

Cavaliers of the South
12/07/13, Chattanooga, TN
Judge: Shirley Henry (Shirmont)

I would like to thank the Cavaliers of the South for giving me my first judging assignment in which points were awarded. Four years of anticipation, education and hard work went into the judging program and I don't know that I have ever been more excited. Thank you to everyone who brought their pride and joy to me, allowing me to give my opinion. As I wrote this critique I realized that it was so redundant when it came to heads, but there were so many beautiful and correct heads that they had to be mentioned often. I want to especially thank the show chairs, Earline Barrios and Nancy Maddox for all of their hard work and planning. Bruce and I enjoyed the week-end so much and getting to know our co-judges Ian and Pauline Sidgwick was "icing on the cake". From the basket in our room when we arrived to the wonderful judge's prize hand painted by Nancy Maddox, the week-end was delightful in every way.

Junior Puppy Dog (4)

1. Bonitos Companeros El Dorado (Magers/Mitchell) 8 month old Blenheim puppy dog, compact and small, masculine head with dark eyes, good bite, straighter in the rear than I would like but loved his expression, and confidence in the ring. **2. Darane Hellboy** (Kates) 8 month old ruby puppy dog, splitting hairs with the winner, a little larger than #1, another lovely head with round dark eyes and pleasing temperament. **3. Piccadil Once In A Lifetime (York)** 6 month old well broken tricolor puppy dog, younger than the other two just needs to mature, head a bit plainer at this time but can change with his maturity. **4. Closeburn Spencer Stirling Stuart** (Cullen/Fairchild) 7 month old Blenheim puppy dog, dark round eyes with good ear placement framing his face, sweet expression, good movement around the ring enjoying himself.

Senior Puppy Dog (4)

1. Denham Superstorm (Maddox) 11 month old ruby puppy dog, presented immaculately, sweet face and expression, nice size with good angulation and balance, level topline and good tailset. Please to award him **Best Puppy Dog** and **Best Puppy in Show**. **2. Melrose Joker for Bonitos Companeros** (Adair/Vorderstrasse/Kirschbaum) 10 month old ruby puppy dog, loved his enthusiasm and spirit, large round double pigmented eyes and broad skull. **3. Darane Frodo Baggins** (Kates) 11 month old well broken Blenheim puppy dog, well broken, good angulation, good topline and tailset, gentle sweet expression. **4. Dreamvale Spotted Dick** (Jones/Sage) 11 month old tricolor puppy dog, nice size, dark eyes, good ear set, would prefer a wider blaze to give a gentler expression.

Bred by Exhibitor Dogs (1)

1. Ch Brookhaven Believe It or Not, JW (Ayers/Martz) 2 year old Blenheim male, super size, lots to like, well broken, level topline, good angulation, handsome masculine head with gentlest of expressions, good reach and drive, a little out of coat on this day, pleased to award him **Winners Dog** and **Best of Opposite Sex. Best Blenheim Dog, Best Bred By Exhibitor Dog, Best American Bred Dog**

Junior American Bred Dogs (2)

1. Brookhaven Kid Rock at Almeara, JW (Ayers/Martz) 13 month old Blenheim male entering ring with nice topline and confidence, good reach and drive, nice broad skull, ears well placed framing face, strong teeth. **2. Bentwood Imagistic** (Borton) 12 month old well broken Blenheim male, a little larger than winner, nice double pigmented eyes with cushioning, good ear set, preferred rear of winner today.

American Bred Dog (9)

1. Chewcreek Three Amigos Dusty Bottoms, JW (DePhillip) 2 year old Blenheim male, lightly marked, loved his attitude when he came into the ring, great size, good angulation, level topline, elegant neck with well laid back shoulders, dark expressive eyes, handsome masculine head, out of coat today but nothing to hide. Happy to award him **Reserve Winners Dog**.

2. Seneca Manor Native Dancer (Gerkin) 2-1/2 year old Blenheim male, well broken, very pretty head with Blenheim spot, large dark eyes, nice level topline, moved around the ring confidently, great temperament. **3. Brookhaven Morgan at Lanmar** (Hubbard) 3-1/2 year old Blenheim male, well balanced, good rear and good tailset, handsome head, like his size, moved with good reach and drive. **4. Brookhaven Jessie** (Parente) 3-1/2 year old Blenheim, another small well balanced male with good turn of stifle, nice broad skull with well placed ears framing his face, lending to a soft expression.

Special Limit Blenheim Dog (5)

1. Brookhaven Dante (Ayers/Martz) 3 year old well broken Blenheim male, nice rich pigment, good bone, good spring of rib, board skull, large dark eyes and good ear placement. **2. Clarmarian Classic by Design** (Young-May)

2 year old Blenheim male, well broken, good pigment with Blenheim spot, loved his size, good angulation, short coupled, lovely head with good earset. **3. Briarcrest Burberry** (Katz) 21 month old Blenheim male with rich chestnut color. He is in very good condition and has a nice neck and shoulders. **4. Clarmarian Covertly Wicked** (Gogol/Young-May) 2 year old Blenheim male, well broken, good size, pretty head, dark round double pigmented eyes, good ear set. Not as animated as others today

Special Limit Ruby Dog (3)

1. Cambridge Ruby Dream (Magera/Mitchell) 5 year old ruby male, small and compact, level topline, good amount of rich ruby coat, pretty head with soft expression, not as happy in the ring today as I would like. **2. Sevenwoods Wildberry** (Shidler) 4 year old ruby male, out of coat on this day, has large dark eyes, a soft gentle expression and a great cavalier temperament. Happy in the ring. **3. Meadowlake License to Kill** (Swanson) 3-1/2 year old ruby male, up to size, in good condition, nice rich pigmented coat, good angulation and tailset, nice masculine head with dark eyes and soft expression.

Special Limit Black & Tan Dog (2)

1. Brookhaven Bob Bailey (Schilling) 5 year old black and tan male, nice size, coat in good condition, presented immaculately, so happy to be with his handler in the ring, masculine head, large dark eye. **2. Elyzian Double Take** (Arnold) 20 month old black and tan. Nice shape with level topline, didn't have one of his better days in the ring today, so a bit hard to comment on. Maturity will make a big difference in this little male.

Open Dog (4)

1. Ch Melrose Gold for Bonitos Companeros, JW (Magera/Mitchell) 2 year old ruby male, small, short back, rich ruby chestnut coat presented in pristine condition, well balanced, good turn of stifle, board skull with long ear furnishings giving his face a soft expression, very strong class. **Best Ruby Dog** **2. Ch Angel's Pride Love Vegas of Sumara** (Gentil) 3 year old tricolor male, good size, rich tan in all the right places, nice head with round dark eye, good earset, rear not as strong as winner. **Best Tricolor Dog** **3. Ch Turrethbank Magic Spell** (Green/Sloan) 2 year old black and tan male, well presented in excellent coat, lovely head, dark eyes, strong teeth, movement around ring could be better today. **Best Black & Tan in Show** **4. Ch Dreamvale Tri Your Luck at Parkbury, JW** (Parker) 20 month old tricolor male with a very handsome masculine head, moved confidently around the ring, level topline, good tailset

Senior Open Dog (1)

1. Closeburn Graham Macinnes (Trad) 8 year old ruby dog, beautiful mature head with the look of wisdom, dark expressive eyes, moving happily around the ring with his owners, a pleasure to see him enjoying himself so much.

Junior Puppy Bitch (8)

1. Autumnhill Desire Me (Parente) This pretty little ruby puppy bitch is 8 months old, she is small and compact with an elegant neck, good layback of shoulders, pretty feminine head, dark eyes, moves at ease with her owner holding a level topline. **Best Puppy Bitch**
2. Linrica Honey Girl (Liu) 8 month old Blenheim puppy bitch with dark rich chestnut pigment, very feminine head with dark double pigmented eyes, today was not showing her best in the ring. **3. Seraphaven Poetry In Motion** (Gogol) 9 month old Blenheim puppy bitch rich chestnut color, level topline, good angulation, good side movement. **4. Marjorelle Love That Juliette** (Conley) This is a 7 month old puppy bitch, beautiful head, good ear set framing face, large dark eyes, happy and a bit high spirited today!

Senior Puppy Bitch (3)

1. Angel's Pride Evening Star of Sumara (Gentil) Another lovely blenheim bitch, 11 months old, and lots of rich chestnut color. Good side movement, well balanced, good angulation. **2. Denham Over The Moon** (Maddox) This 11 month old black and tan bitch has a very sweet face, and large dark eyes, a bit out of coat at the present time, good side movement. **3. Rutherford Byonce** (Jones) 11 month old Blenheim bitch, well broken with dark pigment, feminine head with round dark eye, gentle expression, just would not behave for her owner today

Graduate Puppy Bitch (3)

1. Jayba Knockout, JW (Lander/George) This 11 month old Blenheim bitch has a head that I just love, and she loves to show, a good size, well balanced, level topline which she holds when on the move. Feminine head with nice high earset framing her face. **2. Brookhaven Sexy Sadie, JW** (Ayers/Martz) 12 month old Blenheim bitch, small and compact, rich pigmentation, with a very sweet face, nice outline going around the ring. **3. Brookhaven Rainy Night in Georgia at Lanmar** (Hubbard) This little 16 month old tricolor bitch has a very pretty head, pretty dark eyes with good earset, has rich tan in all the right places. Adores her owner.

Novice Bitch (1)

1. Riverview Pink Champagne (Barrois) This is a pretty Blenheim bitch 11 months old with a good reach of neck, pretty feminine face, soft coat and a happy attitude, so happy that it was a bit hard to get good notes for my critique, but she enjoyed every minute of her time in the ring

Bred By Exhibitor Bitch (3)

1. Ch Kean Ultraviolet, JW (Keane) 16 month old Blenheim bitch, in very good condition, she holds her ears nicely and has lovely dark expressive eyes, good turn of stifle, good side movement. **2. Ch Almeara Scrumpdillyicious, JW** (Whitmire) This two year old tricolor bitch is a bit heavily marked but with a gorgeous head and gentle expression. Good angulation and side movement. **3. Ch Lanmar Pometini** (Hubbard/Beavers) 3 year old tricolor bitch, my notes say "love her size", another beautiful feminine head, good eye and sweetest of expressions. Moved well and adores her handler

Junior American Bred (1)

1. Linrica Femme Fatale, JW (Liu) 12 month old Blenheim bitch with good angulation, good turn of stifle, good size and balance, pretty head and good temperament.

American Bred Bitch (4)

1. Piccadil Gone With The Wind (York) This is a 2 year old Blenheim bitch and my notes say, "love her eyes", very sound on the move with level topline and was presented in wonderful condition. **2. Marshelle I'm No Angel** (Gogol) 4 year old Blenheim bitch, well broken, well placed Blenheim spot, good spring of rib, well laid back shoulders, moves soundly around the ring. **3. Oggbrae Donna Elvira** (Bales) 2-1/2 year old Blenheim bitch, well broken, moved well coming and going, she has lovely dark eyes giving her a gentle expression, wish her ear set was a bit higher. **4. Brookhaven Mystic Sky** (Ayers/Martz) 20 month old Blenheim bitch, love her size and she is very well balanced, lovely head, dark eyes, blackest nose pigment

Special Limit Blenheim Bitch (4)

1. Royalcaper Bluebell Bliss (Clayton) This 3 year old Blenheim bitch is so feminine, beautiful head, wide blaze, dark eyes and full long ears framing her face, level topline and good tailset. **2. Brookhaven In The Garden** (Ayers/Martz) This is a 2 year old Blenheim bitch, a somewhat lightly marked but with dark chestnut pigment, compact and short coupled, pretty head with soft expression, double pigmented eyes, Blenheim spot, good side movement. **3. Jayba Valentina** (Lyman) A 2 year old Blenheim bitch a little longer than 1 and 2, good muscle tone, she has a lovely tail, good pigment nice conditioned coat. A happy show girl. **4. Amantra Minuet at Marjorelle** (Conley) 3 year old Blenheim bitch, lightly marked, feminine head with wide blaze, dark round eyes lending to gentle and sweet expression.

Special Limit Tricolor Bitch (3)

1. Chadwick Pickety (Taub) Wow! A 9 year old tricolor bitch with a very pretty head, shiny coat in excellent condition, solid on the move for her age. **2. Okayc Midsummers Night Dream at Signaturez** (Crane) 22 month old tricolor bitch well broken, rich tan markings, good black pigmented nose, very feminine and spirited on the move. **3. First Capital Daisy Mae** (Arnold) A 3 year old tricolor bitch a little smaller than 1 and 2, very pretty face with rich chestnut markings. Loves her owner and enjoyed her time in the ring

Special Limit Ruby Bitch (2)

1. Darane My Darling Clementine at Chewcreek (DePhillip) 2 year old ruby bitch, compact size, well balanced, very pretty head with very expressive dark eyes, good reach of neck into well laid back shoulders, level topline and good tailset. **2. Dawnaquinn Paint The Town Red** (Magera) 3-1/2 year old ruby bitch, a little longer than #1, and not as much coat, but lovely size, rich ruby coat in immaculate condition, lovely head and full ears, moved well around the ring.

Special Limit Black & Tan Bitch (1)

1. Rutherford Venus W (Jones) 21 month old Black and Tan bitch, nice shape and balance, out of coat today, but very pretty head and large dark eyes, level topline that she maintained in her movement around the ring. **Best Black & Tan Bitch**

Open Bitch (4) What a fabulous class to judge! All fabulous champions in their own right.

1. Ch Bentwood Chloe of Forestcreek, JW (Cline/Harrison) 20 month Blenheim bitch, she caught my eye when she came into the ring oozing with breed type and she did not disappoint, beautiful coat condition, well broken, gorgeous head, moderate reach of neck giving her a look of elegance moving around the ring, happy to award her **Winners Bitch, Best in Show, Best Blenheim in Show, Best American Bred in Show, Best Bred By Exhibitor in Show**

2. Ch Grandville Butterscotch Kiss of Infinidad (Laliberte) 5-1/2 year old ruby bitch, very striking appearance coming into the ring, presented in pristine condition, very feminine head with dark eyes, cushioning, high set ears framing her pretty little face, good turn of stifle, moved around the ring with grace showing off her level topline and correct tailset, happy to award her **Reserve Winners Bitch, Reserve Best in Show, Best Ruby in Show**.

3. Ch Bonitos Companeros Gianna Nannini, JW (Adair) 3 year old Blenheim bitch, such a nice size, gorgeous head with beautiful full ears framing her pretty face creating a sweet and melting expression, good movement down and back. **4. Ch Darane Casablance at Chewcreek** (DePhillip) Still yet another outstanding bitch, this one a 2-1/2

year old tricolor, presented in full silky, straight coat, beautiful head, sound on the move with straight front and strong rear, beautiful head but wish the blaze was a bit wider ***Best Tricolor in Show***

Veteran Dog (2)

1. Closeburn Graham Macinnes (Trad) 8 year old Blenheim male, broad skull, high ear set, double pigmented eyes, good on the move belying his age, loved every minute of his time in the ring with his owner. ***Best Veteran in Show***

2. Chadwick Star Spangle Banner (Taub/Eckersley) 10 year old blenheim male really having a great time today, in good condition, and displayed lots of spirit.