

Eleventh National Show
hosted by the
Cocker Spaniel Club of Victoria Inc.

I would like to thank the committee for inviting me to judge the national show. It was a great honour to do so. The hall was very well laid out with a good size ring. The committee and stewarding team had everything running like clock work, making my 2 days judging very enjoyable. Many thanks.

I found the over all quality good with the parti colours having the edge over the solids. Presentation varied a lot and many dogs had very poor muscle tone which affected movement greatly. I was disappointed to find many incorrect bites and misplaced teeth. On the plus side there was many exciting youngsters given time should finish well.

May I thank all who exhibited under me and the sporting way they accepted my placements.

Veteran Dog or Bitch

A class of varying type & quality but all exhibits were in very good condition.

1 – Gooding – Gr Ch Glenbriar Shaded Silver

Dark blue dog of a very good type, who stood out in this class. Lovely head with kind dark eye, good neck and has a lovely clean outline. Good spring of rib and his body was strong. Moved soundly around the ring showing great reach and drive. In first class order and well presented.

2 – Grant – Ch Sunlore Biyou

Black & White tick in very good order. Lovely head and eye, nice deep body. Moved well.

3 – Rochester – Ch Stapleton Sainted Aunt

Black bitch who was enjoying her day. Short deep body in good coat and condition.

DOGS

Dogs in both Baby Classes were at varying states of development, which is to be expected.

Baby Puppy Dog (aoc)

1 – Emerton – Rosbevann Rising Moon

Steel blue dog who was just right for his age. Lovely head, neck and shoulders. Short deep body. Correct bend of stifle and short below the hock. Moved soundly. With time and maturity should develop into a lovely cocker.

2 – Emerton – Rosbevann Real Starlight

Half brother to 1. Light blue roan with a lovely head, eye and expression. Good neck and shoulders. Clean outline. Moved soundly enjoying his day.

3 – Royoni Kennels – Royoni True Destiny

Dark blue roan dog who was mature looking in this class. Nice head and neck with good legs and feet. Moved well.

Baby Puppy Dog (solid)

1 – Beaulorien Kennel – Beaulorien Bob Cat

Short coupled black dog with good head and eye. Needs time to develop in front. Moved merrily. Well presented.

2 – Smith – Duskadine Summer Night

Very mature black dog for age. Good neck and nice spring of rib. Found him to be slightly over angulated throughout. Moved merrily.

3 – Heatlie – Mistduke Goldglow Image

Golden boy of just 3 months. Showing lots of promise, good head and dark eye. Lovely strong, short deep body. Should develop well.

Minor Puppy Dog (aoc)

1 – Drekovic & McFadden – Cleemist Fortune Hunter

Blue dog of 8 months. Mature looking and well up to size. Nice head with good neck and shoulders. Very short coupled. Good legs and feet. Very well presented. Needs to come together on the move, which should come as he matures.

2 – Plumridge – Robmond Moon Serenade

7 month blue dog. Not a mature looking as 1. Nice head and expression. In good coat and condition.

Minor Puppy Dog (solid)

1 – Hughes – Jyndel If By Chance

8 month old golden dog. Good head and neck. Well up to size. Correctly angulated quarters which he used well on the move. At the moment he needs to drop in body and to develop in fore chest. Well presented.

Puppy Dog (aoc)

1 – Gooding – Yunbeai Top of the Pops

Attractive light blue dog of 12 months. Very well balanced. Nice head and expression with kind dark eye. Good neck, short deep body. Good quarters which he used well

on the moved. Moved soundly carrying his full tail correctly. To be critical would like more bone.

2 – Bellamy – Belcroft Bit of a Tale

Heavier type than 1, but never the less a sound dog although. In very good coat and condition. Moved well.

3 – Fitzgerald & Oakley – Cobalt Castaway

10 month old dog of a slightly fine type. Very well balanced and moved well. At present just needs to develop in head.

Puppy Dog (solid)

1 – Hutt – Kebarlea Kry Laughing

11 month old black dog, at present needs to develop in head. Good neck, short deep body. Strong quarters which he used well on the move.

Junior Dog (aoc)

1 – Harnetts – Teenalee to a Tee

Stunning blue dog. Lovely balanced head with expressive dark eye. Good neck and correctly angulated shoulders. Well boned legs with nice cat like feet. Short deep , strong body. Quarters were well angulated and short below the hock. Firm top line, which he held on the move. Sound fore and aft. Balanced throughout and not over done in anyway. In full coat and very well presented. Unfortunately when it came to the challenge he was very unsettled. Wish I could have taken him home.

2 – Glenayden Kennel – Ch Ryangaye Rythmn N Time

Same sire as 1 and similar comments apply. Heavier type throughout. In good coat and condition. Just preferred the top line of 1 on the move.

3 – Gooding – Yunbeai In Never Land

Good type of blue dog who was well balanced throughout. Good head and expression. Moved soundly. In good coat and condition.

Junior Dog (solid)

1 – Shepherd – Lachlana Luvth Nitelife

Sound moving black dog. Good head neck. Well off for bone. Short deep body. Good clean outline, which he held on the move. Well presented.

2 – Heatlie/Kruger – Charbonnel War Dance (imp uk)

Well presented black dog. Lovely head and expression with kind dark eye. Adequate neck, good shoulders legs and neat feet. Moved soundly. Lovely condition.

3 – Maunder – Jodegee Just Rave On

Black dog of similar type to 1. In good coat and condition.

Intermediate Dog (aoc)

1 – Bellamy – Ch Winterstale Five Live (imp uk)

Stylish light blue dog. Good balanced head with kind dark expressive eye. Good neck and shoulders with strong deep body. Good spring of rib. Well boned with nice feet. Very well angulated throughout. Strong quarters with enough width. Moved soundly fore and aft. He flowed from nose to tail. Very well presented and in hard condition. Res CC

2 – Kemp – Kendalwood Keeper (imp uk)

Smaller dog but of good over all type and balance. Lovely head with kind dark eye. Good neck and shoulders short deep body, strong quarters, moved soundly. Well presented in good coat and hard condition.

3 – Zucker/Hutt/Love – Ch Northcoate Time Machine

Good type of blue dog who was very well presented. Lovely head, neck and shoulders. Deep body. Moved soundly. Just found him a shade longer cast than 1 & 2.

Intermediate Dog (solid)

1 – Heatlie – Ch Mistduke Sunglow Magic

Honest type of golden. Lovely head and expression with kind dark eye. Good neck and shoulders. Strong deep body. He excelled in quarters and rear movement. Well presented and handled.

2 – Gallagher/Campbell – Ch Aspenstar Genral Max

Balanced black dog. Good head and neck. Clean outline, moved well. Would like to see him carrying more body, which I feel would be to his advantage.

3 – Rochester – Ch Fenix Fall Guy

Well presented black dog. Nice head, neck with firm outline. Moved soundly. In good condition.

Australian Bred Dog (aoc)

1 – Bellamy – Ch Belcroft Highland Tale

Sound moving dark blue dog. Good neck. Well boned with good legs and feet. Nice deep body. Presented a balanced picture. Moved soundly fore and aft but felt his topline just fell away over the croup on the move. Well presented and handled.

2 – Markotany – Bolwarra Silver Jubilee

Steel blue dog of a good type. Balanced throughout. Nice head, neck and shoulders. Strong, deep body. Presented in good coat and condition. Good side gate, but found his rear movement a little too wide.

3 – Emerton – Ch Braycharm Time Keeper

Smaller type of dog. Unexaggerated throughout. Nice deep body. In good condition and well presented. To be critical would have liked more length on front leg.

Australian Bred Dog (solid)

1 – Heatlie – Mistduke Bright Design

Another well balanced dog from this kennel. Lovely head, neck and shoulders. Short deep body, he also excelled in quarters. Moved soundly. Well presented.

2 – Rochester – Ch Allabet Makeway For Me

Black and tan who was presented in good coat and condition. Lovely rich tan markings. Balanced throughout, moved merrily.

3 – Lidemier – Ch Luvstar Born Free

Red dog who seemed slightly unsettled. In good coat and well presented.

Open Dog (aoc)

A Super class to judge with great depth of quality

1 – McFadden – Gr Ch Feenix Fair Star

This boy caught my eye as soon as he entered the ring. His true cocker type and temperament shone for all to see. Lovely neck and shoulders. Well boned with good legs and feet. Short deep strong body with good spring of rib. Good bend of stifle and short below the hock. Correct topline and tail set. He moved so soundly, powering round the ring showing a good driving action. Correctly balanced throughout. In great coat and condition and an object lesson in presentation. It was his day and he could not be denied the CC and BIS.

2 – Drekovic – Ch Cleemist Mad Max

Steel blue son of 1 who displayed the same cocker type and temperament. So well balanced with a good neck, shoulders, legs and feet. Short body, correctly angulated quarters and he also moved soundly with a good driving action. In great coat and condition and was very well presented. He pushed his sire hard but just felt Fair Star had the edge on body maturity.

3 – Hartnett – Ch Teenalee Theme for a Dream

Dark blue dog of a very nice type. Good head, neck and shoulders. Short deep body, moved well. In good coat and condition.

Open Dog (solid)

1 – Heatlie – Ch Mistduke Copper Image

Like this dog for his unexaggerated type. Lovely balanced head with kind dark eye. Good neck, short deep body. Strong quarters with plenty of width. Moved soundly fore and aft but would have like more reach in front movement.

2 – Brotherton – Ch Allbet Bold as Brass

Red dog that moved well, in good condition with a well presented coat.

3 – Britebay Kennels – Ch Jimmison Sun Dancer (imp uk)

Lovely headed red dog, good legs and feet, deep body. Moved well.

BITCHES

Baby Puppy Bitch (aoc)

1 Royoni Kennel – Royoni Watch This

6 month dark blue baby. I loved her head. So well balanced with a lovely dark eye. A truly melting expression. Lovely neck and shoulders. Deep body. In good coat and condition. Moved soundly.

2 – Allen – Ryangaye Rhyme Noreason

5 month blue bitch. Mature looking in this class. Similar to 1. Good neck and shoulders, well bodied. Moved merrily. Preferred head of 1 at this stage but she has plenty of time.

3 – Shepherd – Lachlana Sugar Baby

Lovely orange baby of just 3 months. Sweet head with nice angulation throughout. Moved soundly fore and aft. Everything in the right place and should develop well.

Baby Puppy Bitch (solid)

1 – Smith – Duskadine Keep it Dark

Mature looking in this class. Lovely head and expression, nice legs and feet. Good body. Very sound moving, just needs to gain more confidence.

2 – Heatlie – Mistduke Sunshade Image

Golden who was just 3 months, but shows lots of promise. Lovely head with nice dark eye. Plenty of bone and substance, short deep body. Moved soundly enjoying her day.

3 – Hoare & Patterson – Duskadine Jazzamattazz

Slightly fine type, nice head with good neck. Feel she could carry more weight to her advantage.

Minor Puppy Bitch (aoc)

1 – Bailey – Warrabala Fairy Belle

Dark blue bitch of the type I like. Lovely head and eye, good neck and shoulders. Short deep body, good legs and feet, nice quarters. Moved soundly. Could be better handled. One for the future.

2 – Drekovic – Cleemist Fortune Teller

Steel blue, slightly ranger than 1. Very mature looking, short deep body, good legs and feet, nice bone. Moved well showing great cocker temperament. Very well presented and handled

3 – Bruno – Cobalt in Poppy Fields

Balanced blue bitch of just 6 months. Nice neck with short body. Moved well.

Minor Puppy Bitch (solid)

1 – Heatlies - Mistduke Ruby Red

6 month golden bitch who likes her food! Lovely head with kind dark eye, short cobby body. Lots to like about her, at present she just needs to grow on slightly.

2 – Hughes – Jyndel No ifs or Buts

Ranger type than 1 and not the substance. Well presented, moved well.

3 – Beaulorien Kennel – Beaulorien Cat Nap

Black bitch of 8 months. Nice clean outline in good coat. Could carry more weight to her advantage.

Puppy Bitch (aoc)

Strong class with many promising youngsters going card less.

1 – Hughes – Jyndel A Fallen Angel

I fell for this young blue bitch and at the end of the day could find nothing to beat her. Well developed for her age. Classic head, which is so well balanced. Lovely dark eye. Good neck flowing into correctly angulated shoulders. Good upper and fore arm. Lovely feet. Short deep body with good spring of rib. Lovely topline, which she held on the move. Good bend of stifle, short below the hock. Moved soundly with correct reach and drive. In first class condition and her coat was well presented. Still showing well at the end of a long day. CC & BP

2 – Bargallie – Melark Mystical Time

Heavy marked blue of a slightly fine type than 1. Lovely head and expression. Good neck and shoulders. Good body with strong quarters. Moved well. In good coat and condition.

3 – Harm-Dennis – Tarrendayle Meltin Moment

Dark blue very well presented. Same sire as 2. Needs to develop in head at present. Lovely neck and shoulders short body. Nice bend of stifle, short below the hock. Very showy, well handled.

Puppy Bitch (solid)

1 – Britebay Kennel – Britebay Breanna
Very nice type of golden bitch. Mature looking. Lovely head and expression with kind dark eye. Good neck and shoulders. Nice body. Strong quarters with plenty of width. Moved soundly. Well presented.

2 – Gooding – Yunbeai Flight of Dreams
Slightly smaller type but sound to handle. Good neck and shoulders, very short body. Moved soundly fore and aft. Just preferred head of 1.

3 – Beaulorien Kennel – Raikiura Titi
Fine type of bitch and needs to develop in body still, but she has time on her side. Moved merrily.

Junior Bitch (aoc)

1 – Glenayden Kennel – Ch Glenayden Dance in Time
Very well presented blue bitch. Lovely balanced head with kind dark eye. Good neck and shoulders. Well boned legs with nice tight feet. Short deep body. Good bend of stifle, short below the hock. In full coat and hard condition. Very well presented.

2 – Drekovic – Cleemist Laura Ashley
Lovely type of orange roan. Very well balanced throughout. Good neck and shoulders. Lovely legs and feet. Short body with a good spring of rib. Nice quarters. Moved soundly showing true cocker temperament. In good muscle condition. Well presented and handled. Pressed 1 hard.

3 – Markotany – Ch Bolwarra Dirty Dancin
Sound steel blue bitch who was shown in good coat and condition. Liked her head neck and shoulders. Nice body. Moved well.

Junior Bitch (solid)

1 – Harm-Dennis – Ryangaye Rhythm N Jazz
Black bitch of a slightly finer type than I prefer, but never the less I found her to be very sound. Lovely head neck and shoulders. Short deep body. Lovely legs and feet. Moved well. In first class condition and very well presented. Well handled.

2 – Casbolt – Morningdale My Romance
Good neck and shoulders, strong body. Very well presented, just preferred head of 1.

3 – Smith – Duskadine Devil Woman
Black bitch of a good type, but she was very unsettled.

Intermediate Bitch (aoc)

Strong Class

1 – Pollard – Canowie Lucinda

Blue bitch of the type I like. Well balanced head with kind dark expressive eye. Good neck and shoulders. Well boned with good legs and feet. Short deep body. Good bend of stifle, short below the hock. Tail set on well and carried well. In great muscle condition. Not in full coat but was well presented. Unfortunately a change of handler in the challenge unsettled her.

2 – Job, Jones & Warman – Ch Corsair Designed for Doulton

Slightly larger type of bitch but very sound to handle. Like her head and expression. Had a good neck and strong body. Moved very soundly. In first class condition and well presented.

3 – Kingston – Ch Kingsway Wild Date

Honest type of blue. Good head, neck and shoulders, nice strong body. Good bend of stifle and short below the hock. Would have preferred slight more length in front leg for better balance. Well presented.

Intermediate Bitch (solid)

1 – Smith – Duskadine Summer Sunset

Red bitch whose sound movement won her this class. Nice balanced head with kind expression. Deep body but a shade long in the back. Well presented.

2 – Rochesters – Adjobi Wayout Aline

Smaller type of bitch and could not match 1 in reach on the move. Balanced head with good neck, legs and feet. Well presented.

3 – Lindemeiers – Ch Nettielan in the Bag

Balanced black bitch, in good coat. Moved merrily.

Australian Bred Bitch (aoc)

1 – Drekovic – Ch Cleemist the One and Only

Dark blue bitch, very eye catching. Lovely neck and shoulders. Short deep body. Good legs and feet with nice bone. Correctly angulated throughout and well balanced. Moved soundly. Well presented and handled.

2 – Zucker /Buckley – Ch Daykeyne Dream Catcher

Not a flashy bitch but a very honest type. Liked her head and expression with a kind dark eye. Well balanced. Moved soundly. In good coat and condition.

3 – Hughes – Ch Jyndel Squeeze an Angel

Good type bitch with a lovely head neck and shoulders. Nice deep body. Well balanced. Moved soundly.

Australian Bred (solid)

1 – Shepherd – Ch Lachlana Fancy That

Balanced black bitch who had the best head in the class. Balanced head with kind dark eye and correct expression. Clean outline, which was held on the move. Good condition.

2 – Finister – Brightleaf Lady in Red

Slightly longer cast red. Good head neck and shoulders, nice bone. Presented in good coat and condition. Well handled. Moved merrily.

3 - Casbolt – Yunbeai the Love Affair

Slightly larger type of red bitch. Balanced head and correct expression. Good neck. Well boned with good legs and feet. Deep body. In good coat and condition.

Open Bitch (aoc)

Great class to judge, full of quality.

1 – McFadden – Ch Glenbriar Total Twist

Well balanced dark blue bitch. Lovely head and expression with correct dark eye. Good neck and shoulders. Well boned with lovely legs and feet. Short deep body. Correctly angulated throughout. Moved soundly fore and aft. Firm topline, which was held on the move. Showed well. In good coat and condition and very well presented. Res CC

2 – Glenayden Kennel – Ch Glenayden Twilight

Well balanced blue bitch. Good head neck and shoulders. Lovely legs and feet. Well ribbed strong body. Well angulated throughout. Good bend of stifle and short below the hock. Presentation A1. Just preferred the topline of 1 on the move.

3 – Keely/McFadden – Ch Glenbriar Wild Twist

Steel blue sister to 1 and similar comments apply. Balanced throughout. In good coat and condition. Very well presented and handled.

Open Bitch (solid)

1 – Britebay Kennel – Ch Claramand By Choice (imp uk)

Very well presented black bitch who was in full coat. Lovely balanced head with kind dark eye. Good neck. Short deep body with a good spring of rib. Lovely legs and feet. Moved soundly fore and aft. Would prefer better upper arm to allow more reach on the move. Well handled.

2 – Rochester – Ch Adjobi Waytoo Smooth

Good type of bitch. Well balanced just not the body of 1.

3 – Grant – Ch Sunlore Midnight Rave

Nice head and eye, good body. Strong quarters, moved merrily.