

Clumber Spaniel Club Open Show 15th August 2021

Thank you to the membership for your voted invitation to judge this special show. Thank you to the committee for your hospitality which was also extended to my friend who provided my "bed and breakfast". Final thanks to the exhibitors for bringing your dogs and to those who wrote to me prior to the show to give their apologies. I was pleased to be able to judge outside but grass would have benefited all exhibits.

Novice Dog (2)

1 Thorogood's Anbrook Don't Stop Me Now at Harrifield.

Well boned boy with a good head piece and excellent length in body. Scissor bite. Lovely strong legs with large round tight feet. Well sprung ribs carried well back. Nice low tail set. Moved well. Coat could come a bit more.

2 Gascoigne's Nivalis Augustus.

Excellent and impressively presented coat on this boy. Nice square head and scissor bite. Good muscle tone over nice spring of ribs. Hard to assess hindquarter and entirety as he was not happy standing for me at his back end.

Graduate Dog (3)

1 Whitehouse's Maursett Mallachie at Molvonia.

This lad had a captivating beautiful head piece totally free from exaggeration with a handsome kind expression. Scissor bite. Long body with level topline. Ribs were well sprung and carried well back. Mature and well boned all through and a beautiful white coat. Well bent stifle and strong hindquarter. Nice round tight feet. In profile he reached and drove well with a level tail carriage. BD and BOS

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3 Gascoigne's Nivalis Augustus.

Post Graduate Dog (2,2)

Open Dog (3)

1 Page's Mickleless Fundamental.

Square head with scissor bite, beautiful clean eye and handsome masculine expression totally unexaggerated. Solid bone complimented with hard muscle. Lovely low outline standing on four large round straightly placed feet which I loved. Strong hindquarter. Moved very well going away in the final class move. ResBD.

2 Thorogood's Sh Ch Winhampton Over The Yardarm at Harrifield.

Stronger in head than 1, scissor bite, well laid-back shoulder and a well boned front. Nice long thick neck and excels in length of body and hard topline.

Veteran dog (1)

1st Hirst's Sh Ch Creeaark Artreyu.

Lovely square head with unexaggerated pleasing kind expression. Well laid shoulder. Excellent for body length and proportions and well bent stifle. Sleekly prepared white coat. Nothing exaggerated about him and yet he's so clearly Clumber. Have judged this boy before and his movement wasn't helped by the stony surface today.

Special Working Dog (2)

1 Micklemess Fundamental.

2 Rudbach's Sh Ch Micklemess Making Music at Clumbadane.

Soundly constructed boy with well laid shoulder and well bent stifles. Sleek white coat and beautiful presentation. Nice length in body. Excellent muscle tone and topline. Would just like more bone and a touch more work in head.

Minor Puppy Bitch (1)

1 Charlesworth-Ironside's Tavirosh Sugar Plum Fairy.

Really liked this girl's profile outline. Plenty of bone and a classic square head. Scissor bite. Balanced angulation and a happy girl. In great condition for her seven and half months.

Puppy bitch (2)

1 Charlesworth-Ironside's Tavirosh Sugar Plum Fairy.

2 Furnell's Maursett Marvella of Bebecova.

Smart bitch and handler gets the best out of her on the move. Sweet expression and clean eyes. Well-boned, a touch proud of her tail but a sound mover and in good muscle tone and coat quality.

Junior bitch (2)

1 Furnell's Maursett Marvella of Bebecova.

2 Whissgig Rainbow.

After placing her I learned it was her first show. She has a nice length of body and a good low tail set. Plenty of clean white coat but this required attention in trimming. Would like a cleaner eye. Sympathetically handled.

Novice bitch (2)

1 Furnell's Maursett Marvella of Bebecova.

2 Whissgig Rainbow.

Postgraduate bitch (2)

1 Dawson's Beskerby Luminescent.

Nice outline of a bitch. Scissor bite, square head but without exaggeration. Good muscle tone and ok in length of body. Well sprung ribs. Well bent stifles and correct straight hocks from behind. Nicely prepared white coat.

2 Hirst's Snow White Source Of Happiness for Creeaark.

Not the maturity of 1 but preferred this girl's topline. Scissor bite and feminine head. Well prepared coat. Well angulated front.

Limit (1)

1 Charlesworth-Ironside's Tavirosh Limestone.

Honest bitch, nothing flashy about her but nothing to fault. Very feminine head which could be a touch stronger. Well-proportioned and a low tail set. Nice turn of stifle.

Open bitch Kirkman (1)

1 Kirkman's Wymeswold Butterscott at Kirkara (imp Nld).

Beautiful feminine Clumber expression and square head. Clean eyes without excess. Scissor bite. Balanced front and back with well laidback shoulder. Well boned and strong level topline on a lovely long and low body, well sprung ribs and ribbed well back. Well-muscled short loin in to strong hindquarter with well bent stifles. Tight feet and firm pasterns, low tail set and finished with a beautiful white coat. Not so happy covering the ground at first but got it together when it mattered and by the end powered round the ring to take BB and Best In Show.

Veteran bitch (2)

1 Hirst's Sh Ch Creeaark Fantastica.

Lovely outline. Nice expression and scissor bite. Excellent muscle tone on this veteran bitch. Laidback shoulder and well boned frame. Well sprung rib and a well bent turn of stifle. Strong hindquarter. Low tail set carried level on the move. Well-presented and handler really got the best out of her on the move. Moved out with reach and drive, pushed hard for BB. Res BB, Res BIS and BV.

2 Page's Micklemess Sunny Dawn.

An honest and sound bitch in good muscle condition. Pleasing feminine head. Not the coat finish and preparation of 1 but balanced construction front and rear and free from any exaggeration with a low and long outline.

Special Working Bitch (2).

1 Page's Micklemess Sunny Dawn.

2 Knowles' Jackpotstud Running Late.

Not much to split this girl from her dam who stood in third. Happy girl on the move. Nice length of body and good ribbing, hard muscle and well bent stifles. Ok for bone but a touch high on the leg and would also prefer a squarer head.

3 Knowles' Jackpotstud Super Model.

Brace

1 Charlesworth-Ironside.

2 Knowles.

Two well matched pairs. Preferred 1st for type but 2nd moving very nicely. Well done.

James Taylor.