

THREE COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW
KING CHARLES SPANIEL JUNE 9TH

I would like to thank the committee of Three Counties for their invitation to judge my breed at this show ,and my thanks must go also to the two ladies who stewarded for me and did such an excellent in keeping my judging book in order.

Thank you to the exhibitors who had to wait a fair while before I eventually got in to the ring due to the breed before us. Most of the dogs were well presented, but please take care of the eyes as I noticed that there were a few dirty ones and the odd crusty nose which does detract from the appearance when viewing the dog face on. There were one or two close decisions and I hope that they all were taken in good spirit.

PUPPY DOG (5 entries) 0 absent

1. Jackson's Amantra Summer Poet

Eight month old well marked Blenheim, mature for his age but built on solid lines , liked his head shape, has good eyes, dark and well placed ,good cushioning as one should expect presenting a masculine face, good rib and lovely bone The word training springs to mind as he was giving his handler a tough time, but when settled showed strong movement from behind , a level topline and stylish outline . I am sure another for future honours.

2. East's Nastane Guaranteed

Seven month old tricolour, smaller than one but nevertheless everything in proportion good dome and ear set ,nose dark together with dark eyes , perhaps could do with a

little more cushioning under the eyes but nice expression , presented a good outline on the table and sufficient body and rib , level topline , a little apprehensive maybe but still young yet, moved out well with his owner showing good muscle tone giving a pleasing picture .

3. Johnson's Baldragon Only way is Essex

JUNIOR DOG (2) 0

1. Sidgwick's Paulian Patented

Fifteen month old tricolour , one I have competed against for a while now so good to see him close-up. Good clear cut markings a smaller build but presents a good shape when standing . dark eyes and nose pad and well placed ears with a pleasing head shape . had good bone and body , square outline , feel he needs to grow on now , but at one with his owner , showed well with good movement ,has a happy disposition

2. Juniper's Lewiscarol Lord of the Dance

Eight month old tricolour , not quite the composure of 1 but gives a pleasing outline when standing, sufficient bone and body , but still young ,plenty of time to mature good tail set and good ear placement but would like to see a little more dome and a darker eye, but moved steadily

POST GRADUATE DOG (10) 1

The first two in this class could have been twins and it was a hard decision to split them

1. Pascoe's Cwmtirion Little Boy Peep

Nineteen month old lightly marked Blenheim in lovely condition , one I have liked since seeing him as a puppy . Built on smaller lines but nothing weedy about him , super ribcage and short cobby body loved his outline on the table correct shoulder placement and rear angulation gives him a perfect stance .His wide blaze and good dome gives him a lovely expression together with dark eyes and ear set completes the picture . on the move his construction gives him sound and steady movement and level topline , his lack of coat just edged him out of res. c.c. but he will be one to watch for the future

2. Baker's Firefly Efon Cofton

Eighteen month old well marked Blenheim , again in good condition and so much alike to 1, perhaps stands a little taller but everything in proportion , well balanced short body with good rib and bone , lovely shaped head with everything in the right place, dark eye and good pigment pleasing soft expression but masculine with it ,when on the move he had sound strong movement with a dead level topline, if anything perhaps flying his tail today but nevertheless another one destined for better things

3. Wallhead's Sleepyhollow Trikki Dikki at Merida

LIMIT DOG (6) 1

1. Kendall and Askin's Headra's Chocolate D Lite

Three and a half year old well marked tricolour, just coming up to maturity. Well bodied with good rib and bone .Large masculine head with large dark eyes ,good nose pigment ,loved his ear set with long feathering , plenty of cushioning to give him that expression with which you associate a "Charlie". Good front shoulder placement gave him a good

outline , moved well driving from the rear ,good tailset, happy disposition enjoying his day out, more coat will complete the picture pleased to award him res.c.c

2. Anderson and Watt's Nysiros Cool Hand Luke

Two and a half year old lightly marked tricolour. Smaller built than 1 but all the attributes of a toy spaniel , presented a square shape on the table with level topline Loved his head shape with good dome and earset with good feathering. His eyes are dark and round as they should be and with the cushioning required presented a soft melting expression ,just needs more body, moved soundly but just lacking that extra bit of sparkle to-day

3. Tarabad and Tyler's Lillijay Percy Cute Khatibi

OPEN DOG (3) 0

1. Fry's Amantra Regalist

Three and a half year tricolour. Well marked with a good coat , feel he has been in the shadow of his champion kennel mate, but improving all the time, built along the same lines, well domed head, holding proudly on sufficient neck length, large dark expressive eyes and good ear placing and feathering . Has a well cushioned muzzle as is the norm from this kennel, altogether a pleasure to look at. His body is short, solid, well shaped with good well made legs front and rear , he does need more confidence on the table but this does not show when moving, showing purposefully and soundly round the ring with a level topline . Pleased to award him C.C. and B.O.B. which I understand makes him a champion.

2. Robinson&Austin's Baldragon Hooray Henley

Two and a half year old well marked Blenheim, slightly larger all round than 1 and not quite the head properties , very masculine and well boned, in good coat, dark eye ,moved soundly round the ring with level topline

3. Austin's Baldragon Big it up

PUPPY BITCH (11) 1

To compensate for the younger ones in this class there really should have been a minor puppy

1. Anderson & Watt's Nysiros Atlanta

Nine month old black and tan in super condition, so well presented I make no secret that I have a soft spot for the black and tans, this girl caught my eye from the word go and she certainly did not disappoint . She stood proudly on the table, lovely front and rear angulation ,

Her head was well shaped, lovely dome with dark eyes correctly placed with a good earset , the cushioning so plush already , her tan markings could not have been better placed. So feminine. When moving gave a good outline with a level topline , just needs a little more ring presence to take her all the way. So pleased to award her B.P.

2. Stone's Maynorth Lovesong

Six month old lightly marked tricolour, although a baby she has so much going for her Standing confidently on the table , she presented a lovely square profile , good muscle tone and sufficient bone , loved her body shape , her head not quite as mature as 1 but every bit a girl , lovely dark expressive eyes, with good ear set , good nose pigment and

plushness under the eyes . good solid movement when showing , with a level topline and pleasing outline , one to watch I'm sure

3. Hardiman's Baldragon Baby Doll

JUNIOR BITCH (7) 1

1. Dix's Paulian Prudence for Beewye

Fifteen month old lightly marked tricolour, liked her size and shape, enough dome with good earset, well placed dark eyes and good nose pigment ,had sufficient cushioning which gave the soft pleasing expression , good rib and bone but still very feminine , not quite as settled on the move as I have seen but when she got it together had a level topline and sound movement. At the moment still young and lacking in coat but I'm sure that will come with maturity

2. Fry & Jackson's Amantra Topaz

Sixteen month old well marked tricolour, mature for age and of larger build than 1. well built with good body and bone ,sturdy construction ,large head and dark eye, again good cushioning but not coarse. Moved out well when asked presenting a level topline and sound movement

3. Hardiman's Othmese Tifany Tovarich

POST GRADUATE BITCH (7) 0

1. Searle's Stonepit Dolly Daydream

Twenty one month old lightly marked Blenheim. A quiet and reserved young lady

who obviously takes everything in her stride. On the table stands rock solid giving a square outline. Her head is textbook, clear-cut markings having a good rise to the skull, lovely black eyes looking straight forward ,well placed ears finished with the cushioning that is lacking in some of the dogs today. She has a well ribbed body and sufficient bone, good front shoulder placement and rear angulation. When on the move she was steady and sound and at one with her owner. Still so young and can only improve, will surely gain her title, A pleasure to award her the C.C.

2. Johnson's Alambra Rubies N Emeralds

Three year old ruby presented in excellent condition , rich colour and in good coat Lovely head shape, dark eyes, black nose and good earset ,stood on strong legs with well rounded body and good tailset. Showed herself off on the table. When on the floor presented sound movement but head tended to be on the floor which spoiled her outline , hopefully this can be corrected as she is a lovely example of the breed.

3. Taberner's Headra's Chocolate Fudge Von Tabersome

LIMIT BITCH (6) 0

1. Harvey's Miss Rocquencourt Rosetta Royal at Rivermoor

Three and a half year old black and tan. Liked her head, good rise to her skull and Dark eyes, good nose placement and good cushioning , tan markings could be brighter but nevertheless a pleasing picture. Had well shaped body with ample bone to her legs, overall a well made bitch but still retaining her femininity Moved soundly and steadily , just a pity she does not use her attributes to full

advantage ,but fully deserved her place.

1. Robinson's Baldragon Bootylicious

A close decision with 1. Four and a half year old tricolour. Although shorter in back than 1 not quite the finish of face, had good ear feathering, well placed dark eyes and nose, but would have preferred more cushioning to the muzzle. Still a lot to like about her as she stood confidently on the table, has a good body and moved effortlessly round the ring with a level topline. I am sure she will win many more classes.

3. Searle's Stonepit Penny Royal

OPEN BITCH (6) 1

1. Robinson's Ch. Nastane Miss Dior Avec Baldragon J.W.

Four and a half year old well marked tricolour.Can see why she has gained her title Lovely head, full over the eyes, which were dark and round, excellent nose placement , good pigment, appealing feminine face full of character.Had long ear fringes which completed the picture, good reach of neck which gave her proud head carriage. On the move she showed good muscle tone and balance and a level topline . lacking in coat today which is only temporary , please to award her Res. C.C.

2. Anderson & Watt's Maibee Dominique

Three and a half year tricolour , slightly smaller than 1, would have liked a little

more on the leg but all round a lovely little girl . good shape to the head and correct

ear and eye placement which were dark and round, good ear fringing and so well presented. Had ample bone and the necessary rib but still feminine with it. Good tailset ,had a level topline when moving which she did with drive, am sure she will gain her title

3. Kendall & Askins Amantra Charmful at Headra

Stephen Smith (judge)