

Cavaliers of the Northeast
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Judge: Mandy Mulligan (Nightingale Cavaliers, USA)

I would like to thank the Cavaliers of the Northeast for asking me to judge at the Annual Specialty Show. Show chairs Betty Ann and Joe Birbeck did a great job running the show. The stewards handled the ring very efficiently. Mostly I would like to thank the exhibitors for a great turnout of beautiful, well groomed Cavaliers.

The quality of the entry was very high. Many promising youngsters in the puppy classes. I found my Best In Show at just over a year old. What a super young dog! And I will also say one of the highlights of the day for me was our Veteran Dog at almost 15 years old. Still chugging around the ring and wagging his tail. What a delight to see! I know his owner was very proud. He's a testament to his breeder's program.

Overall I was most disappointed with the rear movement and tail carriage on many of the exhibits. Standard calls for moderately muscled hind legs and parallel from hock to heel. Many dogs that had movement that looked nice in profile, were disappointing on the down and back. There were way too many tails up in the air. This just spoils the appearance of even the nicest overall dog.

I was very pleased with my final line up. Lovely dogs. There were several new champions made up over the weekend, which is always so fun to see.

JUNIOR PUPPY DOG (4)

1. **Orchardhill Just Enough Cash** (Venier/Venier) Small compact boy, just my type. Large dark eyes and sweet expression, good ear set. Nice neck and shoulder placement, level topline, and correct tail set. Just right amount of bone for age. He moved well in all directions. Strong, correct rear movement. Deep rich color and in nice coat for a 6 month old. Very promising and I hope to see him again in the future.
2. **Linrica Milan** (Liu) Flashy young man with lovely markings. Rich color, attractive head with large eyes and good pigment. Compact body, but carrying a little extra weight, which distracted from his look on the move. Very attentive and showed well. Another to watch for the future.
3. **Truluv Prince Charming** (Nikaci) Longer cast Blenheim. Attractive head, but would prefer a larger eye. Correct topline and tail on the move. Adequate front and rear angles. Shorter stride in movement.
4. **Licketysplit Bear Metal** (Geoghegan) Larger Blenheim just not all together yet. Liked his head with super big eyes. Lovely neck, correct topline.

SENIOR PUPPY DOG (4)

1. **Chadwick Jet Setter at Hudsonview, JW** (Glynn/Glynn) Adorable Blenheim boy with loads of personality that shows in everything he does. Such a proper Cavalier type and attitude. He has a lovely head with large, dark, round eyes. Very dark pigment. High ear set. Lovely neck and straight topline and correct tail set right off his back. Tail that never stopped wagging as well, which I love to see. Compact shape and well proportioned. His movement was strong from all angles, especially the rear. Strongest rear in the class, and one of the best of the day. Deep, rich coat color that was presented beautifully. Little superstar! **BEST PUPPY DOG AND BEST PUPPY IN SHOW**

2. **Angel's Pride Zakkary** (Engel) Another very attractive well balanced Blenheim boy presented beautifully. Larger than 1st place. Lovely head with large eyes, very masculine. Good topline. Strong movement. Lots of bone. Very flashy dog that I would expect to mature nicely.
3. **Briarcrest Going For Baroque** (Katz) Tri boy with very sweet head and expression. Heavily marked. Good ear placement that framed his face nicely. Good angulation front and rear. Moved nicely and showed very well.
4. **Chadwick Cutty Sark** (McCarty) Another tri boy also heavily marked. Nice head with large eyes. Correct topline. Longer cast than the ones before him. He was also carrying his tail way up today.

GRADUATE PUPPY DOG (5)

1. **Aranel MacKenzie** (Green) Cute Blenheim boy with attractive head, dark eyes and high ear set, which made a nice picture. I liked his shape and size. Good topline and tail. Adequate movement. Very flashy and presented well.
2. **Brookhaven The Dream Lives On** (Utych/Utych) Twelve month old baby of the class. Liked his size and shape as well. Sweet face with nice eyes. Level topline and moderate tail carriage. Adequate angles. Best rear in the class. Close between 1 and 2.
3. **Bluesday Mr. Wonderful** (Gross/Gross) Larger attractive boy with lovely neck and shoulders. His head is correct but slightly plain. I would like to see a larger eye. Level topline, strong rear, but front movement not so good.
4. **Rutherford Olivier** (de Haas/Jones) Very short face and deep stop. Correct ear set, good topline, and plenty of bone. Deep color and did carry his tail correctly.

BRED BY EXHIBITOR DOG (1)

1. **Clarmarian Classic by Design (Young May)** Beautiful coat and condition and presented perfectly. Super deep rich color and pigment. Attractive head, but would like a slightly larger eye. He moves around the ring with lots of presence. Correct tail carriage. Nice to go over on the table with good depth of chest and spring of rib. Short loin. I learned later that he had finished his championship the day before. He is a worthy champion for sure!

JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED DOG (2)

1. **Valentyne The Irish Tenor, JW (O'Brien)** This was my little show stopper! He has everything I like in a Cavalier and is just my type. Compact body and plenty of bone for his size. Looking at him in profile, he is a picture. Correct front and shoulder angulation and his front is right under him. Good depth of chest. Correct spring of rib, short loin, level topline, correct tail. He stands four square on his own because he is built correctly. Strong rear and well muscled hindquarters. Moves with drive and looks great in all directions. Then there is his adorable head and expression. So sweet. Lovely round, dark eyes. Ears framing it perfectly. Rich color and lovely markings topped it all off. He was presented beautifully and showed like a champ. I was delighted to learn that this finished his championship! ***BEST in SHOW, WINNERS DOG, BEST BLENHEIM in SHOW, BEST AMERICAN BRED in SHOW, BEST BRED by EXHIBITOR in SHOW***
2. **Mimric American Heartthrob** (Barton/Perkins) Another very nice Blenheim who looks lovely in profile. Larger and lighter in color than #1. Beautiful head with huge dark, round eyes. Presented to perfection. Lovely neck. Topline level, drops a bit at the croup. Less substance than the first. He moved well and showed well. Top quality entry.

AMERICAN BRED DOG (4)

1. **Tassajara Stoli** (Seidman/Seidman/Hughes/Berkau) Small, compact Blenheim in good coat. Very cute. Attractive head with sweet face and large eyes. Nice neck and level topline. Tail carriage a bit high, but best in class. Adequate movement. He was well presented.
2. **Foxwyn Woodbury Rise N Shine of Ceilimor** (McCarty & Redniss) Really pretty head on this Blenheim boy with lovely eyes. Very clean face. Compact body with good shape and amount of bone. Not much neck and carried his tail way high.
3. **Lilium Sweet Pepper** (Scanlan) Larger tri boy with plenty of bone and substance. Attractive head. Good rear movement. Just a bit too big for me. Another who carried his tail up today.
4. **Hiddencreek Mason (Green)** Cute richly colored Blenheim boy. Good size and shape. Sweet face but would prefer a larger eye. Topline fine and tail carriage ok. Something spooked him so he was moving very erratically today.

HEALTH & CONFORMATION DOG (1)

1. **Ch. Chadwick Scotch On The Rocks at Hudsonview, JW** (Glynn/Glynn) This is a dog that I have admired for many years. Now at 7 years, he still looks fabulous. Great coat and condition. Moves around the ring as he always has with drive and purpose. Great head with soft expression. Lovely neck and shoulder placement. Correct topline and tail.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM DOG (5)

1. **Dreamvale On A Tangent** (Sage/Colbert) Compact Blenheim that I really liked. Balanced little dog with good proportions. Attractive, correct head with great big dark eyes. Correct shoulder layback, good topline. Good bone and substance. Moved nicely both ways. Fun little dog with a very happy attitude.
2. **Wizard of Oz Kaninchengarten** (Venier/Venier/Stahl) Quality Blenheim with dark color and pigment. Good head with round eyes that could be a little larger. Very good breed type with best tail carriage in the class. Level topline. Well presented.
3. **Mimric Moves Like Jagger, JW** (Painter/Hodges) Lovely head with beautiful large eyes. Very masculine. Good topline. A little longer cast. Moved a bit close behind.
4. **Dreamvale Follow All My Moves** (Perini/Sage) Very attractive dog with a lovely head. I like his shape, size and proportions. Good rear movement. Really carrying his tail up today, which spoils the overall appearance.

SPECIAL LIMIT TRICOLOR DOG (3)

1. **Rosehill Recalculating** (Sage/Warshaw/Warshaw) Great little dog with level topline, good balance and proportions. Very attractive head with nice eyes and good ear set. Topline good. He was a bit distracted today, but his young handler did a great job. **BEST TRICOLOR DOG**
2. **Eng. Ch. Stonepit Franco I Believe** (Gentil/Searle) I like the size and shape of this dog. Strong head with a sweet expression. Like a bigger eye. His topline is correct but his tail carriage is high. Lovely markings and presented well. He seemed a bit sleepy today.
3. **Chadwick Cheers at Hudsonview** (Glynn/Glynn) Pretty head with lovely large eyes. Movement ok, tail a bit high. He seemed a bit under weight today.

SPECIAL LIMIT RUBY DOG (3)

1. **Kellene The Blacklist** (Carter) Short face but attractive head with large eyes. Deep color and pigment. Good bone and well angled dog. Level topline and good tail carriage. **BEST RUBY DOG**

2. **Kabaret Million** (Meager/Wise) Nice size and shape. Color and pigment not as rich as #1. Nice mover all ways. Sweet face.
3. **Regis Westgate Under Lucky Star** (Brown) Larger boy with attractive eyes. Structurally well built, but too large for me. Moved good.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLACK-and-TAN DOG

1. **Grandville Sir Toblerone** (Grandemange) Really lovely dog presented to perfection. Straight jet black coat. Attractive head with good eyes. Nice neck and level topline. Croup drops a bit, but he doesn't carry his tail too high. Side movement good, but a bit close behind. **BEST BLACK-and-TAN DOG**

OPEN DOG (5) "This was a very lovely class overall"

1. **Eng. Ch. Charalier Dress To The Nines For Charlesworth, Eng. JW** (Engel/Greenall) My first note says "glamorous". A perfect word to describe this boy. What a beautiful head with gorgeous, huge, dark, round eyes and a very soft expression. Jet black pigment. Deep rich color, lovely markings and coat, presented flawlessly. Very nice to go over on the table. Good depth of chest, well sprung ribs, short loin. Just the right amount of bone. Topline level and tail set correct. Pleasure to watch him move around the ring. Very classy dog! Pleased to award him **RESERVE BEST IN SHOW and RESERVE WINNERS DOG**
2. **Ch. Briarcrest Burberry CGC, CD, RA** (Katz) Very similar in many ways to the winner. Lovely head with dark round eyes and high ear set framing his face. More heavily marked Blenheim with deep rich color. Shown in beautiful coat and condition. Good movement in all directions. Level topline and tail straight off his back. He is a very pretty picture on the move. This dog is very moderate in all ways and correct to the standard. Happy to award him **1ST AWARD OF MERIT**
3. **Ch. & Eng. Ch. Brookhaven Believe It Or Not, JW** (Ayers/Martz) Another beautiful champion that I have admired. Beautiful head with large dark eyes and good pigment. Rich color and in good coat. He is the compact size that I really like with plenty of bone and substance. Level topline, correct tail carriage, and good movement in all directions. If only he could have shown a little more animation to finish off the picture. He was very worthy for the **2ND AWARD OF MERIT**
4. **Ch. Clopsville Meridian** (Rychlik) Strong mover. Very attractive head with the biggest eyes in the class. Topline and tail set good. Plenty of bone. Well structured dog. Not as finished as the ones above.

JUNIOR PUPPY BITCH (6)

1. **Chantismere Carrieanna** (Tibbets) Sweet 7 month old girl with very pretty eyes that get your attention. Correct head shape, high ear-set. Nice overall shape and best mover in the class. She has a lovely neck, correct shoulder placement, level topline, and tail set right off her back. Her rear movement was very strong going away. Deep rich color and well presented. Happy to award her (and her delighted owner) **BEST PUPPY BITCH**
2. **Linrica Mignon Mochi** (Liu) Another very pretty, richly marked Blenheim girl. Lovely head with dark, round eyes and good pigment. Finer in bone than #1 and carrying a little too much weight for her frame.
3. **Truluv Jubilee** (Nikaci) Well structured ruby girl with large eyes and high ear-set. Level topline. Movement average.
4. **Gracelyn Dream Weaver** (Gregory/Petralia/Rose) Well marked Blenheim girl. Moved well with level topline and correct tail carriage. Head a bit plain at this stage.

SENIOR PUPPY BITCH (7)

1. **Rutherford Pippa** (Jones) Adorable, compact Blenheim girl with super dark color and pigment. Very attractive head with correct ear-set. Lovely eyes. Good reach of neck, she carries a level topline and correct tail. Good bone and shape. Correct movement all around. Showed very well.
2. **Chadwick Sentimental Journey, JW** (Eckersley) Very pretty bitch with a gorgeous head and expression. Little longer cast than #1. Moves smartly around the ring. Plenty of substance. Topline level on the move, drops a bit at withers standing.
3. **Orchardhill Escada** (Venier/Venier) Another lovely well structured Blenheim girl slightly longer cast than I prefer. Attractive head, eyes. Elegant neck into well laid shoulders. Good rear angulation. A little wide in front at the moment.
4. **Bluegarden Waltzing Matilda** (Matos/Glynn) Larger lightly marked Blenheim. Sweet expression, beautiful head and large eyes. Rich color. Level topline. Movement a bit erratic today.

GRADUATE PUPPY BITCH (3)

1. **Milesip Just In Time At Streffield** (Lefferts/Skidmore) Really beautiful ruby girl with a lovely head and large dark eyes. Good nose pigment. Well proportioned and a nice shape. Lovely neck into well laid shoulders. Level topline. Good bone. Movement in profile was lovely, but not as true coming and going. One I considered in the final awards.
2. **Bluesday Last Flight Home** (Gross) Attractive Blenheim girl with lovely eyes. Level topline and correct tail carriage. Moved nicely in profile. Rear close and front wide moving on the diagonal. Not a lot of substance at the moment, but time should help with that.
3. **Bessy Dobry Rok** (Scanlan) Larger tri girl that was carrying excess weight today. She is in lovely coat and well presented.

NOVICE BITCH (3)

1. **Clarmarian Ooh La La** (Young May/McFarland) Well made Blenheim with a lovely head and eyes. She has a soft sweet expression. Excellent topline and tail right off her back. Good bone and substance. Moved nicely all ways. Very showy.
2. **Autumnhill Hiddencreek Outlaw Girl** (Parente/ Green) Close between #1 and #2. Super ruby girl with a great outline. She has plenty of bone and substance. Deep color. Attractive head with large expressive eyes. Correct ear-set, nice neck, level topline. Moved a bit erratically today.
3. **Kellene Fashion Police** (Marshall) Sweet ruby girl with lovely head and eyes. Good neck and topline. Not the substance of the two before. Needs more confidence in the ring.

BRED BY EXHIBITOR BITCH (6) "One of the best classes of the day!"

1. **Orchardhill Plum Pretty** (Venier/Venier) Where to start on this lovely lady! From the moment she entered the ring she just catches your eye. Shown in beautiful coat and condition, she was the constant show girl. Beautiful head with large round dark eyes. She has the softest expression. A pleasure to go over on the table, good substance, depth of chest and spring of rib. Moves and stands with level topline. On the move her tail is straight off her back. She has plenty of drive and looks good in all directions. Very classy! Happy to award her **WINNERS BITCH, BEST of OPPOSITE SEX, BEST BLENHEIM BITCH, BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR BITCH, BEST AMERICAN BRED BITCH.** Found out afterward that this finished her Championship. Very deserving.

2. **Grandville Earth Angel (Grandemange)** – Super well made bitch with the best rear in the class. She has plenty of substance and shown in great condition. Not as glamorous as #1, but so well constructed. She has an attractive head with expressive eyes. Very high ear-set frames face beautifully. Nice neck and shoulder placement. Level topline and good tail set and carriage. Rich color and happy in the ring. Pleased to award her ***RESERVE WINNERS BITCH***
3. **Ch. Kalais Never Too Late To Party (Hess)** Beautiful black-and-tan girl that I have admired from ringside. It was a pleasure to judge her and go over her on the table. Very feminine with the sweetest soft face. Plenty of substance for her size. Level topline, correct tail. Shown in gleaming coat and condition. Lovely. ***BEST BLACK-and-TAN IN SHOW***
4. **Ch. Linrica Moonwalk, JW (Liu)** Another worthy champion I have admired. She also did not disappoint in the ring. Super pretty Blenheim with lovely head and eyes. High ear-set. Dead level topline. Movement very strong. Little stuffy in the neck shoulder area. Shown in beautiful coat and well presented.

JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED BITCH (3)

1. **Rosearbor Bijou (Eckersley)** Lovely black-and-tan with a beautiful head and expression. Nice neck with crest into well laid shoulders. Topline level and correct tail carriage. Athletic mover. Presented beautifully in good coat.
2. **Linrica Mimosa (Liu)** Attractive well marked blenheim with deep color. Nice head with sweet expression. Dark eye and nose pigment. Level topline. Good movement. Not the angulation front and rear as above.
3. **Chew Creek Devil May Care (DePhillip)** Black-and-tan girl, youngest in the class and it showed. Loved her angles and level topline. Head a little plain now. She is still immature, but I would bet she will develop into a beauty.

AMERICAN BRED BITCH (6)

1. **Hiddencreek Butterscotch Schnapps (Parente/Green)** Very pretty bitch with huge eyes that I just love. Sweet expression. Correct amount of bone. Moves very nicely with a level topline and tail off her back. Well presented and showed nicely.
2. **Piaffe In The Tulips (Rychlik)** Another very well made and structured girl. Attractive head, large eyes. Lovely neck and shoulder placement. Level topline and correct tail carriage.
3. **Truluv Go With The Flo (Nikaci)** Blenheim bitch with an attractive head. Shows some white in the eye that is distracting. Lovely neck and shoulders. Longer in the body and loses her topline standing.
4. **Carlen First Pict Sangiovese (Close)** Attractive black-and-tan with honest head. Nicely structured, carries a level topline. Liked her movement. She showed nicely and was well presented.

HEALTH AND CONFORMATION BITCH (1)

1. **Kellene Fantasy Island (Marshall)** 6 and a half year old Blenheim girl really enjoying being in the ring. She has a sweet face with large round eyes. Moved nicely with enthusiasm. Level topline.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM BITCH (3)

1. **Foxwyn Tell Me A Story (Baker-Fox)** Adorable girl with the sweetest head and expression. Lovely melting eyes. She showed really well today. Just the right size for me. Good shape. Nice neck and good shoulder placement. Level topline correct tail carriage.

2. **Autumnhill Jessies Girl** (Parente/Laliberte) Well structured girl with attractive head. She was very wound up today which somewhat spoiled her expression. Nice neck, topline level. Nice angles front and rear.
3. **Bluegarden Exclusive, JW** (Matos/Glynn) Very flashy girl with a striking head and large eyes. Well cushioned and soft expression. Topline and tail correct. A little longer cast than the two above. Fairly straight in stifle.

SPECIAL LIMIT TRICOLOR BITCH (2)

1. **Bluesday Black Mission** (Gross/Gross) Bigger girl for me, but she is so correct. Moved with lots of drive that gets your attention. Attractive head with large round eyes and soft expression. Nice neck and shoulder placement. Topline better on the move than standing. In good coat.
2. **Rutherford Jewell** (Jones) Cute girl with very short face. Too short for me but she has a perfect bite. She moved nicely but was carrying too much weight today.

SPECIAL LIMIT RUBY GIRL (4)

1. **Jacinthe de Passeriphane at Grandville** (Grandemange) Really nice girl that I liked a lot. A well balanced dog that is very correct in every way. She has a pretty head with very large eyes. Topline and tail good. Nice substance and very well presented.
2. **Infinidad Chocolate Box** (Laliberte) Small compact girl with nice color and pigment. Huge eyes, shorter face, and deeper stop. She moved nicely with level topline. Very showy and attentive. Beautiful condition. I like her a lot too.
3. **Carlen Nutin But Trouble Fergie** (Close) Larger girl very moderate in everyway (which isn't a bad thing). She is well proportioned and moved nicely. Very pretty eyes, dark pigment and coat color.
4. **Hytea Sassafras** (Lee) Larger girl that really didn't want to show today. She has a nice head and pretty eyes. Needs more confidence in the ring.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLACK-and-TAN BITCH (4)

1. **Darane True Colors** (Kates) Her movement, structure, topline, and tail carriage won her the class. Best rear movement. She has an attractive head and nice neck. Nicely balanced dog on the move. She was very animated too, which I like.
2. **Iloo Dite Ilan Du Jardin De Claire of Sumara, JW** (Gentil) This was a very close choice between #1 and #2. I loved this girl's head, eyes, and expression. Very sweet and feminine. Compact body. Tail killed her on the move today. Beautiful coat and condition.
3. **Sherah Dark But Delicious** (Crommett) Small attractive girl. Lovely neck, level topline good. Prefer the heads of the girls above.
4. **Hytea Sousa Dogwood** (Reichardt) Very sound bitch. Larger than the others. Moved and showed well. Attractive head.

OPEN BITCH (5) "Just a beautiful class of superstars!"

1. **Ch. Linrica Just A Dream, JW** (Hsiung/Liu) Beautiful tri bitch that I have admired. It was fun to actually go over her on the table. She didn't disappoint. Her head and expression are just perfect for me. She has wonderful large eyes, high ear-set, and nice head markings for a tri. Good depth of chest, correct shoulder placement, level topline. Sometimes her tail goes up a bit in the ring. Tail set is correct, so I attribute that to attitude. Topline level and movement nice in all directions. Lovely coat and condition. My only negative is that she was carrying too much weight today. ***1ST AWARD of MERIT, BEST TRICOLOR in SHOW***

2. **Orchardhill Girl Talk (Venier)** – Beautiful bitch that is so correct in everyway. Very typical for these breeders. Very pretty head with soft expression. Plenty of cushioning in her sweet face. Nice substance. Excellent movement and tail carriage. Shown in flowing coat which was in gleaming condition.
3. **Ch. Carmas Penne Pasta at Crizwood** (Moulton/Wornall) Super high quality Blenheim girl that just exudes high class in everyway. Beautiful head, large eyes, but ear set a little low. Good structure, nice to go over on the table. Movement correct all ways. Lacked animation.
4. **Ch. Foxwyn A Likely Story** (Greak/Comer/Baker-Fox) Blenheim with sweet face and perfect spot on her head. Smaller and compact. She showed and moved very well. Front coming back toward you is wide.

SENIOR OPEN BITCH (1)

1. **Ch. Grandville Butterscotch Kiss of Infinidad** (Laliberte) This glamorous girl has not changed or missed a beat since the days of her earlier show career. She is almost 8 years old, and you would never know it. Beautiful head with large melting eyes. Lovely neck, level topline. Moves with drive and purpose. She was shown in gorgeous coat in perfect condition. A tribute to her breeder and owner. Very happy to see her again. **2ND AWARD of MERIT, BEST RUBY in SHOW**

VETERAN DOG (2)

1. **Taron Hiding In The Clouds** (Weinstein) This black-and-tan boy plucked the heart strings. What a sweet gentleman of almost 15 years old! He moved around the ring like he had never forgotten his show days. Very happy, wagging his tail all along. He has a sweet face with very large eyes. In great condition for his age. I know how happy his owner was on the day, and his breeder is looking down with a big smile! **BEST VETERAN in SHOW**
2. **Karvale Brookhaven Finn, CTC** (Utych) Attractive Blenheim dog 8 years old. Attractive head with nice eyes. Moves well with level topline. Shown in lovely coat.

VETERAN BITCH (1)

1. **Majestic Ceili Dancer of Avondale at Ceilimor** (McCarty) Super sweet tri girl that is 8 and a half. She's in super condition, great coat. I love her head and expression. She moved around the ring like a champ. You can tell the love her owner has for her too. Great team!

BRACE (1)

1. **Chadwick Cheers at Hudsonview & Ch. Chadwick Midnight Sun at Hudsonview** (Glynn/Glynn) It was like twin tricolor boys! This team of experienced show dogs needed a bit of a challenge. Their mommy was a good sport when I asked her to do multiple patterns where the boys had to change hands and show their style. It was great! Thank you for bringing them.