

KING CHARLES SPANIEL CLUB CH SHOW

28th March 2026

Thank you for the numerically good entry for this prestigious club show held in conjunction with the UK Toy Dog. I judged the Championship Show for the club some 20 years ago and I have a beautiful photograph of my winners.

Pedigree dogs and dog shows are having a hard time at the moment and being a breeder, these days is increasingly difficult and I have much sympathy for those diligent breeders and give them my support wholeheartedly. It is good to see the improvement that the breeders have made in the temperament of the breed. It was good to see many very happy exhibits wagging their tails, standing and on the move and many going soundly but there were still some unhappy ones, which I can forgive in youngsters but not in mature exhibits.

In the entry on the day, I found some quality toy spaniels and many of them with happy, outgoing temperaments and sound movement which was lovely to see. There were some very good heads with large dark eyes with correct forward placement and the majority of them had good nostrils. Only a few were too short in the foreface so that the stop was not visible. However, I was disappointed in the number of exhibits which had basic conformational failings so they were not well constructed, and these failings included lack of chest and rib cage (in mature exhibits) so there was a lack of the cobbiness required by the breed standard. Weak hindquarters and toplines were also a frequent failing.

Finally, and I am very sad to have to say this, I was also very disappointed in the presentation of some of the exhibits. In the neighbouring ring were the Cavaliers, almost all of which were beautifully turned out with shining coats, bathed and groomed and looking like show dogs. There were some very well presented King Charles but some others who were lacking in coat condition, body condition and some looked totally unprepared for a dog show. Entry fees are expensive and to have a chance of winning it would make sense to have your exhibits looking their best. The King Charles Spaniel is a beautiful breed and deserves to be seen at its best.

For Best in Show, I chose the Blenheim dog Ch Monleon Made By Magic For Marchog a beautiful dog for cobbiness of type and full of quality throughout, absolutely sound in build and movement and presented in superb pristine condition. I would have preferred him a little more enthusiastic on the move but he wagged his tail and carried his topline well.

For Reserve Best in Show, I chose the tricolour bitch Ch Baldragon Russian Around With Khatibi. I would prefer her shorter in body but her ribcage extends well back, she is well constructed, moves well and holds her topline. She has a very pretty, well-shaped head and good expression.

Best Puppy in Show was a most promising tricolour Baldragon's Shooting Star For Lizlanmoor who at 9 months already has good spring of rib and is cobby and she has a beautiful head and eye and has super temperament and good action at both ends. She is well schooled and a very confident showgirl so I think a rosy future awaits her. I was delighted that all of the puppy winners were extrovert, full of confidence and showed themselves well. There were all in pristine condition and they should go on to do well

Best Veteran in Show was the bitch Ellinghurst Miss Saigon and she topped the Veteran bitch class which contained 3 beautiful bitches, each full of quality and I could have made a case for any one of them winning but this one had the edge in topline and carriage and is a beautiful toy spaniel. I was told later that I had given her a RBCC at 8 months so she has kept all her qualities. The Veteran dog Cofton Soldier Boy was impressive for his soundness and cobbiness and his head type.

Many thanks to my stewards Sue Leach and Andy Shone.

VD (2, 0)

1 Baker Cofton Soldier Boy 7-year-old tri colour cobby and ultra sound on the move. He carries a good topline. His head is well shaped, but his lower jaw could be wider. Very good eyes. Lovely temperament seen in his carriage, scored in chest and movement to win this.

2 Constable Tucherish Andrew Carnegie 7-year-old black and tan, of good colours, and shown in gleaming coat. He scored in his rise of skull and has lovely eyes and expression. He needs a little more rib and chest which showed in his front action.

MPD (3, 1)

1 Whitman & Tarabad Artus Charming Line At Khatibi (Cze Imp) 6 months old black and tan scoring in head, eye placement and under jaw to win this class. He is long for balance at the moment and a little low set in tail. Lovely coat, colours and presentation. Can firm up in front.

2 Allen Khatibi's Ollie Day 7 months old tri I preferred his body proportions and front movement. He has very good bone and he went happily but needs some schooling. His head needs time for development.

PD (3, 0)

1 Whitman & Tarabad Khatibi's Night Howl 7 months tri stood out here. I liked his size, bone and cobby body He has excellent skull, nose placement and dark eyes. Sound on the move BDP

2 Spall & Clark Khatibi Ken Ya Believe I'm At Llapsttam tri colour of 9 months. I liked his spring of rib, and body. He has good rise of skull and good eyes but he needs to fill out in the muzzle. Not the coordination or carriage of the winner.

3 Allen Khatibi's Ollie Day

JD (5, 0) two nice dogs to top this class

1 Smith Chacombe Hendrix at Justacharma 17 months old tri I liked him for his balance and soundness. Very good muzzle and under jaw. Won this on chest and his lovely rear angulation and broad upper and lower thigh which gave very good rear action. One of the best assembled dogs of the day- especially for rear assembly He can fill out a little over the croup but I think he has a lot of quality.

2 Mochrie Chacombe Harry On Downsbank litter brother to the winner and with a little more rise of skull, but not the development in rib and chest yet. He went soundly with good temperament but is not as forward in body or quarters as his brother but should finish well.

3 Lovel Lovetrac Casper

YD (2, 0)

1 Smith Justacharma Magic Retained 2-year-old quality tri of lovely shape and proportions. He is a cobby dog of lovely type. Quality head with good expression. He carries himself well with good rear action but needs to firm up in front and then he can do well.

2 Maddison Mitapip Macallan 17 months back and tan with lovely head qualities, he is a real teenager in the body and needs more schooling for his movement to be seen at his best.

ND (3, 0)

1 Boyer Marchog Make Way for Ellinghurst 11 months old ruby and he really took my eye when he came into the ring despite complete lack of training and a very exuberant attitude to proceedings. However, on the table I saw his lovely beautiful quality head, one of the best of the day with rise of skull, lovely eyes and good jaw. He has solid cobby body. I saw enough to see that he was sound and obviously very happy. Should have a very good future and had he been schooled would have presented a real challenge for Best Puppy

2 Tonner Headra's Don't Stop Me Now at Halbinsel 23-month-old tri lighter framed but lovely proportions and temperament and he carried himself well. His head is refined and typy. Not the rib and front action of the winner today.

3 Austin Baldragon Pardon My French

PGD (2, 0) Disappointing class

1 Graves Mitapip Jackflash Macduff 2-year-old black/tan who is sound and happy on the move but needs more substance. Tail set a little low. Good coat and colours.

2 Abbott Helmajon Sibelius 4-year-old Blenheim with good head shape and good bone but his head markings detract from his good head proportions and expression.. Topline and rear can be better.

LD (3, 0)

1 Austin Baldragon Blinkin Hell 3-year-old tri refined, quality dog who is a toy spaniel in size and proportions with a very good head and eye. The best movement and carriage in this class. I would prefer more substance at this age but he has a lot of type. Has quality but needs more finish to go further.

2 Jackson Amantra Tomatin 2-year-old Blenheim of good proportions but drops off too severely in croup. Front action could be better. Good rise of skull but could have broader underjaw and muzzle.

3 Matches Baldragon French Connection at Fochai

OD (4, 0)

1 Abbott Helmajon Rhapsody In Blue 4-year-old tri easy winner of this class for type and soundness. good ribcage chest and rear. Quality head with good eyes. Carried himself well. He is a touch long for balance and more coat would have helped him today. However I liked his type and construction and he later won Reserve CC.

2 Maddison Justacharma Northern Magic 6-year-old tri smaller and lighter in frame. he is compact and sound. not the front legs and pasterns of the winner. carried himself well.

3 Boyer Marchog Make Way or Ellinghurst repeat

Special open B&T (4, 0) a very disappointing class

1 Graves Mitapip Jackflash Macduff repeat

2 Gillhespy Cavella Carson 3-year-old of good colours with very good coat texture and well presented. he has good head type with good skull, eyes, foreface. He needs more body and rib for his age and this should improve his front action.

3 Mochrie Downsbank Indian Ink

SOD Tri (3, 1)

1 Abbott Helmajon Rhapsody In Blue repeat

2 Allen Khatibi's Ollie Day repeat

SOD Blen (3, 0)

1 Stewart Ch Monleon Made By Magic For Marchog DCC & BIS

2 Bailey Aldoricka The Hustler 3-year-old a lovely quality Blenheim with lovely colours and coat presented in lovely bloom. He is nicely balanced with good skull plush muzzle and large nostrils. Immature in body for his age and not the chest or front action of the winner. With maturity should finish a very good dog.

3 Abbott Helmajon Sibelius

CD (1, 0)

1 Whitman & Tarabad Ch Cofton All I Have To Do Is Dream With Khatibi ShCEx tri of 6-year-old. Lovely type and balance standing with refined quality head, well domed and with large dark eyes. Shown in lovely condition. Front action could be better and could be more enthusiastic on the move.

VB (4, 0) a real pleasure to see these three top quality bitches

1 Boyer Ellinghurst Miss Saigon 8-year-old tri lovely size and type and ultra sound. In lovely condition. Scored in topline.

2 Austin Chacombe Marana Baldragon 9-year-old beautiful head and expression with good ribcage. She is very cobby and presented in lovely coat. Her topline not as firm as the winner.

3 Abbott Cofton Reach For The Stars

MPB (2, 0)

1 Morley & Hitchcock Baldragon's Shooting Star For Lizlanmor I see she is royally bred and looks set fair for a good future. 8-month-old tri who is full of type and moved very well.

good ribs for her age and ultra sound movement with good temperament. She is a real toy spaniel with a very good head and eyes. Presented in superb condition and a real showgirl destined for a very good future. Best Puppy.

2 Paradise Khatibi Enya Dreams With Shardlow almost 7-month-old raw tri needing time for rib and substance. Good head shape. Confident on the move.

PB (3, 0)

1 Whitman & Tarabad Khatibi Czech Me Out 9-month-old tri a touch long for balance at the moment but holds a good topline and is very happy. She has a good rise of skull and good eye. Good bone. The minor puppy had the edge in ribcage and finish of lip to decide best puppy

2 Gillhespy Xsissi Or Dvou Orechu black and tan out of a bigger mould. Very good skull and dark eye. needs a little more finish in underjaw. Good bone but can firm up in front and pasterns. Not as collected as the winner in front action

YB (2, 0)

1 Hayward Justacharma Magic Dance Dalshareon almost two years and I loved her size and compactness; a real toy spaniel very well made and balanced and this shows in her outline on the move and her clean movement. Lovely skull and dark eyes. She could have just a touch more finish of muzzle but I loved her quality. She needed a little more coat and finish against the CC winner but a worthy winner of the reserve CC .

2 Lovel Lovetrac Vienna. 13-month-old tri of out of a bigger mould and looking very much the teenager today. She has quality in head and expression and has good bone and ribcage but she needs to firm up generally.

NB (4, 0)

1 Lovel Lovetrac Diwala 13-month-old tri a little long for balance but she scored in her movement and head qualities. Good bone and chest.

2 Rutherford Rignolla Devon Dreamer with Potbelli 15-month-old compact feminine Blenheim with pretty head and expression. A little too severe in the croup at the moment but maturity will help this .She moved soundly at both ends.

3 Nolan Chacombe Last Duchess

PGB (3, 0)

1 Abbott Helmajon Clara's Romance 4-year-old easy winner of this class. she is a toy spaniel, sound and with a super temperament. She needs a little more coat and finish. Good skull and well placed eyes, nose large nostrils but could have a touch more foreface.

2 Constable Mitappip Bright Eyed Bridget 6-year-old black and tan with pretty head but needs more rib at this age .Her rear assembly could be stronger.

2 Abbott Helmajon Smyth's Cadenza

LB (9, 2) This was a quality class and the top two were very different in type

1 Whitman & Tarabad Yeshalomi Day To Remember For Khatibi JW a 2-year-old Blenheim who is cobby, well boned and balanced and a super mover shown by a young handler. She has a lovely dome, good finish of muzzle and good nostrils. In the challenge I just thought she looked a little strong against the other bitches but I liked her enormously and with this type and soundness she should do very well in the showring and as a producer

2 Selby Baldragon Pride Of Place At Zilcan a lovely toy spaniel who is still a junior and looked a teenager in her body. Beautiful head qualities and ultra feminine. I would prefer a little more leg for balance and this was accentuated by the size of the winner. She moved very well. Will look very different with maturity of body and coat.

3 Austin Tess De Trois Maillets Baldragon

SOB B&T (4, 0)

1 Stewart Marchog Muffins For Tea 3-year-old in beautiful condition with glossy coat of excellent colours and texture. she has good bone, good ribcage and cobby body. Her head is strong with wide underjaw and good nose placement. Well-placed dark eyes. I would prefer slightly higher set tail, good chest and front movementbut a little narrow behind. Made the final cut in the challenge.

2 Spall Agnes Graceful Melody at Llapsttam almost 2-year-old, a feminine bitch, who needs to fill out in chest and rib to make her more balanced. She carried herself well with happy temperament and this won her this place.

3 Constable Mitapip Nightshade.

SOB Tri (1, 0)

1 Abbott Cofton Reach For The Stars 8-year-old who was 3 in veteran bitch class. a real toy spaniel in size and type she could have been in better coat and needs a little more width in front. here she was shown by a young handler who needs some show training.

SOB Blen (2, 0)

1 Austin Tess De Trois Maillets Baldragon third in a good limit class and I loved her type and size and she is very sound on the move. She could have carried more body and condition on the day and her handler could make more of her. She is a high quality bitch who could do very well. I see that I liked her a lot on a previous judging appointment and I have not changed my mind. I note that she is dam of the lovely best puppy in show which is testament to her quality.

2 Paradise Yeshalomi Jam And Jerusalem With Shardlow 2-year-old of rangier type than the winner. but I liked her leg length and temperament. she has good skull and eyes, but maximum lip. sound movement.

CB (2, 0)

1 Whitman & Tarabad Ch Baldragon Russian Around With Khatibi BCC.

2 Bailey Ch Alderika sweet Victoria. 4-year-old who appealed to me instantly for her lovely cobby type and a beautiful face. She has big ribs and good bone and good chest . today her topline and rear movement let her down but I loved her type and wished she had been on her best form. I considered her for the RBCC.

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