

## **Cavaliers of the West**

**01/17/14, Mesa, AZ**

**Judge: Kirstie McMurray (Merryoth)**

I would like to thank the committee of the Cavaliers of the West for the invitation to judge this lovely show and I thoroughly enjoyed my short stay in the USA. Generally the dogs were of good quality and in the competition for Winners Dog and Winners Bitch I really was splitting hairs. Thank you also to my ring stewards and in particular Ricky Perkins for keeping me on track throughout the day.

### **Junior Puppy Dog (5)**

**1. Mayfield Charming Chester** (Mayfield) 5 month old blen dog who stands four square, well balanced little boy who has lovely markings and nice depth of colour, good bone for his size and age, ample neck with pleasing expression framed by well set ears and excellent dark nose and eye pigment. An exciting little prospect who grew with confidence the more he was in the ring. A lovely puppy and could not deny him **Best Puppy Dog**.

**2. Chadwick Cheers At Hudsonview** (Glynn) Heavily marked 8 month old tricolour who has a lovely disposition and was close up to the winner in this class. Masculine expression framed by well set ears, good strong tan in all the correct places. Ample neck and well angulated front and rear. Moved round the ring with drive. I was splitting hairs here and just felt that the tricolour didn't show himself off to his best advantage in the class. **3. Benchmark Dempsey** (Mitchell) Blen boy who is slightly up to size for his age, pleasing expression with lovely dark eye and nose pigment and framed by well set ears. Good bone for his size and moved steadily round the ring. **4. Benchmark Talk Of The Town** (Peterson) Litter brother of the 3<sup>rd</sup> in this class and many similar comments apply pleasing head and expression and moved round the ring with enthusiasm.

### **Senior Puppy Dog (5)**

**1. Delsol One More Night** (McHenry) Well coated and nicely marked blen boy who was presented to perfection. Lovely soft but yet masculine expression with a well cushioned foreface that was framed by well set and feathered ears. Good dark nose and eye pigment, good reach of neck with good front and rear angulation. Moved round the ring well but was a little bit unsettled but could not deny him the class win just had to give way to the younger boy in the challenge. Another boy that should have a bright future. **2. Cavernet Top Secret** (Sherrin) Nicely marked blen who has lovely rich dark chestnut markings. Stands four square, good bone for his size and age, moved round the ring with drive keeping a nice outline. Pleasing expression with good dark nose and eye pigment. Splitting hairs in this class and just preferred the expression of the winner. **3. Bonitos Companeros Eldorado, JW** (Magera/Mitchell) Blen boy who is presented and handled to perfection. He is a neat little package and stands four square. Very pretty head that is framed by well set ears, well arched neck. He moved round the ring with enthusiasm. **4. Lanola Sarastro** (Matters) Richly marked blen boy who is nicely boned for his age, lovely dark nose and eye pigment, good front and rear angulation and moved round the ring well.

### **Graduate Puppy Dog (1)**

**1. Forestcreek Double O Seven, JW** (Cline) 14 month old boy who is so well furnished for his age. He has an expression to die for, well filled foreface with dense nose and eye pigment, well set ears and good flat skull. Ample neck and good bone for his size, excellent shoulder placement, level topline and tailset, he is well proportioned in every way and stands four square, he was giving his handler a hard time in the class as he didn't really have time to settle as he was the only one. However my notes say a quality dog who was definitely one to beat and he most certainly was. Could not deny him Winners Dog and Best in Show. I was thrilled to find out that this win gave him his Champions crown, well done will follow his career with interested as I loved him and wish he were mine. **Winners Dog, Best in Show, Best Blenheim in Show, Best Bred By Exhibitor in Show, Best American Bred in Show**

### **Bred By Exhibitor Dog (1)**

**1. Ch Brookhaven Believe It Or Not** (Ayers/Martz) Richly marked blen who is very short coupled and excels in his overall balance with a well held topline and tailset. He has the most exquisite expression with lovely large big dark lustrous eyes, a jet black nose, well cushioned foreface. Lovely bone for his size and good front and rear angulation. Moved with drive round the ring and he is one I considered for top honours as he has many similar qualities to his father who I gave WD the last time I judged in the USA.

### **American Bred Dog (5)**

**1. Forestcreek Louisiana Lagniappe** (Cline/Mayfield) Lighter marked blen who was presented and handled excellently. Slightly larger in size however he is full of quality with a gentle but masculine expression, framed by well set and feathered ears. Excellent bone, well arched neck set on a level topline and tailset. This dog comes alive on the move and just flows round the ring. A nice overall package. **2. Brookhaven Jessie** (Parente) Heavier marked blen dog who is an idea size, lovely soft but masculine expression, framed by well set and feathered ears. Good bone for his size and well angulated front and rear. Moved round the ring with drive. **3. Clarmarian Classic By Design** (Young May) Well presented and richly marked blen dog shown in good coat,

pleasing head and expression good earset, nice size and overall shape, moved steadily round the ring. **4.**

**Hiddencreek Hugo Boss, JW** (Green) Heavier marked blen dog shown in good coat. Lovely dark nose and eye pigment and a gentle expression, presented a good picture standing and move ok.

#### **Special Limit Blenheim Dog (3)**

**1. Clarmarian Covertly Wicked** (Gogo/Young May) Litter brother of 3<sup>rd</sup> in previous class. Well cushioned foreface with a masculine expression and good dark nose and eye pigment. Well set and feathered ears, ample reach of neck and good bone. This boy really has to be seen on the move to be appreciated he strides out round the ring showing off an eye-catching shape and level topline. **2. Wellsworth Apple Of My Eye At Hunyhill** (Fleming Balter/Hewitt) Lighter marked boy who has a pleasing expression well cushioned foreface and good ear set. Ample neck and good shoulder with overall good bone for his size. Moved OK round the ring however just preferred the overall balance of the winner. **3. Briarcrest Burberry** (Katz) Heavier marked and shown in good coat and condition. Gentle expression with good dark nose and eye pigment, good reach of neck and good front and rear angulation. Moved steadily.

#### **Special Limit Tricolor Dog (4)**

**1. Chadwick Midnight Sun At Hudsonview** (Glynn) Nicely constructed and balanced boy who is only 17 months old. Good strong tan in all the correct places. Pleasing head and expression with a well cushioned foreface and good dark nose and eye pigment. Ample reach of neck set on level topline and tailset with good reach of shoulder and nicely angulated hind quarters. The more I looked at this boy the more he grew on me and I considered for top honours and was pleased to award him *Best Tricolour in Show*. **2. Luxxar Jumpin Jack Flash Of Crossbow** (Schiffman) Well coated and presented heavier marked 18 month old tri who again has good strong tan. Gentle but yet masculine expression, good earset. Well constructed dog with good bone and well angulated front and rear. Moved well keeping a nice outline with a good topline and tailset. **3. Orchardhill Play For Keeps** (Darr/Venier) 4 yr old tri shown in profuse coat, good nose and eye pigment, pleasing expression good neck and shoulder, moved ok round the ring. **4. Castlekeep Paloma by Jove** (Caton/Swearengen) 3 yr old who is a nice overall size, good strong and dense nose and eye pigment. Nice bone for his size, well arched neck and pleasing expression. Moved steadily.

#### **Open Dog (2)**

**1. Ch Melrose Gold For Bonitos Companeros, JW** (Magera/Mitchell) Ultra glamorous richly coloured ruby boy who is shown in sparkling condition. A beautiful head and expression one that is soft yet masculine, lovely dark eye and nose pigment, well cushioned foreface and well set ears. Nicely arched neck set on a level topline, good shoulders and excellent rear angulation. He is such an ideal size and shape and cant fail to either stand or move incorrectly. He flows round the ring as if he owns it. Shown to his best advantage but had to give way to the younger boy today but could not deny him *Reserve Winners Dog, Reserve Best in Show, Best Ruby in Show*.

**2. Ch Angel's Pride Love Vegas Of Sumara** (Gentil) Another lovely specimen of the breed who is an ideal size and shape. Good strong tan in all the correct places, gentle but yet masculine expression with well cushioned foreface. Well arched neck with good front and rear angulation. He moved with drive keeping his lovely topline and tailset, a well balanced dog who unfortunately was not being very co-operative with his owner today which is a shame as I thought he was lovely.

#### **Junior Puppy Bitch (3)**

**1. Chadwick Leura** (Eckersley) Blen girl who was attending her first show at just short of 6 months and my notes just simply say wow and stunning! From entering the ring to going over her I was so impressed, everything just neatly fits together. She has the sweetest of heads with lovely dark eye and nose pigment, well set ears and a lovely flat skull. Well arched neck fitting into a table top topline and tailset. She moved round the ring with aplomb and style keeping a lovely outline which she shows to advantage when standing too. This baby stole my heart and most definitely would have won the prize of the dog the judge would most like to take home. I was delighted to award her *Best Puppy Bitch* and *Best Puppy in Show* and I will most definitely watch her career with interest. Well done.

**2. Dallarock Dora** (Geldermann) Another lovely puppy who was unfortunately to meet Leura however I am sure they will change places on other occasions. 9 month old and very well put together. Pretty head with lovely large dark eyes and dense nose pigment, well cushioned foreface framed by well set ears. Good reach of neck and level topline and tailset, excellent front and rear angulation. Moved round the ring with drive and presence, a lovely puppy. **3. Archpark Marshmellow Crème** (Lyman) Nicely marked blen girl who was shown in good coat of lovely texture. Ample bone for her size and good shoulder placement and hind angulation. Nice body with well sprung ribs and moved round the ring well.

#### **Senior Puppy Bitch (1)**

**1. Dulce Fiona** (Covell) 9 months old blen girl who is very well balanced and a nice general size and shape for her age. Sweet head with lovely large dark eyes, good earset, ample neck and well placed shoulder. Good bone for her size, level topline and tailset were kept at all times. Moved round the ring with easy and very attentive towards her handler.

### **Graduate Puppy Bitch (3)**

**1. Jayba Knockout, JW** (Lander/George) Neatly made blen girl who was shown in sparkling condition. She has the sweetest of expressions with the darkest of nose and eye pigment and the desired earset. Well arched neck and good shoulder and excellent topline and tailset. She moved round the ring with verve and style keeping her lovely overall shape. One I considered for top honours which I am sure will be not long in coming. **2.**

**Pinecrest Flamin Gogh** (Eubank) Another blen girl who has style and quality and many similar qualities to the winner. Pretty head with well cushioned foreface, good earset and well arched neck, excellent front and rear angulation, covered the ground with ease. It was a close decision between the first two in this class but preferred the balance of the winner. **3. Little Enjoy** (Tyler) Richly marked blen girl who is overall a lovely size, pretty head and well filled foreface with good dark nose and eye pigment, ample bone for her size and good front and rear angulation. Moved steadily round the ring.

### **Novice Bitch (1)**

**1. Brookhaven Harper** (Milosevic/Ayers) 2 yr old blen bitch who has a delightful expression and excels in her overall size. Shown in good coat of lovely soft texture. Good reach of neck set of level topline and tailset, ample bone for her size and good rear action as she moves round the ring.

### **Bred By Exhibitor Bitch (2)**

**1. Astaring Ought To Be A Lawra** (Flowers Foster) 14 month old heavier marked blen girl who the more I looked at her the more I liked her. From going over her on the table you appreciate how well she is put together and then she shows it all off when she gets on the floor and moves with drive. Presented to perfection and shown in nice coat of correct texture. Pretty head with lovely dark eye and nose pigment and framed by well set ears. Well arched neck flowing into good shoulder placement, level topline and tailset. She has well muscled hind quarters (something that is lacking in many dogs ) that allows her to drive round the ring. I was delighted to award her *Reserve Winners Bitch*.

**2. Marilee Scarlet Rose** (Collins) 2 ½ yr old blen who has a pretty head and expression, nice overall size although carrying a little bit too much weight. Good bone and nice front and rear angulation, moved round the ring well keeping a level topline and tailset.

### **Junior American Bred Bitch (1)**

**1. Linrica Femme Fatale, JW** (Liu) 14 month old blen who has the sweetest of expressions, well cushioned foreface and limpid dark eye and nose pigment. Has a pleasing shape both standing and on the move, nicely arched neck and good shoulder placement, moves round the ring with drive keeping a nice outline and the desired level topline and tailset. Shown in good condition just needs to tighten up in the front and she will trouble the best.

### **American Bred Bitch (5)**

**1. Covington Elphaba** (Mohn/Gonyo) 5 ½ yr old blen who is a nice overall size and shape. Pleasing expression with well cushioned foreface, good reach of neck and good shoulder placement, moved round the ring with drive keeping a level topline and tailset. Good rear angulation and well let down hocks. Shown in good coat and well handled. **2. Jayba Valentina** (Lyman) Heavier marked blen who is a shade smaller than the winner and a completely different package. Pretty head with nice dark eye and nose pigment. Good front and rear angulation and moved round the ring with drive keeping a pleasing outline that she also had whilst standing. Just preferred the overall profile of the winner. **3. Mayfield Nighthawk Alyce Sunshine** (Mitchell/Mayfield) Lighter marked blen who is very short coupled and never stopped wagging throughout the class. Another one with a nice head and expression framed by well set and feathered ears. Good bone for her size and nice angles front and rear. Moved well. **4. Bekenhall This Is The Life At Royalcaper** (Clayton) 18 month old blen who has is a nice overall size and shape. Pretty head with a well cushioned foreface. Good bone for her size and moved ok both coming and going.

### **Special Limit Blenheim Bitch (4)**

**1. Loranka's Seraphim At Cuddlemore** (Moulton/Heafy) Lightly marked blen girl who was shown in sparkling condition and not a hair out of place. She has the sweetest of expressions with good dark eye and dense nose pigment. Good shoulder placement and well arched neck, level topline and tailset. This girl comes alive on the move and has the most wonderfully muscled rear end (something that was only apparent in a few of the dogs today). A lovely little girl who I found enchanting. **2. Brookhaven Ella** (Milosevic/Ayers) Heavier marked girl with the richest of colours. Sweetest of heads and well cushioned foreface framed by well set ears. Well arched neck and good front and rear angulation, moved well at all times. **3. Jayba Pure Poetry** (Lyman) Nicely marked and well balanced girl, pretty head with well cushioned foreface framed by well set ears, ample neck and bone for her size, level topline and tailset and moved enthusiastically at all times. **4. Royalcaper Bluebell Bliss** (Clayton) Feminine girl who stood four square, prettiest of expressions, well arched neck set on level topline and good tailset. Moved steadily round the ring.

### **Special Limit Tricolor Bitch (4)**

**1. Prima Quartett Bloody Mary** (Bronowicka/Carter) Heavier marked girl who was shown in profuse coat of lovely quality and texture. Prettiest of heads with a nicely cushioned foreface. Lovely dark nose and eye pigment and good strong tan in all the correct places. Well arched neck and set onto a level topline that she kept at all times. Moved round the ring well keeping a lovely outline with an excellent tailset. She pushed hard for top honours today and delighted to see her winning her crown on the final day of the show. Well done. **Best Tricolor Bitch** **2. Canyoncrest Miss Madelyn** (DuRoss) Another lovely girl who has similar qualities to the winner and shown in sparkling condition. Pretty head and delightful expression, framed by well set ears. Ample neck and moved true both coming and going. Just lost out on the overall coat and condition of the winner. **3. Ladybrook Trinity Cherub** (Yokley/Barajas) Nicely marked and well balanced little girl who stands four square, good strong tan and pretty expression. Good bone for her size and well angled front and rear. Moved well at all times keeping an eye catching outline. **4. Nottinghill Kiss Me Kate** (Barnfather) Heavily marked girl of a good overall size and shape, shown in good coat and condition, ample bone for her size. A very happy girl who moved well round the ring.

**Special Limit Ruby Bitch (1)**

**1. Elyzian Something Precious** (Olsen) Pretty headed girl who is a lovely size and shape, good dark nose and eye pigment and the richest of ruby colour. Well set and feathered ears. Good bone for her size and nice front and rear angulation that allowed her to move round the ring with drive keeping a good overall shape and a good topline and tailset. **Best Ruby Bitch**

**Open Bitch (2)** Two lovely bitches were in this class and I found I really had to split hairs as they will most definitely change places on another day.

**1. Ch Pinecrest Destinys Child, JW** (Eubank) Delightful blen girl who captivated me , she has the most divine expression with huge dark eyes, the ones you could lose yourself in! Well cushioned foreface and well set and feathered ears, nicely arched neck and excellent shoulder placement. She is an ideal size and shape and presented an attractive picture both standing and on the move. Drives round the ring using her well muscled hind quarters and keeping a lovely profile with level topline and tailset. Presented and handled to perfection as are all from this kennel and she never put a foot wrong and could not deny her **Winners Bitch, Best of Opposite Sex, Best Blenheim Bitch, Best American Bred Bitch, Best Bred By Exhibitor Bitch.**

**2. Ch Bonitos Companeros Gianna Nannini, JW** (Adair) This darling little blen has a beautiful expression with limpid dark eyes and dense black nose pigment. Well set and feathered ears. She excels in her size and there is nothing overdone about this lovely girl, good angles both front and rear, ample bone for her size and nice shoulder placement. Moved round the ring with drive and presence. I really was spoilt for choice in this class and just preferred the overall finish of the winner today.