**French Bulldog Club of England**

**Single Breed Open show, Sunday 11th June 2023**

What a lovely day I had at such a friendly, inclusive show. The Committee were kind and attentive and the exhibitors left the ring with the same smile they entered it, a true sign of sportsmanship. I am very aware of the attention this breed has had around health so was pleased not to witness – on the hottest day of the year so far - any dog in distress with its breathing; no tight ears canals and a higher proportion of tails and discernible muzzles than I’ve ever encountered, so I’d like to congratulate the breeders of these lovely dogs. My winners were, in my opinion, super examples of well-balanced, nicely- sized dogs with unmistakable male and female qualities. May I congratulate the Show Team for finding a first-class venue and managing such a well-run show, I had a fabulous day and loved judging every single dog.  All the very best for your continued success.

**Minor Puppy Dog (0)**

**Puppy Dog (6/0)**

**1st** Bryant’s Archness the Audacity: solid brindle with good bone and balance throughout. Strong square head with dark pigment, good ear size and placement and broad muzzle, dark eye, correct bite, and strong underjaw giving this young dog a first-class expression. Straight front, sound pasterns with nice tight tidy feet, adequate spring of rib and brisket. Moved well. Pleased to award him **BPIS**

**2nd** Hucker’s Bevanray Terrypendry: brindle pied, another lovely young dog of good size and overall proportions. Strong muscled body, straight front, pleasing forechest, tight feet with good pasterns, good reach of neck, well placed ears which he used well, open nose, good expression but not quite the strength in head at the moment as my winner today. Moved well in front.

**Junior Dog (2/0)**

**1st** Watkins & McGowan’s Frabull’s Obsidian for Mactawbay solid black brindle, good balance and outline, square head, open nose, super dark pigmentation, straight front, dark well-set eyes, moved well.

**2nd** Hutchinson’s Zorro of Shine Treasure for Oschalben (Imp SRB) brindle pied, muscled and strong in body with good rib, not as strong in muzzle as my winner. Movement adequately both ways.

**Yearling Dog (2/1)**

**1st** Tafelski’s Bernard Usteckie Rancho (Imp) dark fawn with a black mask, large strong head with well-defined muzzle and open nose, strong square jaw, plenty of cushioning, good strong neck and front, would have preferred a little more spring to rib to balance overall shape. Tidy tail. Movement a little erratic but at times excellent.

**Post Graduate Dog (3/0)**

**1st** Jenning’s Vanitystone Born to Love; dark solid brindle with strong head and expression, well developed cheeks, good bite, strong lower jaw, good ears, nice open nose, dark eyes, good reach of neck, straight in front but stronger hocks would have completed the picture.

**2nd** Prichard’s Ruption Knightcott Black Diamond at Violetta; large solid black brindle, large square head, good cushioning to lips, pleasing dark eye, used ears well, strong forechest and straight front, deep chest, movement adequate.

**Limit Dog (6/0)**

**1st** Bonsall & Odendaal’s Muggshotts Whiz Bang Wilber; brindle, super compact, a nice size and well-proportioned square dog, correct shape, size and placement of ears giving him a super expression, good depth to muzzle, correct pigmentation throughout with dark nails, lovely balance to his shape in outline, good open ears, pleasing stop to muzzle, good open nose, strong underjaw, well sprung rib, tail, best mover of the day, perhaps only challenged by his daughter in MPB. Delighted to award him **BIS**.

**2nd** Bryant & Duce’s Archness The Guvnor; larger substantial brindle with white chest mark, strong head and ears bang on top, strong wide chest, straight front, neat feet, dark pigment, pleasing stop, nice large open nose, tail, strong purposeful movement, better in front than rear.

**Open Dog (3/1)**

**1st** Timms & Henderson’s Ir CH Olijah Total Knockout; dark brindle with white bib, nice balance to size of head and body, strong topline, straight front, strong pastern, movement was free and easy, strong neck, not the strength in head and depth of muzzle to that of my winner.

**2nd** Cole’s Xandene Black Magic in Myntie; brindle with white chest mark, well balanced appearance with strong square head and good ear placement, large open nose, well cushioned but slightly more pendulous lip, neat tail, straight front.

**Veteran Dog (2/2)**

**Minor Puppy Bitch (2/1)**

**1st** Bonsall’s Muggshotts Pillow Talk; a jaw-droppingly attractive brindle pied baby with superb balance and proportions to her frame, beautiful feminine head and expression, lovely shaped and placed ears, large open nose, dark eyes, straight front, good bone, correct topline, her free flowing movement was outstanding for the breed. Stood alone in her class but stood out for me. One to watch.

**Puppy Bitch (3/0)**

**1st** Timms & Henderson’s Budbulls Maximum Impact for Olijah (Imp SRB); solid dark brindle bitch with white chest mark, nice size and proportions, lovely straight front, good ear carriage, square head and good expression, well balanced width and depth to muzzle, good open nose, strong topline, tail, nice angulation, movement adequate, better coming than going.

**2nd** Morison’s Jafrak Spotify Xandene; double hooded pied, heavy boned, would prefer darker eye, a little more upright in shoulder, but strong straight front, strong straight pasterns, correct topline, well sprung and wide brisket, moved with purpose.

**Junior Bitch (1/0)**

**1st** Gough’s Katakia Valerie’s Beauty; black brindle, white bib, good proportions and clean feminine lines, lovely head and expression with good depth to muzzle and clean lip line. Lovely dark pigment throughout with correct mouth good ear set, nice spring of rib, correct topline, straight front, strong movement.

**Yearling Bitch (6/1)**

**1st** Gough’s Katakia Valerie’s Beauty - See Above

**2nd** Swateridge’s Xentique B’yours Truly; short and compact dark brindle with white chest mark, nice head and expression, would have preferred more length in loin but lots to like with her super dark eyes, good depth of muzzle, nice earset, strong neck, straight front and pasterns, good spring of rib, moved better in front than behind.

**Post Graduate Bitch (3/1)**

**1st** Jenning’s & Duff’s Cossy’s Due Lipa; masked fawn with white bib, dark eyes and nails, strong width and depth to muzzle giving a nice head and expression, super shape and balance with good strong body and topline, short tail, moved well with drive.

**2nd** Cheeseman’s Theapaul Indian Summer; brindle, well-proportioned, lovely strong square head, with dark eyes, lips and nails and good reach of neck, straight front.

**Limit Bitch (7/3)**

**1st** Ayriss’ Lady Rebellion at Boulevaya; dark brindle with white bib, beautifully turned out, lovely dark pigment throughout, dark eyes, dark nails, lovely dome to forehead and strong cheeks providing a clean head in appearance, strong neck. Correct topline, tail, good angulation, moved well both ways. **RBIS & BOS**

**2nd** Cheeseman’s Theapaul Lady Magic; fawn dark mask, dark eyes, super head and expression, deep strong muzzle, lips well-cushioned, pleasing underjaw with lovely round strong straight front, good topline, well knit body.

**Open Bitch (3/2)**

**1st** Bryant’s Archness Own it; fawn, black mask, lovely straight front and bone, nice width to lower muzzle, good depth and spring of rib, super width to lower muzzle and underjaw creating a lovely expression, good reach of neck, strong loin, strong angulation, excellent front movement.

**Veteran Bitch (2/1)**

**1st** Jennings’ Ch Kingfriend Miss California; beautiful quality 10yr old brindle bitch who still exudes quality with her lovely proportions and balance, lovely size and proportions to head, tremendous body for age, strong topline, straight front, clear eyes, moved well. **BVIS**

**2nd** Hutchinson’s Exquisitus Reginisus; smaller 8yr old fawn, cobbier and compact in body, strong bone and straight front, tight feet, nice ear set and well proportioned head.

**Judge: Fiona King (Kingsline)**