

## Cavaliers of the South

11/13/11, York, PA

Judge: Pam Burkley (Saintbrides)

I want to thank the COS for asking me to judge, it was an honor. The dogs, overall, were top quality. The temperaments were good overall – none were ‘shy’, a few were droopy – probably from the trip and length of the weekend. Size was very uniform. Toplines were level for the most part and rear structure has **greatly** improved – it was nice to see the strong drive, level tail set and correct angulation in so many exhibits. Forefaces appear to be getting away from the squished muzzles and domed heads into the more correct shallower stop and gentle expressions. There were a number of gorgeous large dark eyes – a hallmark of the breed – many were ‘smallish’, none were ‘light’. Some undershot mouths, more so on older exhibits – the great majority of level or scissor bites were in the puppies – this bodes well for the breed. One problem for breeders to address is **fronts**. Too many steep/straight shoulders which can lead to ‘east/west’ front legs and feet, throwing off the movement. I want to thank the exhibitors for showing me their dogs and for the good sportsmanship exhibited by all in the gracious way everyone accepted my decisions.

### Junior Puppy Dog (6)

**1. Autumnhill Ring Of Fire** (Parente) Ruby. Strong rear, correct angulation, well balanced. Moved with a level topline and good front. Ruby pigment was super. Best temperament – full of spirit! Lovely. **Best Ruby in Show** **2. Bonitos Campaneros Kaleo** (Bialek) Blenheim. Beautiful head and eyes – lots of breed type. Level topline, well-marked, shown in good coat and condition. Moved well. **3. Nightingale Hot Stuff** (Mulligan) Blenheim. Beautifully shaped head with correct stop and large dark eyes. Heavily marked, short backed, level topline. Just a baby in this class. **4. Tassajara John Steinbeck** (Seidman) Another beautiful head with large dark eyes. Short back, moved right out, great temperament. Went away a little close behind.

### Senior Puppy Dog (4)

**1. Mileslip Licorice** (Skidmore) B/T. Beautiful. Nicest whole color head I’ve seen in years, matched by a super temperament, exceptional structure and wonderful movement. His bite and teeth are *perfect*. Overall B&T pigment – gorgeous. Moderate bone, level topline – to be critical, watch his tailset on the move as he carried it a little high (which could be age and attitude). This dog has a fabulous future – well done! **Best Puppy Dog, Best Puppy in Show, Best Black & Tan in Show**

**2. Toraylac Bravado For Kean** (Keane/Ackroyd Gibson) Blenheim. A close choice between this exhibit and the first place winner – many of the same attributes. Correct structure, sound mover, good front and rear; wish he had a larger eye. **3. Evergreen Fred Weasley** (Garstin) Blenheim. Well marked with dark pigment, nice head shape and large dark eyes. Level topline standing and on the move, correct size and shape. Well balanced. Not the overall movement of the first two. **4. Copperhill Romeo** (Mitchell) Ruby. Attractive head and eyes, strong mover with level topline, good Ruby pigment. Shoulder somewhat straight with east/west front.

### Graduate Puppy Dog (9)

**1. Chantismere Chandos Of Valentine** (O’Brien) Blenheim. Compact, jaunty, well-coated dog. Excellent movement, strong rear structure with lots of drive. Level topline, correct tailset, good front. Outgoing, friendly. Being critical, would like a larger eye. **2. Maibee Agent Cody of Bentwood** (Harrison) Blenheim. Gorgeous head and eyes, soft expression. Larger and longer cast than the first place dog, strong mover, level topline, lots of drive off his rear. **3. Dancasa Cute As A Button, JW** (Teidemann) Blenheim. Nice size, well balanced, strong mover. Nicely marked, super coat and condition. Would like a larger eye. **4. Chantismere Caruso of Chadwick** (Eckersely) Blenheim. Nicely shaped head, lovely eyes and expression. Well balanced, correct front and shoulders.

### Novice Dog (4)

**1. Autumn Hill Spencer** (Parente) Ruby. Youngest in the class, only six months old. Nice head and expression, correct front, level topline. Strong mover, well balanced. Solid rear with lots of drive going around the ring. Won this class on his **super** temperament. **2. Rradac Sir Charles** (Darr) Lightly marked Blenheim, attractive head, long ears. Good rear angulation, well-balanced. Would like a larger eye. **3. Noonvale Firewalker** (Bertron) Handsome ruby with correct front and shoulders. Strong mover, level topline, good coming and going. Timid. **4. Charteroak Claude Monet** (Obadowski) Well constructed B&T, level topline, shown in good coat and condition. The whites of his eyes were red and inflamed, which appeared to be bothering him.

### Bred By Exhibitor Dog (3)

**1. Piccadil Peppermint Twist** (York) Blenheim. Beautiful head and expression, large dark eyes. Nicely marked with dark Blenheim pigment. Correct front and rear, moved out with drive. Lovely. **2. Dreamvale Smart As The Dickens, JW** (Warshaw/Sage) Tricolor. Smaller, well balanced, correct bone. Moved out well, strong rear, correct

front and shoulders. Shown in lovely coat and condition. Muzzle too short with an overly deep stop. **3. Kalais Walking Two By Two** (Hess) B/T. Shown in good coat and condition, moved around the ring with drive. Level topline, large dark eyes. Shoulders a little straight.

#### **Junior American Bred Dog (5)**

**1. Nightingale Jackson Browne** (Birmingham) Blenheim. Good head properties, lovely eyes and expression. Nicely balanced, level topline both standing and on the move, shown in super coat and condition. Moves out with drive, super temperament. **2. Harmony Afternoon Tea** (Richmond) Blenheim. Smaller type, well balanced, short in loin. Shown in gorgeous coat and condition. Excellent topline and rear, moved with drive. Sweet expression, correct foreface and stop – would prefer a larger eye. **3. Darane Leonardo Da Vinci** (Birbeck) B/T. Well balanced, shown in good coat and condition. Moved out with drive, level topline. Excellent front and shoulders. A little plain in the head with smallish eyes. **4. Linrica Le Petit Prince** (Liu) Blenheim. Pretty head type, dark eyes, shown in lovely coat and condition. Nice overall size and shape. Moved close in the rear.

#### **American Bred Dog (4)** Four quality exhibits.

**1. Mimric Monogram, JW** (Hodges/Perkins) Blenheim. Beautiful exhibit. Correct size, well balanced, moderate bone. Shown in gorgeous coat and condition. Dark Blenheim pigment. Handsome head with large dark eyes. Moved out on strong rear quarters, correct coming and going. Super, confident attitude. Bred in the ‘purple’, he’s a breeder’s dream. Well done! *Winners Dog, Best in Show, Best Blenheim in Show, Best American Bred in Show, Best Bred By Exhibitor in Show*

**2. Tassajara Hugh Jackman** (Seidman/Hughes/Berkau) Another handsome exhibit, excellent movement, short in the loin, good coming and going. Super temperament. Not the overall ‘finish’ of the 1<sup>st</sup> place dog. **3. Parkerbury Sole Mate** (Parker) Blenheim. Beautiful head and eyes, correct size, another short in the loin. Well-muscled, moved with drive. Level topline both standing and on the move. **4. Chadwick Scotch On The Rocks At Hudsonview, JW** (Eckersley/Yassky) Another nice Blenheim, these were four quality exhibits. Sound mover, correct rear structure with lots of drive. A little straight in shoulders.

#### **Special Limit Blenheim Dog (4)**

**1. Chadwick Passion Puzzle** (Carter/Eckersley) Handsome exhibit, strongly considered for top honors. Gorgeous headpiece, lovely large dark eyes. Short in the loin, well-muscled rear quarters, moved with drive. Shown in lovely coat and condition – one of my favorites. **2. Truluv Mambo** (Bronowicka/Carter/Nikaci) Another well-muscled, strong mover. Beautiful head with gorgeous, large eyes. Level topline, correct coming and going. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place could change places any day. **3. Clentview Busby Babe** (O’Connor) Youngest of the winners, great temperament. Active and friendly, well-muscled, moved out with drive. Correct coming and going, level topline. Would like a larger eye. **4. Byeremoor Queens Owen** (O’Brien) Handsome head and expression, large, dark eyes. Correct coming and going, moved and stood a little high in the rear. Beautiful coat and condition.

#### **Special Limit Tricolor Dog (5)**

**1. Bozi V.H. Lamslag** (York) Well-marked, handsome with correct head shape and muzzle. Full of quality, shown in beautiful coat and condition. Effortless movement, correct coming and going. Great temperament. *Best Tricolor Dog in Show* **2. Orchardhill Play For Keeps** (Darr/Venier) Another handsome exhibit with lovely dark eyes. Level topline, moved out on strong hindquarters. Not the coat and condition of 1<sup>st</sup> place winner. **3. Darane Boys Don’t Cry** (DePhillip) Great temperament, moved right out. Well-muscled, correct front and rear. Smallish eyes and a little out of coat today. **4. Jardim Azul’s August Flower** (Matos) Super sweet exhibit shown in great coat and condition. Moved right out, short in the loin, level topline on the move, correct front. Croup a little steep and a bit straight in stifle.

#### **Special Limit Ruby Dog (2)**

**1. Elyzian Prime Mover** (Davis) One of the best toplines and tailsets of the day. Spunky, happy exhibit. Moved out with drive off well-muscled hind quarters. Good head-shape, appealing expression. Shown in super coat and condition, dark ruby pigment. Won this class on his attitude and temperament. Lovely. **2. Blackfire Aquavit n Bordeaux** (Lauve) Many of the same qualities as 1<sup>st</sup> place dog, beautiful head and large dark eyes, dark ruby pigment, shown in beautiful coat and condition. Good mover, level topline. Not the pizzazz of the winner.

#### **Special Limit Black & Tan Dog (2)**

**1. Darane Smooth Criminal at Nightingale** (Mulligan) Good head shape and expression, shown in beautiful coat and condition. Moved out smartly lots of drive off well-muscled rear quarters. Short in loin, correct coming and going. **2. Taron Brandy’s Ricky at Carlen** (Close) Handsome head with gentle expression. Short in loin, level topline, good coming and going. Well-balanced throughout. A true ‘gentleman’ type.

#### **Open Dog (3)** Three quality exhibits.

**1. Ch Byeremoor Queens Orb** (O’Brien) Blenheim. Well-balanced, strong mover. A ‘picture perfect’ outline, moved out on strong rear quarters. Short in the loin, level topline, correct coming and going. Heavily marked,

beautiful dark Blenheim pigment. Soft, generous coat – shown in top condition. Loved his attitude. To be critical, would have liked a larger eye... but it did not detract from his overall quality and breed type. Loved him. **Reserve Winners Dog**

**2. Ch Castlekeep Cimaron Triplecrown Panache** (Keane/Brouck) Blenheim. Another beautiful exhibit, could change places with the winner any day. Gorgeous outline, stood ‘four-square’. Shown in beautiful coat and condition. Nice marking with dark Blenheim pigment. Again, I would have like a larger eye, but his movement and quality stands out. **3. Ch Kaceem Jonathan** (Ames) B/T. Lovely head and eyes, correct earset. A strong mover, well-muscled hind quarters, moved with reach and drive. Not the overall coat and condition of the first two, still a lovely exhibit.

#### **Senior Open Dog (1)**

**1. Chadwick Rhumba** (Lauve/Eckersley) Blenheim. Wonderfully active 13 yr old! Another one that ‘spanked’ around the ring. Beautiful large dark eyes, pleasing head shape. Moved around the ring with a level topline and lots of drive. Shown in gorgeous coat and condition. He’s adorable, I love him!

#### **Junior Puppy Bitch (9)**

**1. Seneca Manor Diva Zenyatta** (Gerkin) Blenheim. 5 mos old, the baby of the class. The perfect little package, beautiful head and eyes, correct muzzle and stop – right to the Breed Standard. Perfect shoulders and front, level topline, strong rear quarters, correct angulation. Moved out with drive, super temperament. This little girl has a great future. **2. Mileslip Pants On Fire** (Skidmore) Ruby. Another nice baby. Moved right out with a dead-level topline. Attractive headpiece, large dark eyes. Good coming and going, a tad long in loin. **3. Wandris Believe In Me** (Gentil) Another nicely marked Blenheim with dark pigment. Pretty head shape, level topline. Moved right out, good angulation and rear drive. Moved wide in the front today. **4. Charteroak Lady Godiva** (Weidig/Kennedy) B/T. Pretty head with nicely set ears framing her face. Great temperament. Moved right out, level topline. Croup a little steep.

#### **Senior Puppy Bitch (6)**

**1. Nightingale Walkin’ On Sunshine** (Mulligan) Blenheim. Happy to be here, literally ‘spanked’ around the ring. Thought she’d never settle down, but she did. A small, compact girl with good bone. Shown in excellent coat and condition. Pretty head, correct foreface, muzzle and stop for her age. Correct coming and going, moved out around the ring with a level topline and plenty of drive. **Best Puppy Bitch**

**2. Chadwick Embrace** (Eckersley) Blenheim. Another nice puppy, could change places with #1 any day. Nicely marked with deep, rich Blenheim pigment. Gorgeous large, expressive dark eyes. Shown in good coat and condition. Moved with drive. **3. Granlaurel I’m Just Sayin’** (Painter) Blenheim. Nice size, short in the loin, well-balanced. Shown in super coat and condition. Nicely marked with good Blenheim pigment. Lovely large dark eyes, very expressive. Muzzle too short, stop too deep... saying that, you can’t deny her overall quality. **4. Kyneslane Lil’ Miss Daisy** (Paplauckas) Another pretty Blenheim girl. Correct head shape, lovely dark eyes. Needs to fill in the muzzle – that will come with time. Moved out with drive, level topline, great tailset.

#### **Graduate Puppy Bitch (3)** Three lovely bitches.

**1. Truluv Giselle** (Fox) Blenheim. Gorgeous eyes and head, shown in full bloom. Moved around the ring with drive, correct front, topline, tailset and rear structure. Beautiful dark Blenheim pigment. Top quality bitch. **2. Kean Juicy Couture** (Keane/Campbell) Blenheim. Well balanced throughout, short in the loin. Another one shown in full bloom, good markings and dark Blenheim pigment. Sound rear structure but moves a little close in the front. **3. Nightingale Gunpowder N Lead** (Duke/Mulligan) More heavily marked with gorgeous dark Blenheim pigment. Correct front and rear, level topline. Not the coat or ‘finish’ of the first two, but a quality bitch just the same.

#### **Novice Bitch (4)**

**1. Liliium Poppy** (Adkins) Blenheim. Nice head, large dark eyes, super temperament. Moved out with drive, good front and rear, level topline. Shown in lovely coat and condition. A perky, pretty little lady. **2. Lynsfaire Southern Belle** (Gavin) Pretty B&T with lovely, large dark eyes. Short in the loin, good coming and going, level topline. A little straight in stifle. **3. Prima Quartett Bloody Mary** (Bronowicka/Carter) Tricolor. Shown in beautiful coat and condition, lovely long ears. Nice body, short in the loin, level topline. Moved around the ring with drive. Head still immature and needs to balance up. **4. O’Nelie Royal Dream Von Erlenbacher Hammerich** (Bialek) Blenheim. Sweet little bitch, nicely marked with dark Blenheim pigment. Moved out with drive from nicely constructed rear quarters. Shoulders slightly forward which makes her a little close in front.

#### **Bred By Exhibitor Bitch (3)**

**1. Ch Granlaurel Uptown Girl, JW** ( Painter) Nicely marked little Blenheim bitch. Short in the loin, level topline, good front, correct both coming and going. Shown in super coat and condition. Beautiful head and expression. Loved her. **2. Kalais Mamma Mia** (Hess/Casey) Beautiful Ruby pigment! Pretty head and expression, correct shoulders and front, level topline. Well-muscled rear quarters, moved with drive. Super temperament. **3. Sherah**

**Valentina** (Crommett) Blenheim. Pretty head shape, beautiful large dark eyes – just a gorgeous expression. Shown in good coat and condition. Moved right out, level topline. Moved away a little close behind today.

**Junior American Bred Bitch (4)** Nice entry.

**1. Nightingale Kismet at Kyneslane, JW** (Paplauckas/Mulligan) Pretty Blenheim bitch, correct head and foreface, beautiful dark eyes. Short in the loin, well-balanced throughout. Level topline both standing and on the move.

Correct shoulder layback, good coming and going. Shown in gorgeous coat and condition. Beautiful. **2. Lilium Sugar Maple** (Adkins) Blenheim. Wonderful temperament! More heavily marked with beautiful dark Blenheim pigment. Nice head shape, lovely large dark eyes, sweet expression. She's not in the overall 'finish' of the 1<sup>st</sup> place winner. **3. Charteroak Araglyn Godiva Peppermint Kiss** (Obadowski) Ruby. Eight months old, still just a baby.

She has everything she needs, good front and rear, excellent shoulder placement, level topline, super rear structure with lots of drive on the move. One of the best tailsets of the day. Dark Ruby pigment. Needs to fill out and mature. **4. Kalais Ruby Vixen** (Hess) Another youngster, not a year old. Pretty Ruby, good shoulder angulation, well balanced. Level topline both on the move and standing. Another correct tailset. Wonderful temperament, her Ruby pigment not as dark as the #3 winner.

**American Bred Bitch (6)**

**1. Ingold Whispered Secret** (Pickett/Dalton) Blenheim. Beautiful little bitch! Lovely head and expression, gorgeous large dark eyes. Correct shoulder angulation, level topline, short in the loin, good tailset. She moved with drive off solid hind quarters. Lovely dark Blenheim pigment, shown in gorgeous coat and condition. Well balanced throughout. I love her! *Winners Bitch, Reserve Best in Show, Best of Opposite Sex in Show, Best Blenheim Bitch in Show*

**2. Nightingale Happy Go Lucky** (Mulligan) Pretty little Blenheim, cute expression. Short in the loin, moved right out, correct coming and going. Shown in gorgeous coat and condition. Has a tendency to stand high in the rear. **3. Kayangee Hetty Wainthropp** (Kates) Blenheim. Pleasing head and expression, lovely large dark eyes. Nicely laid back shoulders with the desired arch to her neck. Level topline both standing and on the move, correct rear structure. Not the coat and 'finish' of 1 & 2, but she's very nice. **4. Primrose Hearts Afire** (Lovett) Blenheim. Another beauty. Attractive head and expression, good size, short in the loin – just well-balanced overall. Shown in beautiful coat and condition, moved well coming and going with good topline. Today she was just very droopy.

**Special Limit Blenheim Bitch (6)**

**1. Blueday Chelsea** (Gross) Beautiful little girl. Nice size, truly the Breed Standard in every way. She has lovely bone, short in the loin, correct front and shoulders. She has a head to die for, a soft gentle expression with large dark eyes. Just so well-balanced throughout. Lighter marked, but her Blenheim pigment is rich and dark. I thought she was delicious! *Reserve Winners Bitch*

**2. Miletree Casiopia, JW** (Pickett) Pretty Blenheim, strong mover. More heavily marked, lovely dark Blenheim pigment. Well-muscled, moved with drive. Good coming and going. Shown in beautiful coat and condition. Wish she had a bigger eye. **3. Tassajara Nobel, JW** (Seidman/Berkau/Hughes) Moved smoothly around the ring, level topline, good reach and drive. Correct coming and going. Pretty head and expression. Not the overall 'finish' as the #'s 1 & 2. **4. Chacombe Madeline** (Eckersley/Matos) Pretty, heavily marked with dark blenheim pigment. Short in the loin, shown in beautiful coat and condition. Not much pizzazz today.

**Special Limit Tricolor Bitch (3)**

**1. Blackfire Shows Class** (Weidig/Kennedy) Beautifully marked tri bitch, large dark eyes – precious! One of the strongest rear structures of the day, moved out with drive. Level topline, correct coming and going. Effortless movement, a quality bitch. *Best Tricolor in Show* **2. Chadwick Pickety** (Taub) A more heavily marked tri, beautiful dark eyes. Short in loin, another smooth mover with a level topline. Moved out with drive. **3. Nightingale Starlite of Cantia** (Kent) Well-balanced, short in the loin. Shown in beautiful coat and condition. Stands a little roached in the topline, croup too steep.

**Special Limit Ruby Bitch (1)**

**1. Darane Red Sonja, JW** (Kates) Nicely made little bitch, good size, short in the loin. Pretty head and expression, super temperament. Moved around the ring with driver, level topline, good coming and going. Just a well-made, expressive little bitch. *Best Ruby Bitch in Show*

**Special Limit Black & Tan Bitch (1)**

**1. Copperhill Miss Marcie** (Rubino/Mitchell) Well-muscled, sound little girl. Good coming and going, level topline. Short in the loin, moved with drive. *Best Black & Tan Bitch in Show*

**Open Bitch (2)**

**1. Blackfire Trifecta** (Weidig/Kennedy) Tricolor. Pretty bitch, good shoulders and front. Level topline both moving and standing. Correct coming and going, moved with drive. Her wonderful happy temperament won her this class. **2.**

**Chadwick Winter Solstice** (Eckersley) Tricolor. Another pretty face, gentle expression. Well-balanced, short in the loin. Croup a little steep.

**Senior Open Bitch (2)**

**1. Cobblestone Inga** (Lauve) Ruby. Gorgeous expression, large dark eyes. Good front, level topline, correct front and rear movement. Shown in gorgeous coat and condition, dark Ruby pigment. Wonderful temperament! **2.**

**Oggbrae Button Gwinnett** (Bales) Blenheim. Beautiful large dark eyes, pleasing expression. Nice size, short in the loin. Another super temperament, good mover. Not the coat and finish of #1.

**Veteran Dog (3)** Three equally nice exhibits, could change places any day.

**1. Chadwick Star Spangled Banner** (Taub/Eckersley) 8 yrs old, Blenheim. OK, I just loved him. Super cute temperament, beautiful head and expression, large dark gorgeous eyes. Nice size, short in loin. Moved right out. **2.**

**Starwinds Magic Moment** (Kates) 10 yrs old, Tricolor. Super movement! Very smooth mover, covered lots of ground with very little effort. Level topline, good coming and going, super drive. Not the coat and 'finish' of #1. **3.**

**Chadwick Rhumba** (Lauve/Eckersley) 13 years old, Blenheim. A distinguished gentleman that still moves right out and around the ring with ease. Gorgeous large dark eyes, sweet expression and the BLENHEIM SPOT!

**Veteran Bitch (2)**

**1. Ch Chadwick Bewitched at Blackfire** (Kennedy/Weidig) 10 yrs old, Blenheim. Spunky bitch that happily moved around the ring with reach and drive. Level topline, correct coming and going. Shown in good coat and condition. I remember her from the time she was a beautiful puppy, she's everything a Cavalier should be. I loved her. **Best Veteran in Show 2. Chadwick Pinckney at Blackfire** (Weidig/Eckersley) Pretty head and expression, large dark eyes. Super temperament, good topline going around the ring. Short in the loin, moving a little close in front today.