# **Cavaliers of the West** 01/16/11, Woodland Hills, CA Judge: Marian Mynott (Honeybet)

I would like to express my thanks to the board and committee of the COTW for extending the invitation to me to judge this show. It has been a very enjoyable experience made so by the warmth of the welcome received from the organisers and exhibitors. I would like to thank the table steward, Kathy Tegg, the gate stewards and my ring steward Jean Yokley who all kept me in order and helped to keep the ring moving. If I have any overall comment it is that I feel there is greater consistency in the size of the Cavaliers being shown and more substance to them than when I visited the shows in Kentucky and Atlanta some six years ago. The wholecolours are improving, but, with a few exceptions, they do not appear to be as consistent in aspects of construction as the parti colours.

#### **Junior Puppy Dog (6)**

1. Canyoncrest Star Blazer (DuRoss) What a super blenheim baby puppy. Lovely size and shape, compact and well balanced. Good bone, good depth to chest giving plenty of heart room. Well made throughout with good reach of neck giving elegance. Lovely soft texture and rich colour to coat, well broken markings. Soft baby head with lovely dark round eyes and good pigment. Moved out happily and correctly. Still very much a baby but showing great promise. Best Puppy Dog

2. Quail Garden Encore (Percivalle/Geller/Mittelman) Another real baby Blenheim showing promise. Well balanced outline, good shape. He is well constructed overall which showed in his good movement, he stepped out with style. Short to the hock and well angled rear. Lovely head, dark round eyes, with good pigment to surrounding rims and good nose pigment. Coat very well broken and of correct colour and texture. 3. Quail Garden Lochlomond Deja Vu (Mittelman) Litter brother to 2nd, this puppy looks a little more mature. Clean outline. Good head properties and good pigment. 4. Lilium Quince at Crown Rose (Rosenberg) Nice Blenheim boy. A little higher on the leg and longer in the loin. Good topline, good spring of ribs and good rear angulation. Showed well.

## Graduate Puppy Dog (5)

1. Pascavale Stefano, JW (Cline/Sedgwick) This handsome masculine Blenheim has a lovely head with warm dark eyes giving him the soft melting expression so typical of the breed. Good pigment to eye rims and to nose. Well bodied, moving out with drive from well constructed rear and with elegance from the front carrying his head proudly on a moderate length of neck with the desired crest. Well presented by handler. Winners Dog, Reserve

## Best in Show, Best of Opposite Sex

2. Jayba Midnight Magic (Piercy) This lovely young tricolour came into the ring like he owned it. His quality could not be denied, lovely outline and gleaming shine from the black of his coat. He moved out well, with a table top level back both standing and moving. Heavier marked than would be ideal but with enough white and rich tan markings in all the right places. Lovely gentle expressive eyes and a correct head, nothing under or overdone. I take responsibility for unsettling him on the table when examining his rear, a difficult situation for a judge to recover in the time available during the class. He showed himself to be very outgoing prior to this and again later leaving me in no doubt about his true nature. Best Tricolour in Show 3. Benchmark Up In The Air (Chan/Mitchell) Nice Blenheim boy, lacking a little maturity. Good size and shape, with lovely head. Good pigment. Good rich tan, a little heavily marked for me. 4. Stavonga Little Protector (Tyler) This Blenheim boy has good head properties and pigment. Liked his overall shape. Moved out well. Not holding his topline at all times.

#### Novice Dog (1)

1. Cameliabay Xacta Zackby (Emmons) Standing alone in this class this Blenheim boy deserved his place. He has a lovely masculine head, with large warm eves giving a gentle expression. Good outline, well sprung ribs and good rear angulation. Well broken coat of good texture with a lovely rich tan.

#### Junior American Bred Dog (1)

**1. Sikeleli Monet at Quail Run** (Kornhi) Attractive headed tri baby of just 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> months. He is still a very raw baby

with a lot to come. He was enjoying his day out, moving confidently around the ring. He is very heavily marked with rich tan markings. I would have preferred a little more white on him.

#### American Bred Dog (7)

1. Quail Garden Kilkenny of Lochlomond, JW (Mittelman/Geller) Well presented Blenheim of good shape, well bodied with soft masculine head. In good coat, well broken up, with a good tan colour and of correct texture. Good spring of rib, level topline and good front and rear angulation. He moved out with drive and confidence. 2. Mayfield Prince of Hearts (Preston) Another very nice exhibit. Lovely warm dark eyes in a masculine, but gentle head, framed by well feathered correctly set ears, giving a flat appearance to the top of the skull. Lovely outline shape, good neck and shoulders, level topline both standing and moving, short loin, good spring of rib and straight rear when standing. 3. Allegria Made You Look (McHenry/Virrueta) Blenheim boy with good outline, lovely head. Large dark eyes and good pigment to rims and nose. Good reach of neck and well laid shoulders. Not quite as strong in the rear. Moved out well. 4. Briarcrest Star Chaser, JW (Mitchell) Liked this boy very much, needs a little more finish to complete the picture. He is well made with good angulation, good reach of neck and level topline. Gentle expression with large dark eyes and good pigment. Moved with drive from rear.

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

1. Avalcier Princeton, JW (Venier/Li) Two lovely Blenheims in this class. Preferred the softer head on this one but otherwise the comments could be almost the same. A well proportioned dog with good outline, short coupled and with elegance on the move, carrying his head up proudly supported on a neck of good length. Well broken coat presented in excellent condition. Good tailset, but inclined to occasionally carry it a little higher than ideal. 2. Maibee Perfect Pitch (Mayfield/Wornall) This is a well made boy of quality, more solidly marked than 1st and with a slightly stronger head. More solidly made all through but still with good construction and balance overall. Lovely eyes and pigment. There really was very little to choose between these two boys and it came down to minor preferences to split them.

#### **Special Limit Tricolour Dog** (1)

**1. Mayfield Cashing In** (Mayfield/Byroads) Although alone in the class this lovely headed tri deserved his win. Nice size, short coupled and with level topline standing and moving. Heavily marked but with a reasonable amount of white and with good rich tan in the right places. The head is soft and gentle, with round dark eyes that for me could be a little larger but they did give the softness of expression required.

#### Special Limit Ruby Dog (2)

**1. Little Knight Truffle** (Tyler) Small compact boy. Good neck and shoulders. Sweet head, good pigment to nose and eye rims. Rich colour to body coat which was in good condition, ears a little paler but with good feathering. Needs more firmness in his topline to hold it level. **2. Robin's Nest Jake Blues** (Prodanovich) This boy is up to size and a more solid in type with good bone. Masculine head with dark eyes and good pigment. The upper arm could be a little longer which would improve the front, shoulders and length of neck. Moved out well from the rear.

Open Dog (4) This was a strong class with four lovely dogs.

**1. Covington Preditor** (Mohn) Lovely richly coloured Blenheim boy, super masculine head, with lovely dark eyes and good pigment. Well balanced outline with good bone, level topline which carries through to a good tailset and carriage. Lovely angulation, well toned muscles giving a good drive from the rear. Good front and rear with good shoulders and neck to give an elegant outline on the move. Head carried proudly. *Reserve Winners Dog* 

2. Khatibi Juan For The Road (Tyler/Tarabad) Another quality exhibit, with a lovely soft expression, good head properties, lovely length to his neck and a balanced outline. Nice size with moderate bone. Good shoulders, and front, good spring of ribs, short loin and good angulation to rear quarters. Presented in good condition. Moved out well with drive. **3. Lanola Santiago** (Wornall) The placing of these dogs was well considered and came down to selecting the preferred good points overall on each. This boy also has a lovely outline but was not quite as balanced as the previous two for me. He is inclined to carry his tail a little high which can be a male bravado thing, but it can affect the appearance on the move. Moved out enthusiastically with style. **4. Deeriem Cosmopolitan Man at Quail Run** (Kornhi) This boy has a lovely gentle head with large dark round eyes, fully

pigmented. He melts you with his warm expression. He is a lovely size. He has lovely angulation to the rear. 1 would prefer a little more length of neck.

### Junior Puppy Bitch (5)

Woodsong Lolita (Kaiser) Very sweet young Blenheim bitch with moderate bone and lovely shape giving a good outline standing and on the move. Lovely head, soft dark eyes, good pigment and a sweet expression. Moderate length of neck set on good shoulders, leading to a level topline held when standing and moving. Good rear angulation allowing drive from rear. Coat of lovely colour and texture. 2. Crizwood A Minute at Mayfield (Mayfield/Wornall) Another lovely puppy. Pretty head framed by well feathered full ears. Lovely dark eyes with good pigment to rims, well cushioned head giving correct expression. Good colour tan on a well broken coat of good texture. Nice size and moved out happily. 3. Cedar Creek Miles of Style (Owens) A promising puppy that just needs a little time. Lovely head, complete with the desired lozenge, good eyes, lovely pigment and well cushioned muzzle. Moved out well. 4. Crown Rose Eloise at the Plaza (Rosenberg) This sweet little girl at seven months old has done her growing and now needs to settle into herself. Lovely neck and shoulders; good topline and good angulation front and rear. A little finer in bone than I prefer.

#### Senior Puppy Bitch (6)

**1. Pinecrest Dixie Melody** (Eubank) What a sweet little tri bitch with super attitude, has her handler under control. Well broken markings making her stand out. Very feminine head with lovely rich tan markings, good fill under the eyes, correctly tapered muzzle, and nose of required length. Well balanced outline, lovely size. Good bone in balance with her overall size. Well constructed throughout and moved with style around the ring. *Best Puppy Bitch, Best Puppy in Show* 

**2. Brookhaven Hollywood** (Milosevic/Martz) Another well made puppy. Pretty head, atop a lovely neck and good shoulders, leading to a level topline, short loin and lovely tailset. Good rear aiding drive when moving. Good rich colour tan. **3. Marilee Desert Sage** (Collins) Pretty Blenheim girl. Well marked, nice size and with a correct head, good pigment and well set ears with good feathering. Good spring of rib and depth to chest, well angled front and rear. Moved out well. **4. Briarcrest Some Bunny to Love** (Van Luchene) Blenheim girl of correct size. Lovely neck and shoulders, good topline and well sprung ribs. Sweet head, but not yet in balance with body. Some take longer to mature than others, this little girl needs some time.

#### **Graduate Puppy Bitch (7)**

1. Royalcaper Bluebell Bliss (Clayton) A well balanced pretty girl, nice outline, good angulation, good tail carriage, moderate bone in keeping with overall size. Sweet expression, with lovely warm dark eyes and well placed ears used to good effect giving the flat top to the skull. Good spring of rib, good reach of neck. Moved out happily and with style. 2. Forestcreek Golden Girl (Cline) This little girl is also very pretty and with lovely head properties. Very well broken colour, cleanly marked white and richly coloured tan. Deep well sprung ribs, good neck and shoulders. Not quite as well balanced in outline as the class winner for me being a little longer in body proportionally to length of leg. Moved out well with drive from rear. 3. Spindlepoint Hope (Compton) A heavier marked girl with good head properties, lovely pigment and a sweet feminine expression. Lovely elegant neck and well put together shoulders and front. Good rear angulation. I would have liked a little more animation to give her more 'notice me' sparkle, she was happy and typically sweet, but seeking approval from handler. 4. Darane Paradise City (Kates) A sweet tricolour girl heavier marked than ideal. Looks lovely in outline and had a good neck and shoulders, good turn of stifle. Nice head, with rich tan markings, good eyes and full well set ears. Novice Bitch (2)

1. Crossbow Jublice Jolie of Glenellen (Murphy) Very typical Blenheim girl, lovely head, correct length of muzzle and well cushioned under eyes. Moderate length of neck with crest. Liked her size. Good bone and overall balance. Legs set under well angled shoulders. Good spring of ribs and length of loin. Presented in well toned condition. 2. Mayfield Bonnie Bright (Sparks/Mayfield) Pretty very feminine girl, finer in construction than class winner. Is still young at just turned twelve months, needs to mature in body. Lovely eyes and good pigment. Bred By Exhibitor Bitch (4)

**1. Ch Denham Dreamed About, JW** (Maddox) What a super ruby girl. Loved her size, outline and balance. Good colour and texture to coat, lovely straight coat with shine. The best wholecolour on the day. She is such a

lovely girl with sweetest expression, lovely eyes and good pigment, head shape was complimented by lovely long, full ears.. Moving down her moderate neck to well laid shoulders it was all good. Firm topline, good rear angulation and moved out positively with drive. Her bone was right for her size, her size right for the breed. Not surprised to find out that she is already a champion. *Reserve Winners Bitch, Best Ruby in Show* 

**2. Forestcreek Bijoux** (Cline) A very cheeky little girl with a 'look at me' personality. Not one who can be ignored. Very well made, just needs a few more furnishings to complete the picture. Lovely head properties, with super eyes and good pigment. Well constructed throughout and moved out true coming and going, with drive from rear. **3. Broberry Dolly Madison** (Thornberry-Brogan/Mayfield) Lovely tricoloured girl, good neck and shoulders. Well marked head with rich tan on cheeks and brows over lovely large dark eyes. A little proud of her tail which is set a little lower than ideal. Neat outline and moved out with drive. **4. Spice Rack Allys Tea** (Collins) Pretty little Blenheim girl. A little finer in head and muzzle but with lovely dark eyes. Moved out well with level topline.

#### Junior American Bred Bitch (2)

**1. Bentwood Leading Lady** (Harrison) Very pretty, well boned tri girl with super head and expression. Good length of neck and well balanced body. Good body, well sprung ribs and good topline. Well turned stifles, moving out well. Lovely straight silky coat put down in excellent condition. The icing on the cake would be a little more white in her coat, but that is not easy to achieve, the dog as a whole is important. As a whole she has many good qualities to admire. **2. Pinecrest Whistlin' Dixie** (Eubank) Another pretty girl, more petite than first place. Very good rich tan markings in all the right places. A well balanced girl all through. Level topline and good spring of rib. Elegant on the move with a lovely crest to her neck, just a little less true in movement.

### American Bred Bitch (3)

1. Rockcreek Strike a Pose (Steagall) Very sweet Blenheim girl in full coat, underneath which was a well made body. Lovely head properties with good balance, well cushioned with tapered muzzle and a softness to her expression through lovely dark eyes. Level topline, short coupled across the loin and with well sprung ribs and correctly carried tail on the move, it did lose the wag on standing. Moved out well and with drive. 2. Crossbow All Fired Up at Oakbrook (Tonius) Another lovely Blenheim girl, with good expression from a well developed head. A little less animated than the class winner. Mature body with lovely brisket and well sprung ribs, good reach of neck and well placed shoulders. Strong across the loin, well toned and with a level topline, falling away a little at the croup, giving a slightly lower tailset. Moves out with drive. 3. Quail Run April in Paris (Moulton) This little blenheim girl has a sweet expression. She is a little finer in construction and a little longer cast. She has richly coloured tan well broken up by pearly white, but had left her best clothes at home. She has a good turn of stifle.

#### **Special Limit Blenheim Bitch (3)**

1. Kaishmar Katarina at Canyoncrest (DuRoss) Up to size but with a very well balanced outline and very typical in head. Lovely even marking on head, super large dark eyes and very soft expression. Front and rear construction is good and she moves with style and drive carrying her tail out correctly. 2. Crossbow Lil Ninja Grasshopa (Schiffman/Fannon) This very sweet girl with lovely well broken tan markings on a white background, moves out well, but is carrying a little weight over the shoulders that detracts from the elegance of movement. She is well made with a good spring of ribs and level topline. Her head is flat between the ears and well balanced for length of muzzle, eye placement and cushioning giving the soft look required. 3. Covington Devine Design (Collins) Another pretty girl, compact with good balance to her outline. Angulation fair but rear movement not her fortune. Level topline held standing and on the move. Happy girl with lovely temperament. Special Limit Tricolour Bitch (2)

**1. Sheeba Standing Ovation of Windsea, JW** (Sutton) What a pretty tri girl, very feminine with lovely head properties and sweetest expression. Well marked with lovely rich tan in the right places. Lovely size and balanced outline. Good topline and very good rear angulation. Moved out well in profile, forward and going away. In tune with her handler. **2. Little Day Dream at Three Ponds** (Williams/Tyler) A very well marked tri girl. A little larger than first placed. Balanced outline. Lovely head markings with clean white, no freckles, framed with long full ears. Moved out happily.

#### Special Limit Ruby Bitch (1)

**1. Elyzian Something Precious** (Olsen) A very sweet ruby girl, with lovely head properties and black pigment to nose and eye rims. Good length of neck, level topline and good rear angulation enabling her to move out with drive. Very animated and enjoying her day out.

### Special Limit Black and Tan Bitch (2)

**1. Harana Midnight Star** (Malinak) This girl has good substance, rich tan in the right places and a good outline. Well developed rib cage. Level topline and good rear angulation. Carrying a little extra weight affecting the appearance on the move. *Best Black & Tan in Show 2.* Cobrnik Dixie Brannah (Sparks) This little girl has less substance and is finer throughout. She has lovely eyes but needs more fill under and I would prefer a little more width to the muzzle. Good rear angulation. She moved out enthusiastically.

### **Open Bitch (2)**

**1. Ch Aranel With Love, JW** (Flowers Foster) This lovely girl was my WB and ultimately Best in Show. She is very pretty, with a lovely head, soft expression and super eyes. She has a lovely full coat of excellent texture and condition. Well broken markings, well made throughout with good upper arm, good lay of shoulder and good topline standing and moving. I love an elegant neck and she has that too. She has a great attitude, good movement and carries herself so well around the ring. So deserving of her successes for her owner. *Winners* 

### Bitch, Best in Show, Best Blenheim in Show

**2. Grantilley Moon Lighting at TruElegance** (Cromer) This is a pretty bitch who met up with one on form. She has a lovely rich colour to her coat but was not in full coat on the day. She has lovely dark eyes and a typical gentle expression. She moved out with drive and did all that was asked of her.

### Veteran Bitch

1. Ch Crossbow Sweet Revenge of Shadowbrook, RN, Therapy Dog (Moody) Sweet eight year old blenheim girl who was enjoying her time in the ring. A real trooper. Nicely marked head and well broken markings on profuse body coat. Well balanced and moving out like a youngster. Good topline and good angulation. *Best Veteran in Show*