


**King Charles Spaniel Association
Single Breed Open Show
18 February 2012
Knowl Hill, Berkshire**

I thank the Association for inviting me to judge this show, also to my able stewards and to all the exhibitors for allowing me to judge their beautiful Charlies.

I feel I must comment on the size of some of the exhibits. The breed standard says 3.6 to 6.3 Kilos and although I regard this as a guide some of the dogs I saw today were a long way over these weights. Also I noticed a distinct lack of nose pigment, something we need to keep an eye on. The top winners were sound and moved well. The same could not be said further down the line.

Veteran 6 entries

1st Fry & Jackson CH AMANTRA WINTERBERRY Tricolour

What a super girl. Just 7  so she will be winning for a good while to come. She has beautiful eyes and the most pleasing expression. On the move she shows her class and standing her outline is her crowning glory. Res Best Bitch.

2nd Smith JUSTACHARMA SHE'S MAGIC Tricolour

9 years old and in really good condition. She moved around the ring happily. She has a typical Charlie head with square muzzle and well cushioned cheeks.

3rd Stone MAYNORTH SIMPLY HEAVEN Black & Tan

Res Chandler BONNIROY BUTTERFLY BARLEYBRIGHT Blenheim

Minor Puppy Dog 2 entries

1st Fry & Jackson AMANTRA SUMMER CHIME Blenheim

This boy was enjoying himself and took a while to settle down, however I found his overall shape appealing especially his well laid shoulders and arched neck.

2nd Moss VASHDOWN TOP OF THE SCALE MIT SOMBUR Tricolour

He will need a good deal of time to develop and settle down. He has lovely dark eyes well turned stifles and lots of pigment.

Puppy Dog 3 entries

1st Fry & Jackson AMANTRA SUMMER CHAPTER Blenheim

I was taken by this boy as walked round the ring. He looked even better when he was standing four square showing his overall construction. His head appealed to me with a good dome, large eyes and a short turned up nose. Best Puppy.

2nd Byers PAULIAN ERNEST WITH SIMANNIE TAF Blenheim

A Handsome boy with a beautiful expression square muzzle, turned up nose and lovely large eyes. He looked so pleased to be there. He has a wonderful coat both in quantity and texture.

3rd Mochrie DOWNSBANK TRAVIS Tricolour

Junior Dog 2 entries (2 absent)

Graduate Dog 4 entries (2 absent)

1st Austin OH DANDY BOY HERO Blenheim

Another boy who looked pleased to be there. He has a long silky coat and he never stopped wagging his tail. Good dome with low set on ears. Excellent spring of ribs.

2nd Salguero DOWNSBANK FLETCHER Black & Tan

Smaller than most, he wasn't keen to show me his movement. Only 20 Months old he still needs time to develop bone and body.

Post Graduate Dog 6 entries

1st Smith JUSTACHARMA OH SO MAGIC Tricolour

I have watched this boy develop since he was a puppy and he has not disappointed. I love his large head which is well domed. He has a short turned up nose, square muzzle large dark eyes and well cushioned cheeks. He is short coupled with a good spring of rib and well turned stifles so he moves with drive from behind. Best in Show

2nd Rushton NISYROS DONNIE DARKO Black & Tan

This boy is really well constructed hence he is really steady on the move keeping his topline and tail carriage. I loved his handsome expression and his beautiful coat.

3rd Hunter HOOEBARTON IOLO AMANTRA Tricolour

Res Mochrie DOWNSBANK ALL THAT JAZZ Black & Tan

Limit Dog 5 entries (1 absent)

1st J. Goodwin TUCHERISH STANLEY DIGGLE Tricolour

Really a Toy Spaniel. Lovely large eyes, black, short, turned up nose, large eyes set well apart, square muzzle, well cushioned cheeks make a beautiful head. He has well sprung ribs good stifles and a well set tail. Not surprisingly he moves extremely well.

2nd Wallhead SLEEPYHOLLOW TRIKKI DIKKI AT MERIDA Tricolour

Slightly longer in the back this boy really moves with drive from behind. He has a profuse coat of good texture.

3rd Austin BALDRAGON BIG IT UP Tricolour

Res Sellen LEVICOS GEORGE Tricolour

Open Dog 3 entries

1st Fry & Jackson AMANTRA CHIEFTAIN Blenheim

Here is another quality dog showing how to move around the ring with drive from behind. He is short coupled and has a level topline an excellent spring of rib and a proud head carriage. He is very handsome with large eyes and broad muzzle well defined stop. Res Best Dog

2nd Sellen COFTON ARMINIO AT GMACRYSTALS Blenheim

He is a nice size though he needs a little more weight. Me moved around the ring well and looked as if he was enjoying himself.

3rd Salguero CHACOMBE LORCAN Ruby

Minor Puppy Bitch 4 entries

1st Mochrie DOWNSBANK EVENSONG Tricolour

This was a super class and I would have liked to own all of them, which says a lot for the winner. She looks very pretty, has a very feminine head with a lovely short turned up nose, melting eyes and a super dome. On the move you could see the superb construction driving her around the ring , keeping her topline and carrying her tail exactly as it should be. Best Puppy Bitch

2nd Mochrie DOWNSBANK LIBERTY BELLE Black & Tan

It was hard to choose between these two. All of the attributes above apply to this girl. When I saw her on the table, I was struck by her most wonderful expression and a gleaming coat.

3rd Giddings AMANTRA SUMMER CHEER Blenheim

Res Rushton AMANTRA SUMMER CHERUB Blenheim

Puppy Bitch 1 entry

1st Brown VASHDOWN L'ELISIR D'MORE TAF Tricolour

Just 6 months and clearly in the wrong class. She has lots of growing and developing to do. She is very pretty but will need to learn how to show herself.

Junior Bitch 5 entries (1 absent)

1st J. Goodwin AMANTRA QUEEN OF CLUBS AT DIGGLE Black & Tan

This girl is smallish but has a really good spring of rib a nice arched neck and well laid shoulders. She has a good size head in comparison to her size and her dark eyes which are wide apart are square to her face line giving the beautiful soft expression.

2nd Stone MAYNORTH LOVESONG Tricolour

She is a well balanced bitch which shows on the move. She has a lovely head with really dark eyes and well cushioned cheeks. I found her very appealing.

3rd Harvey & East NASTANE DOROTHY AT RIVERMOOR Blenheim

Res Austin BALDRAGON MAY BEA BABY Blenheim

Graduate Bitch 2 entries (1 absent)

1st Jones VASHDOWN CONTRALTO Tricolour

A well constructed bitch who moved with drive. She is quite square with a level topline. She needs much more coat and I have to say lots more preparation.

Post Graduate Bitch 2 entries (1 absent)

1st Mochrie DOWNSBANK VALENTINA Tricolour

I liked this girl for her overall shape and her typical Charlie head. She has a good reach of neck and well laid back shoulders, a good spring of rib and is short coupled. I needed her to settle down to show me properly how well she could move.

Limit Bitch 4 entries (1 absent)

1st Smith JUSTACHARMA SOMETHING MAGIC JW Blenheim

Such a pretty Bitch although I suspect she likes her food! She is short coupled, has a level topline and well turned stifles but it is her front end that impresses. Super neck and shoulders, short straight legs with her elbows well tucked in.

2nd Fry & Jackson AMANTRA TOPAZ Tricolour

This girl floated around the ring driving from behind. She has well turned stifles and her rear end is perfectly straight when viewed from behind. Her head has a super dome and her long silky ears are set just right.

3rd Byers SIMANNIE SOLITAIRE Tricolour

Open Bitch 4 entries

1st S. Goodwin MAIBEE CLEMENTINE OF LANOLA Tricolour

This one is a real quality bitch. She is an ideal size, has a typical Charlie head with dark eyes set well apart and with the eyelids block square. A well defined stop, turned up nose and well cushioned cheeks. She has an arched neck and good forequarters. Level topline and well turned stifles complete the picture. If I have one criticism, I would like her to be more confident. Best Bitch.

2nd Byers MAIBEE ANYA AT SIMANNIE Blenheim

A litter sister to the winner she shares many of the same attributes. I particularly loved her large dark eyes and the way she moved around the ring driving from behind.

3rd Stone MAYNORTH IRRESISTABLE JW Tricolour

Res Jones VASHDOWN QUEEN OF SONG Tricolour

Special Open (Black & Tan or Ruby) Dog or Bitch 3 entries (1 absent)

1st Smith MAPLEHURST BLUE MAGIC IS JUSTACHARMA Black & Tan

A lovely bitch who is short coupled with a good spring of rib and well turned stifles. She was happy to be here and looked up at me with those large dark eyes. She is very pretty!

2nd Salguero CHACOMBE LORCAN Ruby

This boy has such a proud expression. He is a beautiful rich chestnut colour. He looked quite lazy as he wandered round the ring.

Special Open (Blenheim or Tricolour) Dog or Bitch 5 entries

1st Austin BALDRAGON BIG IT UP Tricolour

I liked this boys overall shape, he has a good spring of rib, is short coupled and has a good tail set. He moves well which was the deciding factor in this class.

2nd Austin OH DANDY BOY HERO Blenheim

Another boy he is slightly longer in back than the winner. He moved gracefully round the ring keeping a level topline.

3rd Byers SIMANNIE PRESIOUS GEMSTONE Blenheim

Res Salguero DOWNSBANK BILBO BAGGINS Tricolour

Special Beginners Dog or Bitch 3 entries

1st Wallhead SLEEPYHOLLOW TRIKKI DIKKI AT MERIDA Tricolour

2nd J. Goodwin AMANTRA QUEEN OF CLUBS AT DIGGLE Black & Tan

3rd Austin BALDRAGON MAY BEA BABY Blenheim

Special Companion Dog or Bitch

1st Chandler BONNIROY BUTTERFLY BARLEYBRIGHT Blenheim

2nd Austin OH DANDY BOY HERO Blenheim

3rd Austin & Robinson BALDRAGON HOORAY HENLEY Blenheim

Special Brace 3 Brace entries

1st Fry & Jackson Blenheims

2nd Austin Tricolours

3rd Jones Tricolours

Mabel Gristwood Memorial Stakes 6 entries (4 absent)

1st	Chandler	BONNIROY BUTTERFLY BARLEYBRIGHT	Blenheim
2nd	Wallhead	PALTEEMOOR CHARLEMAGNE	Tricolour