

SCOTTISH KENNEL CLUB CH SHOW (Sept) Oct 2021

King Charles Spaniel report

It is hard to write a decent report as the numbers present were few and far between. However, as a general observation I found that one of the breeds main atypical characteristics, the head and expression, is being lost and a number would probably look equally at home in a Cavalier ring!!! The well domed head, full over the large eyes and with a square well padded muzzle and a decent turned up chin accompanying low set long ears, were a rarity and they are what make the breed unique and stand apart from all others. Perhaps I was unlucky but it was disappointing and I wondered what the sadly missed doyen Sheelagh Waters would have thought.

PD(1) 1st & BP Bowler-Robinson's Baldragon Shoots He Scores I liked this very promising young tri. Lovely size, well boned such a good body shape with ample neck, short coupling and a level backline. His head is developing nicely with a good skull, beautiful large well apart eyes, excellent turn up and jaw width and low set ears. His coat shone with well being and he settled to move out with a balanced stride. Should finish well.

JD(1/1)

ND(3) 1st & Res CC Coupland's Tucherish Andrew Carnegie the most advanced in body and coat. His head is so typical and well balanced. He has a good domed skull, well cushioned face, quite large eyes and that "look" the breed has when accompanied by low set, long ears. His topline is good, ample angulation in his muscled hindquarters and he moved out the soundest in this class. 2nd Maddison's Justacharm Northern Magic this fellow was not a happy bunny and was somewhat tense when being handled. Good head ,eyes are well set & of good size and colour. He is well ribbed and was in good coat but he never really settled to move out as well as he should have. 3rd Matches' Ellinghurst Xmas Kracker taf

PGD(2) 1st J. Northern Magic 2nd Byers' Simmannie Giovanni Bach good skull, dark eyes, well defined nose but lacking the chin width and padding of muzzle of the winner. He is nicely ribbed, little longer in loin, well muscled hindquarters and a nice size. Biy close behind when moving.

LD(1) 1st Arrowsmith, Vorderstrasse & Hubbard's Arrowbien Eng Breakfast this is a nicely constructed tri, well bodied and coated, nicely domed head, dark eyes, sufficient jaw width, longer ears framing his face would aid him. Moves out very briskly and weaves so his action was hard to assess.

OD(4) 1st & CC Whitman & Tarabad's Cofton All I Have To Do is Dream with Khatibi for me he had the best head of the day. Beautifully domed, lovely nose and jaw width with a good turn up, such beautiful eyes and a delightful expression. His

low set ears are wide and so well feathered and they frame his face beautifully. Decent neck, adequate spring of rib and excellent angulation both ends. He needs to fill out his frame but the essentials are there, his coat was stunning and his movement light and free striding. 2nd Goodwin's Ch Diggle Danelion JW just too much of this lad for me. Spotless in coat, well ribbed, a little long in loin, well angulated aft with good shoulders and forechest. I would like a more definite dome and larger eyes to give me the more typical Charlie look I seek. Sound on the move. 3rd Coupland's Ambassador Boy Star of Tucherish (Imp Rus)

PB(2) 1st Rix's Baldragon Fame Game at Ricksbury taf what a very promising tri this is. Lovely head shape, large, so expressive eyes, well proportioned skull/muzzle and super ears. Enough neck, nicely ribbed and balanced angulation. In superb coat condition she must have a very bright future. Just lost out to the MPB on maturity. 2nd Matches' Baldragon Waiting in the Wings my notes say could be litter sister to the winner and she is. She shares so many of her virtues, is shapely, ultra feminine, immaculate in coat just, at this time, less assured on the move.

JB(1) 1st Lovel's Cofton Dressed A Dream at Lovetrac a very sweet natured and tail wagging little soul. In superb coat, she is a lovely shape and gives a good outline when free standing. I would like a little more rise in dome and that tad wider and stronger jawline but her eyes are very good and her low set ears add to her charm. Moved out steadily.

NB(1) 1st Whitman & Tabard's Baldragon Centre Stage with Khabati another personality plus with a non stop tail wagging This tri is well balanced with a fair rise to her dome and lovely width in underjaw. In good coat she moved out freely and with gusto and should finish well.

PGB(1) 1st Byers' Simannie Maid In Wales this little tri was not a happy bunny and moved around with that apologetic gaze the Charlies can give! She has nothing to be bashful about as her head is very good, excellent dome, large, dark and so expressive eyes then those low set, well feathered ears. Quite compact in shape and in excellent coat, she just lacks oomph and self belief.

LB(0)

OB(4) 1st CC & BOB Miller & Ryan's Ch Clussezz Reign It In Cavillabrook this beautiful tri was a sight for sore eyes. A most worthy title holder, beautiful headpiece with a super expression from gorgeous eyes, nice neck, so well ribbed, quite compact on the stack, immaculate in coat and ultra sound on the move. A very comfortable BOB winner. 2nd & Res CC Gurner' Lux Ch Oprah De Melcourt this well coated bitch is a lovely size, again that correct domed skull, ample stop definition, good nostrils, ample underjaw and tight lips. Whilst she is well ribbed, her backline was that tad less tight than the winner's. However she was light footed as she circled the ring and deserved her award. 3rd Bowles-Robinson's World Wh. Baldragon Hold That Thought

VB (2) Two golden oldies which were a sight for sore eyes!! Both are 8 years old, the winner a blenheim and the runner up a tri. Both are a huge credit to their owners for their body condition, muscle tone and bright eyes attitude all belaying their years. Both in excellent coat, top class examples of the breed and still fairly sound for their years. A pleasure to judge. 1st Willey & Siddle's Ch Penemma Misty For Me JW 2nd Jones & Dawson's Ch Cwmhaf Te Kanawa

Albert Wight Judge