

**Critiques from judge Mrs Sharron Taylor Qld
Rhodesian Ridgeback Club of Qld Inc Open Specialty
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Class Placegetters – Dogs

Baby Puppy

1st Tanyanika Tibidabo

3 ½ months old, good bite, one ear has a crease in it today, good feet, a little roachy today, steeper in croup than I would like. Would like to see more boning for this age. Super temperament. Good coat length and colour, ridge reasonable.

Minor

1st Ronganridge Remus

7 ½ months old, at the top or over the height standard already. Heavy head, very large ears, good bite, excessive throatiness, excessive heavy round bone, feet are a bit soft. Lacks shoulder angulation, good topline, coat a bit long, reasonable croup, moderate angulation behind. Ridge ok but offset crowns. Excessive white on the chest and under belly. Moves reasonably well but restricted in front and wide behind. Overall this dog is very Great Dane like. Good temperament.

Australian Bred

1st Apanina Hebrew Warrior

3 year old, moderate size, perhaps a little heavy in body i.e. leg length is shorter than wither/chest depth. Head is a bit cheeky, muzzle could be longer, bite good, eye colour perhaps a little light, adequate bone, a little wide between the elbows, good topline, well muscled, took a while to settle at first with a novice handler. Ridge OK, coat colour and length good. Had he been a bit less exuberant on the day, he may have gone further. Moved straight and true.

2nd Whydinya Tano

12 ½ months old, tall dog, bit cheeky in the head, good bite, slightly roman nosed, narrow front with elbows tied in, needs more depth of chest. Topline OK, steep croup. Moved very badly, Plaiting in front and wide behind. Very gay tail. Coat colour and length are good. Ridge OK, superb temperament.

3rd Kismayu Shaka

8 ½ year old veteran, very nervous, did not want to be touched at all! Good dark eye, roman nosed, a little cheeky in head, good length of muzzle. Good topline, excellent feet, good bone. Moves wide in front and behind.

Open

1st Ch Lowehund Brave Bear

Nearly 5 years old, very dark coloured dog, good dark eye, good bite, little cheeky in head. Lacks shoulder angulation, good feet, good topline, nice long ridge, moderate angulation behind, a little steep in croup. Coat length good. Moves straight and true but a little stilted in front, needs much more animation in the ring. BEST DOG.

2nd Ch Ronganridge Rolys Pride

9 ½ year old veteran, good head with correct length of muzzle. Level bite with excessive wear on the incisors. A little straight in shoulder angulation and a little tied in at the elbows. Good feet, excellent ridge, coat a little long in length. Topline good, croup acceptable, moderate angulation behind. Tends to crab when moved but seems reasonably true. Age let him down today. RESERVE BEST DOG.

Bitches

Baby Puppy

1st Tanyanika Jedda

3 ½ months old, good bite, good feet, ridge ok but offset. Topline a little roachy today, steeper in croup than I would like at this age. Excessive white on belly, would like a little more bone at this age. Beautiful temperament – so happy and full of herself. Very sweet puppy.

Minor

1st Ronganridge Red Raashi

7 ½ months old, overweight, good bite, good dark eye, both ears have creases in them, adequate front angulation, reasonable feet and topline. Height is getting close to the top of the standard. Coat length and colour good. Ridge OK. Lacks rear angulation. Once moved on a loose lead was a reasonable mover, however turns hocks outward when moving.

Junior

1st Apanina Shadezo Shahdei

Nearly twelve months old, moderate sized bitch. Lacks a little in underjaw and ears are very highset, good dark eye, good bite, lacks a little in stop. Lacks front angulation and depth of chest and is a little wide between the elbows. Is a shade too long in body for my liking. Moderate rear angulation. Coat colour and length are good, tail is a bit short. Temperament was good. Ridge OK.

Intermediate

1st Annabarh Zerah

Smaller type bitch, 18 months old. Eye perhaps a little light, requires more underjaw, pleasant expression. Good bite, good sized ear. A little short in humerus area and thus tended to throw her front a little on the move. Feet reasonable. Topline good, perhaps a little long in body, excellent rear assembly. Moves quite true from behind, but front movement let her down today. Coat length and colour good. Ridge OK but slightly offset.

2nd Bartess Scarlet Woman

Moderate sized nearly 3 years old. Requires more underjaw, good bite. Eyes perhaps a little light, head quite feminine. Is out at elbow, topline good, feet reasonable, little long in body. Front movement is not good as she tends to toe in significantly. Is a little hocky when gaiting from behind, particularly with the right hind leg. Ridge OK. Coat colour and length OK.

3rd Usakose Sutaio Sequoya

Nearly 3 years old, at the top of the standard. This dog is grossly obese, which made it difficult to get a true assessment of her structure. Good bite and good expression. Good length of muzzle. Front angulation moderate, feet OK, topline OK, moderate rear angulation, however there is a large roll of fat over the crop area. Movement front and back was straight and true. Ridge is OK, coat length and colour was good. Her overall obesity severely restricted her movement, which is why she was placed third.

Australian Bred

1st Ch Rothridge Sassy Nala

18 months old and very mature to look at. Head has the correct proportions with correct sized ears, good bite, perhaps a little light in eye, with excellent expression. Excellent angulation with good prosternum and depth of chest. Good feet, good topline, moves well although a shade too fast by handler, extremely showy bitch. Coat length is good, however she seems to be going through a change of coat colour today. Rear angulation was moderate and moved with good drive from behind. Ridge was OK. RES BITCH, RUBIS.

Open

1st Ch Annabarh Dame Of Fame

4 ½ year old smaller type bitch. Muzzle could be a bit longer but good underjaw. Good bite, eye colour adequate. Expression good. Excellent front angulation, feet good. Good topline, perhaps a shade too long in body, excellent rear assembly. Coat colour and length good. Ridge OK but slightly offset. She had maturity on her side today and moved so true and straight. BEST BITCH, BIS.

2nd Kutubu Kaia

Nearly three years old. Taller type bitch than 1st place. Nice head and expression. Eye colour adequate, good bite, good sized ear. Good front angulation, good feet. Topline OK, but a bit steep in croup. Had small amount of black shading under her neck otherwise coat colour and length good. Ridge OK. Moved straight and true, although not over enthusiastically.

3rd Ch Ronganridge U Rhythmic

Rising 7 year old, moderate sized bitch. Nice expression, good bite, good dark eye. Ears perhaps a little large. Front angulation adequate, toe nails very long, which gives the toes a longer appearance. Topline OK, a little long in body, moderate hind angulation. Ridge OK although offset. Tail is a little short with a lump on the end of it. She toes in with her front movement and moves very close behind. Tends to crab a little on the move. Coat colour and length good.