CAVALIER OF THE SOUTH

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I was happy to be able to fill in for judge Rosalind Kramer who had to cancel her assignment at the last minute due to the coronavirus situation. All of the dogs I judged were lovely and well presented. I very much enjoyed the day.

Katherine Kates

THE DOG CLASSES

JUNIOR PUPPY DOG (9) "THESE LITTLE BOYS WERE ALL QUITE SIMILAR AND COULD EASILY CHANGE PLACES ON ANOTHER DAY."

1. CHADWICK MELODRAMA (Eckersley)

8 months old, blenheim boy with a lovely outline while standing. He had a gorgeous head with large, round, dark eyes and excellent earset. He moved very well with a level topline and tail but was wild as could be, making his handler work for it. He has a bright future.

2. KEAN ROYALE BLUE (Keane)

7 months old blenheim. Very pretty head on this fellow with beautiful eyes. He had excellent bone and substance and a moderate coat with rich chestnut markings. He had a level topline and tail set and moved well.

3. BROOKHAVEN JUSTIFIED (Ayers/Martz)

8 months old blenheim with a handsome, masculine head. He had plenty of substance and a nice short back. He had a level topline and moved fairly well.

4. NIGHTINGALE LET IT BE (Mulligan)

5 months old blenheim with a sweet, moderate head. He didn't have quite the substance of the 3 above but, of course, he was much younger. He has a solid topline and moved well. Should only improve with maturity.

SENIOR PUPPY DOG (4)

1. STARMARC ALMEARA GAME ON (Whitmire)

9 months old tri-color with a moderate head and a sweet melting expression. Excellent size and shape, his coat was silky and straight with well broken up markings making him stand out like stars in the night sky. He had excellent angles front and rear which allowed him to move with reach and drive. He was quite spirited and certainly deserved

BEST PUPPY DOG

2. CHADWICK BEST SELLER II (Eckersley/Reed)

10 months old blenheim with a masculine head. He had lovely rich chestnut markings and straight coat coming in. His topline was fabulous and he moved very well but he did not have quite the substance of the class winner at the time.

3. NIGHTINGALE HEART OF GOLD (Mulligan)

9 months old blenheim with a sweet face and a bonus blenheim spot. Good angles front and rear and a super level topline. He moved okay for the most part but not as consistent as the two above on the day.

4. LIVELYOAK PREMONITION (Borton)

9 months old blenheim. Super glamorous little guy with tons of silky straight coat all well broken up. He had a pretty head but shows white in his left eye. He moved okay with an excellent topline but needs to strengthen in the rear.

GRADUATE PUPPY DOG (2)

1. LOWILANI RED LABEL (Brokopp)

12 months old blenheim heavily marked with a gorgeous, masculine head and a lovely outline while standing and on the move. Loads of silky coat and excellent bone and substance. He moved fairly well but a bit close in the rear.

BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR DOG

2. DULANEY MARRY A GREEK BOY (Postero)

16 months old blenheim with a precious, classic head shape and expression and a blenheim spot. He did not have quite the substance of the other dog in the class but his outline was correct. It was difficult to assess his movement as he was not being shown by his owner and was very distracted.

NOVICE DOG (1)

1. BROOKHAVEN BLACK TIE AFFAIR (Tegg)

13 months old black & tan. This boy had a lovely, masculine head with bright tan markings and a shiny black coat. He moved fairly well with a level topline. His tail was up a bit on the move.

JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED DOG (4)

1. NIGHTINGALE GOLD RUSH (Mulligan)

16 months old blenheim with a gentle expression. He had correct angles front and rear creating a lovely outline while standing and on the move. He looked a bit wide going away but his side gate showed excellent reach and drive. Somewhat out of coat on the day.

2. AUTUMN HILL IN MY WILDEST DREAMS (Parente)

13 months old, lightly marked blenheim with a lovely head. He was a small boy but with good substance and a classic outline. He moved fairly well but not the drive of the class winner.

3. CHADWICK SCUTTLEBUT (Eckersley)

10 months old blenheim with a pretty head. He was a good size with rich chestnut markings on a nice straight coat. His angles were straighter than the two above, moved okay.

4. **GRANLAUREL SHOTGUN RIDER** (Wicker/Gregory)

16 months old blenheim, up to size. His head was pretty with a blenheim spot but somewhat houndy. He had a level topline and tailset but he needs to settle on the move.

AMERICAN BRED DOG (5)

1. CHADWICK ONE WAY TICKET (Dodds/Eckersley)

12 months old blenheim with a beautiful head. He had a lovely neck leading into a level topline. He moved very well with reach and drive, tail right out the back. He just needs time to body up.

2. BROOKHAVEN I'M A BELIEVER (Martz/Ayers)

3 years old blenheim. Another with a gorgeous head and eyes. He had plenty of silky straight coat, well broken up with excellent spring of rib. He moves fairly well but could have more drive.

3. DIORCHAVON DOCTOR LOU ON CALL (Bialek)

2 years old blenheim with large dark eyes in a masculine head. He had great substance and moved with a level topline carrying his tail right out the back but his rear is not as strong as the two before.

4. BROOKHAVEN MR TAMBOURINE MAN, JW (Ayers/Ayers/Martz)

2 ¹/₂ years old blenheim with a handsome, masculine head. Deep chestnut markings on a lovely coat. He had loads of substance and moved fairly well.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM DOG (3)

1. MARJORELLE CATCH ME IF YOU CAN, JW (Conley)

2 years old blenheim. [Nearly identical to my Winners Dog, only pipped by impeccable grooming] lovely, dark eyes on this boy with a sweet, happy expression. Correct compact shape with loads of substance. He had a moderate amount of silky coat with rich chestnut markings. Most importantly he had correct angles front and rear which allowed him to power around the ring. I loved his happy-go-lucky attitude and would have gladly taken him home with me. **RESERVE WINNERS DOG**

2. LEGENDCREST FINNICKYSKYE DREAM CATCHER, JW (Utych)

21 months old blenheim whom I've judged previously. He has a masculine head and ideal shape with excellent silky, well broken up coat. It was hard to assess his movement on the day because he and the third placed dog were wanting to play.

3. TUDORR DALTON ANGEL KISSES (Dye/Mixon)

2 ½ years old blenheim. This boy was full of himself! He had an adorable head and tons of glamorous silky coat. He seemed to move okay but, again, he and the second place dog decided playing was more important than walking in a straight line. They were certainly having fun!

SPECIAL LIMIT TRICOLOR DOG (3)

1. BELLA SOGNI DOLCI DE AMOR (Weeks)

6 years old tri-color with a handsome face. He was larger than I prefer but his shape was correct with excellent layback of shoulder and a dead level topline. He moved well with reach and drive, tail flowing out behind.

BEST TRI-COLOR DOG, BEST TRI-COLOR IN SHOW

2. SARANADE ROMANCE IN THE RAIN AT TYCWN (Knauss)

15 months old tri-color with a sweet but masculine expression. He has a great shape and a level topline. He moved with reach and drive but his tail was carried high on the day.

3. LYNSFAIRE SENSATIONAL (Fairchild)

2 years old tri-color with a pretty head. He had a good topline and tail carriage but he lacked the substance and extension in movement of those above.

SPECIAL LIMIT RUBY DOG (1)

1. TANGLEWOOD TATENKA (Saban)

2 years old ruby. He had a very moderate head with a sweet expression. His coat was silky and straight. I liked his size and he moved okay but with a bounce.

BEST RUBY DOG

SPECIAL LIMIT BLACK & TAN DOG (4)

1. AUTUMNHILL SILVER JUBILEE (Parente /Woodard)

2 years old black & tan. Moderate, pretty head on this happy fellow. Loads of silky black coat groomed to perfection. He had a correct outline and moved well going around the ring but crabbed when seen coming and going. *BEST BLACK & TAN DOG*

2. LYNSFAIRE CELTIC CHARM (Fairchild)

4 years old black & tan with the sweetest expression. He has a moderate amount of silky, straight coat and moves with plenty of reach and drive but he is long in loin and lacks the depth of chest of the class winner.

3. CARLEN MYRDDIN WYLIT AT TYCWN (Knauss/Close)

12 months old black & tan. He had a well cushioned, masculine head, nice straight coat and adequate bone and substance. He moved okay, needs time to mature.

4. CORBONA'S FIREHEART OF NOONVALE (Bertron)

 $2\frac{1}{2}$ years old black & tan. He had a masculine head but houndy. He had loads of silky coat but not the depth of chest I prefer. He moves okay but his tail was up on the day.

OPEN DOG (5) "AN EXCELLENT GROUP OF DOGS!"

1. CH FORESTCREEK KEEGAN, JW (Whitmire/Cline)

18 months old blenheim with a gorgeous head, melting expression and huge dark eyes. His coat was moderate, silky straight and groomed to perfection. He had excellent spring of rib and tons of bone but without being oversized. He had correct angles front and rear, a dead level topline and moved with purpose around the ring, only pausing occasionally to leap in joy toward the sky. Truly an excellent example of our beloved breed.

<u>WINNERS DOG, BEST AMERICAN BRED DOG, BEST BLENHEIM</u> <u>DOG, RESERVE BEST IN SHOW, BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX TO BEST</u> <u>IN SHOW, BEST BLENHEIM IN SHOW</u>

2. CH ROYALMARK REMINISCENCE (Cameron)

6 years old blenheim with such a sweet expression. He was heavily marked with plenty of silky straight coat. Spirit level topline and carried his tail right out the back. I just loved his compact size and correct shape. He moved with excellent reach and drive. I was splitting hairs between him and the class winner.

3. CH BROOKHAVEN THE DREAM LIVES ON AT FINNICKYSKYE (Utych & Utych) 4 years old blenheim with an adorable head. I loved his small size and excellent substance. He has a lovely shape when standing and moves with adequate reach and drive.

THE BITCH CLASSES

JUNIOR PUPPY BITCH (10)

1. TIBBEDON MISTY MORNING (Tibbetts)

8 months old blenheim. This little girl was right up my alley. She had the most stunning head, moderate yet melting with large, round, sparkling black eyes. She had an elegant layback of shoulder and a super level topline. She floated around the ring with ease and did everything her handler asked of her, never putting a foot wrong. One to watch!

BEST PUPPY BITCH, BEST PUPPY IN SHOW

2. KRYSTLE ITS ALL ABOUT AMY (Torgersen/Torgersen)

7 months old blenheim who is very mature for her age. She had a pretty head but showed white in her right eye. Loads of coat with pretty, well broken markings. She moved well with reach and drive but needed more time spent on grooming.

3. BLUEGARDEN JACKPOT (Matos/Glynn)

6 months old tri-color. She had pretty eyes but her expression was somewhat masculine on the day. Her markings were well broken up and flashy on the move. She is a substantial bitch, moved fairly well but needs to settle down.

4. AUTUMNHILL NEW ADVENTURES WITH PIPPI (Parente/Green)

5 months old ruby who, understandably, needs time to mature. She had a pretty head and good angles front and rear. She moved well and will certainly only continue to improve with time.

SENIOR PUPPY BITCH (1)

1. CHADWICK ADELAIDE AT HYTEA (Reichardt/Eckersley)

10 months old blenheim with a sweet face and tons of attitude. She had plenty of substance and nice layback of shoulder. She moved really well but appeared longer backed than I prefer.

GRADUATE PUPPY BITCH (5)

1. GRANASIL FLORENTINE OF SUMARA (Gentil)

13 months old ruby with a lovely head and sweet expression. She had a very pretty shape while standing with excellent angles front and rear. Plenty of rich ruby coat, straight and silky. She moved very well in all directions and had adequate spring of rib. She was a bit nervous on the day but she is exactly my type otherwise, a worthy exhibit.

2. BROOKHAVEN AZURA'S STAR AT MADRYN (Weeks/Ayers)

13 months old blenheim with sweet face and pretty eyes. Her outline was ideal with plenty of silky coat and rich chestnut markings. She moved with reach and drive but was a bit bigger than my preference.

3. GRANLAUREL THERE WAS THIS GIRL (Gregory/Green)

16 months old blenheim. This girl had a somewhat masculine head but large, pretty eyes. She was groomed to perfection with flashy, broken up markings. Lovely crested neck and she moved really well but she could lose a pound to be closer to ideal.

4. BLUEGARDEN LA DOLCE VITA (Matos/Glynn)

12 months old blenheim with a classic head. Lightly marked with plenty of coat coming in. She moved well when she would settle but she was wild as could be. Just needs time to settle.

NOVICE BITCH (2)

1. AUTUMNHILL SUMARA JUST FLIRTING WITH YOU (Parente/Green)

5 months old black & tan. Precious little girl with a pretty head. She has a good shape and plenty of coat coming in. She moved very well with reach and drive and kept a level topline and tailset. Another with a bright future!

2. SWEETVIRGINIA CELEBRATE LOVE AT LYNSFAIRE (Fairchild/Hayes)

2 years old blenheim. She had a moderate head with some freckles but pretty eyes. Her angulation was straighter and she moved with balance but lacked the reach and drive of the class winner.

BRED BY EXHIBITOR BITCH (3)

1. CH CARLEN CHATEAU STE MICHELLE, JW (Close)

2 years old ruby with a breathtaking head. She has large, round, expressive eyes that seemed to see into my soul. She had plenty of silky straight coat and was presented naturally, in no way over-groomed or overdone. She had a lovely shape while standing with an ideal front angle and excellent turn of stifle which, therefore, allowed her to glide effortlessly around the ring with plenty of reach and drive. She was the very image of correct Cavalier type and so deserving of *WINNERS BITCH, BEST AMERICAN BRED BITCH, BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR BITCH, BEST RUBY BITCH, BEST IN SHOW, BEST AMERICAN BRED IN SHOW, BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR IN SHOW, BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR IN SHOW*.

2. CH JAYBA OOH LA LA, JW (Lander/Hamilton/George)

3 years old blenheim with a gorgeous head and large pretty eyes. She is a compact bitch with a lovely neck leading into a level back. Beautiful, well broken up markings. She moved very well but was pipped by the excellent movement of the class winner, a worthy champion.

3. TANGLEWOOD SECRET AFFAIR (Saban)

 $3\frac{1}{2}$ years old black & tan. Her head was moderate, nice straight coat with rich tan markings. She had a level topline and moved okay but not the reach and drive of the two above.

JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED (5)

1. ISLEPOSEA WHISK ME AWAY (Hoehn)

8 months old blenheim with a lovely, moderate head. Excellent outline standing and on with move with deep chestnut markings. She moved smoothly with reach and drive. Overall a moderate bitch with nothing overdone, one to watch.

2. TUDORR ADA (Mixon/Degan)

15 months old bleneheim with an adorable face and large dark eyes. Lots silky, straight coat. She moved with reach and drive but was rolling, could stand to lose some weight.

3. CHIYODA BLACK PEARL OF JOY AT FALLING SPRINGS, JW (Curley)

18 months old black & tan with a lovely head and melting expression. She had loads of coat with bright tan markings in all the right places and a pretty shape while standing. She moves okay but tends to bounce.

BEST BLACK & TAN BITCH, BEST BLACK & TAN IN SHOW

4. NIGHTINGALE KRYSTLE TEQUILA SUNRISE (Torgersen/Torgersen)

15 months old blenheim with a correct head shape but showed white in her right eye. Her angles were shallower than the three above and she moved with balance but not as much reach and drive.

AMERICAN BRED BITCH (4)

1. NIGHTINGALE OVER THE TOP, JW (Mulligan)

18 months old blenheim with a classically beautiful face and huge eyes. Her shape while standing was ideal with a long crested neck leading into a dead level topline. She had excellent angles front and rear, lots of silky coat and like the Winners Bitch, she was not over-groomed. She powered around the ring with ease her tail flowing right out the back. Just my style!

RESERVE WINNERS BITCH, BEST BLENHEIM BITCH

2. ALMEARA ONCE SMITTEN TWICE LOVED, JW (Whitmire)

21 months old blenheim. Such a beautiful expression on this happy little girl. She was lightly marked with a ton of long, straight coat. Good angles front and rear and a level topline standing and on the move. Her reach and drive were adequate but she tended to shimmy, just needs to settle down.

3. BROOKHAVEN SISTER ACT (Ayers/Martz)

 $2\frac{1}{2}$ years old blenheim with sweet face and the desired lozenge. She was a solid bitch carrying a bit too much weight. Lovely rich chestnut markings on a straight coat. She moved fairly well but not the drive of the two above.

4. CHADWICK FLYING ON CLOUD NINE (Eckersley)

18 months old blenheim with another pretty face. She looked correct while standing, good front and rear angles and a level topline but it was hard to assess her movement as she was pulling.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM BITCH (4) "SPLITTING HAIRS IN THIS CLASS!"

1. KEAN VELVET PUMPS (Schramm/Keane)

 $2\frac{1}{2}$ years old blenheim with a pretty head and melting expression. There is nothing over-done about this bitch, she is moderate throughout with deep, rich chestnut markings. She had excellent front and rear angles and a spirit level topline. She moved well with balance.

2. NORTHPOINTE HEDERA COLCHICA (Mitchum)

2 years old blenheim. She had a lovely head with pretty eyes. She stood with a level topline and had a good shape but just a touch longer backed than the class winner. She moved with excellent reach and drive.

3. ANGEL'S PRIDE NESSAJA (Charen)

 $2\frac{1}{2}$ years old blenheim with a lovely, feminine face. She has rich chestnut markings and loads of substance. Pleasing outline and moved with reach and drive.

4. BLUEGARDEN ITSY BITSY, JW (Matos/Glynn)

18 months old blenheim with a typical, beautiful head. She moved well but lacked the drive of the three above.

SPECIAL LIMIT TRICOLOR BITCH (3)

1. BENTWOOD LIVELYOAD CLARITY (Borton/Harrison)

3 years old tri-color with a lovely head but shows white in her right eye. She was a super happy, flashy girl, very appealing. With lovely layback of shoulder and correct turn of stifle she was able to move with excellent reach and drive carrying a level topline. Her tail was up a bit and she was maybe a touch long but I really liked her.

BEST TRI-COLOR BITCH

2. BRYREWOOD YOU SEND ME (Torgersen/Baldwin)

2 ¹/₂ years old tri-color. Pretty, moderate head with sparkly black eyes. She had a great topline but her tail was way up standing and moving. She moved with reach and drive.

3. CHADWICK PURPLE PASSION (Greak/Comer/Eckersley)

19 months old tri-color. She had a lovely head with some freckles. She moved well but was scared on the day.

SPECIAL LIMIT RUBY BITCH (2)

1. MADRYN PORT ROYAL (Weeks/Weeks)

6 years old ruby with a moderate head and sweet expression, exactly what I like. She had a lovely shape with a long, crested neck leading into well laid back shoulders. She moved with plenty of reach and drive carrying her tail straight out the back.

2. LYNSFAIRE KISS FROM A ROSE (Fairchild)

2 years old ruby with pretty eyes and another moderate head. She had a good shape and level back. She moved okay but not the glamor of the class winner.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLACK & TAN BITCH (4)

1. BROOKHAVEN MAGIC MOLLY (Ayers/Martz)

2 years old black & tan with a gorgeous head and large, round, dark eyes. She was cobby with an ideal outline and silky straight coat although her tail was practically bald. She had plenty of substance but needed to lose a pound. She moved with reach and drive with a level topline, tail was up on the day.

2. LYNSFAIRE MORNING GLORY (Saban/McDowell)

Almost 2 years old black & tan. She had a pretty head with super bright tan markings. She had correct angles front and rear and moved with reach and drive but she was out of coat on the day so was pipped by the glamor of the first placed bitch.

3. HYTEA PUDDLE JUMP OF CHARDOMONT (Greak/Comer)

Almost 2 years old black & tan. Truly a lovely head on this girl with that soft, melting expression we are all hoping for but her shape and movement are lacking. She roached her back and was bouncing on the move. She did have a super shiny straight black coat.

4. TANGLEWOOD SANTA ANA STAR (Saban)

2 years old black & tan with a moderate head but plainer than those above. Her outline seemed good when she would settle but it was impossible to assess her movement as she was all over the place.

OPEN BITCH (1)

1. WELLSWORTH HOLLYWOOD BOMBSHELL (Wells)

2 years old blenheim with a gorgeous, classic head and large eyes. She had an excellent outline with a short back and dead level topline and lots of silky straight coat. She moved well with reach and drive. Considered for top honors.

SENIOR OPEN BITCH (1)

1. CHADWICK STORYTELLER (Eckersley)

10 years old blenheim. This grand old lady had the softest of expressions and lovely eyes. I loved the way she looked while standing with correct angles front and rear. She did not disappoint on the move showing better reach and drive than many of the youngsters. She held a level topline and carried her tail right out the back. Also, considered for top honors.

VETERAN DOG (1)

1. **STELLAR ROMANCING THE STONE AT TYCWN** (Knauss/Rose) Previously critiqued

VETERAN BITCH (1)

1. CHADWICK STORYTELLER (Eckersley) Previously critiqued BEST VETERAN IN SHOW