

King Charles Spaniel Club Championship Show 2nd May 2010

Thank you to the committee for inviting me to judge at this well organised and prestigious show, it was a very enjoyable day. Although I have to admit I felt disappointed at the overall quality and direction in which the breed appears to be heading. Many dogs exhibited today lacked the correctly domed heads, well cushioned muzzles and depth of body all being true breed characteristics.

I felt that many of the dogs shown today were not of show standard, with some experienced exhibitors showing dogs with glaringly obvious faults which in turn will lead to less experienced exhibitors thinking that these faults are acceptable.

We must endeavour within this breed not to nit pick or penalise to harshly minor faults on the more correct dogs, quality and type must override cosmetic imperfections as dogs are no longer docked time is needed to breed out any tail irregularities.

Veteran Dog

1st Baker Ch Cofton Never Say Never Again: Very Lively Blenheim, lovely type, Good Condition Beautiful head, Well Broken Short Compact body easy to see why he is a Champion.

2nd Moss Mistycote Fergus Sombur: Well Broken Blenheim, again a lovely type, Rich Colour. Nice Coat Good Condition, correct size and shape not as animated as 1.

3rd Askins & Kendal, Ch INT CH Headra's Chocolate Box

Minor Puppy Dog

1st Pascoe, Cwmtirion Little Bo Peep. Beautiful puppy, lightly marked Blenheim, pretty Head with dark eye, short cobby body, today never stopped showing off, well constructed with good bone and substance, good ear length. BPIS

2nd Lunt, Beechglen Summer Time. Tricolour, mature, well presented with silky coat, rich tan markings, good bone sweet head and expression. Did not make the best of himself when standing.

3rd Harvey, Roquencourt Royal George at Rivermoor.

Puppy Dog

1st Leach. Hendra's Churchill. Well marked Tri, excellent coat condition and pretty head. A very nice puppy and deserved his win although needs to settle on move.

Junior Dog

1st Salguero, Downsbank Bilbo Baggins: Well marked Tri excellent coat condition. Pretty Head, good dome, well filled muzzle. Handsome outline, movement was erratic making him hard to assess, needs to settle.

2nd Mochrie, Downsbank Spruce: Heavily marked Tri, pleasing head, eye could be darker, excellent coat and condition with profuse chest and ear feathering. A little close behind when moving and fell away at croup.

3rd Rushdon, Nisyros Donnie Darko.

Novice Dog

1st Coupland, Tucherish Johan Sebastian: Stood alone B/T ideal size excellent coat and condition, well marked, sweet head and expression, dark eye, moved well but could be more animated when standing.

Graduate Dog

1st Sidgwick. Pauline Paddington: Lightly Marked Blen of lovely type, correct size with short cobby body and excellent bone. Very good condition showed well & sound driving movement. Good front and rear angulation, Rich tan markings, dark eye with good pigment. CC

2nd Askins & Kendal. Amantra Charman: Well Marked Tri excellent coat, good condition well feathered happy attitude, his movement was erratic.

3rd Salguero, Downsbank Bilbo Baggins:

Post Graduate Dog

1st Dumortier, Coquelicot Champetre De La Rovieroise: Very Richly coloured Ruby, good size, good pigment and eye, nice straight coat presented in excellent condition. Stood well and moved truly.

2nd Smith, Justcharma Now He Is Magic: Well marked Blen, coat a little wavy, dark eye, good pigment. Compact shape and cobby body.

3rd Leach, Amantra Carte Blanche at Ouzewell.

Limit Dog

1st Fry Amantra Regalist: Tricolour with rich tan, most beautiful head and eye, good size and shape but would prefer better spring of rib and he needs to carry more body weight. He has good bone and is correct size. Showed well although I wish he had more animation and his coat could be better.

2nd Smith, Ageancourt Magic Once More Is Justcharma: Lightly marked Tri, good type, lovely head slightly longer than 1. He was not showing at his best today, another who lacked animation. Good bone, well presented in good coat.

3rd Portingale, Tudorhurst Matador:

Open Dog

1st Healy, Chacombe Jackson: Heavily marked veteran Tricolour, compact body shape and of correct size I felt that today he looked his age, sound front and rear movement.

2nd Steward, Kasamanda Celtic Connexion to Marchog: Well Marked Tri, handsome head in excellent coat and condition, good feathering chest, tail and ears. Tended to toe out when standing and would like more body.

3rd Mochrie, Downsbank Rupert:

Special Open B/T Dog

1st Portingale, Tudorhurst Brigadier: Compact body shape with good bone, Rich Tan markings, he moved well and has good ear length, dark eyes and pigment. Masculine head and soft expression.

2nd Moss, Othmese Cole for Sombur: Very pretty boy with rich tan, shapely body, moved well but lacked the animation of 1.

3rd Van Den Buerg-Hage, FCI Int Ch & Int Ch Royal Desire Midnight Storm.

Special Open Ruby Dog

1st Steward Ch Marchog Macflannel: Rich colour in excellent condition, nice expression. Well presented with excellent coat and fringing. I would prefer him a little more compact in body shape. Dark Eye.

2nd Salguero, Chacombe Lorcan: Heavier type than 1. Felt his head was a little overdone, rich coat colour with good bone and substance. Dark eye, moved well.

Special Open Tri

1st Fry & Jackson, Ch Amantra Cheers: Well marked Tri, good tan excellent chest and ear feathering. Would like him slightly shorter in back. Dark eyes and beautiful head and well cushioned muzzle, coat a little wavy today. Quality dog. RCC

2nd Singleton, Andrew De Melcourt Von Celxo IMP FRA: Well marked good coat, well feathered. Compact shape with good bone.

Special Open Blenheim

1st Smith, Justcharma He is Our Magic JW: Beautiful masculine dog well marked in excellent coat, short body correct size and shape. Pretty eye, good skull, he was panting heavily showing his tongue which spoils his expression.

2nd Fry & Jackson, Amantra Chieftain: More rangy in body than 1. Good coat but looked immature in this class.

3rd Salguero, Downsbank Fingal:

Veteran Bitch

1st Goodwin, Lanola Royal Favorita: Very pretty bitch well broken markings, short compact body, sweet expression. She moved and showed well.

2nd Williams, Kasamanda My Sweet Charity: Nice type bigger and heavier than 1. Well presented in good coat and condition. Full of beans, moved soundly.

Minor Puppy Bitch

1st Searle, Stonepit Dolly Daydream: Lightly marked very pretty Blenheim, sweet expression and lovely head. Large dark eye, good body shape a little shy but excellent puppy. BPB

2nd Lloyd, Cwmtirion She's Too Darn Hot For Cwmhaf: Half sister to 1 and very similar, moved happily.

3rd Mochrie, Downsbank Jazz Dancer.

Puppy Bitch

1st Fry & Jackson, Amantra Summer Chintz: Well marked Blenheim, very pretty head. Good coat excellent condition. Large dark eyes, rich colour and moved well, lacks confidence.

2nd Askins & Kendall, Hendra's Clementime: Well marked Tri not a compact as 1, good coat with dark eye and good pigment. Moved happily.

3rd Johnson, Alambra Rubies N Emeralds:

Junior Bitch

1st Askins & Kendall, Hendra's Clementime: See Puppy

2nd Stone, Maynorth Fallen From Heaven: Richly coloured Ruby, a little rangy and needs more body. Good pigment and eye colour, well presented.

3rd Wallhead, Sleepyhollow Trikki Dikki at Merida:

Novice Bitch

1st Bailey, Hendra's Chocolate Caramel at Aldoricka: Well marked Tri, good shape, short back. Good ear length, large eye and good pigment.

2nd Juniper, Othmese Dhu Dorcus of Lewiscarol: Leggy B/T, movement poor, pretty head and sweet expression. Well presented.

Graduate Bitch

1st Searle, Stonepit Penny Royal: Well Marked Tri with short cobby body, lacks animation. Pretty head would prefer more dome. Moved soundly winning class on movement.

2nd Coupland, Tucherish Clemency: Beautiful bitch classic head well broken Tri. With Good Coat, excellent ear length, lovely eye and pigment. Front needs to tighten and was a little erratic on move. Good body and shape.

3rd Taberner, Amantra Charmelle Von Tabersome:

Post Graduate Bitch

1st Dumortier, Divine Comedie de La Rivieroise: Lightly marked Blenheim with rich tan. She moved soundly and was very showy. Typical expression, slightly bigger than I like.

2nd Smith, Justcharma Something Magic: Blenheim bitch, lightly marked short compact body, pretty head and expression.

3rd Pascoe, Cwmhaf Lullaby of Broadway at Cwmtirion:

Limit Bitch

1st Lunt, Beechglen Daisy: Very pretty headed lightly marked Tricolour, lacks animation and tended to move close behind. Lovely type with firm body and good bone, dark eye and pigment.

2nd Robinson, Baldragon Bootylicious: Heavy marked typy Tricolour, with pretty head and rich tan. Dark eye and pigment. Ideal size and shape, lacked body coat.

3rd Mochrie, Downsbank Clarice Cliff:

Open Bitch

1st Baker, Cofton I Dreamed A Dream: Small well marked Tricolour with good bone and compact body, she was a little short in neck, very pretty head and expression. Her sound movement made her an easy winner of this class.

2nd Stone, Maynorth Irresistible: Larger bitch than 1, her coat was a little unruly today, has good ear fringes, pretty head with full muzzle. Dark eye and good pigment.

3rd Van Den Berg-Hage, Ned Ch Royal Desire Midnight Silence:

Special Open B/T Bitch

1st Coupland, Tucherish Michaela: Typy bitch with compact body, pretty head in excellent coat and condition. Dark eye and good pigment, well cushioned muzzle, moved well. RBCC

2nd Stone, Maynorth Simply Heaven: Bigger type than 1. With rich tan, lacked animation when standing but happy on move.

3rd Van Den Berg-Hage, Ned Ch Royal Desire Midnight Silence:

Special Open Ruby Bitch

1st Van Den Berg-Hage, Royal Desire Indian Summer: Rich coloured Ruby, would prefer more compact body shape. Pretty head with dark eye moved happily but was a little close behind.

2nd Juniper, Lewiscarol Amereto: Nice colour, well presented.

Special Open Tri Bitch

1st Harvey, Lankcombe Gabriella at Rivermoor: Well marked Tricolour. Very animated and never stopped showing. Beautiful typical head and soft expression, ideal size and shape. Good body short in back. Top quality bitch. Sound mover although she could have been tighter in front. BCC & BIS

2nd Robinson, Nastane Miss Dior Avec Baldragon: Similar type to 1 but not as strong in body. A little close behind but a nice type.

Judge: Bill Moffat