

SOLID COLOURS COCKER A, Apr 27

The Solid Colours Cocker Association held an open show where I had an enjoyable day with some quality dogs to judge. Haven't seen too much Cocker judging lately in this country & I was surprised to find a few dogs that were a bit on the big size, & rather rangy in type, & an undocked tail certainly doesn't help. I think this is the first time I have found an undocked tail on a spaniel to be a problem.

BIS was Donmyl Dominica at Sheigra, such a lovely black bitch, very feminine, true to type, lovely head & expression, well constructed all through, good legs & feet, strong hindquarters, well presented & handled, slightly proud of her tail on odd occasions but her overall qualities more than cancelled out this small fault; RBIS Claramand Morse Code to Arrifana, quality golden in superb coat & condition, well shaped head & dark eye, good neck & shoulders, legs & feet, deep well ribbed body, good bend of stifle, sound, happy mover; & BP, Keladity Treasure, really fell for this young lady, high quality black, beautifully presented, lovely head & eye, good neck & shoulders, well boned, plenty of rib & depth of body, strong hindquarters & good bend of stifle, moved well.

Red, Golden, Liver or Lt P (3) Lovely class, I liked them all. 1 Irwin's Rosaday Razzamajazz at Brightgrass, promising 11 months golden dog, masculine head, short compact body, well angulated shoulders & good neck set, good legs & feet, sensible coat without being overdone, sound happy mover; 2 Marris Bray's Helenwood Flairy Tale; 3 Reed's Delindre Dancing Queen. **J (4,1a)** 1 Thomas' Claramand Diamond High, very well made black dog, happy temperament, in super coat & condition, sound mover. Up to size; 2 Baker's Annashonn Mr Trick Or Treat; 3 Forfar's Glasedin Golden Delicious. **G (1)** 1 C Diamond High. **O (2)** 1 Marris Bray's Helenwood Wiggle Dance, attractive red bitch, very feminine, lovely head & eye, good neck & shoulders, legs & feet, short, compact body with good depth, strong hind movement; 2 Needham's Jannors Last Samurai at Merryhaze. **Black or B/c P (3,1)** 1 Thomas' Claramand Chico Time, quality black dog, up to size, balanced masculine head, well angulated shoulders & good neck set, super bone & feet, deep body, good coat; 2 Webster's Asquanne Generation Gap. **J (9,5)** 1 West's Donmyl Dominica at Sheigra. BIS; 2 Robinson's Claramand Masquerade for Jozelah; 3 Tuohy & Whitham's Claramand Code Black over Arrifana. **G (4,2)** 1 Thomas' Claramand Black Ice, very pretty black bitch, lovely head & eye, well boned, good legs & feet, well ribbed body with good depth, strong well angulated hindquarters, moved well; 2 Worgan's Royal Dark Legend. **O (2)** 1 Thomas' Claramand Phantom, another lovely dog from this kennel but again top size, lovely head & well constructed all through, short, compact body & especially good legs & feet, sound mover; 2 West's Shiegra Sixties Song. **Any solid colour MPD (4,2)** 1 Beswick's Annashonn Flashback, promising black, nice head & eye, good neck & shoulders, super feet, well boned, moved soundly, carrying plenty of body; 2 Moutrey's Sunzo Stomp. **MPB (7,2)** 1 Smith's Pontisbright Miss Happy, gorgeous golden, really lovely head & eye, clean neck & well laid shoulders, good legs & feet, good body & depth for age, well made hindquarters, in nice coat, moved well. BMPIS; 2 Murray's Asquanne Germaine; 3 A Generation Gap. **PD (5,2)** 1 Marris Bray's Helenwood New Beginning, promising golden of correct size, balanced head & nice expression, well shaped neck & shoulders, strong compact body, sound happy mover, carrying plenty of coat; 2 C Chico Time; 3 R Razzamajazz at B. **PB (10,6)** 1 K Treasure; 2 H Flairy Tale; 3 Crowley's Lujesca Delfina. **J (4,2)** 1 D Dominica at S; 2 Thomas' Claramand Rough Diamond. **N (11,3)** 1 D Dominica at S; 2 Harman's Eligars Enigma; 3 Claramand Mas for Joze. **G (6,4)** 1 D Dominica at S; 2 Claramand Black Ice. **PG (5,3)** 1 Marris Bray's Helenwood Wotsisname, mature golden of lovely type, good head & eye, well angulated shoulders & correct neck set, good front & feet, deep well ribbed body, strong hindquarters, nice coat; 2 Smith's Lujesca Happy Soul at Pontisbright; 3 Moutrey's Sunzo Sort Shoe Shuffle. **B (5,2)** 1 Reed's Claramand Thriller Queen for Delindre, very pretty bit, good head & eye, well constructed, sound happy mover; 2 Jannor's Last Samurai at Merryhaze; 3 Worgan's Royal Nordic Prince with Luthane. **OD (3,2)** 1 RBIS, Claramand Morse Code to Arrifana. **OB (2,1)** 1 Forfar's Helenwood Shine On at Glasedin, nice type black, good body & depth, nice coat, happy temperament. **CAROLYN MUIRHEAD**