

**UK TOY DOG SOCIETY 28.3.15
KING CHARLES SPANIELS**

I would like to thank the Society for inviting me to judge at this, one of my favourite shows, and the exhibitors for supporting the show. Although second in the ring thanks to my two efficient stewards who kept things moving, I was able to complete this super entry in time for the Group being called.

A King Charles should be short and compact, if your dog is slightly longer in back there is little point in trying to shorten this by standing the dog on the table with legs tucked well under, this does not help, but only shows the dog to dip severely at the shoulder, with a hump in its back. Any judge will notice once the dog is placed on the floor and moves. As always with KCS compromises have to be made, in all classes I looked for sound moving dogs, with the desired refined appearance and soft melting expression required in a toy spaniel. Some promising youngsters still needed body weight to give the required cobby appearance, which should come in time. I was delighted to see how well all but a few accepted the examination of the teeth, much improved since the last time I judged.

Veteran Dog (1)

1. Kendall, Askins, & Vallilia Ch UK,Fin,Int Ch Headra's Chocolate D Lite re(Imp) Delighted to see this handsome chap again, his outstanding personality and gay happy temperament cannot be ignored. Well domed skull, with correct rise over his dark round eyes, well cushioned muzzle with ample width, good neck firm well sprung rib, moved and showed well for handler, a very worthy Best Veteran

Minor Puppy Dog (7) a lovely class of promising youngsters

1. Mochrie's Downsbank Kismet, Loved this tri youngster, although still very raw and needing to gain in confidence I have no doubt he will be a star of the future. On the table he is so well balanced, short and compact with good neck and laid back shoulders, level topline and well angulated rear quarters. Low set ears to his well domed skull, rising over dark round eyes, nose well set between, well cushioned in muzzle with just the correct turn up to give desired expression. He is well coated for age, of correct silky texture, well broken markings with correct rich tan enhancing.
2. Gillhespy's Joshua de Melcourt (Imp) Heavier marker tri boy, with large white collar, built on a sturdier frame than winner, has a lot to offer in bone and soundness, well ribbed with good depth of chest, firm topline and strong rear quarters. Appears a little strong in underjaw at present which should rectify itself as his head matures and develops. Broad domed skull with dark round eyes. Loved his sensible laid back temperament
3. Greenwell's Patzpetz a Taste of Honey, promising ruby boy who just needs to finish in head and gain confidence. Strongly built with excellent bone yet not oversized, compact balanced body with excellent spring of rib and firm level topline, well angulated front and rear, once he learns how to show to advantage will be hard to beat.

Puppy Dog (5) I really struggled with this class, it was hard to find a steady mover, hopefully with time these youngsters will strengthen, gain confidence, settle into their bodies and learn what is expected of them.

- 1. Lindley's Headra's Flash the Cash at Meglind, this youngster performed where others did not although still weak in rear quarters and moving close behind, he moved out well keeping his topline. Still very raw in body, needs to gain substance, this is not unusual for this age. Gently domed skull with round eyes and good nose placement, correct low ear set, he has the promise of a good coat with fringing coming in well, just pipped the 2nd to win this class**
- 2. Champions Lankcombe Ambassador, unplaced in a stronger MP class, I didn't dislike this youngster, pleasing in head with domed skull, correct low set ears good rise over eyes, which were round and dark, nice nose placement and well cushioned muzzle, his front construction worried me slightly, tending to dip at shoulder with stilted front movement, shorter on leg than I prefer, which is a shame as he is firm in body with well sprung rib good turn of stifle. Loved his quality coat, richly marked and silky texture.**
- 3. Clarke's Stonepit Bobby Dazzler at Poltomic, promising blen youngster who just didn't settle, well boned with good rib, pleasing head with well rounded skull, cushioned muzzle, dark round eyes. Excels in coat for age.,**

Junior Dog (3)

- 1. Jackson's Amantra Summer Promise, a dog who can only be fully appreciated on the table, on first sight he is heavily marked with flecking to legs which detracts, but under this is a firm well ribbed, cobby body, good neck with well laid back shoulders with good length to upper arm, level topline and well turned stifle. Typical in head, gently rounded skull with low set ears, well cushioned muzzle of good width. For me he is the correct size with just the right amount of bone, yet not coarse in any way.**
- 2. Kendall, Askins & Jameson's Azzaro Fapella Gray (Imp) classically marked well broken tri built on finer lines than winner, domed skull, dark round eyes, nose well placed, good turn up. Gay lively attitude kept his owner on her toes.**
- 3. Salguero's Rivermoor Minstrel, cobby tri dog, well ribbed with solid bone, generous domed skull large dark round eyes, well cushioned muzzle of good width. Just did not settle on move.**

Grad Dog (5)

- 1. Clark's Stonepit Super Sydney for Poltomic, I have watched this young dog progress from puppy, coming into his best now. He is a lovely size with correct bone, classically marked, well broken with rich tan markings. Well domed skull with good rise over his dark round eyes and well placed nose, ample width to cushioned muzzle. He**

is well bodied now with good spring of rib giving the desired cobby appearance. Although he was naughty on the day, once moving he is quite steady and covers the ground well. One that could go all the way if he gets his act together.

2. Gillhespys Yakee Royal Treasure, another who could go all the way once he matures, well broken richly marked Blenheim, with low set ears to beautifully domed skull, with good rise over dark eyes and correct nose placement, well pigmented. Balanced body, short in back with good angulation to rear, once he bodies up and finishes in head will be hard to beat.
3. House Stonepit Earl Spencer at Triciaville, well broken blen with good spring of rib, not as settled on move as winners

Post Grad Dog (11)

1. Moffatt & Robins Maibee Horatio, stunning youngster so typical of the Maibee kennel. Just coming to his best now, still a little reluctant, but won't be long before he is taking the top awards. Melting expression from his gorgeous dark round eyes, so well cushioned, broad wide muzzle, well domed skull with correct rise and well placed nose. Ideal for size and correct bone, handles beautifully on table, good neck, laid back shoulders, firm level topline and well angulated rear quarters. Complete with well furnished quality coat.
2. Pascoe's Cavella Cookie of Cwmtirion, have always admired this dog, now reaching maturity he is right for body and substance, well ribbed with good angulation. Beautiful in head, gently rounded, with ample rise over dark eyes, correct nose placement and good turn up, broad well padded muzzle giving desired expression. Well broken coat with rich tan markings for me he fits the bill well, today he just did not want to co-operate with his handler.
3. Essex Chacombe Royal Gift to Brendek, attractively marked quality tri, clear white / black, enhanced by rich tan, covering firm body, correct bone with good depth to chest, well sprung ribs. Domed skull with dark round eyes and well cushioned muzzle.

Limit Dog (8)

1. Coupland's Tucherish High Treason, 3 year old tri coming to full maturity now, in profile presents a balanced picture, good neck, well sprung rib, short level back, well turned stifle, would like more reach in front, that said he moves with real style, head held high and stands out from the crowd. Well domed skull with good rise over his large dark round eyes, correct nose placement with wide open nostrils, well cushioned muzzle. Pleased to award him Res CC.
2. Smith's Headras Truly Magic is Justacharma, judged this dog as a puppy and wow has he come on. Now fully mature, so cobby in body, well sprung rib with deep chest, strong rear quarters which he really uses on the move.

Large domed skull, with good rise over eyes, good nose with wide open nostrils, wide in underjaw with good finish. Well broken coat, with flecking which does detract from the overall appearance, but his rich tan markings for me help compensate for this.

3. **Swanston's Corrinwood Crusoe of Pamojill**, this dog handles really well on the table, well made with good angulation, firm topline, well domed skull with good rise over dark round eyes and cushioned muzzle, correct low set ears framing the face. Not as mature as winners, he has time on his side. Once fully bodied, and he matures in head and perfects his ringcraft should always be in the cards.

Open Dog (6)

1. **Moffatt & Robins Maibee Mr Kipling**, another stunning male from this well known kennel, classic head, domed skull with good rise over his enchanting large dark round eyes, good nose placement, not too deeply set with large wide open nostrils, well cushioned muzzle of correct width and depth, all framed by correct low set well feathered ears. Firm body with good rib and correct bone for size, level topline and strong rear quarters used well on the move. Immaculately presented clearly marked coat with beautiful fringing completed the picture could not deny him the Dog CC.
2. **Schemel's Tudorhurst Commodore**, strong masculine dog with well domed skull of good width ample rise over dark round eyes, good nose placement not too deeply set with large open nostrils, correct depth and width to muzzle and good turn up giving plush finish. Well constructed with ample neck laid back shoulders and firm level topline, well sprung rib, strong rear quarters giving driving action from rear. Although heavier marked he is well coated with clear white chest and legs, (no trace of flecking) and rich tan markings.
3. **Pennington & Portingale's Tudorhurst Pirate King**, quality b&t, well bodied with excellent rib giving cobby appearance, Well domed skull with clear rich tan markings.

Minor Puppy Bitch (4) Not an easy class to judge, liked all youngsters here but ring presence and showmanship had to come into it, as movement has to be assessed.

1. **Arundel & Brown's Browdel Princess Jasmin**, this handler has obviously worked hard with this puppy, she moved and showed well to take the class. Still very raw, she is well balanced, short in back with level topline, beautifully domed skull with good rise over dark round eyes, good nose placement and correct finish to muzzle. Has the promise of a good coat to come I shall watch her progress with interest as she matures.
2. **Mochrie's Downsbank Betsy Trotwood**, loved this Blenheim bitch on the table, but was unable to assess her movement enough to place 1st in this class. Well broken richly marked coat of silky texture. Firm body well ribbed for age, good length of leg balance, just needs to gain confidence on the move.

3. Constable's Mitapip Trudy Doo Dee, very much a baby at just 6 months this b&t is completely raw. On the table she is square in outline and totally balanced all through, with soft gentle expression to her feminine head, domed skull, dark eyes and well placed nose and low set ears, will take a lot of time to mature but once there should do well.

Puppy Bitch (4)

1. Jackson's Amantra Regalia, quality youngster who stands out, well balanced, square in outline with short back, covered by well broken coat and good fringing. Stunning head for age, a feature this kennel is noted for, correct width to her domed skull, good rise over dark round eyes well cushioned under, excellent nose placement and correct finish to muzzle. Will gain her title with ease once fully mature. Pleased to award her Best Puppy in Breed
2. Moffatt & Robins Maibee a May Baby, not the confidence or maturity of winner, yet still a quality bitch, soft melting expression to head, good neck and level topline, well ribbed with ample depth, once fully mature should do well
3. Johnson's Headras Pennywise at Alambra, Blenheim bitch with well broken coat, good fringing, she moved out well, with good rib and body for age.

Junior Bitch (3)

1. Harvey's Rivermoor Lady Martha, Loved the size and bone of this bitch, super to go over on table so well made, firm body with well sprung rib, laid back shoulders, well angulated rear, correct for leg length. Still not fully mature in head but ample dome to skull, low set ears. She is lightly marked yet with rich chestnut markings with a quality silky coat coming through. To realise her full potential she needs to be moved at a faster pace, as walking it was hard to evaluate her movement truly. Perhaps her owner could get a handler to move this girl for her, to enable what I am sure is her excellent movement to be seen by all.
2. Matches Khandro la vie en Rose from Fochai, this young girl really did move out well, so steady both on the table and in her movement. Gently rounded in skull with good rise over her dark round eyes. She is a good size and well balanced, just needs to mature to complete the picture.
3. Constable's Lorphil Lady's Slipper at Mitapip, very immature tri bitch, needs to gain in confidence and substance, well made she is square in outline with promising head, rounded skull, and good finish to muzzle, just needs time.

Graduate Bitch (4)

1. Matches Khandro la vie en Rose from Fochai

2. **Dix Beewye Precious Perdita**, I despaired over this bitch, fabulous to handle with glorious head, domed skull full low set ears framing the face, dark round expressive eyes so well cushioned under, good nose placement and broad deep well finished muzzle. Well bodied with excellent rib, good angulation. Could have taken the class had she behaved but just would not settle. Could gain her title with ease, but has to learn to show first.
3. **Singleton's Celxo Theodora**, tri bitch excels in head, well domed with good rise over dark expressive eyes, well placed nose and good width to underjaw with correct turn up. Still needs time to mature in body and settle on the move.

Post Grad Bitch (9)

1. **Coupland's Tucherish Julie Christie**, quality bitch feminine all through, glorious head, domed skull with good rise over large dark eyes, so well cushioned, framed with full low set quality ears. Cobby in body well sprung rib, good depth to chest, well turned of stifle, small in stature yet still with the required bone and substance, loved her. Another who will gain her title with ease if she would just settle and show to advantage on the move.
2. **Gillhespy's Tucherish Sebastienne**, at nearly 7 years, fully mature b&t bitch, cobby body well sprung rib, balanced outline, so happy to show and moved with equal pleasure. Pleasing head not overdone, domed skull with good rise over eye, correct nose placement and nice finish to muzzle
3. **Byers Simannie Sweet Anneka**, Pleasing size & balance to this well broken tri bitch with rich tan markings, handled so well on table, firm body well sprung rib short coupled body, level topline, good length of leg. Gently rounded skull with ample rise over dark round eyes, good nose placement and well cushioned muzzle.

Limit Bitch (7) These next 2 classes were filled with some lovely bitches all at differing stages of development and many will I am sure make the grade.

1. **Willey & Siddle's Penemma Misty for Me JW**, Stunning youngster who fits the whole picture, not only is she a beautiful bitch, she is steady in temperament and can also move, a real showgirl. Correct for size, bone and balance elegant neck set into well laid shoulders, firm level topline, good tail set, well sprung rib, lovely in outline with well angulated rear quarters, used so well to motor around the ring showing required reach and drive. I am sure she will continue to mature in head as she is still quite young, lovely enough now to take the top award and today gain her title. Bitch CC & BOB.
2. **Dawson, Jones & Lloyd's Cwmhaf te Kanawa**, close up to winner and hence I had no hesitation in awarding her the Res CC. her day too cannot be far away. Well broken tri with clear white and contrasting rich tan markings, just not as mature in head as winner yet. Perfect for size, bone and balance, she is well bodied, with good spring

of rib, laid back shoulders, firm level topline, well turned stifle, very steady in temperament and relaxed on the move a worthy winner today.

3. Jackson's Amantra Galaxy lightly marked Blenheim, with typical head, well made with ample spring of rib, good front & turn of stifle.

Open Bitch (6)

1. Robinson's Ch Baldragon She Demands JW, judged her as a puppy liked her then and pleased to see she has matured into a quality bitch, excellent size, bone and balance, well angulated front and rear with elegant neck, laid back shoulders, well sprung rib, firm level topline. Quality head domed skull with correct rise over her dark round eyes well cushioned, with good nose placement and ample width and depth to her muzzle.
2. Gillhespy's Downsbank Designed for Lorphil, Quality well broken Blenheim bitch, not overdone in any way, well balanced all through with elegant neck, laid back shoulders, well ribbed presenting a square outline. Domed skull with correct low set ears, dark round eyes with good rise over and well cushioned under, correct nose placement and good turn up to muzzle which is of ample width and depth. On the move she is so steady and totally laid back when standing.
3. Stewart's Marchog Mimi Bon Bon, quality b&t bitch, again correct for size, bone body and balance, well ribbed with steady temperament.

Judge: Pauline Sidgwick