**Cavaliers of the Northeast** 08/21/11, Clinton, NJ **Judge: Michael Hegarty (Chantismere)** 

Such a pleasure to judge this well run and most friendly of shows. My thanks to the hard working committee and ring steward for their sterling work on putting on a very enjoyable event. It was a quality entry with pockets of dogs that would win high honours anywhere in the world. That said I would like to offer that our breed is moderate in many respects and deviation from that should not be favoured. Cute exaggerated heads, big doe eyes and other extremes are very nice on a greeting card but not essentially correct according to our breed standard. It is possible to breed typey heads without conceding to the 'Disney look' that is becoming all too prevalent. Keep good construction and the word moderation in mind when planning breedings and the type required for will not be lost. I'd rather see gentle curves on a head than too much skull, which is wrong. That said, temperaments and abundance of good well made exhibits make for a rosy future.

## Junior Puppy Dog (6)

- 1. Autumn Hill Ring Of Fire (Parente) What a start! Loved this little chap the second he entered the ring. Ideal for size and bang on for type. Presented a nice picture going round the ring in a well presented coat of decent colour. Handled well on the table with each part flowing neatly into the next. Sweet expression from lovely eyes set in lovely head of correct proportions that will just get better as he matures. A babe in arms but am confident this boy will go on to greater things. 2. Toraylac Bravado for Kean (Keane/Ackroyd Gibson) Very upstanding boy with overall nice make and shape. Loved his balance and correct tail carriage which looked good both standing and on the move. Good angles all round with super bone. Makings of a nice coat coming through in rich chestnut colour. Very pleasing head and eye that will be quite handsome when finished. Quite mature here but undeniable quality throughout and one to watch when up the classes. 3. Lynsfaire Above The Law (Fairchild) Lovely black and tan boy who got over his initial hesitancy and settled as the class progressed. Nice head and lovely eyes. Presented well in profile though just a tad longer than I prefer. Nice rich tan and so well presented. 4. Copperhill Romeo (Mitchell) Smart little ruby who was very immature on the day. Head coming along nicely. Well presented. Senior Puppy Dog (5)
- 1. Mileslip Licorice (Skidmore) Cracking black and tan boy who was very much the picture on the day. Good make and shape with nice coat of correct texture and colour. Good depth of fore-chest and nice spring of rib leaving plenty of heart room. Fell in love with his head on the table. Super expression from large limpid eyes. Moved with confidence to win the class. Best Puppy Dog, Best Black & Tan in Show
- 2. Linrica Le Petit Prince (Cheng Liu) Well marked blenheim dog in a beautifully presented well broken silky jacket. Super eyes in a lovely head just held his ears back today which spoiled the look a little. Good overall make and shape. Showed well. 3. Nightingale Jackson Browne (Birmingham) Upstanding boy who was well made with all the right angles. Lovely coat and colour. Moved well when settled. 4. Nightingale Wish Upon A Star (Birbeck) Small well marked blenheim, just as I like. Pleasing head and kind eyes with super nose pigment. Showed himself

## **Graduate Puppy Dog**

1. Dancasa Cute As A Button, JW (Tiedemann) Small clean-cut blenheim with classic lines. Totally free from exaggeration in any department. Loveliest head with truly melting expression from eyes of correct size, shape and colour. Moved well when settled with good reach and drive; just a tad too enthusiastic with his tail carriage.

# **Bred By Exhibitor Dog (1)**

# 1. Aubinwood Griffin (Gibson/Chaples Burke)

Nicely balanced well-marked tricolour boy with great top line and tail set both held well on the move. Little longer in the muzzle for my taste but a pleasing head with well-set ears and lots of correct tan in all the right places. Best Tricolor Dog

#### Junior American Bred Dog (8)

1. Linrica I Dreamed A Dream (Cheng Liu) Nice overall make and shape with good angles which was evident on the move. Pretty head and lovely expression and good nose pigment. Moved with style and just pipped second by virtue of more ideal size. 2. Mileslip Island Punch (Skidmore) Upstanding tricolour boy who I hope has all his growing done. Well off for bone. Appealing make and shape which he showed to advantage on the move. Pleasing head with nice expression which is so hard to achieve in this colour. 3. Darane Leonardo Da Vinci (Birbeck) Ideal size. Presented nicely in profile. Moved well going away just a little close coming towards me. Good top line and carried himself well. Rich tan in all the right places. Sweet head and eye. Could benefit from an extra pound in weight. Nonetheless a nice boy. 4. Orchardhill Letters Home (Slusher/Venier) Similar to winner in class. Just would have preferred a little shorter for balance. Moved and showed well on the day.

#### American Bred Dog (6)

1. Piaffe Lord Of The Dance (Rychlik) Very smart compact blenheim who presented a crisp well balanced outline. Pretty head with good eyes and nose pigment. Moved and showed extremely well in a well presented coat of rich chestnut. Went round the ring with panache showing off his well set and perfectly carried tail. Liked him very much. 2. Darane Jon Bon Jovi (Kates) Loved the size and shape of this well coated and richly marked blenheim. Classic in head which was balanced and unexaggerated with good size eyes and nose pigment. Moved and showed well. 3. Chadwick Scotch On The Rocks At Hudsonview, JW (Yassky/Eckersley) Well marked boy shown in

lovely coat and condition. Looked great when standing and did not disappoint on the move. Pleasing head which was not exaggerated with good eyes. Just would prefer a little less of him but with many qualities that cannot be denied. **4. Mimric Monogram, JW** (Hodges/Perkins) Upstanding heavily marked dog who was on effervescent form and did not show himself to advantage which cost him a higher placing. Pleasing for overall shape and looked good going around. Nice head with good expression from kind eyes set in a generous head with a lovely head pattern.

# Special Limit Blenheim Dog (6)

- **1. Byermoor Queensowen** (O'Brien) A really handsome boy who appealed more and more as the class progressed. Looked well on the ground but when handled on the table, he was even more satisfying. Well put-together boy of nice size with each part flowing neatly to the next. Rich chestnut jacket that was profuse and so well presented. Kind expression from super dark eyes. Just felt that this dog could have gone on forever without losing any of his enthusiasm. *Reserve Winners Dog*
- 2. Pascavale Smarty (Ayers/Martz/Cline) Instant impact! I can still see his crisp well balanced profile when standing on the table. When he turned and looked at me with those glorious eyes, I was caught. Well made all through with excellent head. Put down to the minute and a real lesson in presentation. Moved well but did not put in just enough effort to clinch the class over the form of 1. 3. Deeriem Cosmopolitan Man At Quail Run (Kornhi) Pleasing chap who gave a good account of himself on the day. Nice shape and size; just would have preferred a softer eye. Moved well. 4. Chadwick Passion Puzzle (Carter/Eckersley) Smart shape with pleasing head and lovely eyes. Nicely made with good angles all through. Moved well and showed himself to advantage. Suffering from yeast staining which spoiled the expression and cost him higher placing.

## **Special Limit Tricolor Dog (5)**

1. Orchardhill Charismatic (Venier/Hodgkinson) Lovely for overall type – so flashy and strikingly marked with rich tan in all the right places. Moved with style and was sound both coming and going. Well balanced with adequate bone. Handled well on the table and his good construction was evident to the touch. Such a pretty head with the best of eyes and wonderful expression. He was an easy class winner here and never put a foot wrong. Close to top honours. 2. Jardim Azuls August Flower (Matos) Heavier marked boy with enough white collar to break up. I liked him for size and shape. Well made all through with a pleasing and head and lovely expression from the prettiest of eyes. Moved well in both directions. 3. Nightingale Endless Summer (Mulligan/Duke) Ideal for size with a generous head and fully pigmented eyes. Heavier marked but sufficient white to break the colour. Appealed in profile and moved well with a good tail set. Overall a very nice package. 4. Orchardhill Play For Keeps (Darr/Venier) Liked this this boy for his overall conformation. Super rich tan in all the right places. Lovely head with kind eyes of correct size and shape. Excellent neck and shoulders. Made well and moved accordingly. Just a touch larger than I prefer but a quality exhibit.

#### Special Limit Ruby Dog (3)

1. Tanglewood Rebellion (Saban/Fairchild) Really liked this boy with his lovely overall make and shape. Most pleasing of heads with lovely round dark eyes and pigment. Melting expression and gentle outlook. Correct angles all through and ideal for size. Moved and showed well and did not put a foot wrong. Best Ruby Dog 2. Kellene Cranberry Sauce (Weiss/Marshall) Really liked this boy on the table. Lovely head with kindest of expressions. Rich colour and put down in lovely condition. Lots of enthusiasm and moved well. Perhaps a little upright in shoulder which affected front movement. 3. Blackfire Aquavit N Bordeaux (Lauve) No disgrace to be standing third in this company. Super rich colour and pigment. Beautiful head with kind eyes. Tail set a little lower than ideal but he moved with style. Overall a very nice dog.

# Special Limit Black & Tan Dog (3)

- 1. Taron Brandys Ricky (Close) Small neat little package with substance. Pleasing head and eyes. Handled well on the table. More coat would have completed the picture. 2. Lynsfaire Country Gentleman (Hallsted) Beautiful head and eyes on this nicely balanced exhibit. Moved well in both directions but spoilt the outline with overenthusiastic tail carriage. 3. Darane Pyrgus Malvae (Engelke) Overall a nice make and shape who was shown in super coat and condition. Just preferred the head shapes and expression of the others. Showed well.
- **Open Dog** (6) Best class of the day with first three on their toes making it a difficult decision. All three were worthy and subtle preferences alone decided placing. So nice to see such nice quality which bodes well for the breed.
- 1. EngCh Lanola Santana of Maibee (Harrison) Commanding of anyone's attention, this superbly made exhibit was on top form and was not to be ignored. Hands on he was so satisfying with each part blending neatly into the next. Super neck and shoulders, firm well ribbed body and correct angulations both ends with the correct bone for his frame. His head is masculine and not exaggerated, oozing breed type with the softest of melting expressions from the darkest and kindest of eyes all framed with correctly placed, well fringed ears. On the ground, he did what he does best: move with a fluent easy action that was a joy to watch. In the challenge, he gave that bit extra which clinched the deal and maintained form to gain BOB over a lovely specimen of our breed. Winners Dog, Best in Show, Best Blenheim in Show
- **2. Ch Milkeyn Sheer Inspiration, JW** (Eckersley/O'Connor) Upstanding blenheim of very good construction which was striking to watch both standing and on the move with a dead level top line and nicely carried tail. Masculine yet softest of expressions which imparted a gentle look with desired well-set ear framing his lovely face. Well marked coat of correct colour and texture. Moved with assurance and pulled out all the stops. In this form, he will always be considered for high honours. **3. Ch Byermoor Queens Orb** (O'Brien) Ultra smart blenheim boy

who appealed immensely and could easily have won the class. Standing in a jacket of superbly presented and richly marked chestnut. Hard to ignore is his head piece which just screams type with best of eyes which are textbook – large, round and dark! Move out well with good reach and drive. An asset to any kennel. **4. Ch Brookhaven Harrison At Almeara, JW** (Whitmire) Well marked blenheim boy who has the makings of a good well textured coat. Classical head with pretty expression and lovely eyes and nose pigment. Used his ears well. Overall angles very good. Moved out well and gave a steady performance. I liked him too!

## Senior Open Dog (1)

**1. Chadwick Rhumba** (Eckersley/Lauve) Stood alone but was impressive. Spritely 13 year old in pristine condition. Loved his well-marked coat which was silky to the touch. Super eyes retaining a wonderful clarity of expression set in a very well balanced head helped by lovely symmetrical head pattern. Gave a sound performance on the move proving he is still good to go!

## **Junior Puppy Bitch (9)**

1. Orchardhill Baby Needs Boots (Venier) Hard to ignore. Stood in a well-marked coat and presented a lovely picture in profile. Very appealing in head with superb dark eyes and correctly placed ears. Lovely bone for size with all the desired angles front and rear. Built as she was, she moved accordingly and could not be denied her place. 2. Nightingale Sun Kissed Rose of Cantia (Kent) Lovely shape and outline with a good top line. Pleasing head and eyes showing a slight amount of white which did not detract. Caught my eye on the move with her positive movement and joie de vivre. With maturity, should do well. 3. Granlaurel I'm Just Sayin' (Painter) Nicely marked blenheim bitch that was slightly stronger in head to 1 & 2. Attractive body with good make and shape. Good top line and tail set. Well marked coat. Enthusiastic and keen to please. 4. Rradac Francis (Darr) Small petite well marked tricolour with rich tan in all the right places. Just needs more time. Pretty head and eyes. Needs to body and coat up. Attractive in profile and with adequate bone for her size.

# Senior Puppy Bitch (2)

- 1. **Orchardhill Indiscreet** (Venier) Very appealing and feminine little blenheim lady, well broken coat, rich tan, prettiest of heads with desired large, round dark eyes. Good neck and shoulders. Moved impressively keeping level top line showing happily. Quality throughout! *Best Puppy Bitch, Best Puppy in Show*
- **2. Truluv Pavane** (Nikaci) Standing no disgrace to winner. Lovely proportions and nicely assembled exhibit. Beautifully marked with rich chestnut which gleamed. Pretty expression and lovely for head type. Little enthusiastic on the move. When settled she will be worthy of many awards.

#### **Graduate Puppy Bitch (4)**

1. Miletree Casiopia, JW (Pickett) My notes say 'impressive!' and that she was. Ample girl who was so correct in make and shape. So well presented and appealing from a distance. On the table, her qualities were more evident. Satisfying to go over with excellent front assembly. Well laid shoulders with correct length of upper arm to give super reach on the move. Well ribbed and deep throughout. Utterly appealing head with eyes typical of her breeding. Presented immaculately and shown to perfection. Made quite a team. 2. Primrose Hearts Afire (Lovett) Ideal sized and very pretty blenheim bitch. Lovely head shape with pleasing expression. Presented well in outline and enjoying her day out. 3. Kean Juicy Couture (Keane/Campbell) Beautifully marked blenheim bitch. Wonderful head with good ears and best eyes in the class. Out of coat on the day and when in her party frock, will look more together as she is a well-balanced girl. 4. Truluv Giselle (Baker Fox) Nice size with lots of substance. Good head with dark round eye. Good proportions and well ribbed with lots of bone but overall nice shape. Moved and showed well.

#### Novice Bitch (3)

1. Truluv Hugs N Kisses (Nikaci) Ideal sized, richly marked, well broken blenheim. Lovely for make and shape with good round bone. Very sweet expression. Looked very balanced all through and showed with aplomb. Excellent top line and correctly carried her well set tail. 2. Welmforth Standing Ovation (Lasser) Sweet heavily marked tricolour that was also of ideal proportions. Satisfying to go over and carried herself well with good head carriage. Gentle head and expression. 3. Kalais Ruby Vixen (Hess) Baby in the class. Very sweet ruby girl. Just needs more time. Nicely balanced. Feminine head and expression. Lovely size and spot on for bone. When mature she will be a picture. Loved her attitude. I wish her well.

#### **Bred By Exhibitor Bitch (3)**

1. Autumnhill New Kid In Town, JW (Parente) Most attractive head which was so balanced in its proportions with the most glorious of eyes and together with a symmetrical head pattern and high set ears made for a lovely picture. Great neck and shoulder and pleasing angles all through. Lovely coat with great clarity which was so well presented. Perhaps carrying a tad too much weight but did nothing to impede her fluent elegant action on the move. Reminded me of a girl here in the kennel and I love her too! 2. Kalais Mamma Mia (Hess/Casey/Cornog) Very appealing ruby that needs more time but at 15 months has time on her side. Pretty head with super dark eyes and nose pigment – not easy to achieve in this colour! When finished, she should present a lovely picture in her rich chestnut jacket. Just a waiting game to fulfil her potential. 3. Ch Dancasa Anastasia (Tiedemann) Five year old girl who was ideal for size and super in body shape. Looked a picture in her well-marked coat of correct colour. Pretty head which was so classically tapered with great eyes. Just showing a tad amount of aging on her beautiful face. Unfortunate to be up against the 'newbies' who were on their toes.

#### Junior American Bred Bitch (3)

**1. Nightingale Kismet at Kyneslane** (Paplauckas/Mulligan) Liked this girl for so many reasons. Beautiful head and eyes with the kindest of expressions. Darkest of nose pigment. Super head pattern giving great clarity; well

placed ears. Ideal for size and shape. So neat and compact. Excellent top line and tail set which was well carried well on the move which she did with ease and elegance. Just needs a tad more coat to complete the picture! Beautiful bitch. **2. Autumnhill Laker Girl** (Parente) Ideal for size with overall good make and shape. Pleasing head, eye and lovely dentition. Moved well for her young handler who did a good job getting the best from her. A bit between coats but that's bitches for you! Another day! **3. Linrica Once Upon A Dream** (Hsiung/Liu) Lovely exhibit with nice head with excellent eyes and ears. Moved and showed well for her owner. Presented to perfection. **American Bred Bitch** (6)

- 1. Darane Billie Jean (Kates) I was captivated by this richly marked ruby girl who was bang-on for both size and type. Reminded me of a ruby I put up in Sweden. Could not be denied the class. Her ideal proportions were so well knit together and she just flowed around the ring knowing that it was her day. One look in that ultra-feminine face and I could just not resist. Lost out to WB by a proverbial whisker! Reserve Winners Bitch, Best Ruby in Show, Best Bred By Exhibitor in Show, Best American Bred in Show
- 2. Nightingale Happy Go Lucky (Mulligan) Another I could easily have taken home. So 'Montrose' in looks. Correct in so many ways. Ideal for size and so well balanced from tip to tail. Headpiece was just so good for proportions and full of soft gentle curves that were enhanced by well-placed ears and a melting expression from the best of eyes. Unlucky to meet 1. Really was smitten! 3. Mimric Marilyn Moonroe, JW (Hodges/Perkins) Just preferred the more ideal proportions of 1 and 2. That said she was brim full of so much quality. Most beautiful head with well-placed ears. Lovely body too which unfortunately was not dressed for higher placing. Very smart girl who could easily win on another day. 4. Licketysplit Lughnasa (Geoghegan) Showed and handled well on table. Nicely constructed with good bone for frame. Moved with panache. Pretty face with kind expression from dark eyes and good nose pigment. Well broken and a ring natural with her effervescent personality and waggiest of tails.

# **Special Limit Blenheim Bitch (1)**

**1. Chacombe Madeline** (Matos/Eckersley) Heavily marked pretty girl with classical head proportions. Carried herself well on the move. Looked good from all angles.

## **Special Limit Tricolor Bitch (4)**

1. Orchardhill Buy Me A Pony, JW (Venier) Extremely well presented and well-marked girl with correct tan in all the right places. Coat of correct texture which just flowed in curtains. Made a pretty picture as she went around the ring using her excellent construction to advantage and pushing of her strong rear. Delightful head with the most endearing of expressions - not always easy to achieve in this colour. Impossible to ignore in any company. *Best Tricolor in Show 2*. Darane Paradise City, JW (Kates) Such an ideal size and oh so pretty with face framed by best of ears. Loved her proportions and the way she took herself around the ring proving if they are made right, they will move accordingly. Just preferred the pizazz of winner. 3. Kellene Charlies Angel (Marshall) Different in type and from a larger mould. Gave a sound performance and was covering the ground with ease as her confirmation would suggest. A girl who will have her uses. 4. Blackfire Shows Class (Weidig/Kennedy) A nice girl who was longer in loin which detracted from her overall balance but nonetheless, she moved out well with ease. Pleasing head with kind eyes. Well marked with good tan in all the right places.

# Special Limit Ruby Bitch (1)

**1. Darane Red Sonja, JW** (Kates) Stood alone but such a worthy girl. What a nice type this owner is producing. Loved the proportions of this richly marked girl. Good feathering but a touch lacking in body coat. Ever so pretty with large dark eyes and gentle outlook. Good angulation fore and aft meant she covered the ground with ease. Overall a very appealing type indeed.

## Special Limit Black & Tan Bitch (2)

**1. Autumnhill Nanny Sharon** (Parente) A lovely girl who was presented in good condition. Lovely shape with good front assembly and well angulated rear. Very much on her toes making it difficult to assess movement. When settled she did enough to show that she can move with the best. **Best Black & Tan Bitch 2. Copperhill Miss Marcie** (Rubino/Mitchell) No comments given.

# Open Bitch (3)

- 1. Ch Aranel With Love, JW (Flowers Foster) Ultra feminine girl that has an abundance of breed type. On closer inspection on the table, her head was truly captivating with large lustrous and dark eyes that have a remarkably endearing expression. It is almost as if they are 'back lit' as they produce a luminance which gives life to them. She has substance befitting her frame and so satisfying to go over with much depth in brisket and well sprung ribs. Presented to perfection with a lovely soft, silky well marked coat. Showed like trooper, always attentive to her handler. Would make up in any country. In challenge for BIS, the dog was better knit together in front and moved a touch more freely. That said she is a credit to her owner and breeders. Winners Bitch, Reserve Best in Show, Best of Opposite Sex in Show, Best Blenheim Bitch
- 2. Prima Quartett Bloody Mary (Bronowicka/Deanna) I liked this younger bitch that looked good in profile. Made an attractive picture in profile. Handled well on the table. Good all round proportions with moderate bone. Pleasing head and eyes. Shown in lovely condition. Attentive to handler at all time but a bit erratic on the move which made it difficult to assess rear movement. When settled, she was much better. 3. Blackfire Trifecta (Weidig/Kennedy) Lovely overall type and in showing mood on the day. Well marked with good tan and a white collar which accentuated her good front assembly. Moved well with good attitude.

#### Senior Open Bitch (1)

**1. Cobblestone Inga** (Lauve) Eight year old well fringed ruby who belied her age completely. So well presented and enjoying her day out. Very pleasing head with super eyes which were dark and lustrous. Handled well on the table and could out move many a younger exhibit. Credit to owner.

## Veteran Dog (1)

**1. Chadwick Taittinger** (O'Connor) Well marked tricolour who was enjoying his day out and giving his all to his handler. Pleasing head and expression with good eyes.

Veteran Bitch (3) Why do we have to make such hard decisions? Such a bevy of beauties who are all winners.

- **1. Ch Chadwick Bewitched At Blackfire** (Kennedy/Weidig) Hard to believe this is a 10 year girl. In profuse well marked coat still retaining much of its depth. Endearing face and lovely eyes which still radiate a youthful expression. Moved with gusto and was enjoying her time in the spotlight again. I loved her. *Best Veteran in Show*
- **2. Ch Chadwick September Song At Blackfire** (Weidig) Unbelievable 14 year old who has so much spring in her step. Shown in wonderful coat and condition. Very appealing head and expression. A close decision between 1 & 2.
- **3. Chadwick Pinckney At Blackfire** (Weidig/Eckersley) The baby of the class. Well marked tricolour girl who was a pleasure to go over and looked good for her young years!