#### CAVALIER OF THE NORTHEAST 6/11/23 – CLINTON, NJ ALISON WALKER, KAYCEEKAY CAVALIERS, UK

I would like to thank Mr Weidig, the Officers and the Committee of the Cavaliers of the Northeast for this invitation to judge at my first show in the USA. It was a marvelous experience for me. I had some lovely dogs to go over and I would like to thank all the exhibitors who entered and attended on the day. I found the bitches very strong in quality and some of the places could no doubt be swopped round. I was delighted to be informed after awarding Best in Show that I had given the crowning award to Weeks' Nightingale's Heart Of Gold – congratulations.

The committee did a brilliant job in overcoming problems with venues and putting on a good show weekend. Thank you for your hospitality and thoughtful gifts. There are certainly 1 or 2 things that will stay in my mind regarding the weekend and if I say the word 'lift', only people who were there would understand this. Thank you again.

# Alíson Walker

# DOGS

### JUNIOR PUPPY DOG (6) "Some lovely happy puppies to start the day with."

- TUDORR BRINGING HOME THE BLUES (Mixon) 5-month-old blenheim. Blanket body markings, attractive balanced head with dark eyes and good pigmentation. Good flat skull and correctly set ears. Good neck and shoulders. Maintained a level topline whilst on the move. Very good tail set straight from his back. <u>BEST PUPPY</u> DOG
- 2) **LINRICA OMEGA CONSTELLATION** (Hsiung/Liu) 8-month-old tri colour with broken coat. Lovely dark eyes and correct bite. Closer coupled than the winner but not as strong in the hocks. Moved well round the ring maintaining a level topline whilst on the move.
- 3) **NIGHTINGALE POKER FACE** (Paplauckas) 6-month-old blenheim head needs to mature but good dark pigmentation and correct bite. Moved with well but a little close behind at present.
- 4) FALLING SPRINGS BLACK FLAME AT MADRYN (Weeks) 7 month black and tan. Good dark chestnut and raven black coat. Tail set a little low and needs to straighten in front.

### **GRADUATE PUPPY DOG** (3)

 BLUEGARDEN CASINO ROYALE (Matos/DiBonaventura) 11-month-old tri colour. He was eventually my Best Tricolour in Show and Award of Merit 1. Well balanced dog. Dark eyes with good pigmentation, good length of muzzle with cushioning and nice flat skull and correct bite. Ears that framed his face with attractive tan markings in the correct place. Good neck and shoulder placement, straight front and elbows close to his chest. Maintained a level topline when on the move. Short coupled with good croup and good turn of stifle. Tail set correctly and finished the picture whilst on the move. <u>BEST TRI IN SHOW& AOM #1</u>

- 2) **FORESTCREEK THE SHOWMAN AT TUDORR** (Mixon/Cline/Marshall) Nearly 12-month-old blenheim well presented with nicely broken coat of rich chestnut on a pearl white background. Balanced head with dark eyes, correct bite and dark pigmentation. Moved well round the ring. Slightly closer behind than the winner.
- 3) CHARDOMONT FIRST EDITION OF CHADWICK (Eckersley) Nearly 12month-old well presented with a rich chestnut marking. Correct head with good length of muzzle, dark eyes, flat skull, high set ears and a lovely gentle expression. Moved well but closer behind than the first two in the class.

## **<u>NOVICE DOG</u>** (2)

- 1) **KRYSTLE BLUE PERSUASION AT SAINTBRIDES** (Burkley/Torgersen) 13month-old blenheim. Dog of good size and proportions. Masculine head with good dark eyes, dark pigmentation, flat skull and high set ears. Adequate cushioning under the eyes which gave him a gentle expression with a masculine head. Good neck and shoulders and a level topline. Unfortunately, his handler is unable to walk him sufficiently to show off his movement to its best.
- 2) **KRYSTLE BOY GEORGE** (Fantom) 7-month-old tri colour. Giving a lot away in age in this class. Full of puppy enthusiasm. Would benefit from more training and maturity would help. He had a lot of puppy coat which took the eye from his shape. He had a good neck and shoulders and a lovely straight front when standing. Good tail set and rear angulation. Lovely head and expression and looked at his handler with adoring eyes.

### **BRED BY EXHIBITOR DOG** (1)

 CH NIGHTINGALE WIPEOUT, JW, AW (Mulligan) stood alone in this class but this dog was Reserve Winners' Dogs and Reserve Best in Show. He was impressive from when he first entered the ring and did not disappoint whilst I was going over him on the table. He had a lovely neck and shoulders. Spirit level topline maintained on the move and his tail carriage was an extension of this. He had a beautiful masculine head with large dark eyes and the longest ear feathers I have ever seen. He moved with grace around the ring and was at one with his handler. It wasn't a surprise to see later in the catalogue that he was a Champion. <u>RESERVE BEST IN SHOW, RESERVE</u> <u>WINNERS DOG & BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR</u>

#### JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED DOG (1)

 PROMONTORY HERE COMES HUDSON (Orns/Solomon) 17-month-old blenheim well presented with a good rich chestnut on a pearl white background. Nice neck and shoulders. I would prefer more drive from the rear. Nice size. <u>AWARD OF</u> <u>MERIT 2</u>.

### AMERICAN BRED DOG (2)

1) **TASSAJARA LAWS OF MOTION** (Seidman) 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> years blenheim lovely dog with a very attractive masculine head. He had the best eyes I have seen up to now, large dark and round with good pigment round them. Well broken chestnut markings on a pearl

white background. He moved with drive round the ring. His tail was a little high but acceptable. Good bone and straight front with good rear angulation.

2) **DARANE R ALFIE** (Balea/Kates) 3 ½ years blenheim. His handler did well to keep him showing as he was in an excitable mood. Shorter neck that the winner but good for bone and again with straight front.

## HEALTH AND CONFORMATION DOG (1)

 CH CHADWICK CODE BLACK OF CEILIMOR, AW, CTKN (McCarty/Eckersley) 7-year-old tri colour. His owner deserves to be very proud of him. He moves very well round the ring. Good level topline and drive from the rear. He had a lovely head with a dark eye that melted into his beautiful masculine face. Good blaze. Good neck and shoulders and short coupled. BEST HEALTH AND CONFORMATION IN SHOW

# **SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM DOG** (3)

- NIGHTINGALE HEART OF GOLD, AW (Weeks) My Best in Show and Winner's Dog. I understand that this gave him his title. I could not take my eyes off him. What a showman. A picture of a happy cavalier, who was doing everything to please his handler. 4-year-old blenheim. Attractively broken coat, rich chestnut on a pearl white background. He stands himself so correctly with a level topline and ever wagging tail. He had a beautiful masculine head with dark eyes, correct bite, good length of muzzle and flat skull. High set ears with long feathers. Slightly arched neck into good shoulders and straight front. He had a nice amount of bone. His elbows were tight to his ribs with a nice spring of rib. Short coupled with a lovely muscled thigh and good turn of stifle. He moved effortlessly round the ring. <u>BEST AMERICAN BRED, BEST BLENEHIM IN SHOW, BEST IN SHOW & WINNERS DOG</u>
- 2) **TUDORR RETURN OF THE VELVET TEDDY BEAR** (Mixon) 2-year-old blenheim slightly longer cast than the winner. Preferred the head and ear set of the winner. Moved well round the ring.
- 3) **BLACKFIRE ALL NIGHT LONG** (Weidig/Kennedy/McLaughlin/Kennedy) 3-yearold blenheim, slightly larger frame than the first two. Beautifully marked coat. Nice head with correct bite and dark eyes. Flat skull and high ear set. At one with his owner.

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

- 1) **FALLING SPRINGS RAMBLIN GAMBLIN MAN, JW, AW, MP** (Grimm Curley) 2-year-old tri colour with a nicely broken coat. He had a lovely head with tan in the correct places. Correct bite, good length of muzzle and flat skull. He maintained a level topline on the move but I would prefer a strong hind action.
- 2) **DARANE THE ONCE AND FUTURE KING** (Solino) 3-year-old tri colour with blanket markings, not as happy on the move as the winner. Level topline but tail carriage spoilt his outline.

### **SPECIAL LIMIT BLACK AND TAN DOG (2)**

- 1) **SREYA BROOKHAVEN FINDERS KEEPERS, MP** (Ayers) 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> year old black & tan with good movement and beautiful head and a coat in great condition. He held a level topline whilst on the move.
- 2) CHEW CREEK BOOGIE WONDERLAND (DePhillip) 6-year-old black & tan. His tan was not as bright as the winner. Held a level topline whilst on the move. Longer cast than the winner, his tail was straight off his back giving a lovely picture.

### **OPEN DOG** (2) "This was a close class and could easily change places."

- 1) **CH FALLING SPRINGS JUST YOU WAIT AT CROWNROSE, JW** (Rosenberg) His head won him this class with more cushioning under the eyes to give a soft expression. Correct length of muzzle and good flat skull, high set ears. He had a lovely clean neck into good shoulders and a straight front with good bone. When he moved, he was animated with a good drive behind and his tail was straight off his back.
- 2) CH CHADWICK HOT PURSUIT AT HUDSONVIEW, JW (Glynn) Many of the same comments apply to this dog. He had larger eyes which were dark and balanced with his head but not as much cushioning. I preferred the neck and tail set of the winner.

### **SENIOR OPEN DOG** (3)

- CH CHADWICK SHOOTING UPWARDS OF CEILIMOR, AW, CTKN (McCarty/Eckersley) 7 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> year old blenheim lovely dog and my kind of cavalier. Reminded me of one I have owned. Quality head with good width to his skull. Good length of muzzle, dark round eyes, flat skull and high ears set. Nice neck and shoulders. Good spring of rib and elbows close to his ribs. Moved with drive. Held a level topline and a drove from behind to make nice winner of this class.
- 2) CRISTAL'S TROOPER ANGEL (Solino) 7 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> year old lighter marked not as animated as the winner. Beautifully presented in full coat.
- 3) **BLACKFIRE SIMPLE TWIST OF FATE** (Weidig/Reichardt) 12-year-old black and tan was not moving correctly today. Nicely made dog and showing very well for his age. A credit to his handler.

# BITCHES

### **JUNIOR PUPPY BITCH** (4)

- 1) **CHADWICK SHAKE IT OFF** (Eckersley) 6-month-old blenheim. Very pretty puppy. Lovely shape and size. Slightly arching neck into good shoulders and straight front. She moved very well keeping a level topline, good rear angulation and tail set.
- 2) **TUDORR BLUES ALLEY** (Mixon) 5-month-old blanketed blenheim of longer cast than the winner. Good topline and tail set. Moved well round the ring. Litter sister to my puppy dog winner.
- 3) CHARDOMONT JUPITER RISING (Greak/Comer) 7-month-old tri colour nicely broken coat and tan in the correct places. She just needs to drive from behind.
- 4) **BLUEGARDEN PERFECTINY** (Matos/Glynn) 8-month-old lightly marked blenheim with a good topline and tail set. A hard class to be in.

#### **SENIOR PUPPY BITCH** (4)

- VALENTYNE NOTORIOUS AT SUNJAYS (Hellman/O'Brien) 9-month-old beautiful puppy and would have been my best puppy in show. Lovely shape and size. She had a very pretty face with dark eyes given a soft expression. So well balanced on the move. As she could not be my best puppy, I had no hesitation in giving her <u>AWARD</u> <u>OF MERIT 1</u>.
- 2) **DARANE OTHERWORLDLY** (Kates) 11-month-old blenheim more mature in body than the winner. Level topline and well-turned stifle but I preferred the tail set of the winner.
- 3) VALENTYNE SCANDALOUS AT PIAFFE (Rychilik/O'Brien) 9-month-old litter sister to the winner. A close decision between 2nd and 3<sup>rd</sup>. She was a lovely shape and size. I preferred the movement of the first two.
- 4) **KRYSTLE PIECE OF MY HEART** (Torgersen) 9 month old tri colour. When she matures with her full coat it will balance out her length of leg. Needs more schooling on the lead.

### GRADUATE PUPPY BITCH (4) "This was a hard class and they could all change places."

- 1) **BROOKHAVEN DIAMONDS ARE A GIRLS BEST FRIEND** (Gregory/Ayers) 12 month old blenheim lovely size and shape with good straight front and good rear angulation. Her tail was straight off her back which made a lovely picture when she was moving. She had a lovely head with correct length of muzzle, flat skull and high set ears. Nice dark eyes and dark pigmentation.
- 2) CLARMARIAN ECLIPSE OF THE HEART, MP (Young-May/Gogol) 17-monthold blenheim lovely rich colour to her coat. Lovely length of neck, good shoulders, maintained a level topline whilst moving. She was very pretty with cushioning under her eyes giving a soft expression framed with beautiful full and high set ears.
- 3) CHARDOMONT CLOUD DANCER (Greak/Comer) 12-month-old blenheim nice size and shape with good rear angulation and good tail set. Moved well just a hard class.
- 4) **SHERAH SPRING TIME** (Crommett) 14-month-old blenheim nice size and shape but needs to firm up in topline.

### **NOVICE BITCH** (3)

- 1) **NIGHTINGALE SUGAR BABY** (Mulligan) 1 year old blenheim blanketed markings of rich chestnut. She moves wide at the front at the moment but when her ribs spring she will tighten up.
- 2) **LINRICA DOUBLE HAPPINESS** (Liu/Shiung) 1 year old blenheim blanketed markings of rich chestnut. She moves wide at the front at the moment but when her ribs spring she will tighten up.
- 3) **KRYSTLE I WILL REMEMBER YOU** (Torgersen) 9-month-old Blenheim giving a lot away in maturity in this class. She had a lovely dark eyes and good dark pigmentation. Has promise.

# **BRED BY EXHIBITOR BITCH** (3) "A close decision between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> here."

 CH CHADWICK TRIVIAL PURSUIT JW (Reed/Eckersley) 2-year-old blenheim well broken chestnut coat on a pearl white background. She had a pretty head with dark round eyes, correct length of muzzle and a flat skull with high set ears. She was then my <u>AWARD OF MERIT 2.</u>

- 2) **NIGHTINGALE BUILD ME UP BUTTERCUP** (Mulligan) 2-year-old blenheim rich chestnut coat that was silky to the touch. A pretty head with good cushioning under the eyes to give a soft expression. She made a lovely picture when moving and standing but was just carrying a bit too much weight across her back and shoulders which made the difference today.
- 3) CHARDOMONT SPECIAL EDITION (Greak/Comer) 1 year old blenheim lovely bitch with a nicely broken coat. Pretty head with dark round eyes. Very good neck and shoulders straight front and good bone. She was giving a lot away in maturity in this class against the two older bitches and I preferred their tails sets.

# JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED BITCH (4) "A lovely class to judge, 4 quality bitches."

- TIBBENDON SUMMER BREEZE AT VALENTYNE, MP (O'Brien) I was given the age of 12 months for this bitch, however, she was still a puppy, so as well as being my Reserve Winners Bitch was Best Puppy Bitch and Best Puppy in Show. She was so balanced on the move and made a lovely picture standing and moving. Her tail being an extension of her back with a level topline and moving effortlessly round the ring. She had a very pretty feminine head with large dark round eyes. dark rims and good dark pigmentation. Lovely flat skull, high set ears which were full of feathering for a young bitch. <u>RESERVE WINNERS, BITCH BEST PUPPY BITCH & BEST PUPPY IN SHOW</u>
- 2) **CLARMARIAN AFFAIRS OF THE HEART, JW, MP** (McFarland/Young-May) 17month old more mature bitch with a more finished coat of rich chestnut and silky to the touch. She had a pretty feminine head with a lovely slightly arched neck into good shoulders. Just a shame to be in the same class.
- 3) **TASSAJARA JALAPENO PEPPER** (Seidman) 17-month-old blenheim. Very pretty head. Moved well round the ring with good tail carriage and level topline.
- 4) **DREAMVALE AMERICAN DYNASTY AT CROWNROSE** (Rosenberg) 14month-old with the most adorable face. She has large round dark eyes and had that 'smiling' expression that only a few cavaliers have. Dark pigmentation, correct bite, high set ears and the 'lozenge' not seen on many these days.

### AMERICAN BRED BITCH (3)

- 1) **FALLING SPRINGS SHINING BRIGHTLY** (Grimm Curley) 2-year-old blenheim cobby bitch with good topline and tail set. Lovely size and shape.
- 2) SHERAH PERFECTLY WICKED (Crommett) 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> year old blenheim cobby bitch moving nicely with level topline nice head and ears. Just preferred the outgoing temperament of the winner.
- BLACKFIRE BELLA ROSSA (Weidig/Kennedy/McLaughlin/Kennedy) 22-monthold ruby bitch, well balanced good topline and tail set. Very well-schooled. <u>BEST</u> <u>RUBY IN SHOW</u>

### **SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM BITCH** (3)

1) **NIGHTINGALE MAKIN' TROUBLE** (Mulligan) 18-month-old blenheim. A very close decision between 1 & 2 very pretty feminine head and dark eyes and rims won me over. She has a good body with balanced outline.

- 2) CLARMARIAN BE STILL MY HEART (McFarland/Young-May) 17-month-old blenheim. She was a lovely size and shape but head and eye were not as soft as 1.
- 3) **PIAFFE IN THE MEADOW** (Rychilik) 4-year-old blenheim nice bitch with good movement. Pretty head. Level topline and good tailset.

# **SPECIAL LIMIT TRICOLOR BITCH** (2)

- 1) CHADWICK BACCARAT OF CEILIMOR, JW (McCarty/Eckersley) 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> year old tri colour cobby bitch with lovely face and well broken markings. In lovely coat and condition.
- BLACKFIRE NEW YORK STATE OF MIND (Weidig/Kennedy/McLaughlin/Kennedy) 23-month-old tri colour larger frame but well balanced. Blanketed markings with missing a blaze which changed her expression.

# **SPECIAL LIMIT BLACK AND TAN BITCH** (2)

- 1) **TIALULLY TATTOO TOOTSIE AT CARLEN** (Close/Rubino) 2-year-old black and tan, lovely constructed but I would prefer a brighter tan. When she settled into consistent speed she moved very well round the ring.
- 2) JEMANDA PRINCESS LEIA (Weinstein) not yet 4-year-old larger but nice bitch with good tan markings and in beautiful coat and condition. She was not giving her handler an easy time. She will do better if she walks better with her handler.

<u>OPEN BITCH</u> (3) "What a lovely class 3 supper bitch who were all beautifully presented and they gave me the hardest decision of the day. I am sure they will all change places under different judges. I was not surprised when I consulted the catalogue that they were all Champions. All deserving of their titles."

- CH CROWNHEIR HALLELUJAH, AW (Fadal) 3-year-old blenheim, beautiful up to size but so balanced and what a show girl. She was my Winners Bitch and Best Opposite Sex in Show beaten only by the boys. Her tail can be carried a little high when moving but it is a perfect extension of her back and makes a beautiful outline when standing. <u>WINNERS BITCH & BEST OPPOSITE SEX IN SHOW</u>
- 2) CH PINNACLEE BABY YOU'RE A FIREWORK (Gregory/Ayers) 16-month-old beautiful black and tan, good rich tan and raven black. Her coat was so beautifully soft to the touch and was shining under the lights. Good balanced body, moving effortlessly round the ring. <u>BEST BLACK AND TAN IN SHOW</u>
- 3) CH TASSAJARA SOME BUNNY LOVES ME, JW (Seidman) Nearly 2-year-old beautiful feminine expression. A lovely level top line, good tail set and moving so effortlessly round the ring.

### **SENIOR OPEN BITCH** (2)

1) CH SUNJAYS RUMOR HAS IT, C-TKA, C-RE (Hellman) 8-year-old blenheim in excellent coat and great movement for her age. A lovely bitch with a full and complete bite.

2) NIGHTHAWKS COCO CHANEL (Fadal) 8-year-old Blenheim beautiful bitch with a pretty feminine head and long ear feathers but carrying a bit too much weight. Presented in a beautiful silky coat.

# <u>VETERAN DOG</u> (2)

- CH BELLA SOGNI DOLCI DE AMOR, VW (Weeks)10-year-old tri colour. Even at this age his colours are so bright. Raven black, pearl white and rich tan. He makes a lovely picture standing and moving with drive round the ring. <u>BEST VETERAN</u> <u>DOG AND BEST VETERAN IN SHOW.</u>
- 2) **BLACKFIRE SIMPLE TWIST OF FATE** (Weidig/Reichardt) 12 year old black and tan dog with no grey hairs. He was in beautiful soft coat to the touch and shining under the lights. A credit to his owner.

### **VETERAN BITCH** (1)

1) CH SUNJAYS RUMOR HAS IT, C-TKA, C-RE (Hellman) (See above) <u>BEST</u> <u>VETERAN BITCH</u>