

## **BIRMINGHAM NATIONAL DOG**

### **KING CHARLES SPANIEL**

**I have never owned a Charlie but have over 20 years experience of being around the Maibee dogs and seeing them at close range throughout their lives from newborns to oldies. That experience was priceless and gave my knowledge of the breed a good foundation. Having bred Cavaliers for 50 years, I am aware that they differ from King Charles Spaniels in many ways, so I was a little disappointed to find many in the Charlie entry who were not cobby dogs with a domed head but were long bodied and flatter in skull than I was looking for. Having said that movement overall was much improved and I think the days of people calling this purely a head breed are long gone. I was able to get the correct balance between soundness and type in lots of dogs. 65 was a fabulous number of dogs to go over and I enjoyed every minute of my time in the ring with your dogs. Temperaments were excellent, eyes were mainly large and bad top lines were in the minority. One or two sloping croups and poor tail sets spoiled some outlines but I came away quite impressed with the quality of the entry. Thank you.**

## **DOGS**

### **MPD (2)**

#### **1st Matches' Ellinghurst Xmas Kracker TAF**

**Two litter brothers in this class. 8 month old tricolours. The winner, who has matured much faster than his sibling, is a handsome lad whose movement impressed and he showed with confidence. Attractive domed head with gentle dark eyes. Well marked coat nicely conditioned. Could be more compact but will look more together once his chest deepens. Hope his early development means he won't grow on. Has much to like.**

#### **2nd Boyer's Ellinghurst Hocuz Pocuz**

**A real baby who was a bit overawed by the occasion. Not frightened just out of his comfort zone. Such a sweet face with good expression. Lovely eyes. The Covid restrictions has been hard on**

**many puppies who have missed out on socialising. Time is on his side.**

**PD (1)**

**1st Bowles-Robinson's Baldragon Shoots He Scores**

**Glamorous 11 month old tricolour with style. My mask fazed him a little on the table but once removed he recovered well and went through his paces with ease. Beautifully broken coat makes him easy on the eye and his head is balanced with wide skull, correct stop and dark eyes. Good nose placement and low set ears make a decent dome. Neat lips. Super waggy temperament. Balanced outline and he maintained a firm topline and ideal tail carriage. Precise, sound mover who moved confidently round the ring as if he owned it, helped no doubt by his correct shoulder placement and his well muscled hindquarters. Well grown, but at 11 months I suspect fully grown. Could be a tad more compact for my ideal. **BEST PUPPY DOG & BEST PUPPY IN BREED****

**JD (4 )**

**1st Baldragon Shoots He Scores**

**2nd. French's Marchog Matisse**

**Black/tan boy who needs more self belief. Not very obliging on the table but was much more comfortable on the floor. Went well once he settled. A very appealing domed head with good dark eyes and rich tan markings. Kind expression. Patience and perseverance needed.**

**3rd Kendall's Headra's Irresistible**

**Res Dawson & Jones' Pomelo Mystic Marlow**

**YD (4 )**

**1st Stewart's Monleon Made By Magic for Marchog**

**Neatly made little Blenheim. His well broken chestnut markings were rich and his coat texture soft and silky. He even sported a lozenge. Another who could move with accuracy in both directions holding a level top line. Dark expressive eyes and good nose placement. Willing showman.**

**2nd Byers' Simannie Giovanni Bach**

**Lightly marked tricolour a size bigger and longer in back than winner. Well made and loved his rear action. A good looking boy who had been poked in the eye but was still cheerful. Lovely nature.**

**3rd Maddison's Justacharma Northern Magic**

**Res Dawson & Jones' Pomelo Mystic Marlow**

**ND (4)**

**1st Justacharma Northern Magic**

**Tidy tricolour with more plus than minus points. Looks good on the move when he comes into his own but hasn't quite mastered the art of standing. Appealing head and expression. Nice size.**

**2nd Boyer's Ellinghurst Bat Out Of Hell**

**Another sibling of the two placed earlier. This one a Blenheim. A bit all over the place when moving and any ring training (he probably missed out) went out the window. Felt quite good to go over on the table. Typical head with gentle expression good curves and dark eyes. Only 8 months, so still wet behind the ears and needs socialising.**

**3rd Pomelo Mystic Marlow**

**Res Austin's Dragonheart Winter Morning**

**GD (5 )**

**1st Singleton's Indigo Dlya Russisch Geist Ot Nevskogo Hobbita At**

**Well coated Black/tan with good ribs. He has lots going for him including dark, round large eyes set in handsome, domed head. Good tail carriage. A size smaller would suit me better. Good natured.**

**2nd Justacharma Northern Magic**

**3rd Austin's Dragonheart Fall Breeze**

**PGD (7)**

**1st Arundel & Southam's Chacombe Fin**

**Loved the head on this tri boy and later looking up his pedigree I saw he has Maibee Teddie behind. A real pin up boy in a glamorous coat. Nice dome, plenty of fill beneath the eyes, dark eyes. Stands showing a balanced outline with well turned stifles. Proficient mover. Sensible gentle temperament that appealed. Has a look of quality**

**2nd Smith's Mitapip Black is Magic for Justacharma**

**Another boy with a generous head and gentle outlook. This one a good looking Black/tan. Nose well pushed up. Long, low set ears. Shown in full coat. Strong rear action. Tail carriage detracts from outline when moving in profile.**

**3rd Tonner's Headra Tigger At Halbinsel**

**Res Boyer's David Ot Nevskogo Hobbita At Ellinghurst (Imp Rus)**

**VHC Hunter's Kasamanda Hamilton Of Hooebarton**

**LD (6) abs 1**

**1st Smith's Justacharma Magic Goes On**

**What's not to like about this tricolour boy. He filled my eye and the more I saw the more I liked. Not exuberant but he quietly goes**

**about his business in a quiet controlled fashion. Great size, enough substance, well marked lush coat covers a well made body. Felt good on the table and he did not let me down on the move. Well placed shoulders allows his front assembly to reach forward on the move. So sound with spirit level top line and excellent tail coming off his back. Kind face. Good dome, neat lip finish, expressive eyes. Nose positioned between eyes. Long ears. He impressed. Abracadabra....I had my winner. DOG CC & BEST OF BREED**

### **2nd French's Mitapip Elusive Ruby**

**Naughty but nice Ruby. Coat colour excellent...rich red. Blessed with good looks and his size appealed. Fabulous eyes. Really giving his handler a hard time but you could tell he was enjoying it. Made me smile**

### **3rd Singleton's Marchog Mactartan Celxo**

#### **Res Cox's Petitpaws Black Prince**

#### **VHC Clarke's Poltomic Black Magic**

### **OD (3 )**

#### **1st Tonner's Headra's Inspiration At Halbinsel**

**A happy Tricolour boy who enjoys his showing. Had a swagger as he went around the ring. Head was ok if not wow and he is spot on for size. Domed skull, great eyes, good nose, dark pigment. Size was good and he was very biddable and co operative making my job easier.**

#### **2nd Clarke's Stonepit Wilfred for Poltomic**

**I liked the head on this tricolour boy but he wasn't moving as well as winner and had a tendency to roll. Felt he was weighty over the neck and shoulders. Such a shame as he appealed. Good eyes.**

#### **3rd Dawson's Chacombe Arizona for Pomelo**

## **VD (5) Abs 1**

### **1st Jackson's Ch Amantra Regal Duke**

**A tricolour I judged when much younger....him and me both. Has gained his crown since then and is now a Veteran. Looking well today and he richly deserved the RCC. So much is positive. Size, coat, movement, top line, dark eyes, kind face, good ear set. Love his balance and to top it all he is confident and cheerful. A soft spot for this one.**

### **2nd Hunter's Maynorth Shades Of Heaven At Hooebarton**

**8 year old Ruby who still has great vibrancy in coat colour. Such a gentle face with kind eyes. Tidy size. A bit sluggish to start with but soon hit his stride. Nice old boy with a friendly disposition.**

### **3rd Dragonheart Fall Breeze**

## **BITCHES**

### **MPB (2)**

#### **1st Rix's Baldragon Fame Game at Ricksbury TAF**

**Pretty Tricolour baby of 6 months who showed like a pro. Blessed with good looks and was equally as good in construction. Satisfying to go over with all parts fitting together to create the correct shape. Nice neck and shoulders, firm topline, short back. Good ribs. Complimentary coat markings. An exciting, happy youngster with distinctive dome and appealing face features. Large eye, square muzzle. This youngster will have more than 15 minutes of fame, for sure. Pulled out in last four.**

#### **2nd Matches' Baldragon Waiting in the Wings TAF**

**I understand this is the litter mate. Not being so amenable as her sister and needs to go back to school. But at 6 months it's hard to**

**be on your best behaviour all the time! Well marked coat and neat construction. Will have better days.**

## **PB (2)**

### **1st Nemeth's Arrowbien The Sphinx**

**Tricolour who sparkled. Not just in coat presentation but in attitude. Elegant outline with reachy neck, good lay of shoulder and level topline. Looked good in side profile stepping out with self assurance. Beautiful presentation. At 10.5 months she had a slight advantage over the Minor puppy but both are prospects. Sweet face with appealing dark eyes full of cheek. Liked her balance and she impressed enough to win BEST PUPPY BITCH and the RCC over older competitors.**

### **2nd Austin's Baldragon Gots Hattitude**

**Tricolours seemed to be colour of the day. Here was another. A happy girl shown with lots of coat. Not quite the balance of winner. Sweet face with dark eyes.**

## **JB (3)**

### **1st Baldragon Gots Hattitude**

### **2nd Singleton's Waldor Flick And Swish.**

**A rich red Ruby. Only six months old and looked unready for competition. Leggy and lacked body. Fabulous temperament and she won me over. Training classes may now be resuming and with a few months maturity below her belt, this one may well blossom. Good domed head. Pigment pale.**

### **3rd Singleton's Waldor Mischief Managed**

## **YB (3)**

### **1st Byers' Simannie Maid In Wales**

**A very typical Tricolour with no frills but has so many of the ingredients needed. Pretty expression, wide skull, good nose placement. Short and cobby body, good lay of shoulder, excellent sprung ribs, level topline, well turned stifles.**

### **2nd Hayward and Walker's Baldragon Little Mistress**

**Small and well made Tricolour. Not the head properties of 1 or 3 but her movement secured her placing. A friendly soul.**

### **3rd Boyer's Ellinghurst In For A Penny**

**GB (3) abs 1 Two Blenheims who weren't making the most of themselves**

### **1st Bailey's Toyswood Rising Star At Aldoricka**

**This feminine girl was a handy size with attractive face and a decent dome. Cheery and outgoing but would not play ball and lacked posture on the move. I'm sure she could do much better than her performance today.**

### **2nd Singleton's Celxo Tartan Stockings**

**Hard to assess as her movement was turbulent. Gave her a few goes but it wasn't happening. Face is her saving grace but sadly not enough today**

### **PGB (1)**

### **1st Stewart's Poltomic Peppermint Patty with Marchog**

**2 year old Ruby shown in first class order. Her coat was squeaky clean and shone with condition. Not very comfortable on the table but on terra firma she pulled herself together and moved fine. A very girly girl with a sweet face and dark expressive eyes spaced well apart.**

### **LB (3) abs 1**

#### **1st Lewis' Amantra Tarazed Carleeto**

**A neat cobby tricolour who looked good moving in profile. Head is typical with good turn up and wide muzzle. Deep stop. Pleasing expression and correct nose placement. Pity her legs were so stained as this put paid to her chances of going higher.**

#### **2nd Clarke's Mitapip Sweet Rosey for Poltomic**

**Pretty Ruby poppet whose coat condition was admirable. Soft, silk like and plenty of it. To be honest as she is small and fairly long backed her lengthy coat tends to dwarf her and makes her outline unbalanced and not the Charlie body shape I was seeking. Her rear action was pretty good but rather untidy in front. Has lots of appeal with a very kissable face.**

### **OB (3)**

#### **1st Bowles-Robinson's World Ch Baldragon Hold That Thought**

**5 year old Blenheim with rich chestnut markings. Loved her free, stylish movement. She made it seem effortless. A touch long in body but her topline was firm. Attractive head with dome, good eyes and nose. Considered her in the challenge. Presentation as all from this exhibitor was pristine.**

#### **2nd Southam's Cavella Camelia**

**Cobby Blenheim who matched winner for movement fore and aft but did not hold her outline as well on the go around. Will also be 5 later this year. Liked her dear face with soft, dark brown eyes. Friendly.**

#### **3rd Boyer's Ellinghurst Miss Saigon**

### **VB (3) abs 1**

#### **1st Dawson and Jones' Ch Cwmhaf Te Kanawa**

**Love at first sight and she blew me away. Ultra feminine tricolour with a beautiful face full of correct breed points. Domed skull, deep stop, low set ears, good turn up, dark gentle eyes, neat mouth finish. A real glamour girl with lots of coat that has been kept in great condition. Impressive outline on the move going with decent reach and drive and holding a level topline. At 8 years old she still had what it takes and with no hesitation she was my BITCH CC winner.**

#### **2nd Singleton's Celxo Theodora**

**8 year old Tricolour who has a lovely face with rich tan points complimenting her black and white coat. Could not match the movement of winner who was on great form.**

#### **Norma Inglis (Craigowl)**