

KING CHARLES SPANIEL

My thanks to the society for the offer to judge. It was unfortunate that the weather turned for the worse on the day and we had to go under canvass. It is not a scenario that many of the dogs in the breed take to kindly and it does not help many show to their best. However, there is an old saying that class will out and in the end I think it did. As pleased as I was with my main winners I was somewhat dismayed by the number shown that were not presented to show standards. On a more positive note I found some encouraging promise in the younger classes.

DOGS

Veteran(2)

1. Salguero's TEWHIT THESPIAN. 8 yr. in well broken blen coat. Good rise of skull with broad blaze showing off dark eyes. Well made neck sloping into level topline above well sprung ribs showing a body of substance. Moved okay but with enthusiasm. Pigment a little lacking. Best Veteran

2. Bakers THE WORLD IS NOT ENOUGH FOR COFTON. Almost 8 years. Ruby but showing frosting around his face. Good spring of rib but tapering to slightly build in the hind quarters, and although he moved true it was not with any joy.

Minor Puppy(3.1 abs)

1. Sidgwick's PAULIAN PATENTED. 6 mth tri with good rise of skull accentuated by clear face markings. Soft expression highlighted with good pigmentation throughout and dark eyes. Level topline over short coupled body, well defined stifle. Moved well, with enthusiasm.

2. Smith's JUSTACHARMA OH SO MAGIC. 8 mth tri with very light markings. Good rise of skull, wide muzzle. Good arch of neck leading to level topline. Slightly longer in body than 1.

Puppy(6)

1.Baker's FIRE FLY EFON COFTON. Blen, 10 mths, well broken markings , with lozenge. Good rise of skull , clear face markings, wide muzzle giving pleasing appearance. Compact body with level topline ,and good angulation. Well formed bone, sufficient flowing feathering to present pleasing picture on the move, which he did true and with a happy disposition. He had real competition for the award. BP.

2. Jones' POMELO TRIPLE CHANCE. 10 mth tri. .Entirely different type. Taller and longer showing off his light markings extremely well in a straight silky coat. Well domed head, with well set ears giving a very pleasing expression. Darkest of pigment. Moved elegantly, with style. Not quite the substance of 1 just now.

3.Mochrie's DOWNSBANK ALL THAT JAZZ.

Junior (3)

1.Lunt's BEECHGLEN SUMMERTIME. Well bodied blen of 12 months. Strongly ribbed dog with broad chest. Well proportioned throughout, with good bone. Level topline , strong hindquarters. Moved well. Good head with clear rise of skull, dark eyes, and pigment. Needs a little more width to muzzle to finish.

2.Mallow's BINGLUI RUBY LEWIS .As in the name, a rich ruby. Good head with darkest of eyes and good pigment. Nice neck going into level topline. Only 11 mths pitching above his weight would benefit from a few more pounds. Clearly not happy with the conditions but moved clean and true to win his place.

3.Wallhead's SLEEPYHOLLOW TRIKKI DIKI AT MERIDA

Post Grad(5)

1.Leach's AMANTRA CARTE BLANCHE. Well bodied blen of 2 1/2 yrs. Nicely broken colours on a

coat of sufficient length. Wide head but lacking corresponding rise. Dark eyes and acceptable pigment. Good spring of rib, level topline and good stifle giving favourable outline. Moved purposefully with drive .

2. Tarabad's LILIJAY PERCY CUTE KHATIBI. Another blen (2 yrs) not dissimilar to 1. Good head, well marked, slightly wavy coat. Good bone and topline. The two caught the eye but lost to 1 on movement.

3. Mochrie's KUMBIA JAZZMASON(Imp)

Limit(7.2)

1. Smith's AGEANCOURT MAGIC ONCE MORE IS JUSTACHARMA. 5 yr lightly marked tri. Good shape of head with appreciable rise and dome. Broad blaze allowing clear view of dark eyes and nose. Good cushioning on wide muzzle. All fringed with long ears giving perfect frame to soulful expression. Well arched neck into level topline.

Well ribbed body showing good substance. Balanced in length to provide pleasing outline. Moved okay , but without any great enthusiasm. A bit more zip could have earned him a better chance of more than Res CC.

2.Lorphil's Copper Sunrise. 4 yr ruby. Broad head with well placed ears. Dark, beguiling eyes, Well proportioned body , compact with good rib. Luxurious rich colour to coat. Moved true. Just lacking in pigmentation (not uncommon feature in many today).

3.Anderson & Watt's NISYROS COOL HAND LUKE.

Open (5.1)

1. Fry & Jackson's CH. AMANTRA CHEERS. 5 yr tri dog. Eye catching head. Lovely skull dominating over large, round dark eyes, and well placed, fulsome ears. Wide nostrils to nose, broad, well cushioned muzzle. Well defined neck leading on to body covered with profuse coat of predominantly dark coat. Good spring of rib in well proportioned body, well angulated rear

quarters. Moved with style and purpose giving imperious picture. Fully deserved to add to his collection with another CC.

2.Essex '(handling for Fry & Jackson) AMANTRA OLIVER TWIST. 2 1/2 yr ruby in superb coat and condition. Well bodied with well rounded ribs, strong rear quarters. Strong head but not the rise of 1 to challenge the placings. Moved soundly and with enjoyment.

3.Mochrie's Downsbank Rupert

BITCHES

Veteran (No entries)

Minor Puppy (5)

1.Gillhespy's Black Beauty- and she was, and she had to be ! This was a class on its own with paper thin differences all the way down the line. All were a joy to go over.

This one is (unsurprisingly) a b/t.8 mth. Rich black coat setting off striking rich tan.. Lovely rise of skull, wide muzzle, darkest eyes and pigmentation. Lovely neck leading into level topline, well rounded chest, good body, well angled rear. Moved enthusiastically(just a bit too exuberant at times !) but true, and when settled steamed straight ahead.

2. Mochrie's Glimpse of Gold - another doing all to live up to her name. 8 mth well broken blen. Good head with pleasing markings. Dark pigment throughout. Well bodied with pleasing ribcage, well proportioned. Another one not too concerned about being disciplined moving but was fine when settled.

3.Dix's PAULIAN PRUDENCE FOR BEEWYE(NAF)

Puppy(3.1)

1. Willey's PENEMMA SWEET DREAM. Very lightly marked blen of 9 mths. Good skull and rise, dark eyes , not quite matched by pigment. Appeling expression. Beautifully constructed body covered by smooth coat with good feathering. Another extremely pleasing puppy who seemed to want to move out but did not show the smoothness I would have liked.

2.Crossley's PAULIAN HATTITUDE Almost 7 mth lightly marked tri. Moved up from MPB .Off centre blaze adding to the soft, appealing expression given by her dark, soulful eyes set in a good head shape , and finished by well formed muzzle. Nicely bodied with well balanced construction. Level topline, good stifle, strong bone. Moved well..

Junior(3)

1.Taberner's HEADRAS CHOCOLATE FUDGE VON TABERSOME. b/t of 15 mths , gleaming coat with sparkingly clear tan markings. Good head, with lovely eye, nose alignment. Good pigmentation. Lovely constructed body, all of good proportion. Well ribbed, level topline. Will (or should) do well with a bit more help in the ring. Very promising girl.

2.Fry & Jackson's AMANTRA SUMMER CHINTZ. Just days after leaving puppy classes behind seemed to have done the same with her coat. 12 mth slightly heavily marked blen,. Lovely rise of skull , dark appealing eyes. Well formed neck leading into spirit level topline, emphasising deep chest. Lovely square outline, with clear definition on rear quarters. Moved well.

3.Askin's HEADRA CLEMENTINE

Post Grad (No entries)

Limit (7.1)

1. Anderson & Watts MAIBEE DOMINIQUE. 2 1/2 yr tri of absolute class and style. Straight off an artist's canvas this lady is an absolute picture. High , domed skull coming down to the darkest "help me" eyes full of expression. set in the loveliest face. Good eye, nose line in soft cushioned

muzzle. Framed by long, silky ears. Immaculately presented to show her silky, straight coat to perfection. Lovely size body, short and square with good bone. An absolute picture standing and on the move. Not difficult to award her the CC and worthy BOB.

2. Smith's JUSTACHARMA SOMETHING MAGIC JW. 3 yr blend very similar to 1 in size and construction. Could not quite match her for coat or pigment on the day, but the same build, size and outline. Consequently fully deserved Res CC.

3.Coupland's TUCHERISH CLEMENCY

Open (6)

1.Kendall & Askin's AMANTRA CHARMFUL AT HEADRA. Well broken tri bitch of almost 4 yrs. Small, cobby build with nice head, dark eyes and pigment. Broad muzzle and lively expression. Good neck, broad chest, good spring of rib. compact and square. Moved well enough without commanding.

2. Mochrie's DOWNSBANK CLARICE CLIFF. B/T of 3 1/2 yrs, Good tanning. Dark eye, expressive face. Well bodied with good rib. Just a little longer than 1, which cost her. Moved okay when settled.

3.Essex AMANTRA CHANEL

Judge : Ron Stewart