

BIRMINGHAM NATIONAL CH SHOW 2009

A nice entry with very few absentees, especially in view of the club show on the day before. I enjoy judging the breed & appreciate how temperaments &, to a lesser degree, movement has improved. I felt the general depth of quality was better in the dog classes & OD was very strong. PGB pleased me with some good bitches for the future & I loved my BP.

MPD 1 Baldragon Hoory Henley, almost 9 months blen, very forward, full measure for size, very sound. Would prefer a little more rise of skull. Excellent bone, coat & colour; 2 Cwimtirion Aint Misbehavin, 6 months tri, beautiful head. Very raw on body but is sound & has quality; 3 Charnell Chaplin.

PD 1 Paulian Paddington, 10 months blen, compact toy spaniel, very happy, good moving, excellent eyes, good muzzle. Needs a little more bend of stifle; 2 Paulian Priceless for Almonroyd, litter brother. I preferred his rise of skull to 1 but not as broad in underjaw. Lovely eyes, excellent carriage & rear. Not the front assembly of 1; 3 Amantra Cheerfulness.

JD 1 Downsbank Mr Bojangles with Cutel, tri, beautifully bodied, compact, well ribbed & well boned, lovely colours & coat. Needs a little more turn up in front & a little more cushioning. Excellent front movement but his rear action could be stronger.

PGD 1 Maibee Teddie, tri, beautiful size, compact body. Needs to drop in chest now & this shows in his front movement. Excellent head & eye, good cushioning, scored in compactness over 2, Amantra Carte Blanche, blen, excellent head & eye, very sound & free standing. Just needs to body up to look a little more compact; 3 Headra's Chocolate D Lite.

LD 1 Justacharm He Is Our Magic, blen in lovely coat & super carriage, good rise of skull. Chin a little too prominent but a convincing winner here for his cobby body, good bone & very good movement; 2 Rosspen Fudge Brownie of Chacombe, ruby, has a lot of type & quality but could be a little more extrovert. Good rise of skull, excellent dark eyes & well placed, sound. Needs a little more coat to finish but he has good ribs; 3 Nastane Tommy.

OD Best class of the day for depth of quality. 1 Amantra Cheers, tri, beautiful movement with long stride in front & good behind, good rise of skull & eyes. Would prefer him a little shorter in body but scored in hindquarters. CC & BOB; 2 Marchog MacFlannel, ruby, beautiful head & eyes, silky textured coat, compact body, holds good topline, well boned, strong & sound movement, pressed 1 hard. RCC; 3 Cwmhaf Forty Second Street.

MPB 1 Pamedna Peggy Sue, 7 months b/t, beautiful head & eyes, good ribcage. A little long in body but will look more balanced when she has come coat. A lot of promise.

P Three nice tri puppies. 1 Stonepit Penny Royal, 11 months tri, beautiful puppy, lovely head & eye, ultra sound & carries herself well, silky coat, cobby body, liked her immensely. Should have a good future. BP; 2 Stonepit Sophie Tucker at Triciaville, 11 months, very smart, lovely size & cobby body. 1 had a little more rise of skull. Carries herself well but not the accuracy on the move as 1; 3 Amantra Charmelle.

JB 1 Lankcombe Gabriella at Rivermoor, tri of beautiful type, excellent size, cobby body, very pleasing head & eye, excellent coat, correct markings. Had she been more positive on the move would have gone higher. With maturity should go to the top; 2 Amantra Charmette, tri, heavily marked & not as compact as 1. Sound but a little uncoordinated on the move. Good head & eye. Couldn't match the carriage of 1; 3 Maibee Mama Mia Diggle.

PGB Nice class. 1 Cwmhaf Lullaby of Broadway at Cwmtirion, blen, lovely type, holding her shape on the move, excellent head & eye. Pigment could be a little stronger but has lots of quality & type. With a little more finish of body she can do very well. Sound & positive on the move; 2 Cofton Bop To The Top, tri, really sound moving bitch, good size, openly marked & very pretty in the head. 1 scored in expression for me; 3 Justacharm Something Magic.

LB Difficult class, different sizes & some out of coat. One I really loved was not happy on the move. 1 Amantra Christiana for Sleepyhollow, tri, small, cobby & compact, moving soundly, Could have slightly clearer face markings but has beautiful type & her positive action at both ends & good carriage earned her RCC; 2 Nastane Miss Dior avec Baldragon, tri, out of coat but

very sound & has a lot of type. Felt her soundness, movement & temperament compensated for her lack of coat; 3 Beechelen Daisy.

OB 1 Ch Maibee Layla, easy winner here, beautifully bodied bitch, excellent head, good ribbing, carries herself well. Her rear action could be stronger but her type & maturity of body with good bone, ribbing & excellent forechest took her to CC; 2 Baldragon Bottylicious, tri, needs a little more body & coat but the best mover in the class. Just needs maturity. Good head. Markings could be clearer; 3 Int Ch Veryan D♦ahotep.

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