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My thanks to the committee for inviting me to judge their open show. I really enjoyed the appointment and found some top quality dogs. I felt the entry was large enough for me to focus on finding examples of the breed that meet my expectation of the breed standard; sporting, and well balanced. I expect to see Cavaliers that are well constructed, with level toplines and can move with free and elegant action that you would expect of any spaniel, in this sense I was very pleased with all my main winners and most class winners today.

BIS was the black and tan dog, Whitman & Tarabad's **Khatibi Bark Obama JW ShCEx**. This top quality dog, meets my expectations completely. His movement is excellent, he enjoys filling the ring, but why shouldn't he! He is well constructed and moves with fluidity, style and drive but no exaggeration. He is correct for size, well constructed and has a level back that he maintains on the move. Dark, expressive and well set eyes, flat skull and high set ears with good length and sufficient feathering. Well laid shoulders so his movement is straight and parallel and he has a well-turned stifle which give him good drive from hindquarters. Well set tail that he carries happily. **RBIS** was Ireland's **Glebheath Jezebel at Charnell**. Super sound, well constructed and balanced bitch. She has an appealing head, with dark and expressive eyes, flat skull, high set ears with good length and feathering. Good reach of neck leading to well laid shoulders and level back that she maintained when on the move. Her movement was free and elegant, with good drive from hindquarters. I'd probably prefer a little less of her to be ideal, but her overall soundness and balance stood her out for me today. **BPIS** was Wileman & Bott's **Gransil Trick or Treat for Narvidar**. A very showy and confident young dog with much to commend him. He has a very masculine head, flat skull, well filled beneath his large and dark eyes. Just right for size and overall balance, he is well constructed and so moved very well, full of confidence elegant and with plenty of drive from hindquarters. He's a little too confident with his tail but hopefully this will settle.

Veteran Dog – 1 Mangham's Garlouchi Just Magic of Charnavale. Smart and well constructed dog. Silky coat with appropriate feathering on his ears. Well angulated and muscled hindquarters which lended him appropriate drive. Liked his head, flat skull, large and dark eye. 2 Richmond's Charlottetown New Approach. Flat skull, large and round eye, high set ears. Moved well, maintaining a level topline, correct set to tail that he carried happily. 3 Richmond's Charlottetown Mika.

Puppy Dog 1 Wileman & Bott's Gransil Trick or Treat for Narvidar. 2 Bloomfield's Delhaze Reach for the Sky with Oaklake. Correct for size and shape, in profile he moves with elegance. Large and dark eye, high set ears with good feathering. His tail is a little high set for balance. 3 Hitcham's Gransil Garibaldi.

Junior Dog 1 Biddle's Hearthfriend Snooze Mood. Typical head and expression, dark and round eye, high set ears with good feathering. Correct silky coat in good condition.

Novice Dog 1 Wileman & Bott's Gransil Trick or Treat for Narvidar. 2 Barwell's Charlottetown Bertiluccio. Well balanced and correct for size. Silky coat in good condition with good markings. Carried his tail well. Flat skull, with high set ears and large, darkeyes.

Graduate Dog 1 Bloomfield's Delhaze Reach for the Sky with Oaklake. 2 Jackson's Beaconsfylde Razin a Wizard. Correct for overall size and balance, but I preferred proportions of the winner's head. Well set and carried tail, good angulation to hindquarters.

Postgraduate Dog 1 Richmond's Beaconsfylde Razin the Roof. Appealing tricolour with masculine head and correct expression from large and dark eyes. High set ears with reasonable feathering. Good reach of neck and well laid shoulders. Level topline that he maintained on the move. Free and elegant action with good drive from hindquarters. 2 Vaughn's Diddlidors Far Far Away. Correct for size and shape. Would have preferred a darker eye, but he has a typical head with high set ears, good reach of neck and well laid shoulders.

Special Limit Blenheim or Tricolour Dog 1 Morgan's Hearthfriend Top Withens. Typical head and expression, large, dark and round eyes with high set ears. Slightly arched neck, level topline and well angulated hindquarters.

Special Limit Black & Tan or Ruby 1 Wileman & Bott's Gransil Trick or Treat for Narvidar. 2 Hutchin's Frondil's Office Ed. Appealing expression, flat skull, high set and long ears with good feathering. Large and round eyes. Level topline, carried his tail correctly. Moved well in profile but didn't have the same drive from hindquarters as the winner.

Open Dog 1 Whitman & Tarabad's Khatibi Bark Obama JW ShCEx. 2 Biddle's Hearthfriend Bah Humbug JW. Smart and elegant male, well balanced overall and correct for size. Correctly proportioned head with flat skull, dark eye, high set ears of good length. Moved well.

Special Open Bred by Exhibitor 1 Mynott's Honeybet Heads Up. Correct for size. Nicely arched neck leading to well laid shoulders and level topline that he carried well on the move. Coat in good condition with good feathering.

Veteran Bitch 1 Whitman and Tarabad's Khatabi I'm Martha Sleep. Elegant and smart bitch, correct for size. Nice expression from large and round eyes, high set ears with good feathering. Moved well with good drive from hindquarters. Carried her tail well.

Minor Puppy Bitch 1 Stanton's Cassandy Ginger Rogers. Shapely bitch and well balanced at this stage. Moved well in profile, maintaining a level topline throughout. Straight front and well angulated hindquarters and well sprung ribs. 2 Harney's Shelpet Domino. Nice head with dark and expressive eyes and high set ears. Perhaps a little long in body at the moment. Well angulated hindquarters, moved with confidence. 3 Jackson's Fotunamajor Stormy Sky.

Puppy Bitch 1 Knight's Queen of Hearts De Los Ursidos Kodiak at Carolous. Such a charming puppy, of correct size and shape and very well balanced overall. She was confident and moved well, carrying her level topline and tail correctly. Large and dark eyes, with high set ears and well proportioned head. 2 Rhodes' Calonlan Bloom. Well constructed, moved well and carried her tail correctly. Sweet expression from dark and round eyes, well set ears. Nicely arched neck. Move well.

Junior Bitch 1 Betts' Shelpet Simmone. Nicely shaped and correct for size. Well constructed with good rear angulation and sound movement. Level topline and good tail carriage. Silky coat, in good condition with sufficient feathering. Moved well. 2 Brewer and Moody's Bowfort Polly Flinders. Sweet bitch, with well proportioned head and high set ears. Nicely arched neck and well laid shoulders, well sprung rib. 3 Mynott's Honeybet Hot n Naughty.

Novice Bitch 1 Knight's Queen of Hearts De Los Ursidos Kodiak at Carolous. 2 Rhodes' Calonlan Bloom. Mangham's Charnavale Perfect Angel.

Graduate Bitch 1 Hogan's Stavonga Wendy'd Song. Super quality bitch with very appealing head and expression. Flat skull, well set ears, large and dark eyes, clear stop. Nicely arched neck leading to well laid shoulders and level topline that she maintained on the move. She moved with free and elegant action. Needs a bit more time to mature fully, but will be a top competitor I'm sure.

Postgraduate Bitch 1 Towse's Miletree Clear Sky. She didn't seem particularly bothered about being here today, not showing off her full quality. When you get your hands on this bitch, you can feel the quality, she is

very well constructed and this shows when she finally gets into her stride moving with elegance and drive. Large and dark eye with well set ears. Level topline that she maintained on the move. Good rear angulation and a well set tail that she carried correctly.

Special Limit Blenheim or Tricolour Bitch 1 Knight's Buttercup V T Burgstse Hof at Carolus. Quite heavily marked Blenheim, has a good coat, straight and silky with sufficient feathering. Well constructed, straight front and well angulated hindquarters giving sufficient drive on the move. 2 Floyd's Carolus Miss Emily. Sweet expression, dark eyes and well set ears. Level topline. 3 Colavecchia's Carolus Miss Elsie.

Special Limit Black & Tan or Ruby 1 Brewer and Moody's Bowfort Ginger Rogers. Sound bitch with well sprung ribs, level topline and nicely arched neck though a little too long in body. Large and round eye with high set and long ears.

Open Bitch 1 Ireland's Glebheath Jezebel at Charnell. 2 Whitman & Tarabad's Denham Over the Moon. Delightful bitch with very sweet expression. Spot on for size and shape and well balanced overall. Large, round and dark eyes, flat skull with high set ears and well defined stop. Moved well with sufficient drive, maintaining level topline. 3 Rhodes' Calonlan Pretty in Pink.

Special Open Bred by Exhibitor 1 Chapman and Ireland's Ellemich Crème de la Crème. Sweet, expressive, elegant and well constructed bitch, perfect for size and shape. Coat in excellent condition, silky with sufficient feathering. She moves with typical free-flowing action with good drive from her well angulate hindquarters. Her topline is level when she is on the move and she carries her tail well. Very appealing head, well proportioned with round and dark eye and a lovely gentle expression RBB. 2 Whitman & Tarabad's Khatibi Amber Lynne JW. Another with fabulous head and expression. Well set ears, nicely arched neck, well sprung ribs, straight front and well angulated hindquarters. Moved well with good drive.

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