

## **The Welsh Springer Spaniel Club - Open Show – 18<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

I would like to convey my sincere thanks to the Club for inviting me to judge at this friendly well run show and for their hospitality on the day. It was a great honour to judge at the Parent Club of the breed. Thank you to all the exhibitors for their entries and also to my friendly efficient steward, Jayne.

### VD (5,1)

1 Barkleys Sh Ch Cherryheaths Mr Michief JW ShCM. One I have judged before and, although he is losing his colour a little, his quality cannot be denied. He always enjoys his showing and has a great outgoing personality. Masculine head of correct proportions. Strong neck and good shoulders, good spring of rib, well muscled hindquarters and well let down hocks with tight cat like feet. Moved very true with such drive around the ring. BVIS.

2 Tews Pamicks Dazzling Boy JW ShCM. Good honest 10 year old retaining his rich red coat. Masculine head, deep chest. Although slightly longer in loin he still presents a balanced picture. Ample angulation front and rear. Nothing exaggerated. Although he moved well, he did not quite have the drive of 1.

3 Caldwell and McDowells Sh Ch Gemill Back to the Future for Cerysan JW ShCM.

### MPD Two very nice puppies that could change places another day (4)

1 Harrisons Glenbrows This is Me. Just over 7 months and coming along nicely. Very pleasing head, good bone throughout, good angulation and strong rear end, moved well on tight feet. Promising puppy.

2 Knowles Menstonia Minstrel. Another lovely puppy of similar age, maturing nicely but also quite leggy at the moment. Kind expression, balanced body. Preferred the movement of 1 today.

3 Learys Menstonia Meridian of Haslemount.

### PD (3,1)

1 Cemis' Taimeres Talk About Me. Very smart 10 month old puppy. Mature, well off for bone. Masculine head for one so young. Deep chest, ample angulation, moved steadily. Shown in great condition.

2 Learys Menstonia Meridian of Haslemount. Still quite raw at the moment and still going through leggy stage. Lovely head and expression. Very smart boy but a little lacking in confidence today.

### YD (3) 1

Worths Sarabande Lord of the Dance (AI). Just out of junior. A slightly smaller frame than some, but very well balanced. Very appealing expression. Good clean neck and lay of shoulder. Well bodied for his age. Ample rear angulation with well let down hocks. Lovely rich red coat, presented in tip-top condition. Kept his topline on the move. Very promising as only 19 months.

2 Harrisons Glenbrows Valentino for Gilpeta. Substantial mature male for his age. Appealing masculine head. Straight front, deep chest. Well off for bone with strong hindquarters. Liked the overall picture but he did not move as well as 1 on the day.

3 Le Maitres Vannelmead Gelert

ND (3,1) 1 Knowles Mensotnia Minstrel.

2 Phillipsons Menstonia Meteor. Litter brother to 1 not quite as mature and a little taller. Very raw at the moment. Still balanced and I am sure he will mature nicely, given time.

PGD (6, 4)

1 Olivers Glenbrows Royal Dragon. This one really appealed to me, one I had not seen before but he presented a very well balanced picture. Very smart dog from a slightly smaller mould. Melting expression, kind eye, straight front, short coupled, ample bone, neat tight feet. A very nice youngster indeed, will watch his progress with interest.

2 Bennetts Helgen Romeo the Lover. Slightly larger mould than 1 and a little longer in loin. Masculine head and dark eye. Well sprung ribs, plenty of bone, tight feet. Very honest dog and a good overall shape.

LD (7,1) What a fabulous class, spoilt for choice as they say – some lovely dogs to go over.

1 McCanns Slapstones Tidal Force. RBD. Well presented 3yr old male. Masculine head with muscular neck into good shoulders. Straight front, well off for bone. Deep chest. Moved well around the ring on tight feet. Shown in gleaming condition. Presents a very elegant picture.

2 Rees' Hudolus Rhys Henllys at Typica. Slightly finer than 1. Attractive head, kind expression with dark eye. Long clean neck, straight front, good depth of rib. Balanced angulation. Great topline. Covered the ground well. These two could well change places another day.

3 Browns Bowdonia Ozzie.

OD (4,1)

1 Worths Sarabande Perfect Storm (AI) ShCM BD, BIS. This dog has a super, well proportioned head with such a kind expression. Correct length of neck, good depth of chest and spring of rib. Strong quarters enabling him to move with drive around the ring. Overall he presents such a well balanced outline. Quality dog with gleaming coat, shown in wonderful condition as always from this kennel.

2 Davies' Juita Rutland JW Masculine head but with a gentle expression. Muscular neck slightly longer in loin but presents a balanced picture. Good rear angulation. Moved well around the ring.

3 Hankins Haltonian Romeo with Woodelrond.

SPWkD (3)

1 Groots NL/CIE CH Isfryn on the Spot. Substantial dog with gleaming broken coat. Very muscular and ready for a days work. Typical head with kind expression. Neat tight feet. Good angulation front and rear and ever wagging tail.

2 Barkleys Cherryheaths Mr Mojito. Well balanced compact dog with a lovely head. Muscular neck into good shoulders, well off for rib. A very pleasing picture overall. Covered the ground well on neat tight feet.

3 Smiths Isfryn Peeping Tom JW.

SPBegD (2)

1 Bennetts Helgen Romeo the Lover.

2 Le Maitres Vannelmead Gelert. Masculine head, strong neck. Well ribbed with good depth of chest, good bone, moved well when he settled.

VB So much to like about both of these two lovely oldies, very close between the first two. (4,1)

1 Caldwell's Cerysan Pochohontas. Kind eye, gentle expression, pleasing head, ample reach of neck, balanced body of correct proportions. Good rear angulation. Moved steadily.

2 Barkleys Cherryheaths Miss Chief JW. Although she is 11 years old she doesn't show her age and moved round the ring as though she was much younger. Slightly larger mould than 1. Pleasing head, good front and well muscled rear end, balanced throughout. Just preferred the overall shape of 1.

3 Caldwell Cerysan Purely by Chance.

MPB (2)

1 Harrison's Glenbrows Temptress. BPIS Such a pretty girl. Sweet feminine head, long clean neck, straight front, short coupled body with rich red jacket, ample rear angulation. Lovely balanced proportions all through.

2 Mole and Knox's Zaza Florence our Royal Welsh at Edincraw (Imp Ndl). This girl has a pretty feminine head and good reach of neck she is a little immature at the moment and was certainly giving her handler a hard time, but I am sure with time she will settle.

PB (2,1)

1 Knowles Menstonia Make a Wish. Mature 10 month old bitch, slightly taller but still presented a balanced overall picture. Gentle expression and typical Welsh head, straight front, ample rear angulation. Good honest bitch.

JB (1)

1 Revills Julita Rhubette JW. Stood alone in the class but a worthy winner. Such a pretty feminine bitch through and through. Sweet expression long clean neck balanced body, good rear angulation, correct topline, moved with drive, very elegant young lady.

YB (7,1)

1 Wallers Isfryn Lady Godiva at Fireglow. Headed a strong class of lovely bitches. Although she has more substance, she is still very feminine. Head of correct proportions with good chiselling, melting expression and well defined stop. Good reach of neck into well laid back

shoulders, well boned legs, muscular rear quarters, correct tail set. Moved powerfully. Presents a very pleasing picture.

2 Woodward's Hinxwood Fire and Ice. Stylish bitch with attractive outline. Typical head. Pleasing expression. Reasonable spring of rib but she is still developing. Slightly higher on the leg. Good topline which she held on the move.

3 Dixons Stedigan Starz in their Eyes.

NB (7,1)

1 Bonser Hadfield and Hadfields Glenbrows Faith. Pretty bitch, finer in head, gentle expression, well balanced with good angulation front and rear, covered the ground steadily.

2 Dixons Stedigan Starz in Their Eyes. Good honest bitch, nothing exaggerated. Sweet expression, good length of rib, moved well.

3 Le Maitres Vannelmead Gwenllian

PGB (8,1) Another class with several quality bitches.

1 Jones' Julita Rumours at Trosley. Such a pretty feminine bitch developing well. Nice head with kind expression. Clean neck into well laid back shoulders. Good spring of rib and balanced body proportions, strong rear end. Moved soundly.

2 Woodward's Sarabande Billie Jean at Hinxwood (AI). Good head and expression well constructed throughout, lovely coat, strong rear hindquarters driving well around the ring.

3 Worthy's Sarabande Defying Gravity (AI)

LB (4,1)

1 Ritchies Sarabande Eternity at Slapstones (AI) JW. Quality bitch. Beautiful 3yr old. Feminine head with kind expression and dark eye. Strong neck, deep chest and good spring of rib, balanced body and a good topline retained on the move. Nothing exaggerated. Well developed hindquarters that enabled her to move with ease around the ring.

2 Tews Pamicks Field of Dreams JW. She has a beautiful feminine head with good eye and soft expression. Long neck and well laid back shoulders. Correct rise over loin, ample angulation, super hind quarters. Overall a very elegant bitch.

3 Le Maitres Pamicks Alice Springs to Vannelmead JW.

OB (2) Another difficult decision to make between these two lovely bitches both have a lot to offer. I just felt that 1 moved a little better on the day.

1 Thomas' Bowdonia Anastasia JW. BB, RBIS. Super bitch to go over. Although she has substance, she is still very feminine. Excellent bone. Slightly longer in body but still presents a balanced picture. Well proportioned head with kind expression and dark eye. Straight front, well sprung ribs, deep chest, strong quarters, held her topline while she moved with purpose and covered the ground so well. Nothing flashy but a very sound bitch.

2 Cocking, Barnaby and Tullys ShCh/NL CH Bushwacker Gregory's Girl at Highclare. RBB. Very stylish bitch, long clean neck into well placed shoulders, good depth of chest slightly

higher on the leg than 1. Short coupled, well let down hocks, moved with drive. Elegant in outline.

SPWkB (4,1)

1 Barkleys Cherryheaths Miss Velocity JW. Very pretty broken coated bitch nothing overdone, but one that could easily do a days work, nothing flashy but all the right proportions. Sweet head and expression, clean neck, shorter coupled, moved fluently with such a happy temperament.

2 Smiths

Isfryn Hocus Pocus. More substance than 1. Stonger in head, muscular neck, deep chest, substantial bone, moved steadily.

3 Dixons Stedigan Starz in Their Eyes.

SPBegB (4, 2)

1 Hankins Haltonian Juliet with Woodelrond. Pretty bitch with well proportioned head. Slightly longer in loin with ample angulation. Presented a good overall outline. Moved soundly.

2 Mole and Knoxs Zaza Florence our Royal Welsh at Edincraw (Imp Ndl).

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