

Cavaliers of the Midwest
04/14/12, Chicago, IL
Judge: June Barraclough (Julette)

As always the hospitality and friendliness from this show was second to none. Although not a great entry there was enough to enable me to spend more time going over the dogs after all there were a lot of exhibitors who had travelled a long way, by air and car and all deserved that little bit extra attention. A big thank you to the CMW club and its officers and committee for a wonderful time spent judging and visiting Chicago and grateful appreciation to all the exhibitors for bringing their lovely Cavaliers for me to go get acquainted with. All of the dogs were immaculately presented and in pristine condition. There was a lot of nit picking to decide the winners, as there were a lot of quality dogs and bitches. In a lot of classes more than one blue ribbon could have been awarded. I was told after the judging that three Cavaliers had gained their Championship Crowns today and another two were chasing hard on their heels for the same honours. Thank you to the CMW for inviting me to judge and thank you to the exhibitors for accepting my decisions so gracefully.

Junior Puppy Dog (6)

1. Pinecrest White Lightning (Eubank) Blen boy, nice size and shape. Well broken rich chestnut markings. Gentle head complete with lozenge, large dark eyes and good pigment. Level top line and good tail carriage, good conformation and construction. Arched neck and good shoulders. A little naughty but when settled, moved well. **2. Linrica The Wizard Of Oz** (Liu) Blen, good head with spot, dark eyes and good nose pigment. Good size and shape, nice coat with good markings. Level topline and tail when standing and on the move. Moved well. **3. Chadwick Snow Drift** (Eckersley) Another blen boy with a lovely head, dark eyes and black pigment. Nice shape. A little smaller than 1 and 2. Movement OK. **4. Linrica Bye Bye Birdie** (Hsiung/Liu) Blen, good size and shape. Rich markings. Good head. Eyes and pigment OK. Moved well.

Senior Puppy Dog (7)

1. Shirmont Doctors Orders (Henry) Blen boy, masculine head, large dark eyes and black pigment. Ample neck, good shoulders and front. Well broken rich chestnut markings. Up to size, lovely shape. Well constructed. Moved very well. This little boy has everything necessary to go all the way. He just needs time to come together. *Best Puppy Dog, Award of Merit*
2. Coverdale Fade Into Sunset (Miller/Bennett) Richly marked blen, good head, dark eyes and good pigment, Arched neck and good lay of shoulders. Level top line and good movement. **3. Nightingale Hot Shot** (Mulligan) Heavier marked blen, rich colour. Nice head, dark eyes and pigment. Nice shape and size. Moved well. **4. Hillwood Candid Appearance** (Bennett) Blen, good markings. Masculine head, dark eyes and good pigment. Nice size and shape.

Graduate Puppy Dog (2)

1. Chantismere Caruso of Chadwick (Eckersley) Smaller blen, a little long cast but OK. Good head with large dark eyes and good pigment. Lovely coat. Nicely bodied up. Movement good. **2. Jordanic Luigi** (Gentil) What a shame this little boy would not behave. He would insist on pulling on the move which made him hard to assess. I am sure when he settles down he will do the winning. Lovely head with all the right attributes. Nice shape and size, level top line and good tail carriage. What I saw of movement was good.

Bred By Exhibitor Dog (4)

1. Sevenwoods Highfield Dune (Shidler) Heavier marked blen, with just enough white to break it up. Good head and neck. Dark eyes and good pigment. Good size and shape. Moved well, 7 ½ years young and still knows how to be a handful for his owner. Happy boy. **2. Westwind ME N MY KC** (Koehring) Tri boy, large masculine head, large dark eyes and black pigment. Very heavily marked, good tan. Well-developed body and neck, level top line. Moved well. **3. Huntcrest Dream On** (Weiner-Pope) Blen in good coat. Nicely marked and rich colour. Lovely head, dark eyes and pigment. Ample neck and good shoulders. **4. Northview Fire And Ice** (Babcock) Another blen boy. Good size, dark eyes and pigment, would have preferred a slightly longer neck. Moved OK.

Junior American Bred Dog (4)

1. Linrica I Dreamed A Dream (Liu) Blen, good coat, well broken, rich tan markings. Good head and ears, dark eyes and black pigment. Good body shape and size. Moved OK keeping level top line on the move and while standing. Showy boy. **2. Saintbrides Darane Come Sail Away** (Kates) Only 6 months old and giving away a lot today. Beautiful puppy, good size and shape for his age. Nicely marked, dark eyes and good pigment. Good neck and shoulder placement. Moved well like a little trouper. One to watch out for in the future. **3. Autumnhill Ring Of Fire, JW** (Parente) Ruby, gorgeous colour, a little out of coat today. Dark eyes and good pigment, ear placement good. Size and shape OK.

Ample neck. Level top line while on the move and when standing. Moved well. **4. Forrestcreek Prince William** (Koehring) This boy was full of himself today and really did make his owner work for it in the class. Good shape and size, would prefer a little more neck, good coat, markings and colour. Masculine head, dark eyes and good pigment. Moved well.

American Bred Dog (4)

1. Sheeba Guccio Gucci (Adair/Mitchell) Smaller type but within the standard. Long flowing coat, good markings and colour. Gentle head, dark eyes and black pigment. Arched neck, level back. Moved well. A happy boy but a little proud of his tail today. **2. Avia Sgt Pepper** (Marler) Bigger than 1, short coat but markings and colour good. Pigment OK and eyes dark. Good on the move. **3. Huntercrest Surfin Safari** (Patkowski) Blen, masculine head, long ears, good pigment and eyes dark. Good coat, colour and markings. **4. Tassajara Hugh Jackman** (Seidman/Hughes/Berkau) Heavily marked blen, nice coat. Good head with dark eyes and pigment. Could not assess movement very well because he wanted to relieve himself.

Special Limit Blenheim Dog (4)

1. Chantismere Cast A Spell On Corduke (Mulligan) This win today finished this little boy. Congratulations. Heavier marked blen, with enough white to complement his gorgeous colour. Masculine head with that gentle expression, complete with lozenge. Darkest of eyes and pigment. Lovely size and shape, very sound boy. Level top line and tail while standing and on the move.

Excellent mover. Reserve Winners Dog

2. Aranel Fanatic (Adair) Smaller than 1, long coat, rich chestnut markings. Gentle head, lovely expression, dark eyes and good pigment framed by lovely ears. Good conformation and free movement. **3. Kinvaarr's Mile High Club** (Harrison) Blen, profuse coat, good colour. Masculine head, long ears, dark eyes and black pigment. Ample neck, good body and shape. Up to size. Level top line. Good movement. **4. Lanola Only Make Believe** (Matters) Lighter marked blen, good colour. Pleasing head, dark eyes and black pigment. Well arched neck. Level top line, good shape. Good flowing movement both ways.

Special Limit Tricolor Dog (2)

1. Veribas Point Break (Cusick) Another boy knocking on the door for the honours but sadly not today. He is lovely. My size and shape, nicely marked tri with rich tan. Lovely head with gentle expression, long ears, dark eyes and black pigment. Good reach of neck, level top and good tail. Moved well. **Award of Merit, Best Tricolor Dog 2. Jardim Azuls August Flower** (Matos) Tri, larger than 1. Good shaped head, black pigment and dark eyes. Nice coat, rich tan. Moved OK but not motivated enough today.

Special Limit Ruby Dog (2)

1. Turretbank Beaujolais (Green) Up to size boy with profuse coat. Lovely colour. Masculine head, good ears, dark eyes and pigment. Good shape, level top line. Moved well but a little proud of his tail at times. **Best Ruby in Show 2. Sevenwoods Wildberry** (Shidler) Smaller boy. Pleasant head, dark eyes and pigment. Ample neck and good lay of shoulders. Nice shape. Level top line. Movement OK.

Special Limit Black & Tan Dog (3)

1. Darane Smooth Criminal At Nightingale (Mulligan) Right size and shape. Gentle head and expression. Dark eyes and good pigment. Lovely coat in good condition. Ample neck and good lay of shoulders. Level top line on the move and when standing. Moved well. Very little between this boy and 2nd place only this boy said 'look at me' and I did. **Best Black & Tan Dog 2. Brookhaven Bob Bailey** (Schilling) Lovely boy, great head and body, size and shape. Coat in excellent condition. Moved very well. Hair splitting between him and first place. Just needed a little more attitude today. **3. Roseriver Guinness Stout** (Lemon) Good head with dark eyes and good pigment. Good size and body. A little high on the back end. Moved OK.

Open Dog (1)

1. Bonitos Companeros Halli Galli (Eubank/Kirschbaum/Vorderstrasse/Morrison) Flashy little boy who took my eye on entering. Free flowing movement. Lovely head, complete with lozenge and with that oh so gentle expression. Darkest of eyes and black nose all framed by lovely ears. Excellent coat in A1 condition. Under that coat was a good body. Good rear angulation. Level top line and good tail carriage which was kept right throughout. Movement excellent. **Winners Dog, Best in Show, Best of Opposite Sex in Show, Best Blenheim Dog**

Junior Puppy Bitch (4)

1. Pinecrest Moonshine (Eubank) Very pretty little blen. Gorgeous head complete with lozenge. Dark eyes and excellent pigment, good reach of neck which she did use and correct shoulder placement. Nicely marked, lovely size and shape. Moved very well. Outshone all the puppies today. Litter sister to JPD today. This must have been a lovely litter. One to watch out for. **Best Puppy Bitch, Best Puppy in Show**

2. Chadwick Paparazzi (Eckersley) Another very pretty blen complete with spot. Lovely head with really dark eyes and black pigment. Good neck and shoulders. Level top line and good tail which she kept on the move. Nice body, rich colour. Moved well. **3. Hillwood That's My Story** (Bennett) Pretty tri girl. When she behaved herself she moved OK. She did not like the carpet today. Eyes and pigment good, nice coat and markings. Good body, size and shape. Would like to see her on a good day. **4. Chadwick Snow Mittens** (Eckersley) Smaller blen with attitude. This little girl liked to show herself off. Pretty head complete with spot, dark eyes and good pigment. Good reach of neck and top line. Movement good. She enjoyed herself today.

Senior Puppy Bitch (5)

1. Nightingale Kit Kat (Mulligan) Smaller type but she has everything necessary to make her lovely. Pretty head, good eyes and ears, neck and shoulders very good. Good top line, nice shape. Nicely constructed which showed in her good movement. **2. Forrestcreek Pippa M.** (Mixon) Another pretty blen girl, lovely head, dark eyes and pigment. Heavier marked, rich colour. Level top line and good tail carriage. Moved well. **3. Coverdale Fade Into Twilight** (Miller/Bennett) Tri girl, not happy today but managed to move OK. Good size and shape, nice head, dark eyes and pigment. **4. Wandris Believe In Me Of Sumara** (Gentil) Pretty head, good black nose and dark eyes. Nice size but needs to body up. Good top line and tail which she kept correct while standing and on the move.

Graduate Puppy Bitch (4)

1. Bonitos Campaneros Gianna Nannini (Adair) Heavily marked little girl. Rich colour. Very pretty head with all the right attributes. Gorgeous long ears, ample neck and good lay of shoulders. Nice body, level top line and correct tail placement. Good on the move. **2. Jordanic Madalaina** (Gentil) Blen, good rich colour, good markings, lovely head with large dark eyes, excellent pigment. Level top line, moved well when settled. **3. Lynsfaire Spread The News** (Sams/Fairchild) Very heavily marked tri, good tan markings. Lovely dark eyes and blackest of noses. Nice size and shape. Movement OK. **4. Brookhaven Madison To Love** (Knilians) Blen girl, good rich markings. Pretty head, dark eyes and nose pigment. Good neck, short body, level top line. Moved well.

Novice Bitch (1)

1. Dansyn Sonny Delight (Brown/Becker) Blen, nice size and shape, good rich markings, well broken background. Pretty head, large dark eyes and black nose. Good level top line and tail carriage. Moved well both ways.

Bred By Exhibitor Bitch (2)

1. Shirmont Apple McIntosh, JW (Henry/Dodson) Very pretty blen girl, lovely head shape, large dark eyes and good nose pigment. Ample reach of neck, good shoulder placement. Good rear angulation. Level top line and tail both standing and on the move. Moved well. **2. Hillwood Diamond Dust** (Bennett) Pretty blen girl, lovely dark eyes. Good colour and markings. Nice size and shape. Good neck, top line and tail. Good mover.

Junior American Bred Bitch (3)

1. Brokhaven Darbie (Ayers/Martz) This little tri girl took my eyes as soon as she entered the ring. Gleaming black markings and deep tan. Lovely size and shape. Oozing quality. Prettiest of heads with those large dark eyes and the blackest of noses. Gorgeous body, good construction. Level top line and a correctly placed tail which she never stopped wagging. Excellent movement. Pleased to award her the honours today. Another champion made up today. Congratulations. *Reserve Winners Bitch, Best Tricolor in Show, Best American Bred, Best Bred By Exhibitor*

2. Nightingale Walkin' On Sunshine (Mulligan) Her name really suits her. She did strut her stuff today. Lovely size and shape. Prettiest of heads, dark eyes and pigment. Good reach of neck and shoulder placement. Level top line and tail which she kept on the move. Sorry she had to settle for 2nd place today but sure the table will be turned on other days. **3. Avia Billie Jean** (Longobardi) Ruby girl, a little out of coat today. Pretty head, dark eyes and pigment. Good neck shape. Level top line and good tail set. Moved OK.

American Bred Bitch (3)

1. Cedar Creek Miles Of Style (Owens) Blen in good coat, nice dark markings. Pretty head, large dark eyes, good pigment and long ears. Good neck, shoulders and top line. Short coupled body, level top line and good tail carriage. Good movement. **2. Lilium Southern Magnolia** (Thorpe) A little bigger and not as settled as 1. Pretty head with everything you need, dark eyes and good pigment. Good neck and shoulders. Level top. Movement good. **3. Backtime Red Roses On Velvet** (Niemi) Larger type ruby. Good body and coat, rich colour. Nice had dark eyes and pigment OK. Moved well but a little proud of her tail today.

Special Limit Blenheim Bitch (3)

1. Miletree Wendy McKenzie at Shirmont, JW (Henry) What can I say about this girl. She is one of those that catches your eye on entering the ring. She is everything you hope for in a little girl and keep

your fingers crossed she lives up to all your hopes and expectations when she is put on the table. She did not disappoint me at all. She showed that attitude from the start. She lived up to that template you hold in your head when judging. This little girl ticked all the boxes for me today, from the tip of her nose right down to the end of her tail. Everything in the right proportions. Head, body, size, colour, construction and movement were everything you could wish for in a Cavalier. I was delighted to find out after the show that his gave her the last points to gain her Championship. **Winners Bitch, Best in Show, Best Blenheim in Show**

2. Royalcaper Bluebell Bliss (Clayton) This little girl knocked hard on the door today for the honours. Unfortunately there were not enough to go around. She had the prettiest of heads with all the right attributes, large dark eyes, the blackest of noses and lovely ears. A beautiful coat with rich tan markings. Tail set and top line were excellent. Conformation, construction and movement were spot on. She was lovely but had to settle for an Award of Merit today. I hope it is not too long before she gets her crown. **Award of Merit 3. Spindlepoint Hope** (Compton) Pretty head, large dark eye, good pigment, reach of neck, top line and tail carriage. Heavily marked, rich chestnut colour. Movement OK but I think she looked a little tired.

Special Limit Tricolor Bitch (2)

1. Pinecrest Dixie Melody (Eubank) Tri girl, just the right size and shape. Beautiful head, large dark eyes and good pigment. Lovely ears. Good neck and shoulders. Level top line and good tail placement. Nice body. Good movement both ways. **Award of Merit 2. Blackfire Trifecta** (Weidig/Kennedy) Slightly larger and heavier girl. Heavily marked. Large dark eyes and good pigment. Good arched neck, level top line and good tail carriage. Moved OK.

Special Limit Ruby Bitch (1)

1. Sevenwoods Hollyberry (Brown/Shidler) Short coupled body, good rich colour. Out of coat. Pretty head, large dark eyes and good pigment.. Moved OK. **Best Ruby Bitch**

Special Limit Black & Tan Bitch (2)

1. Veribas Wild Horses (Fitzgerald/Cusick) Small compact girl. Pretty head, large dark eyes and good pigment. Lovely coat and colour in beautiful condition. Good arch of neck and lay of shoulders. Good top line and tail. Moved well. **Best Black & Tan in Show 2. Lynsfaire Carolina Girl** (Sams) Smaller and not as mature but very similar to 1 in other aspects. Good eyes, nose body, coat and colour. Construction very good. Good on the move.

Open Bitch (1)

1. Hillwood Diamond Diva (Bennett/Miller) Lightly marked blan, rich tan markings. Slightly bigger in size. Pretty head, good dark pigment and eyes. Construction very good. Movement good both ways.

Senior Open Bitch (2)

1. Sevenwoods Diabolique (Shidler) 11 years young and still showing the young ones what it is all about. Tri girl, good marking and colours, rich tan and gleaming black and white Pretty head, large dark eyes and black pigment. Coat and body in excellent condition. On the move she showed all how to do it. **2. Avia Referees Call** (Marler) This was the youngster in the class, only 8 years young, very stylish, lovely head, dark eyes and good pigment. Good neck and shoulders. Moved very well both ways. Another who showed us all how to move.

Veteran Bitch (3) For both Senior and this Veteran class there should have been all Blue ribbons. These older Madams are a credit to their breeders and owners. To have to nit-pick between them for places is a sin really. In my eyes they are all winners. They all deserve to win but the rules say we have to place them

1. Sevenwoods Diabolique (Shidler) See Senior Open Bitch. **Best Veteran in Show 2. Avia Referees Call** (Marler) See Senior Open Bitch. **3. Flying Colours Mustang** (Dennison) 14 years young. We never want these girls to get any older but we can't change life. This girl is still going strong and proving it by the way she walked and showed herself off today. She still had that pretty face and gentlest of expressions even if there is a little snow mixed in. Lovely dark eyes and pigment is very good. A lovely shape and size. A slow mover but still has a good front and back end.

Brace (1)

1. Sevenwoods Wildberry & Sevenwoods Hollyberry (Shidler/Brown) 2 lovely rubies. Beautiful colour and in good coats. Good heads, dark eyes and black pigment. They were both of a good size and shape and complemented each other. Very good on the move and looking like they were enjoying their day out.