

Border Union Championship Show.

16th June 2019, Kelso.

King Charles Spaniels Judge - Sandra Ireland

I enjoyed judging this challenging breed and although the entry was small I found

some quality dogs. My thanks to the Officers and Committee for inviting me to judge this most well run show that has long been one of my favourites. Thanks also to my hard working stewards and to the exhibitors for accepting my decisions with such good grace.

Puppy Dog - Entries: 2 Absentees: 1

1st SMITHS - JUSTACHARMA MAGIC GOES ON Very smart little tri baby. Ideal size with good body and bone. Attractive head with dark eye. Moved well keeping a level topline and good tail carriage. A worthy Best Puppy Dog and BPIB.

Junior Dog - Entries: 3 Absentees: 1

1st COUPLANDS - AMBASSADOR BOY STAR OF TUCHERISH.

Masculine Ruby with a pleasing head with good finish. Up to size but lots to like. Good body and bone, level topline and correct tail set which gave a nice outline on the move. Would prefer a darker eye.

2nd SMITHS - MITAPIP BLACK IS MAGIC FOR JUSTACHARMA.

Petite b/t who lacks body but is a nice type. Dark, round eye and bright tan markings. Tail carried too gaily and movement somewhat erratic.

Novice Dog - Entries: 3 Absentees: 0

1st GILLHESPYS - LORPHIL RED ARROW. Two very nice dogs made this a difficult decision. Ruby with lots of quality who is lacking in confidence. Lovely masculine head type with broad skull and good rise above large dark eyes, excellent topline and tail set. Rich chestnut colour and soft silky coat completed a nice picture.

2nd LEACHS - KHANDRO SOMETHING TELLS ME. Well balanced tri who presents a neat outline. Pleasing head with dark eye and good ear set. Well cushioned foreface and good nose pigment. Short cobby body with good ribcage. Sound on the move and kept a good tail carriage.

Post Graduate Dog - Entries: 1 Absentees: 0

1st WOODS - TUDORHURST GUARDIAN. Glamorous, well marked tri in superb coat and condition. Clearly marked black on white with rich tan points. Attractive head type with round dark eyes and good ear set. Nice depth of chest and level topline. Immaculately presented straight silky coat. Strongly considered him for the Res CC. Would just prefer a lower tail carriage.

Limit Dog - Entries: 2 Absentees: 0

1st GILLHESPY & MCINALLYS - LORPHIL TREASURE ISLAND. Just what I was looking for. Small, well balanced tri who had the true Charlie shape. Cobby, well ribbed body with good bone, level topline and excellent tail carriage. Well marked with bright tan in all the right places. Large dark eyes, well finished foreface and correct ear set giving a kind expression. Moved well although a little full of his own importance at times. I was pleased to award him the Dog CC and BOB.

2nd SMITHS - JUSTACHARMA ONE SO MAGIC. Up to size tri who had a stronger head type than winner. Topline could have been better. Happy temperament.

Open Dog - Entries: 2 Absentees: 1

1st WILLEY & SIDDLES - PENEMMA PICASSO. Well bodied six year old well marked tri. Pleasing head with kind expression, dark eye and good ear set. He didn't put a foot wrong on the move with good reach and drive keeping his excellent topline and tail carriage. Great temperament. Although a little larger and longer than I really

like I could not deny him the Res CC. Such a sound dog in every way!

Veteran Dog - Entries: 2 Absentees: 0

1st SMITHS - CH HEADRA'S TRULY MAGIC IS JUSTACHARMA.

Seven and a half year old tri in lovely coat and condition. Nice size and shape. Good body and bone. Kept his good topline on the move.

2nd MADDISONS - CELXO CHARLES DICKENS SHCM. Nice type ruby, perhaps a shade longer cast than one above. Attractive head with a nice expression. Good depth of chest, body and bone. Level topline and correct tail carriage. Coat of good texture and colour.

Puppy Bitch - Entries: 1 Absentees: 0

1st GILLHESPYS - CAVELLA CELEBRITY. Pretty 7 month lightly marked Blenheim with rich chestnut markings and excellent nose pigmentation and good underjaw. Excelled in neck and shoulder placement. Movement was hard to assess as she needs more confidence.

Junior Bitch - Entries: 1 Absentees: 0

1st POTTERS - TOYSWOOD STARLIGHT EXPRESS. 17 month well broken tri bitch who just wanted to do her own thing today! Well balanced with good body and bone, topline and tail. Pretty head and outgoing temperament. Just needs to calm down a bit!

Novice Bitch: Entries 2 Absentees: 0

1st BAILEYS - TOYSWOOD RISING STAR AT ALDORICKA. Outgoing lightly marked Blenheim. Nice shape and size with a good neck and level topline. Litter sister to winner of previous class and very similar in type. Movement rather erratic but she kept a good tail carriage.

2nd GILLHESPYS CAVELLA CELEBRITY

Post Graduate Bitch - Entries: 2 Absentees: 0

1st COUPLANDS - MITAPIP RENAISSANCE BY TUCHERISH. Well made Black and Tan with a lovely outline both standing and on the move. Elegant neck and well laid shoulder leading into level topline and correct tail set. Attractive head with large round dark eye, good width of skull and correct ear set giving a sweet expression. Good body and bone. I liked her a lot. Res CC

2nd SUTHERLANDS - MITAPIP NORTHERN DANCER. Strong willed petite Black and Tan with a sweet head and expression. Compact shape but needs more body.

Limit Bitch - Entries: 3 Absentees: 0

1st ROBINSONS - BALDRAGON HOLD THAT THOUGHT. Lightly marked Blenheim who scores in head type which is truly beautiful. Lovely large dark eye and good nose pigment, well filled foreface and good width of jaw. Excellent neck and shoulder and level topline. Could be a little shorter in back and today she was rather high stepping in front but a bitch of great quality who will have her day I'm sure.

2nd SUTHERLANDS - MITAPIP RAINDANCE. I liked this little girl a lot. Not as forward as one above but so much to like. Perfect size with neat, compact body with nice neck and shoulder giving a very good outline. Pretty feminine head with sweet expression. Just needs more time.

Open Bitch - Entries 1 Absentees: 0

1st WILLEY & SIDDLES CH PENEMMA MISTY FOR ME JW. They say Charlies get better with age and this lovely Blenheim bitch certainly proves this! The most beautiful head with well cushioned foreface, and large dark expressive eyes giving a sweet expression. Super front assembly with well laid shoulders and good spring of rib. She is most impressive on the move keeping her beautiful topline and level tail carriage, presenting a lovely outline. I hadn't realised that she is the litter sister to the winner of the Res Dog CC. I also know

that she has a lovely sister in Denmark. What a fabulous litter! I had no hesitation in awarding her the Bitch CC and subsequently BOB. She is a credit to the breed and to her owners.