

Eastern Counties Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Society

Open Show – 16th January 2022

My thanks to the Officers and Committee of the Eastern CKCS Society for their kind invitation to judge their Open Show. An enjoyable day which gave me much to think about as I found great diversity of type across the classes and decisions were not often easy to come by. Temperaments were second to none and on the whole the entry was well presented. The exhibitors were a friendly bunch which made for a lovely atmosphere.

VD (2,0)

1. Connor's Gadeslain Perfect Gent. 8 yr old tricolour. This lad put in the better performance of the two here. Pleasing head and expression with almost flat skull, dark expressive eyes which are set well apart, good fill, correct length to muzzle and well developed lips. Slightly arched neck of moderate length, topline gives a little which spoils his outline somewhat and acceptable tail carriage. Nice spring of rib and short muscular loin. Good angles front and rear, straight forelegs, compact feet and nice firm hindquarters. Moving well on the go around, nice and straight when coming towards and ok when going away. Excellent temperament. Best Veteran Dog.

2. Morgan's Hearthfriend Top Withens. Another 8 yr old tricolour who didn't make the best of himself in this class. Nicely proportioned head with good skull, shallow stop, dark round eyes of good set, ears set high, pleasing fill and muzzle of correct length. Neck not quite that of winner and also this boy's topline is not perfect and tends to roach a tad. He stands nice and straight in front and moves parallel on the down and back but profile action could not match 1, however this lad has the better tail carriage. Another with a lovely temperament and pleased to say he showed much better in later classes.

PD (4,1)

1. Walker's Stavonga Sky Walker Kayceekay Naf Taf. 10 mth blenheim. Happy show boy who pleased for type, size and balance. Attractive head with good skull, shallow stop, dark expressive eyes which are set well apart, ears set on nice and high, pleasing fill, muzzle of correct length and good dentition. Good length of neck to balance, rib developing well, short couplings and tail good for set and carriage. Shoulders well laid back with nice return of upper arm, straight forelegs and firm hindquarters with pleasing stifle. Moves out well in profile and nice and true when coming towards. Topline just needs to firm a tad. Best Puppy Dog.

2. Brewer & Moody's Hearthfriend Black Corton. 11 mth black/tan. This youngster pleased for overall type and presented a nicely balanced outline but he is just a touch narrower all through than the winner. Skull almost flat between his well set ears, dark round eyes which are placed well apart, sufficient fill and muzzle of good length. Nicely constructed with nice layback of shoulder, straight front and firm rear with well turned stifle. Moving freely with good carriage and true both coming and going. Preferred coat of winner.

3. Sedgbeer's Russmic No Trouble

JD (8,2)

1. Walker's Stavonga Sky Walker Kayceekay Naf Taf

2. Knowles' Luphenex Solent Lad. 14 mth blenheim who was lovely to go over and one who excelled on the move. He presented a nicely balanced outline with lovely neck, level back, good length to ribcage with good spring, short couplings and tail good for set and carriage. Good angles both ends, straight moderately boned forelegs and firm hindquarters with good turn of stifle. Head and expression could not match that of winner but he has a nice eye and

ear and correct length of muzzle. Just would like some more fill below the eyes. Excellent colour.

3. Sheills' Hawkwellpark The Duke

ND (5,1)

1. Newman's Whats It All About Finjaro. 3 yr old blenheim who has lots to like and he won this class on overall expression. Pleasing to go over but would like just a tad more length of neck. Firm level topline, lovely ribbing, short loin and tail good for both set and carriage. Skull almost flat between his well set ears, dark expressive eyes with good fill below, muzzle of correct length and well developed lips. Well made all through, standing straight in front on compact feet and nice firm rear. Moving freely with good carriage. Very nice ground colour.

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GD (2,1)

1. Arrowsmith & Vorderstrasse's Arrowbien New Ways To Dream. 14 mth blenheim. Sound, flashy young male who was pleasing to go over. Balanced in outline with slightly arched neck of medium length, firm level back, good length to ribcage which is nicely sprung and short couplings. Skull almost flat between his well set, feathered ears, dark round expressive eyes which are set well apart, nice fill below the eyes and good dentition but I would like to see a little more length to muzzle. Good angles front and rear, standing nice and straight in front on compact feet and firm hindquarters with good bend of stifle. Moving freely and using himself as he goes. Good colour and markings, super coat and shown in the very best condition and ably handled. Like them all, he is not without fault but I felt he was a worthy Best Dog and Reserve BIS here today.

PGD (1,0)

1. Arrowsmith & Vorderstrasse's Arrowbien New Ways To Dream

Special Limit Blenheim or Tricolour D (7,2)

1. Whitman & Tarabad's Khatibi's Pistol Knight. Somewhat diverse class which saw this 2 yr old blenheim come out on top. He presented a well balanced outline with slightly arched neck of sufficient length, firm level topline, super ribbing, nice short loin and tail of correct set and carriage. Pleasing headpiece with good skull, ears set on high, round expressive eyes, good fill, correct length to muzzle and nice pigmentation. Standing well naturally with well laid shoulders and good return of upper arm and nice firm hindquarters. Moving soundly when settled. Shown in excellent condition. Reserve Best Dog.

2. Newman's Whats It All About Finjaro

3. Morgan's Hearthfriend Top Withens

OD (4,0)

1. Wimberley & Newman's Trishine's Celestial Dream with Finjaro. This 5 yr old blenheim was my choice from what was another rather varied class. He pleased for overall type and is nicely balanced with moderate length of neck, level back, nice spring of rib, firm loin but a tad longer than preferred and tail set and carried correctly. Attractive head with correct length of muzzle, dark round eyes which are placed well apart, feathered ears of good set and correct dentition. He stands nice and straight in front on compact feet and when gaiting moves out well in profile but a little closer behind. Good for colour and presentation.

2. Whitman & Tarabad's Khatibi Royal Male. 2 yr old tricolour who I thought a lovely type and he was so good to go over. Well balanced outline with slightly arched neck of moderate length, level back, excellent rib and loin and tail correct for set and carriage. Pleasing head

with shallow stop, dark eyes of correct placement with good fill below and ears set high, however just preferred expression of winner. Soundly constructed with nice straight forelegs of moderate bone and firm rear with nice bend of stifle. Moving freely with good carriage. Good coat and presentation.

3. Morgan's Hearthfriend Top Withens

VB (1,0)

1. Dawson's Luphenex Let Me Entertain You. Happy, outgoing 11 yr old blenheim who I thought so good in outline. Slightly arched neck of correct length to balance, nice firm topline, excellent ribbing, short loin and tail of good set and carriage. Pleasing skull, ears set on high and muzzle of correct length but showing signs of age and lacking fill below the eyes. She is well made all through with correct angulation, nice straight forelegs of moderate bone and good feet. Moving freely, driving well from the rear and parallel both fore and aft. Good colour and shown in lovely condition. Best Veteran in Show.

MPB (5,1)

1. Brewer & Moody's Bowfort Minuetta. This 7 mth tricolour won what was a rather diverse class. Only a baby and needing to grow on but she pleased to go over and has lots to like. Moderate length of neck, level back, ribbed well back, short couplings and tail carried correctly. Feminine head with dark eyes, ears of good set and correctly proportioned muzzle. Nicely angulated front and rear, straight forelegs and good feet. Moving well in profile, true when going away and pretty good when coming at you. Good colour.

2. Mynott's Honeybet Irma La Douce. Coming up to 8 mths this tricolour was close up to the winner but she is a tad longer cast and hence my placement. She too is soundly constructed and therefore was good to go over. Slightly arched neck of moderate length, level topline, rib developing well, firm loin and tail of good carriage. Nicely proportioned head with feminine expression; dark round eyes set well apart, ears set on high, good fill below the eyes and muzzle of correct length. Nice free profile action. Good coat.

3. Hubert's Rabymar Razzle Dazzle

PB (11,4)

1. Rix's Stavonga Sea Change at Ricksbury Naf Taf Cnaf. I really liked the first two in this class and so similar in many ways, not surprising when I later found out they were littermates. This 10 mth blenheim appealed for type and I thought her so well balanced with lovely neck, straight back, good length to ribcage, nice short loin and tail correct for set and carriage. Feminine headpiece with skull almost flat between her high set ears, shallow stop, dark round eyes set well apart, good fill below and muzzle of correct length. Pleasing angles front and rear, straight moderately boned forelegs and firm hindquarters with nice turn of stifle. Moving well on the go around and firm parallel rear. Reserve Best Bitch.

2. Hogan's Stavonga Secret Crush. Many of the same comments are also applicable to this blenheim girl. She too presented such a good outline with slightly arched neck of moderate length, level topline, rib developing nicely and extending well back, short couplings and tail of good carriage. Soundly built throughout, standing straight in front on excellent feet and firm hindquarters with hocks parallel when viewed from the rear. Nicely proportioned head with good markings, round eyes of good colour and placement, ears set on high and correct length of muzzle. Close up to her sister but just preferred expression of 1.

3. Hubert's Rabymar Razzle Dazzle

JB (6,1)

1. Rix's Stavonga Shot Silk at Ricksbury Naf Taf Cnaf. 10 mth blenheim who I thought quite lovely and she had the best head and expression from today's entry. On top of this she is

beautifully balanced and was so good to go over. Neck of moderate length which flows into well laid shoulders, firm level topline, well ribbed back with good spring of rib for age and nice short couplings. Skull almost flat between her high set feathered ears, shallow stop, dark round eyes which are placed well apart, good fill, muzzle of correct length and well developed lips. All of these features combine to produce the most beautiful feminine expression. She stands so well naturally and on the move she gaits freely with good drive from the rear, holding her topline as she goes and with text book tail carriage. She obviously is far from maturity but she was more than deserving of taking Best Bitch, Best in Show and Best Puppy in Show here today.

2. Hogan's Stavonga Skylark. This 10 mth blenheim was yet another from the same litter and what a lovely litter it is! Again out of a very similar mould, presenting a beautifully balanced outline with slightly arched neck of medium length, straight back, ribcage extending well back, short firm loin and tail just right for set and carriage. Feminine head of good proportions with excellent eye and ear, shallow stop, correct length of muzzle and scissor bite. Shoulders well laid back and good return of upper arm, nice straight forelegs and firm hindquarters with well turned stifle. Moving so well on the go around, nice and straight when coming towards but a fraction closer when going away.

3. Biddle's Hearthfriend Society Style

NB (7,2)

1. Biddle's Hearthfriend Society Style. Diverse class which saw this 17 mth tricolour come out on top. She pleased for overall type and balanced and was nice to go over. Feminine headpiece with fairly flat skull, shallow stop, round eyes which are correctly set and dark enough, pretty good fill, ears set on high, muzzle of correct length and good dentition. Moderate length of neck, level back, pleasing rib, short loin and tail good for carriage. Nicely angulated both ends, straight forelegs and good feet. Moving well enough all through.

2. Curran Denyer's Chantismere Penelope. 2 yr old ruby bitch who I thought was going to be my winner but unfortunately she was carrying too much weight and therefore she had to settle for this placement. She is most promising and if her owner can get her into show condition she should have some fun in the ring. Feminine throughout with the most delightful temperament. Most attractive head and expression with good skull, ears set on high, dark round eyes which are set well apart with nice fill below, muzzle good for length, lovely pigmentation and correct dentition. Balanced in outline with slightly arched neck, firm topline, good spring of rib, short couplings and tail set and carried correctly. Well made all through and moving freely with good drive from the rear.

3. Konoike's Ainrose Caramel Peanut

GB (4,0)

1. Brewer & Moody's Dorable Dreamer at Bowfort. 2 yr old blenheim who pleased for type and was nice to go over. Neck of moderate length, straight back, excellent ribbing, nice short loin and tail set and carried correctly. Feminine head with good skull, feathered ears set on high, shallow stop, dark expressive eyes with nice fill below, muzzle of correct length and well developed lips. Shoulders well laid back, straight forelegs and firm rear with good bend of stifle. Moving nicely all through.

2. Mynott's Honeybet Freedom. 2 yr old tricolour of completely different type to the winner and a tad reluctant on the move at times. However, when she got going she moved well. She presents a nicely balanced outline with excellent neck, firm straight back, good length to ribcage with rib nicely sprung, short couplings and tail of good carriage. Attractive head with good skull, ears set on high, dark round eyes of good size and placement and muzzle of correct length. Pleasing angulation both front and rear.

3. Sutcliffe's Kinvaar Shooting Star

PGB (1,0)

1. Wilson's Peters Cavalier Naomi Black Medgic. 21 mth black/tan with an excellent temperament and who was beautifully presented. Pleasing length of neck, topline has a tendency to roach a tad, well ribbed back and short couplings. Feminine head with dark expressive eyes which are set well apart and with nice fill below, ears set on high, stop a little more defined than I would like, good length to muzzle and correct dentition. Nicely angulated both front and rear and stands straight in front on good feet. Moving well on the go around.

Special Limit Black & Tan or Ruby B (3,1)

1. Konoike's Ainrose Caramel Peanut. Happy 2 yr old ruby who was enjoying her day out and won this class on balance and soundness. Slightly arched neck of medium length, firm level back, nice spring of rib which is carried well back, short loin, croups falls off a tad but tail carriage is good enough. Feminine headpiece with pleasing eye and ear, stop a little too defined and would like more fill beneath the eyes, muzzle of correct length and scissor bite. Well laid back shoulders and good return of upper arm, straight forelegs and firm hindquarters with good bend of stifle. Moving out well with good self carriage.

2. Wilson's Peters Cavalier Naomi Black Medgic

OB (3,0)

1. Evans' Evansly Enchantress. This 2 yr old blenheim girl presented a beautifully balanced outline and was lovely to go over. Slightly arched neck of medium length, nice straight topline, excellent length to ribcage with good spring of rib, short couplings and tail set just right and of correct carriage. Shoulders well laid back and good return of upper arm, straight moderately boned forelegs, compact feet and firm hindquarters with good bend of stifle and hocks parallel when viewed from behind. Feminine head with good skull, nice eye and ear and correct length to muzzle. Would just like to see more fill below the eyes to enhance expression. Good coat and presented in lovely condition.

2. Whitman & Tarabad's Khatibi The Queen's Peach. Showy 2 yr old ruby who completely differs in type and outline to the winner. She is out of a smaller mould and more compact but she too has lots to commend her for. Slightly arched neck which could be a tad longer, firm topline, excellent ribbing, nice short loin and tail good for both set and carriage. Attractive head with feminine expression; good skull, ears set on high and nicely feathered, round eyes of good colour and placement, good fill below, muzzle of correct length and good dentition but a shade too much stop. Well made all through, standing straight in front on compact feet and moving freely with good carriage.

3. Wilson's Peters Cavalier Naomi Black Medgic

Special Open Bred by Exhibitor B (2,1)

1. Roberts' Pauroi Leading Lady. 3 yr old tricolour who has lots to like but she was carrying too much weight on the day and this detract from the overall picture. She pleased for overall type and was soundly constructed. I would like to have seen a touch more neck to balance but she has a nice straight back, good length to ribcage which is well sprung, short couplings with firm loin and tail good for both set and carriage. Nicely proportioned head with feminine expression; dark round eyes of good size and correct placement, good fill beneath, ears set on high, pretty good stop and scissor bite. Good angles front and rear, straight moderately boned forelegs and standing on compact feet. Moving freely.

Judge: Tim Ball

