## **BOSTON & DISTRICT CANINE SOCIETY CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW**

FRIDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2025

KING CHARLES SPANIELS

JUDGE: MS SHEENA MACLAINE (PENNYGOWN)

Thrilled with the numerical support, thank you to all that entered. I was pleasantly surprised to find confidence in abundance, not something I have always found when watching around the ringside. This coupled with positive soundness bodes well for the breed. However, having been mentored by doyennes of the breed from a young age and with some intensity since the introduction of the JEP regarding the classic domed head I was disappointed to not see St Pauls' dome or the tennis ball cut in half that had been so etched in my mind. My understanding is the dome has to be seen when viewed from all angles and this is a requisite for the breed and sets you apart from all others.

MPD (2,0) 1: SC & GAJ Smith's Chacombe Hendrix at Justacharma, well broken tricolour with richest of tan. Of nice size and cobby shape with tail straight off the topline. Good shoulder angles and stifles well bent, he moved soundly. His head could have a little more upturn and ears placed a little lower. Nice to see a puppy so well bodied for his 8 months and displaying happy temperament. 2: Maddison's Mitapip Macallan, this black & tan was a little rangier than my 1<sup>st</sup> dressed in a quality coat for both colour and condition. Would have preferred a little more width in front and for him to settle on the move, whilst lovely to see such exhuberant temperament in an 8 month puppy his wild enthusiasm made it very difficult to assess movement overall. Another with higher set ears than balanced.

## PD (1,0) 1: Mitapip Macallan see MPD

JD (3,2) 1: SC & GAJ Smith's Justacharma Magic Retained, well broken tricolour of 15 months with adequate dome and definite stop, could have a little more upturn. Lovely arch to neck, well placed shoulders, good spring of rib and super level topline. Moves out positively, just a little narrow through the rear and a little weak in pastern.

PGD (4,2) 1: Matches' Baldragon French Conexion at Fochai, correct size cobby tricolour sporting a heavier marked jacket with an attractive white blaze accentuating the dome and width of his very masculine head. Placement of well spaced apart dark eyes, nose and ears in correct alignment. Good lay of shoulder with super level topline and tail a continuation of his spine. Well muscled and moved soundly.

2: Abbott's Helmajon Sibelius, this naughty 4 year old has missed out on some schooling, when he briefly settled his movement was lovely. Reluctant to move in both directions I changed ends for his benefit and I could see his great free driving movement. Nice dome to head with ears set a little high. The over enthusiastic barking in the ring is really not attractive!

LD (4,1) 1: Rushton's Tiflin We All Love Jack, tricolour boy of ideal size and balance who kept his topline on the move. Correctly low set ears in line with well spaced eyes, distinct stop and good upturn of wide muzzle. Super well developed nostrils. Good shoulder placement and matching angulation behind, he moved out with drive. Could carry a little more weight. Reserve Best Dog. 2: Abbott's Helmajon Rhapsody in Blue, smartly marked tricolour with richest of tan. Lovely neck and shoulders, good topline. Balanced for size and substance although in a larger mould. Would have liked a little more dome, short muzzle with definite stop and good turn up. Eyes could have been darker. 3: Maddison's Justacharma Northern Magic

OD (1,0) 1: Kendall & Baker's Cofton Tap Dance, handsome boy with correct head properties; good dome, with definite stop, low ear set, sufficient width and depth to muzzle, good upturn and neat lips, and lovely dark eyes. Neat compact body with depth to rib. Sporting a lightly marked jacket he moved round the ring with drive. Best Dog

SPECIAL BEGINNERS D (3,0) 1: Helmajon Rhapsody in Blue, see LD. Best Special Beginners. 2: Helmajon Sibelius. 3: Newman's Baldragon French Kisses

## GOOD CITIZEN DOG SCHEME D (0,0)

MPB (3,0) 1: Selby's Baldragon Pride of Place at Zilcan, this tricolour baby has so much to like about her. At the moment a little overawed and she sinks into herself when she needs every bit of daylight between her and the ground. But what a stunner! Attractively marked to catch the eye including her smart even trousers, lovely head with correct dome and cleanly marked. Very feminine with lovely dark eyes, correct ear set. She has a lovely neck and lay of shoulders, balanced at the rear. Moves out soundly. 2: Rutherford's Rignolla Devon Dreamer with Potbelli, 6 month baby Blenheim well marked all through with nice head that will take time to develop. Balanced on the move and parallel in front and behind. Handled sympathetically and trained to perfection! Relaxed on the stand she drops into slightly cowhocked. 3: Baker's Rignolla Dolly Daydream.

PB (1,1)

JB (3,1) 1: Kendall's Headra's Killer Queen, young bitch with much to like about her and I am sure she will continue to mature. Feminine in head, full over eyes with good dome. Lovely wide open black nostrils, short nose and good upturn. Lovely arch to neck and correct shoulder placement. Good spring of rib and level topline. A little proud of her tail as she confidently struts her stuff around the ring. Reserve Best Bitch. 2: S Smith's Headra's Somebody to Love, much to like about this bitch and the same comments applied until it came to the movement. She is constructed correctly and showed no sign of weakness she just wasn't moving well, pulling to one side which makes it so difficult to assess. She is still young and with a little more experience should crack it.

PGB (5) 1: Headra's Killer Queen, see JB, Reserve Best Bitch

2: SC & GAJ Smith's Chacombe Just Charming at Justacharma, lightly marked very feminine bitch of lovely size and cobby shape. Adequate dome with ear set just a little higher than 1<sup>st</sup>. She was balanced with angles at shoulder and rear, she moved out parallel front and rear covering the ground, would like to her come together on the stand to show off her compact shape. 3: Hunter's Chacombe Secret Affair

LB (3,1) 1: Gurtner's Una de Melcourt, Lovely quality lightly marked tricolour in good coat, well presented. Reasonable dome with definite stop, good width and depth to muzzle and no sign of lippiness. Lovely dark eyes. Beautiful arch to neck, level topline and matching angles at shoulder and rear. She moved out with reach and drive. No weakness in front pastern, just turned out a little behind. Best Bitch & BOB. 2: Baker's Cofton Part of Your World, another quality tricolour, heavier marked than the winner and carrying a little more weight than needed which spoiled her movement a little. Lovely feminine head with good dome, muzzle width and upturn. Dark eye and well cushioned.

OB (1,1)

VB (2,1) 1: Abbott's Cofton Reach for the Stars, 8 years young this small package was very sprightly on the move. Lightly marked tricolour with flecking. Good dome and very feminine head, dark eyes intently looking at her owner. Good rib and not lost any body condition. Best Veteran.

SPECIAL BEGINNERS B (2,1) 1: Abbott's Helmajon Clara's Romance, Blenheim bitch of lovely size. Attractive domed head, well marked with bonus of "spot". Well placed lovely dark eyes and good pigment. Cuts a nice outline with arched neck and correctly placed shoulders. When she settles her movement is adequate however she really needs some show training with her handler to get the very best out of her. Quite a madam that has a lot to say for herself!

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