

Discover Dogs 2011





Over the two days the stars on show were Blenheims Anya, Gemma & Will, B&Ts Betsy, Marjorie & Samuel and Tris Prudence and Stanley assisted by Chris & Rob Dix (Beewye), Sheila Byers (Simannie) and John Goodwin (Diggle).

There was a constant stream of admirers from as soon as the doors opened at 10am and by the end of the day all the dogs and their handlers were absolutely exhausted from being relentlessly patted, stroked and photographed. The Charlie booth was decked out with Union Jack bunting, the Club Banner and numerous photos of the four Charlie colours. Information about the breed clubs, the history of the breed and the puppy register were available. The most common questions were the same as in previous years - the difference between Charlies and Cavaliers - with a lot of questions about temperament and family suitability and more this year about health issues. It was very hot inside Earls Court for both dogs and handlers with the thousands of visitors thronging the venue but all the dogs behaved impeccably throughout. Discover Dogs is a long day and very hard work for humans and dogs alike but it is always worthwhile to see the joy on the faces of the people who all came to admire our charming breed.