

RRCQ Rhodesian Ridgeback Club of Queensland

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Critiques – Sue Cameron-Codognotto (VIC)

Thank you all for supporting the Club with your entries post pandemic and for the honour of adjudicating over your quality Rhodesian Ridgebacks in such splendid sunshine -- I truly was spoilt for choice! I was most impressed by the genuine camaraderie exhibited throughout the day and grateful for the good sportsmanship when accepting all my decisions. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Jan Anderson, my wonderful ring steward for her professional and efficient approach ensuring all dogs were ready without delay, and that the ring ran smoothly and efficiently.

Baby Puppy Dog		
1 st	1. Kipsigis Kimau	A very promising 5-month male puppy of excellent breed type with a great outline. He has a pleasing headpiece, lovely length of neck, well balanced fore and after with good prosternum, fill and bone. He is well ribbed back displaying a good top-line and ridge. His feet are a little down at present but that is to be expected during this developmental stage. He out moved the rest of the class with his effortlessly fluid movement. The future bodes well for this promising baby.
2 nd	2. Sajanak Eucalyptus Rumba	Nearly 16 weeks old, this confident baby puppy is also of lovely breed type with good balance fore and after, good prosternum, fill and chest, displaying balanced bone and good feet. He could benefit from a little more strength to his underjaw. He moved well for such a young pup.
3 rd	3. Marmatia Aussie Kalu (AI)	Nearing 6 months old this strong, somewhat unruly puppy is of lovely breed type. He has a good breed typical head that flows into a lovely long neck. He is well balanced fore and after, with great prosternum, good fill and is well boned. He is a little soft in top-line at present, but this is possibly developmental and could improve with age. Ideally, I would like to see more length to his ridge. He shows much promise but needs to be socialised more, as after a couple of attempts I still struggled to get my hands on him making it difficult to assess him and this overall lack of confidence and trust impacted his movement too. Sadly, he was placed last because of this.
Minor Puppy Dog		
1 st	4. Sajanak Daviesia Lucius	First time for both the dog and the handler in the show ring and both should be commended on their performance. This 7-month brown nosed elegant male is of lovely breed type. He has good pigment and correct eye colour on a breed typical head that flows into a lovely neck. He is well balanced fore and after, with good balanced bone. Ideally, I would prefer to see a better return of upper arm on him, but he is well ribbed back, and has a good ridge. He has lovely well let down hocks which is rarely seen nowadays. On the move he was often pulling, however, at times did display a fluid gait but appeared a little cow hocked in the rear when moving away.
Puppy Dog		
1 st	7. Chilolo BM Gold on the Moon (AI)	This 11-months old male is of excellent breed type. Lovely masculine headpiece with good ear-set but eye could be a little rounder. Balanced fore and after, with good bone and feet, ideally, would prefer a better lay-back of shoulder but otherwise he adequate prosternum, good fill, good depth of chest, well ribbed back, excellent top-line, and croup with correct tail carriage. Good ridge. On the move he was the best mover in this class being so fluid, clean, and effortless, showcasing good reach and drive.

2 nd	9. Marvelridge GG Baby Groot	This strong, yet elegant male is almost 12-months old, he is well up on size but is of a pleasing breed type. In outline he is very clean, with a pleasing headpiece, balanced fore and after, but ideally could do with a little more angulation to both his front and rear and he is a little longer cast than I prefer. He could benefit from a better return of upper arm and a little more fill in front. He displayed effortless profile movement with a good, strong top-line, just not as clean out and back as the first placed dog.
3 rd	8. Sajanak Callistemon Yan (AI)	This 8-months old male is of good breed type showcasing strength and elegance but does lack maturity to the others in this class. He has a good breed typical head, with good planes, defined stop, good ear-set, beautiful round dark eye, but his flews could be a little tighter. Good length of neck, flowing into a good lay of shoulder, he is longer cast than I prefer, which currently impacts his top-line, however, this could improve with time and maturity and he's a little steeper in croup than ideal. Strong bone and good feet. On the move he displays good reach and drive with an effortless gait but at present, runs significantly downhill and he's a little close in rear.
Junior Dog		
1 st	10. Adbesare Reflections of Duke (AI)	This male is 17-months and of excellent breed type with a pleasing masculine headpiece. He's a very honest dog, clean and elegant with the desired strength our breed standard calls for. Good height to length ratio, this dog has a lovely length of neck, is balanced fore and after with good bone. Ideally, he could do with a little more fill in front, but has good depth of chest, is well ribbed back with a good top-line, ridge, croup, and well let down hocks. Where this dog excelled was his effortlessly fluid side gait; excellent reach and drive, foot placement and tail carriage. His out and back could have been a little cleaner.
2 nd	11. Riginal Calling Elvis	This 11-months old male is a little stronger than I prefer but still retains some elegance. His head is strong, masculine, with good ear-set, planes, a beautiful correct eye, but has some loose skin tending to be a bit jowly. In outline not as balanced as the first placed dog and he could benefit from more fill in front and a better return of upper arm. He has good depth of chest and is well ribbed back, with lovely hindquarter angulation. Good ridge. On move he was not as fluid as the first placed dog and his top-line was a little high in rear which should improve with time and maturity.
3 rd	13. Marvelridge GG Drax in Black	11-month old dark red wheaten male, lovely breed type with a first time handler on the lead. His head is breed typical and has good ear-set and a lovely eye, colour harmonising with his coat but he needs a little more strength of underjaw which would aid his masculinity. A little more neck would give him some more elegance as well. His layback of shoulder could be improved along with some more fill in front. He has a very deep capacious chest, is well ribbed back, with a good top-line, ridge, bone, and feet. Handler essentially walked him around the ring not increasing her pace but he held his top-line well.
Intermediate Dog		
1 st	17. Ch. Marmatia Zimba Sonata (AI)	"Impressive" is the best term to describe this 22-month old male who from the moment he stepped into the ring commanded my attention. Beautiful in outline, he was handsome and upstanding and so, so typey. He was well up on size but still exhibited that necessary balance of elegance and strength, with a beautiful breed typical head showcasing correct proportions, strength, good ear-set and a beautiful eye. Good bone, well balanced albeit, moderate fore and after with a lovely neck -- if I had made him, I would just give him a little more fill in front and a tad

		more prosternum. Good depth of chest, well ribbed back, impeccable top-line leading into a correct croup and hindquarters, good ridge, and feet. He out moved the others in this class with his clean, fluid, and efficient movement. There was so much to like about this dog.
2 nd	16. Valeighunter Koson (AI)	This red wheaten 22-month male was also of excellent breed type and was pleasingly more moderate. He was not as well balanced as the first placed dog, having a little more rear angulation. His head was pleasing and very breed typical with a good eye, but he could do with a little more strength of underjaw. Balanced bone, although a little upright in his pasterns, he was well constructed. He was a lovely fluid mover covering the ground well.
3 rd	14. Homerij Kora Ursus (AI)	Another pleasing male, although a heavier style than I prefer. This 2 and half years old male had a pleasing strong head with good planes and good eye. Exhibiting a lovely neck, prosternum and fill, could do with a slightly better return of upper arm, good depth of chest, well ribbed back and good croup. Ridge was a tad shorter than ideal. Clean, efficient mover.
Australian Bred Dog		
1 st	21. Ch. Adbesare Whisky Rebellion (AI)	Another handsome and upstanding male of excellent breed type, who stole my attention from the moment he stepped in and powered around the ring with such purpose. Elegance with strength -- he had a lovely breed typical head with good planes and eye. He is balanced fore and after, with good prosternum, depth of chest, well ribbed back, and a lovely hindquarter, he could do with a tad more fill and was a little upright in shoulder. His top-line was outstanding, particularly on the move. This dog really excelled on the move showcasing an effortless, fluid gait with good reach and drive, whilst maintaining his perfect top-line.
2 nd	24. Ch. Marandela Wot Happens in Vegas ET	Another beautiful specimen. This moderate red wheaten male displayed excellent breed type. He was a lovely combination of elegance and strength with a glorious breed typical head that was so well balanced with good ear-set and a beautiful eye. Good balance fore and after, he was constructed well, good prosternum and was lovely in outline. He was efficient in his movement covering the ground well, clean out and back, but his top-line let him down today.
3 rd	22. Ch. Chilolo Chn Cool Sascha JC ET	This lovely moderate male was also of excellent breed type and not dissimilar in style to the second placed dog. Pleasing breed typical head, although he could do with a little more strength of underjaw. He was well balanced fore and after, with good prosternum, chest and well ribbed back, although he was a tad steep in croup. He has a text book perfect ridge, good balanced bone and feet. He moved well in profile but could have been a little cleaner out and back.
Open Dog		
1 st	27. Ch. Beglory Fendi Xhosa (AI)	Pleasing moderate brown nosed male of excellent breed type and size. Lovely breed typical head displaying strength balancing well with his body, good pigment and correct eye. Pleasingly balanced, with good depth of chest, he could do with a tad more prosternum and a slightly better return of upper arm to complete the picture, good bone, and feet. He was an honest mover, very clean coming and going and showcasing good reach and drive in his effortless fluid gait.
2 nd	30. SUP Ch. Jelany Red Nikaya for Chilolo (Imp. RUS)	Well up on size, this substantial, strong, mature male is of excellent breed type. There is a lot more dog that I normally prefer but he is beautifully balanced fore and after with his moderate angles. Strong breed typical head with good planes and a dark eye balancing well with his body. Strong bone and good feet, with good depth of chest, well ribbed back, top-line and croup were also pleasing. Very fluid effortless movement

		showing good reach and drive covering the ground well and he was relatively clean out and back.
3 rd	29. Ch. Starridge Nulli Secundus (AI)	Another substantial, strong male of good breed type still exhibiting some elegance. His head was a little stronger than I prefer, but still breed typical and balancing off well with his body. This dog was beautifully balanced fore and after and very fluid on the move displaying effortless gait. He was also very clean out and back.
Veteran Dog		
1 st	31. Ch. Homerij Concealed Weapon ET	This 9 year old brown nosed male is tall, elegant and of good breed type. Lovely breed typical head with good pigment and eyes harmonising. Good length of neck, is a little upright in shoulder and could do with a little more prosternum and a tad more depth of chest to help balance him, so he doesn't appear as leggy. Balanced bone, good feet, and good ridge. This dog was very fluid on the move, covering the ground well in such an effortless manner defying his age. He was in great condition for his age and a credit to his owners.

CHALLENGE DOG

17.	17. Ch. Marmatia Zimba Sonata (AI)	Loved this dog. This handsome and upstanding dog continued to impress me, so it was my pleasure to award him dog challenge, particularly after moving the dog challenge line-up so much.
RESERVE CHALLENGE DOG		
21.	21. Ch. Adbesare Whisky Rebellion (AI)	This boy pushed the challenge dog winner all the way with his lovely breed type and effortless powerful gait.

Baby Puppy Bitch

1 st	32. Sajanak Eucalyptus Watusi	15 week old baby puppy bitch of beautiful breed type - she is elegant but with the necessary strength our standard demands. Beautiful breed typical head, with good ear-set, planes and gorgeous dark eye. Well balanced fore and after with balanced boned leading into good feet. Good depth of chest, prosternum, fill and top-line, this puppy is well constructed. Very clean on the move with good reach and drive highlighting that effortless gait. She is a very promising baby whose future should be bright if she continues to develop well.
2 nd	33. Shelpin A Rythmic Motion	This 16 week old baby puppy bitch is also of beautiful breed type with a little more strength than the first place getter but is also quite well constructed. Lovely breed typical head, good ears and eye although her lips are a little flewy at present and she has some loose throat but should hopefully grow into it. Good ridge. On the move she was fluid and effortless with good reach and drive and a fantastic top-line for her age.
3 rd	36. Marmatia Aussie Khamali	Almost 6 months old and again another baby puppy bitch of beautiful, elegant breed type. She had a lovely breed typical head with a good eye but could do with some more strength of underjaw. She was well balanced fore and after, with an elegant length of neck going into lovely shoulders and possessing a fantastic prosternum with good fill. She is at that awkward development stage so her top-line wasn't her forte but should improve with age. She was clean out and back but tended to lift a little in front on the move.

Puppy Bitch		
1 st	37. Chilolo BM Gold Moon Rising (AI)	This 11 month old puppy bitch is of excellent breed type exhibiting elegance and strength. She possesses a pleasing breed typical head. She is well balanced fore and after, with good bone and feet and is lovely in outline. A well-constructed puppy, with a good top-line albeit a little steep over the croup than I personally prefer. On the move she is very clean, fluid, and effortless with good reach and drive. Lovely young bitch who has a promising future ahead of her.
2 nd	40. Marvelridge GG Mantis Rising	Beautiful style of bitch who is elegant and typey. She possesses a lovely breed typical head with good strength, ears, and eye but is still feminine. Not quite as balanced in outline as the first placed bitch, she could do with some more prosternum and is also a little steep in croup. She has a lovely length of neck which aids her overall elegance. On the move she was clean, fluid, and effortless with good reach and drive. Her first time in the ring handler did a stellar job with her.
3 rd	39. Riginal Once Upon a Time in the West	This young bitch is also of good breed type, albeit she is a little stronger than I prefer but I can still appreciate her qualities. Strong head, but with good eye, ear-set, head plane ratios and muzzle strength. Strong bone and good feet. She is not as well constructed as those ahead of her in the placings and could do with more fill in front and a little more prosternum. She is at that awkward growth stage where her top-line was not her forte standing nor on the move, but should improve with time. She wasn't as clean moving as those ahead of her.
Junior Bitch		
1 st	41. Marandela Marengo (AI) JC	Very feminine, more elegant style bitch of good breed type. Well balanced fore and after with a lovely prosternum but her bone could be a tad stronger. Lovely breed typical head with a lovely eye but could benefit from a little more strength to her underjaw. She is also a little high in withers and upright in shoulder impacting her neck into shoulder which ideally should flow a little better. Good feet and ridge. Very clean out and back and effortless in profile on the move.
2 nd	42. Riginal Lady Writer (AI)	Good breed type albeit a stronger styled bitch. She is a little heavier throughout the neck, shoulders, and forechest than I prefer, impacting her elegance somewhat, although she does have some lovely breed qualities. Lovely breed typical head with a good dark round eye. Good bone going into beautiful tight feet. She was not as clean out and back as ideal but was fluid in profile on the move. She has a lot of development yet to come as she's only 11 months of age so her top-line should improve with time.
3 rd	43. Marmatia Rondo Mocca	Very elegant, finer style of bitch of pleasing breed type. She has a lovely breed typical head with good strength of underjaw and eye. She has a good height to length ratio and does strike a pleasing outline on the stack, although she could do with a better return of upper arm and is a little narrow. She was not as clean out and back as ideal.
Intermediate Bitch		
<i>This was such a quality class, making my decisions incredibly difficult, as each place getter was worthy of a class win on any other given day.</i>		
1 st	45. Ch. Adbesare Pop Your Cork (AI)	WOW -- the moment this exquisite, feminine, moderate, wheaten bitch entered the ring she captured and maintained my attention. She oozed breed type, from her beautiful breed typical head with its

		<p>correct ratios, strength of muzzle, ear-set and beautiful eye down to the very tip of her tail. She epitomised that rare balance of elegance and strength we as breeders all strive for. Glorious in outline, so well balanced fore and after, she was simply beautiful with every part of her construction melding so well to the point that if I had made her, I would only make minor tweaks here and there to perfect her. A good ridge was the icing on the cake. On the move, she continued to delight giving me her all with her completely honest, effortless, fluid gait exhibiting great reach and drive and the more I asked of her, the more she gave me. No doubt, much to the dismay of her handler, I could have watched her move for hours.</p> <p>Remarkably, there was no signs that she had whelped a litter only 12 weeks ago. She is a credit to her breeder.</p>
2 nd	50. Ch. Marmatia Nyx Sonata (AI)	<p>Absolutely loved this red wheaten bitch too. Another beautiful bitch of excellent breed type who on any other given day could win. She too displayed that necessary balanced combination of elegance and strength. Beautiful breed typical head, with a lovely eye. So well balanced fore and after, with good bone, she too was beautiful in outline. Well constructed albeit, she could do will a little more fill in front just to finish her off. Good ridge. So, clean out and back and exhibiting good reach and drive her gait was effortless. She too is a quality bitch and a credit to her breeder.</p>
3 rd	46. Riginal Pirate Smile	<p>I was drawn to this red wheaten bitch who was so handsome and upstanding! On the stack she was beautiful displaying excellent breed type. Beautiful breed typical head and a lovely dark eye, good length of neck flowing into lovely shoulders. Well balanced fore and after, with good bone, ideally she could benefit from a little more depth of chest and a better croup. On the move her top-line was a little soft and she wasn't as clean out and back as those placegetters ahead of her. She covered the ground well in an effortless manner, although she held her tail a little higher than ideal. Once more, this was another quality bitch.</p>
Australian Bred Bitch		
1 st	57. Valeighunter Tigeress (AI)	<p>Strong but elegant bitch of excellent breed type. Well balanced fore and after, with a pleasing breed typical head with a lovely eye but could benefit from a little more strength of underjaw. She has a long, elegant neck, beautiful prosternum and good fill in front, good depth of chest and is well ribbed back. I forgave her slightly soft top-line as she has a litter of pups that are only 6.5 weeks old, so has tucked up remarkably well considering. Good bone, good feet although she's a little upright in her pasterns. Good ridge. On the move she covered the ground well but was a little closer in the rear than ideal.</p>
2 nd	52. Ch. Chilolo TN Serengeti Gold	<p>This beautiful, feminine, elegant bitch caught my eye on the stack and instantly impressed. She is also of excellent breed type, just not as well balanced fore and after as the bitch placed first in this class. Lovely long, elegant neck, she needs a little more front and prosternum to balance off to her hindquarter and as she is somewhat a narrow bitch. She has a very pretty headpiece with a lovely eye. Excellent top-line on this girl both standing and moving. On the move she was also a little close in rear but otherwise covered the ground well.</p>
3 rd	54. LaSimba Raise Your Glass	<p>This girl is a very moderate, compact, nuggety style of bitch who is pleasing in her breed type. Breed typical head, long neck albeit a bit throaty. She is well balanced fore and after, with good prosternum, fill, depth, width of chest and is well ribbed back. Good ridge</p>

		although her coat is a little longer than ideal. She covered the ground well with her effortless gait, just not as clean out and back.
Open Bitch		
<i>Another quality class with some beautiful bitches, albeit differing styles making my decisions difficult ...</i>		
1 st	62. Ch. Marandela The Phantom Chance TD ET	Love this beautiful bitch who is simply glorious in outline. She is feminine, elegant but has the necessary strength our breed requires and just oozes super breed type. Beautiful typey headpiece that was so feminine with a lovely dark eye. She is so balanced fore and after and well-constructed throughout with good bone and feet. Ridge acceptable. She excelled on the move, out moving the others in this class with her ground covering effortless, fluid gait, demonstrating great reach and drive. She is also very clean out and back. A beautiful, quality bitch who is a credit to her breeder.
2 nd	60. GR. Ch. Almazart Captive Fyre	Another beautiful bitch of excellent breed type. Her head is pleasing just a little heavier than I prefer in my bitches but does maintain some femininity. She is soundly built with good balance fore and after, balanced bone leading into good feet. She also exhibits good prosternum, fill, depth of chest and is well ribbed back. On the move she covered the ground well with good reach and drive whilst maintaining her good top-line, she was just not quite as clean out and back as the bitch placed first. Good ridge. Another quality mature bitch who could also win on any given day.
3 rd	59. Ch. Kushika Sno Going Back JC	Super elegant style of bitch combined with strength who is of excellent breed type. Gorgeous breed typical head that is feminine, well proportioned, with good ear-set and a beautiful correct eye. Not as soundly built as those place getters before her, she could benefit from a slightly better lay of shoulder, and she is somewhat narrow and could do with some more fill but has good depth of chest and is well ribbed back with a strong top-line. Balanced bone, with good feet albeit, a bit upright in pastern. She was fluid and effortless in profile moving around the ring.
Veteran Bitch		
1 st	66. Ch. Marmatia Nekira Sassy (AI)	This lovely 7 year old bitch won this class primarily on her outstanding breed type – she is beautiful. Beautiful breed typical head that being fussy could benefit from a slightly stronger strength of muzzle. Good balance fore and after, with good prosternum, depth of chest that is well ribbed back, she lacked a little fill in front for me, but good top-line and a lovely hindquarter with well let down hocks finished the picture. She held her top-line reasonably well for her age on the move, demonstrating good reach and drive. I'm confident this girl in her day would have been very competitive in the showring. She's a credit to her breeder.
2 nd	67. Ch. Homerij Secret Weapon ET	Again, another quality, very elegant girl of lovely breed type. This beautiful 9.5 year old girl had a pleasing head. She wasn't as balanced as the first bitch and could do with a slightly better return of upper arm, but had good prosternum, fill, depth of chest that was well ribbed back, creating a super strong top-line standing and moving that defied her age. Balanced bone and good feet, although a little upright in pastern. She moved beautifully in profile displaying effortless fluid movement. She too is a credit to her breeder.

CHALLENGE BITCH	
<i>What a joy to behold -- spoilt for choice with an award worthy line-up of beautiful quality bitches, but the overall qualities of my Intermediate bitch could not be denied. Reserve Challenge was such a difficult decision between my Open bitch winner and 2nd in Intermediate bitch but what a wonderful predicament to be in ... so spoilt for choice!</i>	
45.	Ch. Adbesare Pop Your Cork (AI)
RESERVE CHALLENGE BITCH	
62.	Ch. Marandela The Phantom Chance TD ET

BEST EXHIBIT IN SHOW		
45.	Ch. Adbesare Pop Your Cork (AI)	This beautiful bitch did not disappoint and whose future bodes so well continued to impress standing and moving. It gave me great pleasure to award her Best Exhibit in Show.
RUNNER UP BEST EXHIBIT IN SHOW		
62.	Ch. Marandela The Phantom Chance TD ET	... and the girls have it today! Another, beautiful bitch of outstanding breed type, who also gave more when asked of her. It gave me great pleasure to award my Reserve bitch, Runner's Up Best Exhibit in Show.

Neuter Dog		
1 st	68. SUP. Ch. Seablueridge Bear	Thank you for the pleasure of going over your beautiful, moderate, red wheaten, elegant 7 year old male who has undergone some major life saving surgery not too long ago. He is of excellent breed type with a lovely breed typical head, and good length of neck. He is well balanced fore and after and constructed well. Good strong bone, feet, and ridge, a little too much condition on him, but forgivable now that he is neutered. Beautiful on the move, where he covered the ground effortlessly maintaining his good top-line and defying his age.
Neuter Challenge Dog		
68.	SUP. Ch. Seablueridge Bear	
Neuter Bitch		
1 st	69. GR. Ch. Adbesare Cocos Curtain Call (AI)	This gorgeous 7 year old wheaten bitch is of excellent breed type. She has a beautiful breed typical head with a lovely, elegant length of neck. She is well balanced fore and after and so well constructed where everything fits together nicely. Good ridge. She out moved the other bitches in this class, holding her top-line and defying her age with her effortless, fluid, clean gait.
2 nd	70. Marmatia GS Hurricane Diva (AI)	Again, another bitch of excellent breed type, just not moving as well as the first placed bitch. Beautiful breed typical head. Balanced fore and after, good prosternum and fill, but a little upright in shoulder and her chest could be a tad deeper. Good bone, feet and ridge. Easy, effortless gait, but her out and back could have been a little cleaner.
3 rd	73. Homerij Secret Heart	This 7 year old bitch is of pleasing breed type. Lovely breed typical head, she is balanced fore and after with good depth of chest. Balanced bone and good feet. She moved well around the ring.

Neuter Challenge Bitch	
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