

## **Home Counties American Cocker Club Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2016**

I would like to thank the committee for inviting me to judge and to the exhibitors who attended the show especially due to the appalling weather at the week end.

The breed standard asks for the characteristics to be merry, free, sound and keen to work with a good temperament, I am pleased to say this was the situation.

All exhibits showed the true characteristics and dentition required of the breed.

### **Minor Puppy (1)**

**1<sup>st</sup> GABLEQUEST GOLD DUST** – 6 month Buff; shown by a young handler and he gave her a difficult time on the table and on the move. Good quality puppy, well balanced outline, pleasing expression, good length of neck onto level top line. Both fore and hindquarters were correct, tight feet and correct tail set. Did show good movement once settled on the move. This pair will do well once they gel together.

### **Puppy Dog (2)**

**1<sup>st</sup> HARRISBURG KISS THE GIRL** – 10 month Buff; a good young example of the breed. Very expressive with appealing eyes, good clean head, square muzzle and large nose; muscular neck. Good chest width and well ribbed. Correct fore and hind angulation allowing free movement. Just needs the finishing touches (**BPD & BPIS**).

**2<sup>nd</sup> ZHEMCHUZHAYA ROSSIP MAVERICK** – 9 month Black; another good example and very similar to 1 but not quite as mature and the movement was not as free as 1.

### **Junior Dog – (1) Absent**

### **Maiden Dog – (0)**

### **Novice Dog (2)**

**1<sup>st</sup> ZHEMCHUZHAYA ROSSIP MAVERICK**

**2<sup>nd</sup> WRAXHILL YUKON STRIKE** – 20 month Buff; this was a difficult class to judge as although more mature than one did not quite match in the overall look and feel. The movement of 1 just pipped it for me today but may well be different on another day.

### **Graduate Dog (0)**

### **Post Graduate Dog (1)**

**1<sup>st</sup> GABLEQUEST GLORY DAYS** – 20 month Black; serviceable in outline, confidentially presented by the young handler. Developed rounded head, pleasant expression, good dark eye and correct ear placement. Balanced in body well boned and had tight feet. Movement let this exhibit down today as he was not using the ring to his advantage.

### **Limit Dog (2)**

**1<sup>st</sup> ZURY'S JOHNNY DEPP** – 2year old Tri; a lot to like about this exhibit. Very well presented with the classic look of an American. Well developed head, clearly defined stop, keen expression with dark eye. Strong square jaw with correct bite. Good length of neck, correct shoulder placement and level top line. Well boned, compact padded feet. Correct angulation in fore and hind quarters

allowing free flowing movement. The gait was smooth and effortless covering the ground gracefully with drive. In excellent coat and trimmed to perfection **(BD & BIS)**.

**2<sup>nd</sup> SABISABI PAWNEE POW WOW** - 5 year old Black; Well balanced in outline. Good clean head and expression, good length neck. Good spring of ribs and chest, correct angulation fore and hind quarters and move quite freely.

#### **Open Dog (1)**

**1<sup>st</sup> HARRISBURG THE LION KING** – 3 year old Buff; sound in outline, developed head with clearly defined stop. Pleasant expression with correct eye colour. Would prefer a slightly longer neck. Correct shoulder placement and length. Well boned throughout with round firm feet. Moved with purpose and drive.

#### **Veteran Dog (1)**

**1<sup>st</sup> FELGAR MAJESTIC LEGEND ShCM** – 8 ½ year old Buff; stunning in outline for his age. Well presented in good coat. Kind expression, good clean eye, correct bite, strong jaw. Clean neck, level top line and tail set. Sound in body and well balanced throughout. Slightly lacking in muscle tone but still very good for his age. Moved with purpose covering the ground well **(RBD & BVIS)**.

#### **Cut Down/Puppy Trim (1)**

**1<sup>st</sup> MYCALLEYS COLARADO** – 3 year old Black; good head structure but lacking the kind expression for me. Clean neck and shoulders, good bone structure, tight feet but not as balanced in profile as I would like. Moved well.

#### **Special Working/Agility/Obedience Dog or Bitch (2)**

**1<sup>st</sup> SABISABI CHEROKEE AWINITA** – 15 month Buff Bitch; Square muzzle, strong jaw and correct bite but with one slightly misaligned tooth which distracted from the overall head for me however would not detract from working. Curved neck, lovely shoulder placement and correct tail set. Balanced body structure and outline. The movement was very fluid.

**2<sup>nd</sup> SABISABI CHEROKEE YONA** – litter sister to 1; showed many of the attributes but lacked in the overall presentation today.

#### **Minor Puppy Bitch (0)**

#### **Puppy Bitch (3)**

**1<sup>st</sup> ZHEMCHUZHAYA ROSSIP MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT AT JOLARA** – 9 month Black; refined for her age with an expression to die for. Clean skull and swan like neck. Level top line and correct tail set. Correct angulation showing great overall balance throughout. She was apprehensive on the table which I made allowances as she is a puppy. Unsettled on the move in this class for the handler but relaxed more in subsequent classes to see the sound movement that the confirmation indicated **(BPB)**.

**2<sup>nd</sup> ADMIRAL'S SHOU A-ONE IN A MILLION AT TANTRIPP (IMP RUS)** – 9 month Chocolate; in good coat and presented well. Appealing head, kind eye and good colour, good body and substance however I thought overall balance was not quite there. Fluid movement with good reach and drive.

**3<sup>rd</sup> BELLILLA DRESSED TO THRILL**

### **Junior Bitch**

**1<sup>st</sup> SABISABLI CHEROKEE INOLA** – 15 month Black; shown in good condition, pleasing head with expressive dark eye. More mature than the other placed exhibits. Balanced throughout with good bone, tight feet and kept the level top line on the move.

**2<sup>nd</sup> ZHEMCHUZHAYA ROSSIP MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT AT JOLARA**

**3<sup>rd</sup> ADMIRAL'S SHOU A-ONE IN A MILLION AT TANTRIPP (IMP RUS)**

### **Maiden Bitch (2)**

**1<sup>st</sup> SABISABLI CHEROKEE INOLA**

**2<sup>nd</sup> ZHEMCHUZHAYA ROSSIP MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT AT JOLARA**

### **Novice Bitch (3, 1)**

**1<sup>st</sup> SABISABLI CHEROKEE AWINITA**

**2<sup>nd</sup> ZHEMCHUZHAYA ROSSIP MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT AT JOLARA**

### **Graduate Bitch (1)**

**1<sup>st</sup> ADMIRAL'S SHOU A-ONE IN A MILLION AT TANTRIPP (IMP RUS)**

### **Post Graduate Bitch (1)**

**1<sup>st</sup> ADMIRAL'S SHOU A-ONE IN A MILLION AT TANTRIPP (IMP RUS)**

### **Limit Bitch (1)**

**1<sup>st</sup> BELMILLA ALL IN GOOD TIME** – 16 month Black; feminine and totally balanced. Good neck and shoulders. Adequate ribbing and depth of chest. I would prefer slightly more bone. Moved very well showing drive both front and rear. Well handled **(RBB)**

### **Open Bitch (2, 1)**

**1<sup>st</sup> PELHAMCOURT TWIST OF FATE** – 15 month Black; beautiful in outline and perfectly presented. Excellent expression, eye shape and colour compliments the look of the head. Fluid neck and shoulders, good angulation, well boned and fully padded feet. Well handled, graceful carriage showing reach and drive both front and rear **(BB & RBIS)**

### **Veteran Bitch (0)**

### **Cut Down/Puppy Trim Bitch (2, 1)**

**1<sup>st</sup> PELHAMCOURT SEDULOUS SADIE** – 3 year old Black; pleasing outline, feminine head, correct length of neck, level top line and tail set. Handled and moved well.

**Judge: Mr David Worgan (Luthame)**