

## **Critique from Bridget Harris for Coventry Cocker Spaniel Club on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2015 Open Show**

It was an honour to judge my first breed club show as a "B" list judge and I would like to thank all those involved with the show for making Les and I so welcome, also thanks to my steward David Howell. I had a quality entry of 103 dogs making decisions a real challenge.

All dogs had good temperaments and good mouths. On the negative side a few had high tail carriage.

Best In Show: Whitehead's Ryallcourt Painted Lace

Reserve Best In Show: Kettle's Lujesa Obrigada

Best Puppy in Show: Bond's Cassom Fast And Furious at Olibond

Reserve Best Puppy in Show: Warrington's Zakova Ally Kat

Best Veteran in Show: Lockwood's Lujesa Casellina at Chimewood

### **Class 1. Minor Puppy Dog (10)**

1. Bond's Cassom Fast and Furious at Olibond. 8 months blue dog, lovely head with square muzzle and dark eyes good forechest and reach of neck into well laid shoulders. Short and cobby with nice angulation, tight feet, keeping topline on the move and covering the ground with drive. Will watch his progress with interest. BPIS
2. Thomas' Abercrombie of La Vie Magnifique for Claramand. 8 months light blue of larger frame than 1 but a nice honest puppy with good topline and moved well.
3. Mitchell's Glowhill Cotton Eyed Joe

### **Class 2. Minor Puppy Bitch (12)**

1. Warrington's Zakova Ally Kat. Beautifully presented black 6 months bitch, a real baby but certainly had her act together. Lovely head with melting expression and tight eyes. Good forechest and deep bodied, well ribbed with good topline and tailset. RBPIS
2. Darby's Lujesa Magic Touch of Classicway 8 months black. Nice expression dark eyes, good neck and shoulders just preferred topline and squarer shape of 1 nevertheless a quality young lady.
3. Kettle's Lujesa Rainbow's End.

#### Class 3. Puppy Any Colour (6)

1. Whiting's Annilann Miss Sing. Almost 10 months blue bitch feminine head, good neck and shoulders with excellent spring of rib, deep body and good bone moved with drive.  
Strongly contested for top honours in puppy challenge.
2. Hackett's Lindridge Blue Delft 9 months light blue bitch larger built than 1 but a nice shape. In good coat, short hocks and a very close decision.
3. Thomas's Claramand Crystal Kiss

#### Class 4. Special Puppy Solid (4)

1. Thomas' Claramand Tantatious 10 months black and tan bitch, dark eye, well balanced head, level topline which she kept on the move, good tailset and width of thigh show in lovely condition.
2. Derby's Lujesa Magic Touch of Classicway
3. Warrington's Zakova Summer Song

#### Class 5. Special Puppy Particolour (8)

1. Daniels' Starbourne Orange Blossom 9 months orange roan bitch, feminine head with excellent pigmentation, nice neck and shoulders, straight front and good topline, well set tail, balanced and moved well when settled.
2. Warrington's Zakova Mr. Moonshine, blue 11 months dog slightly longer than 1, well ribbed body with good angulation and in good coat moved with drive.
3. Ray's Annilann Mister Blue Sky

#### Class 6. Special Open Solid (3)

1. Black's Tojamatt Lady Cecil at Cleolivia. Black bitch with pleasing, balanced head, dark eyes and good bone, well presented.
2. Pretty's Kerriglow Fable With Joaldy. Black, sturdy dog with nice expression, deep chest and neat feet, short hocks.
3. Gostellow's Domeva Delphi

#### Class 7. Special Open Particolour (3)

1. Ray's Jardinisle Happy Times. Blue dog of solid build with well sprung ribs, correct tailset and in good coat, a handful on the move but happy and sound.
2. Mitchell's Glowhill Miss Saigon. Blue bitch, lovely head and reach of neck, well angulated. An honest Cocker not wearing her best coat today but moved well.
3. Wheatley's Wilmerella Keep Dancing with Melandroy

#### Class 8. Veteran (9)

What a lovely line up of veterans all a credit to their owners.

1. Lockwood's Lujesa Casellina at Chimewood. Black bitch 7 and a half years, feminine head with dark eyes, clean throat and good reach of neck into well laid shoulder, square outline. BV
2. West's Sheigra Swing On A Star 7 years black and tan bitch, such a close call to 1, many of the same attributes, beautifully presented.
3. Gilmour's Show Champion Chavez Royal Liaison JW

#### Class 9. Junior Any Colour (4)

1. Chater's Izznbarr Izza Legacy. Black bitch, dark eye and pleasing head, deep chest with good spring of rib, merry on the move.
2. Moutrey's Sunzo Sonatina. Black bitch, nice head and body, well turned out, moved well.
3. Matthew's Sonham Sapphire Blue

#### Class 10. Maiden Any Colour (1)

1. Kavanagh-Bromley's Cachel Justbecause. Bitch on her own but has a sweet expression, adequate neck and good shoulder and angulation.

#### Class 11. Novice (2)

1. Nicholas & Carter's Manacas Paper Doll. Black and white ticked bitch, up to size and well off for bone, drove purposefully around the ring covering the ground well.
2. Cocoran's Troverothway Hampton Rose. Black bitch with pleasing head and body did not have the movement of 1.

#### Class 12. Graduate (9) Such a strong class

1. Kettle's Lujesa Obrigada. Beautiful black bitch so well put together and a joy to go over, didn't put a foot wrong. Sweetest of heads, tight eye, square muzzle, clean throat, correct forechest, ample neck into well laid shoulders, deep chest and good spring of rib and good width of thigh.  
RBIS
2. Mathew's Sonham Blue Diamond Blue. Stylish dog well built with a good head and dark eye balanced all through and moved so well.  
Unlucky to meet 1 in this class.
3. Pitt's Olibond Let me be the one.

#### Class 13. Post Graduate Any Colour (7)

1. West's Sheigra Stargazer J.W. What a lovely red dog, full of presence and style, masculine without being over done. Lovely layback of shoulder and good forechest presented in excellent coat and condition.
2. Hillary's Sheigra Mr Snuggles at Edaisy. Black dog built on similar stamp as 1, slightly longer and shorter on leg but happy on the move.
3. Cory & Brown Lujesa Heaven Sent.

#### Class 14. Special Tryers (6)

1. Worgan's Lujesa License To Thrill for Luthame Black dog of good type, short and balanced would prefer little less coat to better assess movement.
2. Simpson's Evaremoc Dark Diamond. Black bitch with gentle expression, good angulation, topline and bone.
3. Black's Tojamatt Lady Cecil at Cleolivia.

Class 15. Bred by exhibitor (1a)

Class 16. Not Bred By Exhibitor (6)

1. Taylor's Kentredicim Savannah For Triveka. Black bitch of good type and shape, well ribbed, nice angulation and neat feet, moved well.
2. Cory & Brown's Lujesa Heaven Sent Black bitch slightly longer cast than 1 but sweet head and ample neck and good shoulders well presented
3. Simpson's Evaremoc Dark Diamond

Class 17. Open Dog (16)

1. Carpenter's Lynwater Belgium Chocolate. Smart liver roan dog, masculine head, nice forefront, tight elbow and good angulation and bone shown in good coat and moved with drive and in hard condition.
2. Gilmour's Chavez Royal Dreamer. Black dog with nice head, deep chested and well ribbed body, good topline.
3. Rowland's Perrytree Toffee Crisp

Class 18. Open Bitch (5)

1. Whitehead's Ryallcourt Painted Lace J.W. Tri colour bitch, what a smart young lady, beautiful balanced head with dark eyes and square muzzle clean throat, ample neck into well laid shoulder, deep chest and lovely spring of rib, short coupled with good width of thigh, correct tailset, beautifully presented and moved with style. Would loved to have taken her home. BIS
2. West's Sheigra Shining Star J.W. Lovely black bitch, feminine head and dark eye, ample neck into well laid shoulder, good spring of rib, tight feet with good angulation and tailset, beautifully presented.
3. Fajardo's Glowhill Balla Marie at San Matayo