

Southern English Springer Spaniel Club – Open Show July 14th 2024: Judge - L Wilson

I was delighted to be invited to judge this show – many thanks to the committee for inviting me. The day went very smoothly and, considering the work involved in running one show, a round of applause to all concerned dealing with two shows! A huge thanks to the stewards and everyone else working in my ring and to all exhibitors who entered.

Best in Show/Best Bitch

Khaleesi De Les Tres Llacunes with Alhambrian (Imp Esp)

Reserve Best in Show/Reserve Best Bitch

Melverly Amy Dorrit with Coastalglows

Best Puppy in Show

Teignvalley New Beginnings

Best Dog/Best Veteran in Show

Sh. Ch. Dexbanella Atticus Finch ShCEx VW

Minor Puppy Dog

No entries

Puppy Dog (2,0)

1. Teignvalley New Beginnings – Mrs C.Hill.

Very eye-catching puppy, balanced outline with good bone and nothing overdone. Head still to break but he has such a gentle expression and dark eye. Lovely clean neck into correct front assembly. Still very much a baby but moved happily with drive. A1 presentation. BPD & BPIS.

2. Cobhay Dashing Dandelion – Williams & Toublic.

Balance pup with good bode and depth. Straight front but needs time to develop in chest.

Moderate turn of stifle and well let down hocks Level topline both standing and on the move.

Junior Dog (1)

1. More Than Amazing Wanna be a Gangster at Spuffing JW - Mrs J Weyman.

Good size and shape with plenty of bone. Dark eye with soft expression. Nicely constructed front angulation and good depth of chest, level topline which he holds on the move. I've seen him move more enthusiastically than he did but still moved out soundly.

Special Yearling Dog (1)

1. Kingsheath Sun Dance - Mrs J Fitchett.

Well balanced young dog with dark eye and gentle expression. Still very much a work in progress but moved very happily keeping a level topline.

Novice Dog (2,1)

1. Cobhay Dashing Dandelion

Graduate Dog (3,0)

1. Kingsheath Paso Doble - Mrs B Nicholson.

Lovely head and expression. Good front assembly with super shoulder placement and nice reach of neck. Well proportioned throughout with ample bone. Moved out with drive.

2. Hunterheck Fade to Black - Mr & Mrs Le-Clerc

Compact dog of correct size with lovely dark eyes and gentle expression. Ample bone with good tight feet, well placed shoulders and level topline. Moved happily.

3. Dexbenella Oasis Dream of Chamford - Miss R Clifford

Post Graduate Dog (2)

1. Cobhay Dashing Dandelion

2. Dexbenella Final Frontier - Mrs K Allery

Heavier set dog with good bone. Appealing masculine head with kind expression. Good depth although slightly heavy over the shoulders. Moved ok.

Limit Dog (3,1)

1. Eastriding Royal Black - Mrs K Jenkinson.

B/W in his usual sparkling condition. Lovely masculine head with super strong neck into well placed shoulders and impressive front angulation. Moderate rear angulation and balanced all through. In lovely coat and condition, looked a picture moving round the ring with good reach and strong drive.

2. Greg De Les Tres Llacunes (Imp) - Mr & Mrs Gledhill.

Very nice head with super expression. Good depth of chest and ample bone throughout. Moderate fore and rear angulation. Moved ok.

Open Dog (3,1)

1. SH CH Beresford Lockdown - Mrs T Topliss.

Very smart dog with lovely masculine head. Great bone and substance all through. Strong arched neck and super front angulation. Moderate and strong rear assembly. Uses his balanced construction so well on the move. RBD.

2. Cherishym Dofida - Mr & Mrs Terry-Richardson.

Eye catching dog with abundance of coat. Masculine head and strong arched neck which flows into level topline. Good angulation and ample bone. Presents a balanced outline both standing and on the move.

Veteran Dog (2)

1. Sh Ch Dexbenella Atticus Finch ShCEx VW - Mr & Mrs Walker.

Loved this boy for his balanced outline and substance. Such a beautiful head and expression. Lovely straight front with excellent shoulder/upper arm proportions, rear assembly is strong and moderate. With this construction he covers the ground soundly and with purpose. BD BOS BVIS

Special Beginners Dog

1. Hunterheck Fade to Black

2. Dexbenella Final Frontier

Minor Puppy Bitch -no entries

Puppy Bitch (2)

1. Teignvalley Rags to Riches - Mrs C Hill.

Feminine head with lovely dark eye and soft expression. Good reach of neck into well placed shoulders and straight front. Well balanced pup with good depth and ample bone and moderate rear angulation. Moved out soundly.

2. Cobhay Heavenly Hydrangea - Williams and Toublic.

This pup has a beautiful head with very gentle expression. Still very raw and needs time to grow and mature but moved very happily for her handler. Very nice presentation.

Junior Bitch (5,2)

1. Plaiglen One Last Time - Ms F Glendinning.

Nothing overdone in this well-balanced young lady. Gorgeous head with sweet, feminine expression. Proportional front assembly with good depth of chest and good bone and substance throughout. Drives well from moderate hindquarters holding a level topline. Needs time but very nice at this stage.

2. Dexbenella in my Dreams - Walker & Bellamy.

Lovely feminine head and good reach of neck, nice front angulation with moderate rear assembly. We'll balance with good bone and substance, moved soundly.

3. Dexbenella Dream of Dreams.

Special Yearling Bitch (4,1)

1. Melverly Amy Dorrit with Coastalgloves - Mrs J Harris.

She is an absolute star. Beautiful head with the most gentle expression. Fabulous reach of neck into well placed shoulders and correct upper arm ratio. Moderate rear angulation with super width of thigh. Such a balanced outline with everything in moderation and moves like she means it. Beautifully presented, so happy to award her RBB & RBIS.

2. Dexbenella In My Dreams

3. Shersona I Believe In Angels at Beresford

Maiden Bitch (2,2)

Novice Bitch (1)

1. Cobhay Heavenly Hydrangea

Graduate Bitch (5)

1. Melverly Betsy Trotwood with Coastalgloves - Mrs J Harris.

Very nice young bitch with plenty of substance. Pretty feminine head with nice eye shape. neck is strong with good reach which flows into correct front assembly. Good depth with ample spring of rib and balanced all through. Moved soundly with drive.

2. Petrenella Perfick Bliss - Mrs M Proctor.

Correct size bitch of good shape and balance, head is slightly plain but she has a nice gentle expression. Strong neck with well-placed shoulders and straight front. Good depth and bone and moved well with purpose.

3. Dexbenella In My Dreams.

Post Graduate Bitch (3)

1. Kingsheath Mayday at Seaspring - Mrs T Dunsdon.

Really liked this lovely girl, such a beautiful head with a sweet, gentle expression. She is moderate throughout and has a beautifully balanced outline. Strong arched neck and straight front with good tight feet. Moved soundly with good reach and drive.

2. Daenerys Moondancer to Cherishym - Mr & Mrs Terry-Richardson.

Correct sized bitch with good bone and moderate coat. Nice head proportions with correct ear placement. Straight front with ample bone and substance, moved well.

3. Cobhay Heavenly Hydrangea

Limit Bitch (5)

1. Khaleesi De Les Tres Llacunes with Alhambian (Imp Esp) - Mr & Mrs Keely.
Just loved her, she is a beautiful bitch with a gorgeous balanced head and soft expression. Super strong neck into front assembly of textbook proportions. Good depth, bone and substance throughout. Rear quarters are moderate and well-muscled. Every inch of her is quality and although not in her best outfit it didn't matter, she has nothing to hide. She moved round the ring with amazing reach and drive. Her side gait is her superpower and the ground she covers with one stride is stunning. She moves with so much flamboyance and style and she just has 'it'. Delighted to award her BIS.
2. Barecho Fame Queen at Eastriding (Imp Swe) - Mrs K Jenkinson.
Lovely feminine head with correct eye shape and soft, gentle expression. Strong, arched neck with good reach. Moderate angulation both front and rear with good depth and bone throughout. Level topline carried on the move. Very balanced bitch who moves soundly with style and purpose.
3. Melverly Vignette

Open Bitch (4)

1. Freeway Remembrance - Mr & Mrs Lillie.
Very nice type of correct size with nice outline. Feminine head of good proportions with the softest of expressions. Lovely straight front with moderate angulation and good depth of chest. Compact and balanced throughout. Moved soundly.
2. Sandylands Send My Love - Mrs T Topliss.
Nice feminine bitch with lovely head shape. Excellent reach of neck into good front angulation and good depth of chest. Ample bone all through. Moves very well with good drive. Lovely presentation.
3. Cobhay Fancy Phlox

Veteran Bitch (3,1)

1. Sh Ch Bordacity Honey Ryder - Ms S Watson.
Lovely type with nice head and eye. Strong neck with good angulation throughout. Plenty of bone and depth. She excels in movement and covers the ground soundly and with ease.
2. Seaspring Beclaimed - Mrs T Dunsdon.
Nice head with beautiful dark eye and gentle expression. Good length of neck into correct shoulder placement and good upper arm length. Rear angulation is moderate with good width of thigh and well let down hocks. Ample bone and depth all through. Moved really well with purpose.

Special Beginners Bitch (3)

1. Calvdale Padlurowncanoe at Zawspring - Miss Z Wilson.
B/W bitch with good bone. Compact and balanced with plenty of substance. Head is slightly heavy but of good shape with dark eye. Well bodied and very well presented. Moved ok.
2. Hunterheck Lost in a Spell - Mr & Mrs Le-Clerc.
Balanced bitch of good size and substance. Very nice head with dark eye and soft expression. Moderate angulation throughout with good depth and bone. Moved very happily holding a level topline.
3. Allenies Lady Marmalade.

Brace (1)

1. Williams & Toublic

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