



THE SCOTTISH CAVALIER KING CHARLES SPANIEL CLUB

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Show Critique Spring Open Show 17th February 2024

Judge: Noah Tarabad

Thank you so much to the committee for inviting me to judge their club open show, I thoroughly enjoyed my day and my first ever trip to Scotland. I had a lovely entry and was really pleased with my final winners. Thank you also to my helpful stewards who kept the ring running smoothly and last but not least the amazing catering team who kept me well fed and even sent me home with a doggy bag of delicious treats!

Veteran Dog (8, 2)

1st – Slack's WILLOWHEART LOUIS

A happy and active 8-year-old dog with a lovely masculine head, large and dark eyes, good teeth and long, well feathered ears. Decently moving with a straight top line and well carried tail. Beautiful colour and coat for an older dog. Reserve Best Dog, Best Veteran in Show.

2nd – Byers' BRAEMARRA TAYLOR AT LINETIVE VW

A nice 7-year-old dog with another lovely masculine head, large, dark eyes and decent teeth. Decent on the move but not entirely parallel and had a slightly high tail carriage. Very nice coat and condition for an older dog.

3rd – Fraser's LEWIS'S LEONARDO AT FRASKYE

Minor Puppy (0, 0)

Puppy Dog (3, 1)

1st – Hamilton’s KRINGLEHOLME CONTINENTAL

A well-developed 10-month puppy, nice in size and shape. A beautiful head with large, dark eyes, good teeth, and nice ears. Whilst a little unsettled at first, he became happier and more relaxed throughout the class, moving nicely with a good top line and tail carriage. Nice colour and markings and lovely coat for a dog this age. Best Puppy in Show.

2nd – Caldwell’s XETY RIVER OF DREAMS

A nice 10-month puppy but slightly on the larger side and not as mature as 1. A decent head with nice eyes and expression. Happy and moving well in but slightly high tail carriage whilst on the move.

Junior Dog (4, 1)

1st – Gow’s LEGOLAS ALDAHA GOLD AT LYNCRAEG

A lovely Blen, heavier marked but lovely rich colour. Masculine head with round, dark eyes, well feathered ears, nice teeth, plenty of cushioning and a very soft expression. Very happy on the move with a good top line and tail carriage. Good neck and shoulders, well sprung ribs and well angulated rear.

2nd - Caldwell’s XETY RIVER OF DREAMS

2nd in puppy.

3rd – McLeman’s STRONEPOINT JAMIE

Maiden Dog (1, 1)

Novice Dog (1, 0)

1st – McLeman’s STRONEPOINT JAMIE

A decent head but hesitant on the table. Slightly excited on the move but had calmed since last class and displayed a sound gait. Nice colour and coat.

Graduate Dog (1, 0)

1st – Hood’s RABYMAR NEW YORK

Happy and active throughout the class. Masculine head with large and dark eyes, long ears set high and framing his face and a good mouth. Moderate neck, good spring or rib and richly coloured coat. Moved very nicely with a good top line but tail carried too high. Would like him a little smaller.

Post Graduate Dog (2, 1)

1st – Slack’s DALVRECK IN DREAMS FOR EVERSABES

A nice size blen with good rich markings and a silky coat. A decent head with lovely eyes however pigment could be slightly darker. Good top line and tail carriage on the move but could very better moving up and down.

Special Post Graduate (3, 0)

1st - Hood’s RABYMAR NEW YORK

1st in graduate.

2nd – Fraser’s LEWIS’S LEONARDO AT FRASKYE

A very happy veteran, moving well and very excited, barking on the move! A very nice unexaggerated head with large and dark eyes, good mouth, and long, well feathered ears. Sound construction and in very good condition with a lovely well-maintained coat.

3rd – Bibby’s MURRENS JOCK AT LINANSTE

Limit Dog (4, 1)

1st – Fraser’s BRACKEN GOLD AT FRASKYE

Happy and active ruby, moving confidently but with a slightly high tail carriage. Well cushioned masculine head with nice large, dark eyes, good pigment, and lovely ears. A lovely colour with silky coat. Moderate neck, good topline, well sprung ribs and moderate bone.

2nd – Byers’ BONNIEMADRA RICOCHET TO LINETIVE

Free moving but a tended to roach top line and carry tail high. A nice head shape with good eyes, long, high set ears and soft expression. Very nicely marked and a lovely size.

3rd – Gow’s LYNCRÆG LITTLE PIP

Open Dog (3, 0)

1st – Kerr’s CAN CH CEMPAS NORTHWEST PASSAGE TO KINVAAR

A gorgeous rich ruby dog, moving proudly throughout the class and even though the tail carriage was a touch higher than topline, it was not enough to draw away from the overall outline. A beautiful masculine head with lovely large and dark eyes, good mouth, plenty of cushioning and long, well-feathered ears. Presented a really impressive outline when stood with good neck and shoulders, level topline, good depth of chest and spring of rib and well angulated rear. Well presented, gleaming coat of a lovely colour, showing at all times with his tail wagging constantly. Was an easy choice for Best Dog. Also RBIS/BOS

2nd - Byers’ BRAEMARRA TAYLOR AT LINETIVE VW

2nd in Veteran

3rd – Hargrave’s CARLENY GOLDEN BUTTON

Special Vintage Dog or Bitch (2, 0)

1st – Glen’s TRUSTIES HARMONY HAIDA TO SANDBRAE (IMP NLD)

A beautiful, sound old girl with a lovely head and very happy, proud movement. The coat was short but still looked very nice for her age and still nicely coloured.

2nd – White’s CAVALLINO BUTTONS

Another lovely bitch with a nice head with long, feathered ears and nice eyes. Decent on the move. Both coat and colour were nice and well-maintained.

Veteran Bitch (1, 0)

1st – Gow’s GRAJENCO MACCHIATO AT LYNCRAEG

A sweet ruby with nice feminine head with large, dark eyes, very well used ears and good pigment. Moving well for her handler with good topline, tail set and carried a little low but was very happy and sound. Good overall construction with a nicely balanced outline. BVB.

Minor Puppy (2, 1)

1st – Gibb-Stuart’s MARISK MARY POPPINS

A lovely baby who was very happy both on the move and table. Her movement was confident and good up and down but has a slightly high tail carriage. A nice head with dark eyes and pigment, high set ears and sweet expression. Nice outline with good neck, level topline, good front and rear angulation. Good colour coat, just needs some practice in the ring to show herself off more.

Puppy Bitch (5, 1)

1st – Water’s SWEETBRIAR A SINGER

A beautiful, well-developed puppy with lovely parallel movement and good top line and tail carriage. Head was nice with large and dark eyes, good mouth, well cushioned muzzle and long, well feathered ears for her age. Lovely size and good body, well sprung ribs, good neck and shoulders. Best Puppy Bitch.

2nd – Spiers’ CARAMOONE AUDREY HEPBURN

A happy puppy who moved okay with a good top line and tail carriage. Heavily marked tri with good silky coat. Another nice head with nice large dark eyes, good mouth and lovely ears. Small and feminine with good body and moderate bone for her size.

3rd – Gibb-Stuart’s CLIVIA DE LOS URSIDOS KODIAK

Junior Bitch (2, 1)

1st – McCue’s XETY GET OUTTA MY WAY

4th in puppy. A bigger bitch and could be more feminine but has a decent head with good eyes and mouth. Sound construction but could have more angulation. Movement was parallel and confident; however, the tail was carried slightly high. Lovely markings and rich colour.

Maiden Bitch (0, 0)

Novice Bitch (1, 0)

1st – Hamilton’s GWYRTHMON SHESLIKETHEWIND

A well cushioned feminine head with nice eyes, good ears and a good mouth. Very happy and friendly, moved well enough despite being slightly over excited! A bit

narrow in front and close behind and tail set a little low but carried correctly. Nice size overall with good spring of rib.

Graduate Bitch (3, 0)

1st – Tremain's BONITOS COMPANEROS FIRST CLASS (IMP DEU)

A really beautiful feminine head with lovely large, dark eyes, plenty of cushioning and correct length of muzzle and long, well-feathered ears. Very smart on the move and handled really well to really show her off perfectly. Nice shape in outline with good topline, could have more angulation, lovely size and good body and moderate bone. Happy and active throughout the class, in good coat presented beautifully. She was very close in the challenge, I really liked her.

2nd – Spence's LYNCRÆG BRYONY

Similar size to 1. A very nice feminine head with large, dark eyes and nice ears, well cushioned muzzle but nose pigment a little off. Happy and active with confident movement but slightly close behind and high tail carriage. Heavily marked coat of a very lovely rich colour, could be carrying a bit more body.

3rd – Bibby's STRONEPOINT TREACLE TOFFEE AT LINANSTE

Post Graduate Bitch (3, 2)

1st – Deamer's LORANKA'S DIAMOND BRIGHT AT BANKSHILL

A very well marked blen with nice shaped head, good eyes, ears, and mouth. Movement was confident but could be better in front and was close behind, but has correct tail carriage and decent topline. Could be a little more feminine.

Special Post Graduate Bitch (4, 1)

1st – McCue's KATHYSGIRLS ALL HALLOWS EVE

Ruby who could be a bit smaller and more feminine but sound on the move. A well shaped head with large, dark eyes, nice ears, and a good bite. A nice colour and well-maintained coat.

2nd – Bibby's STRONEPOINT TRACLE TOFFEE AT LINANSTE

Decently moving, settled more since the previous class. Happy and active with lovely temperament. A good head with nice eyes, ears and a good bite. Coat in lovely condition and a nice tan markings.

3rd – White's SWEETEST OF ALL AT CARLENY

Limit Bitch (5, 2)

1st – Water's SWEETBRIAR LA DEE DA JW

A beautiful, well-balanced bitch with a lovely feminine head. Eyes were large and dark, ears long and well feathered and she had a very good bite. Pigment could be better but it didn't detract from her pretty head and expression. Elegant and parallel movement with a perfect top line and tail carriage and good reach and drive. Very nice construction with good neck and shoulders, well sprung ribs, good bone and strong rear. Nothing about her is exaggerated and she has such a typical cavalier temperament. Coat and presentation were beautiful. Best Bitch. Best in Show.

2nd – McMurray's MERRYOTH MOCKINGBIRD

Another blen similar in size with lovely feminine head, large dark eyes, long and well-feathered ears, and a good bite. Movement was also very good with perfect top line and tail carriage. Good neck, could have more angulation, correct length of leg with moderate bone, overall a lovely bitch.

3rd – McCue's KATHYSGIRLS ALL HALLOWS EVE

Open Bitch (2, 0)

1st – Water's BYERMOOR CURTAIN CALL TAF

A mature, very richly marked blen with lovely feminine head, beautiful eyes, ears, and a good bite. Very confident on the move, staying parallel with a good top line and correct tail carriage and good reach and drive. Sound construction with good chest and spring of rib, good angulation and overall good balance. Reserve Best Bitch.

2nd – Mackenzie's MARISK LESLEY GARRETT AT CALANRU

Rich ruby with nice head with dark eyes, correctly set ears, and good mouth. Nice shape with good neck and shoulders, well sprung ribs, short loin and good rear. Moved well but not as settled as 1.