

Thank you to the L&HC Boxer Club Committee for inviting me to judge their Open Show (June 2026). I must give a special thank you to my steward, who kept proceedings running as smoothly as possible. (However it was a shame that we had several absentees due to classes clashing with the heart testing). It was a super venue, the sun was shining and I was able to judge outside. There was a lovely friendly atmosphere throughout the day and I was provided with a delicious lunch and given a lovely engraved glass memento, which I will treasure. Needless to say it was a huge honour and a very pleasurable day. I am also pleased to say that I only encountered one or two rounded mouths compared to the last time I judged.

CRITIQUE

Class 1: Baby Puppy Dog Entry 1 Absent 1

Class 2: Baby Puppy Bitch Entry 2 Absent 0

1. ARKENY INFINITY AT FARVALLEY – 5mth old br/w. Lovely square profile with correct angulation fore and aft. Good depth of chest; nicely sprung rib; short loin with correct tailset. Feminine head of correct proportion with beautifully shaped dark eyes. Nose with open nostrils; evident chin and good bite. Moved well for such a youngster. Awarded BBPIS
2. ARKENY IMPULSE – sibling to 1. Darker brindle but with all the attributes of her sister. A very feminine headpiece; correctly proportioned with a good rise of skull and the darkest of eyes. Good depth and width of muzzle with excellent dentition. Today just took a little time to settle when moving but did show some good strides.

Class 3: Minor Puppy Dog Entry 1 Absent 0

1. ASHRONSHA MR LOVER LOVER – 8mth old br/w puppy who is developing nicely. Lovely square profile with well laid back shoulders; gently sloping top line and correct tail set. A pleasing head of correct proportions. Well padded muzzle, correct nose with wide nostrils and a good straight mouth. Movement was steady, showing good foot fall.

Class 4: Puppy Dog Entry 1 Absent 0

1. WINUWUK AIN'T NO SUNSHINE – 9mth r/w; a good sized stylish male. Presented in pristine condition. Profile showed good overall construction with just the right amount of muscle developing for his age. He showed off his lovely arched neck, flowing to defined withers and a gently sloping top line to a correct tail set. He had a parallel front with well boned forelegs and tight feet. To complete the picture was a correctly proportioned, clean head with defined stop and a blocky, deep muzzle. He had an evident chin and broad lower jaw, housing straight teeth. He moved confidently and effortlessly around the ring. Awarded BPIS

Class 5: Junior Dog Entry 3 Absent 1

1. MELLHAWK AZIZAM – 14mth medium sized b/w male that showed square in profile. Parallel front, with forelegs having rounded bone and lovely cat like feet. Good depth of chest; arched neck; gentle sloping top line and good tail set. Body developing good muscle tone throughout. Head of correct ratios, with a few expressive wrinkles; dark eyes and a well padded muzzle. Moved well for his handler.
2. LOTTALOVE NORDIC GYPSY KING – Darker br/w male of approx. the same age. Slightly heavier build overall than 1. Took a while to settle but had good angulation to the front and rear quarters; gentle sloping top line and good tail set. A typical boxer head, with a defined stop; well padded muzzle; dark eyes and large nose with open nostrils. A little erratic on the move and did not make it easy for his handler.

Class 6: Novice Dog Entry 0 Absent 0

Class 7: Post Graduate Dog Entry 3 Absent 0

This was one of the best classes of the day, full of quality males.

1. DICEULON TOP HAT AND TAILS AT MERQUIN (AI) – 3yr old medium sized br/w male who immediately caught my eye in the line up due to his overall balance and square profile. His short brindle coat was gleaming in the sunlight. He showed off his well arched neck; gentle sloping top line and correct tail set. Correctly constructed front and rear quarters with excellent lay back of shoulder and well boned throughout. A clean well proportioned head with good rise of skull and defined stop. Beautiful well shaped dark expressive eyes and ears set nicely against his cheeks. Nose with a slight tilt and open nostrils set on a well padded muzzle. Correct boxer bite with broad lower jaw; evident chin and good dentition. He moved effortlessly around the ring with an elastic gait. Well deserving of BD and BIS.
2. FARVALLEY PURE DELIGHT – 2yr old substantial golden br/w male. A noble stance showing off a well arched neck, gently sloping top line, short croup and correct tail set. He was deep in brisket with good spring of rib. Lovely clean, balanced head with a good rise of skull and well padded muzzle completed with a correct Boxer bite and good dentition. Moved well for his handler, whilst showing good rear drive and correct footfall. Awarded RBD
3. MARBLETON MIX'N MATCH

Class 8: Limit Dog Entry 1 Absent 0

1. LEGEND OF THOR AT ROBINSTECK JW – Br/w male with plenty of substance, standing square in profile. Clean neck and level top line with correct tail set. Firm loin, with well muscled hindquarters; good turn of stifle and straight hocks. Correct skull to muzzle ratio; nicely placed ears and lovely shaped eyes. Would have preferred to see a slightly wider lower jaw. Moved well out and back.

Class 9: Open Dog Entry 2 Absent 1

1. WINUWUK LINE OF DUTY FOR ENESHA – 4yr old tall br/w smart male. Lovely clean, well balanced head with deep well padded muzzle, beautiful dark eyes and a nose with open nostrils. Correct bite and good dentition. Well boned front legs with tight feet. Good angulation to fore and aft. Moved at pace, and kept level top line on the move.

Class 10: Special Open Dog / Bitch Entry 0 Absent 0

Class 11: Special Beginners Dog / Bitch Entry 3 Absent 0

1. *LOTTALOVE NORDIC GYPSY KING* – see previous comments in JD, although was definitely more settled in this class and showed himself better. Probably just needs more time.
2. MELOMIGS JUNIPER – 3yr old red bitch. Head had a lovely dark mask; well padded muzzle; straight lower jaw and evident chin. Presented a slightly 'chunky' profile, perhaps carrying a few extra pounds. She had a level top line and good depth of chest. Moved enthusiastically around the ring
3. BANTAMBOX HONEYBEE AT BRAYBOX

Class 12: Veteran Dog / Bitch Entry 2 Absent 1

1. ASHRONSHA WILDEST DREAMS – This little lady was 10yrs old and definitely knew what she had to do. She stood square in profile showing off her well arched neck flowing into a short back with gently sloping top line. Correct front and rear angulations. Still had a very feminine head with not too many wrinkles and a lovely silver grey mask and a well padded muzzle. Full of character, she was grunting to herself and eager to get on with the job in hand, showing that she could still move well despite her years.
Awarded BVIS

Class 13: Minor Puppy Bitch Entry 2 Absent 0

1. ASHRONSHA DOLLY MY LOVE – dark br/w. Stylish baby and very feminine. Presented well –stood, displaying a smart outline and good angulations at the front and rear. She had a pretty head with good rise of skull; dark eyes; a padded muzzle and good dentition. Was a little unsettled on the move but trying her best to please, just needs time to develop and build in confidence.
2. BANTAMBOX HONEYBEE AT BRAYBOX – 8mth old r/w bitch with a friendly demeanour. She is still very much a baby and needs time to develop. Elegant profile with a level top line and good tail set. Head of correct ratio but would prefer slightly more padding under the eyes. Good lip placement. Front parallel albeit a little narrow. Not quite as good on the move as 1.

Class 14: Puppy Bitch Entry 1 Absent 0

1. WINUWUK SEASON IN THE SUN – Smart, well grown r/w bitch; just 9mth and seemed very confident for her age. Her short red coat was in excellent condition. Structurally - well balanced, with correct angulation at the front and rear. Well boned forelegs with tight cat like feet. A very expressive head with lovely dark eyes. A deep, well padded muzzle with good lip placement and excellent dentition. Moved out and back with plenty of drive for one so young. I will be watching her show career with interest as she continues to develop.

Class 15: Junior Bitch Entry 0 Absent 0

Class 16 Novice Bitch Entry 5 Absent 3 + 1 Transf

1. CASEMATES MINERVA AT THENAMY – r/w bitch who stood alone today. Overall a well toned body with good depth of brisket and a well defined underline. Evident fore-chest of good width, and parallel front. Correctly proportioned head with a lovely black mask. Dark expressive eyes that were a good size and shape; padded muzzle and nose with large nostrils. She had good lip placement and an evident chin. Moved well, at a steady pace with her handler.

Class 17: Post Graduate Bitch Entry 3 Absent 0

This was a very nice class of quality bitches

1. DICEULON LULAMITZ SUPRISE SUPRISE – 2yr old br/w bitch who was alert with a very friendly character. Stylish feminine outline, making good use of her well arched neck. Stood 4 square with good lay back of shoulder and firm back. Well sprung ribcage and a nice tuck up. Correctly developed hindquarters with well let down hocks. Correctly proportioned head with good rise of skull and defined stop. Nice padded muzzle and a lower jaw housing straight teeth. Good reach and drive when in motion.
2. HIPKINS CHARISMATIC – 2yr old dk br/w bitch with a short gleaming coat. Another well constructed bitch with plenty of bone and lovely cat like feet. Correct depth of forechest of good width. A very pretty head; correctly proportioned with lovely dark eyes, well placed ears, padded muzzle with good dentition. Good mover with correct footfall. Winner just had the edge when it came to alertness and showmanship today
3. JEDDHI SPICE IT UP AT FARVALLEY

Class 18: Limit Bitch Entry 1 Absent 0

1. WINUWUK FIRECRACKER – A quality dark br/w bitch who presented a very stylish, elegant profile. Very clean headed bitch with good rise of skull, defined stop and good depth of muzzle. Good lip placement and excellent dentition; completing the picture with beautiful dark eyes. Correct overall construction and kept a strong top line on the move. A strong contender in the final line up - Awarded RBB

Class 19: Open Bitch Entry 6 Absent 4

1. ARKENY GENEVA – A medium sized br/w bitch with plenty of bone and substance whilst still retaining her femininity. Portrayed a lovely square profile; showing a seamless flow from her arched neck, withers to a firm back with gently sloping top line and a correct tail set. Well constructed frame with good angulations to the front and rear. She had a broad deep chest and parallel front. Her head was of correct proportion with good depth of muzzle; lovely dark eyes and a super mouth – wide, straight with large teeth. She showed fluent movement around the ring demonstrating good reach and drive. Deserving of Best Bitch award
2. MELLHAWK JIGGERLICIOUS – Another quality golden br/w bitch with plenty of attributes. Feminine headpiece with very expressive eyes and well padded muzzle. Overall, presented a balanced profile with good angulation fore and aft; well laid back shoulder; evident fore-chest; a level top line and nice tuck up. Showed some good strides as she moved around the ring.

