

The King Charles Spaniel Club Open Show – 26 February 2022

I would like to thank the King Charles Spaniel Club for the opportunity of judging their Open Show at a new venue. The show was well run and I was supported by my efficient steward which enabled me to enjoy my day. I would like to thank the exhibitors for their entries.

Veteran Dog (3, 1)

A nice class to start the day, both exhibits were a credit to their owners. 1. Hunter's Maynorth Shades of Heaven at Hooebarton A pleasing 8 year old ruby who was really enjoying his day. Cobby with a pleasing head and dark eye, he moved freely around the ring. (BVIS) 2. Maddison's Penema Raphael Another 8 year old enjoying his day out. Slightly larger than 1, he has a nice head with pleasing expression. Nice spring of rib and level topline to give a nice silhouette.

Minor Puppy Dog (2, 1) 1. Mochrie's Downsbank Indian Ink A young 8 month b/t puppy who was a little overawed and out of his comfort zone on the day. He is a nice size with an appealing head and dark eye. He has a lovely reach of neck and level topline. Moved well, just needs more confidence.

Puppy Dog (no entries)

Junior Dog (2,1) Bowles-Robinson's Baldragon Shoots He Scores Standing alone, this 15mth youngster filled my eye as soon as he came into the ring. A nice size, he has a lovely head with dark eye and square muzzle, providing a sweet expression. He is well made with level topline and in good coat. A real showman with good ring presence he simply flowed around the ring. (BD,BIS)

Novice Dog (2,1) 1. Mochrie's Downsbank My Legacy. 13mth old Tricolour dog. A little immature, he has a nice head with dark eye, providing a pleasing expression. He is well balanced with a lovely reach of neck and layback of shoulder moving into level topline. Moved well in front.

Graduate Dog (3,1) 1 Hunter's Hooebarton Shades of Joy 3 yr old tri dog who is maturing slowly. In good coat. Nice shaped head and compact body. Moved well both ways. 2. French's Marchog Matisse. Younger and more immature than 1, this 18mth b/t was presented well in good coat which provided a nice picture.

Post Graduate Dog (6, 3) 1. Stewart's Monleon Made Magic for Marchog. An eye catching blenheim who was beautifully presented and handled on the day. Cleanly marked he has a lovely masculine head with dark eye. Well- built and in good coat he was caught the eye on the move. Pushed hard for top honours today. 2. Maddison's Justacharma Northern Magic A 2year old tricolour who is just coming into himself. Slightly larger than 1, he is beginning to fill out to present the desired shape and size. Moved well, but a little out of practice today and not as assured as he could be.

Limit Dog (5, 3) 1. Harvey's Rivermoor Alberto 5 year old mature tricolour, who excels in his mature head and level topline. In good coat and well-presented he moved around the ring with confidence. 2. French's Celxo Vermouth on Ice Another 5 year old Blenheim. Well shaped head with nice neck and level topline. Moved really well and clearly enjoying his day.

Open Dog (3,2) 1. Tarabad and Whitman's Cofton All I Have To Do Is Dream With Khatabi A lovely 2 year old tri who stood alone. A lovely made dog in excellent condition, he is of ideal size and shape with lovely domed head with dark eye and nostrils providing a typical expression. He shone on the move in both the class and the challenge and he pushed hard for the top award today. (RBD, RBIS)

Special Open (B/T & Ruby) (1,0) 1. Hunter's Maynorth Shades of Heaven at Hooebarton

Special Open (Tri & Blen) (2,2)

Veteran Bitch (1,1)

Minor Puppy Bitch (6, 3) This was the best class of the day and I am sure all 3 will exchange places on another day. A class that bodes well for the future of the breed. 1. Tarabad and Whitman's Baldragon Russian Around with Khatabi. A most appealing baby tricolour at just over 7 months old. A lovely head and expression. A lovely neck with level topline, she excelled on the move and presented a lovely picture. 2. Bowles-Robinson's Baldragon Worth Russian For. The litter sister of 1 and another puppy of excellent quality. Very lively she moved exuberantly around the ring providing quite a challenge for her handler. She has an eye catching head with large dark eyes. Good neck and topline. 3. Smith's Rivermoor Lady Matilda

Puppy Bitch (2,1) 1. Bowles-Robinson's Baldragon Worth Russian For

Junior Bitch (1,0) 1. Tarabad and Whitman's Baldragon Centre Stage with Khatabi Another quality puppy. A mature 11 mth old beautifully marked Tricolour. Lovely domed skull, low set ears and dark eyes providing a lovely expression. She has a lovely neck and level topline and is in reasonable coat. Really strode out making the most of herself. Pleased to award her BPIS. (BPB, BPIS)

Novice Bitch (4,4)

Graduate Bitch (1,1)

Post Graduate Bitch (4,2) 1. Mochrie's Downsbank No Inklings AA nicely made small bitch who excelled in outline. Lovely domed head and dark eye and nostrils, providing a typical expression. A little out of coat today. 2. Hinson's Kerizma Krocus A compact 4 year old ruby. Cobby with good spring of rib and in good coat. A little out of practice, she nevertheless moved soundly in both directions

Limit Bitch (5,3) 1. Tarabad and Whitman's Baldragon Centre Stage with Khatabi. 2. Hinson's Kerizma Krocus

Open Bitch (4,1) 1. Bowles-Robinson's Chacombe Marana Baldragon A pretty 4 year old tri with lovely pigment. A pretty head, she has a lovely neck and level topline and caught the eye on the move. Delighted to award her (BB),(BOS) 2. Stewart's Marchog Minta Buckle. An ideal size and shape, this 4 year old very feminine b/t really showed herself to advantage. She has a pretty head with really dark eye, short and compact and in lovely coat, she presented a lovely picture. Moved well, but without the confidence if 1. Pleased to award RBB

Special Open (B/T & Ruby) (2,0) 1. Stewart's Poltomic Peppermint Patty with Marchog Pretty ruby bitch who seemed to be enjoying her day. Small and cobby with excellent spring of rib, deep chest and level topline. Nice head with dark eye providing a soft expression. Moved well 2. Hinson's Kerizma Krocus

Special Open (Tri & Blen) (1,1)

Mike Rowley

Judge