Show Critique Championship Show 21st October 2023

Bitches

Judge Lindsay Gow

Thanks to the Scottish Cavalier Cub for inviting me to judge. I joined the Club almost 60 years ago and this was a very special appointment for me. Thanks also to my helpful stewarding team but mostly to the many exhibitors who braved dreadful weather conditions to attend the show.

It was heartening to have good entries particularly in the puppy classes and I hope this bodes well for the future. Temperaments were without exception excellent and there were many lovely dogs who made my decisions difficult. Hind movement and teeth could do with improvement and size remains variable.

Veteran Bitch(1)

1. Fox's Lewharle Izzadorable at Lynmily, compact 9 year old blenheim with lozenge, such a sweet head, lovely dark eye and expression, level topline, perfect tail carriage and a good mover. Best Veteran.

Vintage Bitch(2)

- 1. Scott's Toscam Michaela, 10 year old heavily marked tricolour with a long lustrous coat. Attractive head and expression and excellent teeth for her age. Lovely balance and showed like a youngster.
- 2. Glen's Trusties Harmony Haida to Sandbrae, also 10 years old, ruby with a lovely soft expression and dark eye. Clipped which showed her good outline but took away a bit of her past glamour. Showing her age now and not as steady on the move.

Minor Puppy Bitch (16)

- 1. Chapman's Ellemich Secret Love, 7 months old, well grown, beautifully marked blenheim, large dark eye, correct bite, and sweet expression. Short coupled with good front and spring of rib, level topline, showed enthusiastically and moved with drive.
- 2. Water's Sweetbriar a Singer, also 7 month, small well broken blenheim with rich chestnut markings, sweet head, lovely eye, black nose with plenty time for a little pigment to fill. Well balanced and showed and moved well.
- 3. Smith's Beaudale Little Bit Naughty

Puppy Bitch ((9,2)

- 1. Liverton-Ovey's Chantismere Conchetta for Halosey, 10 month old lightly marked blenheim with with straight silky coat. Pretty head with gentle expression, good reach of neck, level topline and good tail set. Moved well and showed attentively.
- 2. Waddington's Spindlepoint Gertie Jekyll, smaller compact richly marked blenheim with beautiful dark eyes and the loveliest expression. She has a good topline and tail carriage and moved well with an ever wagging tail.
- 3. Long's Arrowline Eternity

Junior Bitch (3,2)

1. Maxwell's Eildon Dream Elsa, very pretty little b/t with a soft expression, good dark eye, nicely cushioned muzzle with a good reach of neck and level topline. A happy mover with good drive from the rear.

Yearling Bitch (7,4)

- 1. Spall's Llapstams Eunice, small compact b/t with a lovely straight glossy coat. Loved her gentle expression and overall balance and movement.
- 2. Spier's Bonniemadra Cantarito for Caramoone, ruby bitch with a lovely head, good bite and pigment. nice crest of neck into level topline. Straight silky coat, slightly longer in body. Reluctant to move initially but went well once she got going.
- 3. Liverton-Ovey's Kinvaar Sunshine In Pocket for Halosey

Maiden Bitch (5,4)

- 1. Waddington's Spindlepoint Gertie Jekyll (2nd Puppy bitch)
- 2. Deamer's Cavallibrook Evenly Kiss at Bankshill, well broken blenheim of excellent conformation who showed confidently and moved soundly. Good eye and well cushioned muzzle with sweet expression and correct bite. Well coated though chestnut could be richer.
- 3. Lees' KelrickTrinity

Novice Bitch (2,1)

1. Maxwells' Poundroll Nina, heavily marked tricolour bitch with wide blaze, well spaced dark eyes and well cushioned muzzle making a very attractive head. Short coupled with level topline, moved and showed well.

Graduate Bitch (9,2)

- 1. Tremain's Bonitos Companeros First Class, elegant blenheim who took my eye coming into the ring. Well broken, silky coat of rich colouring. Liked her size, balance and typical head with gentle expression and lovely dark eyes. Level topline, good tailset and moved happily.
- 2. Water's Sweetbriar La Dee Da, beautifully made, compact blenheim with rich chestnut markings. Typical head with lovely eyes and a sweet expression. Sound mover.
- 3. Lees' Conchellia Vivi Velvette by Kelrick

Post Graduate Bitch (5,2)

1. Water's Siradhis Cassandra at Osage, sweet expression on this pretty headed, cheerful well broken blenheim who moved well. Long silky coat.

- 2. McCue's Kathysgirl All Hallows Eve, richly coloured ruby with a gentle expression, good dark eye and pigment. Longer in body and coming back into coat after a litter.
- 3. White's Sweetest of all at Carleny

Special Post Graduate Wholecolour Bitch (3,1)

- 1. Maxwell's Eildon Dream Elsa (1st in Junior)
- 2. Rogerson's, Rabymar Hot Gossip, such a pretty compact little b/t with a lovely silky coat who might have won the class had she shown more enthusiasm. Soft expression, good dark eye, correct bite and well cushioned muzzle. Moved soundly.

Special Postgraduate Particolour Bitch (5,1)

- Lovel's Lovetrac Born to Boogie, very promising attractively marked blenheim with lozenge. Pretty headed with well spaced dark eyes and nicely cushioned muzzle. Good reach of neck, level back and correct tailset. She moved well and showed happily.
- 2. Fox's Brymarden Scarlet for Lynmily, well balanced lightly marked blenheim who has a pretty head with lovely dark eyes and excellent pigment. A happy girl who showed and moved soundly.
- 3. McMurray's Merryoth Mockingbird

Limit Bitch (10,6)

- 1. Kerr's Kinvaar Away with the Fairys, nicely broken markings on this compact tricolour with evenly marked head and soft expression framed by long well feathered ears. Good reach of neck, plenty of chest room and good front angulation. She showed so well and typified a Cavalier and toy spaniel. Bitch CC today which I believe is her third. Congratulations.
- 2. Spier's Bonniemadra Cantarito at Caramoone (2nd in Yearling).
- 3. Maddy's LLapsttams Bloode Nora Gabmaddi

Special Open (whole colour) Bitch

- 1. Hughes' Loranka's Secret Potion, nicely balanced little b/t with good dark eye and well cushioned muzzle, gentle expression and long, well set ears. Straight silky coat, level topline and good tailset and she moved soundly. Reserve CC.
- 2. Ch LLapstam Sent from Heaven, elegant ruby with lovely outline and a beautiful head. Well angulated with a good reach of neck and level topline and sound on the move.

Special Open Bitch (Resident in Scotland) (3,1)

- 1. Tremain's Bonitos Companeros First Class (1st in Graduate)
- 2. Spier's Thekop's Eliza Doolittle, richly coloured and attractive ruby with good dark eyes and pigment. Straight silky coat. Moved and showed well.

Open Bitch (5,2)

- 1. Conlon and Kotani's Rathbrist Whatchoolookinat, This beautiful well broken graceful blenheim with rich chestnut markings and luxurious full coat has a really lovely head and soft expression. She has excellent conformation and moves like a dream. Beautifully presented. For perfection I would prefer her slightly smaller.
- 2. Lovel's Lovetrac Theodora, smaller, typical blenheim with rich chestnut markings. Well proportioned, has a deep ribcage and is short coupled. Slightly short of coat. A sound and happy mover.

3. Spall's LLapsttams Sent from Heaven