LEEDS CHAMPIONSHIP DOG SHOW 2016.

KING CHARLES SPANIELS

I'd like to firstly thank the committee of Leeds Championship Dog Show for their hospitality and friendly efficiency as well as my two stewards. Overall I found the quality of the bitches much stronger than the dogs, with, of course, notable exceptions. Some were far too long in back to demonstrate the typical short square deep body of the king charles spaniel.

There were also a number of exhibits with heavily flecked coats. The breed standard calls for a pearly white ground with well distributed patches of colour and although I can accept lightly marked parti-colours, heavy flecking is untypical and ugly..

PUPPY DOG (6.0)

1. Portingale's Jacrianna Kings Ranson Very promising black/tan boy. Well bodied for age – reminds me of his father when he was a baby with his soft silky straight coat. Lovely head with broad skull, rich tan, large dark eye, well cushioned under eye and muzzle. Good length of neck and well laid back shoulders. Deep chest, short straight back, plenty of substance. Needs to tighten up all round but this will come with maturity B P. 2. Goodwin's Diggle Dandelion Blenheim, very mature for age. Lovely head having large expressive eye, good dome, broad foreface. Well bodied, with good angulation both fore and rear, straight back, deep chest Sweet temperament, very sound, moving out with confidence. At the moment would prefer him to be a little smaller but as his peers catch up the difference will be less noticeable 3. Mallows X-jewel Od Dvou Orechu Binglui.

JUNIOR DOG (8.0)

1.Gillhespy's Lorphil Red River Richly pigmented ruby. One I've admired from the ringside and was not disappointed having the opportunity to examine him. Lovely head with rounded dome, large dark eye, well filled under eye and good breadth of foreface. Good reach of neck and well laid back shoulders, Straight topline, well angulated stifles. Moved out steadily. I'm sure he will have a very successful future as he matures.. 2.

Melville's Amantra Chorale Tricolour with attractive head, broad skull, dark eye, large well pigmented nose and lips. Short backed with deep chest, level topline, well angulated quarters, good bone, moved soundly.. 3 Boyer's Pomelo Never Ending Story.

POST GRADUATE DOG (5.2)

1. Salguero's Rivermoor Minstrel Well marked tricolour of lovely size who doesn't make the most of himself on the table and, I suspect there have been occasions when judges have given up on him for this reason. Once on the ground, however, he really comes together. to show off his correct conformation. Gentle but masculine head, with rounded dome, large dark eye, and well cushioned foreface. Good reach of neck, well laid shoulders, deep ribcage and short level back. Well angulated quarters which he used to create a strong driving rear action.. 2 Sproul & Coburn's Khandro No Regrets Lightly marked tricolour with large masculine head, deep tan and dark eye. Short coupled body with deep chest, level topline and well rounded quarters. Just not making the most of himself today plus the fact that I much preferred the markings of my winner.. 3. Lindley's Headra's Flash the Cash At Meglind.

LIMIT DOG (7.1)

1. Wallhead's Sleepyhollow Trikki Dikki at Merida Nicely broken tricolour. One I've judged before and he has improved immensely with maturity. Most attractive head with expressive dark eye, rich tan and well cushioned foreface. Good reach of neck and well angulated shoulders. Deep chest, level topline and well angulated quarters Moved well.. I considered him for the RCC but in the final analysis I preferred the more square outline of the ruby. . 2. Searle's Lanola Massimo Dutti at Stonepit Attractive well broken tricolour of correct size. Broad skull, large dark eye and rich tan. Short coupled deep body with level back and well angulated quarters. Lost out today on lack of showmanship which will, hopefully, improve with maturity when he could have a bright future.. . 3 Johnson's Tomadachi of Alambra (Imp)

OPEN DOG (3.0)

1. Pennington's Tudorhurst Corsair Black/tan shown in full coat and beautifully presented. Gorgeous head which, in this colour, one needs to see at close quarters to appreciate .Large and masculine with broad, rounded skull, rich tan and dark expressive eye, Well filled under eye and softly cushioned muzzle. Head well set on good reach of neck and well angulated shoulders, Deep brisket, level topline and well rounded stifles giving strong but steady movement. Overall a lovely dog but it was his head properties which won the day which, sadly, are in short supply in this present age Today his third CC gives him his crown... I always thought his father was unlucky not to have gained his UK championship but having now sired three UK champions, he certainly proved his worth. DCC. 2. Hunter's Maynorth Shades of Heaven at Hoobarton Richly pigmented ruby showing typical King Charles short cobby outline. Nice enough head but unlucky to meet the winner whose exceptional head qualities could not be ignored. Nevertheless, broad skull, round dark eye, well cushioned foreface. Good reach

VETERAN DOG (2.0)

3. Willey & Siddle's Penemma Picasso.

1. Maddison's Alambra Rich Ruby Nine year old ruby shown in good coat. Attractive broad head and good dark pigment., Plenty of substance with short back, deep chest nicely rounded quarters, good bone, level topline. Moved soundly.

of neck and well laid back shoulders. Deep chest, level topline,

well angulated quarters giving good positive movement. RDCC

2. Pearce's Tewhit Tornado. Ten year old tricolour of lovely type. Nice size, with well broken markings. Attractive head with good dome, dark eye and broad foreface. Short back and well angulated both front and rear. Moved out strongly defying his age. Unfortunately today shown a little out of coat.

PUPPY BITCH (5.0)

1. Couplands Winie Od Ovou Drechu Black & Tan, such a baby looking doubly so in this colour but completely all together. Lovely feminine head with good dome, rich tan and dark eye. Excellent shape with good lay of shoulder, deep chest, short

coupled with level topline and well rounded stifles Moved well..

2.Constable's Mitapip Sunrise Ruby Richly coloured ruby. Same age as the first but not so mature in body. Fabulous dome – quite a rarity these days – with feminine head, deep chested body, level topline, well angulated shoulders and quarters. Moved out well. . 3.Portingale's Jacrianna Pirate Princess.

JUNIOR BITCH (3.1)

1. Dawson & Jones' Pomelo Buttons & Bows Outgoing tricolour girl. Very pretty

well angulated shoulder, good spring of rib, level topline and sufficient rear angulation.. Moved out with confidence. Just wish she was a little less proud of her tail.. 2.Sproul & Coburn's Khandro Ur My World. Most attractive tricolour with levely feminine head having dark eye, deep tan,, broad head and, soft foreface with plenty of cushioning. Nice short body with good reach of neck, well laid back shoulder, level topline and well angulated stifle. Could have won this class with more schooling.

POST GRADUATE BITCH (6.0) Two quality tricolour bitches both with excellent head properties only split today on coat although I marginally also preferred the body markings of my first.

1. Gillhespy's Lorphil's Design. Very feminine girl with lovely rich tan, good dark eye and softly cushioned foreface. Good reach of neck and well laid back shoulders, Short back, deep cobby body and good rear angulation. Moved very well. 2. Goodwin's Lanola Mademoiselle Lovely type of bitch with feminine head, rich tan, dark eye, good dome, well cushioned in foreface. Well balanced body with good front and rear angulation. Moved soundly but today shown completely out of coat. . 3. Harvey's Rivermoor Lady Martha.

LIMIT BITCH(2.0)

1. Matches Khandro La Vie En Rose Lightly marked tricolour bitch, I would normally prefer more body markings but considered that her other qualities outweighed this. Lovely head with good breadth of skull, expressive eye, good smooth finish of foreface and rich tan. Well constructed with good bone, head set

on good reach of neck with well laid back shoulder, short level back and well angulated rear. Very sound. RBCC . 2. Lewis's Carleeto Sweet Melody JW SH. CM Most attractive tricolour. Different type than my first but having pretty head with rich tan, dark eye and good breadth of foreface. although would have preferred a wider blaze. Short coupled substantial body with good front and rear angulation. Moved soundly.

OPEN BITCH (4.0)

1. Dawson & Jones 'Ch Cwmhaf Te Kanawa Well marked tricolour. Lovely head with good breadth of skull, well cushioned under eye and foreface. Expressive dark eye and rich tan.

Overall of correct size with short level back, cobby body, held her topline on the move. Good reach of neck and well laid back shoulders. Moved out soundly with confidence. Already a Champion and well worthy of the title. BCC & BOB. 2 Willey & Siddle's Ch Penemma Misty for Me JW Blenheim bitch of considerable quality. Another worthy champion. Very pretty feminine head with good breadth of skull, dark eye and softly cushioned foreface. Nicely marked body with good neck and lay of shoulder, deep chest, level topline and moved well.

Unfortunately not in the best furnishings today. . 3. Coupland's Tucherish Julie Christie.

VETERAN BITCH (0.0)

RUTH MOCHRIE (JUDGE)