

North Midlands & Eastern Counties Cocker Spaniel Club
Sunday 24 November 2019

Firstly, I would like to thank the officers and committee for their kind invitation to judge their festive club show. I would also like to thank my hard-working stewards who helped the day run smoothly. It was a huge pleasure and privilege to have the opportunity to judge your lovely cockers. The overall quality was high and in more than one class I could have awarded a number of first places; in the end it did really come down to splitting hairs. I feel it is important to mention that I did come across a number of incorrect mouths, which as a breed we should be mindful of.

1. Minor Puppy Dog 2 (2)

Absent

2. Minor Puppy Bitch 5 (1)

1st. Cooper's Galibar Over To You With Newcheshire

Promising ch&t of 6 ½ months of good type. Pretty, nicely balanced head and cheeky eye. Good neck and shoulders. Nice bone and feet, and good body and rib for her age. Short back. Nicely angulated rear developing well for her age. Once settled she moved well covering the ground with ease. Sympathetically handled to advantage. BMPIS.

2nd. Whiting's Annilann Miss Bea

7-month-old b/r bitch. Short and compact with plenty of substance but still retaining femininity. Pretty head and expression. Moderate length of neck, good depth and spring of rib. Balanced angulation front and rear. So sound and happy on the move, just felt 1 was cleaner over the shoulders. Well presented.

3rd. Brown & Crossley's Sharemead Black Stockings

3. Puppy Dog 3 (1)

1st. Whiting's Annilann Mister Allsorts

B/r boy of almost 10 months who is maturing well and is so typical of his breeding. Another with plenty of bone, depth and substance but free from any coarseness. Loved his head and expression. Muscular neck leading into well laid-back shoulders. Good length and return to upper arm. Nicely sprung ribs, short coupled, nicely developing hindquarters with good turn of stifle. Moved soundly, beautifully presented. RBPIS.

2nd. McShane's Blythamour Coopers Bro

Up to size b/w ticked boy rising 11 months. Of a rangier type, he is a happy masculine young man with time on his side to fill his ample frame. Strong but balanced head. Ok neck and shoulders needs to deepen all through, nice rear angulation. Moved ok.

4. Puppy Bitch 6 – a stunning class of beautiful young ladies.

1st. Harrison's Lourisma Good Vibes

Absolutely fell in love with this beautiful 10-month-old blue bitch who headed a very strong class of quality. She impressed so much for her overall breed type and on looking in the catalogue I see she is the daughter of a bitch who I have previously done well. Loved her overall make and shape, from her beautiful head and expression all

the way down to the tip of her well-set tail. She has strength but is so evidently feminine. Excellent neck and shoulders, she stands on the best of legs and feet. Deep body and well sprung ribs. Short firm back. Strong nicely muscled and angled quarters and well-placed hocks which she used to propel herself around the ring soundly. Excellent presentation. One to watch and one I most definitely wanted to take home! BPIS.

2nd. Parker's Annilann Miss Sweetheart At Weyhill

Another stunning bitch who was unlucky to meet 1. Having previously seen her from the ringside I was excited to get my hands on her and she certainly did not disappoint. Close up to 1, at just shy of 10 months she is quality all through and presented a balanced picture both stacked and on the move. Lovely well-balanced head and expression, correct neck and shoulders. She stands four square on nicely boned legs and neat feet. Good depth, rib, body and muscle tone for her young age. She is correctly angulated behind and moved soundly with that typical cocker attitude. Beautifully presented and handled. Just felt 1 took the edge on maturity however another to watch out for!

3rd. Becquet & Darby's Pearkim Prunella Dargess – completed a trio of beautiful and exciting puppies.

5. Junior dog 4 (1)

1st. Collins' Craigdean Killiecrankie at Candyke

Typey, 16-month-old b/r male. Masculine, well proportioned head and kind expression. Moderate neck and nicely placed shoulders, however his upper arm could be longer. Good bone and substance all through. Deep strong body. Nicely developed rump with moderately angled rear and deep second thigh. This young man certainly knows how to man his handler work but once settled he moved well with good foot fall.

2nd. Sewell's Kerriglow Drean Again for Quattrozampe

Well grown merry black boy of 17 months who needs to develop all through but has time on his side. Nicely balanced head and expression. Ok neck and shoulders. Good bone. Balanced front and rear. Good length of rib, short coupled. Moved ok inside profile but needs to settle coming and going.

3rd. Blythamour Coopers Bro

6. Junior bitch 10 (1) – a lovely class

1st. Yilmaz' Kyna Toyah Battersby

Really liked this blue bitch of 15 months who showed her socks off from beginning to end to win this nice class. A confident, merry, balanced and compact young lady who is free from exaggeration. Whilst I preferred the head of 1, hers is nicely proportioned with a pretty and bright expression. Muscular neck of moderate length, well placed shoulders and excellent forechest. Big ribs. Short strong back. Loved her well muscled peachy bum. Correctly angulated hindquarters and deep second thigh. A merry and active mover showing plenty of drive. Beautifully presented and handled.

2nd. Buck's Clavaire Skylark

This is another beautiful blue bitch of almost 16 months who is of good breed type. So close up to 1 and therefore similar comments apply. beautiful balanced head and melting expression. Well constructed all through with good body and depth, correct angulation front and rear and well let down hocks. Another with a well developed round bum and good muscle tone. She moved well and happily however couldn't quite match the verve of 1. Well put down.

3rd. Kengyelics' Hebden Harbour Nights – completed this lovely trio.

7. Special Yearling dog or bitch 8 (1)

1st. Williams' Amaroanne Athena at Willmerella

A quality blue roan bitch with good bone and substance but who is evidently feminine and free from exaggeration. Lovely balanced head and kind expression. Moderate length of neck. She excels in front construction and stands on good legs and feet. Strong body, big deep ribs reaching well back. Her quarters are wide, well developed and correctly angulated. She moved out with precision showing plenty of push and drive. Put down to perfection. Liked her a lot and considered for higher honours.

2nd. Nugent's Nulea Enchanted

This naughty blue bitch made her handler work hard and did not always want to cooperate! Of a different type to 1, she too has a lovely nicely proportioned head and kind expression. Well balanced all through, with correct angulation front and rear, she has good bone and body, deep well-developed ribs, and nicely muscled rear quarters. Once settled she moved out well holding a level top line.

3rd. Pretty's Joaldy Best Mate JW

8. Maiden dog or bitch 5 (3)

1st. Lourisma Good Vibes

Repeat

2nd. Pearce-Gudger's Pearkim Poppinsgirl

Placed 4th in the strong puppy bitch class this is a well boned, typey Blue roan girl of almost 11 months. Nice head. Balanced and nicely angulated all though, I particularly liked her decent length and return to her upper arm. Good rib, depth and body for age, and nicely angulated rear quarters. Moved happily, however would prefer a little more femininity.

3rd. Aykroyd's Clydesain Rubytuesday

9. Novice dog or bitch 8 (1)

1st. Nulea Enchanted

Repeat.

2nd. Thomas' Claramand The Flasher

Pleasing light blue male, who is well put together and of good type. Good head and expression. Good neck and clean nicely placed shoulders, however, would prefer a slighter longer upper arm. Nice rib, bone, body and depth. Short, firm back. Strong well angulated quarters. He took some time to settle but once he got his head in the game he moved well with attitude.

3rd. Kengyelics' Hebden Harbour Lights

10. Graduate dog or bitch 7(1)

1st. Young's Canyonn Could It Be Magic

Pretty headed honest black bitch who flowed seamlessly from head to tail and appealed for her overall breed type. So balanced with correct angulation fore and aft. Excellent bone and substance. Short strong back. Great depth all through and presented in firm condition. She moved precisely with good foot fall. Well presented.

2nd. Lowery's Amaroanne Apollo JW

Of a different type to 1, there is so much to admire about this blue blue. Handsome well balanced head and melting expression. Good neck and shoulders. Straight front, nice bone and neat feet. Balanced angulation front and rear and well muscled quarters. Moved well. Just preferred the cleanness of 1 over shoulders.

3rd. Hill's Princehill Shining Star

11. Post Graduate dog or bitch 3

1st. Maris-Bray's Helenwood Illusion JW

Smaller framed black bitch who presented such a typical outline both standing and on the move. Pretty, balanced head, she is nicely made throughout with good bone and body for her size. Balanced angulation front and rear. Moved out happily.

2nd. Saunder's Moonstryder Eliza Taylor at Oxforddogs

Larger made blue bitch presented in excellent condition. Ok head however would prefer a softer eye. Muscular neck into ok shoulders. Good forechest and bone. Big ribs and round rump. Moderate angulation behind. Moved ok but could be stronger going away.

3rd. Winder's Crowmere Oh Melissa.

12. Veteran dog or bitch 8 (2) it was a pleasure to judge this fabulous class – thank you

1st. Pretty's Multi Ch Joaldy Mandolin Wind JW ShCM

Quality b/w male free from exaggeration and who belies his almost 10 years of age. Presented in fantastic coat and condition, he has substance and strength but is free from coarseness. masculine balanced head and kind eye. Strong muscular neck length set into well laid-back shoulders and good return to upper arm. Straight well boned legs and good feet. Tight elbows, big well-developed ribs reaching well back. Deep firm body and short back. Big peachy bum and deep well angulated quarters which he used efficiently showing plenty of push and drive. BVIS & BOS.

2nd. Costello's Judika Arizona

Built on more elegant lines this 8-year-old b/t is another male of quality full of breed type who was unlucky to come up against 1 on such fine form. Handsome well chiselled head. Good neck and shoulders, nice body and rib. Balanced fore and aft, with well developed quarters. Moved well with precision. Beautifully presented.

3rd. Ward's Wensum Some Like It Hot JW

13. Special Open Dog or bitch – R/G/BI/BI&T/L&T - 1

1st McShane's Obsidian Spring Marvel

Mature honest black boy who presented a balanced picture at times. Particularly liked his kind melting expression. Balanced angulation front and rear. Good strong body and plenty of bone, level top line and firm quarters. Well put down and presented in excellent condition. Moved happily.

14. Special open dog or bitch – AOC - 3

1st. Pearce-Gudger's Glowhill Silversmith for Pearkim

A striking b/w boy. Kind well balanced head, muscular neck of good length set into clean well-placed shoulders. Straight front. Good bone, body and rib. Short, firm back and round, nicely angulated quarters. He moved well showing good ground covering movement, however he didn't have quite the same sparkle in the challenge.

2nd. Burnley's Cassom Canaletto at Barnsbur

Honest steel blue boy of a different type to 1. Masculine well proportioned head. Moderate neck and nice forechest however not as clean over the shoulders as 1. Balanced angulation front and rear. Good bone and body. Big deep ribs, and nicely developed rump. Moved ok but would have preferred more enthusiasm.

3rd Hill's Olibond Sunshine Girl at Princehill

15. Special beginners' dog or bitch 7(1)

1st. Brothwell & Bayliss' Wilanorah Soul Sister at Wissant

Really liked the make, shape and type of this b/r girl and on seeing her breeding I'm not surprised why. Not the biggest of girls but there is a lot of cocker in this package who is free from exaggeration. Pretty head and expression, she is balanced, short and compact and well made through, with a big peachy round bum. She moved well showing with true cockery action.

2nd. Princehill Shining Star

A nice type b/w ticked young lady who has a lot going for her. Expressive well-balanced head. Muscular neck of good length. Straight nicely boned front. Short, deep body. Strong, nicely angulated and muscled quarters. Delightful happy temperament however as such this caused her to be a tad erratic on the move.

3rd. Obsidian Spring Marvel

16. Bred by exhibitor 7(1)

1st. Lowery's Amaroanne Theos JW

Quality balanced b/r boy of lovely type and size who is not over done in any way. At 19 months he is maturing well and I look forward to seeing him as the finished article. Loved his head and kind expression. Excellent neck and front assembly. Good, well boned legs and neat feet. Short strong body, big ribs. Big bum and lovely muscular quarters. He moved out well showing true action. Beautifully presented. Considered for higher honours but had to give way on maturity to the veteran boy.

2nd. Young's Canyon Classic Legacy JW

Close up to 1, this black young man is another of good breed type presenting a balanced typical picture at all times. Masculine balanced head. Another with excellent construction front and rear. Good body and rib, however not quite the depth of 1. Firm top line, good strong rear angulation. Moved soundly once settled.

3rd. Princehill Shining Star

17. Not Bred By Exhibitor 4 (2)

1st. Collins' Cachel King Of Hearts at Candyke JW

Mature balanced b/r boy full of breed type. Masculine head but free from any coarseness and kind expression. Strong muscular neck, good front angulation and forechest. Strong well boned legs, deep ribs, good body and width. Correct top line. Strong well-made quarters. Moved well.

2nd Winder's Crowmere Oh Melissa

Sweet b/w ticked girl of good type. Pretty head, ok neck and shoulders however would benefit from more length to her upper arm. Nice ribs and body. Nicely angulated rear and well let down hocks. Moved ok.

18. Mid Limit dog or bitch 3(1)

1st. Ward's Pearkim Persephone at Wensum

This lovely o/r girl needs to be handled to fully appreciate her qualities. She appeals greatly for her overall breed type and cockery disposition. Lovely head and bright expression. For me she excels in front construction, from her muscular neck of moderate length, well placed shoulders and excellent return of upper arm, to her well-developed forechest. Tight elbows. Big well sprung ribs of good length. short firm loin and correct top line. Lovely big round rump, correctly angulated quarters with deep second thigh. She moved out happily and oh so soundly. RBIS.

2nd. Williams & Robinson's Wimerella Perfect Storm

Masculine b/r dog of good overall make and shape and who presented a balanced outline. Balanced head although would prefer a cleaner throat. Strong neck. Straight front. Good forechest and well-developed rib. Balanced angles front and rear. Strong mature body, and muscular rear. He has bone and substance in abundance however there is a tad too much of him for me. Moved well.

19. Open dog 1 (1)

Absent

20. Open bitch 5 (1)

1st. Shinkfield & Lester's Quettadene Touch the Stars JW

Having previously judged this black girl as a puppy I was thrilled to have the opportunity to judge her as the finished article and she certainly did not disappoint. One from the top draw she is full of breed type full of quality and substance but still so feminine and not over done in any way. Beautiful balanced head and melting expression. Excellent neck and shoulders with good length and return to upper arm. The best of legs and feet. Excellent body, depth and width. Big ribs reaching well back. Short strong back. Correctly angulated well developed quarters which she used to propel her around the ring showing true cocker action with plenty of drive. Put down to perfection at all times she did not stop showing her socks off all day and could not be denied BIS.

2nd. Williams' Wilmerella Storm Bird

This happy girl's personality really made me smile, she certainly knows how to make her handler work. Merry, balanced and compact is all there in this typey blue roan girl. Lovely head and eye. Elegant neck and super forehand construction. Good bone. Short, strong body. Well sprung ribs. Good rear angulation. Presented in excellent condition. She moved well with plenty of drive.

3rd Stack's Izznberr Black River Sand

Judge: Tori Ellis (Shannara)