

**CAVALIERS OF THE MIDWEST**  
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Thank you to the board for the invitation to judge the breed I love, all be it at the third attempt due to the Covid pandemic.

My overview of the current US Cavalier is that as always presentation is top notch with head shapes that are correct and ears leathers that are long and well feathered, size overall is good. On a minus, quite a few eyes were not as large as I would like and in some cases this affected the all important expression. My biggest concern however was the number of poor back ends, narrow and close throughout which reflected in some poor rear movement, I know there are enough clever breeders out there to improve this.

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**JUNIOR PUPPY DOG (1)**

- 1) **JAYBA MR. MISTER** - Bl, (Lander/Laner) Real baby puppy still in his fluffy coat. Correct head with gentle expression from large dark eyes, well set and carried ears. Good bone and rib for his age in a compact body. Moved soundly all round with particular strength and width in his back end **[BEST PUPPY DOG & BEST PUPPY IN SHOW](#)**

**SENIOR PUPPY DOG (3)**

- 1) **TUDORR RETURN OF THE VELVET TEDDY BEAR** - Bl, (Mixon/Mixon). Very elegant outline. Good head shape with round dark eyes and a tapered muzzle. Ears are well set with good length of leathers and feathers. Excelled in neck, good rib and turn of stifle. Moved soundly with great tail set and carriage.
- 2) **CHADWICK HOT PURSUIT AT HUDSONVIEW** - Bl, (Glynn/Glynn). Another top quality puppy, very attractive head with good pigment, round dark eyes and great ears and the bonus of personality plus. Well put together and drove round the ring with well carried tail.
- 3) **GRNASIL STRUDEL OF SUMARA** - B/T, (Gentil). Good head shape with well tapered muzzle. Long, well presented ears. Good profile outline with super neck. Bulking up a little would be to his advantage.

**GRADUATE PUPPY DOG (1)**

- 1) **MEADOWLAKE SWEET WILLIAM DIANTHUS** Tri, (Swanson) Pleasing head with well tapered muzzle. Good angles all round with adequate neck. Well sprung ribs. Moved well in profile but rolled a little today.

**BRED BY EXHIBITOR DOG (2)**

- 1) **FORESTCREEK MAJOR TOM, JW** – Bl (Cline/Cline) A real glamour boy, super attractive head with darkest of eyes, correct top skull and good earset. Well angled front and back with good rib all covered in profuse silky coat. Great topline and tailset and good profile movement. Short listed to the final three, just preferred height to length ratio of my top dogs.
- 2) **CROWNHEIR IRISH BLESSING** - Bl, (Fadel) Masculine headed boy with excellent ear set and good eyes. Solid body covered in a dense coat. A good outline which could be further improved by a true topline. True movement in all directions.

### **JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED DOG (3)**

- 1) **CROSSBOW BALOO FROM THE JUNGLE AT BLUESTARA** - Bl, (Glimes/Alvarez/Alvarez). Good head shape with well tapered muzzle, I would prefer more fill under the eyes. Long ears held well when alert. Adequate neck led to good shoulders as part of a decent outline. Close behind on the move but Ok profile.
- 2) **BLACKFIRE ALL NIGHT LONG** - Bl, (Weidig/Kennedy/McLaughlin/Kennedy). Good head shape, well filled under eyes but I'd prefer a softer expression. Good ears. Good neck and rib. On the bigger side but with a good outline. Good profile movement.
- 3) **BROOKHAVEN NUMBER NINE DREAM OF FINNICKYSKYE** - Bl, (Utych/Utych). OK for head properties but lacks fill, well set and carried ears. Adequate neck and good shoulders. Moved well with good tail carriage but close behind.

### **AMERICAN BRED DOG (3)**

- 1) **ORCHARDHILL THEATER KID AT KINGDOMRUN** - Bl, (Mixon/Degen). Another glamorous dog with an extremely attractive head framed by well set and carried ears. Good taper and well filled under dark round eyes that are big enough to give the desired expression. Good neck enhanced a balanced outline on a compact body. Once settled he moved extremely well in profile carrying his tail correctly and was true coming and going.  
**RESERVE WINNERS DOG**
- 2) **MEADOWLAKE GIGGLES AND GRINS** - Bl, (Swanson). Full headed boy with well held ears which were lacking in feathering. Well filled under eyes. Adequate neck and a good topline with good rear angles. Moved soundly.
- 3) **CHADWICK CHARISMATIC OF BLUEBONNET** - Bl, (Vezina) balanced head with good ears, large round eyes which I'd have liked some more fill under. OK for neck, shoulders and outline with good rib. Good drive showing pads when moving away.

### **SPECIAL LIMIT TRICOLOR DOG (1)**

- 1) **EMENKAY DREAM LOVER** -Tri, (Vezina/Orns). Attractive head with good fill under dark, round eyes and well carried ears. Adequate neck, good rib and short coupled. Would prefer more drive on the move. Very attentive to handler

### **SPECIAL LIMIT RUBY DOG (1)**

- 1) **GRNASIL GOLDEN DELICIOUS OF SUMARA, JW** – (Gentil). Good head with excellent pigment framed by well held and feathered ears. Elegant neck and good angles front and rear. Moved soundly initially but unfortunately started to limp on his final approach.

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

- 1) **MEADOWLAKE PHILOSOPHERS STONE** – (Swanson). Another attractive head with a gentle expression enhanced by high set ear with ample feathering. Good for neck and topline and well turned stifles. Carried his tail correctly during sound, true movement.
- 2) **CANYONCREST AUGUST RENOIR** – (Du Ross). Head with a well tapered muzzle, good ear set and carriage and dark round eyes. His compact shape was covered in a somewhat unruly coat. OK movement in profile.

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

- 1) **CH & ENG CH PASCAVALE HAIDEN** - Bl, (Cline). A super glamour boy, the most fantastic ears framing a great head shape with good fill under dark round eyes giving enough gentle expression. Good for neck, ribs and topline. Short coupled with good angles all round. A real showman who flowed round the ring with reach and drive and a perfectly carried tail. **WINNERS DOG**

- 2) **CH LEGENDCREST FINNICKYSKYE DREAM CATCHER, JW, AW. Bl,** (Utych/Utych). Good head shape and ears, would like more fill under eyes. Well off for neck and topline. Good outline standing and moved OK in profile.
- 3) **CH BROOKHAVEN THE DREAM LIVES ON AT FINNICKYSKYE, AW - Bl,** (Utych/Utych) Attractive head shape with good fill and ears, I'd prefer a softer expression. Compact shape standing.

### SENIOR OPEN DOG (2)

**“Two very different types in this class.”**

- 1) **ALMEARA VISIONNAIRE - Bl,** (Utych/Whitmire). Good eyes which could do with a little more fill underneath. Well set and carried ears. Excellent for neck. Covered the ground well in profile. His good overall balance won him the class
- 2) **CH BEKENHALL SHIRMONT HE'S THE TICKET - Bl,** (Glenn). Attractive head framed by big if unruly ears. A nice compact type with good angles.

### JUNIOR PUPPY BITCH (7)

- 1) **STARMARC BLUE LAGOON - Tri,** (Hooper). Lovely overall type. Correct head with well tapered muzzle, large, dark, round eyes and great ears for her age which just need to be used to her advantage. Well balanced body which excelled for neck and turn of stifle in particular. True movement in all directions
- 2) **CHADWICK HALO SPOT AT INTRYNZIK - Bl,** (Goodwin/Goodwin). Another quality puppy, good head with dark round eyes and excellent ears which were well carried. Good bone in a balanced body with very good rib, a little heavier than the winner
- 3) **SHELBYFIELD PRINCESS SNOWDROP - Bl,** (Schurr). Nicely headed with dark round eyes and well carried ears. Excellent for neck, I would prefer her more compact.
- 4) **SHEEBA PACIFIC ROSE AT APPLEBRANCH- Bl,** (Bennett). Appealing head with dark round eyes and well set ears. Good balance but needs ribs to spring, moved well in profile.

### SENIOR PUPPY BITCH (3)

- 1) **FALLING SPRINGS SHINING BRIGHTLY - Bl,** (Curley). Lovely feminine head with very expressive eyes and well tapered muzzle. Good neck, shoulders and rib and super turn of stifle. Moved with drive carrying her topline and tail very well
- 2) **NIGHTHAWK HOT GOSSIP AT RINGHILL - Bl,** (Johns/Johns/Braun). Very attractive head with great eyes and ears. Good for neck, shoulder and rib. Not the angulation of the winner and today her tail let her down on the move.
- 3) **MANORHOUSE LIKE A LADY - Bl,** (McCaslin). Another nice head with dark round eyes and excellent ears for her age. Good neck and angulation covered by a well broken jacket. Would prefer more precise movement and substance.

### GRADUATE PUPPY BITCH (5)

- 1) **FORESTCREEK VIVIAN, JW, MP - Bl,** (Cline/Marshall). This girl had eyes to die for in a head with good fill, well tapered muzzle framed by great ears. Well off for neck, rib, topline and turn of stifle. Moved soundly all round and with a little more gusto could challenge for top honours.
- 2) **TUDORR GIGI, JW - Bl,** (Mixon/Mixon). Another with very good eyes but not the fill of 1. Well set and carried ears, a good neck and well balanced throughout. Moved with drive but held her head down which spoilt her outline.
- 3) **CHADWICK BACCARAT OF CEILIMOR, JW - Tri,** (McCarty/Eckersley). Lovely tri head with dark, round and large enough eyes. Long, well feathered ears. Compact body with good rib and well-turned stifles. Moved ok all round with a constantly wagging tail.

- 4) **MANORHOUSE EMERALD ISLE** – Bl (McCaslin). Finer headed girl with big well carried ears and enough eye size. Balanced body with ok angles front and rear. Looked a tad long on the move.

#### **NOVICE BITCH (1)**

- 1) **BENCHMARK UNSINKABLE MOLLY B** - Bl, (Hoorman). My notes say “a tiny dot with a pretty face” and that sums her up, well carried ears, excelled in rib and short coupling

#### **BRED BY EXHIBITOR BITCH (6)**

- 1) **CH BROOKHAVEN MARY JANE, JW, BL**, (Ayers/Martz). Super head shape framed by excellent ears and with the most expressive of eyes. Well off for elegant neck. Well constructed with good bone and rib. Excellent turn of stifle and tail carriage all coming together in sound and true movement covering the ground effortlessly. **RESERVE WINNERS BITCH & RESERVE BEST IN SHOW**
- 2) **CROWNHEIR HALLELUJAH**, Bl, (Fadel). Another with expressive eyes although I'd like them a little bigger. Correct head with tapered muzzle and super ears. Good neck, turn of stifle and tail set. Steady mover.
- 3) **TUDORR LEMON BREELAND, JW, Bl**, (Mixon/Mixon). A classic head with good eyes and ears, would prefer a little more fill. Good neck held proudly on the move.
- 4) **FORESTCREEK SWEET SOUL AT HADARA**, Bl, (Koch/Cline). Lovely eyes in a feminine head with good ears. Moved OK with a happy attitude.

#### **JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED (2)**

- 1) **BROOKHAVEN SMARTY PANTS**, Bl, (Whitmire/Ayers). Feminine headed girl with dark round eyes and well carried ears which would benefit from some more feathering. Good neck, sufficient rib and excellent tail both standing and during her true movement in all directions.
- 2) **NORTHSHORE GINGER DREAMIN'**, Bl, (Ogilvie/Ogilvie). Pretty girl with correct head shape and good ears. An ok neck and reasonable rib. A good turn of stifle which showed in her driving movement however her tail let her down

#### **AMERICAN BRED BITCH BITCH (6)**

- 1) **FOXCREEK NEW YEARS EVE**, Bl, (Johnson). Ultra-feminine girl with well feathered and carried ears. Well off for neck and rib and short in the coupling. Well angulated front and rear. Her structure allowed driving, true movement with a well carried tail. Shame she was short of coat today.
- 2) **WATERSEGE CURTAIN CALL, JW, Bl**, (Walzer/Walzer). Another feminine girl with tapered muzzle and great ears, has a super attitude. Good neck and well-made throughout. Moved well but not the tail carriage of 1.
- 3) **NIGHTINGALE OVER THE TOP, JW, MP, Bl**, (Mulligan). Pretty girl with good ears, I'd like a little more fill under her eyes. Intently focused on her handler when standing, moved soundly all round.
- 4) **BLUEGARDEN FINAL EDITION OF CHARDOMONT**, Bl, (Greak/Comer). Stronger headed but still appealing girl. OK for neck and well balanced, covered the ground well.

#### **SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM BITCH (6)**

- 1) **HADARA FAITHFUL SOUL AT CLOUDBASE**, (Koch/Scanlan Johnson). Feminine head with dark, round and large eyes with good fill under, well tapered muzzle and super ears completed an attractive head study. Good neck and well ribbed body. Balanced angles front and rear produced sound driving movement with a perfectly carried tail and the plus of real attitude.

- 2) **TUDORR QUIETLY MAKING NOISE AT AMMIK**, (Mixon/Madden). Yet again, a feminine head with a melting expression and great ears. Good neck and well sprung ribs. Not quite the movement or tail carriage of 1
- 3) **MATLYNE TICKLE ME PINK**, (Young). Pretty girl with round, dark eyes and tapered muzzle. Well balanced in body and angulation but didn't have the drive of first two in the class
- 4) **BONITOS CAMPANEROS CINDERELLA AT ALDERBRIDGE**, (Alders). Stronger headed girl with good ears and appealing eyes. OK for neck and rib with true movement. Heavier made than the others in the class.

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

- 1) **STARMARC SHOW ME**, (Hooper). Attractive head with well tapered muzzle. Compact body with good rib covered in plenty of good coat. Moved ok.
- 2) **CANYONCREST OH OH OLVIA**, (Du Ross), Dark round eyes, good ears and tapered muzzle. Compact and short coupled.

#### **SPECIAL LIMIT RUBY BITCH (1)**

- 1) **GRNASIL FLORENTINE OF SUMARA, JW**, (Gentil). Lovely eyes and ok ears around a well tapered, slightly shorter muzzle. Good neck and angulation. Moved with a real zip and attitude with a constantly wagging tail.

#### **OPEN BITCH (4)**

- 1) **CH SORELLA HERE COMES CHLOE, JW, Bl**, (Green). This one had a big star next to her in my notes, Beautiful, ultra-feminine head with great full ears and eyes to die for. Elegant neck, well sprung ribs, spirit level topline and good angles all round in a perfectly sized package. Excelled on the move, true in all directions with great reach and drive and keeping her topline with her tail carried straight off her back. Wish she was mine.

#### **WINNERS BITCH & BEST IN SHOW**

- 2) **CH ORCHARDHILL PRETTY CLOSE, Bl**, (Venier /Venier). Another attractive head with the most appealing eyes but not the fill of 1. Abundant ears. Graceful neck, well balanced through the rest of her well put together body. Moved round well covering the ground easily.
- 3) **BEKENHALL DAISEY-HEAD MAYZIE AT PINECREST - Bl**, (Eubank/Eubank). Large dark round eyes in an old-fashioned head with great ears. Nicely put together with flowing movement, excellent tail carriage.
- 4) **MANORHOUSE LADY IN THE MIST - Bl**, (McCaslin). Stronger head framed by excellent ears, good body shape with very well sprung ribs. Moved OK

#### **VETERAN DOG (1)**

- 1) **ALMEARA VISIONNAIRE - Bl**, (Utych/Whitmire) Handsome boy with appealing eyes and expression. He is all dog, excelled in neck, good ribs and a level topline. Had a strut in his step as he easily covered the ground.