COCKER SPANIEL CLUB OF QUEENSLAND INC. CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW 2ND JULY, 2022 CRITIOUES.

Many thanks to the Club for inviting me to judge again, it was quite an honour. Many thanks to Louise Bygraves for looking after me so well, a lovely lunch and laughs the day before the show. Pity about the weather, but at least it wasn't cold. Also great to have to evacuate my accommodation when the fire alarm had a fault the night before, was entertaining to say the least!

Many thanks to those that entered under me, I do have to say that you have an outstanding depth of quality in your bitches in Queensland, and I believe that is the way it should be. Was a little disappointed that there were very few parti-colours entered, as many believed that I would only put up solids, a bit surprising as last time I judges seven of my 'In Show' awards went to parti-colours!

Anyway here are my critiques, please accept them for what they are - my opinion on the day, and in many cases, particularly in the younger classes, places can change very often, depending on how they perform. Presentation, given the wet weather, was close to perfect – well done.

BABY PUPPY DOG CLASS

1ST Brayroan Mischief N Mayhem

5 month old black. Very pleasant head and sweet expression. Good lay of shoulders, depth of chest, well ribbed back, short loin, compact body. Nicely angled hindquarters. Moved out well with a level topline. Very merry baby.

BABY PUPPY IN SHOW

2nd Tarrendayle Takemy Breath Away

3 month old black, first day out. Very happy boy, not over-awed by the occasion. Again very sweet expression, head not as well developed as 1st place, but given the age difference, not surprising. Good lay of shoulder, well constructed front assembly, well ribbed back, short coupled, balanced hindquarter. Slightly lighter in bone, than 1st place. Moved well considering first day out.

Both very promising baby puppies.

MINOR PUPPY DOG

1ST Joerana Bettya Look Twice

7 month old heavily marked Blue, on his own. Very happy boy, challenging his handler on the stack, with his ever wagging tail, which I do like. Strong head, which will he should grow into. Nice lay of shoulder and depth of chest. Well ribbed back, with good spring of ribs. Strong balanced hindquarters. Good tight cat like feet, well boned throughout. A little erratic on the move, extremely happy boy using his tail well.

PUPPY DOG

1st Ravensnite Tri N Pay Attention with Tarrendayle (ai)

9 month old, black, white and tan, on his own. Thought he was well up to size for his age. Strong head, lovely kind eye and expression. Good lay of shoulder, would have liked a more length of upper arm. Good depth of chest, and ribbing. Strong short loin, and strong hindquarters. Moved well, though a little 'roly poly' but still very much a youngster.

JUNIOR DOG

1st Madanwitt Keepin It Legal At Tarrendayle

14 month old black, on his own. Lovely balanced head, with a truly melting expression. Lovely length of neck, into well laid shoulders, good depth of chest, well ribbed back, and nice strong short loin. Good strong balanced hindquarters. Holds his topline well on the moves. Well boned and lovely tight feet. Moves out well, with good reach and drive.

DOG CHALLENGE AND RUNNER UP IN SHOW

INTERMEDIATE DOG

1st Ch Tarrendayle This Can't Be Legal

2 year old red, again on his own. Very pleasant head, and expression. Good length of neck, nice lay of shoulder, and good upper arm. Chest well let down, and well ribbed back, short loin. Good angulation behind. Moves out well. Perhaps a little proud of his tail on the move, but is set on correctly.

STATE BRED DOG

1st Myshalair Betya Gunna Look

Black, almost 2 year old. Strong masculine head. Would like a little more length of neck, and a little better lay of shoulder. Deep chested, reasonably well ribbed back, would prefer a little shorter in loin. Strong hindquarters, used well on the move. Holds his topline well. Strongly boned with good cat like feet.

AUSTRALIAN BRED DOG

1st Ch Britebay Bobby Crocker

3 year old black, again another on his own. Lovely balanced head with delightful expression. Good length of neck, lovely balanced front assembly. Good deep chest, and ribbing. Short, strong coupling. Strong balanced hindquarters. Moved true, holding his topline, but another slightly proud of his tail. Lovely type.

RESERVE CHALLENGE DOG AND AUSTRALIAN BRED IN SHOW

OPEN DOG

1st Ch Ravensnite Betya Bottom Dollar CAA

5 year old black. Beautiful head and expression. Good length of neck, nice lay of shoulder. Well ribbed back and good depth of chest. Strong loin, strong hindquarters. Well presented in good hard condition. Moved out well.

OPEN IN SHOW

2nd Am Ch Dawnglow Playing The Field At Tarrendayle (Imp USA)

2 year old gold dog. Good head and expression, would prefer a little more depth of muzzle. Good lay of shoulder, perhaps a little short in upper arm. Good depth of chest and ribbing. Short coupled, strong hindquarters. Moved well.

VETERAN DOG

1st Ch Bolwarra Inspire SWN

10 year old blue, on his own. Presented in excellent condition. Pleasing head and expression. Would prefer a slightly better lay of shoulder, and length of upper arm. Good chest and ribbing. Short loin. Balanced hindquarters. Felt he could have moved out a little better.

BABY PUPPY BITCH

3 in the class. All very merry babies enjoying their day out. Placings will probably change as they mature.

1st Brayroan Carnival Of Mischief

5 month old black, lovely head, with melting expression. Lovely front assembly, good ribbing, short coupled. Good angulation behind. Strong topline, moved well.

2nd Tarrendayle Leaveme Breathless

3 month old gold, first day out apparently. Pleasing head and another melting expression. Good lay of shoulder, and good boning. Strong topline. Happy on the move, though a challenge for her handler.

3rd Tarrendayle A Moment Like This

3 month old black, litter sister to the second place getter. Pleasant head, but a little Not quite a strongly boned as her sister. Happy on the move, though another challenging her handler.

MINOR PUPPY BITCH

1st Tarrendayle Tri And Resist Me

6½ month old black, white and tan bitch. Pretty head and expression. Good front, well ribbed back, would like a little more spring of rib, which should develop. Strong hindquarters. Strong topline, which was held beautifully on the move.

2nd Myshalair All Style With Kisses

7½ month gold. Pretty feminine head, good front and ribbing, short loin, and strong hindquarters. Bit of a challenge for her handler on the stack (still a baby). Her topline was just a little soft on the move. Will probably improve as she matures.

PUPPY BITCH

3 delightful puppy bitches, loved them all. Beautiful heads and expressions. Fully expect them to change places as they mature.

1st Myshalair Betya Like My Style

10 month old black. Very feminine head, and sweet expression. Good depth of muzzle. Moderate length of neck, flowing into a good lay of shoulder. Very good front assembly, deep chest, and well ribbed back. Good loin, and strong hindquarters. Very well balanced. Good croup, moved out well.

PUPPY IN SHOW

2nd Ravensnite R U Paying Attention At Tarrendayle (ai)

10 month old black, white and tan bitch. Again very pleasing head and feminine expression. Good length of neck. A little straight in front, but is still developing. Good ribs and short loin. Balanced hindquarters. Good topline. A little close behind on the move compared to 1st place.

3rd Tarrendayle Shes Worth It (ai)

Another 10 month old, black. Another beautiful head and expression. Good neck and front assembly. Well ribbed, strong loin, and good hindquarters. A little steep in croup, and slightly soft topline.

JUNIOR BITCH

1st Kimkiera Kiss Me Kate (ai)

12 month old blue roan, very pleasing head and expression. Good length of neck and lay of shoulder. Excellent front assembly. Good depth of chest and short coupled. Strong hindquarters and holds her topline really well. Moves in true cocker style, good reach and drive.

2nd Madanwitt That Aint Legal at Ravensnite

12 month red. Another pleasing head and expression, just preferred the strength and depth of muzzle on 1st placegetter. Lovely lay of shoulder, good depth of chest, would like a little more spring of rib, short strong loin. Good strong hindquarters. Moves out well.

3rd Kintail Spirit Of Hope

16 month old red. Sadly out of coat today. Believe she has recently had a season, seems to be lacking a little confidence in herself. Pleasant head and expression. Angulation a little straight in front and behind, so balanced. Not possessing the boning of $1^{\rm st}$ and $2^{\rm nd}$.

INTERMEDIATE BITCH

1st Dawnglow In A League Of Her Own for Ravensnite (Imp USA)

Black & tan, almost 2 years old. Loved her beautiful head and melting expression. First impression was of a lovely cobby bitch. Good moderate length of neck, correct lay of shoulder, and good length of upper arm. Good deep chest, nicely sprung ribs, and strong, short loin. Strong level topline held perfectly on the move. Moves out really well, with great reach and drive, typical bustling fashion. She turned it up a notch in the bitch challenge line-up and for Best In Show. Seemed the more she moved the better she got.

Please to award her **Bitch Challenge and Best In Show.**

2nd Ravensnite In Cahoots With Madanwitt

2 year old black. Just a little light in bone for me. Would prefer a better strength of head. Good lay of shoulder, nice strong hindquarter. Not as relaxed as she could be on move, so moving a little erractically, seemed very distracted by her surrounding.

STATE BRED BITCH

1st Pencandy Twilight

13 month old black — a little out of coat at the moment. Lovely head and expression. Good lay of shoulder and length of upper arm. Good depth of chest, well ribbed, strong loin, level topline. Moves out well.

STATE BRED IN SHOW

2nd Kimkiera Aim To Please (ai)

Another 13 month old black. Slightly stronger in head than first place, but lovely expression nevertheless. Good moderate length of neck, good lay of shoulder and length of upper arm. Chest needs to drop a little more, sure it will come. Strong short loin, lovely strong hindquarters. Moves out well. Not quite the maturity of the first placegetter.

AUSTRALIAN BRED BITCH

1st Tarrendayle Catch and Kiss

2 year old black, on her own. Lovely feminine head, and beautiful melting expression. Moderate length of neck, good lay of shoulder and upper arm. Nice deep chest, and short loin. Would like a little more spring of rib. Moves out well, strong topline, good short hock.

OPEN BITCH

Class of 3, all lovely bitches.

1st Ch Ravensnite Sno Money JC

6 year old black. Beautiful head and expression. Lovely front assembly, and strong bone. Deep chest, good ribs, short loin, and strong hindquarters. Moves well, level topline, perhaps a little proud of her tail on the move. Presented in good hard condition.

2nd Brayroan Mischievous Chance

3½ year old black and tan with a lovely head and expression, strong bone and lovely cat like feet. Good angulation front and rear. Good depth of chest, and short loin. Topline a little soft on the move, but out well with good reach and drive.

3rd Ch Myshalair Style In Motion

4 year old red. A really merry exuberant bitch. Another lovely head and expression. Good front assembly and hindquarters. Good depth of chest, perhaps a tad longer in loin than 1^{st} and 2^{nd} placegetters. Moves out well, using her ever wagging tail to perfection.

NEUTER BITCH

1st Neuter Ch Drumprintt First Kiss

Orange roan on her own. Extremely pretty feminine head. Excellent boning. Good lay of shoulder and front assembly, good depth of chest. Well ribbed back and short coupled. Strong loin and hindquarters. Moves out very well, holding her strong topline. Lovely type.

NEUTER IN SHOW