I'd like to thank the officers and committee of the Welsh Corgi Club of Victoria for inviting me to judge their 55th Annual Championship Show. In particular I would like to thank the clubs president Mrs. Glenda Cook for the overwhelming hospitality she afforded my wife and I and in addition I must thank my stewards for their sterling work on the day.

The entry for Cardigan Corgis totalled 17 in the classes and my final line ups for both sexes were very strong. My Best of Breed winner was a very impressive dog and after judging I found out that he has had a spectacular career winning many Groups and Best in Shows.

In Pembroke the depth of quality in the bitches on the day outweighed the dogs and I think this is a trait that is becoming the norm. I found there were many males that did not have that length to height ratio that our standard requires and I would be concerned that we are loosing that long, level low picture that we are looking for and this is being replaced by a shorter coupled dog, with a short neck and upright shoulder. In bitches, my main concerns were the number of long muzzles with the ratio of planes in some cases being more live 5:5 than 5:3.

The classes of course that we all enjoy judging are the veterans and it was nice to see the past stars of the breed enjoying their day out. I was touched by the living legends that was so enthusiastically ran by Diane Bailie – it was a nice to see everyone so involved in it.

Finally, I would like to make comment that presentation and handling was to a very high standard and I would like to thank all the exhibitors for entering their dogs and accepting my decisions in such a sporting fashion.

Alan Matthews (Craigycor Corgis)

Welsh Corgi Cardigan

Class 1 Baby Puppy Dog

1st Harris' KARDIBROKE KING O HEARTS 14/7/08 Ch. Sarasota Adrenalin Rush X Ch. Kalora Extra Special. Four month old brindle point tricolour. Nice head, good bone and outline. Super character and show man – needs to settle down in front.

Class 4 Junior Dog

1st Afonwen Kennels' AFONWEN RUN N ON COLD 1/10/07 Ch. Kelocard Hot N Spicy X Ch. Welshcrest Charm N Grace. Brindle point tri-colour. Nice outline, good length, nice front and feet – would prefer deeper chest. Moved freely and kept his topline on the move.

Class 5 Intermediate Dog

1st Clarke's CH. KELOCARD HOT N SPICY 24/10/06 Gr. Ch. Kalora Bandelero X Gr. Ch. Kelocard Fame N Fortune. Bridle dog, quality head and good bone. A little narrow in front. Good length and moved ok – outline spoiled by very gay tail.

Class 10 Australian Bred Dog

1st Bethwyn Kennels' CH. CETHWYN BECKROW BEQUEST 2/9/05 Eng Ch. & Ch. Beckrow Brenning with Pemcader (imp UK) X Ch. Bethwyn Popsicle. Top quality male. Super head, front and feet, ample bone, nice length – super topline which he kept on the move. Reserve CC.

2nd McNay's CH. BILBAO JUKEBOX DJ 13/8/03 Gr. Ch. Bethwyn Music Man X Bilbao A Rhapsody in Blue. Different type that winner. Honest dog with everything in the right place – just wish he had a little more animation on the move.

Class 11 Open Dog

1st Llandaff Kennels' GR. CH. LLANDAFF HARLEM FOX TROT (AI) 30/4/03 Am. Ch. Spectrum Harlem Shuffle X Gr. Ch. Llandaff Hearts on Fire ADM JDX HIT. Quality male. Super head, front and feet. Nice bone, good reach of neck – topline good when standing and on the move, nice tail carriage. Drove around the ring effortlessly – CC & BOB. Wish he had a straighter coat.

Class 1a Baby Puppy Bitch

1st Harris' KARDIBROKE KANT RESIST 14/7/08 Ch. Sarasota Adrenalin Rush X Ch. Kalora Extra Special. Baby tri-colour bitch, pretty head with good reach of neck and topline. Correct tail carriage, needs to settle on the move.

Class 2a Minor Puppy Bitch

1st Bethwyn Kennels' BETHWYN DUCHESS OF DOVER (AI) 8/4/08 Ch. Bethwyn Black Baron X Ch. Bethwyn Simply Red. Nice bitch, brindle with good head, front and feet. Nice head, length and topline. Moved a little close behind.

Class 3a Puppy Bitch

1st McNay's BILBAO BLACK ROULETTE 5/11/07 Ch. Sarasota Adrenalin Rush X Ch. Bilbao Silver Seraph. Brindle point tricolour bitch. Nice head and bone, Good neck and length with correct tail set. Moved freely around the ring.

Class 4a Junior Bitch

1st Bethwyn Kennels' CH. BETHWYN SONGBIRD 2/5/07 Eng Ch. & Ch. Beckrow Brenning with Pemcader (imp UK) X Ch. Bethwyn Sound of Music. Stunning tricolour bitch. Super head front and feet. Nice length and tail set, holds her topline well on the move – nice gait. Bitch CC.

2nd Llandaff Kennels' CAMBRIAN MORNING STAR 13/9/07 Ch. Cambrian Kindred Spirit (AI) X Cambrian Im Unique (AI). Brindle bitch, not the quality in head of the winner or the side gait. Nice bone and feet. Real show girl.

Class 5a Intermediate Bitch

Difficult class to judge as there was great variation in type.

1st Llandaff Kennels' RODWELL ROSE OF HARLEM (AI) (Imp NZ) 17/1/07 Gr. Ch. Llandaff Harlem Fox Trot (AI) X NZ. Ch. Rodwell Rosette. Tri-colour bitch, best mover by far in the class. Good front and feet with a very pretty head – correct tail set. Would prefer more length.

2nd Caldwell's SAMIHA ALL THOSE WHISPERS 22/10/06 Gr. Ch. Kalora Bandelero X Ch. Bethwyn Cascade. Brindle bitch, quality head, good neck and topline. Moved close front and rear.

3rd Bethwyn Kennels' CH. BETHWYN BRITTANIA 2/11/05 Eng Ch. & Ch. Beckrow Brenning with Pemcader (imp UK) X Ch. Bethwyn Bacardi Breezer. Nice headed bitch who has nice length and substance. Unfortunately she was rather bum high which really spoiled her outline.

Class 10a Australian Bred Bitch

1st Afonwen Kennels' CH. AFONWEN IM COUNTIN ONU 18/4/06 Eng Ch. & Ch. Beckrow Brenning with Pemcader (imp UK) X Ch.Welshcrest Charm N Grace Top Quality brindle point tri-colour bitch. Good head, nice front and neck, good topline and length. Her superior rear movement gave her the edge on the open winner for the reserve Bitch CC.

2nd O'Sullivan's CH. BALLYHEIGE LILS MELODY 1/11/03 Gr. Ch. Bethwyn Music Man X Ch. Wanmirri Hot Lil Devil. Timid girl who needs to get her confidence in the ring. Correct head proportions, good front and feet. Lost her topline on the move.

Class 11a Open Bitch

1st Afonwen Kennel's CH. WELSHCREST CHARM N GRACE 26/5/02 Ch. Welshcrest Ngheredigion X Ch. Welschcrest Attitude Plus. Super bitch, nice head, front and feet good reach of neck, length of back and topline. Nice mover, correct tail set.

WELSH CORGI PEMBROKE

Class 1 Baby Puppy Dog

1st Barwick & Smith's WINDYLE RALPH LAUREN 18/5/08 Ch./NZ. Ch. Dwynella Made By Design (Imp NZ) X Windyle Tivoli Dancer. Quality red & white male. Masculine head, good bone, front and feet. Good topline, nice short hocks – moved very well.

2nd Garry's CASSENTRA TIS OMAIGH 3/6/08 Int.Ch. Ermyn Starlight Flyer (Imp Italy) X Cassentra True Colours. Tricolour dog who makes a nice picture standing, however he lost out to the winner in head proportions as he needs larger ears.

Class 2 Minor Puppy Dog

1st Baillie's DYGAE DRAMBUEE 30/3/08 Cwmbran Red Dragon (Imp. NZ) X Ch. Priceway Pina Colada. Quality dog who had the best length and topline in the class. Moved very well, will broaden in muzzle with age.

2nd Smith's PURDELLA COPPER SEQUEL 18/2/08 Gr. Ch. Aberlee Midnight Sequel X Anbenly Rambling Rose. Handsome dog, good bone front and feet. Moved with drive, although a little close behind..

3rd McPherson's MACVALE TAYLOR MADE 15/4/08 Gr. Ch. Macvale Oz Gold X Ch. Dygae Coolwater Woman. This young man has a good neck, length and topline – needs more drive on the move. Preferred the quality in head of the winners.

Class 3 Puppy Dog

1st Woodward's ABERLEE LEAVE IT TO ME 10/12/07 Ch./NZ Ch. Aberlee Phantom Sequence X Ch. Llandians Hello Dolly (Imp USA). Top quality dog with beautiful head, reach of neck and dead level topline. Moved very well and kept his topline on the move. Pushed all the way in the challenge for the CC – Reserve Dog CC.

2nd Barwick & Smith's WINDYLE LEGEND N ILLUSION 18/11/07 Gr. Ch. Anwyl Excalibur X Anwyl S'No Illusion. Nice dog, super showman, nice neck and topline. Would prefer a little more bone and shorter muzzle.

3rd Baillie's DYGAE DEMOCRAT 19/1/08 Ch. Priceway Patriot X Ch. Dygae True Star. Plain dog who was not showing that well on the day. Nice length and bone.

Class 4Junior Dog

1st McCann, Burgess & Bendixon's JOPEARL ECHO OF BRCONMOHR 5/10/07 Keela The Democrat of Merthyr (Imp NZ) X Merthyr Wanda Be A Jopearl (Imp NZ). Rather feminine tricolour dog that could have more substance all around. Pleasing outline and super showman – rather disappointing movement front and rear.

Class 5 Intermediate Dog

1st McCann & Burgess' CH. MERTHYR WANDA BEA A STAR PLAYER (Imp NZ) 24/3/06 Ch. Vlandyn Star Raider X Merthyr Wanda Be Shayd O'Lace. Quality red & white dog. Super outline, quality head, front, feet and bone. Short hocks, would prefer more drive on the move.

2nd Baillie's DYGAE FLASH DANCE 15/3/06 Ch./Am Ch. Caamora Gandy Dancer PT HSAs (Imp USA) X Ch. Dygae Wandering Star. Quality male who has a super length. Head ok, nice front and feet. Good reach of neck and moved freely – at times stood a little roachy in topline which spoilt his outline.

3rd Coulter's BELLEPRANCER GO FOR IT 30/3/06 Ch. Bekaa Golden Galiarno X Belleprancer Sheza Star. Sable dog with good length and topline. Moved well, preferred head proportions of the winners

Class 10 Australian Bred Dog

1st Mann's LLANCAD SNOW MAGIC 3/6/05 Ch. Kamiri Ice Magic X Ch. Sunvista Sabelle. Handsome sable dog who has super length, topline and reach of neck. Moved well – keeping his topline as he drove around the ring.

2nd Burn's NIRETHA CAMELOTS QUEST 19/4/07 Ch./Am. Ch. Coventry Quest X Ch. Niretha Kartanya. Well presented and handled red & white male. Moved well, topline let him down when standing and moving.

Class 11 Open Dog

Excellent class of males

1st Woodward's AM. CH. PINEMEADE ENGLISH LEATHER (Imp USA) 24/12/06 Am. Ch. Poldamerk Time and Again (Imp UK) X Am. Ch. Sandyshire's Phoebe. Red & white male who has a stunning outline. Correct head, super reach of neck and dead level topline which he kept on the move. Showed non stop and narrowly beat his kennel mate for the CC.

2nd Baillie & Cheshir's CWMBRAN RED DRAGON (Imp NZ) 21/8/06 Twinan Highworth Dragon Spirit (Imp UK) X Cwmbran Faerie Down. Quality head front and feet. Good neck and topline – preferred front movement of the winner.

3rd Price & Newett's CH. PRICEWEY BILLY FLYNN 25/2/03 Ch. Vlandyn Silver Phantom X Ch. Pricewey Persian Punch. Quality dog who shows non stop. Good neck and topline, smart mover – would prefer more length to complete the picture. Expertly handled.

Class 1a Baby Puppy Bitch

1st Cook's WESTGLEN WISTERIA LANE 5/5/08 Ch/NZ Ch. Dwynella Made By Design (Imp NZ) X Ch. Westglen Wild For Style. Quality tricolour bitch. Super head, front and feet. Best of necks and toplines – moved very freely.

2nd Baillie's DYGAE PANDORA 24/7/08 Cwmbran Red Dragon (Imp NZ) X Ch. Dygae Cherie Babie. Pretty girl, full of spirit and quality. Really liked her head and pretty expression – one for the future I am sure.

3rd Newett's NEWPRY BE MY BABY 19/7/08 Dygae Dioriffic X Dygae Tommie Girl. Same comments as 2 with a super side gait. Preferred ear set of number 2.

Class 2a Minor Puppy Bitch

1st Irving's DYGAE SERENDIPITY 30/3/08 Cwmbran Red Dragon (Imp NZ) X Ch. Pricewey Pina Colada. Quality tri-colour bitch. Correct head proportions, super bone, front and feet. Nice neck and topline. Best mover in the class.

2nd Smith's PURDELLA MIDNITE MADNESS 18/2/08 Gr. Ch. Aberlee Midnight Sequel X Anbenly Rambling Rose. Pretty headed bitch, dips lightly at shoulders, however I am sure with exercise this will level out – nice bone and super movement. Not sure about the tan coming through her jacket.

3rd McPherson's MACVALE OZY MAID 15/4/08 Gr. Ch. Macvale Oz Gold X Ch. Dygae Coolwater Woman. Red & white bitch, nice bone, showed well. Needs to lengthen out.

Class 3a Puppy Bitch

1st Vaughan's VANHARON SYMPHONY N BLAK 29/12/07 Fergwyn Power O One X Vanharon Look At Moi. Beautiful tri-colour bob tailed bitch. Correct head, super reach of neck and dead level topline. Her stunning shape and non showing meant that she really caught my eye. Moved with drive around the ring – handled to perfection. Best Puppy in Show, Reserve Bitch CC and reserve Best in Show – this young lady has a VERY bright future.

2nd Vaughan's VANHARON SYMPHONY N RED 29/12/07 Fergwyn Power O One X Vanharon Look At Moi. Litter sister of the winner and many of her qualities. Red & white bitch, plainer in head – but terrific conformation., good mover front and rear.

3rd Woodward's ABERLEE CALL ME MADAM 10/12/07 Ch./NZ Ch. Aberlee Phantom Sequence X Ch. Llandians Hello Dolly (Imp USA). Rather bored bitch, nice outline and movement. A little snipey in head.

Class 4a Junior Bitch

1st Price's PRICEWEY VELMA KELLY 12/5/07 Ch. Pricewey Patriot X Ch. Pricewey Roxie Hart. Quality bitch, super head, lovely front and feet. Real show girl, nice neck and topline. Best of movers.

2nd Baillie's DYGAE BEWITCHING 16/7/07 Int. Ch. Ermyn Starlight Flyer JW (Imp Italy) X Ch. Dygae Wandering Star. Plain headed tri-colour. Nice neck and topline, good bone and front – preferred head of winner.

3rd Baillie's DYGAE SNOW STAR 27/6/07 Ch. Pricewey Patriot X Ch. Dygae True Star. Flashy red & white. Topline could be stronger – moved quote well.

Class 5a Intermediate Bitch

1st Baillie's DYGAE DIAMOND STAR 13/2/07 Gr. Ch. Dygae Di Caprio X Ch. Dygae Icecapade. Sensational bitch who has a pretty head, super bone, front and feet. Good reach of neck & spirit level topline. Moved very well from all angles. In the challenge for the CC she pulled out all the stops to win the CC, BOB & Best in Show.

2nd Hutton's BOJOJAMILE BRUSHES QUEST 26/1/07 Ch/Am.Ch. Coventry Quest (Imp USA) X Ch. Bojojamile Backstroke. Another qality bitch with a very nice head. Super profile, very nice mover – would like her closer to ground.

3rd Parker's KINGROWAN JEMIMAH DANCER 8/3/06 Ch/Am. Ch. Caamora Gandy Dancer PT HSAs (Imp USA) X Ch. Kingrowan Petra Lou. Nice bitch, very well handled. Foxy head, good bone – moved well. Would like to take some weight of her.

Class 10a Australian Bred Bitch

1st Baillie's DYGAE DANCING STAR 15/3/06 Ch/Am. Ch. Caamora Gandy Dancer PT HSAs (Imp USA) X Ch. Dygae Wandering Star. Pretty tri-colour bitch. Correct head, front and feet. Super reach of neck and dead level topline. Moved very well front and rear.

2nd Woodward's ABERLEE ANGEL STAR 24/1/06 Ch/Am.Ch. Shelvon Royale Jubilee X Ch. Aberlee Starry Eyes. Finer type than winner, nice outline, pretty head and expression – would prefer more bone.

3rd Barwick & Smith's CH. WESTGLEN WRYTHM IN BLACK 16/3/06 Ch/Am. Ch. Caamora Gandy Dancer PT HSAs (Imp USA) X Ch. Westglen Wild for Style. Very sound black headed tri-colour bitch. Good neck and topline. Would have preferred a prettier head.

Class 11a Open Bitch

1st Cronin's CH. KINGROWAN STEPHANIE LOU 25/1/04 Ch. Westglen What A Rebel X Ch. Kingrowan Deborah Lou. Pretty bitch. Correct head, front and feet. Nice neck and best of toplines – moved very well.

 2^{nd} Garry's CASSENTRA LIBERTY SPEECH 20/3/05 Keelea The Democrat of Merthyr (Imp NZ) X Cassentra Cover Story. Quality bitch with a lot of the same qualities 1 – just preferred the expression of the winner.

3rd Smith's CH. ABERLEE STORYTALE (AI) 29/11/04 Nord & Int.Ch. Annwn's Quite A Lad X Ch/NZ.Ch. Aberlee Phantasia. Grey faced bitch, correct head proportions. Nice length, topline and neck. Moved wide in front.

<u>VETERAN (7yrs & Under 10 yrs)</u> <u>CARDIGAN</u>

Class 12.1 Veteran Dog (7-10yrs)

1st Llandaff Kennels' CH. LLANDAFF BRAVEHART HIT CD 10/3/1999 Ch/NZ Ch. Badagri Crest Of The Wave X Ch. Cambrian Beloved (AI) CD HIT. Super moving dog. Quality head, good bone – enjoyed his day out.

Class 12.1a Veteran Bitch (7-10yrs)

1st Llandaff Kennels' GR.CH. LLANDAFF HEARTS ON FIRE ADM JDX HIT 10/3/1999 Ch/NZ Ch. Badagri Crest Of The Wave X Ch. Cambrian Beloved (AI) CD HIT. Nine year old bitch, good mover, super head, good neck and length – really liked her front and feet.

VETERAN (10 yrs & Over) CARDIGAN

Class 12.2 Veteran Dog (10yrs +)

1st Bethwyn Kennels' GR.CH. BETHWYN MUSIC MAN 15/11/1997 Ch Wynrik Drum Major X Ch. Bethwyn Blind Faith. Eleven year old brindle point tri-colour. Quite the statesman, very handsome, alert showman – moved with style.

Class 12.2a Veteran Bitch (10yrs +)

1st Nay's CH. KERRIS KOOL BREEZE 8/6/1998 Ch. Rhossili Szazzi X Vashka Gwenllian. Top quality bitch. Ten and a half years old, beautiful head, front and feet. spirit level topline – clear winner for best veteran cardigan.

VETERAN (7yrs & Under 10 yrs) PEMBROKE

Class 12.1 Veteran Dog (7-10yrs)

1st McPherson's GR. CH. MACVALE OZ GOLD 15/10/01 Ch. Stormvale Speculation X Ch. Elstad Amazing Grace. Handsome dog. Nice bone, beautiful coat & colour – moved very well.

Class 12.1a Veteran Bitch (7-10yrs)

1st Garry's CASSENTRA STARE N WHISPER 9/11/1998 Ch. Belroyd Knight Flyer (Imp UK) X Ch. Cassentra Mistress Anne. Pretty bitch, nice head, front and feet. Sound mover, good bone.

VETERAN (10 yrs & Over) PEMBROKE

Class 12.2 Veteran Dog (10yrs +)

1st Baillie's GR.CH. DYGAE DI CAPRIO 29/7/1998 Ch Vlandyn Silver Phantom X Ch. Dygae Demi More. Top quality male. Super head, grand front, nice reach of neck and topline. Moved very well.

2nd Baillie's GR.CH. DYGAE DAVIDOFF 13/4/1996 Ch Dygae Drakkar Noir (AI) X Ch. Dygae Spellbound. Showy red & white male, older type of head, nice bone – great showman.

 3^{rd} Barwick & Smith's CH. WESTGLEN WHAT A REBEL 11/11/1994 Ch. Cordach Trojan (Imp UK) X Anwyl Thornbird (Imp NZ). 14 ½ year old male, pretty head – bit over weight. Enjoyed his day out.

Class 12.2a Veteran Bitch (10yrs +)

1st Woodward's CH. ABERLEE STARRY EYES 15/9/1998 Ch. Cordach Senator (Imp UK) X Aberlee Starlight. Absolutely stunning bitch. Gorgeous head, super front and feet, nice reach of neck – super topline. Moved very well. If this girl had have been able to compete for the Bitch CC – she would have pushed the winners all the way.

 2^{nd} Mann's CH. SUNVISTA SABELLE 21/10/1998 Gr. Ch. Dygae Wildside X Sunvista Synderlea. Sable bitch. Good reach of neck and topline. Nice bone, could have prettier head.

3rd Baillie's GR. CH. DYGAE SILVER STAR 29/7/1998 Ch. Vlandyn Silver Phantom X Ch. Dygae Demi More. Pretty headed bitch who moved and showed very well – topline could have been stronger.