Critique: The Samoyed Club Inc New Zealand 19/08/2023

I would like to thank the Club for inviting me to judge at the show. It is always an honour to be invited to judge a Club Specialty. Thank you to the exhibitors for entering their dogs. I found a few to be a little soft in pastern, something which I saw quite a bit of overseas. Perhaps something to be aware of. The surface in the arena may have contributed to some dogs not feeling quite secure of their footing which in turn may have affected how the stood and moved

Baby Puppy Dog:

1 Kalisa Holding Out For A Hero

Just three months old. Well put together baby at this stage. Masculine, well boned with compact outline, in good baby coat with well set and carried tail. Strong head with thick ears, good pigmentation, balanced moderate angulation front and rear. Moved and showed well for such a baby

Puppy Dog:

2 Kursharn King of Witchcraft

7 month old puppy in good coat with a well balanced outline. Good head and expression with correct eye shape and colour, scissor bite, Missing some pigment on the lipline but this will most likely fill in with age. Showed well but a but not comfortable on the move today.

Junior Dog:

1 Ryazanz Lone Wolf

Medium sized young male in good coat, well set and carried tail. Compact body. Strong masculine head with pleasing expression, thick ears, good pigmentation, correct bite. Good feet, a little soft in pasterns for his age. Moved well

Intermediate Dog:

1 Ch. Zaminka Royal Applause

Good sized masculine dog in good coat. Strong masculine head, pleasing expression, good pigmentation, lovely thick ears. Moderate angulation, correct tail set and carriage, moved and showed well

2 Ch. Kalisa Right From The Start

Good outline but out of coat. Masculine head, lovely expression. Correct tail set and carriage. Not happy today.

Limit Dog:

1 Sunshine C-J'S Kenai Good shape but slightly underweight. Moderate angulation. Pleasing head and expression. Good feet but a little soft in pastern. Moved OK

New Zealand Bred Dog: 1 Sunshine C-J'S Harry Up to size masculine dog. I liked his outline, well angulated, good reach of neck but out of coat today. Strong masculine head with pleasing expression Moved well 2 Ryazanz Circle of Life

Nice young male in good coat, well presented. Pleasing outline. Pleasing masculine head with good expression. Prefered movement on 1

3 Neut Ch Zaminka Diamond Prince (neutered)

I was bit surprised when checking testicles to find a neuter in the class as we show them separately in Australia. They are still a part of a breeding program and judged against the standard. This example is a credit to his breeding.

Masculine, pleasing outline. In good coat. Let himself down on the final run around.

Open Dog:

1 SPR Ch & SPL Gr Ch Zaminka Cat Among Pigeons

Upstanding male. Lovely outline, good reach of neck giving elegance. Well angulated, correct tail set and carriage. Pleasing head and expression, correct bite. No quite in full coat but adequate and well presented. Moved and showed well. Dog Challenge and BIS

2 Ch Kalisa Shining Light of Sunshine.

Another upstanding male. Good outline with lovely reach of neck. Well angulated. Very pleasing head and expression, good pigmentation, correct bite. Showed and moved well. Reserve dog challenge.

Baby Puppy Bitch:

1 Kalisa Holding Onto The Light

Just 3 months old, litter sister to baby dog. Lovely outline pleasing head and expression with lovely biscuit ears. Good tail set and carriage. Moved and showed well for such a baby

Puppy Bitch:

1 Kursharn Queen of Sass

Lovely 7 month old who will live up to her name I'm sure. In lovely puppy coat, Good outrline. Lovely head and expression, dark eye and good pigment. Lovely thick fluffy ears. Handled the surface and moved and showed well. Bitch challenge and reserve BIS.

2 Sunshine Alexandria

Taller puppy, going through a bit of an awkward stage. Not in coat. Good head and expression. Moved OK

Junior Bitch

1 Ch Vanzam Femme Fatale In good coat and well presented. Lovely head and expression. Would prefer a little more angulation in front for balance. Moved Well

Limit Bitch:

1 Kursharn Lacez Kruzin at Ryazanz

Nice young bitch in good coat. Moderate angulation. Good head with sweet expression Profuse tail carried well. Moved well

2 Sunshine Nova Rose Not in the best of coats. Good head and expression. Unsettled on the move New Zealand Bred Bitch: 1 Kursharn Witches Witch Lovely bitch, good outline and in full coat. Nice head and expression, good pigment. A little down in pastern but showed and moved well

2 Ch Kalisa Christmas Miracle Taller girl, not in full coat. Good head and expression. Moved well

Veteran Bitch:

ChKursharn Golden Witch
years young. Another not in coat on the day. Good outline with lovely reach of neck. Pleasing head and expression. Tail carried well but with a little bit of a curl.
Moved well

2 Sunshine Over Gold (spayed)

I think this girl would have been happier on the couch at home today. Pleasing head and expression. Abundant coat, not happy to move in the ring today

Open Bitch:

1 Ch Kurshan Anzac Fergie Good outline, in ok coat today with full tail. Lovely reach of neck. Pleasing head and expression. Good pigmentation. Moved well. Reserve Challenge

2 NZ Ch Anaky This is Me (Imp Aust) Good outline , looked to be going through coat change, Pleasing head and expression. Moved Ok when settled.

3 Ch Sunshine Rem'ber Jalee (spayed)

Bigger girl. Good outline, abundant coat. Good head and expression. Moved ok when settled.