

## CAVALIERS OF THE WEST

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Thank you very much for the invite to judge this lovely well organised show. Whilst the overall entry wasn't big it certainly didn't lack the quality, and I was delighted with my main winners.

*Kirstie McMurray*

## DOGS

### JUNIOR PUPPY DOG (2)

- 1) **JAYBA MY GUY** (Lander) 7-month-old blen boy who won the prize for the 'dog the just most wanted to take home'. He set the bar high as he was the first dog I got my hands on. Gentle but masculine head with a well cushioned foreface and excellent pigment. He has a lovely overall size and shape with a nice cobby body and well coated for his age. Excellent front and rear angulation and moved round the ring like a pro with drive and presence that couldn't be ignored. Loved him and couldn't deny him **BEST PUPPY DOG, BEST PUPPY IN SHOW & AWARD OF MERIT #2.**
- 2) **INTRYNZIK SYMPHONY OF ASPENGLow** (Peterson) 7-month-old blen who was nicely presented and in lovely coat and condition. Pleasing head framed by well set ears. Well arched neck and good front angulation. Well bodied and moved OK both coming and going.

### GRADUATE PUPPY DOG (1)

- 1) **BLUESTARA ALADDIN'S LIGHT** (Paris) – 13-month-old blen who was exceptionally well handled by his young owner. Lighter marked with lovely coat of excellent condition. Masculine head and expression, well filled muzzle with good dark eye and nose pigment. Gently arched neck and good front and rear angulation that was used to advantage on the move.

### JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED DOG (2)

- 1) **SORELLA CHEESEBURGER IN PARADISE** (Savage-Green) – ultra exuberant blen boy who was constantly trying to please his owner. Pleasing head and expression with excellent nose and eye pigment. Well arched neck and good topline and tailset excellent

hind angulation used to advantage on the move. Presented in pristine condition with coat of lovely texture

#### **AMERICAN BRED DOG (4)**

- 1) **DEL SOL MAGIC MOMENT** (Macrae) – well-presented and handled 26-month-old blen who is an ideal size and shape. He has a lovely gentle but masculine expression framed by well set and feathered ears and the darkest of eye and nose pigment. Carries himself well on the move with a level topline and tailset. Presented a nice picture standing with good front and rear angulation.
- 2) **CHADWICK EIGHTEEN CARAT GOLD JW** (Mitchell) – built on similar lines to the winner. Well coated blen with the richest of chestnut markings. Well filled muzzle and excellent earset framing a gentle expression. Moved out well both coming and going keeping a nice topline and tailset.
- 3) **CROSSBOW BALOO FROM THE JUNGLE AT BLUESTARA** (Brezine/Alvarez) - 4 year old blen who has a masculine head and expression. Good reach of neck and good front and rear angulation. Moved out well keeping a level topline and tailset. Well-presented and handled.
- 4) **ROSEGLLEN GRAND SLAM** (Lofholm/Colombo) – pleasingly marked blen boy, good bone, nice reach of neck and good front and rear angulation. Lovely dark nose and eye pigment and well set and furnished ears. Moved OK, just keep an eye out as he has a tendency to pace.

#### **SPECIAL LIMIT BLEN DOG (4)**

- 1) **FORESTCREEK THE SHOWMAN AT TUDOR, JW, MP** (Mixon/Cline/Marshall) – 2 year old who was shown in excellent coat and condition. He has an exquisite head and expression with lovely melting eyes and excellent earset. Ample neck set on a lovely body with well filled ribs. He has moderate bone and excels in front and rear angulation. He has a lovely eye catching outline both standing and on the move showing off a lovely topline and tailset. A quality boy who just lost a bit of interest when he was in the line up.
- 2) **COVINGTON RHAEGAL** (Gonyo/Mohn) – well coated boy who has a nice head and good pigment. Excellent bone for his size and good front and rear angulation that he used to advantage on the move. Excellent topline and tailset and well arched neck and good shoulder placement. Another nice boy who was unlucky to meet the winner.
- 3) **MINGCHEN YUKON RIVER AT HIGH FLIGHT** (Parris) – Pleasing head with well cushioned foreface and good dark pigment. Well boned with nice neck and shoulders and moved with drive at all times. Shown in nice coat and condition. \

- 4) **BENTLANE HEAVEN SENT TO QUAIL RUN** (Kornhi) - nicely richly marked blen with the perfect lozenge. Gentle and masculine expression with lovely dark pigment. Nice angulation front and rear keeping a good outline when on the move.

### **SPECIAL LIMIT TRICOLOUR DOG (2)**

- 1) **ORCHARDHILL OVERANALYZED** (Venier) – 20-month-old ultra smart boy who was shown in immaculate condition. He is absolutely perfect for size and presents an excellent profile both standing and on the move. He has the most exquisite head and expression with lovely cushioning to his muzzle and dark eye and nose pigment. Ample bone for his size and well bodied with good front and rear angulation. He is certainly a showman who I found being mesmerised when he was on the move with lovely flowing and fluid action. He is a very enthusiastic boy who is constantly wagging to show the true Cavalier temperament. Certainly one from the top drawer and its been a very long time since I have judged such a quality Tricolour. Could not deny him **WINNERS DOG, BEST IN SHOW, BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR IN SHOW, BEST AMERICAN BRED IN SHOW AND BEST TRICOLOUR IN SHOW**
- 2) **LINRICA OMEGA CONSTELLATION** (Liu) – another quality tri boy who was unlucky to meet the winner. Good strong tan in all the correct places. Clear cut markings and lovely well filled muzzle with dark nose and eye pigment. Ideal size and shape with good body and nice spring of rib. Nicely arched neck and level topline that he held both standing and on the move,

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### **OPEN DOG (2)**

- 1) **CH FALLING SPRINGS JUST YOU WAIT AT CROWNROSE, JW, AW** (Rosenberg) – another showman of a boy who demanded attention at all times and had the fabulous Cavalier temperament with a constantly wagging tail. Lovely head and well filled muzzle and excellent dark eye and nose pigment. Gently arching neck and good shoulders. He has a fabulous topline and tailset and excels in his fantastic reach and drive on the move. He is an honest dog that certainly fills the eye and couldn't be overlooked. He was expertly handled to get the best out of him and couldn't deny him the class win and also **RESERVE WINNERS DOG**
- 2) **CH SORELLA TWO TICKETS TO PARADISE JW** (Savage Green) – another quality dog from this consistent kennel. Nicely marked blen boy who was shown in excellent coat and condition. Gentle but masculine head and expression, nicely arched neck and good front and rear angulation. He is an ideal size and shape which he used to

advantage in his stylish movement. Another quality boy and couldn't deny him an **AWARD OF MERIT #1**

## **BITCHES**

### **SENIOR PUPPY BITCH (1)**

- 1) **LADY IN BLACK DE LOS URSIDAS KODIAK** (Murphy/Echazarra) – 9 month old black and tan who was show in in nice coat and condition. Nice overall size with ample bone. Sweetest of heads with nice limpid dark eyes. Good reach of neck and well-balanced front and rear angulation. Moved out well keeping a nice topline and tailset. **BEST PUPPY BITCH.**

### **NOVICE BITCH (1)**

- 1) **MARILEE A DASH OF BUTTERS** (Atkinson/Collins) – 2 year old blen with a pretty head and nice large dark eye. Good bone for her size and age and nice shoulder placement, well bodied. Moved out well using her well muscled hind quarters.

### **BRED BY EXHIBITOR BITCH (3)**

- 1) **GYLDEN I'M A BELIEVE** (Ellingson) – the sweetest 18 month old blen who has the prettiest of heads and expressions with a good earset. She is heavier marked but doesn't detract from her overall quality and was presented in pristine condition. Ample bone and good angulation both front and rear. She moved out confidently and with drive keeping an eye-catching outline and a level topline.
- 2) **CROSSBOW WHITNEY FLIRTING WITH LIFE** (Schiffman) – lighter marked blen with the sweetest of heads and expression. Lovely dark nose and eye pigment and a nicely cushioned foreface framed by well set ears. She is an ideal shape and size and moved out well at all times.
- 3) **QUAIL RUN MILAN** (Kornhi) – Soft head and expression with well cushioned foreface and good dark nose and eye pigment. Well arched neck. Nicely marked and well off for bone. Well bodied and movement was OK.

### **JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED BITCH (2)**

- 1) **HARRINGTON BEJEWELD** (Gonyo) – Heavier marked 18 month old tri bitch who was presented in lovely coat and gleaming condition. Really strong and vibrant tan in the correct places. The prettiest of heads with a well cushioned foreface and lovely dark nose

and eye pigment. She is an ideal size and shape with ample bone. Good front and rear angulation. She moved round the ring with drive and presence keeping a nice overall outline. A lovely bitch who was in my considerations.

- 2) **SIKELELI GREAT EXPECTATIONS AT QUAIL RUN** (Kornhi) – very busy Blenheim who is well balanced and has a nice shape. Good reach of neck and shoulder placement. Excellent hind angulation that she used to advantage as she moved round the ring. A constantly wagging tail that was level at all times.

#### **AMERICAN BRED BITCH (4)**

- 1) **TUDORR BLUES ALLEY, JW** (Mixon) – 18 month old Blenheim bitch who was a fabulous size and shape. She has a beautiful head with well cushioned foreface and nice length of muzzle. Excellent dark eye and nose pigment. She has a fabulous reach of neck, excellent bone and well developed body for her age. She powered round the ring using her excellent hind angulation and at all times with a level topline and tailset. She was constantly wagging and obviously enjoying the job in hand. Shown in lovely coat and condition and with a little bit more maturity will certainly be one to watch. A lovely quality girl who I was pleased to award her the first **AWARD OF MERIT #1**.
- 2) **DEL SOL BREAKFAST IN BED** (McHenry) – another blen girl who has quality in abundance. Ultra feminine head and expression with dark limpid eyes and framed by well set ears. Good reach of neck and well placed shoulders and excellent rear angulation. A Level topline and tailset that were kept at all times. She has a lovely overall outline both standing and on the move. Moved with drive at all times and was delighted to award her the second **AWARD OF MERIT #2**.
- 3) **ROSEGLLEN DIAMOND IN THE SKY** (Colombo) – nicely marked 2 year old blen with good bone for her size. Prettiest of heads and expressions. Ample reach of neck and good shoulder placement. Well sprung ribs and moved steadily at all times
- 4) **CHIYODA JUST MY CUP OF TEA OF GLENELLEN** (Murphy) – Pretty headed blen with good full under the eyes. Attractively marked blen shown in nice coat of lovely condition. Good front and rear angulation and movement was OK.

#### **SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM BITCH (1)**

- 1) **DEL SOL GOLD DIGGER, JW** (McHenry) – 2 year old who has the sweetest of heads and expressions framed by well set and feathered ears. Nice dark eyes and good length to muzzle. Well arched neck set on cobby body with good spring of rib. She has a level topline and tailset that she keeps as she strides out with a constantly wagging tail. Presented and handled well.

### **SPECIAL LIMIT TRICOLOUR BITCH (1)**

- 1) **ONTHEMARK FLOWER POWER** (Chan/Mitchell) – 2 ½ year old heavily marked tricolour with nice strong tan in all the desired places. She is well balanced and is a lovely overall size, not overdone at all. Well arched neck and good shoulder placement, level topline and tailset. Moved steadily round the ring. Nicely furnished and presented well.

### **SPECIAL LIMIT BLACK & TAN BITCH (1)**

- 1) **FALLING SPRINGS CROWNROSE BLACK VELVET, JW** (Rosenberg) – 20-month-old girl who is an absolute pocket rocket. Whilst the only one in her class she certainly didn't disappoint as she was of obvious quality. She was shown in lovely coat and condition with lovely gleaming raven black. The prettiest of heads and expressions with a well cushioned foreface and jet black nose and eye pigment. Good reach of neck and lovely shoulder placement and rear angulation that allowed her to drive round the ring keeping a lovely outline with a level topline and tailset. I was drawn to her in the challenge and was delighted to award her **RESERVE WINNERS BITCH & BEST BLACK AND TAN IN SHOW**. I am sure it will be the first of many majors for this quality girl.

### **OPEN BITCH (3)**

- 1) **PROMONTORY HENLEY** (Savage-Green/Solomon) – what a showgirl this is she entered the ring with her head held high strutting her stuff with a perfectly set tail that was constantly wagging. I was drawn to her presence and she made my heart skip a beat, she was definitely the one to beat. Heavier marked blen but shown in the perfect coat of nice soft texture. She has a very feminine head and expression with well furnished and well set ears. Her reach of neck was one of the best of the day and had fantastic front and rear angulation. She put in a perfect performance and has the nicest outline standing that she keeps on the move. She powers round the ring with a look at me attitude. I could not deny her **WINNERS BITCH AND RESERVE BEST IN SHOW & BEST OPPOSITE SEX TO BEST IN SHOW & BEST BLENHEIM IN SHOW**. I was delighted to find out over the weekend she became a Club Champion, congratulations, I was thrilled to be part of her journey.
- 2) **CASTLEVILLE LOVE ME LIKE YOU DO** (McCoy) – well coated blen girl who was ultra feminine and shown in lovely condition with hardly a hair out of place. Pretty head and expression with lovely dark eye and nose pigment and the desired lozenge. She has a lovely topline and tailset that she holds perfectly as she drives round the ring. Good angulation both front and rear. A pleasing picture both standing and moving.

- 3) **CH IVYLINE NOTORIOUS AT GYLDEN** (Ellingson/Giampapa) – well coated richly marked blen. Feminine head and expression. Good bone for her size and well bodied. Moved well round the ring keeping a nice topline and tailset. Presented well.

### **SENIOR OPEN BITCH (1)**

- 1) **DELSOL ADORED** (McHenry) – 8 year old tri girl who is the most fabulous size and shape. She has the prettiest heads with lovely dark lustrous eyes. Nice reach of neck and good shoulder placement. Good bone for her ideal size. Moves out well keeping a pleasing outline. A lovely girl who was certainly enjoying her day out.

### **Veteran Bitch - 1**

- 1) **DELSOL ADORED** (McHenry) – As per Senior Open Bitch