

Cavaliers Of The South
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Judge: Heather Lamont (Moorfields)

Many thanks to the officers and hard working committee of the COS Club for inviting me to judge at this show. Your organization is second to none. Thank you to my excellent ring steward who kept everything running so efficiently. It was an honour to judge so many top class dogs and youngsters and interesting to note my top winners were American bred. It was very difficult to differentiate between the winning exhibits as they were top quality and were stunning in different ways. I thought the quality all over was exceptionally good. Temperaments, and heads and eyes were excellent. Construction in general was good, but dogs who sloped off badly at the croup were penalized, let's maintain those lovely level toplines. Numerically the tricolours were disappointing and did not have the quality of the others but I was delighted to find such an improvement in the wholecolours since I last judged in the USA.

Junior Puppy Dog (10) Very strong class!

1. Forestcreek Braveheart (Cline) Very well constructed, well marked blenheim who presented an excellent profile picture. Excellent bone and size. Handsome masculine head with large dark eyes and dense nose pigmentation. He moved with aplomb holding a level topline at all times. An exciting prospect. **Best Puppy Dog**
2. Brookhaven Beau Rivage (Ayers/Martz) Another quality blenheim with an attractive masculine head, dark eyes and pigmentation. Quality coat coming through. Needs more experience so he can show himself to advantage. **3. Forestcreek Moonraker** (Cline) Heavily marked boy of correct size with very good bone and substance. Well constructed and moved well. Needs time to grow more coat for better finish. **4. Nightingale The Eyes Have It** (Mulligan/Duke) Blenheim of lovely size who was very well presented and shown. Good construction but proud of his tail today. Very attentive to his handler and temperament was excellent.

Senior Puppy Dog (4)

1. Du Jardin De Clair Bow (Gentil) Top quality ruby. Excellent substance and bone for his perfect size. Masculine head with dark eyes and pigmentation. Well constructed throughout, he had to move well, displaying a happy temperament. I predict he will not find it tough to trouble the best! **2. Hiddencreek Mason** (Green) Another quality exhibit. Well made throughout. Mature with very good substance and bone for his size. Lovely silky coat with excellent furnishings.. Excellent temperament and showmanship. **3. Chewcreek Red Solo Cup** (DePhillip) Quite heavily marked tri with lovely eyes and expression. Well made throughout but needs time to spring in rib and mature. He moved around the ring with drive. Moved and showed well. **4. Mimric Moves Like Jagger** (Painter/Hodges) Very well constructed, heavily marked blenheim. Attractive dog but up to size for me and did not always drive from behind on the move.

Graduate Puppy Dog (4)

1. Bonitos Companeros Eldorado, JW (Magera/Mitchell) Well marked boy of excellent size and substance. Shown in excellent coat. Stamp of quality. Expertly handled and presented. Would just prefer a little more fill in muzzle to give softer expression. **2. Lacouture King of Rock** (Gentil) Well made, sound moving dog, with level topline although a little proud of his tail today. Lovely masculine head with large dark eyes. **3. Forestcreek Buttonfly** (Cline) Excellent size and substance. Well made throughout, but I did not care for his head and expression and by this stage of the weekend he would not keep his eyes open! **4. Foxwyn A Storybook Romance** (Baker-Fox) Well broken blenheim of good size and shape. Nice enough head which should improve with time. Sloping off a little at the croup and not cooperating with his handler today.

Novice Dog (3)

1. Tassajara John Steinbeck (Seidman) Very typical, well broken blenheim of correct size and substance. Attractive head with large dark round eyes, although a little short in muzzle. Shown in excellent condition and displaying a very happy temperament. Well made and moved very well. **2. Forestcreek Royal Harry** (Castrogiovanni) Well broken blenheim shown in lovely coat and condition. He showed well with excellent temperament. Lovely head with large dark eyes and dense nose pigmentation. Would have preferred more drive from the rear. **3. Cruisin Diamond N De Ruff** (Bird-Whitley/Rackler) Well trained black/tan with large round eyes and good ear feathering but was not in the coat condition of 1 and 2. Lost his topline on the move.

Bred By Exhibitor Dog (3)

1. Ch Forestcreek Double O Seven, JW (Cline) Well marked blenheim from the top drawer who exuded quality. Good reach of neck, well laid back shoulders, excellent turn of stifle which he used to advantage while moving around the ring, holding a level topline. Beautiful long silky coat which was presented to perfection. The icing on the cake was his lovely masculine head with huge dark limpid eyes, dense nose pigmentation, well cushioned muzzle and sweetest of expressions. **Winners Dog, Best in Show, Best Blenheim in Show, Best Bred By Exhibitor in Show, Best American Bred in Show**
2. Ch Piccadil Peppermint Twist (York) Another quality dog. Well marked. Excellent construction, he moved round the ring with drive and elegant carriage. Expertly handled and presented. **3. Dreamvale Motley Crue** (Sage/Colbert) Very good size, shape and conformation. Very attractive head with large eyes, although they could be darker.. Charming personality.

Junior American Bred Dog (3)

1. Brookhaven Kid Rock at Almeara, JW (Whitmire/Ayers/Martz) Very typical, well broken blenheim of correct size and

substance. Attractive masculine head with large dark round eyes. Shown in excellent condition and displaying a very happy temperament. Well made and moved very well. **2. Forestcreek Bradley** (Mitchell) Very attractive masculine head with large dark round eyes and soft expression. Soundly made, he looks up to size but hope he will “drop into his legs” and coat up. **3. Denham Superstorm** (Maddox) Rich chestnut ruby shown in gleaming coat and condition. Lovely size, nice bone and head. Didn't drive so well behind which meant he lost his topline on the move.

American Bred Dog (6) Places will change many times in the future, I think. This class was hard to separate.

1. Nightingale Jackson Browne (Birmingham) Well broken blenheim. Lovely masculine head with large eyes which I would prefer a shade darker. Well constructed fore and aft, he moved and showed well, holding a level topline. Excellent condition and showmanship. **2. Forestcreek Apollo** (Walzer/Cline) Very close up to the winner. Richly marked blenheim boy of correct size and bone. Very attractive head with gorgeous large dark limpid eyes. Well constructed, he stood himself four square. Just lost his topline a little on the move. **3. Oggbrae Don Ottavio** (Bales) Well broken blenheim complete with lozenge. Attractive head. Soundly constructed fore and aft. Another nice type who just lost his topline on the move. **4. Markley Double Play** (Storey) Stylish enough blenheim. Attractive enough head with dark eyes. Moved and showed well. Coat today spoiled the overall picture.

Health & Conformation Dog (2)

1. Grantilly Goodwood at TruElegance (Cromer) Six year old blenheim, very happy and stylish, nice overall shape and construction both front and rear, nice head and eyes, showed happily on the stand and on the move, moved enthusiastically and freely. Lovely masculine head framed by long ears. **2. Avia Sgt Pepper** (Marler) Well constructed little blenheim of nice type. Nice head and expression. Coat in rather harsh condition, possibly because he was painfully thin.

Special Limit Blenheim Dog (8)

1. Aldachell Olympic Gold at Huntland (Land) Well broken boy in good coat and condition. Excellent size and bone. Good front, shoulders, level topline. It was his head which bowled me over. It was not overdone in any way, but masculine with huge dark eyes and melting expression. He just lacked a little confidence, which I'm told is improving. **2. Pascavale Kingsley** (Ayers/Martz) Handsome quality boy, in beautiful condition. So well constructed, he strode around the ring with aplomb. Lovely size and bone. Just a little disinterested on the table and didn't open his eyes fully. **3. Tudorr Apollo** (Mixon) Another quality richly marked blenheim. Dark limpid eyes and excellent nose pigmentation. Excellent movement and showmanship. Super size and bone. Would prefer more fill in muzzle. **4. Tassajara Hugh Jackman** (Seidman/Hughes/Berkau) Another very elegant, well balanced boy who was close up to the winners. Very well constructed and sound. He flowed around the ring keeping his level topline. Just piped by those above on expression, a little heavy headed for me.

Special Limit Tricolor Dog (3)

1. Piccadil Hit Me With Your Best Shot (York) Well constructed throughout, he moved and showed beautifully very good temperament and a top quality dog. Just up to size for me. **Best Tricolor Dog 2. Brookhaven Smoke and Mirrors at Granlaurel** (Painter) Excellent size with just enough bone. Attractive enough head with huge dark eyes but would prefer a flatter skull for a more masculine appearance. Moved and showed well. Excellent temperament. **3. Tudorr Tango** (Mixon/Adams) Good size and construction, heavier marked. Showed beautifully, very attentive at all times. Attractive enough head but would prefer more fill in muzzle.

Special Limit Ruby Dog (3)

1. Autumnhill Gone Country (Casey) Handsome boy in excellent coat and condition. Rich colour. Lovely head with large dark eyes but expression could be softer. Good front and excellent topline. Showed beautifully. **2. Harana Shakin Stevens** (Klutts) Very nice size with excellent bone and substance. Attractive enough head with dark eyes. Well made but would prefer richer colour and a little proud of his tail today. Shown in lovely condition. **3. Cambridge Ruby Dream** (Magera/Mitchell) Small, well boned dog of excellent rich chestnut colour.. Gorgeous eyes and head but lacked drive on the move and missing a lot of coat furnishings.

Special Limit Black & Tan Dog (1)

1. Brookhaven Bob Bailey (Schilling) Very handsome boy of excellent size with good bone. Well constructed, he moved well, keeping a level topline. His eyes were large and round but could be a shade darker. Excellent temperament. **Best Black & Tan in Show**

Open Dog (4)

1. Ch Melrose Gold For Bonitos Companeros, JW (Magera/Mitchell) Richly coloured ruby boy with a stamp of exceptional quality. Very well constructed with good reach of neck, well laid back shoulders, good spring of rib, level topline, and excellent turn of stifle which he used to advantage. Shown in glorious condition with long silky coat. Beautiful large eyes. **Reserve Winners Dog, Reserve Best in Show, Best Ruby in Show**
2. Ch Turretbank Magic Spell (Green/Sloan) Top quality black and tan who was close up to the winner. He excelled in size and type. Gorgeous head with huge dark eyes and soft expression, just at full maturity. Well constructed throughout, he moved and showed beautifully. Just lacking the coat furnishings of the top winners. **3. Ch Angels Pride Love Vegas of Sumara** (Gentil) Another quality, well marked dog .. Well constructed throughout.. Shown in good coat and condition, good size and bone. A nice type, just unfortunate to meet 1 and 2 in this class. **4. Blackfire Simple Twist of Fate** (McLaughlin/Weidig/Kennedy) A very happy black and tan of good size. Good rich tan markings. Well enough constructed.

He looked a little rangy in this class with lack of furnishings.

Senior Open Dog (1)

1. Closeburn Graham Macinnes (Trad) Richly coloured ruby, not looking his age. Very attractive head with large dark round eyes. Good neck, shoulders topline and strong backend. Good movement and showmanship.

Junior Puppy Bitch (8) A very strong class!

1. Tudorr La Dolce Vita (Mixon/Cline) Gorgeous blenheim from the top drawer with lovely bone and good overall proportions, well constructed front and rear with excellent angulation. She could not stand wrongly. Exquisite head with good expression, large dark eyes and excellent pigmentation. Outgoing personality, moved happily, soundly and freely with good balance, shown in good coat and condition. In the challenge her attitude and showmanship just pipped her closest rival and I could not deny her **Winners Bitch, Best of Opposite Sex, Best Puppy Bitch, Best Puppy in Show, Best Blenheim Bitch, Best Bred By Exhibitor Bitch, Best American Bred Bitch**. Wish she was mine.

2. Jayba Nanette (Lander) Blenheim bitch with lovely eyes and expression, good head, good size and shape with good front and rear angulation, nice level topline, good tail carriage, moved soundly and happily. A nice puppy overall, lacked the confidence of the class winner. **3. Brookhaven Believe In Me** (Ayers/Martz) Blenheim bitch puppy with correct overall construction, and well broken markings. Small feminine and very pretty with large dark eyes. Just needs more confidence.

4. Angel's Pride Jive Sensation (Gentil) Well broken blenheim of good overall type, and shape, nice dark eyes, pretty feminine head. Very happy disposition both on the stand and when moving, I just hope she grows on a bit.

Senior Puppy Bitch (5)

1. Mimric Buffalo Gal (Hodges/Perkins) Heavily marked blenheim, lovely head and expression, good front construction, level topline with nice reach of neck, good angulation, very happy on the move, moved confidently and positively. Quite a character! **2. Almeara Look At Me** (Whitmire) Lightly marked blenheim with exquisite head and good eyes, happy temperament, very attentive to her handler, good overall proportions with nice front and rear angulation, very smart on the move. Slight wave in the coat. **3. Padamere Indigo** (Miller) Heavier marked tri but nice overall shape, size and construction, nice carriage on the move. Elegant neck and shoulders. Excellent showmanship. Needs to fill out in muzzle. **4. Azalearun We're In The Money** (Schilling/Ayers) Typical ruby who was quite a handful to show! She had a mind of her own. Pretty enough head with dark eyes. Did not move with drive today.

Graduate Puppy Bitch (8)

1. Brookhaven Sexy Sadie (Ayers/Martz) Very typey blenheim bitch with very nice dark eyes and desired expression, good overall front and rear construction, nice in outline with good carriage, good reach of neck, flowed on the move and moved soundly with good disposition, shown in good coat and condition. Clear class winner. **2. Foxwyn Tell Me A Story** (Baker-Fox) Nice feminine blenheim bitch with lovely large lustrous eyes, good overall proportions, shape and size, good shoulders, lovely rich chestnut markings, nice full expression, moved freely and positively. **3. Foxwyn Once Upon A Time** (Baker-Fox) Well constructed blenheim with good front and rear, nicely broken markings, good type, very happy outgoing temperament, moved soundly and freely. A size bigger than 1 and 2. **4. Dallarock Dora** (Geldermann) Well marked blenheim with good overall construction, good reach of neck, nice dark eyes. Lack of drive from the backend made her move sideways.

Bred By Exhibitor Bitch (1)

1. Ch Kean Ultraviolet, JW (Keane) Gorgeous blenheim of exceptional quality with good overall construction, nice shape, size and outline. Her head and eyes were exquisite, a model of the breed standard. I wanted to stare at her for a long time! Shown in lovely coat and condition, moved freely and soundly. I just wished she had more confidence, and her lack of cooperation in the challenge, meant she had to settle for **Reserve Winners Bitch**.

Junior American Bred Bitch (3)

1. Mimric Move Over Boys (Hodges/Perkins) Small pretty blenheim with good shape and overall outline, lovely head and soft expression with dark eyes framed with good ear fringes, well broken markings, shown in good condition, very nice on the stand, moved soundly but a little insecure. **2. Denham Over The Moon** (Maddox) Black and tan with nice head and expression, desired dark eyes, good front and shoulders, nicely angulated hind quarters, good overall shape and type, moved happily, confidently but lost her topline on the move. **Best Black & Tan Bitch** **3. Jayba Beatrix** (Lander) Top quality blenheim with pretty head, nice reach of neck and good topline, good overall shape, well constructed both front and rear, stood four square but would not walk at all.

American Bred Bitch (8) This was a strong class and positions would change on a different day, I had to make hairsplitting decisions.

1. Tassajara Forestcreek A Fortune (Cline) Blenheim bitch of lovely size and type, with exquisite head, eyes and expression, well defined markings, nice reach of neck, good front and rear construction, very happy on the stand, moved soundly but was beginning to lag at this stage of the weekend. **2. Jayba Knockout, JW** (Lander/George) Another blenheim of lovely size, shape and type, nice head with lovely dark expressive eyes, but a little short in muzzle. Good construction both front and rear with nice outline, shown in good coat and lovely condition. Very showy on the move. **3. Forestcreek Pippa M** (Mixon/Cline) Heavily marked blenheim with very happy and outgoing temperament, good overall construction with good topline, nice dark eyes, nice on the move showing happily and confidently. **4. TruElegance Raise Your Glass**

(Cromer) Blenheim with good overall shape and construction both front and rear, nice head and eyes, well broken markings, moved generally soundly with a happy disposition although a little proud of her tail.

Special Limit Blenheim Bitch (4)

1. Tudorr Mercedes (Mixon/Cline) Blenheim with lovely dark large eyes, very happy and outgoing in temperament, good bone and well constructed overall with good front and rear angulation, nice rich chestnut colour, very smart on the stand and on the move. A narrow blaze detracted slightly, but could not be denied the class on her overall quality. **2. Brookhaven In The Garden, JW** (Ayers/Martz) A close decision but I preferred the drive of my class winner. Small, feminine, well broken markings. Exceptionally pretty head and well made throughout with good angles and level topline. **3. Mimric A Capella** (Hodges/Perkins) Blenheim bitch shown in good coat and condition, good eyes and expression, good front and rear construction, a happy showgirl who moved soundly. Not the head of 1 or 2. **4. Blackfire I Approved This Message** (Weidig/Kennedy) Blenheim with rich chestnut well broken markings complete with lozenge, nice dark eyes and good nose pigment Pretty and feminine. Lost her topline on the move.

Special Limit Tricolor Bitch (1)

1. Blackfire October Surprise (Weidig/Kennedy) Well marked feminine girl with a very pretty head and rich tan markings. Round dark eyes. Lost her topline on the move.

Special Limit Ruby Bitch (3)

1. Brookhaven Lucky Penny (Schilling/Ayers) Ruby bitch of excellent size and type, very nice head with expressive eyes, good front and rear construction, good reach of neck with good outline and level topline which she used to good effect on the move, super disposition standing happily and moving soundly and confidently with balance. **Best Ruby Bitch** **2. Darane My Darling Clementine at Chewcreek** (DePhillip) Another Ruby with nice head and eyes, good overall shape and construction front and rear, shown in good coat and condition, stood four square, showed well and had nice shape and carriage on the move, moved confidently and happily, preferred the rich colour of my class winner. **3. Dawnaquinn Paint The Town Red** (Magera) A ruby again with a nice head type and good eyes, nice overall type and shape, good construction front and rear, showed happily but lacked drive on the move..

Open Bitch (4)

1. Brookhaven Mystic Sky (Ayers/Martz) Blenheim with well defined markings, good reach of neck, nice head although a little short in muzzle, good overall construction both front and rear, nice level topline, shown in good coat and condition, a very happy showgirl both on the stand and when moving, moved confidently. **2. Ch Lanmar Pometini** (Hubbard/Beavers) Good size, shape and overall proportions, nice neck and shoulders with good outline, well constructed both front and rear, very nice head, eyes and expression. She didn't move with the drive of the winner. I realize that so many were tired by this stage of the weekend. **3. Nightingale Kit Kat** (Mulligan) Blenheim bitch of lovely type and size, very nice in overall shape and construction, good front and rear, nice head and eyes. Well presented and in good coat, again she was beginning to look tired. **4. Ch Pinecrest Moonshine, JW** (Storey/Eubank) Blenheim with well defined markings and lozenge, good reach of neck, nice head and eyes, good overall construction both front and rear, nice level topline, happy showgirl both on the stand and moved confidently. Just a size larger than the others.

Senior Open Bitch (1)

1. Chadwick Pickety (Taub) Small feminine tricolour, very happy and spritely for her age, nice overall shape and construction both front and rear, nice head and eyes, showed happy on the stand and on the move, moved enthusiastically and freely. **Best Tricolor Bitch**