

Puppy, Adult and Veteran Sweepstakes Judge's Critique
Judge: John Goodwin
Region: Cavaliers of the West
Date: Friday, June 30, 2023

What a wonderful show weekend and show in Oakland as one of my last official assignments as President of COTW. This COTW show has become an iconic and memorable show under the show leadership of the fabulous Kathleen Tegg. Her heartfelt dedication to this club and putting on a fabulous show is truly a gift to our beautiful Cavaliers and our members. It was a pleasure to judge Sweeps. Overall, the quality of exhibits was excellent. Type and movement continue to improve, and overall judging and placements came down finite details and overall dog showmanship – demonstrating their attributes. Thank you for such a memorable weekend.

Sweeps 1: Junior Puppy Dog
3 Entries

1. **Ivyline Kona Kai - TS58524401, BI, 12/02/2022, Owner: Ivy Giampapa** - Lovely outline with big dark eyes. This puppy has a beautiful bend in stifle with a topline that held on the move. Beautiful next and mover. Promising little guy.

2. **Sheeba Cover Boy at Apple Branch - TS59006403, BI, 12/01/2022, Owner: Jennifer Bennett and Lionel R. Valenzuela Munoz** - Lovely Blenheim boy, again with beautiful dark eyes. Nice coat but a little longer in back than my first place tonight. Gained confidence in the ring as he spent more time with his handler. This one is going to continue to be fun to show.

3. **Mayfield Marco - TS57959701, BI, 12/09/2022, Owner: Marilyn Mayfield** - Beautiful young puppy with again, lovely dark and big eyes. He held his topline on the move and has a lovely neck. Preferred the rears of my 1 and 2, but confident with more work, his rear will develop and improve his overall stance and stack.

Sweeps 2: Senior Puppy Dog
1 Entry

1. **Falling Springs Firebird At Aspenglow - TS58512407, BI, 09/21/2022, Owner: Carolyn Peterson and James Peterson** - Nice puppy dog with a lot of energy. This puppy has a lovely well-broken coat and nice big dark eyes (nice theme of all the puppies tonight). Strong tail carriage and strong topline. A little more weight and this dog will do very well and move more balanced.

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Sweeps 3 Graduate Puppy Dog

4 Entries

1. **Dulce Back in the Saddle - 82266/22, BI, 04/16/2022, Owner: Rena Covell** - Beautiful headpiece on this puppy with a deep rich color and large dark round eyes. The puppy moved with confidence with great reach and drive coming and going. Very Strong rear and lovely neck. On the move he held his topline and maintained great tail carriage. **BEST PUPPY DOG IN SWEEPSTAKES, BEST PUPPY IN SWEEPS**
2. **Forestcreek The Showman at Tudorr - TS57069901, BI, 06/02/2022, Owner: Pat C. Mixon, Juhan Mixon, Dr. Kevin Cline and Joshua Marshall** - Beautiful Blenheim boy with a great head and strong movement. Nice short-backed boy with a strong front and rear assembly with a great laid back neck. Beautiful ears and grooming with a strong sweet Cavalier temperament. He and my number 1 in this class could interchange placement on opposite days.
3. **Forestcreek Man In Black - TS56107601, Tri, 02/02/2022, Owner: Kathleen Tegg and Joshua Marshall** - Heavy coated tri-colored boy with plush long dark coat. Did settle in tail carriage and movement throughout his ring performance as his tail carriage started out a little high. Has beautifully set eyes and with a little underbite that may shift as he continues to mature.
4. **Roseglen Grand Slam - TS55491902, BI, 05/24/2022, Owner: Rebecca Lofholm and Paula Colombo** - Very sweet-tempered boy with a well-broken coat. Really nice topline even though he was a little unsure about showing this evening. Looking forward to seeing him mature and gain more confidence in the ring as this will improve his rear drive.

Sweeps 4: Junior Puppy Bitch

3 Entries

1. **Gylden I'm A Believer - TS57736101, BI, 11/03/2022, Owner: Julie & Kevin Ellingson** - Lovely coated little bitch with dark brown eyes and a great confidence in her perfect tail carriage. Beautifully presented with the correct pace which accentuated very strong reach and drive/ front and back. Moderate neck. Very promising bitch. **BEST PUPPY BITCH IN SWEEPSTAKES**
2. **Falling Springs Crownrose Black Velvet - TS58560601, B/T, 10/18/2022, Owner: Lacey Rosenberg, DVM, DACT and Elisa Rosenberg** - Beautiful BT bitch with tremendous bone and overall stance and presence in the ring. Handled well on the move and on the table. A little proud of her tail tonight, but I would guess as the

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weekend progresses, she will settle. Preferred the bite of my first place in this class tonight, but this bitch is one to watch.

3. **Ivyline Honolulu Lulu - TS58524402, BI, 12/02/2022, Owner: Ivy Giampapa** - Great pigment and large dark eyes are terrific attributes of this little bitch. Lacked a little confidence tonight with low tail carriage, but the more she moved around the ring, the more confidence she displayed. Sweet Cavalier temperament.

Sweeps 6: Graduate Puppy Bitch

5 Entries

1. **Darane Otherworldly - 82237/22, BI, 06/24/2022, Owner: Katherine Kates** - Lovely full headed bitch with great movement and big round dark colored eyes. A stunning head and scrumptious expression and a nice broken coat and great rear angles and drive.

2. **Roseglen Diamond In The Sky - TS55491901, BI, 05/24/2022, Owner: Paula Colombo** - Nice little mover with a great expression. Preferred fuller head of our first-place winner but this little bitch is a strong mover with a nice front end and great bend in stifle. Very promising.

3. **KendallKastle Kiss For Good Luck - 82542/23, BI, 01/26/2022, Owner: Katharyne Ogle** - Lovely neck with large dark eyes. This bitch has a great rear and bend in stifle and kept her topline and tail carriage throughout her movement around the ring. This was a tough class and on any day – any one of these bitches could place first

4. **Nighthawk's Jinx You're It! CGC, TK-N - 82262/22, BI, 06/10/2022, Owner: Daviann Mitchell** - This little bitch has come a long way. So beautifully presented and on the run from the airport to the ring didn't faze her one bit. Great dark eyes, cute short-backed frame with a spring in her step with every move. Very in-tune with her handler. set eyes and with a little underbite that may shift as he continues to mature.

Adult Sweeps Dog

2 Entries

1. **Mayfield Hercules at Hiflt - 74874/18, BI, 12/27/2017, Owner: Robert & Wendy Parris** - Beautifully coated dog with a real attitude to move and show his handler. Nice dark eyes but was a little proud of his tail tonight. Great bend in stifle and rear angles in his stance.

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2. **Mingchen Yukon River at High Flight - 81644/22CAN, BI, 12/08/2021, Owner: Robert & Wendy Parris** - Nice big eyes on this boy with a stronger tail carriage than first place, but his rear was a little close tonight. This dog has rich coloring and a lovely neck.

Adult Sweeps Bitch

4 Entries

1. **Sheeba Pacific Rose at Apple Branch - 89019/22AKC, BI, 08/22/2021, Owner: Jennifer Bennett** - Lovely type bitch with great movement. She has lovely eyes and a deep but appropriate stop. Her ear set is perfect and, on the move, she didn't disappoint with perfect tail carriage, nice bend in stifle with a topline that couldn't lose. Very nice bitch and my **BEST ADULT IN SWEEPS**.

2. **Tudorr Gigi, JW - 79543/21, BI, 10/11/2020, Owner: Pat C. Mixon and Amanda Madden** – This bitch could have been first tonight with her big dark eyes and excellent rear movement. She was handled beautifully and was very attentive. Maybe a little tired as when she settled lost a little topline. Nice coat.

3. **Tsarevich's Breeze In The Sierras at Gold Country - TS54522601, Tri, 05/30/2021, Owner: Margaret Neiser**- Lovely tri-colored bitch with a rich coat and big eyes. She has a lovely neck and a great stop with a lovely ear-set. Not as strong in the rear as 1st and 2nd placers tonight.

4. **Gold Country's Bonny Black Betty - 82025/22AKC, B/T, 05/22/2021, Owner: Lily Neiser, Cecilia Neiser and Julie & Kevin Ellingson** – Cute BT bitch. Great attitude but carried her tail a little happy tonight. Hoping her muddy Ruby areas prove to become rich ruby as it often does. Very happy to be here and showing and plugged in to her handler.

Veteran Sweeps: Bronze, Dog

1 Entry

1. **Harrington Haute Stuff - 68699/15, BI, 08/29/2014, Owner: Victoria Marina-Tompkins, Allyson Gonyo and Susan Gonyo** – Lovely strong sturdy veteran. This dog is a true sportsman in movement and attitude and just so very happy to be here with his handler. Topline, tail-set and head... still as good as they were as when he was a youngster. Congratulations!

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Veteran Sweeps: Bronze, Bitch

2 Entries

1. **Delsol Adored - 72362/17, Tri, 06/21/2016, Owner: Mary McHenry** – This little tri-color bitch has always been a pistol. What a sweet, sweet girl that lives to please her owners/hander. Such a sweet expression. Perfect topline on the move with great front assembly and rear angulations. Sturdy bitch with beautiful eyes – yes please!
2. **Harrington Covington Pearl Of A Girl - 70163/15, BI, 03/23/2015, Owner: Allyson Gonyo and Susan Gonyo-** Another great example of our breed. Scrumptious expression with knowing eyes and a body she loves to show off. Great topline, tail set and bend in stifle. Another sturdy bitch that could also have been first place.

Veteran Sweeps: Silver, Bitch

2 Entries

This class got to me. It is difficult to judge our more senior veterans, without understanding and feeling the connection between their Cavalier and their handlers, breeders and owners. What's even more spectacular is that witnessing their movement and showmanship isn't reminiscent of what once was... it still is. Such beauty and emotion while we share these very special moments with these Angels on Earth.

1. **Mayfield Quintessential - 64796/13, BI, 02/01/2013, Owner: Marilyn Mayfield** - Lovely bitch that still has it all. Top conditioned coat, big eyes with showstopping attitude. And she is still just as sweet as ever. She's holding it all together and moves to perfection... of course she does. Congratulations to her breeder and caregivers... simply inspiring.

BEST VETERAN BITCH AND BEST VETERAN IN SWEEPS

2. **Shadowbrook Delta Darlin, CRN, CGC, CGCA - 68405/14, Tri, 04/16/2014, Owner: Dave Moody-** This bitch is soo happy to be with her Daddy in the ring. I am not sure who was showing who, but she was happy to be with him. Still a sweet short-backed bitch that is as sweet as they come.