

King Charles Spaniel Association Championship Show 6/11/2016

I was a mere schoolboy when I applied – most probably in rudimentary Pidgin English – to become a member of the King Charles Spaniel Association. After all these years I still vividly remember the kindness and patience of the officers in those days. In the more recent past I experienced success and hospitality at shows held by the Association and for these nostalgic reasons I was looking forward to this special appointment. Being still active in breed it would be hypercritical to pretend that I did not know the entry and most of the dogs I have seen in the showing before. However I tried to judge without prejudice and based my decisions solely on type and conformation. For the final most important awards show condition and performance on the day were my deciding factors. Over the years the breed has tremendously improved in soundness and temperament and there were no concerns from a health point of view. However I am very concerned about the lack of new younger breed enthusiast and regular breeder's which are vital factors to keep a wide gene pool and are essential to keep the breed on the map!

VD(4entries,0absent): 1 Austin's Baldragon Hooray Henley, built on larger scale but scored in cobbyness and substance, large masculine head with excellent profile given correct upturn and raise of skull, strong quarters, won on movement and conformation. 2 Austin's Oh Dandy Boy Hero, built on similar lines, sturdy and cobby, very good neck and topline, not quite the dome and general head qualities of 1. 3 Pearce Tewith Tornado.

MPD(2): 1 Cox Petitpaws Black Prince, 8 month Black/Tan sufficiently cobby but still balanced and scored in maturity and substance, sufficiently large head, excellent dome, already very

good cushioning, classy profile, naturally still needs to drop in body, moved ok. 2 Pearce Downsbank Troubadour over Ozzymoon, Tricolour truly wee baby of sweet disposition, nice shape but still needs to drop in body and gain more substance, ok in head for age, slightly bulgy eyes, time is on his side.

PD(5): 1 Mallow's X-Jewel Od Dvou Orechu (Imp CZ) the surprise of the day, having recently judged the Club show in the native country of this Black/Tan boy. In general I was not too impressed with the overall quality and I am amazed and pleased for the lucky owner that the breeders out there are prepared to part with their best stock! Mature of excellent medium size, cobby body with very good substance, lovely head with soft but distinctively mature expression, plush facial features,, straight front, firm back, sound quarters, coat coming nicely, free driving movement, should do well BPS 2 Smith Justacharma One So Magic, another quality youngster this time from a well-established British line, Tricolour of excellent shape, scored on his wonderful head and expression, low set ears, cobby body, well broken colour and promising coat, on the day not quite as positive in movement as 1 but close decision . 3 Rushtons's Justacharma He is So Magic at Tiflin

JD(3,2): 1 Baker Cofton A Nights Tale, Tricolour scored on his square, cobby body, well-shaped head with sufficient dome, still needs to fill out under the eyes, but very good profile, straight front, dead straight firm topline , firm well-angulated hindquarters hence drives well from behind but still a bit untidy in front.

YD(8,2): 1 Smith Justacharma Magic is Here, a medium sized cobby Tricolour who showed with confidence and regal attitude. Wonderfully balanced large head with distinctive but soft expression, classical profile, very good cushioning and filling, excellent bone, square body, firm top-line, just needs to gain a little bit more weight to complete very nice picture and then should trouble the best! RCC. Mochrie's Downsbank Razzle Dazzle, another Tricolour who instantly scored on his shape and cobby substantial body, large head with excellent features from all angles, good neck and top-line, soundly constructed, only wished he would make more of himself. 3 Gillhespies Lorphil Red River JW

ND(3): Austin Dragonheart Fall Breeze, equally mature and attractive Tricolour of good medium size, nicely balanced cobby body, pleasing head with good filling, straight well-boned front, good reach of neck and straight topline, scored in performance and head qualities over 2 . Cox Petitpaws Black Jack, 8 month old Black/Tan baby, good substance and sound quarters, still needs to mature and fill out in head, promising coat, not the confidence or maturity of 1 but scored in body over 3 Mallow's Mitapip Luther Binglui

GD(7,4): 1 Salguero Rivermoor Minstrel, nicely marked Tricolour of good shape and size, scored in this class on his lovely head qualities with good dome and soft plus face, decent dome, low set ears and excellent turn-up, ok in bone, still needs a bit more substance, moved well. Austin's Dragonheart of Winter, mature Tricolour, sufficiently cobby, excellent topline, strong quarters, coat of soft silky texture, moved ok and scored in maturity over 3 Boyer's Pomelo Never Ending Story.

PGD(9): 1 Robinson's Baldragon Brecon JW, instantly attracted for his classical shape and outline, large head with equally masculine and soft expression, dark lustrous eyes. Low set ears with excellent fringing, firm front with tight pastern, , well angulated strong hindquarters, attractive light markings, could make more of himself but moved soundly 2 Searl's Lindley Lanola Massimo Dutti at Stonepit, cobby mature Tricolour, scored on his pleasing head with classical features, good bone and depth of body, sufficient length of legs, very well presented, showed with sufficient animation. 3 Hedra Flash the Cash at Meglind.

LD(6,1): A strong class of quality dogs of different but equally appealing types 1 Byers Lanola Giorgio Armani with Simannie, scored on his cobby body and classical breed type in a medium sized body, large head with true Charlie expression, full of himself with a hint of mischief but no evidence of cockiness or even aggression going over him, wonderful dark expressive eyes, firm quarters, wonderfully presented coat, moved well 2 Penningtons Tudorhurst Aramis, truly elegant Blenheim of excellent size and excellent bone and substance, a fraction longer in loin which corresponds wonderfully well with his super reach of neck resulting in free and ground-covering movement, very nicely balanced head with excellent dome and good cushioning, in an ideal world would like a fraction darker eye and just got over a recent eye infection . 3 Gillhespies Joshua del Melcourt.

OD(2): 1 Essex Ch Chacombe Royal Gift to Brendek, I have loved this lightly marked Tricolour since I saw him for the first time as a young puppy and he has now matured into the finished picture. His head qualities simply epitomize the soft and distinctive expression of a true Charlie! Strong well angulated neck, firm top-line, sound quarters and a coat presented to perfection complete a very pleasing picture, he is a sound mover and copes really well with the

owners slightly diminished mobility, CC&BIS 2 Sidwick's Paulian Frank, Another quality Tricolour , scored on his truly cobby and square body, nicely balanced large head with excellent dome and low set long ears, sufficient width of chin and turn up, excellent bone, moved well but not quite the glamour of 1.

SpORuby(1): Lorphil Red River, represents his colour in the best possible way, almost textbook head which looked wonderful from all angles, moderate bone in a perfectly sized body, gleaming coat of richest colour and soft silky coat, simply did not like the venue which severely affected his performance which was a shame and cost him a higher placing in a previous class .

SpOTri(4,1): Jackson's Ch Amantra Regal Duke, true Toyspaniel, very nicely balanced,. Classical head type with excellent profile, super dome and plush facial features, well arched neck, slightly wavy silky coat, move well would like him to carry a bit more weight, scored in refinement over 2 Ch Hedra's Truly Magic is Justacharma, a true stallion, sound as a bell, large truly masculine head with soft expression, a touch longer in loin, straight top line, wonderful coat texture and fringing, white could be clearer and would like a little bit less of him but oozing quality and breed type. 3. Willey & Siddle Penemma Picasso.

SpOBlen(5,1): 1 Mochrie's Downsbank Montgomery scored in this class on his classical cobby body and firm topline, large masculine head with full dome, super profile, soft expression, excellent bone and overall conformation, excellent coat texture, could make a bit more of himself. 2 Jackson's Amantra Treasury another quality boy of good overall type, very pleasing head with plush face, low set ears, very typical expression, sound quarters, a fraction longer in loin, moved well, close decision. 3 Byers Paulian Ernest with Simannie.

VB(3): 1 Stone's Maynorth Fallen From Heaven, Ruby of highest quality, built on cobby lines, scored on her well balanced head with soft expression, excellent filling and upturn, still sound hindquarters and consequently moved well, enjoyed her day out. 2 Mochrie's Downsbank Jazz Dancer, cobby black/tan of good medium size, pleasing head and expression, topline ok for age, showed well but not the hindaction of 1. 3 Speight's Gayhalo Chantilly Lace at Bonniroy.

MPB(2): Cox Petitpaws Black Pearl, Black/Tan scored in this class similar to her litter-brother on maturity and substance, head with good dome, still needs to fill out in face, firm topline, sound quarters, well kept coat, fringes coming on nicely. 2 Mochrie's Downsbank Raspberry Ripple, a raw baby but excellent quality, very promising head and facial features, just needs time.

PB(4): 1 Justacharma Magic is for You, markings and colour not her strong points but scored in this class on her conformation and showmanship, large head with good filling and typical expression, excellent ribcage and spring of rib, very sound mover, her outgoing jolly temperament are an extra bonus. Justacharma She is So Magic at Tifflin, ultra-feminine Blenheim, still a true baby, nice cobby frame, size of head in proportion to body with pretty expression, firm topline, promising coat, showed with confidence, just lost out on maturity, . 3 Amantra Showgirl.

JB(6,1): 1 Kendal's Cofton Winter Time Tale at Hedra, Blenheim, stood out for breed type, conformation and showmanship, still a youngster and just right for age but wonderfully balanced with cobby body, pretty feminine head with equally soft and cheeky expression, straight well-boned front, sound hindquarters, moved and showed with purpose and confidence, attractive markings, only needs to grow a full coat to finish very pleasing picture. 2 Baker's Cofton Snow White, Tricolour sister to one, built on similar lines and plenty of quality features, pretty head and expression, very good substance for age, topline just needs to settle, moved and showed well, unlucky to meet her glamour sister in such good form. 3 Maynorth Look of Love.

YB(2): two promising youngsters 1 Mochrie's Downsbank Tiger Lilly, cobby well-marked Tricolour, large well-proportioned head with excellent dome and very good filling, good ear-set, good reach of neck, strong well angulated hindquarters, coat is coming nicely, could carry a bit more weight. 2 Baker Cofton Fairy Tale, built on slightly different but equally pleasing lines, well-balanced head with pretty expression, still needs to fill out under eyes, at the moment a touch untidy in front, attractive markings, promising coat.

NB(3); Mochrie's Downsbank Lily Regale, mature very attractively marked Tricolour, scored on her cobby body, firm topline and sound quarters, at the moment a touch plain in head and expression but makes up for it in showmanship and movement. 2 Cofton Fairy Tale. 3 Williams Kasamanda My Serendipity.

GB(6,2): 1 Sidgwick's Corrinwood Chloe at Paulian, lightly marked Tricolour, cobby body with good bone, very pleasing feminine head and expression with excellent profile, good stop and sufficient turn-up, excellent neck with sufficiently straight topline, well kept silky coat moved with purpose. 2 Rushton's Justacharma Magic Made for Tiflin, pretty Tricolour built in a smaller frame, ok in substance for size, pretty nicely balanced head with expressive eyes, showed well, not the substance and confidence of 1 .3 Speight's Bonniroy Danae.

PGB(6): 1 Gillespy's Lorphil Design, compact Tricolour of very pleasing overall type but unfortunately pretty much out of coat, very pleasing head with plush gentle expression, straight front, sound hindquarters, firm straight topline, moved with purpose, a quality bitch and in coat should trouble the best. 2 Williams Tovarich Lady Fair for Kasamandra, mature Tricolour built on compact lines, sufficiently large head with good expression, excellent conformation and presented in excellent coat, preferred eye of 1 but quality bitch. 3 Gurtner's Josephine de Melcourt.

LB(4): 1 Goodwin's Lanola Mademoiselle JW, cobby lightly marked Tricolour, very pleasing head and plush feminine face, excellent turn-up, dark expressive eyes, good moderate bone, ok in topline, a touch out of coat, moved well and scored in performance over 2 Mochrie's Downsbank Betsy Trotwood, very pleasing Blenheim, sufficiently compact for a bitch, plenty of substance, very pleasing head and expression, strong sound quarters, attractive markings, the type of bitch the breed needs to produce sound quality stock, wish she would make more of herself . 3 Wallhead's Baldragon Becuz Im Worht it to Merida.

OB(4,1): a lovely class of quality bitches 1 Robinson's Ch Baldragon She Demands JW, I have seen her on many occasion in the ring and my main objection always was the unnecessary stacking performance by the handler. Going over her for the first time I simply found quality in abundance and one only can appreciate her classical breed type, wonderful feminine expression and perfect presentation, careful examination revealed sound hindquarters and she was shown in a more natural way resulting in free movement and faultless performance CC. Essex 2 Tudorhurst Beatrice at Brendek, mature truly cobby Black/tan, very distinct but at the same time soft feminine expression, shown in full bloom and perfectly presented, plenty of substance, sound hindquarters, moved and showed well, simply unlucky to meet the ultimate showgirl Res.CC. 3 Pennignton's Hello Dolly de la Montagne Ensolleille of Tudorhurst.

SpOBlack/tan(1): 1 Stone's Maynorth Back to Black JW, substantial bitch of sound honest breed type, nicely balanced head with good facial features and dark expressive eyes, built on compact lines, sound quarters, firm topline, silky well-kept coat, attractive bright tan, moved and showed well.

SpOTri(6,3): 1 Byers Simanniee Sweet Anneka, attractively marked Tricolour, compact in a smaller frame, very pleasing head with truly feminine expression and plush features, good bone, firm quarters, presented in excellent coat and pristine condition, moved well but only wished she would make more of herself. 2 Lorphils Design. 3 Smith Justacharma One More. Magic.

SpOBlen(1): 1 Gurtner's Ellinor v.d. Gebhardshoeh, true Toy spaniel old-fashioned in the best possible way and so honest in type, a touch long in cast but still balanced, very pretty feminine head with good dome, sufficient filling under the eyes, wonderful long ears, refined bone, excellent coat, moved with confidence.

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