

## Southern English Springer Spaniel Society

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I would like to thank the society for inviting me to judge their open show. It was such an enjoyable day and I felt honoured to do so. Lovely weather, lovely dogs and the atmosphere was so friendly. Thank you! Congratulations to the committee on running such a great show. My thanks also go to Pauline and Judi who kept my ring running smoothly and to Pauline for her wonderful photos. **PD** (4,2) Two promising boys. 1 Walkers Dexbenella Livin the Dream. Such an eye-catching boy. He has the most lovely head with such a kind expression and raised brows. I particularly liked his length of skull and muzzle. Loved his forehead and depth of chest. He is shorter coupled than 1 and was more together today. He has strong hindquarters with great width of thigh which enabled him to move with good reach and drive. In super coat and condition. So promising. Best PD ResBPIS. 2 Jenkinson Eastriding Royal Gold. A more moderately made boy with good bone. He has an attractive head with a good earset. His neck is strong which leads cleanly into nicely placed shoulders. His topline is straight and firm, Moderate bend of stifle and not over done in any way. He moved soundly around the ring. **JD** (2) 1 Wests Meonstoke Woodpecker At Grosbreuil. 15mth old handsome headed boy with a good eye shape and expression. He is moderate in outline and well balanced throughout with a good depth of brisket. His topline is firm and level. I liked his height to length ration. He stands on good feet and he moved well. Well presented. 2 Allerys Daenerys Playing with fire. 13 mth old obviously not as forward as 1. I liked his head which was balanced with a pleasing expression. Good layback of shoulders and return of upper arm. He is well boned with nicely angulated rear quarters which were well muscled. He just didn't want to co-operate today. **SP YD** (1) 1 Williams and Toublic Cobhay Dashing Dandelion (JW). Stronger headed boy. He is well off for bone and stands on rounded feet. I liked his moderate rear quarters and he was in super condition with great muscle tone. He just needs to drop in depth. He moved soundly when he was concentrating. **N** (2) 1 Walkers Dexbenella Livin The Dream. 2 Allerys Daenerys Playing With Fire. **PG** (5.2) Nice class. 1 Stevensons Peasblossom Brogan at Gaolachcara. I really liked this young boy although he still needs time to mature. His head is handsome with an intelligent expression and clean cheeks. His neck is strong and of good length. I particularly liked his front assembly. He has a good layback and return of upper arm which is sadly lacking at times. He is well bodied with a good spring of rib and a firm top line. Moderately made behind which enabled him to move freely around the ring, he is not overdone in any way. Res Best Dog. 2 Fitchetts Kingsheath Sundance. He has a lovely unexaggerated

outline. I liked his head shape, good eye shape and colour. Loved his height to length ratio, not too short. His neck flows cleanly into a nice forehead. Good bone and neat feet, shapely hindquarters but not so positive on the move today. 3 Le Clercs Huntersheck Fade To Black. **O** (2.1a) 1 Richardson/Terry-Richardson Cherishym Dofida. This B/W 5 year old boy really appealed to me, he is full of quality. I loved this boy's head of equal proportions with great width and length. His eyes are expressive and dark. His neck has good reach and desired arch. He is clean over the shoulders, his front is well made and he stands on neat feet. I loved his depth of brisket and spring of ribs. His rear quarters are nicely angulated with a great width of thigh. He is in lovely coat and condition. He moved with verve around the ring to take Best Dog. ResBIS. **VD** (3) What a class. I must mention the boy in 3rd. He is nearly 13 years old and is such a sweetie, in lovely coat and condition a credit to his owner. He thoroughly enjoyed his day. 1 Woodbridge Crackerjanne Court Jester. I didn't know this 9 yr old boy was a dog I admired when he was in his younger years. I loved him as a youngster and I was so pleased to see him today. He is still so handsome. His head is balanced with the most lovely expression only enhanced by his grey hairs. His neck is strong and muscular. He has nicely angulated shoulders and return of upper arm. Good depth of chest, sound front with good heart room. Firm topline and a good length of croup that was lacking today. Sound shapely rearquarters. He moved so well in the heat, BVIS. 2 Walkers Sh Ch Dexbenella Atticus Finch. ShCex VW. Lovely eye catching 9 yr old boy. In wonderful coat and condition. His balanced clean outline appealed. He has the most handsome head with raised brows. His neck flows nicely into good shoulders and sound front. His depth of brisket and spring of ribs appealed greatly. He is shorter coupled than 1 and has shapely hindquarters with a great width of thigh. He moved very soundly. 3 Fitchett Neoinean Wizard. **Spec Beginners** (3) 1 Fitchett KingsheathSundance. 2 Allerys Daenerys Playing With Fire. 3 Le Clerc Hunterheck Fade to Black. **PB** (5,1) 1 Jenkinson's Eastriding Royal Style. I really liked this feminine pretty girl. She took my eye immediately. She has a lovely head with raised brows and kind eyes. Her neck flows into her well placed shoulders and she has a good return of upper arm. I loved her height to length ratio giving her the raciness I was looking for, not too square. She has good depth and bone for her age. Her hindquarters are shapely and she moved really well with reach and drive around the ring to clinch BPB and then BPIS over a most promising boy. 2 Stevenson' Spuffing Daiquiri at Gaolachcara. Another promising girl. She is so balanced for her age. She has a beautiful head with correct eye shape, clean neck and good shoulders. I loved her length and return of upper arm. She has good depth of brisket and is well ribbed. Her well muscled hindquarters helped her move soundly keeping her outline. 3 Lillie Eastriding Royal Rose. **JB** (3) A class full of

sisters!! 1 Proctors Forgespring Nobodys Fool at Blissenbea. B/w bitch who has a kind expression with dark expressive eyes. Her outline is balanced and clean. She has a well made forehead but she just needs to drop a little in depth of chest. She has good spring of ribs and is built on moderate lines. She moved well, keeping a balanced outline. 2 Patterson's Forgespring Foolproof. She has many of her sister's attributes, just a lighter frame. I'm sure all three will change places. She is just not as together as her sister. Again she is moderately built with good bone and a well made straight front with good front assembly. I liked her firm straight topline, good width of thigh and she moved soundly. 3 Stephen's Forgespring Fool me once. **SP YB** (3,1) 1 Cokell's Carlyquinn Winter Storm(JW). I fell for this smart beautifully presented bitch. She has the most lovely balanced feminine head. Good skull shape with raised brows and chiselling. Her ears are well placed. Her neck is of good length and flows cleanly into her shoulders. She has a sound forehead but tends to stand over her front a little. She has good depth of brisket and spring of ribs. Her topline is firm and straight with a strong loin and length of croup. She is well muscled with a great width of thigh and moderately bent stifles. I loved her outline, so balanced and clean. She moved well in this class but in the challenge she stepped up a gear to take best bitch and BIS over a most handsome boy. 2 Williams Toublic Cobhay Heavenly Hydrangea (Jw Bel JCH BJW 24) I liked her head and expression. It is balanced with clean cheeks. She has a good forehead and she stands on compacted feet. She has good body properties and moved well, really enjoying her day. **Maiden bitch** (3) 1 Proctors Forgespring Nobodys Fool at Blissenbea. 2 Pattison's Forgespring Foolproof. 3 Stephens Forgespring Fool Me Once. **NB** (2,1) 1 Proctors Forgespring Nobodys Fool at Blissenbea. **GB** (5,3) 1 Glendinnings Plaiglen One Last Time. I really liked her overall outline, nothing overdone about her and a lot to like. She has a good head with a very pretty expression. Well placed ears and good depth of muzzle. Clean neck of good length. She has a pleasing forehead with good depth all through. I liked her ribbing and loin. She has good body properties and is well balanced. She has well muscled hindquarters but needed to settle on the move. 2 Le Clerc Hunterheck Lost in a Spell. Quality B/W girl but was carrying too much weight which spoilt her outline. What a pretty head she has with lovely eye colour. Nicely angulated forehead and plenty of heart room. Shapely rear quarters and she moved well. **PGB** (3) 1 Dunsdon Kingheath Mayday at Seasprings. Such a quality B/W tri lady. I loved her head, not overdone in any way. She has the most feminine expression with eyes that look kindly at you. I loved her make and shape. She is balanced, front and rear with a clean outline. In great coat and condition. She moved well around the ring, such an honest bitch. 2 Proctors Petranella Perfick Bliss at Blissenbea. A bitch that I have done well in the past. Another who was carrying too much weight today.

Which spoilt her outline. I love her head, so feminine with a melting expression. Good depth all though, with a good spring of rib. Nicely shaped rear quarters and soundly made. Moved well. 3 Harris Melverly Betsy Trotwood with Coastglows. **L** (5) 1 Richardson/Terry Richardson Daenerys Moondancer to Cherishym. I really liked her. Beautiful feminine head and expression. I love her outline no ugly lumps or bumps. Very sound forehead with good sternum, spring and depth of ribs. I love her make and shape. Her hindquarters are strongly made with a great width of thigh. I thought she was going to take top honours but was so unsettled in the line up and she threw it away. 2 Proctors Petronella Perfick Bliss at Blissenbea. 3 Harris Melverly Betsy Trotwood With Coastalgrows. **O** (2,1) 1 Williams Toublic Cobhay Fancy Phlox. She possibly doesn't take your eye straight away and maybe more of the old fashioned type but she is such a sound and honest bitch. She is in lovely hard condition and so nice to go over. Her head is pleasing with a sweet expression. She has good shoulders and return of upper arm. I liked her length through her front assembly. Good depth of chest and ribs well sprung. She really appealed for her balance and bone. Shapely hindquarters and she moved so well with great enthusiasm to take Res BB. **VB** (2,1) 1 West Grosbreuil Abricot Regal. 9 yr old bitch. I loved her head shape which is so balanced. She has a soft expression and good eye shape. I liked her length of neck, clean over the shoulders and sound front assembly. Good depth and she moved soundly. **Spec beg B** (4) 1 Wilsons Calvdale Padlurowncanoe at Zawsprings B/W. She has such a pretty expression, good eye shape and colour. She is a smaller, shorter coupled well balanced bitch. I particularly liked her croup and sound rearquarters which were nicely angulated. Good bone and she stands on good feet. She just needs to settle. 2 Le Clerc Hunterheck Lost In A Spell. 3 Strovers Seasprings Windcatcher At Chipewyan. **Brace** (1) 1 Williams and Toublic. Very well matched pair that showed and moved well together. **AH** (1) 1 Phoebe Toublic. I love how she handles dogs. Over the years I have seen her handle many breeds and have always admired her handling. She is such a quiet handler but gets the job done with room to spare. With Phoebe it is all about the dog, she has the ability to fade into the background which for me is the art of a very good handler. She is calm and gentle. Her dog was stacked correctly and her lines were straight and neat. Love her sympathetic handling..

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