COCKER SPANIEL CLUB OF LANCASHIRE

Open show Sunday 5th February 2012

Judge: Louise Wilding

I would like to thank the officers and committee for inviting me to judge their open show. A huge thank you to the exhibitors for turning out in such awful snowy conditions, you are certainly made of tough stuff. You all gave me some lovely dogs to judge, I hope you all got home safe and sound.

Class 1, Minor Puppy Dog (any colour)

1st Mitchell's Glowhill Gunsmoke 8 month old blue roan boy. Cockery, compact and balanced throughout. From his handsome head through to his well rounded quarters, this dog had quality in abundance. Excelled in front with ideally placed shoulders, plenty of bone moving down to tight compact feed. Moved round the ring with purpose and lots of puppy attitude with a happy wagging tail. BPIS and BMPIS.

2nd Glendinning's Plaiglen Pow Wow

3rd Nicholas-Steele's Marquell McCreddy By Kalrizienne

Class 2, Minor Puppy Bitch (any colour)

1st Glendinning's Plaiglen Pin Up. 8 Month old blue roan bitch with a sweet head and kind expression. Well placed shoulders, tight feet good round rib cage. Superb quarters with outstanding muscle tone that enabled her to move with great driving action, showing a positive powerful movement.

Class 3, Puppy Dog (any colour)

1st Wildman & Edwards' Manlinson Holiday Surprise. A 10 month old orange boy that I have seen from the ringside. This dog has great presence with his striking immaculate coat that gleams with condition. Another handsome male that is not overdone in any way. He is a very honest cocker with no exaggeration and is lovely to handle. He has superb tight feet and well boned legs. True quarters and moved happily at one with his handler. Although alone in this class he looked very much the picture of a true cocker.

Class 4, Puppy Bitch (any colour)

1st Nicholas-Steele's Kalriziennes Zheva Glentree. A stunning blue roan puppy that I will be watching with great interest. A feminine well balanced head with that "i love you " expression. Shoulders of correct angulation flowing into a compact but sturdy body. Tight compact feet. Correct rear angulation well muscled thighs great tailset. Moved with good reach and drive, holding a perfect topline at all times. A serious competitor for BPIS. I am sure will have lots of wins to come.

2nd Amos - Jones' Cassom Bea Dazzled 3rd Glendinning's Plaiglen Chic Chick

Class 5, Junior Dog or Bitch (any colour)

1st Platt's Charbonnel Peace Dream. 12 month old black bitch that is of the quality one comes to expect from this kennel. Good head with the kindest of expressions. The best of neck and shoulders flowing into a dog with great body and ribs. Tight feet and strong pasterns. Well muscled quarters. I wrote beautifully constructed but not quite as exuberant as some in the final line up, but i am sure her confidence will come in leaps and bounds and will be another star in the making.

2nd Benfield & Sneddons Plaiglen Magic Jewel.

Class 6, Special Yearling Dog or Bitch (any colour)

1st Hambley's Topday Blue Pearl. Blue roan bitch with a pretty head and kind eye. Had strong body and quarters and moved with great purpose and attitude.

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Class 7, Maiden dog or Bitch (any colour)
1st Wildman & Edwards' Manlinson Holiday Surprise
2nd Platt's Charbonnel Daydream
3rd Glennerster's Glentree Gabrielle
res Hambley's Topday Blue Pearl

Class 8, Novice Dog or Bitch (any colour)

1st Platt's Charbonnel Daydream. Black Bitch. We want exuberance in a cocker, well this bitch had plenty of this with loads to spare, what a fabulous temperament and character which made me smile. Pretty feminine head, good strong body with level topline. No exaggerations throughout, giving a well balanced overall picture and well presented.

2nd Benfield & Sneddons Plaiglen Magic Jewel

3rd Hambley's Topday Midnight Light

Class 9, Special graduate Dog or Bitch (black, black & tan or golden)

1st Henderson's Pendledell Design In Black. A black bitch who oozes quality throughout. Such a honest bitch that has many qualities that the breed standard asks for from her perfectly formed head through her neck and shoulders, strong body and sound strong quarters. Her movement showed a sound happy healthy dog that moved with reach and drive keeping that desirable level topline. A lot of dog in a compact cockery body. The finishing touches were her gleaming black coat and super presentation. A well deserved RBIS in my opinion.

2nd Brown & Crossley's Atherbron Asking For Trouble 3rd Vere's Chaysonnie Papparazzi at Adrona

Class 10, Special graduate Dog or Bitch (any colour other than black, black & tan or golden)

1st Wildman & Platt's Charbonnel Ermine'N' Pearls JW. 20 month old blue roan bitch who stole the show when she walked in the ring. The best of heads and lovely kind expression. Correct front angulation with a deep front chest and sturdy rib cage. Straight legs with ample bone and tight cat like feet. Well rounded and well muscled thighs. On the move she glides effortlessly round the ring looking like she could just keep going all day with a good level topline. Obviously a fit healthy dog. To finish off the picture she is presented to perfection with a glossy coat that to me shows what good condition she is in. She was handled beautifully showing off her best qualities. This handler is one of the best around and I for one could learn so much just by watching him. Delighted to award them BIS.

2nd Mitchell's Glowhill Cherry Pie

3rd Burley's Suedon's Pippin for Barnsbur

Class 11, Post Graduate Dog or Bitch (any colour)

1st Brown & Crossley's Atherbron Call Me Trouble. Handsome Red Dog of good type that improves with age. Cockery and balanced throughout. Good forechest, with ample depth of chest. Excellent feet, strong body and level topline stood and on the move. Moved with drive and animation. In beautiful coat and condition, presenting a nice overall cocker free of exaggeration therefore awarded BOS.

Class 12, Bred By Exhibitor (any colour) 1st Platt's Charbonnel Daydream 2nd Vere's Adrona Daydream

Class 13, Not Bred By Exhibitor (any colour)

1st Anslow's Bitcon Made By Magic. 11 month old blue bitch with a pretty head with kind dark eye. Sound construction with ample bone and the most lovely tightest of feet. Beautifully presented. So happy on the move looking like a true merry cocker.

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Class 14, Special Beginners (any colour)

1st Robertson's Kastrian Eternity JW. I judged this black bitch as a puppy and gave best puppy in breed. She has turned out to be the lovely cocker i hoped she would. Good head, clean neck and shoulders, excellent strong ribs and topline. Good rear angulation giving purpose and drive on the move. Looked the picture in the final line up, just carried a bit too much weight to push her for the final win.

2nd Hambley's Topday Midnight Light

Class 15, Special Open Dog or Bitch (black, Black& Tan or golden) No entries

Class 16, Special Open Dog or Bitch (any colour other than black, black & tan or golden)

1st Mitchell's Glowhill Cheeky Chic. Blue roan bitch. Great head and dark eye, good front assembly, big ribcage, short compact body and very sound on the move. Balanced overall picture. I remember my mentor once stating that this kennel must have a mould as they produce the same quality dogs time and time again. This bitch fits that picture.

Class 17, Veteran Dog or Bitch (any colour)

1st Mitchell's ShCh Glowhill Scrumpy Jack. A well known 11year old blue boy who has all the qualities expected by a shch. Still has that handsome head. Strong body in very hard condition. Still has well muscled quarters and moved with presence and drive with his tail wagging merrily whilst watching his owner. A great example of this breed. BVIS.