

The King Charles Spaniel Club

Open Show 24th Sept 2011

I would like to thank the KCS Club for the honour of judging their Open show and also for the very flattering entry. I thoroughly enjoyed my day with the “Charlies” and the sportsmanship of all is to be commended. You are a bunch that many breeds could take a leaf out of your book. We were very fortunate with the weather and because of such were able to be judged outside in a spacious grass ring. Thanks also to my 2 very capable stewards. A lovely lunch added to what will be a very memorable day.

Temperaments without exception were good and I hope this continues.

Soundness on the move is still a problem with some but these are in the minority and it is very clear that breeders are addressing the issue and obviously this continues to improve.

My only criticism would be that handling appears very low down on the Charlie checklist. Many good individuals would look so much better if they were handled better. Also there are a couple of excellent examples that are let down badly because of their handlers. Be proud of what you have and show them off!!

Vet D:

1st: Salguero's TEWHIT THESPIAN. 9 yr old BI. Good for size, well marked in full coat. Cobby and ok for head and expression. Sound for his age

Minor Pup D:

1st: Bailey's ALDORICKA THE MAVERICK. Tri who put on more of a show today. Very sound in profile.

OK for head and expression and good for size. Promising youngster. BPD

2nd: Stewart's MARCHOG MINI CUPAR. B&T with the most glorious head and expression. Superb for type but needs to concentrate on the job in hand. Once his act is together has a definite future.

Pup D:

1st: Leach's AMANTRA MR BROWNLOW AT OUZLEWELL. Ruby dog who won the class on sounder movement today. Decent enough for type but would not want any more of him.

2nd: Mochrie's CAVELLA CHOLMONDELEY. Tri dog who is cobbler and has a decent head. Not as positive behind as 1

3rd: Maddison's MITAPIP MIDNIGHT MARAUDER

Jun D:

1st: Johnson's BALDRAGON ONLY WAY IS ESSEX. Tri dog who won the class on the move. OK for type and in excellent condition.

2nd: Fry & Jackson's AMANTRA CHIVALROUS. Beautiful for type. Excellent size and cobby. Glorious head and expression. However here was another who didn't want to show me how he could move.

With more confidence and deportment will trouble the best.

3rd: Salguero's DOWNSBANK FLETCHER.

Nov D:

1st: Bailey's ALDORICKA THE MAVERICK

2nd: Mallows' BINGLUI RUBY LEWIS. Ruby d with a decent head and expression. Good for type. Not the forward reach of the puppy and was not in his best bib and tucker.

3rd: Dawson & Jones' POMELO TRIPLE CHANCE

Grad D:

1st: Smith's JUSTACHARMA OH SO MAGIC JW. Tri dog who has a look of quality about him. Very smart for type, is an excellent size and is cobby. Does not do himself justice stood but excels on the move. He has reach and drive and that look at me attitude that I hold so dear. Should be a title holder. RBD

2nd: Mallows & Gillhespy's BINGLUI BERLINGTON BERTIE. Quality headed Ruby with a typical outline. Sound enough on the move and in excellent condition.

3rd: Salguero's DOWNSBANK BILBO BAGGINS

Post Grad D:

1st: Smith's JUSTACHARMA OH SO MAGIC JW

2nd: Rushton's NYSIROS DONNIE DARKO. Worthy B&T of decent type. Sound and stylish on the move. Lovely head and expression.

3rd: Wallhead's SLEEPYHOLLOW TRIKKI DIKKI AT MERIDA

Limit D:

1st: Askins & Kendall's HEADRAS CHOCOLATE D'LITE. Tri who scores highly on the move. Lovely head and expression. Very balanced and in excellent condition

2nd: Gillhespy's TUCHERISH JOLYON JW SHCM. Very pretty small Tri dog in excellent condition. Good for type and scores particularly in profile movement.

3rd: Mochrie's DOWNSBANK SPRUCE

Open D:

1st: Pennington's ENDLESS LOVE DE LA MONTAGNE ENSOLEILLEE OF TUDORHURST. Beautifully presented Blenheim. Dog of obvious quality. He has a decent head and expression, is great for size being completely balanced. On the move he is sound in profile holding an outline. Should be a title holder with luck.

2nd: Maddison's ALAMBRA RICH RUBY. Ruby boy in full coat and a lovely temperament. Balanced

outline and ok for head.

3rd: Salguero's CHACOMBE LORCAN.

Sp Op B/T & Ruby D:

1st: Gillhespy's TUCHERISH SUNDANCE JW. B&T in full coat, well presented and in excellent condition. He is good for type and size and has an attitude to cherish. Scores for his typical head and expression and is eyecatching on the move. Just carries his tail a tad high.

2nd: Baker's COFTON LIGHT MY FIRE. B&T who is decent for type, head and expression. Looks good in profile.

3rd: Mochrie's DOWNSBANK RUPERT

Sp Op Tri & Blen D:

1st: Rushton's TIFLIN TUDOR ROYAL JW. A very lovely, typy Tri boy with a stamp of quality. Delightful head and expression. Full of type and sound on the move. In excellent coat and condition. Has a lot to like about him and for me was the complete package today in males. A dog very worthy of a title and would benefit if his handler would only show him off a little more!! BD, BOS

2nd: Salguero's DOWNSBANK BILBO BAGGINS. Decent for type, good head and expression, just needs to settle.

3rd: Wallhead's PALTEMOOR CHARLEMAGNE

Vet B:

1st: Fry & Jackson's CH AMANTRA WINTERBERRY. Glorious bitch who is so deserving of her title. Real Charlie. Scores highly in the type stakes and is particularly impressive on the move. Head and expression to die for. Belies her 7 years and is in superb condition. RBB, RBIS, BVIS

2nd: Smith's JUSTACHARMA SHE'S MAGIC. Pretty tri bitch who is good for size and type

Min Pup B:

1st: Stewart's MARCHOG MIMI BOB BON. B&T baby who won the class on type. She has a glorious head and expression. She is excellent for type and is an ideal size. Just needs confidence and getting her head around what she is supposed to be doing and then will be a contender.

2nd: Leach's DANYAS AMAZING GRACE AT OUZLEWELL. B&T who was more positive on the move. However she needs to develop in bone and body for the finished picture.

3rd: Turnbull's ALDORICKA SAVANNAH AT PEAKDOWNS

Pup B:

1st: Robinson's BALDRAGON ALL ABOUT ME. A very decent Tri bitch who has personality in spades. Gorgeous head and expression. Good for type and in excellent condition. Handled well. Scores highly on the move where she will always take the eye. Just a tad proud of her tail at present but her obvious quality makes you overlook this. One with a future I'm sure. BPB, BPIS

2nd: Goodwin's AMANTRA QUEEN OF CLUBS AT DIGGLE. Much to like about this very pretty B&T girl. She was presented and handled beautifully and her head is divine. Lovely for type and an excellent size. Is sound on the move but could not match the front of the winner.

3rd: Stone's MAYNORTH LOVE SONG

Jun B:

1st: Robinson's BALDRAGON ALL ABOUT ME

2nd: Askins & Kendall's HEADRA'S MISS CADBURY. A good honest B&T who is very sound and full of herself. Lacked her outer garments today.

Nov B:

1st: Gillhespy's LORPHIL BLACK BEAUTY. Liked this B&T enormously. To go over is very hard to fault except that she needs to finish in body. Very typical, great head and expression and good for size. On the move she is sound, stylish and eye-catching. A certain titleholder with the average amount of luck.

2nd: Robinson's BALDRAGON ALL ABOUT ME

3rd: Leach's AMANTRA FABERGE AT OUZLEWELL

Grad B:

1st: Leach's OUZLEWELL CARTE D'AMOUR. Pretty Blenheim who is good for size and shape. Sound enough on the move and keeps an outline in profile.

2nd: Mallows' BINGLUI RUBY JUNELLA. Ruby with decent head and expression. Lovely temperament and in good condition.

3rd: Bailey's HEADRA'S CHOCOLATE CARAMEL AT ALDORICKA

Post Grad B:

1st: Mochrie's DOWNSBANK VALENTINE. Tri girl who is very eye-catching, especially in profile. Lovely head and expression. Super tail carriage and action. Small and cobby

2nd: Askins & Kendall's HEADRA'S CLEMENTINE. Another pretty tri who was slightly longer in loin than 1. Lovely head and expression, Sound and stylish on the move.

3rd: Bailey's HEADRA'S CHOCOLATE CARAMEL AT ALDORICKA

Limit B:

1st: Goodwin's MAIBEE CLEMENTINE OF LANOLA. Tri with the most superb head and expression. She scores very highly for type. On the move she is precise up and back and positive in profile. In excellent condition and well handled. I liked her very much and thought she would go higher but in the challenge appeared to throw in the towel and just lost her outline stood. Should title.

2nd: Coupland's TUCHERISH CLEMENCY. Another pretty girl who is very eye-catching and typical. Just could not match the winner in front.

3rd: Harvey's ROCQUENCOURT ROSETTA ROYAL AT RIVERMOOR

Open B:

1st: Askins & Kendall's AMANTRA CHARMFUL AT HEADRA. Very pretty Tri with a lovely head and expression. She too is in excellent condition. Scores particularly in profile movement and is positive going away. Just would have preferred more width in front for the finished picture.

2nd: Stone's MAYNORTH IRRESISTIBLE JW. Close up to 1 and another who is high in the type stakes. Lovely head and expression and in good coat.

3rd: Baker's COFTON I DREAMED A DREAM

Sp Op B/T & Ruby B:

1st: Smith's MAPLEHURST BLUE MAGIC IS JUSTACHARMA . Decent for type and was the soundest of the class. Just needs finish

2nd: Stone's MAYNORTH SIMPLY HEAVENLEY. B&T with a decent head and expression. In good body condition.

3rd: Johnson's ALAMBRA ISA BELLE

Sp Op Tri & Blen B:

1st: Coupland's TUCHERISH SARSAPARILLA. For me today she was the overall package that I was looking for. When she walked in the ring she screamed Charlie at you. Stood she is very typical being cobby, with a lovely topline and tailset. Yes, she could benefit from a tad more leg length but this is being highly critical. I loved her head and expression and to go over is hard to fault. Another that looks better moving and she pulls herself together and will never be overlooked. Sound and stylish and in superb condition. I liked her very much and hope that she finishes with a well deserved title. BB & BIS

2nd: Robinson's BALDRAGON HEAVEN SENT. Beautifully presented and handled. Very stylish and showy tri girl who scores in head and expression. Just not as cobby as the winner.

3rd: Bailey's MAIBEE MARGOT AT ALDORICKA.

Lee A S Cox (Judge)