

## **King Charles Spaniel Association**

### **40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Championship Show Saturday November 3<sup>rd</sup> 2012**

**I was delighted and honoured to be elected as the judge for the Association's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Show and to have received a magnificent entry of 127 dogs entered. Throughout the day a super atmosphere prevailed with glasses of 'bubbly' in hand all exhibitors joined in a toast to the Association. This was followed by a special Christmas lunch deliciously produced by Ian and Janet Chandler. Later in the day the celebration cake and afternoon tea was provided for all exhibitors.**

**Amongst such a vast entry there were some beautiful exhibits presented and I found some exciting youngsters all of which will make a much needed impact on the breed. Type varies considerably and it should never be forgotten that the standard of the King Charles Spaniel is very different from that of the Cavalier. Distinguishing characteristics are not just confined to the difference in head shape and nose placement but the requirement of the King Charles to be 'cobby' with sufficient substance and bone to balance – essential criteria which should never be overlooked.**

**I thank all the exhibitors for their entry and for presenting me with a number of difficult decisions which for my part were reached with integrity and sincerity in the interest of this wonderful toy breed.**

**BIS Mrs A Pennington & Portingale's Folle Damour Par Trois De La Montague Ensoleille of Tudorhurst, BOS Miss J Pennington's Tudorhurst Diamond, PB Robinson's Baldrogan She Demands, BV Fry & Jackson's Ch Amantra Winterberry.**

### **Veteran Dog 3**

- 1. Fry & Jackson's Ch Amantra Cheers. A great start to the day. Heads you win! Clearly this top winning Tri dog wholly illustrates the required head essentials founded on a beautifully wide plateau with superb cushioning; large open nostrils and low ear setting with profuse feathering**

**to frame this fabulous head study. His enthusiasm in the ring was outstanding and he moved with such precision and glee. In the challenge he gave a flawless performance staving off pressing claims from future stars. RCC**

**2. Wallhead's Palteemoor Charlemagne Well balanced Tri in fabulous coat and condition, liked the overall size and balance throughout. Moved very well and clearly enjoyed every minute of his time in the ring.**

**3. Sellen's Cofton Arminio at Gmacrystals**

### **Minor Puppy Dog 10, 1**

**1. Mochrie's Downsbank Guthrie. This outstanding 6 month old baby won a most exciting class containing a host of quality minor puppies which bodes well for the future. This raw tri has the essentials to make an easy champion. Fabulous head proportions with that all important width of jaw and ample muzzle to finish. Balanced throughout in size and shape with spirit level top line, ample width of body and bone. Parallel movement in all directions and just wished he was mine!**

**2. Coupland's Tucherish High Treason, More mature than winner and another exceptional puppy, sufficient substance and bone, well placed shoulders, level back and correct tail setting. Just preferred the superb head qualities of winner. Moved very well in all directions and well schooled.**

**3. Smith's Headra Truly Magic Is Justacharma**

### **Puppy Dog 8, 1**

**1. Fry & Jackson's Amantra Regal Image of Amantra. Well broken tri and proved a beautiful profile when standing. Glorious balanced skull with round dark eyes and well placed wide open nostrils. Ample under jaw and cushioning. I particularly admired the short coupling of this**

**puppy having sufficient leg length illustrating the required square outline. Fabulous reach of neck and shoulder placement and great turn of stifle. Movement to settle but another star in the making. BPD**

- 2. Mochrie's Downsbank Montgomery. Litter brother to winner of MPD and what an achievement to produce these brothers, both of such wonderful type. Blenheim with good quality coat supporting well broken rich chestnut patches. Excelled in width of under jaw and rise from well appointed stop. Beautifully set ears which is often lacking in this colour. Not quite as short in back as winner but has many attributes to admire and certainly most promising.**
- 3. Smith's Headra Truly Magic Is Justacharma**

#### **Junior Dog 9, 1**

- 1. Askins & Kendall's Headra's Wedgwood. Most impressive young dog to examine. Short strong straight front legs on well padded feet. Deep wide chest with ample spring of rib. Short level back and excellent tail setting. Hindquarters of considerable strength and correct angulation all producing such fabulous drive. Accurate in all directions and those beautifully laid shoulders produced such fore hand reach. Head balanced with sufficient width, dark round eyes and ears well set. Was definitely a strong contender for a green card today and predict that maturity will bring some big ones.**
- 2. Pennington & Portingale's Tudorhurst Pirate King. B/T beautifully put together and had exceptional coat quality enhanced with deep tan points. Of adequate substance, level back and correct tail setting. Not quite as short coupled as winner. Moved very soundly and extremely well presented.**
- 3. Moffat & Robins Maibee Lowrie**

#### **Yearling Dog 2,1**

- 1. Bailey's Aldoricka The Maverick. Aptly named and he certainly was swashbuckling in character! Nicely proportioned tricolour. Impressive movement particularly the hindquarters which were well angulated and sufficiently muscled. Head maturing nicely and admired those beautifully open nostrils and sufficient width of jaw. Coat coming through well.**

#### **Novice Dog 4**

- 1. Pennington's Tudorhurst Corsair Impressive to handle having ample bone, width of chest and body weight to enhance. Once again rich chestnut points are essential in this colour to compliment the raven black coat. Impressive head qualities, adequate reach of neck, sturdy front legs support by strong pasterns and compact well knuckled feet. Just turned 12 months and with maturity will, undoubtedly gain more confidence.**
- 2. Mochrie's Bonitos Companeros De Luke High Society. Well balanced Tri with exceptional rib and depth of chest. Square in outline and sufficient width throughout. Impressive hindquarters producing such strong drive. A little reluctant to come towards me and therefore forehand was not as collected or as free as 1.**
- 3. Austin's Baldragon Hooray Henley**

#### **Graduate Dog 4,1**

- 1. Bailey's Aldoricka The Maverick**
- 2. Austin's Baldragon Big It Up. Nicely balanced head and appealing eyes. Certainly very fit and well muscled. Of great substance throughout but void of any coarseness. Just needs to settle in front movement as occasionally this was a tad careless. Lovely disposition and a very happy character.**
- 3. Brice & Hunter's Hooebarton lolo**

## **Post Graduate Dog 8,1**

- 1. Salguero's Downsbank Bilbo Baggins. Beautifully constructed Toy Spaniel presented to perfection and in superb coat. Straight front legs, well laid shoulders, sufficient width of chest, well let down hocks and strong well padded feet. Lovely balance of head although would prefer those beautifully dark round eyes with less white surrounding. Moved really well and is now reaching the zenith of maturity. Sympathetically handled and bang on form to win this quality class. Looked a picture in profile.**
- 2. Lunt's Beechglen Gabriel. Blenheim who excelled in head qualities and expression. Well laid shoulders and elbows close in. Beautifully presented textured coat, perhaps not quite as finished as 1. Dark appealing eyes, pigmentation slightly off as can be expected at this time of the year. Lovely character and super mover.**
- 3. Pascoe's Cwmitrion Little Boy Beep**

## **Limit Dog 7, 2**

- 1. Schilizzi & Healey's Baldragon Royal Warwick of Chacombe. This tri coloured dog has many attractive attributes which makes him so appealing. The balance of head is well domed from the stop and has beautifully set wide open nostrils and wide jaw overlaid with abundant cushioning. Well filled under the eye which enhances the overall expression. Square in stature with sufficient substance and bone throughout and he is a careful mover. Unfortunately, not the finish of coat to claim major honours today although definitely a consideration.**
- 2. Smith's Justacharma Oh So Magic JW Tri, presented in beautiful coat and fabulous condition. Whilst not quite the balanced profile of winner has the most fabulous head qualities with the darkest appealing eyes, great reach of neck and substance throughout. Lovely to examine on the table being well covered and with muscle tone to enhance. A really happy character with exceptionally accurate movement.**

### **3. Mochrie's Downsbank Travis**

#### **Open Dog 5**

- 1. Pennington's Tudorhurst Diamond. Both dogs in this class excelled in head qualities, supporting masculinity without coarseness. This tri was presented in outstanding condition. Head was beautifully domed appealing dark round eyes can never fail to attract. Low set profusely feathered ears produce the gilded frame. Great width of chest, spring of rib all adding to the construction which the standard requires of this breed. Glamorous straight abundant coat of the finest texture, fantastic muscle tone in those well turned stifles. Moved superbly accurately in all directions. CC & BOS.**
- 2. Fry's Ch Amantra Regalist Beautifully balanced throughout with correct bone and substance. Alike 1 excelled in head qualities. Beautiful front assembly having strong straight front legs, sturdy pasterns and well padded feet. Short coupled throughout. Not quite in the coat of winner today.**
- 3. Rushton's Tiflin Tudor Royal JW**

#### **Special Open (B/T/Ruby) Dog**

- 1. Gillhespy's Ch Tucherish Sundance JW Exemplary showman who can never fail to attract attention. Stands like a statue demonstrating the typical outline of the breed. Upon examination he has such a beautiful width throughout, spirit level back and short strong loins. Presented in fabulous condition and coat was at its absolute best. A very worthy champion.**
- 2. Fry & Jackson's Amantra Oliver. This mature Ruby had a coat of fabulous colour and texture. Of idea size he adequately fulfils the requirement of being a short coupled cobby toy dog. Great head qualities and of super substance throughout. He just did not want to make the best of himself today and this was such a pity has he so much going for him. In super condition.**

### **3. Mallows & Gillespey's Binglei Berlington Bertie**

#### **Special Open (Blenheim/Tri) Dog**

- 1. Pennington's Chateau Tudorhurst De La Montagne Ensoleillee (Imp FR). This large impressive Tri certainly makes his presence known. Fabulous coat and condition he excels upon examination having width and substance without a hint of coarseness. Most appealing dark illustrious eyes are so alluring. Presented in the most amazing coat and condition his place could not be denied. Moved with undeniable accuracy. Admired by many today.**
- 2. Salguero's Downsbank Bilbo Baggins**
- 3. Lunt's Beechglen Summertime JW**

#### **Veteran Bitch 9**

- 1. Fry & Jackson's Amantra Winterberry. A great favourite of mine and I consider he to be the 'flag ship' of this kennel and indeed fulfils my interpretation of the breed standard. Short coupled, cobby with balanced bone and substance to enhance. She screams 'square'. Head is well domed and full over dark round expressive eyes. Well defined stop. Muzzle wide and deep, well turned up, wide under jaw giving the required finish. Cheeks well cushioned. Wide deep chest, short level back and short coupled throughout. Moved with some style. Despite being a veteran and leaving her best clothes at home today, when these return she will once again definitely be a serious challenge to the rest. I could not deny awarding her BVIS over her champion kennel mate.**
- 2. Gurtner's Multi Ch Maethyst De Melcourt. Most attractive Tri presented in lovely coat. Moved most impressively in all directions with economic forehand and strong rear drive. Great spring of rib. Immaculately presented. Just preferred the exemplary head qualities of winner but a close call here.**

### **3. Baker's Cofton I Dreamed A Dream**

#### **Minor Puppy Bitch 12,2**

- 1. Robinson's Baldragon She Demands. A wonderful class to adjudicate and headed by this breathtaking tri colour. Text book head qualities and has already superb cushioned cheeks and nicely filled under those round mischievous eyes. Admired the overall substance and balance all proving a square outline when standing. Moved extremely well with a high degree of accuracy. Whilst I have no doubt that this outstanding puppy is of Champion quality she must not be over shown which could, in later life, arrest her enthusiasm for the show ring which would be an absolute tragedy. By the end of her fourth class today she was already flagging. Notwithstanding this, I thought her simply outstanding and from a fabulous array of puppies present at this show today I had no hesitation in awarding her BPIS.**
- 2. Wallhead's Baldragon Becuz I'm Worth It. Litter sitter to the above and this can be clearly identified. Beautifully balanced throughout, moved with great aplomb amply demonstrating her excellent construction. As yet, not quite the finish of fore face as her sister but a lot to admire.**
- 3. Moffat & Robins Maibee Jessica**

#### **Puppy Bitch 6**

- 1. Robinson's Baldragon She Demands**
- 2. Meek's Julchrisgor Jazmine Excelled in head qualities, especially in width, eye size and nose placement. Body of great substance, well laid shoulders, sturdy straight front legs, level back and well broken tri coloured markings. Moved soundly with excellent drive from very strong hindquarters.**
- 3. Smith's Rexlands Comomile for Justacharma**



## **Junior 12,1**

- 1. Fry & Jackson's Amantra Galaxy. Lovely Blenheim just out of puppy. Lovely shape and size with ample bone, strong pasterns and well padded feet, lovely reach of neck and shoulder placement. Well bent stifles and let down strong hocks. Skull moderately large being a super shape. Nose black with large, wide-open nostrils. Muzzle square and wide all giving nice a finish. Moved well.**
- 2. Hardiman's Tovarich Total Eclipse. Well made Ruby puppy of sufficient substance. Extremely impressive to handle and certainly meets the criteria of being cobby. Coat in fabulous condition. Moved really well for one so young. Certainly unlucky to meet 1 who just had the edge on maturity and ring presence.**
- 3. Fry & Jackson's Amantra Summer Cheer**

## **Yearling Bitch 5,2**

- 1. Sidgwick's Paulian Amazing Grace Extremely pretty lightly marked tri colour. Great reach of neck and spirit level topline. Ample substance throughout, particularly in body width and depth. Looked most impressive on the move covering the ground accurately and with ease.**
- 2. Fry & Jackson's Amantra Summer Cheer. Another well constructed bitch. Most beautiful eyes which I found captivating. Straight front legs, great lay of shoulder and reach of neck. Spirit level top line. Another that moved accurately and a very happy character.**
- 3. Sellen's Levicos Mitzi at Joomdalup**

## **Novice Bitch 8,2**

- 1. Robinson's Baldragon She Demands**

**2. Essex's Tudorhurst Beatrice With Brendek Will undoubtedly benefit as she matures this young B/T is extremely promising. Lovely size for age and great balance throughout. Gorgeous head with super cushioning. Bright deep tan points complimenting the lustrous raven black body colour. Short in back and loin, great width of chest and spring of rib. Moved very well and pressed 1 all the way.**

**3. Lewis's Carleeto Sweet Melody**

### **Graduate Bitch 5,3**

- 1. Lewis's Carleeto Sweet Melody. Tri. Achieved a very commendable third place in the previous class, another just out of puppy. Sound and perfectly straightforward in all respects and maturing nicely. Moved with great style and enjoyed every minute of her time in the ring.**
- 2. Austin's Baldragon Grace and Favour Blenheim puppy of lovely colour and patches nicely distributed. Captivating eye, nicely shaped skull and foreface with sufficient cushioning gave a pleasing expression. A tad larger and longer cast than 1. Moved very well for one so young.**

### **Post Graduate Bitch 7**

- 1. Stewart's Marchog Mini Bon Bon. I thought this enchanting B/T very promising and one to watch. Beautiful head qualities contributed to the overall appeal. Sufficient bone, great lay of shoulder and super top line. Impressive movement particularly those hindquarters whose angulations were superb. Presented in first class order.**
- 2. Gurtner's Ellinor Van Der Gebhardshoh Very feminine Blenheim in super coat and another whose examination on the table was most impressive. Just preferred the rise in skull from the stop of 1. Movement was absolutely flawless. Presented to perfection.**
- 3. Crossley's Paulian Hattitude**

## **Limit Bitch 7,1**

- 1. Byer's Maibee Anya at Simannie Mature Blenheim whose head qualities are simply divine. Her skull is moderately large and well domed being full over those beautiful eyes. Muzzle square which was wide and deep, well turned up with fabulous cushioning giving a great finish. Lovely bone and substance. Being lightly marked this can make her appear longer cast than she actually is. Moved impressively.**
- 2. Coupland's Tucherish Clemency. Another lovely bitch, presented to perfection and in lovely coat. Looked stunning in profile. Not quite the headpiece of one but nevertheless a lot to like. Moved well.**
- 3. Harvey's Rocquencourt Rosetta Royal Rivermoor**

## **Open Bitch 9,4**

- 1. Pennington & Portingale's Folle Damour Par Trois De La Montague Ensoleille of Tudorhurst. A most glorious B/T in wonderful coat which was long, silky and straight, and in fabulous condition. Epitomizes the meaning of cobby and compact. Super reach of neck, shoulders well laid back, elbows close to rib, spirit level top line and excellent tail setting. Strong hindquarters having well muscled second thighs, well let down hocks and well cushioned neat feet. She moved freely with such elegance driving from behind whilst always wagging her tail as she went along. Simply glamorous and irresistible. CC (her 2<sup>nd</sup>) & BIS**
- 2. Goodwin's Ch Maibee Clementine of Lanola. Another bitch who supports super breed type particularly in head, substance and movement. Chest wide and deep, straight front legs and sturdy pasterns. Not quite in the full coat of winner, her style and deportment was exemplary. RCC**
- 3. Moffat & Robins's Maibee Emeldamay**

### **Special Open (B/T/Ruby) Bitch 4,2**

- 1. Mallows's Binglui Ruby Junella Well put together Ruby whose head qualities cannot fail to attract. Has the benefit of super pigmentation which enhances this colour. Balanced throughout excelling in bone and substance. Slightly out of coat today but supported the most fabulous ear fringes. Moved freely both coming and going.**
- 2. Juniper's Lewiscarol Lady Divine. B/T. Good size and shape. Not quite as strong in hindquarters as winner but moved freely and happily.**

### **Special Open (Blenheim/Tri) Bitch 7,3**

- 1. Moffat & Robins's Maibee Olivia. Top class Blenheim who was seriously considered in the challenge. Well put together. Such an endearing expression which I found most appealing as was soft and feminine. Eyes to die for. Sufficient reach of neck. Plenty of width and substance throughout. Was a very accurate mover having such impressive hindquarters which enabled her to cover the ground with ease. A lovely bitch.**
- 2. Bailey's Maibee Margot at Aldoricka Very similar to 1 in size and construction. Impressive body and in lovely coat. Lovely low set well feathered ears which are always nice to see in this colour. Very happy disposition. Moved OK.**
- 3. Austin's Baldragon Grace and Favour**

### **Special Brace 5,2**

- 1. Gurtners - Melcourt**
- 2. Shepherd's - Westonbirt**
- 3. Austin's - Baldragon**

### **Mabel Gristwood Stakes 5,1**

- 1. Gurtner's Ellinor Van Der Gebhardshoh**
- 2. Lewis's Carleeto Sweet Melody**
- 3. Austin's Dragonheart of Winter**

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