

CAVALIERS OF THE MIDWEST
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Thank you for a lovely day, allowing me to share my point of view on the sister breed to my own breed, the English Toy Spaniel. As many of you know, I have been breeding spaniels since I was 16 years old. The basics always hold true. Spaniels must be round, full of flesh and muscle. They have a layer of muscle covering their skeleton. Breeding Toy Spaniels of any kind are challenging. It is important to be mindful of the way breeds are different from each other and how they are the same. When you evaluate a breed you can see traits from other breeds creeping in. The flat, fine bone of the Papillion, the low ear of the English Toy and then shorter muzzle of the Chin. Remind yourself of the key elements of your breed when making breeding decisions to select what is correct not what can be flashy in the show rings. Congratulations to the breeders on their success.

Doug Johnson

DOGS

JR PUPPY DOG (1)

1) **CHADWICK PERFECT TONIGHT** (Eckersley) A very promising young male, very strong on his legs with a good topline beautiful head correct dentition good proportions. Good bone for size great tail set lovely action in all directions. This is a puppy to watch for the future. I would be proud to have bred him. **BEST PUPPY**

DOG IN SHOW & BEST PUPPY IN SHOW

SENIOR PUPPY (1)

1) **CHARDOMONT CHADWICK GHOST STORY OF CEILIMOR** (McCarty/Eckersley)

Attractive puppy, good in proportions is in his teen stage so he's going to need you a little more time to develop. His expressions a little harder for me than I like. It's still quite reasonable but it needs softness to be ideal. Beautiful front end! Merry Tail action. Sound

GRADUATE PUPPY (2)

1) **GENTLE STAR UNFORGETTABLE DREAM** (Gentil) First place is a lovely dog with nice roundness good bone, good body I love his proportions a bit extreme in head could be a little less fleshy maybe a fraction longer in muzzle, but a lovely type animal with a great character, beautiful blend of shoulder and top line into tail set

2) **CAMERONA RING OF FREEDOM** (Cameron) Dog is not really ready for competition. He is a bit scared tail down tentative on the day, but appropriate breed type good bone for size, a strong top line, neck, shoulder, top line and attractive head.

NOVICE DOG (1)

1) **CHADWICK TARTAN** (Eckersley) This dog has some lovely qualities, the correct shape, correct proportion, correct and bone nice neck, shoulder and top line transition pleasing in profile. Maybe could be a little more broad in top skull. He is a little lifty in front on the go round, and slightly lower and tail set. Quality animal with promise.

BRED BY EXHIBITOR (1)

1) **ORCHARDHILL OVERANALYZED** (Venier) Tri dog Beautiful head, pleasing head eye and expression. Love his face and correct bite. Large eyes and no white showing. Good size, would like him with more bend and width to the rear and second thigh. Good width/breadth of body. Length of ribs and strong topline with correct tailset. A very appealing male.

JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED (2) **“Interesting class they really could go either way.”**

1) **CEILIMOR DRESS CODE** (McCarty) This Dog ends up having a little bit better head not as much volume as a second dog.

2) **CLARMARIAN HEARTTHROB JW** (Young-May/Gogol) The second dog has some transition issues from his shoulder with backline higher hip bone lower set tail and his ears are a little too high for me. They are set up on his head which makes his expression go off a little bit but he has bone and body which I prefer. The 1st place dog is balanced with a good back, a pretty head and expression even if not as large a skull as the second place.

AMERICAN BRED (1)

1) **NIGHTINGALE REVOLUTION AW, MP** (Cameron) Four-year-old male handsome, correct size shape good bone for size pretty head very balanced. Throughout quality with good rib. Could be slightly broader in rear. I like to see more width over the rear assembly. Good tail set excellent proportion, beautiful face.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM DOG (1)

1) **FORESTCREEK ANDY** (Madden/Cline) Fancy male with a lot of silky hair. He's not exactly to my taste. A bit more fancy in style. I want more volume and roundness and a less linear type. He has a pretty neck, shoulder and top line but his lines are longer and flatter than I like. All of which might come with age but for today he is just a fancier style of the breed for me.

SPECIAL LIMIT TRI DOG (1)

1) **LINRICA OMEGA CONSTELLATION** (Hsiung/Liu) Nice size, perhaps a fraction long for me but still firm in back with a good tail, correct bend of rear and well made. Carries tail a bit high. Slightly off in expression showing some white around the eye, fabulous temperament with good bone. **BEST TRICOLOR IN**

SHOW

SPECIAL LIMIT RUBY DOG (1)

1) **CLOSEBURN RED FOX TO THE HUNT** (Fairchild/Maddox) Handsome Ruby male correct proportions great size dog with good body and beautiful condition. Good bone, pretty face tight behind very attractive type great temperament, pretty eye, and head. DARK coat, moves well in all directions. A TAD steep in croup. Valuable dog for the breed.

OPEN DOG (4)

1) **CH FORESTCREEK THE SHOWMAN AT TUDORR JW, MP** (Mixon/Mixon/Cline/Marshall) Correct size and substance. Beautiful type good size body and lovely head with a pleasing (correct) expression. Large full dark eye, correct muzzle in length and width. Cushioning just right. Nice solid bone. Not too fine or heavy. ENOUGH. He is mentally and physically sound. Very nicely made throughout, well balanced. Ideally, I would like to see some more side gate on him but still a balanced gate. **WINNERS DOG, RESERVE BEST IN SHOW, BEST OPPOSITE SEX TO BEST IN SHOW,**

2) **CH KRYSTLE HAMILTON** (Torgersen/Torgersen) Second place dog is similar to dog one, possessing the same positive type traits and density, volume and mass. These two are how I see the breed when mature. It is what I am looking for each time I judge the breed. Second place is not in as good muscle as one. Could be a little harder in muscle and coat could be more.

3) **CH FALLING SPRINGS BLACK FLAME AT MADRYN** (Weeks/Weeks) A stylish black and tan dog with a very appealing outline. Extremely clean in neck, shoulder and top line transition. Very good to the hand upon exam. Perhaps this dog longer, slightly taller and a little bit finer in bone when compared to dog one and two however but a great head on this dog with a beautiful expression lovely muzzle length and eye placement. **BEST BLACK**

AND TAN IN SHOW

4) **CH PROMONTORY HERE COMES HUDSON** (Orns/Solomon) This dog is a different type that I am looking for. On this day, he is taller stationed and too fancy when compared to the other entrants. He is slightly longer and higher stationed. Long bones. Sound moving. Shown in beautiful condition just too fancy for me. Would like more volume for him, bone and body.

SENIOR OPEN DOG (1)

1) **CH ROYALMARK REMINISCENCE AT CAMERONA, AW, VW** (Cameron) Excellent old man with a beautiful head beautiful size lovely dog nearly 10 years old shown in appropriate condition for age and beautiful coat a lovely expression, gentle character a lovely example of the breed. Dripping in correct breed type. Expression, bone, body and substance. He is a not so gentle reminder of past quality. He is a BEAUTY.

RESERVE WINNERS DOG.

BITCHES

SENIOR PUPPY BITCH (2) “Two super puppies in this class.”

1) **BLUEBONNET RUBRUM LILY** (Orns) Tri, Pretty headed bitch with a lovely expression. Her head is quite beautiful, correct stop and depth of skull with good bone. She’s clean with coming and going. Merry in temperament. A bit finer in make for me. **BEST PUPPY BITCH IN SHOW**

2) **CHADWICK GIRLS NIGHT OUT** (Eckersley) Second bitch has a beautiful profile of body; not too long, and correct short hocks. Head/expression not as soft as winner. Both quality bitches

GRADUATE PUPPY BITCH (5)

1) **ALMEARA LOVE HER MADLY** (Whitmere) The first dog is really gorgeous to go over. She is full bodied and smooth and round throughout with a big front end. She is really the picture of the breed for me. I knew after I saw her that she would be difficult to beat. She is what I wanted from a good brood bitch, how I want them to feel and behave. She has character and grace, she is commanding and merry. Good bone, great top line. A wonderful way about her and excellent carriage. Impressive bitch. **WINNERS BITCH, BEST BLENHEIM IN SHOW, BEST AMERICAN BRED, BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR & BEST IN SHOW**

2) **GRASIL MOCHA AT SUMARA** (Gentil) The beautiful ruby bitch is so very good. A bit less than the winner in mass, but such a beautiful head with a great top line. Her tailset could be a fraction flatter at the croup. Well above average in over all quality. I would be please to own her for my breeding program. **RESERVE WINNERS BITCH**

3) **KINGDOMRUN SPRING MAGNOLIA** (Degen/Degen/Mixon) The third place bitch has a great head and beautiful expression; pretty full muzzle and good bone. Tail action a little high.

4) **BLUEBONNET SHE IS EVERYTHING** (Vezina/Orns) The fourth place bitch is a little racier, a little finer a little longer and a little flatter, but a lot of style. Appealing. It’s a very appealing class.

NOVICE BITCH (1)

1) **CLOSEBURN FIRE DANCING** (Fairchild) A bit immature still with a low croup. She needs to develop more body as she matures. She needs more time. She's balanced but lacking some body.

BRED BY EXHIBITOR CLASS (2) “This is a challenging class because we have two sort of reluctant participants with their tail action. They are not as lively or carried as high as they should be and yet the two bitches are very similar in level of quality. They're both good to go over.”

1) **CH CLAMARIAN ECLIPSE OF THE HEART AW** (Young-May/Gogol) This first place bitch carries her top line a little bit better. She's not as soft and makes expressions, but I prefer her bone.

2) **CH DARANE OTHERWORLDLY JW** (Kates) I prefer the proportions on this second bitch to the first bitch, but her croup and tail carriage are not as good as the first one and her rear going away is closer. Both have adequate proportions. Both could use some confidence in the ring.

JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED BITCH (3)

1) **CHADWICK LOOKING FOR TROUBLE** (Eckersly) Great bodied bitch, with depth of body, quality bone as well as breath and roundness to make and shape.

2) **KRYSTLE BLUE VELVET AT SAINTBRIDES** (Burkley/Torgersen) The same can be said for the second place bitch she's solidly made a little tight behind moving.

3) **WINDKISS SUMMER LOVIN** (Kates/Patkowski) The third place bitch is finer boned, and flatter in muscle and mass not as around as I like.

AMERICAN BRED BITCH (4)

1) **TUDORR BLUES ALLEY JW** (Mixon/Mixon) Stylish bitch on the bigger side, quality throughout with good bone, body and substance very appealing head. When you find bitches like her, you know their quality, they're easy to the eye and to the hand and it's a special quality to have. She also has a great way about her. The way she gates with ease. Her demeanor is also very appealing and very typical of how the breed behave. She is what I expect to find.

2) **CHARDOMONT SPECIAL EDITION** (Greak/Comer) The second place bitch is also quite lovely, however, not as interested today in showing but a quality bitch. I like her size and proportions. I love her face she has a beautiful expression and eye.

3) **TASSAJARA SWEET PEA AT KINGDOMRUN** (Degen/Degen) The third place bitch shows well. She is a little straighter on both ends, very balanced, also attractive in headpiece with classic breed quality, eyes and beautiful ears framing the face.

4) **BENCHMARK WICKED WIPEOUT** (Vezina/Orms) The fourth place bitch is a nice bitch, but no tail today very reluctant to show.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM BITCH (3)

1) **CHADWICK WISFUL THINKING** (Eckersley) Again, this bitch is really good to go over. She's full body. They should have muscling like this. She has round ribs and a broad round butt.

2) **KINGDOMRUN GENESIS OF AN EMERALD QUEEN** (Degen/Degen) The second place bitch I like very much too. She's probably better proportion than the first placed bitch, just not quite as much or as fit head on the first one, yet she is a bit high in the rear standing even if really good to go over.

3) **CAMERONA SPITFIRE** (Cameron) I like the way this 3rd place bitch ears' frame her face. She is however, just a bit fine and very short bodied. She's a cute mover with a good solid top line in good tail set. Lovely character for the breed.

SPECIAL LIMIT TRI BITCH (1)

1) **CHADWICK BACCARAT AT CEILIMOR** (McCarty/Eckersley) Quality bitch with good bone, pretty head shape. A bit short bodied, but she is broad and round with a good turn of stifle big thigh, pretty head, beautiful expression but some white showing.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLACK AND TAN BITCH (1)

1) **FALLING SPRINGS CROWNROSE BLACK VELVET** (Rosenberg/Rosenberg) Very stylish, black and tan bitch great to go over with a fantastic body smooth back line, correct tail set and carriage. Good bone for size and nice angulation balanced at both ends a lovely head with a beautiful eye, correct stop and lip. She has a very appealing head. Dark eye and pleasing expression. Moving clean all directions. Super clean transition from top of head to the set on of tail.

OPEN BITCH (3)

1) **KINGDOMRUN RUN FOR THE JULIP** (Degen/Degen/Mixon) Beautiful head on the first one, yet she is a bit high in the rear standing even if really good to go over.

2) **CLAMARIAN AFFAIRS OF THE HEART AW JW** (MacFarland/Young-May/Gogol) The 2nd Pl bitch has a low croup and high tail carriage. Her hip bones are high and then a slope to her croup followed by a tail that comes up and is carried too high. She is a pretty shape.

3) **CHADWICK FOXY COUTURE AT HUDSONVIEW** (Glynn/Glynn) No information given.

SENIOR OPEN BITCH (2)

1) **DARANE TRUE COLORS MP** (Kates) This bitch is correct in size and proportion. Her topline is not what it probably was when she was younger but I like her body and her mass.

2) **CLOSEBURN BONNY WEE KILT** (Fairchild) Second place bitch has a beautiful head, but she's a little tubular right now. Different proportion than the first bitch had a beautiful eye and pretty muzzle first place is the right shape Looking at attractive standing.

VETERAN BITCH CLASS (2)

1) **CH PINECREST MOONSHINE AT MARKLEY, JW** (Storey) **BEST VETERAN IN SHOW** No information provided.

2) **CH DARANE RED SONJA, JW** (Kates) No information was provided.