Critique Cocker Spaniel Club of Qld Championship Show - 16 October 2021

Judge: Miss Carolyn Ryan

I would like to sincerely thank the Cocker Spaniel Club of Qld for the invitation to judge their championship show.

I thoroughly enjoyed my appointment and the good sportsmanship and at times, good humour from the exhibitors.

The breed is very strong overall with many classes of quality exhibits. The dogs are all groomed to perfection and in excellent overall condition. They are a credit to their owners!!!!

I wish your Club continued success with its future endeavours.

Baby dog: (2 entries, 1 absent)

1st - Madanwitt Keeping it Legal at Tarrendayle (Sup Ch & Am Ch Dawnglow It Shouldn't Be Legal (Imp USA) x Scolouvalley Black Lace) - At just 3 months of age, a very promising baby. Head balanced with dark eye and gentle expression. Neck of sufficient length blending into well-laid shoulder. Body balanced throughout with strong hindquarters. Moved well for one so young.

2nd - Tarrendayle Shut Up And Dance (Ch Ravensnite Betya Bottom Dollar x Ch Tarrendayle Dancing inth Mirror) - Orange Roan male 5 1/2 months of age. More mature baby and slightly longer in back than the first place getter. Masculine head, with kind expression. Level topline with well set tail. Nicely angled front and back. Moved well.

Puppy Dog: (1 entry)

1st - Ravensnite Loaded With Loot (Sup Ch & Am Ch Dawnglow It Shouldn't Be Legal (Imp USA) x Ch Ravensnite Sno Money) - Mature Gold puppy dog with strong, balanced masculine head. Dark eye and soft expression. Neck of sufficient length to blend into shoulders smoothly. Well boned with strong rounded feet. Short body with good spring of rib. Strong hindquarters.

Junior Dog: (2 entries)

1st - Acijay Look Who Is Here at Kapoint (Pencandy Squeaky Clean x Acijay Games People Play) - Orange Roan male 14 1/2 months old. Very promising youngster. He is yet to fully mature. but when he does, he will be one to watch. Head balanced with dark eye and soft expression. Adequate length of neck to blend into well laid shoulders. Excellent upper arm and well boned forelegs. Strong round feet. Level topline and short coupled body. Hindquarters strong and well angulated. Overall a well balanced young dog both standing and moving. RESERVE CHALLENGE DOG & BEST JUNIOR IN SHOW

2nd - Spezia Lord of the Ring - (Ch Cobolt Luck of the Irish x Spezia Waltz of the Flowers) - Younger and less mature than the class winner, this Black and White boy wasn't enjoying his time in the ring today. Pleasing head and expression, Level topline and and short coupled.

Intermediate Dog: (2 entries)

1st - Ch Tarrendayle This Cant Be Legal (Sup Ch & Am Ch Dawnglow It Shouldn't Be Legal (Imp USA) x Ravensnite Kickstart My Heart) - Two year old Gold male. Strong masculine head. Neck of moderate length blending into his shoulders. Well boned with tight feet. Short coupled with level topline. Well angulated hindquarters. Well coated and pleasing presentation. BEST INTERMEDIATE IN SHOW

2nd - Spezia Irish By Design (Ch Cobolt Luck of the Irish x Seizia Touched By An Angel) - Younger than the first place winner, this Blue roan male lacks the maturity of the winner. Masculine head with pleasing expression. Carried himself well on the move. RUNNER UP INTERMEDIATE IN SHOW

Australian Bred Dog: (2 entries)

1st - Ch Kimkiera Who Dares Wins - (Pinewaite Perfect Match x Grand Ch Kimkiera Impossible Dreams) - Mature 5 year old blue roan male. A quality dog through and through from this balanced, masculine head with dark eye and melting expression, to his strong, short coupled body. Excellent bone and round feet. Well-laid shoulder and long upper arm. Well sprung ribs and well developed chest. Powerful, well turned stifle. Moved with strength and drive and merry action with wagging tail. Groomed and handled to perfection - CHALLENGE DOG & AUST-BRED IN SHOW

2nd - Ch Britebay Bobby Crocker - (Gr Ch Britebay Bush Tucker Man x Ch Britebay Black Bindi) - Mature 2 year old black dog. Strong masculine head of equal proportions. Dark eye with gentle expression. A little bit proud of his tail on the day. Well coated.

Open Dog: (2 entries, 1 absent)

1st - Ch Ravensnite Betya Bottom Dollar CA - (Ch & Am Gr Ch Dawnglow Man in Black (imp USA) x Ravensnite Brite N Breezy) - 4 1/2 year old Black dog. Another impressive male with gleaming black coat presented impeccably. Masculine head with soft expression. Well-boned forelegs right down to strong round feet. Short body and strong hindquarters. Moved with purpose covering ground efficiently.

Veteran Dog: (1 entry)

1st - Ch Bolwarra Inspire (Ch Yunbeai Never Say Never) x Yunbeai I Even Better) - 9 year old Blue Roan dog. Lovely veteran in excellent condition. Balanced head with kind expression. Good length of neck blending into well laid shoulder. Nicely boned with strong feet. Forequarter and hindquarter balanced to give a level topline. Moved well for his age covering ground with ease. BEST VETERAN IN SHOW

CHALLENGE DOG: Ch Kimkiera Who Dares Wins

RESERVE CHALLENGE DOG: Acijay Look Who Is Here at Kapoint

Baby Bitch: (8 entries, 1 absent)

1st - Kimkiera Aim To Please (Al) - (Ch Ravensnite Betcha Bottom Dollar CA x Grand Ch Kimkiera Keep Up Appearances) - Black bitch who took my eye as soon as she stepped into the ring. Head balanced and feminine with equal proportions. Dark eye with melting expression. Good length of upper arm and excellent lay of shoulder. Short, strong body well-ribbed. Strong hindquarters. Moved well - BABY IN SHOW

2nd - Kimkiera Kiss Me Kate (Al) - (Ch Ravensnite Betcha Bottom Dollar CA x Grand Ch Kimkiera Keep Up Appearances) - Blue roan bitch, litter sister to the winner. All the same qualities however I preferred the forequarter of the winner. However very little to separate them!!! RESERVE BABY IN SHOW

3rd - Madanwitt That Aint Legal At Ravensnite - (Sup Ch & Am Ch Dawnglow It Shouldn't Be Legal (Imp USA) x Scolouvalley Black Lace) - 3 month old Gold baby. Unfortunate to come up against the older sisters who placed above her in the class. Very sweet head and expression . Neck blending smoothly into her shoulders. Lovely short body and level topline. Moved well for one so young.

Minor Bitch: (2 entries, 1 absent)

1st - Amamoor Islands in the Stream - (Ch Totenkopf Dutch Spirit Maker (imp UK) x Amamoor Footprints in the Sand) - 8 month old Gold bitch. Feminine head with kind expression. Dark eye. Not showing a strong in topline at present. Strong hindquarter. Yet to gain her confidence in the ring.

Puppy Bitch: (7 entries, 1 absent)

1st - Tarrendayle Catch And Kiss (Tarrendayle Kiss and Tell x Tarrendayle Gonna Catch Em All) - very classy young bitch shown in excellent condition with gleaming black coat. Balanced head with sufficient stop, dark eyes with gentle expression. Well placed ears. Muscular neck flowing into well-laid shoulders. Sufficiently boned and excellent feet. Strong level top-line ending with tail correctly set just lower than the back. Hindquarters showing strength and well turned stifle. Covered ground on the move. - RESERVE CHALLENGE BITCH, RUNNER UP BEST IN SHOW, BEST PUPPY IN SHOW

2nd - Pinewaite Time To Tri (Spanriever Code Breaker x Pinewaite Beautiful Trauma) - Blue Roan and Tan bitch. Unfortunate to meet the winner of the class on the day. Very pretty girl. Balanced head with square muzzle. Neck of sufficient length blending nicely into strong forequarters. Well boned down to round feet. A little longer than the winner and not as strong in the topline at present. Well angled hindquarters Not as confident on the move as the winner.

3rd - Ravensnite Gimme All Ya Loot ((Sup Ch & Am Ch Dawnglow It Shouldn't Be Legal (Imp USA) x Ch Ravensnite Son Money) - Black bitch. Mature for her age. Balanced head with feminine kind expression. Dark eye. Strong neck. A little longer in back than the winner and I would prefer more length of leg. Well coated and presented to perfection. Moved with drive.

Junior Bitch: (3 entries, 1 absent)

1st - Acijay Dressed To The Nines with Watervaal (Ch Pencandy Paw Patrol x Watervaal Dressed For Success) - Blue Roan bitch shown in excellent condition. Balanced head with dark eye and soft expression. Ears well feathered and of good length. Neck of sufficient length flowing into well laid shoulders. Forelegs well boned down to round feet. Level top-line and tail set on just below the level of the back. Strong hindquarters. Moved well.

2nd - Spezia Irish Snowflake (Ch Cobolt Luck Of The Irish x Spezia Waltz Of The Flowers) - Light Blue Roan bitch. Slightly younger and less mature than the winner. Soft expression, good length of neck flowing through to level top-line. Strong, well angulated hindquarters.

State Bred Bitch: (2 entries)

1st - Grand Ch Kimkiera Keepn Up Appearances (Pinewaite Perfect Match x Grand Ch Kimkiera Impossible Dreams) - Super 6 year old Blue Roan bitch. Excellent head with dark eye, strong but feminine. Neck of sufficient length and strength. Blended into well laid shoulders and good length of upper arm. Forechest reaching to the elbow. Well boned legs and strong catlike feet. Strong hindquarters, well muscled with good turn of stifle. Level topline and well sprung ribs. Covered ground on the move and happily wagged her tail with merry action. Coat in excellent condition and groomed and handled to perfection. Happy to award her BEST EXHIBIT IN SHOW

2nd - Brayroan Spirit Of Soul (Spanriever Code Breaker x Brayroan Soul Chance) - 2 year old Blue Roan bitch. Carried herself well on the move. Sweet head and expression. Well boned. Strongly angled hindquarters. Shown in good coat and condition.

Aust Bred Bitch: (4 entires)

1st - Pinewaite Beautiful Trauma (Sup Ch Belcroft Crazy For You x Ch Pinewaite Can Anybody Hear Me) - Blue Roan mature bitch shown in excellent coat. Head proportions balanced with good stop. Dark eyes with kind expression. Sufficient reach of neck blending into strong forequarter. Hindquarters well angled. Strong level topline both standing and on the move.

2nd - Millecent Dancing Blk Ivy (Sup Ch Barbet Back T You Jealous Ones x Ch Millecent Stars May Fly) - Black bitch with gleaming coat shown in excellent condition. Strong forequarters and hindquarters with a level topline. Powerful movement.

3rd - Brayroan Rhythm N Soul (Ch Pencandy Done N Dusted x Brayroan Soul Chance) - Very pretty girl with balanced head and good stop. Dark eye with soft expression. A little more upright on forequarter than the other place getters. Well turned stifle. Moved well.

Open Bitch: (6 entries, 1 absent)

1st - Ch Ravensnite Sno Money JC (Ch & Am Gr Ch Dawnglow Man In Black (imp USA) x Ch Manunga Sno Easy) - Mature Black bitch shown in excellent condition. Balanced head with good stop. Well feathered ears set in line with her dark eyes. Strong neck blending smoothly into her well laid shoulder. Good depth of chest. Nicely boned with tight feet. Strong hindquarters. Level topline. Moved well with merry action.

2nd - Ch Acijay Soul Sister of Pencandy (Ch Jayzander Soul Man at Pencandy (Imp UK) x Aciyaj Tri N Catch Me CA) - Mature Blue Roan bitch. Strong but feminine head with good stop. Dark eye with soft expression. Forequarter and hindquarter in harmony. A little soft in topline. Moved well.

3rd - Ch Pinewaite Diamonds in the Sky (Sup Ch Belcroft Crazy for You x Ch Pinewaite Can Anybody Hear me) - another pleasing Blue Roan bitch, feminine throughout. Strong fore and rear but a little soft in topline. Excellent coat and condition. Moved well with drive.

CHALLENGE BITCH: Grand Ch Kimkiera Keepn Up Appearances

REVERSE CHALLENGE BITCH: Tarrendayle Catch And Kiss

Neuter Bitch: (3 entries)

1st - Neut Ch Sunlore Skyes The Limit (Ch Cleemist Blue Haze x Ch Sunlore Shining On) - Beautiful 2 year old neuter who would hold her own against the entire bitches. Muzzle and skull of equal proportions with good stop. Dark, kind eye. Neck of sufficient length and strong shoulders, good bone and tight feet. Well sprung ribs, short coupled with strong level topline. Hindquarters having well bent stifles. Coat in exceptional condition. Moved soundly with drive - BEST NEUTER IN SHOW

2nd - Drumprintt First Class (Ch Bolwarra Drummer Boy x Ch Amaclassic Art Waves Kiss (Imp UK) - Orange roan bitch with pleasing head and expression. Neck blending nicely into shoulders. Strong level topline. Hindquarters well bent with strength both standing and on the move - RESERVE NEUTER IN SHOW

3rd - Ch Macdolly Cantkeepmyhandsoff (Ch Jayzander Soul Man at Pencandy x Ch Macdolly Cantfightthe Moonlight) - Blue roan bitch with attractive coat. Didn't show herself off to her advantage on the day.