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Thank you to Cavaliers of The South for inviting me to judge at your Spring show. Thank you to the Show Committee for all your hospitality. This show had such a fabulous turn out of great people and dogs. Decisions were difficult, splitting hairs in many cases. Wish there were 4 or 5 majors to give out in both dogs and bitches. A nice line up of judges, fun banquet and successful live auction. Thank you everyone for your sportsmanship, for showing your lovely dogs, for taking the time to condition, train and travel to support the show I know that takes a lot of commitment. All the dogs were shown in immaculate condition and so many really seemed to be enjoying their weekend. It was an honor to be invited to judge.

Junior Puppy Dog (6)

1. Mimiric Consensus (Hodges/Perkins) A well boned heavily marked puppy with great straight silky coat. Excellent outline and proportions. Moved well coming and going. Good dark eyes which would have liked a little bigger. Made the final cut in the challenge and considered for top honors **Best Puppy Dog**
2. Chadwick Snow Drift (Redniss) A puppy with excellent type. A well broken coat in excellent condition. Beautiful large dark eyes. Short coupled with good bone. Lost out to the class winner on front movement. **3. Brookhaven Believe It or Not** (Ayers/Martz) This dog was less mature and more slight in bone then the others. A good headpiece, very pretty, beautiful large dark eyes. Good short hocks. Moving out of balance at moment with his longer upper arms. **4. Picketfence Moonlight Kiss** (Frey) Not as typy as the others in the class with a sufficient head that needs to come around yet. Longer in the loin with good angulation. Well balance on the move with a level topline and tailset.

Senior Puppy Dog (9)

1. Bonitos Companeros Kaleo at Diorchavon (Bialek) Fancy, young, more heavily marked dog with an excellent headpiece and dark round eyes. Good straight coat and lots of it. Elegant on the move with good topline and tailset. Good front angulation but a little long in hocks. **2. Pinecrest White Lightning, JW** (Eubank) Another good dog with the correct length of bone at correct angles. Good dark eye, well broken. Not as mature or showing the reach on the move as the class winner. **3. Denham Dream Boat** (Maddox) A masculine dog that could use a softer head and bigger eye. A great outline on this Ruby dog. Another with good bone and angulation. A picture on the stand. Good topline on the move, sufficient tail carriage. **4. Krisla Wile E. Coyote** (Jacks) A very typy cute dog. Good construction and length of bone. Good angulation and short hocks. Fairly lightly marked. A good little dog, just didn't have the strength of the other dogs in the class.

Graduate Puppy Dog (7)

1. Almeara Kiss The Girls (Whitmire) This dog never stopped showing, even in the challenge and BIS competition. A flashy dog that has presence and knows it. Asking for center stage with excellent carriage. Great type with dark round eyes and lovely pigment. An outline with proper angles both when standing and on the move. Level topline and tailset, powerful mover even though moves a bit close in rear. Excellent straight coat. **Winners Dog, Best of Opposite Sex, Best Blenheim Dog**
2. Jayba Southern Voices at Autumn Hill (Parente/Hayes) Another good dog, not quite so pretty as the 1st but nonetheless, well put together and has good overall balance. He looks particularly good coming and going. Not quite as elegant as the winner on the side gait nor has the presence of carriage. Hard to come up against the class winner today. **3. Toraylac Bravado for Kean** (Keane/Ackroyd Gibson) A larger more heavily boned young dog. Could use a softer expression and larger eye. Great proportions and well angulated, moves with balance. Not such as elegant a mover as the others in the class, one of those that carries his weight in his shoulders. **4. Jordanic Luigi** (Gentil) A little dog with great proportions, head and eyes. Needs to body up and get more experience, he was hard to assess pulling at the end of the lead on the go round and not cooperating with holding his head up for his handler despite her best efforts.

Novice Dog (3)

1. Forestcreek Prince William (Koehring) Great proportions on this blenheim dog. Good dark straight coat. Great head with pigment and dark eyes. Very broad skull. **2. Cruisin Mickey Mouse** (Rackler) Cute black and tan puppy with a pretty head. Good proportions on the stand. Sufficient bone. Very difficult to assess with his enthusiasm. Jumping and bouncing. The few steps I could see him grounded he had a good topline and tailset. **3. Saintbrides Darane Come Sail Away** (Kates) Cute outline on this still fuzzy puppy wearing his pajama pants. A happy boy who loves showing. More angulation in rear than front which causes him to move out of balance and with a dippy topline.

Bred By Exhibitor Dog (1)

1. Cameliabay Xacta Zackby (Emmons) An overall good dog in outline and angles. Good front and rear on the stand and move. Good coming and going. Pretty masculine head with dark pigment.

Junior American Bred Dog (3)

1. Autumn Hill Ring Of Fire, JW (Parente) An excellent little Ruby dog with fabulous coat and pigment. Good dark round eyes, could have a little softer expression. Excellent outline, everything as it should be, short coupled with short hocks. Good length and density of bone and angulation. Moves with balance. *Best Ruby in Show* **2. Tassajara John Steinbeck** (Seidman) Cute Blenheim dog with excellent dark round eyes and good dark pigment. Happy to be out today. Sufficient weight and coat condition. Not as smooth on the move as the others in the class resulting from straighter front than rear angulation **3. Lynsfair Above The Law** (Fairchild) This Black & Tan has an overall good outline with good angulation. Tan pigment is excellent. Eyes were quite light which took away from the expression.

American Bred Dog (6)

1. Jayba Gentlemens Quarterly (Crane) Really great up to size well boned blenheim dog. My notes say... "Moves like a Rock Star". Excellent head type and pigment. **2. Harmony Afternoon Tea** (Richmond) Another great little dog with good dark round eyes. Excellent in both angulation and balance. Sufficient in substance, smaller framed, needs to body up and drop more chest. **3. Forestcreek Apollo** (Walzer/Cline) Another good dog in outline and construction. Great condition and lovely coat. Good headpiece with large dark eyes that could be rounder. Head framed by long excellently set ears. Could use a softer brow in his expression. **4. Krisla High Profile** (Jacks) This dog excelled in both outline and movement from the side gait but was close in the rear when going. Dark coat with good pigment. Light eyes took away from his expression. He was a timid and spooked in the ring today.

Special Limit Blenheim Dog (6)

1. Aranel Revelation (Wells) Right up my alley. A super compact Blenheim dog with excellent angulation. Uses himself beautifully on the move. Short coupled in perfect balance with good topline and tail carriage. Excellent headpiece with large dark round eyes and great pigment. Almost lost him in the challenge as he got in the corner and wasn't showing himself until...*Reserve Winners Dog*.

2. Alberica Duke Of Earl (Crommett) Another good dog. Longer cast than the class winner. Another lovely head with good round dark eyes. A level topline and tailset was apparent on the stand and move. **3. Clentview Busby Babe** (O'Connor) Similar to #2 but even longer cast. A more masculine head which could use a larger rounder eye double pigmented eye and softer expression. **4. Tassajara Hugh Jackman** (Seidman/Hughes/Berkau) A nice toy spaniel size blenheim dog. Coat in good condition today. Good angles but not quite in balance with a straighter front than rear. Carries his tail high. This dog loves to show and is one with his handler.

Special Limit Tricolor Dog (2)

1. Veribas Point Break (Cusick) An excellent headpiece framed with well set and long ears on this very typy tri dog. Short coupled and short hocks. Moves with good balance even though set a bit forward in the front. *Best Tricolor Dog* **2. Lanmar Eclipse** (Hubbard/Bucy) A less typy dog than the winner, longer in muzzle that could use more fill. Nicely broken coat exhibiting a fair bit of ticking. Great angulation and well balanced on the stand and move.

Special Limit Ruby Dog (4)

1. Turrethbank Beaujolais (Green) Super Ruby dog with a fabulous straight silky coat well pigmented. Handsome headpiece with good eyes. Great angulation and balance on the stand and move, set a bit forward in the front. **2. Harana Pianoman** (Green) Another good dog. Longer cast than the 1st. Good angulation and movement on the go

round when he settled. He was more interested in getting to his “Dad” who was handling the class winner making him harder to assess. **3. Tanglewood Rebellion** (Saban/Fairchild) Was a difficult decision between 2nd and 3rd in this class. This is also a good, well presented dog. A bit longer cast than the others and sufficient in body and toning but needs more to compete for high honors. Straighter in the shoulder. **4. Closeburn Graham Macinnes** (Trad) This 7 year old boy stole my heart. Beautiful DARK RUBY pigment. A lovely traditional head piece with plenty of fill and lovely dark eyes with great pigment. He was well angulated and gave it all he had to show himself off. Just didn’t have the carriage and elegance of the ones before.

Special Limit Black & Tan Dog (2)

1. Darane Smooth Criminal at Nightingale (Mulligan) A very tippy short coupled black and tan dog with lovely tan pigment. Well angulated with good top line and tailset. **Best Black & Tan in Show** **2. Brookhaven Bob Bailey** (Schilling) His greatest attribute is his sidegait with good topline and tailset because he moves in balance with short hocks despite his angulation being fairly straight. Lacks pigment in his tan markings and eyes.

Open Dog (3)

1. Ch Pascavale Nathan (Cline) This dog was in great condition and well bodied. A pleasure to go over on the table. Nice depth of bone of correct length and well angulated. His coat was in excellent condition. A pretty although a bit extreme head with lovely dark pigment, good round eyes framed with beautiful full ears well set. Carried himself beautifully on the move but not very happy when standing. Was a contender but didn’t seem happy today and failed to show himself in the challenge. I found out later that he had a trauma in the ring when someone kicked the speaker that caused it to blow loudly while he was standing right in front of it. He was still overcoming the experience. **2. Ch Bonitos Companeros Halli Galli** (Eubank/ Kirschbaum/Vorderstrasse/Morrison) Another very tippy pretty little dog. A perfect headpiece for the breed. Showed himself well on the move with lovely topline and tailset. Great strength in his movement and beautiful carriage. Would have preferred more substance and muscle tone on him. **3. Ch. Chantismere Chandos of Valentyne, JW** (O’Brien) An honest short coupled dog with good bone. Good topline and tailset. Excellent coat pigment on this blenheim. Not as elegant in movement and carriage as the first two and had a sore eye today.

Junior Puppy Bitch (7)

1. Pinecrest Destinys Child (Eubank) Super well marked blenheim girl with great angulation and balanced movement. Good topline and tailset. A little show girl. Pretty head, beautifully marked with good pigment and large dark round eyes. A little more maturing will do her well and settle her mouth. **2. Almeara Scrumptillyicious** (Whitmire) Scrumptious she is, a darling tri girl as cut as they come. Short coupled, lovely headpiece with large dark eyes. Not as balanced or excelling in movement as the winner **3. Brookhaven In The Garden** (Ayers/Martz) Such a pretty head on this Blenheim girl. Well broken and well conditioned coat. Lovely to go over on the table with nice angulation. Not quite as in balance on the move and rather long in loin. **4. Starmarc I Believe** (Hooper) This tri has good angulation with good outline and moves well on the side gait. Could use a stronger rear. Headpiece needs softer expression and darker eyes.

Senior Puppy Bitch (3)

1. Pinecrest Moonshine (Eubank) My notes say “This will be a contender” and she was! My heart skipped a beat the second she gaited into the ring. Beautiful outline with long crested neck carrying an excellent headpiece exhibiting the softest and most feminine expression enhanced by her lovely round eyes with thick rims, one showing white, but ever so slight and in no way taking away from her expression. Ideal size, short coupled with good substance. Excellent on the move with balance in both reach and drive along with level topline and excellent tail carriage. Great both coming and going. Would love to have her in my house. **Best Puppy Bitch, Best Puppy in Show, Winners Bitch, Best in Show, Best Bred By Exhibitor in Show, Best American Bred in Show, Best Blenheim in Show**

2. Oggbrae Donna Elvira (Bales) Another good short coupled blenheim bitch of excellent size and substance. Very pretty headpiece with nice eyes. Was tough to come up against the winner who exceeded her overall in balance. **3. Tassajara Dawn Dunlap At Greentree** (Chenevert) Good pigment and pretty eyes on this cobby short coupled bitch. She lacked the angulation that the others in class did being rather straight. Also in need of more coat.

Graduate Puppy Bitch (5)

1. Jayba Tres Jolie (Lander) Lovely shaped cobby blenheim bitch with super depth of chest and well sprung ribs. Set well underneath herself she is well angulated and in lovely balance. Beautiful head with large dark eyes. Long full coat of which pigment could be darker and she didn't carry herself as I'd expected with her build. **2.**

Forestcreek Princess Diana (Cline) A smaller proportioned cute as a bug Blenheim bitch with dark pigment. Lovely eyes with thick rims. Well balanced and adequate bone for her small size. Not as elegant on the move as the winner. **3. Liane's Xaviera** (Poti) This Ruby bitch excels in her substance, outline and lovely dark coat pigment. She is well balanced with good angulation. Moves well on the go-round. Head is rather masculine, needing a softer more feminine expression with larger round eyes and more fill. **4. Tassajara Brookhaven Louisa May Alcott** (Ayers/Martz) This little girl LOVES to show!! Cute as a button with great dark Blenheim pigment. Beautiful head with lovely dark round eyes. Not as angulated or balanced as the others and throws her front at this stage.

Novice Bitch (1)

1. Benchmark Call Me (Hoorman) This bitch has good angulation and is well balanced. She can move. A pretty girl with good eyes. Could use a bit more fill on her face for softening. She is out of coat at the moment. Not quite into the party today, being a little spooked.

Bred By Exhibitor Bitch (3)

1. Ch Brookhaven Darbie, JW (Ayers/Martz) A super tri bitch that anyone would want in their breeding program. Happy to be here today, well broken with silky straight coat, slightly lacking today. Lovely bone density, well angulated and moves in balance. Beautiful head with soft expression and large dark round eyes. **2. Tidewater Dazzled By Luv** (O'Brien) This longer cast blenheim bitch excels in angulation and bone density. With her short hocks and fabulous turn of stifle she moves with an excellent profile around the ring. A bit longer in loin proportion wise and nose is off today. **3. Greentree Savannah Rose** (Chenevert/Martz) This blenheim bitch is short backed and short coupled, hard to find. She does lack in angulation and balance over the others in the class. Another with an off nose and shows white in eyes.

Junior American Bred Bitch (8)

1. Chadwick Embrace (Eckersley) Really liked this lovely blenheim bitch who enjoyed showing herself. Excellent bone, good depth of chest and spring of rib set well underneath herself. Well angulated and moved well. She has great eyes with a classic head type. She was considered for high honors but didn't carry herself as strongly as my winners in the challenge. **2. Granlaurel I'm Just Sayin** (Painter) A very pretty headpiece on this blenheim bitch with good round eyes and dark nose pigment. Good angulation and well balanced. A bit longer in loin. Good bone but very slight underneath would have liked more substance in rib, chest and body. **3. Nightingale Walkin' On Sunshine** (Mulligan) Very cute little blenheim girl. A bit long and low but with good angulation, short hocks and well balanced. Looks good on the move. A happy showgirl. The white showing in one eye took away from her expression. **4. Forestcreek Pippa M** (Mixon/Cline) Fell in love with her coat of silk! A smaller cute little bitch with super dark round eyes. Good dark Blenheim pigment. A little slight in body substance, straighter in angulation and close in rear. Not constructed as well as the ones before her. But...cute as a button.

American Bred Bitch (8)

1. Forestcreek Piece Of My Heart (Cline) Really liked this very pretty type blenheim bitch, another considered for high honors. Very reminiscent of the Salador dogs. Short coupled, cobby, well ribbed with good body substance and plenty of bone. Huge long well set ears framed her pretty head with good dark round eyes with thick rims. Showed slight white in one, but again, didn't take away from her expression in any way. **2. Primrose Hearts Afire** (Lovett) A quality Blenheim bitch with plenty of bone for her smaller size. Well angulated and in good balance affording her to move with extreme elegance. Short coupled with excellent topline and tail carriage. Was unfortunate to come up against the winner with her preferred presence. **3. Ingold Whispered Secret** (Pickett/Dalton) Very similar to #2. A bit longer cast. She was out of her lovely dark blenheim coat today. Pretty feminine head with super dark round eyes. Not sporting the angulation and balance as the others therefore not as elegant on the move. **4. Lanmar Pometini** (Hubbard/Beavers) Such a pretty pretty head on this bitch. Very typey. Lovely dark pigment, beautiful dark round eyes. Very straight in angulation and not in balance causing her to drop in the croup and lacking reach and drive. But oh so pretty.

Special Limit Blenheim Bitch (5)

1. Gayhalo Mosaic (Ayers/Martz) My notes say OMG LOVE this bitch. Short coupled, short hocks, long crested neck with pretty headpiece. Amazing carriage on the move and can't be missed when she enters a ring. Pretty headpiece, very typy with large round eyes which I wish were a shade darker. Moves with tremendous reach and drive. *Reserve Winners Bitch, Reserve Best in Show*

2. Chesham A Minute Of Your Time, JW (Eckersley/Taub) I consider her a very classic bitch in type. Extremely well balanced with good angulation. Moves like a dream. Pretty head with dark eyes, nose a bit off and lovely coat. Unfortunate to come up against the class winner today. **3. Bryrarden Over The Moon of Benchmark** (Hoorman) A nicely constructed Blenheim bitch. Longer cast with a lovely coat. Super dark pigment in both coat and rims. Lovely dark eyes. Could use a softer more feminine expression. **4. Charnell Cosima** (O'Brien) Nice outline on this bitch with good rear angulation. A little straight in upper arm making her move with more effort and less elegance than others. Good dark pigment on coat.

Special Limit Tricolor Bitch (4)

1. Jayba Black Eyed Susan (Lander) Such nice substance to this well proportioned bitch who has a dream profile when stacked. Good bone density. Lovely straight silky coat. A longer angulated upper arm sets her well underneath herself and puts her in balance on the move with her well angulated rear despite her straighter shoulder. Head could be softer and more feminine with a larger eye and more fill. *Best Tricolor in Show* **2. Forestcreek Black Eyed Pea** (Cline) Well presented tri with incredible ears framing a feminine head piece. Well broken, flashy on the move. Straighter in front than rear, has tremendous drive but can throw her front when she gets going. **3. Blackfire Shows Class** (Weidig/Kennedy) Love the tri ears! Another with beautiful long full ears. A longer cast tri bitch and another that loves to show herself off. More angulation in rear than front but can get away with it being a little longer cast. White in one eye took away from soft expression. **4. Chadwick Pickety** (Taub) This 7 year old tri bitch gave it all she had to please her owner. A long weekend and she seemed ready to go home. Made my heart pitter patter. Smaller in size with nice body substance but rather slight in bone on legs and straight in shoulder.

Special Limit Ruby Bitch (1)

1. Cruisin De Lil Mermaid (Rackler) This 5 mo. old puppy could not stay grounded despite her owner's best efforts. Very happy to be the center of attention. Cute small framed puppy with pretty head and eyes. Showing some white markings. Good moving from the rear but roaching on the sidegait.

Special Limit Black & Tan Bitch (1)

1. Cruisin Minnie Mouse (Rackler) A well bodied black and tan that could use more layback of shoulder. Long neck and good topline and tailset. Would like a softer more feminine expression on the headpiece. Tan markings could be better pigmented. *Best Black & Tan Bitch*

Open Bitch (4)

1. Ch Miletree Casiopia, JW (Pickett) A super nice dark pigmented Blenheim bitch. Considered for high honors. Fabulous carriage, excelling in grace with her side gait sporting an excellent topline and tailset which came straight off the back. Nice dark round eyes with pretty headpiece. A bit longer and less cobby than my final winners. **2. Ch Mimric Marilyn Moonroe, JW** (Hodges/Perkins) Another super bitch that I have admired before. Such a pretty classic headpiece. Her name suits her. Very typy, short coupled with excellent pigment. Dark Blenheim on a well broken coat in excellent condition. Unfortunate to be up against the class winner, shined in balance and movement.

3. Pinecrest Dixie Melody (Eubank) This little girl is cute cute cute. Just so tired after a long weekend. Nicely marked well broken small compact short coupled tri with the prettiest of heads framed by well set ears. Well angulated with good balance. Just wasn't carrying herself today. **4. Blackfire Trifecta** (Weidig/Kennedy) A constantly wagging tail for this larger longer cast tri bitch. She loves showing herself off and loves her handler. Lacking angulation so not having the elegance and ease of movement as the others. White in eye took away from her expression.

Senior Open Bitch (3) These classes with the older dogs just pull at my heartstrings, I get so emotional and want to cry with joy as I watch each and every one of them. All a tribute to their breeders and owners and all deserving of blue ribbons.

1. Avia Referee's Call (Marler) A very feminine bitch in excellent condition for her 7 years. Loved going over her. Short coupled with short hocks which she used to her advantage. Very feminine head with large dark eyes. Long

coat in good condition, well broken. She was tired but perked up and saved herself on the last go round. **2.**

Grantlley Moon Lighting at TrueElegance (Cromer) I remember this bitch in the ring when she was younger.

Very much the type of her breeder. Beautiful feminine head with large dark round eyes. Longer loined and low on leg compared to the short coupled compact shape of the winner. Out of coat, but that wouldn't have made a difference **3. Burrlane Ruby Slippers** (Maxwell) Fell in love with this sweet ruby girl who looked at me just like a

Cavalier should, full of love and affection. Nicely boned bitch with good angles. Moves well. **Best Ruby Bitch**

Veteran Dog (2) It is unfortunate we have to make placement decisions on these veterans. They are all so special in their individual way. A tribute to their breeders and owners. Thank you everyone that brought out your veterans, was by far my favorite part of the show.

1. Starwind Magic Moment (Kates) In great condition for his nearly 11 years of age. Well toned when going over on the table. Good angulation, topline and tailset. Moved very well around the ring. Well marked tri loving his weekend in the ring with most all his teeth. **2. Chadwick Star Spangle Banner** (Taub/Eckersley) Sweet Blenheim boy of 9 years old. Also in good condition but not quite the standout as the winner. Another loving his time in the ring and showing his heart out.

Veteran Bitch (3)

1. Ch Chadwick Bewitched at Blackfire (Kennedy/Weidig) OMG she is lovely. What a dream. I remember judging her in a fun match years ago. So feminine, so angelic. In fabulous shape still moving like a youngster with reach and drive, good topline and tailset. Well marked and super coat condition. Well toned over beautiful angles and dense bone. Lovely lovely lovely.. Thank you for letting me go over her it was a pleasure. **Best Veteran in Show** **2. Avia Referee's Call** (Marler) See Sr. Open Bitch for critique. **3. Burrlane Ruby Slippers** (Maxwell) See Sr. Open Bitch for critique.