

Form for Native Stock Evaluator

Evaluator: AKC Approved Basenji-Breeder Judge

Dogs name AVONGARA MANU

I had the chance to meet and evaluate Manu at the 2024 BCOA National Specialty site. My first impression of him was that of a striking masculine Basenji, who carried himself with elegance and grace. He possesses many desirable features that our domestic gene pool has been losing. I suspect that many of those breeders who fancy the opportunity to preserve and integrate quality native stock will find Manu to be a welcomed candidate to consider for their breeding program. The following is the summary of my notes when I studied his phenotype compared to our Standard:

Head:

- Manu's eyes are dark hazel in color and almond in shape.
- Rich pigmentation ("Mascara" outlined eyes, nose leather, and flews)
- Particularly in comparison to other native dogs, Manu's ears are smaller than most Basenjies and with a slight hood.
- Possesses wrinkle that he frequently displays, though not profuse
- Muzzle shorter than skull with perceptible stop, without being cheeky or coarse.
- Full dentition - 42 teeth, in line with a scissors bite
- He is an open capped tri, which I am personally familiar with. (An open cap is like a "window's peak" pattern between the black and tan above the brow)

Body:

- Moderate shoulder layback, properly set.
- Good length of upper arm, better than most of the domestic population
- Substantial bone yet still elegant in stature
- Denser coat than the ideal, but definitely not heavier than many bloodlines have consistently carried for decades in various parts of the continental US.
- Mottled demarkation; Could be more defined between colors particularly on his body
- He is only a bit off-square because he is slightly longer through the loin.
- Has reach of ischium to achieve proper tail set, and rear angulation to match his front's reach
- Single curl tail rests firmly on his hip
- Great feet: Well arched toes with thick pads.

Movement and structure:

- Appropriately merges to single tracking on the move when going away, but is a little loose in front on the return. Since he is only a puppy at the day of evaluation, I can't predict if this will tighten up upon maturity and "filling out" or not.
- Uses himself effortlessly on a loose leash with proud carriage exuding confidence
- Naturally free stacks

Temperament:

In the snapshot of time that I evaluated Manu, I found him to be somewhat aloof. To be fair, the busy grooming hall at the national specialty was a challenging circumstance and space with peculiar acoustics. Despite that, Manu was very easy for me to go over on the table, not at all dangerous or aggressive, but always on alert throughout our visit. Bonus that Manu did not appear to be dog aggressive even with a plethora of bitches in season crated around him. Once outdoors to watch on the move, I could observe Manu just hanging out with his owner. He was fully at ease, playful, (no tugging or pulling - always on a visibly loose and relaxed lead). He was charming and thoroughly enthusiastic about interacting with his owner and his known friends, exuding his positive zest for life.

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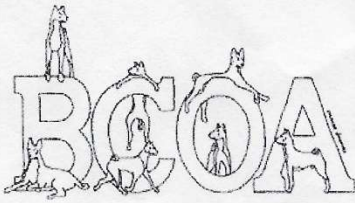
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Excellent (5) **Very Good (4)** Good (3) Fair (2) Poor (1) Unacceptable (0)

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Evaluator's comments:

Manu is instantly recognizable as a basenji

He is a moderately angulated correct sized
canned tri dog.

He has a correct scissors bite.

He has an excellent tail and set for an import
with a decent topline.

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Overall Evaluation (circle one):

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10-18-2024

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