Birmingham KCS 31st August 2018

Judge: Mrs C Bowles-Robinson

My thanks to City of Birmingham for inviting me to judge and to the exhibitors for the fabulous entry. In dogs I could have awarded 4 CC's and in bitches 6! Quality was tremendous. Movement is fairly sound, which is good news; but as an ESS exhibitor for many years, this is of great importance to me. The standard requires a driving action and I am afraid it was only prevalent on a handful of exhibits. Fronts are not the breeds fortune, they are required to be straight, however legs pointed out on several exhibits. This said I see amazing steps forward in the breed in the relatively short time I have shown them. Toplines have improved and so has overall confirmation. I see little change in heads, perhaps less rise to skull, but I did remember how they differed in the past and still do. I believe we are moving in the right direction, the breed should congratulate itself.

VD (3 Entries) Abs: 0

1 - Mr I & Mrs P SIDGWICK Paulian Frank -

Short coupled, deep bodied tri boy sporting a most typical breed head, he has an excellent rise of skull and well turned up muzzle. When settled he made a most pleasing picture on the move carrying his head proudly on well laid shoulders. Pleased to award him **Best veteran**.

2-Ms H & DR G Lunt MRCVS Beechglen Gabriel - Tri of 10 years and a credit to his owner. Shown in immaculate condition. It was a very close decision between these boys. He is so deep and well sprung in body, with large head, the lowest of ears another excellent front. Just preferred the overall balance of my winner, moved soundly.

3- Mrs. K L & Mr. M L AUSTIN Oh Dandy Boy Hero

PD (4 Entries) Abs: 1

1 -Mr T W & Mrs C A HARDIMAN Tovarich Ticket To Ride-Tri 9.5 months, he is very mature in body with short level back which he held on the move. Already deep chested and showing the promise of an excellent spring of rib. His head has still to develop with maturity, but he has excellent rich tan and the darkest of pigment. He took a while to settle on the move, but once there, was so sound, holding his top-line and driving through with good width behind. **BPIB**.

2-Mrs M E KENDALL & Mrs I M ASKINS & Miss R WILEMAN Headra's Mad Hatter

Blenheim not as mature as winner, it is amazing that at this puppy age just a few weeks will make such a difference! I really liked this baby he has a wonderful large head, the darkest of pigment which is often lacking in this colour. At present he was not as mature in body as my winner and although a very sound baby not as settled on the move. This said I believe there is so much promise for the future for this boy.

3 - Miss S MADDISON Downsbank No Strings

JD (1 Entries) Abs: 0

1- **Mr R WOOD Tudorhurst Guardian** – Have watched this promising tri boy through a very successful and well-deserved puppy campaign, however, he has reached those teenage years and has dropped some weight making him appear less put together than he is. The most promising of heads with everything in place for future development. He is so sound to go over, with excellent lay back, well let down hocks and good rear angulation giving him the required driving action on the move. A very exciting youngster. **Best Junior**

PGD (7 Entries) Abs: 0

- 1- Mr R F & Mrs E A RUSHTON Justacharma He Is So Magic At Tiflin Blenheim nearing maturity, so deep in body, rib just needing to develop further. Really good in head size and construction. Well defined stop, he sports a text book square, wide, deep muzzle giving an excellent finish. Stood on strong well boned legs and the most wonderful of feet. His coat is straight and silky with well-defined markings. Moved soundly and freely, holding his top-line and head proudly.
- 2- Mr I & Mrs P SIDGWICK Paulian Where's Wally JW Sh.CM Tri boy with a most appealing and gentle of expressions, dark large eyes, nose and long silky ears positionally correctly. Elegant neck set on well angled shoulders leading to level short back. Took a while to settle on the move. Just preferred the rear assembly of my winner. Shown in immaculate condition as I would expect from this exhibitor.
- 3 Mrs K L & Mr M L AUSTIN Dragonheart Winter Morning

LD (7 Entries) Abs: 0

- 1-: Ms M DAWSON & Mrs C JONES Chacombe Arizona for Pomelo Blenheim who I have watched go through all the stages of maturity, still young and not finished, but will make an outstanding specimen in my eyes. His overall balance shone out for me, he can't be ignored for correctness of confirmation. Large correct head and the darkest pigment sporting the desired lozenge. Spirit level topline, well let down with good muscle tone. He moved happily with elegance and drive. Could not deny him the RCC today in excellent company.
- 2 Mr J R GOODWIN Diggle Dandelion JW- Blenheim male who from the ring side I have not appreciated and just goes to highlight that we should never draw opinions until we have our hands on a dog! Such a sound cobby well-made boy and so correct in body confirmation, wonderful in bone, depth and spring. Dark pigment and rich chestnut well distributed markings. He held a table topline on the move with excellent driving action from behind. Just preferred head and size of winner.
- 3 Mrs S C SINGLETON Marchog Mactartan Celxo

OD (6 Entries) Abs: 0

1 - Mr A GILEVICH & Mrs Y NEVSKAYA Dzhentlmen Nevskiy Hobbit Ha Barishihe - A most unexpected visitor from Russia, returning after his Crufts success. A dog I admire having seen him compete at the world show this affirmed my first impressions. Tri male just two years old and maturing into a quality exhibit. He is well put together and will be such an exciting prospect when fully mature. Deep in body with the most wonderful legs, strong pastern and perfect cat feet. Large big dark eyes and nose all sitting in harmony with long well-set ears. Head led into crested well arched neck on well-placed shoulders that sat in perfectly to his body. Excellent rear angulation, hockey well let down. Shown in superb condition carrying just the right of muscle tone. His coat totally straight and lustrous. He captivated me and others on the move where he really came into his own and WOW what an image he made with everything held tight in appearance driving out behind and following through straight in front. I could not deny him the CC and B.O.B.

- 2- Mrs T M JACKSON Ch Amantra Regal Duke Tri boy who I much admire, love his head and expression one of very few who fitted the breed fore face definition exactly. So elegant in crested neck and head placement that he sports on well laid-back shoulders, short cobby and deep, well let down. Carrying coat and well presented. Moved OK once settled. He is a most worthy champion of the breed and a credit to this famous kennel. I pulled him in for the RCC to add to his many wins, however he seemed to have his mind on other things, just going through the motions.
- 3 Mrs S C SINGLETON Lichens All About Edward Celxo

GCD (1 Entries) Abs: 0

1 - Miss C MELVILLE Amantra Chorale — Another quality boy who has to be gone over to truly appreciate. Wonderful large head full over the eyes, so square and wide in muzzle with fill under dark gentle eyes. Short and deep through body, he moved soundly both coming and going. I liked so much about him I shortlisted him for RCC however he did not pull out the stops and was less positive on the move. All said a quality male who I am sure will continue to win at top level competition.

VB (2 Entries) Abs: 0

- 1- Mr S R GOODWIN Ch Maibee Clementine Of Lanola Sh.CM 10 year old tri girl a real favorite of mine since judging her many years ago. She is so good for her age and still very sound on the move. Her head is near text book perfect, with huge dark eyes and a most melting expression, large in comparison to body. Short cobby and firm in top-line. A worthy champion.
- 2 Mr R W & Mrs C A DIX Ch Paulian Prudence for Beewye JW Another ambassador for the breed at just eight years young, showing like and eight-month-old! She has the sweetest of heads and expressions. Deep in body and well put together throughout. A real pocket rocket on the move, sound and happy. Just preferred head of my winner.

PB (2 Entries) Abs: 0

- 1- Ms M DAWSON & Mrs C JONES Chacombe Kennedy Rose for Pomelo
- A bit of a headache to judge as both naughty babies, who I forgive and enjoy seeing, but can be difficult to assess. My first placed tri girl is very mature in body and nearly up to size, but it is my prediction having assessed her there was little growth left to come. She is so feminine in head with good rise of dome, fore face still needs to develop with maturity, but all in place to do so. Put down to perfection. Moved OK when settled.
- 2- Mrs T POTTER Toyswood Starlight Express Very sweet petite tri girl a real baby who is obviously growing at different rates. She has a beautiful head and expression with large dark eyes, good under jaw all in place to develop beautifully. A bit fazed on the table but did settle on the move and was sound. I liked a lot about her. Just preferred bone and attitude of my winner.

JB (3 Entries) Abs: 1

- 1- Mrs J A CRIDLAND Alizee Vom Weihertal TAF This tri girl has a large and feminine head, with excellent turn up and cushioning. Well filled under big dark round wide set eyes. Elegant arched neck leading in to perfectly placed shoulders, elbows tucked well into body one of the best fronts of the day. I would like more angulation in rear, however she moved and showed well to win.
- 2- Mrs H ABBOTT Cofton Reach For The Stars Tri girl. Very happy tri girl full of character. Sweet head and expression with dark pigment. Still very much in her teenage years and not as yet put together and balanced rising over the croup, but time is on her side and she should develop OK. Just preferred the head on my winner at present.

PGB (7 Entries) Abs: 1

- 1- Mr M & Mrs K AUSTIN & Miss E BAKER Cofton Dancing Though Life JW. Tri Bitch. WOW this girl is fabulous, if only I had more CC's she would have definitely deserved one. Hard to fault, a typical toy spaniel who moved like a dream. So balanced through and maturing into a top quality bitch. I particularly loved her angles and attitude.
- 2- Mr J BLEWETT & Mr R SMITH Othmese Celtic Purdita I have seen this girl on other occasions and have until getting my hands on her not realised what a quality bitch she is. She sports the most glorious head and melting expression with everything text book correct. The soundest of fronts. She moved well to take her place in this lovely class. I predict a great future for her. Just preferred topline of my winner today.
- 3- Mr R W & Mrs C DIX A Beewye Penelope Pitstop

LB (7 Entries) Abs: 0

- 1- Mrs T M JACKSON Amantra Truffle Blenheim. Just divine, I could dog knapp her! Have been following her progression to a worthy Champion of the breed. The most feminine of heads which she holds to advantage on arched neck and well laid shoulders. Compact through body with good depth of rib. She headed up an exceptional class. A real pocket rocket on the move where she excelled. RCC.
- 2- Mrs M E KENDALL & Mrs I M ASKINS Cofton Winter Time Tale At Headra JW Another exceptional Blenheim and worthy Champion. Such a cobby deep sound bitch, another with great attitude. She drove out on the move, presented and handled to perfection. I could not fault her confirmation. It was so very difficult to separate these girls and really came down to splitting dog hairs! these two had to head up this incredible quality class, I know they will change places in the future.
- 3 Mr R S & Mrs R K BAKER Cofton Fairy Tale Jw

OB (5 Entries) Abs: 1

1- Mr R S & Mrs R K BAKER Cofton Walking On Sunshine – My star of the girls and one I did not consider until I had my hands on her. The soundest KCS I have ever been over, she felt like she was the blue print of the breed standard. At six years she has reached full maturity. Shown In full coat, which is luxurious long and silky and

maybe could benefit from a bit more preparation.! She moved soundly enough to be awarded the bitch CC. Subject to KC approval she will join the creme de la creme of the breed as a well-deserved champion.

- 2- Mr C JENSEN Dk Ch Penemma Millie the Minx So my type. Another worthy CC winner in my opinion. She has a glorious typical head and the most elegant of crested necks. She is sound and quality through and through. So well put together, she moved correctly and was presented to perfection. My disappointment on the day, was that she was not carrying enough weight for me and with the top competition on the day this sadly cost her. I am sure her day will come.
- 3 Mrs S C SINGLETON Celxo Enchantress Morgana

GCB NO ENTRIES