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My thanks to the Cavaliers of the West committee for the kind invitation to judge at this lovely, well-run and friendly show. The hospitality was generous and very much appreciated. My thanks to all those who worked so hard to keep the show running smoothly on the day I judged, particularly the gate steward, table steward, ring steward and announcer. Lastly, but by no means least, a big thank you to all the exhibitors, many who had travelled great distances to be at the show. Without your support the show would not be so successful; and I would look silly standing in an empty ring.

THE DOG CLASSES

JUNIOR PUPPY DOG (1)

1 KOLACI CLIMBING THE EVEREST (Leggeretta/Gray)

Very nice ruby baby, 5 months old. Well made in body, with good angulation front and rear. Balanced in outline. Lovely rich colour to his coat. A little overawed at times, but never stopped wagging. Should have a bright future as he matures.

SENIOR PUPPY DOG (3)

1 SHEEBA SUPERSTITION, JW (Mitchell)

Very attractive 11 month old Blenheim puppy. Lovely outline standing and moving. Good construction with firm, moderate neck, leading into well placed shoulders and good angulation through the front. Well formed chest with good heart room. Level topline and good tailset. Good turn of stifle and well let down, straight hocks, giving positive drive from the rear on the move. **BEST PUPPY DOG, BEST PUPPY IN SHOW**

2 HARRINGTON THE BEAR NECESSITIES (Tompkins/Gonyo)

Another smart looking Blenheim boy, 9 months old, just losing out to the class winner. Well coated with rich tan and correct texture. Good head properties with large dark eyes, giving a pleasing expression. Lovely crest to neck, flowing down to well-placed shoulders. Good topline and tail carriage. Rear movement not quite as positive as the class winner.

3 NIGHTHAWK EVERY DOG HAS HIS DAY (Mitchell)

This 9-month-old Blenheim boy is a little different in outline to my first two placed winners, not quite as balanced. Lovely head properties, good earset and feathering. Coat is well broken, correct texture, with rich tan and clean white markings. Movement could be a little tighter on the front.

BRED BY EXHIBITOR DOG (2)

1 MAYFIELD CHARMING CHESTER (Mayfield)

Although only two dogs entered in the class, each dog has great merits making it a difficult class to judge. My winner, a handsome Blenheim, is a little more moderate overall and

moved out with purpose, and true. Well balanced and in good firm condition, holding a level topline. Dressed in a well broken coat of correct texture, rich tan markings on a clean white background. Lovely head and expression with large dark eyes, good pigment to eye rims and nose, all framed by well feathered ears. Very nice boy.

2 CROSSBOW GREYHAWK DANIEL A KICKAPOO OF ZOOKS

(Schiffman/Mittleman)

This Blenheim boy is heavier set, well boned, with a strong well-cushioned masculine head. He is well made with moderate reach of neck, strong over the loin and has good angulation front and rear. He has well sprung ribs with plenty of heart room. His coat has rich tan markings and is of the correct texture. He moved out a little slowly, losing drive and dropping his head carriage. I felt that, if he moved with more speed, he would carry his head up and it would give him more elegance on the move.

JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED DOG (1)

1 CANYONCREST AUGUST RENOIR (Du Ross)

Black-&-Tan boy of nice size and shape, well-balanced in outline. He has a sweet head, soft expression with lovely rich tan markings in all the right places. Dark eyes and good pigment. His coat is raven black, and a lovely texture. He is well made on the rear, giving drive when he moves. Moved out well in profile and up and back. He is young with so much more to come. **BEST BLACK-&-TAN IN SHOW, BEST BLACK-&-TAN DOG**

AMERICAN BRED DOG (5)

1 INTRYNZIK BLASÉ (Goodwin/Goodwin)

Nicely made, moderate Blenheim boy. Good masculine head properties giving a soft expression. Large, warm dark eyes, good pigment to eye rims and nose, well feathered and placed ears, used to good effect, giving flat appearance to skull. Good reach to neck, leading to well placed shoulders and straight front. Good angulation to the rear quarters providing drive on the move. He moved around the ring covering the ground with style. Lovely happy, confident temperament.

2 HARRINGTON HAUTE STUFF (Marina-Tompkins/Gonyo/Gonyo)

Another nice boy, close up to my class winner. Well balanced dog, short and firm over the loin. Good head and expression, with well set ears and lovely long feathering. Moved out well.

3 COBRNIK REED BUNTING (Tegg)

This ruby boy is a proper toy spaniel of neat proportions. He needs time to mature, but has the ingredients for a bright future. Wholecolours can take a little longer to get there. He has a richly coloured coat of good texture. His head is moderate with an open expression, good length to the muzzle, lovely warm dark eyes and good pigment. He moved out well and true. **BEST RUBY DOG**

4 CROSSBOW HORTON HEARS A WHO (Schiffman/Mittleman)

Heavier set Blenheim boy. I would like to see him a little leaner and moving out a little faster to show off his good construction, well placed shoulders and level topline. He has all the right ingredients of good structure, but was not showcasing them on the day. He has a generous masculine head, well cushioned and with soft expression.

HEALTH AND CONFORMATION DOG (1)

1 CH BRIARCREST BURBERRY CGCA, CDX, C-CDX, RE, C-RE, THDN, TKN, C-RA (Katz)

At almost 7 years of age this boy presented very well. Super head with warm, soft, dark eyes, good earset and great expression. He is moderate in all respects with a good topline. He moved out well. Sweet temperament. He is a good ambassador for the breed with health clearances of which his owner is rightly proud. **BEST HEALTH AND CONFORMATION DOG IN SHOW**

SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM DOG (1)

1 CEDARCREEK RISE N SHINE (Owens)

What a lovely made boy. Well balanced and presenting a good outline when standing. Super head and expression with large dark eyes that draw you in. Well made with good angulation front and rear. Level topline and correct tail carriage. From my notes this boy stood out for me for his overall qualities and it is no surprise that he was my **WINNERS DOG** and **BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX IN SHOW**.

SPECIAL LIMIT TRICOLOUR DOG (5)

1 TRUELEGANCE PISTOLS AT DAWN (Ogle)

Sweet tri boy, well balanced and of an ideal size, good proportions and substance. He has a lovely expression, enhanced by the tan markings, warm dark eyes and cushioning to foreface. He has well placed and well feathered ears framing his moderate masculine head. He flows well from a good neck, shoulders and level topline, which was held when standing and on the move. He moved out with drive. Very well presented and with a lovely temperament. **BEST TRICOLOUR DOG**

2 MILBU GREAT EXPECTATIONS (Sherrin/Sherrin)

A little larger than my class winner this boy has very similar attributes and it was a close decision between these two placings. The outline on this boy is balanced and in proportion. He has very expressive dark eyes and a gentle expression with well feathered ears framing his head. There is good balance in the eye placement, markings and muzzle. Good front and rear angulation, well sprung ribs and level topline. He moved out well, rear could be a little stronger.

3 STARMARC MAN ABOUT TOWN (Rezowalli/Hooper)

Sweet boy with lovely masculine head, super earset and feathering framing his face. Moved out well. I would have preferred a little more balance to the outline between height and length.

4 MANHATTAN STYLE ORGANDI VIA TURRETBANK (Gray/Sloan)

Good head and expression, with a little naughty look in his eyes. Good earset and feathering. A little longer cast across the loin than ideal. Needs a little more strength in the rear to help drive more positively on the move.

SPECIAL LIMIT RUBY DOG (1)

1 Khatibi One In Vermillion, ENG JW (Maddox)

A compact ruby boy of lovely colour and shape. A good head and expression, although I would prefer a little more length to the muzzle and shallower stop to soften the ruby frown. Black pigment to nose and eye rims, dark eyes. Good neck and shoulders, with good head carriage on the move. Good tailset and carriage. Moved out well, just a little close in the rear.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLACK- AND-TAN DOG (1)

1 KALAIS SHIVER ME TIMBERS (Hess)

Note: marked up 2^{nd} in my catalogue and missing in the on-line results. Correct on my judge's sheet as 1^{st} in class.

Lovely black-and-tan boy, really liked him, great character, very outgoing and typical. Lovely expression. Head of correct proportions to his overall size. Well balanced shape giving an attractive outline. He is one of the better movers of the day, moving out strongly with drive from good rear and good reach from his well-made front. Rich tan markings highlighting his lovely raven black coat. Very well presented. A touch proud of his tail on the move.

OPEN DOG (2)

1 CH BROOKHAVEN THE DREAM LIVES ON AT FINNICKYSKYE (Utych/Utych)

Handsome looking Blenheim boy of nice size, well-balanced. Head of good proportions, with large dark eyes giving the desired melting expression. Good earset and feathering framing his head. He has a good spring of ribs, short loin and firm level topline held when standing and moving. Good tailset, and carriage just a little above level, waving all the time, in line with his happy, outgoing temperament. He moved out well and with handler. My notes say 'could take top honours'. In the final assessment it was a close decision; I was pleased to award him *RESERVE WINNERS DOG*

2 CH CHADWICK CODE BLACK OF CELLIMORE (McCarty/Eckersley)

This tri boy is another quality exhibit and close up to my 1st placed dog. Not quite so firm on the topline, dropping his front a little from time to time, which I feel is inconsistent with his overall good construction from hands-on examination, it may just be a thing he does. He has a lovely temperament, super head and well-balanced body. His coat is well broken with lovely rich tan markings. He has all the ingredients that are difficult to achieve with tricolours and he is very worthy.

THE BITCH CLASSES

JUNIOR PUPPY BITCH (4)

1 CHADWICK PURPLE PASSION (Eckersley)

Loved this tri girl as she entered the ring and was not disappointed when appraising her during the class. She is a very well-made puppy, with lovely balance to her outline and good movement. She has very good conformation for her age and this will develop. She has a sweet head, good neck and shoulders, leading to a good spring of rib, she finishes off with a lovely tailset and carriage. She is just short of 6 months old and is showing great promise. She would be welcome in my suitcase going home.

<u>BEST PUPPY BITCH, BEST TRICOLOUR IN SHOW, BEST TRICOLOUR</u> <u>BITCH</u>

2 ROGUE VALLEY VIVIAN MAYFIELD (Mayfield)

Lovely Blenheim baby. Great outlook, lovely evenly marked head, with dark eyes, black pigment to nose and eye rims, and a sweet soft expression. Attractive outline, with good length to neck, well placed shoulders and good topline. Cleanly marked, well-broken coat of correct texture. Another very promising baby.

3 NIGHTHAWK FOREIGN AFFAIR (Mitchell)

This little lady needs time to come together for me. She has a very sweet head. I feel she is not quite in balance overall at the moment. Puppies develop at different rates and some go through growth stages that take them out of balance. She has a level topline and a lovely coat. She is a sweet baby.

4 SHERAH'S LAST LOVE (Crommett)

This little tricolour girl has a very well broken coat of good texture. She is a sweet girl, her head needs to come on and fill under the eyes. She has lovely rich tan markings where needed. She is short across the loin and has a deep chest with well sprung ribs. She needs to tighten up on her movement. She is 6 months old and time is on her side.

SENIOR PUPPY BITCH (4)

1 WINDSEA BRIGITTE BARDOT (Sutton)

Pretty tri girl of nice size, just a year old. She shows promise of what is to come with maturity and is right for her age. Good body shape, topline and tail carriage. Unexaggerated head with good rich tan in all the right places. Eyes dark and round, well placed. I would like to see more fill under the eyes, which should come as the head develops. Moved out with drive from well let down hocks. She needs to settle more to make the best of her attributes.

2 BEARIVER CALIFORNIA GIRL (Toepfer)

Another lovely girl and a difficult choice between 1st and 2nd. This Blenheim girl has a sweet head with a lovely expression, well fringed ears and even markings. She has a richly coloured coat, heavily marked, but of the correct texture. Moderate neck and shoulders, leading to a level topline, a little longer cast than my class winner, which is not a bad thing for the females for carrying puppies. Good turn of stifle and rear angulation, moving out well with drive.

3 CARLEN CHATEAU STE MICHELLE (Close)

Well made ruby girl of perfect size and balanced shape. Richly coloured red coat that is just right for her age and maturity. Wholecolours often take longer to mature, but she will be worth the wait. She has a lovely head with black pigment to nose and eye rims, well placed shoulders and good turn to her stifle. She seemed a little reluctant to show herself off today. **BEST RUBY IN SHOW, BEST RUBY BITCH**

4 SHADOWBROOK WISH UPON A STAR (Moody)

Blenheim girl with good head properties and lovely dark expressive eyes. She has long well feathered ears. A little straighter in the stifle than ideal and this is reflected in her rear movement that is not as strong or firm as it could be. She is inclined to pull her tail up on the move, due to the set-on of the tail.

GRADUATE PUPPY BITCH (3)

1 BROOKHAVEN FORBIDDEN FRUIT (Ayres/Martz)

Very pretty Blenheim girl. Well-made, and beautifully balanced in outline. My notes tell me that she was full of mischief and moved out like a rocket, but correctly, with good reach from the front and straight hocks driving from the rear, free action and great attitude. Lovely coat, soft cushioned head, with dark, lustrous eyes and good pigment. She uses her ears to good effect, framing her head and giving that almost flat appearance between the ears. A very nice youngster and my choice for

RESERVE WINNERS BITCH and RESERVE BEST IN SHOW.

2 CHADWICK FREQUENT FLIER, JW (Eckersley)

Spoilt in this class with another pretty Blenheim girl. A little heavier set than my class winner, she still has all the qualities important in this breed. Sweet head and lovely dark eyes. Good balance overall, but I would like a little more leg under her. Correct temperament. She has richness to her coat, well sprung ribs and level topline. Moved out with drive.

3 SORELLA GEORGIA ON MY MIND (Green)

A finer made Blenheim girl, still with adequate bone. Nice head carriage on the move. Moderate neck and good topline standing and moving. Warm dark eyes, good pigment to rims, giving gentle expression.

BRED BY EXHIBITOR BITCH (1)

1 CH ASTARRING ALL THE CATS MEOW (Foster-Flowers/Mohn)

Alone in this class, this girl took my attention as she entered the ring. From my notes she made a big impression on me. So pretty and in a neat package. Lovely dark eyes, good pigment, full well feathered ears, framing that sweet head. Her neck is of good length, flowing through to good shoulders and front. Moving on through her body, she has a good spring of rib, short firm loin and level topline with continuation to correct tailset. Good rear construction with well-let-down hocks. Everything was in harmony and balance. She moved out with such style and elegance, flowing in profile and moving true coming and going. My choice for <u>BEST IN SHOW</u>, <u>WINNERS BITCH</u>, <u>BEST BLENHEIM IN SHOW</u>, <u>BEST AMERICAN BRED IN SHOW</u>, <u>BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR IN SHOW</u>, <u>BEST BLENHEIM BITCH</u>, <u>BEST AMERICAN BRED BITCH</u>, <u>BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR BITCH</u>.

JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED BITCH (3)

1 LINRICA REACH FOR HE STARS, JW (Liu)

Nice Blenheim girl. Lovely head and sweet expression; nothing exaggerated, large dark eyes and long well feathered ears. Good front and level topline, leading to correct tailset. She is inclined to carry her tail a little high on the move. Moves out well. Overall, well-balanced giving a nice outline in profile.

2 CAMBRYCE BLISSFUL DREAMS (Sherrin)

This little girl does not quite have the head of my class winner, I would like to see a little more fill to add to the softness of expression. She has a lovely body with moderate neck and bone, level topline and good turn of stifle. Drives from rear when moving out.

3 BROOKHAVEN FIDDLE-DEE-DEE AT BEARIVER (Toepfer/Ayres/Martz)
Just shy of a year old, this little girl needs time to mature and become more settled. Pretty head and moderate neck. She moved out well, but her topline comes and goes, could do with firming up. She is a raw youngster in this company,

AMERICAN BRED BITCH (3)

1 COVINGTON COGNAC AMBER AT CROSSBOW (Schiffman/Murphy)

Attractive Blenheim girl with very well broken markings. Pretty head with good pigment to nose and eye rims, lovely dark eyes and pleasing expression, all framed by well feathered and set ears of good length. Good balance between height and length overall, giving a good outline in profile. Moved out well.

2 SHERAH BEST DRESSED (Crommett)

A tricolour girl of good size. A little shorter on leg than preferred giving a slightly stocky look with her well sprung ribs. She has a sweet head which is well marked with rich tan in the right places. She has a level topline moving and standing. Good tail carriage on the move.

3 Nighthawk California Dreaming (D Mitchell)

Pretty Blenheim girl. Nice outline on the stand. Head has that sweet soft expression that is required by the breed standard. She moved out with drive. I would have preferred a lower tail carriage when moving.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM BITCH (4)

1 CHADWICK IN MY OPINION, JW (Eckersley)

Very pretty girl, nice size and well-balanced outline. She is dressed in a coat of good texture and rich tan colour, well broken up with clear white. Very well presented, in good condition. She has a lovely head with black outlining her large dark eyes and well feathered ears framing her face. Her moderate crested neck, leading into well placed shoulders and good angulation gives her a good front. Her well sprung ribs lead on to a well made-rear with strength to provide good drive when moving. She flows around the ring with style.

2 LINRICA ROSE PETALS (Liu)

This girl has a pretty head, slightly fuller and more developed than my winner, but still with the required softness and balance. Lovely outline, with table top level back and correct croup, with good tailset. Although heavily marked her coat has the richest of tan and soft, silky texture. She moved out well, a little more muscle tone will help the drive from her well-made rear.

3 BONITOS COMPANEROS XAVERIA OF WELMFORTH, JW (Lasser)

This pretty girl has left her party clothes at home, it is a shame that she is between coats on the day as she is a worthy exhibit. She has a sweet head and expression and is an ideal size for a toy spaniel. She has lovely pigment to nose and eye rims, and dark deep eyes to draw you in. She moves out well.

4 MAYFIELD MISS WINNIE, JW (Lunbeck/Mayfield)

Compact girl. Sweet headed with pretty, round, dark eyes and good pigment. A little shorter in neck than I would like, with less angulation on the shoulders, affecting the front movement. Good rear angulation, overall moving out well, with handler working with her to keep her pace flowing.

SPECIAL LIMIT TRICOLOUR BITCH (2)

1 MILBU HILLARY (Sherrin/Hofschulte)

Very attractive tri girl, at the upper end on size, but well-made and well balanced overall. Lovely head, rich tan markings, well tapered muzzle and elegant head carriage atop a neck of good length, with the desired crest. Level topline standing and moving. Tail coming off the back, carried just above level on the move, it never stopped wagging showing her outgoing personality. Well placed shoulders and good front, with well developed ribcage and good rear assembly. Coat in tiptop condition and well presented. She moves out positively with drive off well let down hocks. Very deserving of her class win and a serious contender for Winners Bitch, narrowly missing out on RWB in in the final line-up.

2 **DELSOL ADORED** (McHenry)

This girl is a very nice bitch, compact in size but without quite the same elegance of the class winner. She has a very lovely head and soft expression. I would prefer a little more length to her neck to give elegance to the head carriage. She moves out well, I would like to see more flow in profile.

OPEN BITCH (1)

1 BONITOS COMPANEROS JOSEPHINE OF WELMFORTH (Lasser)

Well-balanced Blenheim girl with sweetest of heads, lovely eyes and good pigment. Her ears are of a good length with plenty of feathering. She has a lovely outline with level topline when moving and standing. Good length of neck and well-placed shoulders, well sprung ribs and straight front Lovely rear makeup, with good turn of stifle, allowing her to move out purposefully, with drive. Her coat is soft, of good colour, but lacked a little finish on the day.