**The French Bulldog Club of England open show April 3rd, 2022**

**Judge Ged Ling Tytorro**

My sincere thanks, firstly, to the officers and committee of the FBCofE for inviting me to judge their open show. An appointment I was honoured to accept. I would also like to thank all the exhibitors who gave me a wonderful entry and bought along some excellent examples of the breed for me to assess. Finally, my thanks are for all the spectators who provided lots of support and cheer for all the classes. It really made for a great atmosphere and thanks to my two stewards, Jane Morgan and Michelle Stidwell, who kept my ring moving smoothly. There were some very hard classes filled with quality dogs, some who went unplaced.

Well done, also, to all the junior members who took part in the Easter showcase during my lunchbreak, a huge success I hear. I also congratulate Gail Wise on her judging the special awards classes.

**Puppy dog 7/2a**

1st Miss L Prichard Ruption Knightcott Black Diamond at Violotta.

Well marked brindle dog of 9 months. Very good head with ears set correctly and used all the time. Dark eye, nicely developing cheek and really good muzzle, open nares and good dentition. Arched neck and well laid shoulder with straight front, tidy feet. He has a good forechest and tidy underline. Correct roach with tail present and nicely angled rear. At top end for size, but everything is in proportion, and he moved freely and with purpose. Handled well. Happy to award him BPD.

2nd Mrs P Warson and Mr N Jobson Warson’s Flash Gordon.

Darker brindle dog, 11 months, well bodied with good muscle for age. Good headpiece, lovely expression. Slightly longer in loin, but well balanced. Presents a tidy outline and moved well, holding his topline. Good tail present.

**Junior dog 7/3a**

1st Mrs S Pearce Bullhawk Revillon

17 month old brindle boy who was a real livewire. Very well constructed dog with all the typical fun Frenchie attributes. Super head with good earset, lovely dark ,round eye, well padded cheek and good muzzle with correct upsweep. He has a strong front with a deep chest, well sprung rib, tidy underline and correct topline with good rear angulation and nicely let down hocks. Once settled, he moved smoothly and soundly both going and coming back, he definitely made his handler work to contain his excitement.

2nd Mr SM Hill-Lonergan and Miss LK Duff Cossy’s Bisto at Barnlou

Another 17 month old boy. Darker fawn with good pigment. Cobby build with good roach and nicely muscled rear. Smart head, with well used ears,dark eye, strong muzzle and jaw. Lovely front with good forechest leading to nicely sprung rib. His shoulders are correctly laid, moved freely.

**Yearling dog**

3/0a

1st Mrs S Pearce Bullhawk Revillon

As 1st junior

2nd Miss V Bryant and Mrs J Duce Archness the Guvnor

Dark brindle 17 month old dog with a very nice head, full of expression. Alert and used ears all the time. Lovely foreface, dark eye, good muzzle and cushioned cheek. Good length of neck and correct placed shoulder with straight front and tidy feet. Shorter in rib but still shows a very tidy outline. Another sound mover who showed himself freely going and returning.

**Post Graduate dog 4/2a**

1st Ms M Coffey Katakia Try for Ragle at Raglenary

3 year old pied dog with good pigmentation. Good and solid in body, good angulations and nicely marked. Nice head with kind expression. Used ears well. Padded cheek and broad muzzle, nicely arched neck and good topline, tail present. Held topline well on the move.

2nd Ms P Warren and Mr N Jobson Warson’s Stan Butler

Pied boy of 2 years old. Loved this boy’s head, strong, broad muzzle and lovely nares. Padded cheek with good fill under dark eyes. He is a very tidy package and has all the attributes of 1, would just prefer a little more length to leg. It was real nit-picking between these boys.

**Limit dog 8/1a**

1st Ms J Oakes Behind the Scenes of Luxbear.

Another super headpiece on this 3 year old nicely marked brindle dog shown in lovely condition. Smart head with good earset, dark eye and good square muzzle. Arched neck with correct placed shoulder, straight front and tidy feet and strong pasterns. Well sprung rib and depth to brisket, tidy underline and good rear angles. Moved soundly.

2nd Mr M and Mrs Y Ayriss Why Lightening Stikes at Boulevaya

3 year old, darker brindle dog. Another well put together boy. All the attributes of 1, just not as strong in rear, but still nicely angulated, good return of stifle and moved well with his handler. His front is good and strong, and his chest is deep. Good roach and tidy topline.

**Open dog 4/1a**

1st Mr J and Mrs F Krall and Dr J Holm Dreamlegacy Orpheus at Jafrak

3 year old beautifully marked fawn pied dog with excellent pigmentation who caught my eye as soon as he stepped into the ring. I loved this dog’s strong, square head with well set ears that he used all the time. Dark eye and good fill underneath. Muzzle broad and nicely cushioned lip. Lovely arched neck, good forechest and strong front with good pastern and feet. Well bodied, very tidy underline and gently roached topline. Muscled rear with correct angulation. He is a larger boy, but everything about him was perfectly proportioned and he was, for me, the perfect French Bulldog. Happy to award him BD and BIS.

2nd Miss V Bryant CH Kingfriend Mr Godwin JW

Dark, well marked brindle boy of 3 years. It was just hard luck that he was up against 1st as he was an equally great example of a French Bulldog. Good strong head with dark eye, slightly shorter in muzzle, but didn’t deter from a super head silhouette. Good length of neck and well laid shoulder, straight front and good feet and pasterns. Correct topline and good roach, nicely sprung rib, deep chest, slightly higher cut up, good rear with nice angles. Moved freely and handled very well. Happy to award him RBD.

**Veteran dog 2/1a**

Ms A Pleasance Hard Rock Anima at Katakia JW (IMP UKR)

8 year old pied dog in lovely condition. Well marked with good pigmentation. Lovely dark eye and good foreface with broad muzzle. Shown in great condition, well bodied, nicely muscled still with good rear angulation. Nice topline, tail present. Moved really well. BVD and BVIS

**Minor puppy bitch 5/0a**

1st Mrs D Plominska and Mr S Kil Bestfrenchie Amnezja

8 month old brindle baby. Beautifully marked. Very typey and true to the breed standard. She is still very young, but everything is as it should be and I will watch her as she grows. Well set ears and dark eye, developing cheeks and good muzzle. Straight front, tidy feet and good forechest with good spring of rib and neat underline. She is a lovely little girl and moved well once she settled, it was quite exciting for her to begin with. Happy to award BPB and BPIS

2nd Mrs C Morgan and Miss S Williams Gwynsel Gwladys

Pied baby of 8 months with lovely marking and good pigment. Short, cobby, developing really well. Lovely headpiece and a comical expression from her dark eye. Good deep chest with nicely sprung rib and tidy underline. Rear is nicely angled, and she moved soundly around the ring.

**Puppy bitch 10/1a**

1st Mr J and Mrs F Krall Jafrak Sugarrush

10 month old clear fawn pup with dark mask and eye. Short and cobby, lovely chest, good front and neat feet. Good spring of rib and short coupled into good, angulated rear end with nicely developed muscle for age. I really liked her classic look.

2nd Ms C East Valumar Nothing But Black Magic at Jianking.

Dark brindle girl of 10 months, lovely glossy coat. Broad muzzle, good upsweep, dark eye and lightly wrinkled forehead. Good earset, used ears well at all times. Cobby, good tail present, well made girl who is developing nicely and handled well.

**Junior bitch 5/2a**

1st Mrs C Thomas Chelmbull Kiss from a Rose

18 month old dark brindle girl, very feminine, square head with broad muzzle, ears set correctly, good upsweep. Nice length of neck and well laid shoulder, straight front and tidy pasterns and feet with dark nail. Clean underline, good return of stifle and nicely muscled thigh. Topline is tidy with gentle roach and she moved soundly.

2nd Mr J and Mrs A Vearncombe and Mrs S Hale Ruption Knightcott Back in Black

Nicely marked lighter brindle bitch, developing well, pretty expression, she is a smart girl with a lovely headpiece, nicely arched neck, good shoulder placement and straight front. Just a tad longer cast, doesn’t deter from making a lovely outline though and her movement was free and flowing.

**Post Graduate bitch 9/2a**

1st Mr SM Hill-Lonergan and Ms LK Duff Cossy’s Black Betty at Barnlou

2 and half year old dark brindle girl, shown in lovely condition. Cobby with square head, broad muzzle, good nares and nice upsweep. Lovely expression from dark eyes. Good topline with gentle roach and tail. Deep chest and tidy underline, straight front and good feet with dark nail. Lovely forechest. Sound mover.

2nd Miss V Bryant Archness Own It.

Clear fawn with dark mask and good pigment. 2 years old. Very pleasing head, dark eye, nicely filled cheek, muzzle slightly narrower than 1, but broad enough to fill face just right. Really good earset and fine wrinkle to forehead. She has a very good topline and gentle roach, good rear quarters and a tidy front. Was nit picking between these two and they could swap places any day.

**Limit bitch 11/1a**

1st Ms C East Valumar Cvetana Narla at Jianking

2 year old rich brindle girl, beautiful colouring and marking and show in top condition. Feminine head with dark eye, good fill under eye and good muzzle and upsweep. Nicely arched neck, deep chest and true front with neat feet with dark nail. Ribs well sprung and rear is angulated well but just a little longer in second thigh giving a higher rear end. She was handled extremely well and I did consider her for RBB, I liked her very much.

2nd Mr M and Mrs Y Ayriss Lady Rebellion at Boulevaya

18 month old dark brindle girl. Cobby, good headpiece and ears set well. Didn’t always use to her advantage, but when she did she showed a tidy head profile. Nice topline she held well on the move. Gentle roach and good rear angulation.

**Open bitch 4/1a**

1st Miss L Roach CH Roalice Mighty Mouse

Stunning 2 and a half year old brindle girl. Broad skull and muzzle, dark eye, well padded cheek and lovely upsweep. Her foreface was typical French Bulldog. Infact, everything about her was so typey and true to the breed standard. Short and cobby, good forechest, deep brisket and well sprung rib, short coupled and well muscled and correctly angulated rear. Her movement was so free and easy and she glided around the ring. More than happy to award BB and RBIS.

2nd Mr R and Mrs C Swateridge CH Xentique Bwitched for Taffique JW

Another top quality brindle girl who is typical of the breed. Has all the attributes of 1 with a softer expression which made the decision between 1 and 2 a difficult one as they are both stunning bitches. Well marked, lighter brindle, just a little longer cast than 1 which was the split decision I made, could easily trade places as they are both fabulous breed examples. Everything in the 1st place critique applies to this girl too so she had to be awarded RBB.

**Both the best dog and the best bitch were presented in top form, quality exhibits and were both true to the breed standard. It was a close call as to who was awarded BIS as both had equal merits and both pushed me hard to make the final decision.**

**Ged Ling- Tytorro**