet Lady (Exhibit No 288)

This proved a headache to me as the male, whom I had loved in his class and then he let himself down in the Dog Challenge by getting excited with the clapping. But in this class he did not put a foot wrong, and showed like a dream. He moved outstandingly and although I adored my Bitch Challenge winner and thought her a very worthy winner in wonderful company, she was beginning to have had enough by this stage. So the male was my winner, but again two superb examples of the breed.