

SOUTH WALES KENNEL ASSOCIATION 2014.

KING CHARLES SPANIELS

I thoroughly enjoyed my day there being some lovely quality dogs to judge. The puppies especially were of a high standard which can only bode well for the future of the breed. I was tremendously pleased to see my BOB go G2 later in the day. Just one niggle; I do wish that exhibitors would desist from feeding their dogs on the table. Whereas I have no objection to titbits being used to encourage dogs to show whilst standing, it is impossible to assess a dog's head when the handler is stuffing food into its mouth.

Minor Puppy Dog (5.0) 1. Kirschbaum & Vorderstrasse's Bonitos Companeros Deluxe Majorann (ATC AR01277DEU) Tricolour baby, still quite raw but with all the necessary attributes. Very good head, well domed with large dark eye and correct ear placement. Good rich tan and square muzzle. Well marked on short deep body, keeping his topline on the move. Well placed shoulders and straight well boned forelegs. Like all the others in this class a little overawed to begin with, it being a very noisy venue with frequent announcements over the tannoy but they all pulled themselves together and behaved very well. Best Puppy Dog.

2. Salguero's Rivermoor Minstrel Another very promising tricolour. Very similar in type to the winner with an attractive head possibly not quite the dome but good width of jaw and good rich pigment. Well marked body with deep chest, short back and good rear angulation. A bit of a handful on the table but was fine when moving. A little up on the leg at present but this is just a developmental stage and when he comes together he will be one to watch.

3. Smith's Bonniroy Delphin is Justacharma

Puppy Dog (3.1) 1. Askins & Kendall's Jameson Azzaro Fapella Gray (Imp CZE) Not much older than the Minor Puppy Dog winner and still immature. He has, however, all the basics with attractive head, large dark eye, good width of jaw and well cushioned foreface, good nose and ear placement. Short deep body with level topline, good neck and shoulders and strong hindquarters. Overall a well balanced, very sound little dog.

2. Salguero's R. Minstrel

Junior Dog (2.0) 1. Champion's Stonepit Buster Keeton at Lankcombe. Tricolour with attractive head, round dark eye giving soft expression, rich tan and good ear placement, well cushioned foreface. Good length of neck and well placed shoulders, deep chested, level topline. Moved soundly.

2. House's Stonepit Bradley at Triciaville Tricolour, very immature for his age.. Pretty head having bright tan and black pigment. . Attractive body markings with short back and level topline. Would really like to see him grow on more.

Post-graduate Dog (4.0) A close decision between first and second. My first was more settled on the move. 1. Pascoe's Cavella Cookie of Cwmtirion Tricolour with lovely head having rounded dome, good rich tan, dark expressive eye and good width of muzzle, Nicely marked with short deep body, level topline, well rounded stifle and super sound movement. Considered him for the RCC but felt that he needs more maturity.

2. Jackson's Amantra Treasury Blenheim with gorgeous head, rounded skull, good ear placement, richly pigmented and soft foreface. Well bodied with deep brisket and well rounded ribs, short back, level topline and good turn of stifle. Just needs to be more settled on the move.

3. Hunter's Hoobarton Idris

Limit Dog (5.0) 1. Askins & Kendall's Headra's Wedgwood JW Mature tricolour with attractive body markings. Lovely large head having good broad skull, well set ears, rich tan, dark eye, good width of muzzle and well finished foreface. Good bone and well muscled body. Short back and good depth of chest, well placed shoulders, good turn of stifle. Moved out soundly. RCC

2. Smith's Headra's Truly Magic is Justacharma Another tricolour with well distributed body markings. Attractive head with rich tan, dark eye and soft finish of foreface. Well constructed with good neck, well laid shoulders, short back, well rounded ribs and straight topline.

3. Wallhead's Sleepyhollow Trikki Dikki at Merida

Open Dog (7.0) 1. Johnson, Hubbard, Peterson Kirschbaum & Vorderstrasse'

Am/Fin/Lux Ch Clussexx Champagne Breakfast (ATC AR01278USA) This strikingly marked tricolour was definitely the star of the show for me. Beautiful head well domed with rich tan, dark round eye, well placed ears, large black nose, well cushioned muzzle giving softly finished foreface. Good reach of neck and well angulated shoulders, short back with deep chest and well rounded ribs. Level topline and lovely tail carriage. Well rounded quarters giving strong driving movement. He exuded style and personality and in a line up containing some quality dogs I had no hesitation in awarding him DCC and BOB 2. Pennington & Portingale's Tudorhurst Pirate King Quality black/tan. Masculine head with rich tan markings, round dark eye and broad foreface. Loved the overall shape of this boy with short square body, deep chest and well rounded ribs.

Level topline and well rounded quarters. Shown in lovely straight silky coat which one sees so rarely in mature wholecolours. Today he thought it was playtime not show time but this did not detract from his qualities.

3. Byer's Paulian Ernest with Simannie

Veteran Dog (2.0) 1. Jackson's Ch Amantra Cheers. Well known tricolour shown in full coat.. I recall judging him when much younger and think he looks better than ever now at 9 years of age. Lovely broad head with good dome accentuated by correct ear placement, dark eye, and well cushioned foreface.. Well angulated shoulders with deep body and level topline. Good rear angulation, moved soundly.

2. Askins & Kendall's Ch/Int/Fi/Swe/Ch Headra's Chocolate Delight. Another worthy tricolour Champion wearing his seven years very well and built in a slightly smaller mould. Masculine head with dark expressive eye, good finish of foreface and rich tan markings. Good lay of shoulder and short deep body with level topline and good turn of stifle. Moved out well. Just a little out of coat today.

Good Citizens D (0.0)

Minor Puppy Bitch (3.0) 1. Harvey's Rivermoor Lady Martha A delightful Blenheim baby with nice markings.. Lovely head with round dark eye, good nose and ear placement, good breadth of muzzle and under eye cushioning. Elegant neck and good lay of shoulder, good bone, well constructed with deep chest, short back, well angulated at rear, moved soundly and steadily.

2. Gomez' Rozabaron Viva La Violet Another promising baby, tricolour who was unlucky to meet my first whose more refined foreface I preferred. Pretty head with good dome, dark eye and rich tan. Moderate length of neck and good lay of shoulder with deep brisket and level topline. Nicely marked.

3. Speight's Boniroy Danae,

Puppy Bitch (0.0)

Junior Bitch (2.0) 1. Byer's Simannie Anneka. Well marked tricolour girl. Lovely head having good dome, large dark eye, good nose and ear placement. Elegant neck and good lay of shoulder, deep chest and rounded rib cage. Short back and level topline. Moved out strongly having been a handful on the table.

2. Champion's Stonepit Lillian Gist at Lankcombe Tricolour of totally different type. Feminine head with good tan, dark eye and nose pigment. Good bone and substance.. Longer cast than the first which was accentuated by the light body markings. Took a while to settle but moved soundly when she did.

Post Graduate Bitch (4.0) 1. Wallhead's Baldragon Becuz I'm Worth It to Merida Tricolour of lovely size. Pretty feminine head with

good dome, rich tan and dark eye. Good ear and nose placement.. Well made with good reach of neck and lay of shoulder. Deep chest short back , level topline.and well rounded quarters. Moved out well with confidence. RCC 2. Lord's Little Miss Muffin Homecourt Small cobby tricolour. Pretty head with good dark eye and excellent tan properties all giving a soft expression. Short bodied with deep brisket and good spring of rib. Well turned stifles and moved very well.

3. Randel's Amantra Melrose Amelia at Kilvey (IMP DEU)

Limit Bitch (4.0) 1. Jackon's Amantra Galaxy Blenheim girl who reminded me of the old fashioned charlies one sees in old paintings. Typical round head with broad skull, nicely cushioned muzzle and well filled beneath the eyes. Nicely put together with short straight back, deep chest and level topline. Good rear angulation to give positive movement.

2. Dix's Beewye Penelope Pitstop Tricolour with lovely head having round dark eye, correct ear placement and generous nose.. Well constructed with deep body, level topline and well rounded rear angulation. If only she would learn how to behave, she would trouble the best.

3. Lord's L Miss Muffin Homecourt

Open Bitch (2.1) 1. Pennington & Portingale's Tudorhurst Black Swan Black/tan litter sisterr to the second in Open Dog and very much a feminine version of her brother .Attractive head with rich tan markings and large round eye..Lovely bone and plenty of substance but not giving way to size. Impressive in outline with short cobby body, deep chested, straight topline and excellent rear angulation. The same straight silky coat as her brother, very well presented. Moved and showed well. BCC.

Veteran Bitch (1.0) 1.Champion's Lankcombe Miss Money Penny Delightful Blenheim of seven years. Sweet head with good dome and large eye. Good foreface giving soft expression. Plenty of bone and substance in a small compact frame. Tremendous spring of rib and depth of chest.. Good turn of stifle. Moved out well

Good Citizen Bitch (0.0)

Judge RUTH MOCHRIE