

Home Counties Cocker Spaniel

13/10/18

I would like to thank the Home Counties Officers and Committee for inviting me to judge the Special Awards. I would also like to thank the exhibitors who allowed me to go over their dogs and accepting my decisions with good grace. I thoroughly enjoyed my judging and felt all my classes had some excellent example of our breed, I would have liked more red cards today.

Puppy (3, abs 0)

1st Joaldy Best Mate, 8 month old, blue roan dog. Lovely expression with dark eye. Good length of neck leading to Well-placed shoulders and good chest room. Well ribbed. Good bone with correct angulation both front and rear. Sound happy mover, moved best in class today.

2nd Fendrove Legally Blond, 6 month old Gold bitch. A beautiful headed bitch with soft melting expression and dark eye. Plenty of chest room and well off for bone, tight feet. Good angulation. Happy on the more, just a little erratic today at times, but once settled moved well. Well-groomed one I will watch. Just preferred the maturity of 1 on the day.

Post Graduate (7, abs 1)

This was such a lovely class where I felt all the dogs could change places on a different day.

1st Reemif Midnight Blue for Chanmalo –2 year old blue roan male. Good strong head, with a dark eye, low set ears, loved his soft expression. Well laid shoulders, good depth of chest, and well ribbed. Good strong rear and well-muscled which helped him power around the ring. Best mover in this class today. Well-presented and handled well.

2nd Challowdown Loopy Lou with Genavieve - 22 month old blue roan bitch. So much to like about this bitch. Pretty feminine head with a nice dark eye. Low set ears and good length to neck. Deep chest and well ribbed. Good rear quarters. Present a lovely shape when stacked, Happy on the move. Groomed well. I just preferred the maturity of 1 on the day but she has so much time on her hands. Another one I will watch with interest.

Open (5, abs 0)

1st Sheigra Stars in Her Eyes – 15 month old black bitch. Very Feminine head with a nice dark eye. Good neck and shoulders. Good ribs and ample bone. Well balanced Well-muscled. Tight feet. Happy on the move with a lovely wagging tail.

2nd Mystical Milow at Chanmalo ShCM. 8 year old blue roan male – I think you really have to get your hands on this dog to appreciate what fabulous hard condition he is in. Masculine head, dark eye and low set ears. Big Ribs and well off for bone. Fabulous muscle tone. Powered around the ring defying his 8 years. Close decision between 1 and 2 just preferred the compact outline of 1 today.

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