The Schnauzer Club of Great Britain held a Championship Show at Ryton on Dunsmore on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

Many thanks to the committee for inviting me to judge Best In Show at this well organised event.

The Miniature Schnauzer Grahams Nikisan Sir Mix A Lot, 5 years pepper and salt with excellent forehand, lovely typical expressive head, super spring of rib and superb harsh jacket of just the right length and texture. Moved really well in profile, just lacked a little bend of stifle and width of second thigh, beautifully presented and handled.

The Schnauzer Moores Odivane Mummys Boy at Filipers, another excellent example from this well known kennel, very well balanced of correct size and substance. Lovely long clean head with real Schnauzer expression. Good balance of neck and backline, depth of forechest, excellent quarters with well let down short straight hocks. Built to move but unfortunately was a little close behind when going away. His jacket was a little difficult to assess as it was shorther than ideal.

My Best in Show was the Giant Tysons Tyshunde Apprentice, I judged him last year as a junior and awarded him the reserve CC. My notes then said needed to mature and he certainly has. Stylish young male with beautifully presented coat of just the right texture and length. Lovely head of good length with a typical expression, clean run of neck into shoulder, firm slightly sloping topline with beautifully made quarters and short upright hocks. Gunbarrel front with just the right fill into chest enabling him to move with such style and purpose. Extremely sound on the move and expertly handled and presented.

I requested the reserve best of breed Giant into the ring for Reserve Best In Show. Parkers Daserbe Chase The Ace to Draxpark, another stylish Giant, beautifully balanced bitch with wonderful bone, super head and typical expression. Short slightly sloping topline, nicely filled in front and just the right amount of angulation in the rear. Moved out sound and true, I understand from her handler she gained her title on the day which didn't surprise me, congratulations.

Next came Best Puppy In Show, the Giant Cullens Piri Reis De Cethuz Philoma, rising 12 months male with excellent width of muzzle and refinement of skull. Reachy neck, good balance of back and neckline, super tailset and let down of quarters. Moved exhuberantly, just needs to settle in topline and fill his huge frame to fulfil his potential. As always presentation and handling spot on.

The Schnauzer, Moores Fillipers As Good As New, 11 months bitch of good size and balance. Correct return of forehand, with good fill in, chest down to elbow, excellent tailset and adequate rear angulation. Moved out really well, very promising to take Reserve BPIS.

The Miniature Daniels Jansad Hina took Best Puppy In Show, such a lovely unexaggerated pepper and salt of real quality and correct size. So compact with correct forehand, bang on tailset and just the right amount of rear angulation. Loved her typical Schnauzer expression, moved around the ring as though she owned it and today she did. A stand out BPIS.

Best Veteran in Show was the pepper and salt Miniature Cockerhams Int/Ir Ch Yakuzas Crossfire, rising 8 year male looking much younger than his years. Lovely headed dog with reachy neck, good angles both ends, firm topline with an excellent jacket texture. Still enjoying his day out with movement that belies his age.

Runner up to the Mini was the Schnauzer Bawden and Browns Ch Khanate Euro Million, rising 9 years pepper and salt. I awarded her the CC three years ago. Compact beautifully presented bitch with typical Schnauzer expression and attitude. Still very fit and another one who could show the youngsters how to move. Thank you for bringing her, unfortunately there were no Giant Veterans.

Steve Wareing Judge