

Tibetan Spaniel Club of Scotland Open Show

14th September 2025

My sincere thanks to the Tibetan Spaniel Club of Scotland for this appointment and to the exhibitors for accepting my decisions so sportingly. As always in Scotland, I found the quality of exhibits was high and I was spoilt for choice in many classes. I would like to thank my very capable stewards and the committee for the wonderful hamper of Scottish goodies, very much appreciated.

Baby Puppy Dog (1)

What a great way to start the day with these two sweeties!

1st Abercrombie's Tibwood I've Got The Style

Adorable baby just 5months of age, just starting to come into coat. He already has ear fringes developing to his masculine head with nicely oval eyes and a well padded muzzle. A very happy and confident young man.

Baby Puppy Bitch (1)

1st Abercrombie's Tibwood It Means Beautiful

Litter sister to BPD and much more together, as is often the case. Liked her pretty head with correct mouth, good chin, dark eyes and good lift to ears. Developing well, she shows promise, coat coming through with nice fringing to ears already. Best Baby Puppy in Show

Minor Puppy Dog (0)

Puppy Dog (0)

Junior Dog (1)

1st Duncan's Susu Appley Ever After JW

Handsome 12 month old shaded sable dog with a masculine head, good mouth with well padded muzzle, super pigment and well placed ears. Liked his overall balance and good short hocks. Shown in good coat with a lovely plume to his tail, he moved well.

Post Graduate Dog (2)

1st Christie's Balgay Golden Buzzer (AI)

18month old shaded sable dog, I have admired this boy from the ringside, he has lovely balance and this was reflected in his pleasing movement. Masculine but free from coarseness, he has lovely ear fringes to his well placed ears, a well set tail and good hare feet.

2nd Abercrombie's Souska Can We Talk to Tibwood

Slightly longer cast than 1, this handsome pale gold boy has a well made head with good mouth, lovely dark eyes and well placed ears used to advantage to give good expression. He moved briskly with confidence. Shown in lovely coat and condition as were all from this kennel.

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Limit Dog (6,2abs)

1st McDonald's Balgay Golden Ticket (AI) JW

One I have placed well before, and heading up a good class, he is so good for size, make and shape. Liked his masculine head with dark, expressive eyes and correct mouth. He is well made all through with a level topline held on the move. A positive mover, he covered the ground with ease.

2nd Coughtrie, Hendry & Paterson's Jazpiper I Am Maximus JW

Quality 17 month old pale gold dog shown in tip top condition. Masculine head with well shaped eye, good mouth and well placed ears with good fringing. He too is well made all through with a lovely level topline held on the move. Good tail set with lovely plume. Close decision here.

Open Dog (2)

1st Coughtrie's Jazpiper Starlight Express

Masculine gold dog shown in super coat and condition, as were all from this kennel. Correct head with good properties. At 6yrs old he has a full coat with an impressive shawl. He has a lovely level topline, is well made front and rear and this is reflected in his super movement.

2nd Christie's Betranna Athos

4yr old handsome shaded gold with a lovely head, liked his dark expressive eyes and well placed ears used to give good expression. In full coat with super fringing, he has good short hocks and a well made body, hare feet. Moved steadily holding his topline.

Veteran Dog or Bitch (3,1abs)

My class of the day. Two of my favourites in one ring together, a feast for the eyes! These two impressive males really prove the longevity of our breed, both very much in their prime despite being veterans.

1st Thompson's Susu Prince Charming ShCEX VW

This 7yr old shaded sable dog screams quality. He has a classic headpiece with lovely dark oval eyes, well placed ears, a well padded muzzle with enough chin to give the most gorgeous expression. He is so well balanced with well laid shoulders, spirit level topline, good turn of stifle and good short hocks. He has a great tail set and is shown in immaculate coat with fringing in all the right places. On the move he shows reach and drive, covering the ground effortlessly, sound coming and going. He never puts a paw wrong. Could not be denied top honours today, Best Dog and Best In Show.

2nd Hamilton's Ch Torfness Prince Harry of Galetibbian

At 9yrs this gold sable dog is in mature coat and condition. He has a beautiful head with excellent properties all combined to give a classic Tibbie expression, masculine but without a hint of coarseness. He is well made all through and shown in good firm condition, his movement is true and strong, belying his years. Well worthy of his many accolades, I was delighted to get my hands on him today. Res Best Dog

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Vintage Dog or Bitch (2)

Two quality 10yr old bitches, both with lots to like about them.

1st McDonald Balgay Norbu

This shaded sable bitch is of good type. She has a feminine head with good properties, excellent pigment and sweet expression. Well made all through with good angles, level topline and well set tail, she powered around the ring like a youngster. Shown today in full mature coat.

2nd Coughtrie's Ch Tulibell Star Struck with Jazpiper JW ShCM VW

Just coming back into coat today, but this showed off her correct proportions and lovely balance. She has a pretty, feminine head with a super padded muzzle and good mouth. Moved well with good reach and drive, a worthy champion

Special Colour A (Particolour) Dog or Bitch (3)

1st Thompson's Ch Tamrae Parti With The Stars JW

Pretty 3yr old bitch presented in a sparkling jacket, she has a lovely head of correct size and a good mouth. She uses her ears well to give great expression. Moved really well, full of her own importance, with a great tail plume.

2nd Irving's Susu Life Of The Parti

Sweetest of expressions on this 5yr old dog. Another presented in good condition, he has a clean head of good proportions, a well made body and well set tail. He moved well, with a quick, free gait. Excellent hare feet. I could have taken him home with me!

Special Colour B (Black & Tan) Dog or Bitch (3)

1st Bruce's Betranna At-Lanta

4yr old black bitch with attractive white front paws. Liked her feminine head with correct eyes and a good mouth. Used her well placed ears to give good expression. She has a well made body and well set tail. Shown today in a gleaming quality coat with lovely fringing and tail plume. She looked a picture on the move.

2nd Pilsbury's Kernow Tagliatelle

3yr old Black and Tan dog of different type to 1st, being taller and slightly finer boned. He has an impressive shawl and lovely ear fringes. He moved well with confidence, maintaining his level topline.

Minor Puppy Bitch (0)

Puppy Bitch (1)

1st Smith's Torfness Spirit In The Sky

Delightful 11 month old gold sable bitch of good type. She has a pretty, feminine head with good properties, a well made body with great balance. Although she gave her handler a hard time today (as only a Tibbie can when they want to) on the move she pulled out all the stops to show her lovely movement, she looked a picture. I'm sure she will go on to great things in the future. Best Puppy In Show

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Junior Bitch (1)

1st Smith's Torfness Spirit In The Sky

Post Graduate Bitch (3,1abs)

1st Smith's Torfness White Witches Kiss

3yr old white bitch. Liked her shape and outline both standing and on the move. Not overcoated, she had enough, and had excellent pigment all through. Good head, small in proportion to body, with a well made body and good short hocks, hare feet. Movement was brisk and positive.

2nd Pilsbury's Saxtead Serenade

3yr old shaded gold with good proportions, liked her attractively marked coat with great plume to tail and lovely ear fringes. She has a good front assembly, sound rear and good short hocks. Lovely hare feet. Moved and showed well, at one with her handler.

Limit Bitch (10,1abs)

A lovely class of quality Tibbies.

1st Adams' Balgay Then Thuk

Headed up this lovely class, this 6yr old gold bitch has a pleasing outline, so good for balance. She has a well made head with good properties, good pigment and well placed ears. Not overcoated, she has a lovely tail plume. Liked her body with good angles, level topline and good short hocks. Her movement was positive and sound viewed from all directions.

2nd O'Brien's Balgay Gold Digga

Pretty shaded sable bitch of 18 months, one I have admired before. She has a feminine head with lovely dark, expressive eyes and a good mouth. Liked her well made body with good bone and a quality coat. Nice short hocks and hare feet, great tail plume. She moved typically with drive.

Open Bitch (6,1abs)

1st Coughtrie, Hendry & Paterson's Tulibell Pure Intentions for Jazpiper

Stunning 4yr old pale gold bitch of real quality. She caught my eye coming into the ring and was even better on close examination. Loved her beautiful, feminine head with darkest of eyes, blunt well cushioned muzzle completely free from wrinkle. She has well set ears with lovely fringes, showing desired lift. She has just the right amount of neck and good forechest, a well made body of excellent proportions with correct short hocks. Tail set well onto level back, she is so well made she just couldn't stand wrong. On the move she stole the show, an absolute pleasure to watch. Best Bitch & Res Best In Show

2nd Adams' Ch Balgay Okurimono.

This 6yr old shaded sable bitch is a slightly different type to 1 but also very correct. Liked her pretty head with the best ear fringes of the day, good mouth and lovely dark oval eyes. She too has a well made body, slightly finer than 1 but very correct nonetheless. Shown in beautiful quality coat, on the move she appeared to float effortlessly, sound as a pound. A worthy champion. Res Best Bitch

Tina Quest (judge)