

**Welsh Springer Spaniel Club**

**Championship show**

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018**

Firstly, I would like to give my thanks to the Welsh Springer Spaniel Club for inviting me to judge the handling classes at their Championship show.

My thanks must go to all the handlers who entered under me and made the day special. In the Adult Handling I was splitting hairs the winner as the standard from all five handlers was very high.

My instructions and requirements were straight forward to give each handler an equal chance but these still needed good execution.

**6-11 years**

**1<sup>st</sup>, Luke Hadfield**-A very polite handler, always talking and giving encouragement to his dog, this young handler moved his dog well around the ring. When Luke got his dog stood he did stand it very well. He was always smiling which was great to see.

**Adult Handling**

What a brilliant class of handlers.

**1<sup>st</sup>, Stacie Nicoll**- Great handler, she was one with her dog showing her 4-year-old bitch to its full advantage, Stacie presented the teeth with ease and always talking and encouraging to her dog, she performed her pattern work very well, with straight, neat lines always keeping an eye on where the judge was. She stood her dog well, making sure its feet were always correctly placed, another handler who was always smiling.

**2<sup>nd</sup>, Honor Harrison**- Another great handler, Honor also showed her dogs teeth with ease, always talking to her 5-year-old bitch, she stood her dog very well and when I moved her dogs back leg she made sure that the dogs feet were correctly placed. She moved her dog around the ring well listening to all instructions.

**3<sup>rd</sup>, Julia McCann-** Another very good handler, always stood her dog well, making sure her dogs feet were placed correctly, showed his teeth well, always giving encouragement to her dog, she also moved him well