

Southern English Springer Spaniel Ch Show 2021. Fran Glendinning

It is always an honour to be asked to judge one's original breed, especially at a prestigious club, which I have had so many affiliations with. Thank you to SESSS. Thank you must also go to my steward and the very hard working committee.

Let me start by saying there is no perfect dog, but I am very worried about the overall state of our breed. We are losing so much of the traditional look and movement. The doyens/doyennes of our breed would be horrified. Over angulation, length of bone, sloping top lines, lack of moderation – how can we improve? Before breeding, study pedigrees as a whole, see what you need to improve on. Stop “liking” puppy pictures on social media which are obviously not made right; this is giving novices the wrong impression of what is correct. Having said all that I was very happy with my main winners. Not all is lost yet.

MINOR PUPPY DOG 1 (1 abs)

PUPPY DOG 2

1st Casey - SANDYLANDS XPRESS DELIVERY Presented in immaculate condition with good bone and feet. Good height, Head has the right proportions eye needs to darken, Good neck flowing into well placed shoulders. Could do with a tad more angle at upper arm. Deep chest, good top line, rounded rump, however would like more width of thigh. His side gait on moving covers the ground well with good footfall. **BPIS.**

2nd Claydon -NINEOAKS BRING HIM HOME Another nice pup with good attributes -if only he gets his act together! Balanced head with good eye shape, deep chest good spring of rib, balanced body into a well muscled rear assembly.

JUNIOR DOG 1

1st Jenks -PEASBLOSSOM INTO THE MYSTIC Upstanding B/W/T, head could do to be finer with less flew but has a pleasant square muzzle, good deep chest and short coupled. In good condition and covered the ground.

YEARLING DOG 4 (1 abs)

1st - Richardson&Terry-Richardson -CHERISHYM DOFIDA Stylish B/W in great condition and plenty of coat (a bit more trimming would show off his attributes) Overall a balanced dog with good bone and feet, Head has enough work and a soft expression with good eye colour, good foreface. Neck of moderate length into well placed shoulders good body into rear quarters which had width, short hocks. Moved soundly and freely – his time will come. **BB/W.**

2nd Rowlinson - MELTAROSE MIDSHIPMAN This Tri dog had a larger proportioned head than one his eyes a bit light, had work still developing, great bone and deep chest he was balanced and moved ok, smartly presented.

3rd Gledhill -GREG DE LES TRES LLACUNES (IMP)

NOVICE DOG 1 (1 abs)

GRADUATE DOG 3

1st Allery -DEXBENELLA FINAL FRONTIER Head was well proportioned front to back although crown was broader, clean neck and shoulders, good depth of chest, body need to mature but has time, Moved well in good condition.

2nd Richardson& Terry-Richardson -Cherishym Draconis Good sized dog of good proportions with plenty of coat, has a rather light eye which spoils his expression in a well proportioned head. Good, overall balance,Into a pleasing chunky rear assembly– rather reticent just preferred litter brother.

3rd Morgan - DEXBENELLA FRILLED TO BITZ

POST GRADUATE DOG 2 (1 abs)

1st Dunsdon -MEADOWDALE LUTHER VANDROSS AT SEASPRING JW This upstanding B/W boy is maturing well since I last saw him as a raw puppy. His head well proportioned and commands a soft expression. Moderate neck into well placed shoulders and good depth of body with a level top line which he keeps when using those well muscled rear quarters to drive around the ring and showing his good forward reach.

MID LIMIT DOG 1 (1 abs)

LIMIT DOG 3 (1 abs)

1st Wimshurst -KINGSHEATH REGAL GOLD Balanced expressive head with no coarseness correct eye shape and good foreface. Decent front assembly with plenty of bone and feet well laid shoulder into strong & deep body. Developed rear proportions which showed when powering around the ring with drive.

2nd Woodbridge -CRACKERJANNE COURT JESTER Different "Type" to 1 broader in head, but of equal proportions with great eye colour, good for chest, bone and feet. Carrying a bit of weight over his shoulders and unfortunately blowing his coat – good body and rear quarters well muscled and moved well.

OPEN DOG 4 (1 abs)

1st Topliss - BERESFORD AS GOOD AS IT GETS Today it was as good as it gets awarding this dog his **CC and BIS**. He caught my eye as a typical springer with his correctly proportioned head without any coarseness, expressive soft good eye; plenty of work and good square muzzle. Front assembly good; good moderate strong neck into a well laid shoulder; deep and well sprung rib and level top line into good strong hind quarters; gre at width of thigh. This dog moved out freely driving around the ring.

2nd Walker - SH CH DEXBENELLA ATTICUS FINCH ShCEx Worthy of his title but different in type to 1, balanced dog throughout but slightly finer all over than 1, good bone, head, neck and shoulders in good coat and presented well moved out strongly happy to award him the **RCC**.

3rd Rose --WESTAWAY DREAM ANGUS OF ROSANNOCH (IMP NOR)Unlucky to meet first two an upstanding dog more size than first 2 but had a lot of springer attributes – moved well and immaculately presented.

VETERAN DOG 3 (2 ABS)

1st Wallis & Levene - TORBECK PENRHYN BAY At ten and a half years this dog L/W is still in good condition. Head is well proportion although graying and had a good eye colour, slighter bone than other classes but still able to move around the ring with ease.

PRESIDENT SPECIAL OPEN STAKES DOG 2 (1 abs)

1st Dunsdon - Meadowdale Luther Vandross at Seaspring JW

MINOR PUPPY BITCH 5

1st Calvert - CALVDALE FLUTTER This lovely 7 month old puppy so well schooled for her age on the stand made a lovely picture with her overall balance with nothing exaggerated. Head very feminine with a melting expression , good bone with still a bit of knuckle, nice tight feet, deep chest. Moderate neck, sprung ribs and good length into croup. Lovely round 'bum'. Moved steadily, with confidence. **BPB** just flagged a bit when challenging for BPIS (a long day)

2nd Pattison - CRACKERJANNE CASSIOPEIA Another sweet B/W puppy which will take time, balanced overall in body in her black jacket, head will take time, good deep chest, spring of rib, good length she also moved steadily with purpose.

3rd Corbett - TRIMERE TIME FLYS

PUPPY BITCH 6 (2 abs)

1st Savell - PETRANELLA SHENANIGAN Balanced puppy for 9 months old. Sweet feminine expression on her balanced head piece with eye of good shape and colour. She has fore chest, nicely boned. Moderate neck into a good deep body, good top line short coupled into a meaty rear. Moved well and will only get better when her handler gets more confidence.

2nd Topliss - FOXUP BRYONY FROST AT DEXBENELLA Another balanced puppy with a decent head. Great body & bone and good depth of chest slightly more bend of stifle than one. Moved well for age.

3rd Proctor - PETRANELLA PERFICK BLISS

JUNIOR BITCH 3 (2abs)

1st Chaston - TEIGNVALLEY BROWN EYED GIRL Standing alone in this class did not help her however she is very raw, has just enough bone ,enough head but would like a bit more width in foreface. Good depth of body short coupled in good coat and condition however would like to see more weight on her.

YEARLING BITCH 3

1st McCourt - MEADOWDALE SOLITAIRE AT WOODSPA Good construction with a balanced headpiece, when her eye darkens this will soften her expression. Good depth of fore chest, nice bone. Moderate neck good spring of rib. In a gleaming jacket, rear assembly not exaggerated. Free driving stride on the move.

2nd Chandler -ELAZLAN RIGHT OF REPLY This B/w bitch has overall balance and good bone and feet. Head is balanced and feminine with a nice dark eye, chiseled and square foreface. Good body with deep brisket. She moved out well but losing her top line as well as on the stack. Think she was missing her usual handler!

3rd Rowlinson - MELTAROSE MYSTIQUE

NOVICE BITCH 7 (2abs)

1st Meadowdale Solitaire at Woodspa

2nd Petranella Shenanigan

3rd Foxup Bryony Frost at Dexbenella

GRADUATE BITCH 6 (2abs)

1st Ternent - WENARK MAYZIN GRACE FOR ROQFOLLY BWT Good overall balance, head front to back in proportion would like more width in foreface. Good bone and depth, Decent shoulder and strong neck. Top line held on the move, loin short into well rounded bum.

2nd Lillie -FREEWAY REMEMBRANCE L/w another well balanced bitch with good bone and feet, head piece feminine with a lovely dark expressive eye, good deep chest, would like a bit more angulation on the rear and moved ok.

3rd Petranella Shenanigan

POST GRADUATE BITCH 5

1st Lillie - FREEWAY FORTUNE Good overall balance with good bone and feet when looking at head piece you go straight to the eye which is beautiful & expressive with chiseling below .Enough depth of body Moderate neck into good lay of shoulder. Hindquarters better than litter sister with nice bend of stifle. good condition and tone, moved ok but gave the handler a hard time!

2nd Ternent - HUNTERHECK WHO'S THAT GIRL AT GLENBROWS Good size feminine bitch well balanced overall with decent substance. Head was proportionate. Moderation throughout, which was pleasing to see. However she lost her top line on the move. 3rd COBHAY FANCY PHLOX

MID LIMIT BITCH 4

1st Weyman - SPUFFING MOLLY'S SECRET I would have liked this head more feminine overall, having said this it was in proportion with good eye colour. Moderate neck, deep chest and well sprung rib. Correct rear angulation. Held her top line whilst driving around the ring.

2nd Cokell -CARLYQUINN KISSES OF FIRE JW More feminine in head than one with hazel eye and plenty of work. Good depth of body with plenty of heart room. In great condition, Seen her moving better.

3rd Williams & Toublic - COBHAY DAZZLING AZALEA

LIMIT BITCH 4

1st Joyce -KINGSHEATH TOTAL DIVA AT FELLTOPS. Although up to size her proportion ratios are good. Would like more femininity, however her head has plenty of work and chiselling. Good bone and body length and no exaggerated angles. In great hard condition, a credit to her owners.

2nd Wallis & Levene - PENDARLOW TIANA This l/w/t bitch was more old fashioned, she had good points especially in depth of body and no exaggerated angles, great width of rear quarters, moved ok and had good coat and condition.

3rd Grosbreuil Abricot Regal

OPEN BITCH 7 (1 abs)

1st Havard - TRIMERE TIME TO SHINE AMONG ANNAVAH Very feminine stylish bitch. Head well proportioned with an expressive almond shaped dark eye, well defined stop. Ears set close to head. Neck flowed into well placed shoulder, good bone and neat feet. Well sprung rib and level top line into strong hindquarters which showed on the move when correctly driving around the ring. **BCC & RBIS**

2nd Wildsmith & Brown TRIMERE TICKLE ME FANCY From the same kennel as 1 has a lot of the same attributes, just lost out on top honors by being slightly overweight, however such a pretty bitch in great condition and coat being so in tune with her handler. **RCC**

3rd Topliss - SH CH BERESFORD NIGHT CLASS

VETERAN BITCH 7 (2 abs)

1st Dunsdon - SEASPRING BECALMED B/W Beautiful springer head with a melting expression, good ribcage and depth of body, not too long and all angles in moderation. Great width of rear upper leg muscles. Such a shame carrying too much weight. Still moved freely though. **BVIS**

2nd Richardson & Terry Richardson - CHERISHYM CHARA L/W With a feminine head. Good eye colour just a finer bitch than 1 overall. Not over angulated at all, however she was not as free as one on the move.

3rd Wallis & Levene - PETRANELLA THE REAL DEAL OF PENDARLOW

PRESIDENT SPECIAL OPEN STAKES BITCH 4

1st Dunsdon - Seaspring Becalmed

2nd Williams & Toublic - Cobhay Fancy Phlox This compact L/W bitch with her head of right proportions, good eye colour, adequate bone, bit longer in body which is deep with decent spring of rib. Excelled muscle tone which showed as she steamed around the ring!

3rd Pendarlow Tiana

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