

BORDER UNION 2012

It was a privilege and a pleasure to be awarding my third set of CC's at one of my favourite shows. Sadly the weather was not on our side and poured down for most of the day. Accordingly we were in a small wet ring in a crowded tent which was not to the liking of some exhibits.

Though the entry was not large numerically it certainly wasn't short on quality and there were some close and difficult decisions to be made. That said I thoroughly enjoyed my day and hope the exhibitors did too.

The King Charles like any breed needs to be healthy & happy but we should also bear in mind its purpose, they were bred to be ladies pets and comforters so need to be beautiful too. One of the things that makes a Charlie so appealing is the wide jaw supporting the beautiful face cushioning that gives the correct finish and the large dark eye that gives the wonderful expression that is unique to this breed and makes you want to pick it up and kiss it. Sadly in some cases we seem to be losing the cushioning and then the correct expression is lost.

Puppy Dog

Entries 3 absent 0

1st Askins & Kendall's Headra's Wedgewood almost 12 months tri puppy. Nice head with correct cushioning and dark eye giving desired expression good length of neck and well sprung ribs. Good front and rear with correct turn of stifle, well boned and good overall body shape. Sound and confident on the move. Best Puppy

2nd Fry & Jackson's Amantra Summer Chime lovely 11 month Blenheim with lovely head and expression well constructed with good spring of rib and good bone. Moved well not quite as confident as 1

3rd Sproul & Coburn's Baldragon Berkely for Khandro

Junior Dog

Entries 2 absent 0

1st Bailey's Aldorika The Maverick well pigmented Tri with good width of jaw, correct cushioning and nose placement and dark eye giving pleasing expression. Good rise and dome to skull. Well constructed with nice cobby body. Moved and showed well.

2nd Anderson & Watt's Maibee Lucas another nice young Tri with good head, well constructed and moved and showed well, just preferred the expression of 1

Novice Dog

No entries

Post Graduate Dog

Entries 3 absent 1

1st Constable's Mitapip Black Satin b/t large head with good rise of skull and large dark eye. Good front and rear construction, well boned. In good coat moved well.

Limit Dog

Entries 3 absent 1

1st Mallows & Gillhespy's Binglui Berlington Bertie well pigmented ruby. Nice compact, cobby boy well put together with good ribs. Nice head with good cushioning and dark eye. Moved well with good topline.

2nd Lunt's Beechglen Summertime JW nice blenheim in full coat. Good head and well constructed. Close decision but felt 1 kept his topline better on the move.

Open Dog

Entries 3 absent 0

1st Gillhespy's Tucherish Sundance JW happy, compact and cobby lovely black and tan in full coat. Good head with ample dome and large dark eye. Good width of jaw and cushioning all giving correct appealing expression. Well constructed with cobby body and good front and rear, moved well with just the right amount of reserve and quiet confidence. Ticked all the boxes for me today delighted to award him his 3rd CC & BOB.

2nd Fry's CH Amantra Regalist lovely Tri with most beautiful large head. Wide jaw with lovely cushioning and large dark eye giving very appealing expression. Lovely dome to skull. Well put together with good rib. Moved well. RCC

3rd Moffat's CH Maibee Theo

Puppy Bitch

Entries 3 absent 0

1st Gillhespy's Downsbank Designed for Lorphil delightful 8mths Blenheim well pigmented and well broken coat. Beautifully put together from her very pretty head right down to her toes. Moved well, though inclined to be a little excitable. Will watch her career with interest.

2nd Fry & Jackson's Amantra Cheery 7 mths tri baby, lovely head with sweetest expression. Well put together with cobby body and good ribs. Moved well. Just gave a little away in maturity to 1.

3rd Askins & Kendall's Headra's Caverswall

Junior Bitch

Entries 2 absent 0

1st Sidgwick's Paulian Amazing Grace exuberant and pretty tri, well put together and with excellent coat for her age, she moved with drive when settled.

2nd Turnbull's Aldoricka Savannah at Peakdowns pretty blenheim with sweet expression and good construction. Lacking a little in confidence at the moment I am sure her day will come.

Novice Bitch

Entries 2 absent 0

1st Gillhespy's Downsbank Designed for Lorphil

2nd Constable's Alambra Voo Doo nice black and tan well put together with good bone and nice head, moved well but didn't seem very happy today.

Post Graduate Bitch

Entries 1 absent 0

1st Sproul & Coburn's Nisyros Nevada for Khandro happy little black and tan bitch. Sweet head and expression, well put together with good rib. Moved well.

Limit Bitch

Entries 6 absent 1

1st Anderson & Watt's Nisyros Atlanta headed a quality class. Lovely black and tan nice overall shape, cobby with good spring of rib, good front and rear construction. Very pretty head with good width of jaw, good cushioning and dark eye, all giving sweet expression and topped with a good dome. In good coat she moved well, all in all a polished performance. Very pleased to award her the bitch CC.

2nd Sproul & Cockburn's Nisyros Indiana for Khandro litter sister to winner. Happy tri bitch. Good head with pretty face. Well constructed with lovely rib. Moved well. Lacking in coat at the moment, but judging by the length of her ears the rest will come in time.

3rd Coupland's Tucherish Clemency

Open Bitch

Entries 2 absent 0

1st Askins & Kendall's Amantra Charmful at Headra lovely tri bitch, pretty head with sweet expression, good length of neck, well sprung rib and short in loin. Lovely overall picture. Moved with drive. RCC

2nd Moffat's Maibee Emeldamay very pretty tri with good pigment and dark eye. Well put together. Sadly not at all a happy bunny today.

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