

Solid Colours Cocker Spaniel Association

Saturday 22nd February 2025

Thank you to the Officers and Committee for inviting me to Judge Dogs at their 25th Anniversary Show, Many thanks to my 2 stewards Sam & Maria who kept me in check throughout the day, it was a great pleasure to Judge alongside Coral Morris.

I would like to thank the exhibitors for showing their dogs under me, I found that all my exhibits had good temperaments. A few criticisms that I found which was disappointing was that the soft expression enhanced with tight dark eye which our breed is renowned for is slowly drifting. Toplines need to be watched, some of which are lost when moving and stacked, cockers should have a good strong topline. I was pleased with the overall balance of exhibits which I feel has been lacking but is slowly improving. I came across a couple of incorrect bites which is not acceptable the standard states perfect, regular and complete scissor bite, i.e. upper teeth closely overlapping lower teeth.

Presentation on the whole was excellent,

I was pleased with my final line up and then to shortlist down to the last 4, in my opinion all of which were worthy of the CC.

Dogs

Any Colour Baby Puppy 1

1st: Pop's Merrysoul Everybody's Talking at Bocablue

5 Mth old Red Dog of exceptional quality, sweet baby, short square and everything in the correct place. Most gorgeous head with a nice tight dark eye excellent legs and feet. Moved soundly and happy around the ring, extremely promising puppy will watch his progress. Best Baby puppy in Show in agreement with my Co Judge.

Particolour

Special Puppy - 4

1st: Sewell's Lynwater Mad Hatter at Quattrozampe

8mth Orange roan of good type and substance, well developed in all area's for his age, pleasing head and expression with tight dark eyes, lovely legs and feet balanced throughout moved soundly with good topline.

2nd Whitehead's Ryallcourt Grand Slam (Ai)

B&W of good type as expected from this kennel, Good neck and shoulders, good legs and feet I found him shorter coupled than 1st. however I preferred the head and expression of the winner on this occasion

3rd Terry's Shaggylands Midnight Train

Special Graduate – 1

1st: Randall's Fengrange Defender Boy

Pleasing head and expression, good neck and shoulders leading to lovely legs and cat like feet, well bodied moved freely and sound.

Special Open - 4

1st: Darby's Sh. Ch Classicway Call Time JW

Gorgeous head and eye with melting expression, not a big dog but balanced with excellent qualities, super neck and shoulders, stands four square on lovely legs and feet, moves soundly, he is worthy of his title making the cut to my final 4 for the CC.

2nd Collin's Sh Ch Bartonholm Prince of Tides at Candyke JW

Masculine headed dog with nice expression, good quality overall, heavier built than 1st square and deep bodied moves well.

3rd Cassidy's Sh Ch Manchela Speechless at Cassoz JW

Red/Gold/Liver/Liver & Tan

Special Puppy -NIL

Special Graduate - 2

1st: Stoke-Harrell Chezza's Boy with Luv

Nice head and eye of good quality, lovely neck and shoulders, short, square and well bodied, excellent legs and feet lovely short hocks which he uses well on the move in excellent coat and condition.

2nd Kent's Laurellakes Are You Reddy

Different type to winner, masculine and strongly made through out nice head and dark eye, deep bodied. Did prefer neck and shoulders on 1st moved ok.

Special Open - 2

1st: Share-Jones Sharemead Golden Spark

Good quality dog, lovely head and expression, super neck and shoulders, good legs and feet well ribbed excels in bone and substance, nicely balanced moved sound fore and aft.

2nd Mason's Sandlauga Soul Man

Masculine headed boy, of good type, unfortunately carrying too much weight over his shoulders which spoilt the overall outline moved well.

Black/Black & Tan

Special Puppy - 2

1st: Beckwith's Balaambeck Oricorio Opal

11mth old puppy, who is mature for his age, nice head and expression, good neck and shoulders well balanced good tail set which he uses well on the move and soundly.

2nd Defuyck's Paris Nat Hales

Only a baby, with a big coat which will need plenty of work, sweet headed, needs time but sound and merry on the move.

Special Graduate – 6

1st: Wiggin's Plaiglen Follow That Bike to Scapafield

Black dog with pleasing head and eye, balanced throughout excellent legs and feet good solid topline which he holds well stacked and on the move, well angulated and nice short hocks.

2nd Stokes-Harrall's Oakrosa San Francisco Among Chezza's

B&T with lovely head and expression, excellent topline moved well but would prefer tighter feet.

3rd McShane's Meggiemac Black Pearl

Special Open - 3

1st: Ellison's Withiflor Touchstone JW

B&T of excellent quality from this well known kennel, short and compact, good neck and shoulders flowing in to a strong topline, excellent legs and feet well ribbed and bodied moved soundly.

2nd Pearce's Kenwad Black Grouse at Miska JW

Black dog of good quality unfortunate to meet 1st today, pleasing head and eye, square and balance with good front assembly, excellent quarters and nice short hocked, moved well but carrying too much weight all through.

3rd Brookes Gino Della Sciaranera of Bruxly (Imp Ita)

Any Colour

Veteran - 4

1st: Pearce-Gudger's Sh.Ch Cachel Prince Charming of Pearkim JW

Orange dog which has always been a favourite of mine, gorgeous head and expression, everything in the right place lovely legs and feet well rounded ribs and well bodied, short on the hock which he uses well on the move, he deserves all he has achieved. Best Veteran Dog

2nd Robinson's Wilmerella Perfect Storm

Blue dog of good quality, stronger in head than 1st, strong deep bodied well rounded quarters, sound on the move, but slightly lost his topline moving out.

3rd Mason's Sandlauga Soul Man

Minor Puppy – 8 (2)

1st: Flynn's Plaiglen Haribo

Lovely quality baby, of excellent type, sweet headed, excellent neck and shoulders, leading in to lovely legs and feet, well made throughout not overdone in any way for his age. Moved soundly and merry. Awarded best Minor puppy and in agreement with my co judge awarded Best Minor Puppy in Show.

2nd Kengyelics Zheridons Tradeoff with Hebdene

Black dog, of good size, nicely made, well developed for his age. Lovely legs and cat like feet, moved soundly fore and rear, Just needs more confidence on the move, this will come with age.

3rd Lynwater Mad Hatter At Quattrozampe

Puppy - 5

1st: Cox's Ryallcourt Charm of Unique to Suvern (Ai)

Black & White of superb quality very sweet head and expression with tight dark eye, good neck and shoulders, deep ribbed, short and square. Very merry on the move using his tail well. Happy to award him best Puppy Dog and again in agreement with my co Judge Best Puppy in Show.

2nd Covington's Delightful Hunter Legendary at Silverdust (IMP HUN)

Medium blue dog with nice qualities pleasing head and eye, well put together, nicely placed shoulders with short deep body moved well, preferred the topline on the winner today.

3rd Terry's Shaggylands Midnight Train

Junior - 5

1st: Whitehead's Twist Tan Shout

Another Excellent exhibit as expected from this kennel, excellent neck and shoulders leading into a short and square frame, balanced throughout moves sound and merry.

2nd Gray's Purdyspride Rave On

Pleasing head and eye, good overall balance, good bone and substance, moved soundly, preferred neck and shoulders of the winner.

3rd Stokes-Harrell's Chezza's Boy with Luv

Yearling -6 (1)

1st: Williams' Wilmerella Highlander JW

Well made blue, not overdone in any area excels in neck and shoulders, leading to a strong topline which he holds stacked and on the move, good rear angulation and short hocks which he uses to move well around the ring.

2nd Buck's Clavaire Marrakech SKY JW

Orange dog with a lovely head and expression, and dark eye. Good neck and shoulders, short and balanced throughout, moved soundly would prefer a little more width behind.

3rd Harrison's Glenbrows Blue Sherbert

Novice -8 (1)

1st: Fairburn's & Madigans Carmelfair Cesare from Misperros

This blue dog caught my eye as he entered the ring, he is just out of puppy with excellent attributes throughout, lovely head and eye, short and compact, good rear angulation short hocks which he uses to advantage on the move, shortlisted to my final 4 for the CC, he is one to watch in the future as he matures.

2nd Anslow's Shansart Harry Potter

Blue dog of nice type, well balanced, excellent legs and cat like feet as a cocker should have. Moved sound fore and aft, preferred topline of 1st.

3rd Wiggins Plaiglen Follow That Bike to Scapafield

Graduate - 5

1st: Shapland's Deracor Duty Paid

Pleasing head, good neck and shoulders, deep bodied, short level topline sound free mover.

2nd Pearce-Gudger's Pearkim Pietro

Good head and eye, nicely proportioned throughout, lost out to 1st on topline and he needs more confidence on the move.

3rd Kent's Laurellakes Are You Reddy

Post Graduate - 1

1st: Gilmour's Chavez Silver Cloud

As usual an excellent exhibit from this kennel, pleasing head, excellent length of neck leading into good shoulder placement, nicely bodied, well put together, moves soundly.

Special Beginners -6

1st: Randall's Fengrange Defender Boy

2nd Kitchen's Annilann Bhama Mama

Blue dog, short and square well boned, good quarters and good rear action, sound on the move.

3rd Tomlinson's Milalder Jumpin Jack Flash

Limit - 5

1st: Platt's Allert's Fine Dining at Charbonnel

My star of the day, owns the most gorgeous head and expression, excellent reach of neck leading into well placed shoulders and front assembly, strong legs and feet, deep ribbed and well bodied, strong topline which he just

holds naturally stacked and on the move, he just flows from his head to his tail with no coarseness throughout, this dog needs to be handled to be appreciated, he moves freely with exuberance and sound, presented in A1 condition as you would only expect from this Kennel. I was pleased to award him the CC his second I believe, his 3rd crowning CC should follow soon.

2nd Beswick's Esqueen Give a Gift for Cachel (IMP POL)

Quality blue dog with lots to like, pleasing head and eye, well-proportioned and balanced, preferred neck and shoulders of 1, he has ample bone with excellent legs and feet, however on today's decision I thought he was carrying too much weight which spoilt the overall appearance, moved well sound.

3rd Shapland's Deracor Duty Paid

Open – 3

1st: Birkenshaw's Sh. Ch Gilcar Midnight Dream

Blue dog that deserves his title, of excellent quality, lovely head and expression, gorgeous legs and feet stands four square, balanced throughout, excellent quarters which he uses to his advantage on the move, he moves soundly with drive, no hesitation to award him the RCC.

2nd Keely's Sh Ch Oakbeach Dare to Dream Big into Alhambian (Imp Swe)

Dark blue, of good quality, good bone and substance, excellent strong topline unfortunate to meet 1st on top form, would prefer more lay back of shoulder, moved sound fore and aft.

3rd Williams' Sh.Ch Wilmerella Outlander

**Susan Young - Judge
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