

LEEDS 27TH JULY 2014

My thanks to the committee of Leeds Ch. Show for their kind invitation to judge at this popular northern show

My thanks to all the exhibitors, who gave me such an excellent entry in view of the costs of entries and travel. I apologise to those who had to travel home cardless but in some of the larger classes this would always be inevitable and placings will always vary from show to show. It is three years since I last judged and there are different dogs to go over, all exhibits without exception, were presented in lovely condition, but there were several dogs with mucky eyes , which a quick wipe would have resolved , movement on the whole was acceptable , the ring did have a few lumps and bumps which did not help. I cannot help but mention the lack of the rib and body in some of the exhibits which the breed standard calls for and the pinched faces which gives a harsh and uncharacteristic look. I felt the overall quality of the bitches was better than the dogs, this can only bode well for the breed if those bitches are mated wisely.

PUPPY DOG (6 Entries, 1 Absent)

1st Moffat and ,Robins Maibee Horatio ARAF

Ten month old tri dog , touch on the smaller side ,presented in good condition , liked his face had dark eyes and good ear placement ,good shaped head , with nice cushioning, sufficient rib and bone for a puppy stood and moved with level topline , walking steadily round the ring , had good muscle tone ,but his front could be a little more true B.P.D.

2nd Pennington and Ashburn Chacombe What's Wanted at Tudorhurst

Another well presented ten month old tricolour ,similar size to 1, good head shape but not quite the cushioning of 1, nice dark eye and good nose and ear placement , presented a pleasing picture on the table , felt he could do with a tad more rib but that will come ,good bone and angulation, moved with confidence, happy showman as his tail suggested.

3rd Sproul and Coburn Khandro No Regrets

JUNIOR DOG (7, 0)

1st Johnson Tomodachi of Alambra (imp)

Fifteen month old black/tan in glossy coat , have seen this boy since a puppy and watched him mature into a competent young man , his bright tan facial markings could have been painted on , loved his dark eyes and cushioning, good dome, lips meeting together , large black nose and good earset , stood square on the table with good bone on strong legs , could do with a little more rib but has more maturing to do,When moving did what was asked of him ,at one with his handler, am sure he has a bright future.

2nd Hunter Maynorth Shades of heaven at Hooebarton

Thirteen month old ruby dog ,lovely rich colour, have loved this dog since he first appeared in the show ring, he may be a tad longer in loin than 1 but he is so balanced , typical ruby head , dark eyes, nice and round , good reach of neck, good ear placement and nice feathering , has super rib and strong straight legs , level topline when standing , on the move just as good, happy, outgoing and exuberent , slightly erratic on the move, just needs to calm down and realise that showing is a serious business. I know he has a promising future.

3rd Champion Stonepit Buster Keeton At Lankcombe

POST GRADUATE (9, 0)

1ST Coupland Tucherish High Treason

Two year old tricolour , so well presented , although lacking in some facial tan markings his other attributes cannot be overlooked , has a good shaped dome with dark round eyes , soft cushioning giving a pleasing expression, has a good reach of neck giving proud head carriage has sufficient body and bone ,presented a level topline and tail set when standing and moving . Moved round the ring with ease , obviously well schooled by his handler, another one destined for greater things.

2nd Jackson Amantra Treasury

Sixteen month old Blenheim, typical masculine head as always associated with this kennel, lovely dark round eyes, lips meeting as they should, large black nosepad and good dome with good ear placement , has sufficient length of neck giving good head carriage, when on the table had good deep well rounded chest and short level back , good tailset, lovely strong legs, which unfortunately he did not use to his advantage as he was giving his owner a hard time around the ring, another one who will be a contender for higher awards when he settles down.

3rd Singleton Lichens All About Edward Celxo

LIMIT (13, 2)

1ST Baker and Hoenderken Cofton A Team Daydream

Two year old tricolour presented in good coat and condition, silky texture as required, this dog defines the word cobby , square shape on the table and standing has a large lovely shaped head ,dark round eyes and good ear placement and feathering , together with the cushioning and lips meeting perfectly gives a truly pleasing picture. Has enough neck which gives good head carriage ,he has good bone and is well ribbed with good front angulation , has a level topline when standing and moving, have seen him reluctant to stride out on occasions but his owner has rectified this and he moved solidly round the ring . His substance is something for breeders to strive for, pleased to award him his first C.C. and B.O.B. His title cannot be far away

2nd Mochrie Downsbank Guthrie

Two year old tricolour dog ,another short and cobby dog , well ribbed lovely dome and dark eyes , liked his ear placement, straight legs front and rear with good bone, proud head carriage when standing and on the move, kept his topline at all times, just not quite the coat of 1. Would have liked to see him enjoying his day more.

3rd Moffat and Robbins Maibee Mr. Kipling

OPEN (5, 0)

1ST Leach Ouzewell Luciano

Two and a half year old tricolour well presented, plenty of coat of correct texture has pleasing face ,good ear and nose placement , nice round dark eyes ,but would like a little more dome , has well rounded body and good bone and stood and moved with a level topline ,happy disposition ,enjoying his day

2nd Byers Paulian Ernest With Simannie

Three year old Blenheim, well presented, a little short of coat, slightly larger than the winner but stood on a sturdy frame , good head shape, and good ear and nose placement , well cushioned muzzle and good bone , good head carriage and well ribbed chest , moved round the ring with ease

3rd Singleton Silverholme Byron Celxo

VETERAN (1, 0)

1st Kendall,Askins and Vallila Ch.UK Fin Int Ch.Headra's Chocolate D'Lite Re Imp

Seven year old tricolour ,sire of c.c.winner, one I have judged before, his enthusiasm belies his age, but in spite of his age has retained all of his attributes , I know he has not been too well of late but he certainly did not show it , lovely square shape and cobby body with good bone, lovely ear placement and feathering , good shaped head and large round dark eyes dropped his head slightly when moving round the ring but nevertheless showed like a trooper obviously glad to be there , pleased to award him R.C.C and B.V.

PUPPY BITCH (8, 1)

1ST Willey and Siddle Penemma Misty For Me

Eleven month old Blenheim, aptly named ,when you look at her face you do go misty eyed, has a lovely shaped head ,not overdone ,the darkest of eyes and nose pad ,such good pigment for a Blenheim, has lovely cushioning , good turnup and earset, she has a well ribbed chest and good bone without losing her femininity, her coat silky soft , good angulation, good reach of neck giving proud head carriage she showed and moved so well, obviously enjoying herself. So pleased to award her B.P. her eighth I understand, the one to beat in coming years.

2nd Goodwin Diggle Extravaganza

Seven month old Black and Tan, good things come in small packages and she didn't disappoint , super body well rounded rib ,nice head shape with good turnup , good dark eyes and lovely earset and feathering , very feminine features , good bone , short and cobby, she showed well with a level topline ,just a shame she should come up against 1

3rd Sidgewick Corrinwood Chloe of Paulian

JUNIOR (5, 0)

1ST Champion Stonepit Lillian Gist At Lankcome

Fifteen month old Tricolour not a lot of coat but then nothing to hide ,pretty feminine face, good dome ,nice dark round eyes good earset and nose placement , had enough cushioning , lips meeting ,liked her body shape , round with good bone good angulation and turn of stifle she moved well with a level topline

2nd Hall and Heslop Annkaren Jenny

Fourteen month old black and tan ,well presented ,liked her size short and cobby, pretty head, enough dome ,good earset, dark eyes and nice cushioning, good tail set, silky coat coming ,moved well although little cautiously round the ring , needs more confidence which can only come from her owner

3rd Singleton Celxo Theodora

POST GRADUATE (8, 0)

1st Baker Cofton Walking On Sunshine

Two year old tricolour , litter sister to dog c.c. winner , built very much on the same lines , touch finer as one would expect but still all the makings of a quality bitch , lovely head and dark eyes , good head carriage , short in back with good rib and bone ,again well presented, showed well , not quite the ring presence of her brother , but still a worthy winner

2nd Pennington Hello Dolly de la Montagne Ensoleillee of Tudorhurst

Twenty month old tricolour , lighter marked ,slightly longer than one , dark eyes and good ear placement , enough dome to give pleasing expression, good shaped body and bone ,moved steadily round the ring on strong legs

3rd Pearson Rexlands Crackle

LIMIT (5, 0)

1st Gillhespy Downsbank Designed For Lorphil

Two and a half year old blenheim, what a lovely disposition this bitch has, I got the feeling that she would have showed for her owner all day and then some more. She has a pleasing head shape dark eyes with good ear placement , nice cushioning and good reach of neck giving good head carriage when moving ,has a lovely shape of rib and short level back moved steadily on strong straight legs. She still is a young girl and we will no doubt see more of her , well deserved her R.C.C

2nd Eddleston Palandro Thea

Twenty one month old tricolour , well presented in lovely coat and condition ,a bitch I have always liked since she was a young puppy , she has a nice shaped dome, dark round eyes and good cushioning to give a pleasing finish to her face , lovely earset and long feathering to complete the picture , has good bone and short back , a little lacking in rib at the moment but that can only improve, she is still young and has time on her side , proving a handful for her owner but when settled had good movement round the ring , surely destined for greater things.

3rd Goodwin Amantra Queen of Clubs at Diggle

OPEN (7, 0)

1ST Goodwin Ch. Maibee Clementine of Lanola Sh. Cm.

Four year old tricolour , lighter marked, a bitch I have always liked from the ringside ,and on closer inspection did not disappoint, ,nice shaped with good dome and lovely dark round eyes, good turnup and cushioning, good ear set and long feathering ,lovely expression, she has a lovely mature body round and full , lovely bone but still feminine , good front and rear angulation , moved confidently round the ring with level topline, pleased to award her C.C.

2nd Pennington Tudorhurst Pearl

Twenty month old Blenheim, mature looking for her age, slightly longer than winner, nice head shape with dark eyes and nose , correct ear placement, long feathering, nice reach of neck, good head carriage , good bone and body ,level topline when standing and moving, surely will go to the top.

3rd Johnson Headra's Delphine at Alambra

Stephen Smith