

East of England Championship Show 2022

King Charles Spaniel

PD (2,0)

1. Smith's Cavella Comrade for Justacharma. 9 mth tricolour who was a comfortable winner here although he needs to gain a little more confidence to show himself off more to advantage. Cobbier of the two and I much preferred this boy's head and expression; moderately large skull which is well domed, dark round eyes of good size and set well apart, ears set on low, good width to muzzle and underjaw with pleasing upturn. Neck of good length to balance, firm topline, ribbed well back and rib developing nicely for age. Moving freely with good tail carriage. Best Puppy.

2. Abbott's Helmajon Rhapsody in Blue. 10 mth tricolour who was much more confident and really making the most of himself. He is a little longer cast than the winner but pleasing to go over with moderate length of neck, level topline, deep brisket, ribcage extending well back and tail of good set and carriage. Pleasing dome to skull, dark eyes of good colour and set, ears set on low, wide open nostrils and good width of underjaw, however I would like to see more cushioning below the eyes. Pleasing angulation both front and rear and moving out well on the go around.

JD (1,0)

1. Abbott's Helmajon Rhapsody in Blue

LD (4,1)

1. Smith's Mitapip Black Is Magic for Justacharma. A rather varied class which saw this 4 yr old black/tan win with some room to spare. He presented the best outline here with arched neck of moderate length, short straight back, deep brisket and muscular loin. He also had the best head in the class with well domed skull, dark expressive eyes with good cushioning and correct placement, feathered ears set on low, square muzzle of good width and pleasing underjaw. Moving freely with confident carriage but would like a little more breadth throughout and tail carriage a tad higher than the ideal.

2. Clarke's Stonepit Wilfred for Poltomic. 4 yr old tricolour of completely different type to the winner. Carrying good bone and substance, he is nice and cobby but I would like to see a better length of neck to balance. Short, level back, deep brisket with well rounded ribs, short loin and tail good for set and carriage. Nicely domed skull, dark eyes of good size and placement, ears set on low, muzzle of good width and depth and well turned up underjaw. Pleasing construction and moving well enough on the go around and when coming towards but a touch closer when going away. Preferred this boy's coat to that of winner.

3. Harvey's Rivermoor Alberto

OD (4,1)

1. Bowles-Robinson's Ch Baldragon Shoots He Scores. Three nice dogs challenged here. My winner was this 20 mth old tricolour. Super sound boy who shows like a dream. A scopey lad and therefore has a little more length than the ideal but he's so good to go over with each part flowing smoothly into the next. Nicely arched neck of moderate length, firm level topline, deep brisket, first class ribbing, muscular loin and tail just right for set and carriage. Masculine head with well domed skull, dark round eyes which are placed well apart, well feathered ears set on low, wide open nostrils and correct nose placement, muzzle of good width and depth and broad underjaw which is well turned up. Well laid shoulders, elbows close to the chest, straight forelegs and firm hindquarters with hocks well let down. Moving out freely with such good carriage and driving well from the rear. Quality coat and presentation. Best Dog & BOB.

2. Smith's Justacharma Magic Goes On. This 3 yr old tricolour is another who greatly impressed. Cobby with arched neck of good length to balance, short level back, deep brisket, ribcage extending well back and ribs well sprung, short muscular loin and tail of correct set. Attractive head with masculine expression, pleasing dome but not quite that of winner, excellent eyes with lovely cushioning, well feathered ears set on low, square muzzle of good breadth and depth and wide underjaw with good upturn. Good angles front and rear and certainly didn't disappoint on the move, gaiting freely with good tail carriage and using himself to advantage. Good quality coat and so very well presented. Reserve Best Dog.
3. Clarke's Poltomic Black Magic

SBD (1,0)

1. Abbott's Helmajon Rhapsody in Blue

PB (3,0)

1. Abbott's Helmajon Clara's Romance. 10 mth Blenheim. Promising pup who has the most delightful outgoing temperament. Feminine all through, she presents a well balanced outline with neck of medium length, short level back, ribcage of good length, nice short loin and tail carried just right. Attractive head and expression with pleasing dome, nice dark eyes of good size and placement, ears set on low, wide open nostrils, square muzzle of good breadth, pleasing cushioning for age and well turned up under jaw. Soundly constructed with elbows held close to the body and nice firm hindquarters. Moves out well and thoroughly enjoying herself as she goes. She was also entered in the Special Beginners class which she also won and was my Best Special Beginners. Pleased to see she placed 4th in the Special Beginners Group.
2. Smith's Rivermoor Lady Matilda. This 11 mth Blenheim is another with lots to like and a lovely temperament. She pleased for outline and balance with neck of moderate length, short level back, good length to ribcage, deep brisket, short muscular loin and tail good for both set and carriage. Feminine headpiece but overall preferred expression of winner; pleasing dome, nice dark eyes which are set well apart, square muzzle, good nostrils and well turned up underjaw. Nicely angulated both ends, standing nice and straight in front and with well let down hocks. She moved well enough all through but winner had the edge on the go around.
3. Abbott's Helmajon Smyth's Cadenza

JB (1,0)

1. McFarlane & Johnston's Gracie Maradeco King (Imp Pol). 15 mth old black/tan who is at the teenager stage right now and appearing rather rangy. Neck of moderate length, topline ok, ribcage extends well back but needs to fully develop, firm loin and tail good for both set and carriage. Pleasing head with feminine expression; nicely domed skull, eyes placed well apart, wide open nostrils, ears of correct set and underjaw of good width but slightly uneven lipline. Good angles front and rear and moves out well in profile but just needs to tighten a tad when coming towards. Good coat.

PGB (1,0)

1. Hayward & Walker's Baldragon Little Mistress. 2 yr old tricolour with lots to like and one who was good to go over and has the most delightful temperament. She pleased in outline with well muscled neck of moderate length, short straight back, good depth to brisket, well sprung ribs which are carried well back, nice short loin and tail good for both set and carriage. Pleasing head with feminine expression; well domed skull, dark eyes of good placement, well feathered ears which are set just a fraction higher, square muzzle of good depth and breadth, wide open nostrils and broad underjaw which is well turned up.

Shoulders well laid back, straight forelegs and firm hindquarters with good turn of stifle. Moves out so well in profile, using herself as she goes but just a fraction closer when going away. Good coat. Reserve Best Bitch.

LB (2,0)

1. Clarke's Mitapip Sweet Rosey for Poltomic. Two very different bitches challenged in this class with the winner being this 5 yr old ruby, who for me, was the better for head and expression. Nicely arched neck of medium length, level topline, chest of good depth, fair ribbing, firm loin and tail good for set and carriage. Feminine head with pleasing dome to skull, good eyes for shape, colour and placement, feathered ears set on low, nice cushioning, muzzle of good width and depth and broad underjaw which is well turned up. Carrying good bone, she has pleasing angulation and moved pretty well on the go around but is a little wider when coming at you. Good quality coat.

2. Abbott's Cofton Reach for The Stars. 5 yr old tricolour. Lovely sound girl who stands so well naturally and presents a nicely balanced outline. Well arched neck of moderate length, short level back, good width and depth to chest, ribcage extends well back, nice short loin and tail good for both set and carriage. Feminine head with fair dome, ears set on low, dark eyes of good shape and wide open nostrils but felt she could use a touch more width of underjaw. Pleasing angulation both ends and moves out freely and with such good carriage. Good coat. Great temperament.

OB (2,0)

1. Rix's Baldragon Fame Game at Ricksbury. 17 mth old tricolour who greatly appealed. She still has plenty of maturing to do but she was good to go over, carries lovely bone and is so well made all through. She presented a good outline with nicely arched neck of correct length to balance, firm straight back, deep brisket, well ribbed back, short muscular loin and well feathered tail of correct set. Attractive head with well domed skull, dark expressive eyes which are set wide apart, ears set on low, wide open nostrils with perfect nose placement, square muzzle of good width and depth and broad underjaw which is well turned up. Soundly constructed all through, elbows close to the chest, standing nice and straight in front on compact feet and firm hindquarters with well let down hocks. Moving out freely on the go around with correct tail carriage and driving well from the rear. Best Bitch.

2. Abbott's Cofton Reach for The Stars

SBB (2,0)

1. Abbott's Helmajon Clara's Romance.
2. Smith's Rivermoor Lady Matilda

Judge: Tim Ball