

Belfast Dog Show Society Champion Show - 29/09/2025

Judge: Frank Borg

Breed: Spaniel (English Springer)

I would like to thank the Committee of the Belfast Dog Show Society for the invitation to judge at this year's very well run show by Jackie Stubbs and his team. I've thoroughly enjoyed judging the three gundog breeds, in which I was spoilt for choice, especially in Pointers and Springer Spaniels, the latter having dogs that would easily swap places anytime.

Limit (1)

1st. Bullock's Trixhund This Is My Destiny ShCEx – dog with good proportions and balanced angulation. Lovely head with correct stop and chiselling. Correct eye shape and colour giving him a kind expression, good bone and feet, plenty of width to chest and depth to ribs, strong loins and well-developed quarters, nicely furnished, moved well.

Open (5)

1st. Topliss' Sh Ch Sandylands Stand N Deliver - Very masculine, so balanced and sound. Having a gorgeous head of good length and breadth. Clean cheeks and well-chiselled beneath the eyes. Neck of good length, slightly arched, flowing seamlessly into well laid shoulders, having excellent angles in front assembly that made him stand out. Deep chest and excellent bone and feet. Ribcage well sprung and carried well back. Strong loin leading to well-muscled hindquarters with well-muscled thighs. Hocks well let down and squarely placed to the ground. Excellent movement fore and aft with good forward extension and drive from behind when viewed in profile. In excellent coat. His condition and muscularity gave him the edge on his competition. CC and BOB.

2nd. Brasch & Madsen's Dan/Swe Ch Trimere Time Traveller – Another dog with excellent overall balance and showing correct breed outline. Head of good length with slightly rounded skull, clean cheeks and well-chiselled beneath the eyes. Nice clean neck and well laid shoulder and corresponding length and return of upper arm. Correct chest width and depth. Excellent bone with compact feet, well sprung ribcage leading to strong loin and well-made hindquarters with good width of second thigh. Accurate movement with good length of stride when viewed in profile.
Res.CC.

3rd. Sh Ch/dk/seu/nor/pol Ch Daenerys Blood of The Dragon
ShCEx TAF

Reserve. Sh Ch Elazlan Billy Kimber

Ir Sh Ch Templecarrig High Hope

Puppy Bitch (2)

1st. Nicklin & Bellamy & Nicklin's Sieger's She's A Classic for Wythnick (Imp Dan) - pretty youngster with a refined feminine head, almond shaped eyes and lovely expression, still needs to develop in chest, compact with well sprung ribs and good depth, good turn of stifle, just needs to settle on the move finish up in body, still very young and having enough time for that. Correct movement.

2nd. Calvert's Elazlan Elle for Leather – lovely type with a pretty head, good bone and substance, nice chest and feet, good topline, pity she didn't use her tail.

Junior Bitch (3, 1a):

1st. Topliss ' Beresford Stand On Ceremony - lovely head having detailed chiselling and correct eye shape and colour. Good neck, correct front assembly with good angulations, excellent topline and strong hindquarters, excellent sound movement.

2nd. Calvert's Chanangel Yorkshire Honey - good head, neck and shoulder, correct bone, liked her front and good rib, preferred movement of winner.

Graduate Bitch (1)

1st. T E Topliss' Beresford Stand Aside - typical springer with lovely feminine head, almond eye, detailed chiselling, clean, arched neck, compact with good angulation front and back, needs more confidence in the ring, moved well.

Limit Bitch (1)

1st. Corbett's Sieger's See Eye to Eye with Trimere (Imp Dk) NAF – loved her overall style and balance, very classical in head having the right balance between skull and foreface with correct chiselling, dark eyes giving a soft expression, well set ears with lovely feathering, strong well arched neck flowing blending into well laid shoulders, correct chest and good depth of brisket, lovely ribs, firm top line, correctly angulated hindquarters, in great condition, moved soundly fore and aft with plenty of reach and drive. Res.CC

Open Bitch (4) Spoilt for choice in this class, having 4 really good examples of this breed.

1st. Casey & Jayes' Sh Ch Sandylands Send The Roses - loved this girl with her clean outline, so well proportioned throughout with plenty of substance, classic shaped head with correct stop and square outline to muzzle, well-set almond shaped eyes and a lovely

feminine soft expression, well placed ears of good length and plenty of feathering, strong neck with slight arch flowing nicely into shoulders, elbows close to body, correct width of chest with deep brisket and well-sprung ribcage , well-muscled hindquarters with correct moderate angulation, standing on compact feet, in fabulous condition, she just flowed round the ring with plenty of reach and drive and holding her outline. Bitch CC. Chuffed when her owner told me that she is the litter sister to my dog CC winner.

2nd. Calvert's Sh Ch Calvdale Flutter JW - correct head that oozed femininity, strong arched neck and exceptional angulation front and back,loved her outline that commands attention, she powers round the ring with an open side gait, her movement gave her the edge that won her 2nd place in this class.

3rd. Sh Ch Trimere Time Flys

Reserve. Ir Sh Ch Star Dancer at Templecarrig Jch

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