King Charles Spaniel Association Championship Show Chievely, November 3 2007

It is always a priviledge and a rare honor to be invited to judge a breed specialty, especially as a foreign judge. I have been involved with the breed since 1973 in my native Finland. The show was well organized and the atmosphere was friendly. My ring stewarts were wonderful. Exhibitors presented their dogs beautifully and made my day memorable. How lucky we are to have so many truly hard working enthusiasts keeping the breed going a breed which is so very difficult to get right. What a life long challenge it is, but we could again witness at this show some wonderful results of British breeders. I was happy to see so many excellent heads and silky coats, as well as good round bones. Many could have had stronger rears and better toplines. The cobby shape is important too. For top honors, I had plenty of choice and there is a good pool of young dogs just needing a bit more coat and maturity to have it all.

Veteran Dog (5,2 abs.)

- 1. Summer s Maynorth Jensen at Kingsleigh ShCM. Very handsome head, excellent dome. Excellent proud head carriage, showing and moving really well.
- 2. Salguero s Gayhalo Black Night at Madrugada. Excellent shape, short and cobby. Excellent bone. Topline could have been better today.
- 3. Maddison s Tucherish Frankie

Minor Puppy Dog (4,1) Quality puppies, how wonderful!

- 1. Leach s Amantra Carte Blanche. Excellent size, very sound mover, correct head for his age. Very happy. More matured than 2. Best Puppy.
- 2. Mochrie&s Downsbank Algenon. Excellent proportions and rich blenheim colour. Good side movement, still somewhat loose in rear.
- 3. Fry & Jackson s Amantra Chardonnay

Puppy Dog (2)

- 1. Summer so Othmese Dhu Kynance at Kingsleigh. Promising head. Clear markings. Excellent coat. Hope he does not grow much more.
- 2. Hardiman s We will rock you Tovarich. Excellent bone, good mover. Excellent coat. Head needs more time.

Junior Dog (13, 2 abs.)

- 1. Goodwin s Tucherish Stanley Diggle. Bigger dog, very sound. Good bone. Head needs more time. Excellent markings.
- 2. Gillhespy & Mallows Tucherish Jolyon. Smaller dog, quite immature. Very smart profile, lovely dome. Underjaw could be stronger. Excellent coat.
- 3. Anderson & Wattes Maibee Blue Bayou at Nisyros

Yearling Dog (4)

- 1. Salguero s Chacombe Lorcan. Bigger ruby, very masculine. Excellent bone. Correct expression. Strong body and rear. Steady mover.
- 2. Sellen s Levicos George. Strongdog. Excellent width of head. Excellent bone and body. Could move better.
- 3. Austin s Baldragon Big it up

Novice Dog (3,1)

- 1. Tucherish Stanley Diggle (see junior class)
- 2. Tucherish Jolyon (see junior class)
- 3. East@s Nastane Tommy

Graduate Dog (3,1)

- 1. Fry & Jackson s Amantra Cheers. Lovely dog. Very handsome head, proud head carriage. Strong round bone, good overall shape and body. Rear needs to get stronger. Considered him for top honors, but he is not yet a finished product- needs just a bit more time and will strouble the best.
- 2. Mochrie s Downsbank Breugal. Another promising dog, needs more time and practice to show his virtues. Lovely sound dog, perfect Blenheim colour.

Postgraduate Dog (12,3)

- 1. Salguero s Downsbank Fingal. Won on his excellent cobby type. Excellent body, round bone. Strong head, very masculine. Sound mover. Presentation of coat needs more attention.
- 2. Sidgwick Paulian Jerome. Showy dog. Excellent pearly white coat with clean markings so rare on a tricolour. Correct head. His unique tail carriage somewhat disturbs the silhouette.
- 3. Portingale s Tudorhurst Brigadier

Limit Dog (8)

- 1. Water & Robins Maibee Bittersweet. Very lightly marked Blenheim of excellent honest type and balance. Excellent head piece, especially for this colour (Blenheim) very rare to have such a good dome and profile, excellent jaw. Excellent round bone, strong rear. Sound mover. Front needs to tighten still. Excellent coat. Best Dog, CC.
- 2. Moss Amantra Dickens with Sombur. Handsome. Very masculine. Excellent head. Good steady mover. Good shape. Excellent coat. Res CC.
- 3. Phillips Nastane Henry

Open Dog (4,1)

1. Portingale & Pennington s Fr Ch. Rodolphe des Trois Mailletts. Rich ruby colour. Bigger dog. Good shape, very cobby. Excellent bone. Excellent silky coat. Eyes could be bigger to give a softer expression. Good mover.

2. Jones Sombur Gift of Friendship to Vashdown. Slighlty longer cast. Handsome head. Could move better.

Special Open (B/t or ruby) Dog (4)

- 1. Fry & Jackson s Amantra Chocolatier. One of the best wholecolors I have seen.
 Unfortunately not in coat today. Excellent proportions and bone, lovely head.
 Considered him for top honors, but the coat let him down today.
- 2. Stewart s Marchog Macflannel. Lighter type. Very smart but need to mature more. Correct head, lovely profile and eyes.
- 3. Chacombe Lorcan

Special Open (blen or tri) Dog (9,2abs.)

- 1. Nastane Henry. Excellent dome and head as a whole. Excellent bone. Could be a shade shorter. Needs more body. Moves well.
- 2. Stewart s Kasamanda Celtic Connexion to Marchog. Good masculine type. Excellent bone, coat and markings. Rear could be stronger.
- 3. Mochrie S Rosschild Oscar at Downsbank JW

Veteran Bitch (4,2abs)

1. Stewart s CH. Marchog Marilla. Gave her one of her many CCs some years ago. Now eleven years but still a glamour girl. Ultra feminine perfect toy size. Excellent compact shape. Still a beauty. Moves with style. Res CC.

2. Stubbs Cavella Chyna Lady. Lovely expression. Excellent body. Could move better today.

Minor Puppy Bitch (3,1)

- 1. Mochrie&s Downsbank Clarice Cliff. Happy. Promising. Excellent body for her age. Moves well on side, front still quite loose. Excellent coat.
- 2. Hunter s Hooebarton Dizzy Dora. Quite immature. Excellent dome. Just enough bone. Excellent coat texture. Clever mover. Happy.

Puppy Bitch (7,3). Excellent puppies!

- 1. Stone s Maynorth Irresistible. Very promising. Proud head carriage. Excellent dome. Jaw needs more time to widen. Exceptionally sound, strong hindquarters. Excellent coat. Best Bitch Puppy.
- 2. Coupland s Tucherish Wkd Antoinette. Cobby. Excellent head with perfect profile. Rear could be stronger. Very promising.
- 3. Smith s Maplehurst Blue Magic is Justacharma

Junior Bitch (9,2)

- 1. Anderson & Wattes Tiflin the Black Pearl at Nisyros. Very cobby, well bodied. Sound mover. good bone. Excellent silky coat. Should do well.
- 2. Waters & Robins Maibee Lynette. What a clown in the ring! Excellent proportions. Excleent dome. Excellent silky coat. Another lovely dog!

3. Allcock MBE@s Amantra Christiania for Sleepy Hollow

Yearling Bitch (4)

- 1. Johnson s Lorphil Black Sapphire. Lovely type. Excellent size and substance. Cobby. Excellent expression ,good dome. Sliky coat. Happy steady mover.
- 2. Robinson s Nastane Miss Dior avec Baldragon. Elegant, built on longer lines than 1. Pretty head. Excellent dome. Needs moretime to body up and tighten in movement.
- 3. Williams Kasamanda Lady be good

Novice Bitch (5)

- 1. Coupland s Tucherish Cleopatra. Little bitch with lots of showmanship. Very pretty and feminine. Pretty head. Needs more time to mature.
- 2. Johnson s Alambra Isa Bella. Very beautiful ruby with excellent body and bone. Excellent eyes and forehead, good wide jaws. Unfortunately not very happy today.
- 3. Robinson s Baldragon Bootylicious

Graduate Bitch (3,1)

- 1. Nastane Miss Dior avec Baldragon (see Yearling)
- 2. Dix Lorphil Black Lace for Beewye. Very pretty little bitch. Lovely dome. Very cobby. Could have bettertopline tody, not in full coat. Super attitude.

Post Graduate Bitch (10,5)

- 1.Gillhespy s Lorphil Copper Rose. Excellent dome and eyes. Very nice finish of lips and jaw. Good body. Moves well. Rear angulation could be somewhat stronger.
- 2. Chandler s Bonniroy Butterfly Barleybright. Beautiful eyes and expression. Excellent neck. Excellent bone. Moves well. Not in full coat.
- 3. Essex& Jackson s Amantra Chanel

Limit Bitch (11,3)

- 1. Hardiman s Cofton Razzle Dazzle sem over Tovarich. Very sound bitch of shonest type, excellent body and shape. Excellent balance. Good round bone. Strong rear. Lovely dome, excellent eyes. Lovely silky coat. Excellent mover. Very happy attitude. Best Bitch, CC and Best in Show.
- 2. East s Nastane Sweet Fanny Adams. Longer shape. Lovely type. Good dome. Good bone. Sound. Not in full coat. Happy mover.
- 3. Copuland s Tucherish Michaela

Open Bitch (6,1)

- 1. Sidgwick S CH. Paulian Patience. Excellent size, shape, body, bone. Excellent strong rear. Could have a little higher dome for better head balance. Not in full coat today. Very happy. Perfectly handled. Considered her for top honors.
- 2. Allcock MBE s CH Tewhit Trily Dia to Sleepy Hollow. Very showy. Good type. Touch longer shape. Carries herself very well. Good bone. A bit high tail.

3. Waters & Robins CH Maibee Emily

Special Open (B/T or Ruby) Bitch (3,1)

- 1. Gillhespy S Lorphil Black Silk. Cobby. Good body. Pretty head. Just enough bone. Moves well. Super happy.
- 2. Stone s Maynorth Twice as Space. Bigger. Good bone. Lovely eyes. Happy mover. Unfortunately not much coat today.

Special Open (Blen or Tri) Bitch (4,1)

- 1. Fry & Jackson s Amanra Winterberry. Excellent shape and size. Beautiful head, especially the dome. Good neck and bone. Front needs to tighten. In the challenge, she was in the last three. Just needs a bit more coat and maturity. A future champion.
- 2. Nastane Sweet Fanny Adams
- 3. Bonniroy Butterfly Barleybright

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