## The Northern Boxer Club Puppy stakes - 15th October 2017

Thank you to the committee for inviting me to judge the puppy stakes at this wonderful breed club, and for the opportunity to get hands-on with the promising youngsters in the puppy walk.

**Dogs:** 6-8 months (2) 1<sup>st</sup> Beardsell & Van-Beck's Newlaithe Diddle On, br/w of 7 months, clean balanced head set on a lovely crested neck, he presented a good square outline, with sound front, good tail set and unexaggerated rear angulation, he maintained a sound elegant profile on the move, his best is yet to come, whilst volume of competition was limited I was pleased to award him BPD. 2<sup>nd</sup> Littlewood & Bowler's Olleyville James Dean, 6 months old dark br/w presented in good condition, dark expressive eyes and good mouth, pleasing outline but a little unsettled today, shows promise for his owners. 8-10 months (1, 1ab); 10-12 months (0).

**Bitches:** 6-8 months (1) 1<sup>st</sup> Beardsell & Van-Beck's Newlaithe Wandara, dark br/w of 7 months who immediately caught my eye upon seeing her profile, pretty girl with nicely proportioned head, mouth ok, dark expressive eyes, clean arched neck used to advantage, tight feet, sound front and rear angulation, short back and bang on tail set, strong and defined hind quarters, moved well for her age and her handler got the very best out of her, pushing hard for BPB.

8-10 months (1) 1<sup>st</sup> Chippendale's Mylicam Magic Moments, r/w of 9 months, she has a well-balanced head, expressive eyes, dark padded muzzle and correct mouth, square in outline with excellent bone and strong quarters.

10-12 months (2) 1st McCarthy & Gething's Sunvalley Careless Heart at Jeddhi, mid br/w presented in top condition, beautiful head with dark eyes and melting expression, deep stop and good lip placement, well balanced throughout with pleasing front, good depth of brisket and nice tuck up, her arched neck flowed in to a nicely sloping top line, with short back and spot on tail set, good rear angulation and musculation saw her move steadily and soundly around the ring to be awarded BPB and BP in stakes. 2<sup>nd</sup> Picken's Bellebox Top Trick, dark br/w longer set than 1, shown in hard condition with excelent bone, good height of foreleg and rear angulation and muscle tone, not as settled today a 1.

James Whitfield (Judge)