

ESSC of Scotland – Open
Judge: Mr G Tain

BB & BEST IN SHOW
SH CH MELVERLY ISLAY INSPIRED AT LOSSIEDOON
BD & RES BEST IN SHOW
SH CH LOCHINDORB CHIEF O' THE CLAN
BEST PUPPY IN SHOW
HUNTERHECK UNDER A SPELL
BEST VETERAN IN SHOW
SH CH MEADOWDALE ALABAMA SLAMMER AT ACREGATE SHCM

English Springer Spaniel Club of Scotland held an Open show where BIS was Sh Ch Melverley Islay Inspired at Lossiedoon; RBIS, Ch Lochindorb Chief O'the Clan; & BP, Huntercheck Under A Spell.

I would like to extend my gratitude to all the officials of the club for the warm welcome Lesley & I received on the day & to the exhibitors, some who travelled long distances, for my opinion of their dogs. It was a representative entry with some quality exhibits that demonstrated the nuances of the breed. After judging I was asked for an overview of the breed based on the day. I believe the breed in general is losing two distinctive features. The throw forward in its gait & work & fine chiselling to the head. All breeds tend to go through such patches & with the assistance of knowledgeable breeders come out the other side.

Veteran Dog or Bitch 3 (1)

1 Tracz. SH CH MEADOWDALE ALABAMA SLAMMER AT ACREGATE SHCM.
7 years dog of overall correct balance who came in good coat & condition. Up to size for my preference but possesses a well balanced head with work to it, dark eye with kind expression. Well ribbed up with short couplings. Moved with correct extension & drive, throw forward was a little exaggerated. Worthy Ch.
2 Scorgie. BERKENBAR ARRIANA AT ARDTALLA

Minor Puppy Dog 2 (1)

1 Smith. BERKENBAR SINATRA AT SWON
8 months pup at the 'gangly' stage but presents an attractive well balanced outline. Tidy head, whose eye could be darker. Straight front with good lower arm angulation. Ribs springing nicely. Sound & moved with purpose.

PD 0
JD 0
YD 0
ND 0

GD 2

1 McGovern. BAXBALACH RUMOUR HAS IT

heavily marked. Has a well balanced head which would benefit from more work under & over eyes which were dark & expressive, tidy feet. Nice angles to lower arm & stifle, correct balance moved soundly but better shoulders would give more extension & drive;

2 Brough & Walker. RISELAWROAD NO DEAL

PGD 0

LD 3

1 Nicolson. LOCHINDORB CLANSMAN

handy sized dog of good overall shape & make. He has a well worked head & good outlook. Excellent ribbing & short in loin. Moved soundly but could show more extension & drive

2 Tracz. MELVERLEY DESERT STRIKE OVE ACREGATE JW SHCM

OD 1

1 Nicolson. CH LOCHINDORB CHIEF O'THE CLAN SHCM

dog of correct size & make with great head showing work throughout & kind eye & expression. He has that touch of quality with correct angles to front & rear & substance without coarseness. Loved his overall balance & moved with true Springer action. BD with a bit to spare. BD

SBD 1

1 McGovern. BAXBALACH RUMOUR HAS IT

MPB 1 (1)

PB 2

1 Ternent HUNTERHECK UNDER A SPELL

b/w 10 months. Pretty head with pleasant kind expression. Liked her for balance, substance & ribbing. She is well angled to front & rear & moved with extension & drive. Promising. BPIS;

2 Macleay. TIAMANT ALWAYS HAPPY GIRL FOR GORDIUS AT POTRAL.

JB 2

1 Ganarin. PEASBLOSSOM ORIANNA

still juvenile but presents a nicely overall balanced picture. Well worked head with kind dark eye, adequate in shoulder & upper arm, well ribbed for age, good stifles & moved soundly but could have more extension in front

2 Stokes. ARROWBEIN STORY TIME AT TWIZELTREE

YB 3 (1)

1 Lauchlan. LOCHBRYDE MERCY ME.

very attractive clean-headed youngster with good outlook & expression. She has substance & bone & neat feet. Good angles to front & rear. Adequate in ribs but a shade long in back for me. She moved well with a true Springer action & throw forward

2 Borthwick. GLEN BROWS MISBEHAVE

NB 1

1 McGovern. BAXBALACH HERES TROUBLE

GB 1

1 Brough & Walker. RISELAWROAD FRAMED IN TIME.

typically headed bitch with dark expressive eye. Adequate in shoulder & upper arm but a little tied in front. Requires more muscle & conditioning however she moved freely with a characteristic action

PGB 4 (1)

1 Rose. ROSANNOCH FORTUNA.

attractive bitch with an air of quality. Correct size with a good overall balance. Sweet head & expression with chiselling. Dark & expressive eye. She is correctly angled throughout. Well coated & in great condition she moved soundly & with purpose.

Critically she tends to lose her topline but her other virtues outweighed this;

2 McGovern. RISELAWROAD COPACABANA FOR BAXBALACH

3 Ternent. HUNTERHECK TURNING TABLES.

LB 2 (1)

1 Cameron. DONARDEN MADAME BUTIERFLY

substantial bitch of overall good quality. She possesses a clean well worked head & expressive eye. She has good shoulders & correct return of upper arm. She came on good tight feet & has the correct turn of stifle. Well ribbed & of a good balance I found her a little overweight on the day which resulted in a true but lethargic movement.

OB 3 (1)

1 Scott. SH CH MELVERLEY ISLAY INSPIRED AT LOSSIEDOON

a lovely class with two deserving Ch & difficult decisions to make. However the work & expression in the winner's head together with her size, type & exemplary true Springer movement achieved by her correct conformation swayed my decision. I found her delectable. BIS;

2 SH CH & IR SH CH CALVDALE MY GIRL OF FALLEN LEAF JW SHCM

SBB 1

1 McGovern. BAXBALACH HERES TROUBLE