BATH - 2022

Thanks to Bath Canine Society for inviting me to judge the breed, and to the exhibitors for bringing their lovely Charlies for my opinion. As always, the Bath showground was immaculate with large inside/outside rings with plenty of room for the Charlies to show themselves off. Apologies to the exhibitors for the long delay before I was able to commence judging the breed as I had been judging a Breed Club Partnership Championship Show which started later than the Bath judging. Having owned and shown the breed I know firsthand that there are days when Charlies will, and there are days when Charlies won't, and if they do it will be in their own way and that applies to just about every aspect of daily life, including showing! Having assessed for breed type and conformation on the table and on the move, it was nice to take a final look at their profiles before making my placings. Whether they were free standing or stacked was at the exhibitors' choice and discretion in showing off their exhibits to best advantage, taking into account the exhibits' level of cooperation at the time!

VD (3) 1. Hunter's Maynorth Shades Of Heaven At Hooebarton, handsome and masculine ruby dog, deep chestnut colour all through; nice size with heavy bone; good skull and dome, large dark well spaced eyes, well placed nose pad and wide muzzle, nice turn up of jaw; good substance throughout with strong neck, good chest and ribcage; level topline, well carried low set tail; showed confidently and moved well. 2. Austin's Dragonheart Winter Morning, beautifully marked blenheim, rich chestnut markings on a pearly white background, good shape, with a nice arch of neck leading to a level topline, and well set and carried tail; very attractive good sized head with full dome, wide blaze, low set ears and dark eyes giving a lovely expression; good bone for his size; not totally at ease as he went round the ring. 3. Austin's Dragonheart Fall Breeze.

MPD (1) 1. Baker & Kendall's Headra's Jim Beam, beautifully presented black & tan in an excellent glossy silky black jacket with bright tan markings in all the right places; lovely head and skull with good dome, nice width and turn up of muzzle; nice length of neck; strong bone on straight front legs, low set tail and well off for substance throughout, lovely quality puppy.

PD (1) 1. Champion's Rivermoor Stan Laurel At Lankcombe, tricolour puppy with very bright tan markings, narrow blaze on head; low ear set, good dome, well turned up jaw, dark eyes; silky coat texture; medium length

arched neck; lively temperament, determined to do his own thing; steady mover.

- JD (2) 1. Ryan's Cavallibrook Blimey O Riley, beautifully presented confident young tricolour dog showing off his attributes admirably; level topline, low set tail, nice neck carriage carrying his head well, making a very pleasing picture standing and moving; lightly marked body, even head markings with bright tan markings; very attractive head with large dark eyes, lovely dome, appealing expression; good strong bone for his size; straight front with good ribcage; moved confidently. 2. Kendall & Baker's Cofton Tap Dance, less mature than the class winner, with a nice arch of neck leading to a short level topline, and well set and carried tail; very attractive good sized head with lovely dome, wide blaze, low set ears, dark eyes and excellent turn up giving a lovely expression; moved elegantly round the ring showing well on the move.
- PGD (2, 1) 1. Cox's Petitpaws Black Knight, masculine black & tan dog with lovely bone and substance for size; super head with full dome, large dark eyes, open nostrils and wide muzzle; good ribcage, level topline and well set tail; rich bright tan markings in all the right places to contrast and complement the black glossy jacket; looked good in profile and on the move.
- LD (4) 1. Jackson's Lankcombe Kings Speech Amantra, nicely balanced young tricolour dog with bright tan markings; lovely head and good dome; large dark eyes, wide muzzle, good turnup; nice neck leading to a level topline, good chest and ribcage, straight front; good bone for size; low set tail, coat of silky texture with long ear fringes; moved well round the ring.

 2. Arundel & Southam's Chacombe Fin, lightly marked nice size tricolour dog with a most attractive head and expression; good dome and skull, large dark eyes, wide muzzle; lightly marked body with wide blaze on head; lovely fringes on low set ears; low set tail; happy personality showing off his attributes so well. 3. Cox's Petitpaws Black Prince.
- OD (5) 1. Bowles-Robinson's Champion Baldragon Shoots He Scores, tricolour dog, ideal size combined with lovely substance, and retaining the look of a Toy Spaniel; good sized head with excellent dome and lovely width of muzzle, nice turn up of jaw, large dark eyes, wide blaze, low set well fringed ears; nice arch of neck leading to strongly made body with level topline, low set tail, excellent chest, ribcage and bone for size; moved well, holding his outline at all times; picture completed by well presented and well marked silky coat and furnishings. Dog CC & Best of Breed. 2. Whitman & Tarabad's Cofton All I Hav To Do Is Dream with

Khatibi, quality tricolour dog with a beautiful head, such a lovely full dome, low set ears, large dark eyes, wide muzzle; correctly placed bright tan markings, silky coat with well broken clear markings on a well made compact body with excellent bone and substance; straight front, good rear angulation; kept a level topline and good outline as he moved round the ring. Dog RCC. 3. Melville's Champion Sarosota Chenin Blanc.

- VB (2, 1) 1. Hardiman's Tovarich Teanna, beautifully feminine black & tan in excellent coat of good silky texture; most attractive face with well domed skull, large dark eyes; arched neck leading to level topline and well set tail; straight front; good ribcage and substance for her size; bright tan markings in all the right places; moved well holding her outline. Best Veteran in Breed.
- MPB (1) 1. Baker's Cofton Dancing In The Dark, lively nice shaped puppy, with silky coat and furnishings in excellent condition, black jacket gleaming with contrasting very bright tan markings; lovely head with a good dome, low set ears and wide muzzle; strong bone and good substance; happy and confident in attitude.
- PB (4) 1. Bowles-Robinson's Baldragon Worth Russian For, tricolour bitch with correct tan markings; appealing expression with good skull and dome, large dark eyes; even head markings; nicely arched neck leading to level topline and well set and carried tail; compact body, good ribcage and bone; nice substance; moved well; happy personality. Best Puppy in Breed. 2. Whitman & Tarabad's Baldragon Russian Around with Khatibi TAF NAF, tricolour with very pretty head, large dark eyes, good skull, wide muzzle with good turn up; bright tan markings; straight front, level topline, good neck proportions; well set tail; moved and showed with confidence. 3. Melville's Baldragon Russian Forward TAF
- JB (1) 1. McFarlane's Gracie Maradeco King, well presented black & tan bitch, gleaming black jacket with contrasting tan markings; appealing head with large dark eyes, good dome, low set ears and wide muzzle with turnup; lovely head carriage and level topline; strong bone and good substance; good fringing on her ears, and body coat coming through; confident in attitude and moved well.
- YB (2) 1. Whitman & Tarabad's Baldragon Centre Stage with Khatibi, nice size very feminine tricolour; lovely breed attributes with a typical head, large dark eyes and good turnup, low set ears; nice neck leading to level topline and well set tail; straight well boned front; feminine but with

substance; nicely broken markings with bright tan in the right places; moved well, not at ease with today's proceedings. 2. McFarlane's Gracie Maradeco King Gracie Maradeco King, repeat.

LB (3) 1. Nemeth's Arrowbien The Sphinx, tricolour bitch in good coat with long ear fringes and bright tan markings; nicely broken body markings; lovely head with an excellent dome and low set ears with long fringes; large dark eyes and lovely width of muzzle with good turnup; well made frame, depth of ribcage and good bone; moved freely and steadily, showing off her attributes enthusiastically for her handler. 2. Bowles-Robinson's Chacombe Marana Baldragon, tricolour with a good size domed head, low set ears, lovely width of muzzle and large dark eyes combining to produce a delightful expression; good body construction with excellent ribcage and chest, strong bone; good neck, short level topline, good rear end; well balanced throughout; lacking coat today, but did not detract from her qualities. 3. Lewis' Amantra Tarazed Carleeto.

OB (4) 1. Southam's Cavella Camelia, quality feminine blenheim bitch; appealing evenly marked head with wide blaze; soft expression; lovely dome, large round dark eyes, nice width of muzzle and turnup; long silky feathering on low set ears; rich chestnut markings on head and body; level topline, low set tail; nicely balanced cobby body and outline with good neck carrying her glorious head so well; well off for bone and substance for size; moved confidently and well. Bitch CC. Delighted to hear that this gave her the title of Champion. 2. Baker's Champion Cofton Fairy Tale JW, beautiful bitch with desired breed qualities, so well balanced throughout; well marked tricolour with a lovely expression, large dark eyes, excellent width of muzzle; well domed head with wide blaze; lovely size, and good bone and substance throughout; bright tan markings; excellent coat of correct silky texture; moved enthusiastically and well. Bitch RCC. 3. Gurtner's Lux Champion Oprah De Melcourt.

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