Blackpool & District Canine Society Friday, 24th June 2022 King Charles Spaniels

I would like to thank the Blackpool committee for inviting me to judge and their amazing hospitality; also thanks to my two very capable stewards, who kept everything going even when the monsoon hit!! Although the entry was small, a sign of the times I feel, almost everyone who entered was a quality exhibit.

I found very sound movement, good coats, good heads and above all, what I love and think is important, happy friendly temperaments.

Puppy Dog 2 (1 abs)

1st: Mr SC & Mrs G AJ Smith's Cavella Comrade for Justacharma – 9-month-old Tri with a lovely head, well domed, in fact one of the best shaped of the day! Stop well defined with a good finish of lips and cushioned under the eyes. A refined outline with a gentle and affectionate temperament. Long well feathered ears and a good silky coat. Moved well with drive if a little hesitant. When he bodies up, I'm sure he will do well.

Junior Dog 1

1st: Mrs KF & Mr EL Ryan's Cavallibrook Blimey O'Riley – Very eye-catching Tri boy who moved around the ring with a free and active movement. Good drive and kept a perfect topline. Lovely finish to face , lips meeting correctly. Muzzle square and cheeks well cushioned. Compact and cobby body with a very happy temperament!

Yearling Dog 1

1st: C Bowles-Robinson's Ch Baldragon Shoot she Scores – A well-known, worthy champion. A real happy toy spaniel, compact and cobby Tri with good tan and silky well feathered coat. Well-muscled, stifles well bent giving an active elegant movement and driving from behind. Legs straight, shoulders well laid back and close to deep wide chest. Dark eyes and nose, well defined stop, giving a pleasing expression. **Res CC**

Post Graduate Dog 2 (1 abs)

1st: Miss S Maddison's Justacharma Northern Magic – I liked this enthusiastic lively Tri. Good skull well domed, long feathered ears set flat to face, dark eye. Great level topline and well bent stifles giving good drive and kept a level topline. Lips meeting exactly and a pleasing expression.

Limit Dog 4 (1 abs)

1st: Mr I & Mrs P Sidgwick's Where's Wally JW Sh CM – Well I can't believe this boy is six years old! I gave him Best Puppy in a show five years ago! He was in flowing silky coat, striding out with positive drive around the ring keeping a level topline. He is refined, compact and cobby and has the most distinctive domed head. Square muzzle, wide lower jaw and lips meeting exactly, giving a really pleasing expression. He was very close in the top honour decisions!!

2nd: Mrs M J Hunter's Kasamanda Hamilton - 4-year-old Tri, a good short and cobby body, straight front with elbows close to a wide deep chest. Reserved temperament but came to life on the move! Good driving action keeping a level topline sound and straight viewed from behind and coming towards. Pleasing head and expression.

3rd: Mr SC & Mrs GAJ Smith's Mitapip Black is Magic for Justacharma

Open Dog 3

1st: Mr SC & Mrs GAJ Smith's Justacharma Magic Goes On – I think he pretty much meets the breed standard! A real gentle toy spaniel, flowing in straight silky well marked Tri coat. Long feathered ears hanging flat to well cushioned cheeks, large dark eyes with a good size

skull, wide nostrils turned up and defined stop. Lips meet exactly, giving nice finish and well cushioned. Well bent stifles giving good driving movement and straight front and back. A real classic Charlie. So delighted to find out it was his 3rd CC! **CC & B of B** 2nd: C Bowles-Robinson's Rus CH Descartes ot Nevskogo Hobbita – A well boned cobby dog with a large head. Eyes large and dark with a square muzzle. Legs short and straight and moved well keeping a level topline, Chest deep and wide, shoulders well laid back. Unfortunately he was not very happy on the table today.

3rd: Miss S Maddison's Penemma Raphael

Veteran Dog 2

1st: Mrs J Hunter's Maynorth Shades of Heaven at Hooebarton – 9-year-old delightful Ruby. Compact and cobby with a happy temperament. Skull large and well domed, stop well defined, lovely wide and deep muzzle, lips meeting exactly giving a nice finish. Moved strongly in both directions with level topline. **Best Veteran**

2nd: Miss S Maddison's Penemma Raphael – Almost 9-year-old, Blenheim with a silky coat, well-marked, nice size compact and cobby. He was not very keen to move today unfortunately.

Puppy Bitch 1

1st: Miss Tarabad & Mr J Whitman's Baldragon Russian Around with Khatibi - A very lively Tri with a happy temperament! Cobby with a lovely straight front. Charming expression with good square muzzle and well cushioned cheeks. Dark eyes and nose with long feathered ears, especially for a puppy. Strong driving movement if a little exuberant!! **Best Puppy Junior Bitch 2**

1st: Miss Tarabad & Mr J Whitman's Baldragon Centre Stage with Khatibi – Well what can I say, she is just my type of Charlie; so full of life and charm. A really happy, intelligent toy spaniel with the distinctive domed head. Perfect markings on a small compact cobby body, Black nose, short and turned up with good stop, jaw wide with lips meeting giving the melting expression. Good arched neck, legs short and straight, shoulders laid back with elbows close to wide and deep chest. Well bent stifles and straight viewed from behind and in front, moving soundly the whole time. What a lovely character in a perfect sized body!! I'm sure as she matures, she will carry on winning! **CC** Also her third!!

2nd: Mrs J McFarlane & Mrs P Johnston's Gracie Maradeco King (Imp Pol) – A really nice Black & Tan with a cobby body, lovely head well defined stop and good rise of skull with domed head. Well-constructed body elbows close to deep, wide chest. Well bent stifles and level topline. Cushioned face, lips meeting and a dark eye giving a lovely soft expression. She was rather exuberant and inclined to pull on the move but did settle to see she was sound. I did like her and when settled expect she will keep doing well.

Yearling Bitch no entries

Post Graduate Bitch 1 (1)

Limit Bitch 4 (1)

O my this was the most difficult class of the day! I truly loved all three and my decision was very hard. Each one could and I know have won on another day!!

1st: Mrs C & Miss J Lewis's Amantra Tarazed Carleeto – This bitch when handled is so well put together. A compact, cobby reserved Tri. Her head is domed with well feathered ears set flat against a wide deep muzzle. Dark nose well turned up along with the darkest of eyes. Wide, deep chest, straight front legs set close to chest elbows correct. Compact, round cat shaped feet well cushioned and pasterns' firm. Active, elegant movement driving from behind. Again, another classic Charlie that I really love! Lost out to CC winner on a very close decision! **Res CC**

2nd: Mr B Rix's Baldragon Fame Game at Ricksbury – Again a classic Charlie. Nicely marked compact cobby bitch with a good dome. Reserved and gentle temperament, nose black with wide open nostrils. Muzzle square, wide and deep cheeks, well cushioned. Legs short and set close to deep chest. Moved with drive and kept level topline throughout. Another close decision.

3rd: C Bowles-Robinson's Chacombe Marana Baldragon – I know one doesn't normally comment on 3rd but really most of the previous comments applied to this girl too.

Open Bitch 2 (2) Veteran Bitch 1

1st: Mrs J Hunter's Tovarich Thomasina at Hooebarton – Happy lively Tri, cobby body with a long silky coat. Pleasing head and expression with a very dark eye. Moved enthusiastically with drive keeping a level topline.

Judge Ros Baker (Cofton)