CKCSC, USA National Puppy and Veterans Sweepstakes 10/09/14, Louisville, KY Judge: Paula Ayers (Brookhaven)

It was such an honor for me to be asked to judge Puppy and Veteran Sweeps at our National weekend. I would like to thank the National Committee and all the exhibitors for a wonderful weekend. The committee out did themselves from the photo booth to the personalized gift bags with each judge and exhibitor's affix embroidered on the bag. The overall quality of the exhibits was **EXCELLENT**. I had a lot of quality puppies to judge that should have very promising futures. Although some classes were a very close decision, I was very pleased with my winners -- Best Puppy in Sweeps and Best Puppy Bitch – **Iloo Dite Ilan Du Jardin De Claire Of Sumara, JW** and Best Puppy Dog – **Cruisin Mickey Mouse**.

Junior Puppy Dog (5)

1. Shirmont Caddo Balliol (Henry/ Dodson) Very stylish Blenheim that moved with great confidence. This young boy has a really pretty head with beautiful eyes. The wonderful condition of his coat finished off this pretty picture. This youngster has a very promising future. 2. Fairhaven Duncan Donuts (Hassig) Adorable Black and Tan boy with beautiful dark eyes. Shown in excellent condition. I love his nice straight coat. Level top-line and is well balanced. I think he will only get better as he matures. 3. Chadwick Paddington Bear (Eckersley) Nicely made Blenheim boy. Well-angulated front and rear, looked good coming and going. Nice boy. He will get better with practice. 4. Sikeleli Out Of The Blue (Nel) This boy was well marked with rich tan markings. I preferred the head on the ones above.

Senior Puppy Dog (5)

1. Angel's Pride Just A Gigolo Of Sumara, JW (Gentil) Nicely made dog with a very pretty head with dark round eyes. He flowed around the ring with excellent topline and correct tail carriage. 2. Toraylac Here's Hugo (Cromer) Nicely made Blenheim boy. Well-angulated front and rear, looked good coming and going. Moved around the ring with ease. I preferred the size of the eye on the one above. 3. Kendry's U.S. Marshall (Byroads/Johnson) This tri boy had a lovely head, beautiful eyes and lovely coat. He was shown is wonderful condition. He will do better as he settles in the ring. 4. Closeburn Maciver Alan (Fairchild/Beard) Another beautiful puppy in this class. Well marked Blenheim boy with nice head and shape.

Graduate Puppy Dog (3)

1. Cruisin Mickey Mouse (Rackler) Beautiful Black and Tan boy with a nice straight coat. Large eyes, good bone and level top-line. Well-angulated front and rear, looked good coming and going. Moved around the ring with ease. I was pleased to award him *Best Puppy Dog.* 2. Chadwick Cheers At Hudsonview (Glynn) This little boy had a beautiful head with lovely eyes. Nice neck and topline. He was a bit on the thin side today, but he was one of the youngest in his class. As he matures, he'll be one to watch for. 3. Foxwyn Woodbury Rise And Shine (McCarty/Redniss) This little boy had a beautiful dark eyes. Nice neck and topline. He was a bit on the smaller side in this class.

Junior Puppy Bitch (12)

1. Linrica Sunshine Angel (Hsiung/Liu) This Blenheim girl gave the best puppy bitch a run for her money. She has beautiful head with a very sweet expression and large dark eyes. She has a beautiful flowing coat and her movement did not disappoint me. I think this girl will really go far. 2. Elyzian Sweet Dreams (Arnold) This Ruby girl moved so nice – looked good both coming and going. Needs a bit more cushioning in the head, which can be so typical of Rubies at this age. 3. Chadwick Its Delovely (Eckersley) Pretty headed little tri girl whose color was nicely broken up. Clean coming and going with a nice front. She was carrying a little too much weight on the day. 4. Angel's Pride Miss Moneypenny (Green) Another little girl with a nice expression. First time in the ring and a bit apprehensive.

Senior Puppy Bitch (5)

1. Iloo Dite Ilan Du Jardin De Claire Of Sumara, JW (Gentil) This stylish little black and tan girl caught my eye from the moment she entered the ring. She moved around the ring with great confidence. Well angulated front and rear, beautiful head with large round dark eyes. I was pleased to award her *Best Puppy Bitch, Best Puppy in Sweepstakes.*

2. Tudorr Sterling Silver (Mixon) Pretty girl with big beautiful eyes. Nice little short coupled body. She still needs to mature. She is one to watch. **3. Chadwick Sky Blue Pink** (Hoehn) Blenheim with an abundance of coat. She has a pretty head with beautiful eyes. **4. Lyncrest Trouble In Paradise** (Jones) Blenheim with a pretty head and nice eyes. Short coupled and moved nice. She was less mature than the others in this class.

Graduate Puppy Bitch (2)

1. Tudorr La Dolce Vita, JW (Mixon/Cline) This little showgirl was very eye catching. Beautiful head with large round dark eyes. Nice front and rear with dead level top line. Pushed hard for top honors. **2. Cruisin Ariel De Lil Mermaid** (Rackler) This girl was full of herself in the ring. She gave her hander a run for her money. She has nice eyes but lacked cushioning which may still come as Rubies can be so slow to mature.

Veterans Sweepstakes

Veteran Dog 9-11, Silver (1)

1. Closeburn Graham Macinnes (Trad) It is so hard to believe this boy is already 9 years old, I remember him as a baby carrying the frog in his mouth. He still shows like a youngster and was in beautiful condition. It is so nice to see the Seniors still in the ring.

Veteran Dog Over 11, Gold (2)

1. Ch Dallarock Spellbound (Brown) I admired this boy as he moved around the ring – he has such strong movement, well-muscled with one of the best rears of the day. He pushed hard for Best Veteran; was pleased to award him *Best Veteran Dog*.

2. Chadwick Jack In The Box (Storey) This 12 year old showed well. He has a beautiful head with nice eyes. **Veteran Bitch 7-9, Bronze (1)**

1. Chadwick Candlelight (Eckersley) Heavy marked tri girl who enjoyed showing. She reminded me of my Darby, happy always! Not only pretty she moved with ease around the ring. **2. Tidewater Dazzled By Luv** (O'Brien) Nice blenheim girl who also enjoyed her day in the ring. This girl was a bit longer in the loin, but both nice girls which made this a very hard decision.

Veteran Bitch 9-11, Silver (2)

1. Castlemar's Sophia Grace, C-CD, C-RE (Barton) This girl is truly a show girl – she loves every minute she is in the ring. She has a lovely coat and nice level topline – today she was carrying a bit too much weight. **2. Burrlane Ruby Slippers** (Maxwell) This girl also moved well and enjoyed her time in the ring. I preferred the shape on #1. **Veteran Bitch Over 11, Gold (2)**

1. Angel's Pride Nautical Nancy Of Chadwick (Comer/Greak) This Blenheim girl stole my heart. She moves around the ring with ease and has one of the prettiest faces I've seen on young or old. I was honored to award her *Best Veteran Bitch, Best Veteran in Show.*

2. Ch Chadwick Bewitched At Blackfire (Kennedy/Weidig) I've admired this Blenheim girl since she was a youngster. She is a well-deserved CKCSC, USA CH; still moves well and still loves to show.