

North of England Welsh Springer Spaniel Club Championship Show

10th April 2022

I had the pleasure of judging our young handlers and referee for the North of England Welsh Springer Spaniel club.

It was lovely to see so many youngsters wanting to show the breed, everyone was very pleasant and all tried very hard.

Junior Handling 6-11 years (2,3)

1st Alexandra Chandler – Age 11

Alexandra set up and moved well with her charge, she listened well to what was asked remembering to watch the judge. She kept the dog between herself and the judge.

In the challenge the older junior pulled out the stops. Keep going, Reserve Junior Handler

2nd Catherine Chandler – Age 6

Lovely to see Catherine she may have been the youngest in the class but nothing phased her. She tried her best set up her dog well, when she asked him to move he happily went and they moved in time. Well done and keep enjoying

Junior Handling 12-16 years (2,2)

1st Elizabeth Chandler – Age 15

Elizabeth handled her charge well, giving a lovely shape when setting up and showed her experience in handling. She remembering to move round her dog when I went to the other side, but remember you may need to go all the way round so you don't get between judge and dog when you go back. Excellent swapping of hands on the move for the challenge. Well done Elizabeth Best Junior Handler

2nd Pippa Jibb – Age 12

Pippa moved well with her charge keeping in time. Showed teeth well and listened to instructions. Just needs to remember to keep an eye on where the judge is and not get between the dog and judge. It was lovely to have a chat after and good luck going forward.

BIS

Sh Ch Menstonia Minstrel JW

Two lovely specimens of the breed, I felt the Dog just had the edge. Good head, with long neck into well placed shoulders, compact body with good ribs and plenty of substance. Strong quarters which were used showing drive from behind. Moved well

RBIS & BOS

Glenbows Rhapsody JW

This young lady lost out on maturity to the dog. A lot to like about her. A lovely head showing a kind expression. Compact and balanced throughout, good neck, well boned with the best of feet. Shown in good condition. I'm sure she has a bright future.