

Judging at the Great Dane Club Of Western Washington Jason Hoke September 21, 2012

I would like to thank the members of the Great Dane Club of Western Washington for the honor of allowing me to judge their specialty show.

Overall I felt that the quality was very strong. My winners dog who was from the 6-9 Puppy dog class was a wonderful type dog with excellent bone and substance. I understand it was his first show at 6 months and one day. When he was cooperating with his handler (it's so great to see puppy's give the handlers a challenge and makes me smile) he presented a very nice outline with excellent scope of neck and flow into his shoulders. He also had the correct eye and expression.

My reserve winners dog was a harlequin dog who had a smooth outline and presented the stature I feel represents the breed while still maintaining his regal purpose.

Winners bitch was quite an exciting bitch who was around 14 months old. She had a lovely head and refinement that bitches should have without being slight in any way. This bitch also had wonderful angles at both ends which she used very well from the side as well as coming and going. It's a pleasure to see such a lovely up and coming bitch.

After judging I learned that there were 4 litter mates who were shown to me on the day, all of which were given much consideration by me. This is what judging is all about and also the breeder is to be commended for such a wonderful quality litter. I was very impressed by the virtues of all the litter mates.

My Best of Breed dog was a fawn dog who was a great example of the beauty our breed can possess. He was commanding of the ring with a clean silhouette. Very level head planes from the side. His temperament and showmanship was impressive as this breed is the Apollo of dogs and should present itself that way.

My Best of Opposite was my winners bitch who I carried over all the the bitch specials. I predict a wonderful future for this young female.

The only complaint I have for the whole show was the lack of sportsmanship on the part of one professional handler. This person felt the need to make negative comments regarding judging during

and after both directly to me and others. This sport is built of a code of sportsmanship that we all strive for. It was sad to see someone who has been in the sport so long behave in such and unprofessional and unsportsmanlike manner. I do want to applaud all the other exhibitors for being such true sportsmen and women.

I truly enjoyed my assignment and was so happy to see so many wonderful representatives of our breed.

Thank you for this opportunity, Jason Hoke

Results

Saturday Sept. 21, 2012

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Judge: Jason Hoke

3 pts. dogs 4 pts. bitches

BOB GRCH Daynakin's Soulja Boy Owner Susan Copeland, Mike Tate, Georgia Hymmen Handler Danna Paine

BOS, BOW, WB Lincoln's Thank For Being A Friend Owner Barbara & Stacy Duncan Handler Stacy Duncan

WD Icon Hudson Some Beach Owner Jamie Harshfield, Jordan Harshfield, Josh Burton Handler Jamie Harshfield

RWD Noterity's Talisman Owner Lisa Bemis Agent Louise Van Alsytne

RWB Double D Radio Rockette's Jewel of Daisy Hill Owner Elizabeth Schneider Handler Danna Paine

Best Puppy Icon Hudson Some Beach

Best of Opposite Puppy Primrose Bellringer V Paquestone Owner Raymond Goldstone Handler Raymond Goldstone