CAVALIERS OF THE MIDWEST APRIL 2, 2023, AVON, OH GRAHAM FINLAY-KIRKLAND

I would like to thank the Club for my appointment to Judge the Show which was an absolute pleasure and to thank all involved for the hospitality given to us on our short visit. I would also like to thank my Stewards on the day who had everything running like clockwork, furthermore I would like to thank the exhibitors for showing under me and graciously accepting my decisions.

Graham Finlay-Kirkland

DOGS

<u>JUNIOR PUPPY DOG</u> (3) "Three B/T's in this class all at different stages of their development, where 1 scored on being more mature and settled on the move to win the class."

- 1. **GRANASIL RUM TUM TUGGER** (Gentil) I loved the masculine head on this puppy, lovely eyes and good mouth, good neck and shoulders, nice ribcage, lovely back end which he used on the move. Plenty bone and substance.
- 2. FALLING SPRINGS BLACK FLAME AT MADRYN (Weeks) At 5 months this nice puppy was giving away a lot in age compared with 1. Lovely head pleasing dark eyes, correct earset. Lovely made all through, good bone and coat is coming in nicely.
- 3. **DREAMVALE HOLLYWOOD NIGHTS** (Perini/Sage) Not showing very well today, and wasn't easy to go over on the table, nice shape and size, head requires time.

SENIOR PUPPY DOG (2)

- CHARDOMONT FIRST EDITION OF CHADWICK (Eckersly) A very nice Blenheim with a super head, black pigment and a good bite, lovely neck and lay back of shoulder, ex body shape and bone, level topline, has to be careful he doesn't carry his tail too high on the move. Coat is a lovely rich colour and is well presented. <u>AWARD OF MERIT 1</u>
- 2. **BLUEGARDEN CASINO ROYALE** (Bonavaventura) A tri who wasn't showing as well as 1 today, nicely made with good bone and substance, head requires time, coat is well broken and has tan in the right places.

GRADUATE PUPPY DOG (2)

- 1. **DEL SOL IN THE DARK AT FIELDSEDGE** (Slusher) I liked this B/t dog a shade long but otherwise lovely make and shape, pleasing head with lovely eyes, well off for bone. Coat is in lovely condition, moved really well around the ring.
- 2. **KENDALL KASTLE LOVE IS IN THE HEIR JW** (Ogle) I loved this Blenheim dog, but he kept closing an eye and he didn't move well. He is a lovely make, shape and substance, great bone and shown in fantastic coat.

JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED DOG (2)

- 1. **DULCE BACK IN THE SADDLE** (Covell) A very pleasing Blenheim, loved his size and shape, level topline, correct front and hind angulation lovely tailset. Shown in excellent coat and was well presented.
- 2. **FIELDSEDGE PADRAIG** (Slusher) This Blenheim wasn't enjoying himself and didn't move very well. Appealing head with dark eyes and good pigment. Coat was well presented.

AMERICAN BRED DOG (3)

- 1. **ORCHARDHILL AUSPICIOUS AT TUDORR JW** (Mixon) A lovely Masculine headed Blenheim dog, shown in ex coat and condition. Lovely eyes giving a gentle expression, good mouth and black nose. Lovely shape standing which he held on the move, a quality Blenheim. *RESERVE WINNERS DOG*
- 2. **INGOLD LIVELYOAK OUR MAN JACK** (Borton) A richly marked Blenheim dog, masculine head with black nose, framed by nice ears, good body shape and bone, correct tail carriage.
- 3. FALLING SPRINGS JUST YOU WAIT AT CROWNROSE JW MP (Rosenberg) I loved the head on this Blenheim dog, super expression with lovely dark eyes, good body shape, was very attentive to his handler.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM DOG (1)

1. NIGHTINGALE HEART OF GOLD AW (Weeks) Up to size Blenheim, shown in fantastic coat, masculine head with lovely dark eyes and soft expression, fantastic ears. Good overall make and shape. Movement was ok.

SPECIAL LIMIT TRICOLOR DOG (1)

 PASCAVALE FLOYD (Cline) A very smart well broken Tri dog, coat is soft and silky and tan in the correct places. Lovely head with black pigment and super eyes, excellent neck leading in to well laid back, shoulders and straight front, lovely body shape, could carry more weight to advantage. movement was excellent and covered the ground with ease. AWARD OF MERIT 2 & BEST TRI IN SHOW

<u>OPEN DOG</u> (2)

- CH ORCHARDHILL THEATER KID AT KINGDOMRUN (Degen/Mixon) I loved the overall make, shape and balance of this Blenheim dog. Super head with lovely eyes and good mouth. Ex front and hind angulation, good spring of rib and depth of chest. Coat is soft and silky and is beautifully presented. He came into his own on the move where he covers the ground with ease. I loved him and could easily have taken him home. <u>WINNERS DOG & RESERVE BEST IN SHOW &</u> <u>BEST OPPOSITE SEX TO BEST IN SHOW</u>
- 2. **KB PRIDE DJAXXON OF AN EXCELLENT CHOICE** (Holman) Under all the coat on this Blenheim is a really well made dog, he requires time spent on the coat to get the best from him. Lovely head and expression. Didn't move as well as 1.

SENIOR OPEN DOG (1)

1. CH SERAPHAVEN RETURN OF THE KING (Gogol) A lovely Tri colour shown in fantastic condition, lovely head and expression, good body shape, level topline and correct tail carriage, ex bone. Moved really well around the ring.

BITCHES

JUNIOR PUPPY BITCH (7)

- 1. FORESTCREEK RIGHT BEFORE YOUR EYES (Sherman/Cline/Marshall) I really fell for this 7 month Blenheim, I loved everything about her from her feminine head with her lovely dark eyes and super pigment, ex body shape and depth of chest, well off for bone and substance. Coat is lovely soft and silky and her tail is carried correctly. She is very smart on the move where she covers the ground with ease. Lovely exhibit. *RESERVE WINNERS BITCH & BEST BITCH PUPPY*
- 2. **KINGDOMRUN GENESIS OF AN EMERALD DREAM** (Degen) A short coupled Blenheim that excels in her body shape and bone, shown in super coat and condition. She kept closing her eyes today which was a shame.
- 3. CLOSEBURN DESIGNED IN SECRET (Fairchild) A richly coloured Blenheim who has a great body for her age, lovely front and hind angulation, shown in ex coat and condition.
- 4. **SERAPHAVEN DREANY MELODY** (Gogol/Young-May) A slightly finer made Blenheim compared with those that are above her but none the less very nice to go over and is a great shape standing which she holds on the move.

SENIOR BITCH PUPPY (5)

- 1. LIVELYOAK SPILL THE TEA (Borton) A very shapely Blenheim bitch, who has a lovely neck, shoulders, topline and tailset, ex muscle tone, super head with lovely eyes, well broken coat which was beautifully presented. Covered the ground with ease on the move.
- 2. TASSAJARA SWEET PEE AT KINGDOMRUN (Degen) A close decision betwee1 and 2, loved her size and shape, ex ribcage and depth of chest, pretty head and expression, heavier marked but was well presented.
- 3. CHARDOMONT SPECIAL EDITION (Greak/Comer) Another lovely bitch, lighter marked but has plenty coat, excellent make and shape, good bone, pretty head .
- 4. **NIGHTINGALE CUPCAKE** (Mulligan) A lovely front to this bitch, pleasing body and tailset, not the back end of above, head is pretty with good pigment.

GRADUATE PUPPY BITCH (5)

- CLARMARIAN ECLIPSE OF THE HEART (Young-May/Gogol) A lovely Blenheim bitch very attentive to her handler. Head is feminine with lovely dark eyes, good pigment and mouth, super ears frame the head, excellent neck and shoulders, spirit level topline and correct tail set. Coat is in super condition and is soft to the touch. Moved like a dream, a lovely bitch. <u>AWARD OF MERIT 1</u>
- 2. OGLE'S KENDALL KASTLE KISS FOR GOOD LUCK (Ogle) Another lovely Blenheim bitch a shade longer cast compared with 1, none the less she is lovely and It was a close decision between 1 & 2. Excellent make and shape shown in excellent

coat and condition. Covered the ground with ease, a pleasure to judge. <u>AWARD</u> <u>OF MERIT 2</u>

- 3. **BROOKHAVEN MANGO TANGO** (Ayers) A nice Blenheim that lacked coat on her ears. Pleasing head with plenty fill under the eyes, ex ribcage, good bone, and back end, moved ok.
- 4. **TUDORR LA DOLCE VITA** (Mixon/Degen) A nice Blenheim that wasn't showing very well. Lovely coat colour which is soft and silky. Ex body shape, bone and substance, pleasing head with lovely ears framing the head.

BRED BY EXHIBITOR BITCH (2)

- 1. **HUNTCREST MONARCH** (Pope) A lovely Blenheim shown in full coat which was well presented, a nice shape standing which she holds on the move, level topline, straight front and correct hind angulation.
- 2. CLOSEBURN HEARTS ON FIRE STUART (Fairchild) A pleasing Tri colour with a pretty head and nice eyes, ok body shape. Movement was ok but could have had more drive.

JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED BITCH (6)

- 1. CLARMARIAN AFFAIRS OF THE HEART (McFarland/Young-May) A very smart Blenheim bitch that showed really well to win this class. She is very soundly made, love her ribcage and overall balance. Lovely head with soft gentle expression. moved better in the class compared with the challenge. Shown in super coat.
- 2. CHADWICK MASQUERADE (Eckersley/McCarty) Another lovely Blenheim will change places with 1 on another occasion, a richly marked Blenheim which was well presented. Lovely head with dark eyes, pleasing ear carriage, moved out well at all times.
- 3. CLARMARIAN BE STILL MY HEART (McFarland/Young-May) This bitch showed better as the class went on, very nice to go over, lovely coat, shade longer cast than 1 & 2, lovely ribcage and depth of chest, pleasing head with lovely eyes, was also starting to feel the heat.
- 4. **TIBBENDON SUMMER BREEZE** (O'Brien) The youngster in the class and it showed, lovely size, excellent body shape and bone, excellent front and hind angulation. Coat is coming in nicely which was well presented.

AMERICAN BRED BITCH (3)

- 1. **NIGHTINGALE BUILD ME UP BUTTERCUP** (Mulligan) A finer made Blen that could carry more weight to advantage, she has also dropped her coat but what she did have was well presented. A feminine head with lovely eyes with enough filling under them, black nose, ex make and shape, she comes into her own on the move.
- 2. **FALLING SPRINGS SHINING BRIGHTLY** (Curley) A well bodied bitch who could have won the class, but she could lose a bit of weight over the shoulders, well made all through and has a level topline and tailset. Lovely head with a soft expression, shown in super coat and condition.
- 3. **MAGNOLIA RUN LIGHTENING STRIKE** (Guzy) This Blenheim definitely requires to lose weight, which spoils the overall picture plus her topline was not good otherwise she is a very nice bitch that has a lot to offer the breed.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM BITCH (1)

1. **FIELDSEDGE ANGELS FLYING CLOSE** (Slusher) A lovely Blen with a very nice shape standing which she holds on the move, shown in full coat which was well presented. Her head is full and maybe for me too doggy. Lovely eyes and black nose.

SPECIAL LIMIT TRICOLOR BITCH (2)

- 1. **CHADWICK BACCARAT OF CEILIMOR JW** (McCarty/Eckersley) A very nice well broken bitch who is well presented, lovely make, shape and balance, head is slightly short for me otherwise a lovely bitch who moved really well.
- 2. WINDKISS BELLA NOTTE (Pope) A nice Tri who doesn't have the body of 1, I prefer her head shape but not keen on her eyes, coat is soft and silky and is well presented.

SPECIAL LIMIT RUBY BITCH (1)

 GRANASIL FLORENTINE OF SUMARA JW AW MP (Gentil) I loved this ruby, very much my cup of tea, super head with ex dark eyes and black nose. Super straight front, excellent ribcage and depth of chest, ex back end which she used on the move, super coat and it gleamed. I did consider her for top award but she was starting to fall asleep in the ring, what a shame. <u>BEST RUBY IN SHOW</u>

OPEN BITCH (2)

- CH FORESTCREEK SWEET SOUL OF HADARA (Cline/Koch) I loved this Blen whenever she came in the ring and she didn't disappoint me, super head and expression with lovely eyes, cracking ears that frame her feminine head. Lovely neck and shoulders, level topline and correct tailset. She is so balanced in profile which she holds on the move. Shown in ex coat which is soft and silky. I just loved her. <u>WINNERS BITCH & BEST IN SHOW & BEST BRED BY</u> <u>EXHIBITOR, BEST BLENHEIM, BEST AMERICAN BRED</u>
- 2. CH CHADWICK TRIVIAL PURSUIT JW (Reed) A heavier made bitch compared with 1 and not as free moving either today. Lovely head with super expression, well-made body and plenty bone. Shown in full coat and was very well presented.

SENIOR OPEN BITCH (2)

- SERAPHAVEN PUT A SPELL ON YOU (Gogol/Young-May) A lovely bitch that belies her years, lovely make and shape, shown in super coat and condition, lovely head with super expression. Moved out really well around the ring. Lovely bitch. <u>BEST VETERAN</u>
- 2. CLOSEBURN BONNY WEE KILT (Fairhild) A smaller bitch but not the movement of 1, lovely head to this Tri colour with lovely eyes. Heavier marked, level topline and tailset, excellent body shape and depth of chest. Shown in full coat which was well presented.

VETERAN DOG (1)

1.**CH BELLA SOGNI DOLCI DE AMOR, VW** (Weeks) A very nice well marked Tri colour who is well broken, masculine head but with soft expression, well-made body, level topline and correct tailset. Moved out really well around the ring.

VETERAN BITCH (1)

1.SERAPHAVEN PUT A SPELL ON YOU (Gogol/Young-May) See above. <u>BEST</u> <u>VETERAN</u>