

Cavaliers of the Midwest
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It is always an honor to be invited to judge any of our CKCSC Regional Specialties, as every one of the clubs puts on such awesome shows. This one did not disappoint and I think everyone enjoyed the camaraderie, seminar and just generally being in the company of so many with the same interest – Cavaliers.

Thank you to CMW for their hospitality and the beautiful judge's goodie bag and gift. It was most appreciated.

As always at our Specialties, it doesn't really matter how high or low our entries are – the top quality of so many of the exhibits continues to flood our shows and the competition is keen. I wish I had more ribbons to give out, but that's not the way it works.

It was not intentional, but I see that my top winners happened to be born and bred in the USA. Kudos to the breeders who do an exemplary job both in terms of keeping an eye on the health and temperaments of their dogs, while at the same time succeeding in producing Cavaliers of super quality.

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DOGS

JUNIOR PUPPY DOG (2)

1. **KINVAAR MAGNUS** (Gentil)
Small, compact with attractive head that will mature nicely. Moderate neck flowing into a level topline on a well balanced body. Movement might be better on more of a loose leash.
2. **ALMEARA I BELIEVE** (Whitmire)
A larger more leggy puppy at this time. Deep rich Blenheim. Moved quite well around the ring. Head not my preference.

SENIOR PUPPY DOG (3)

1. **ORCHARDHILL SHIRMONT BACK STORY** (Henry/Henry)
Very pretty, full head on this pup with large dark eyes, broad skull – he needs to use his ears better. I got glimpses of a higher earset now and again and it made all the difference. Altogether a bigger boy and slightly longer cast, but well turned stifles, level topline and moved with reach and drive. **BEST PUPPY DOG**
2. **EMENKAY DREAM LOVER** (Vezina/Orns)
Heavily marked Tricolor with a gorgeous head. Short coupled, but side-winded a bit on the move, likely because of a growth spurt at one end or the other. Time is on his side for that to sort itself out.

3. **BEKENHALL EASY RIDER** (Culver/Hall)
Not the head of 1st and 2nd. Beautiful long flowing coat on one so young giving him a more mature look for his age. Well angled stifles and excellent topline both standing and on the move.

GRADUATE PUPPY DOG (4)

1. **BRIARCREST GOING FOR BAROQUE** (Katz)
Another Tricolor with a gorgeous head. In glowing condition, beautifully presented, and moved out smartly and correctly with his well angled stifles and short hocks. A totally well balanced dog that never put a foot wrong. I was pleased to award him **RESERVE WINNERS DOG**.
2. **FORESTCREEK WALTON** (Betchley/Betchley/Cline)
Another with a beautiful head with big eyes. Beautiful reach and drive on this boy. Just a little less mature.
3. **KINGLYS MOVES LIKE JAGGER AT MEADOWLAKE** (Swanson)
Mature boy with lots of bone, full head and moved out. Not quite the movement of 1st and 2nd.
4. **ROSEROCK LITTLE GENTLEMAN** (Contreras/Moore)
Small little fellow that needs to mature some more.

BRED BY EXHIBITOR DOG (3)

“All of the dogs in this class were of incredibly high quality. All were sound and pretty. The decision was splitting hairs.”

1. **CH FORESTCREEK DOUBLE O SEVEN, JW** (Cline)
Gorgeous headed boy with ideal head properties, huge dark eyes set well apart, muzzle neither too full nor too fine – just right, but all boy. Short coupled, moderate neck, level topline, well angled stifles – all this allowed him to move effortlessly around the ring. In pristine condition with plenty of shiny coat. I was pleased to award him **WINNERS DOG AND BEST IN SHOW, BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR IN SHOW, BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR DOG, BEST AMERICAN BRED IN SHOW, BEST AMERICAN BRED DOG, BEST BLENHEIM IN SHOW, BEST BLENHEIM DOG**
2. **CH LINRICA MILAN** (Liu)
My comments are the same as above. This is a younger fellow and just a bit less mature. I will be interested to see how he does in another two years.
3. **CH CLARMARIAN CLASSIC BY DESIGN** (Young May)
Again my comments are the same as above. He is a little taller than 2nd place, and like the other two, he strides out nicely. Another quality exhibit in a tough class.

JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED DOG (2)

1. **GEORJULI TRIPLE CROWN** (Glasgow)
Beautiful headed boy with large eyes. Compact body and moved well from all angles. Level topline, good tail carriage.
2. **SIKELELI PRINCE CHARMING** (Pivovar/Nel)
At the moment, this boy is just immature and will improve as he matures and gets more coat. He has a super rear and lovely movement all around.

AMERICAN BRED DOG (4)

1. **BENTWOOD FORESTCREEK ROB RED** (Borton/Cline/Harrison)
Pretty head and large eyes on this boy. Beautiful arch of neck flowing into a level topline. A little longer cast than I prefer, but overall a quality exhibit. Really covers the ring as he moves around with ease. Plenty of straight coat in excellent condition.
2. **WOODSONG DELTA BLUES** (Crancer)
Not the head of 1st place, but more classic in type. Huge dark eyes. Body is well balanced and he strides out well around the ring. Moderate quality straight coat. Tended to be a little erratic as he moved away from me today.
3. **REDBUD WANNA GO FOR A RIDE** (Scott)
Small size tricolor with an adorable head type. Good bone for his small size, compact body and level topline.
4. **CANYONCREST PLEASINGLY PUMPKIN** (Nechiporenko/DuRoss)
Attractive head on this richly marked Blenheim. He moved well coming and going with level topline. Much to like about this boy – he needs some more time to settle and mature.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM DOG (1)

1. **BEKENHALL SHIRMONT HE'S THE TICKET** (Henry/Henry)
Stood alone in his class, but no shame in winning first place as he is a quality boy. Beautiful correct head with big eyes. Level topline on the move, held his tail off his back, excellent front. Well balanced body.

SPECIAL LIMIT TRICOLOR DOG (1)

1. **CANYONCREST TAKE A GAMBLE** (DuRoss)
Nice compact little Tricolor with pretty head, large dark eyes, moves quite well with level topline and good tail set. Add a few years and this boy will look better and better.

SPECIAL LIMIT RUBY DOG (1)

1. **CRUISIN MIGHTY MOUSE** (Rackler)

Attractive head, full muzzle, big eyes. Richly marked Ruby, on the larger side. Balanced body and moved with reach and drive. Little more coat would finish the picture.

OPEN DOG (3)

1. **CH BROOKHAVEN HERE COMES HOGAN, JW** (Ayers/Martz)
This boy is an overall classic correct type, shown in excellent condition with moderate coat. Super arch of neck flowing into a level topline and he held his tail correctly off his back. Moved with good reach and drive. Would have liked just a little more animation.
2. **CH BONITOS COMPANEROS VAHIR** (Lemon/Lemon)
Such a pretty boy, with gorgeous expression. Beautiful lustrous coat, moderate neck and level topline. His side gait was excellent. His rear assembly is not strong – maybe some roadwork would improve it. He oozed Cavalier attitude.
3. **CLARMARIAN COVERTLY WICKED** (Gogol/Young May)
A classic headed boy with moderate coat, level topline and moved with reach and drive. Tough competition in this class.

BITCHES

JUNIOR PUPPY BITCH (7)

1. **PARLETT PINKY PROMISE** (Williams/Williams)
I do not normally go for such a petite type of Cavalier, but with this baby, one could not deny her incredibly well balanced outline, moderate bone and sound movement around the ring from all angles. Beautiful head with large eyes. I would normally prefer a fuller muzzle, but on this girl, it would look out of place. I was pleased to award her **BEST PUPPY IN SHOW, BEST PUPPY BITCH**
2. **FORESTCREEK FANTASY GIRL** (Cline/Cline/Cline)
Chunky girl with full pretty head and big eyes. Lost her topline now and again on the move, but due, more than likely, to growth spurts. Quite mature for her age – moved well coming and going.
3. **STARMARC BLUE PERSUASION** (Hooper)
Another with a typical Cavalier head and large dark eyes. Not quite as mature as 2nd place. Level topline, moved well. Time is on her side.
4. **BEKENHALL DREAMING IN RED WHITE & BLUE** (Hall)
It was a shame that this girl was so nervous in the ring, because when she did move she had the most beautiful outline. Pretty head with large dark eyes. Once she has decided that showing is fun, she will go far. Persevere with her.

SENIOR PUPPY BITCH (2)

1. **RUTHERFORD ULALEE** (Jones)

Very tiny bitch, but oh so pretty with large dark eyes. Her body is lovely – wish she were just one size bigger.

2. **BEKENHALL SMALL TOWN GIRL** (Skaggs/Hall)
Leggier bitch than 1st place, level topline, decent tail carriage. Head not my type, yet she does have lovely big eyes.

GRADUATE PUPPY BITCH (4)

1. **NIGHTINGALE AGAINST THE WIND** (Curley)
Well balanced chunky Blenheim with super rear end. Moved around the ring soundly from all angles. Head is pretty with large dark eyes. Lots to like about her. She should do well in the future.
2. **ROYALCAPER PANACHE** (Clayton)
Very pretty girl with large eyes, level topline, good front and rear. Not quite the maturity of 1st.
3. **KINGLEYS BABY GET YOUR SHINE ON** (Herrington)
A little nervous in the ring today, but she moved very well around the ring. My preference would be for a bit fuller muzzle, but with time and maturity that should come. Hopefully she will get to enjoy showing.
4. **NIGHTHAWKS COCO CHANEL** (Fadel/Fadel)
Shown beautifully in excellent condition. Excellent topline and tail set. Just not the head type of my preference.

NOVICE BITCH (1)

1. **CANYONCREST CROSS THE MERSEY** (DuRoss)
Attractive head with big eyes. Moved around the ring well with level topline. Needs to mature a bit more.

BRED BY EXHIBITOR BITCH (2)

1. **TUDORR LA DOLCE ANGELA** (MixonMixon/Cline)
Such a pretty expression on this bitch with large dark eyes. Rich Blenheim coloring. Moderate neck flowing into a level topline. Well angled in the rear. Moves well. I was pleased to award her ***RESERVE WINNERS BITCH***.
2. **KINGLYS THE GLASS SLIPPER FITS** (Herrington)
Well schooled bitch that moved well around the ring. Would prefer a better front assembly. Pretty head, large eyes. Shown in excellent condition.

JR AMERICAN BRED BITCH (2)

1. **FOXCREEK NINA ROSE** (Johnson)

Well balanced, short coupled young lady who when excited tended to throw her front legs up. When calm, she did not. Her movement otherwise was excellent. Beautiful head. Lots of quality here.

2. **WYMNS HOLD THAT THOUGHT** (Milosevic)
Not the head of 1st place, but very sound body. Perhaps she likes her food a bit too much! Nonetheless, it didn't throw her topline off. Lots to like about this girl.

AMERICAN BRED BITCH (2)

1. **WOODSONG ANGELINA, JW** (Kaiser)
Pretty girl with big eyes. Had a tendency, today, to go into a pace when moving, but most of the time she moved around quite well.
2. **EMENKAY WALK ON** (Peterson/Peterson)
Higher on leg and hock, but nonetheless moved around the ring well. Pretty head, big eyes.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEHIM BITCH (2)

1. **FORESTCREEK FLORENCE** (Cline)
Plenty of bone and substance on this girl. Well balanced body, both standing and on the move. Very showy with lots of personality.
2. **CLARMARIAN OOH LA LA** (Young May/McFarland)
A little out of coat at the moment, but this bitch traveled very well around the ring with a level topline. Attractive head with large dark eyes.

SPECIAL LIMITED TRICOLOR BITCH (4)

1. **MARILEE REGGAE** (Collins)
Such a pretty headed girl with large dark eyes. She moved well around the ring with her compact body that could perhaps be a little on the plump side! Her movement coming and going was excellent. So much to like about this honest type bitch. I was pleased to award her **WINNERS BITCH, RESERVE BEST IN SHOW, BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX, BEST TRICOLOR IN SHOW, BEST TRICOLOR BITCH**
2. **STARMARC SHOWBOAT** (Hooper)
More heavily marked Tri – head and expression not quite what I was looking for. Sometimes she lost her topline on the move, but her tail came right off her back. Her movement coming and going was good.
3. **REDBUD LILO AND STITCH** (Rackler/Scott)
Pretty little Tri who was a bit nervous on the table, but her handler controlled and showed her well. Her movement was a bit roly poly, but with a little less weight, that should go away.
4. **ROYALCAPER APPLAUSE** (Clayton)

Lovely body on this bitch who moved well around the ring. Just not the head type I was looking for.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLACK-AND-TAN BITCH (3)

1. **ILOO DITE ILAN DU JARDIN DE CLAIRE OF SUMARA, JW** (Gentil)
Pretty little black-and-tan, very feminine face. Compact body, and she moved around the ring well with level topline. Nicely balanced with everything about her being moderate. **BEST BLACK-AND-TAN IN SHOW, BEST BLACK-AND-TAN BITCH**
2. **DARANE TRUE COLORS** (Kates)
Lovely body on this bitch with an incredibly solid level topline. She moved well around the ring. Just not a head type I was looking for.
3. **BONITOS COMPANEROS BISCAYA** (Lemon/Lemon)
Quite a beautiful face on this bitch, with lovely big eyes. She tended to side-wind a bit on the move – lots of rear angulation and side gait was not bad. Plenty of coat.

OPEN BITCH (2)

1. **CH. TASSAJARA FORESTCREEK CRISTAL** (Cline)
Beautiful head with lovely large eyes. Lots of lovely straight coat. She is not as well balanced in that she is a bit on the longer side. Level topline that she showed off as she gaited around the ring. She was a hair frantic today in the ring.
2. **BENCHMARK CALL ME MAYBE** (Hoorman)
It was a close call between these two. This bitch had a pretty head but needs more of it and that may come around later. But her body is lovely – well balanced and sound from all angles. A little more coat and maturity she would press hard for 1st place in Open.

SR OPEN BITCH (2)

1. **CH DENHAM DREAMED ABOUT, JW** (Maddox)
Gorgeous Ruby girl who gaited beautifully around the ring. Well angulated rear, compact body and well balanced. **BEST RUBY IN SHOW, BEST RUBY BITCH**
2. **ROYALCAPER BLUEBELL BLISS** (Clayton)
Another elderly lady in great condition with a nice well balanced body. Not the head of 1st place, but she moved beautifully.

VETERAN DOG (1)

1. **CH ORCHARDHILL SIRMONT BACK TALK, JW** (Henry/Henry/Jones/Scott)
I have always liked this boy, lovely short cobby body, full head, big eyes. Such personality. Moves beautifully around the ring.

VETERAN BITCH (1)

CH DENHAM DREAMED ABOUT, JW (Maddox)

See my notes under Senior Open Bitch. I was pleased to award her **BEST VETERAN IN SHOW**.

Best in Show: Ch Forestcreek Double O Seven, JW

RBIS: Marilee Reggae

Best of Opposite Sex: Marilee Reggae

Winners Dog: Ch Forestcreek Double O Seven, JW

Winners Bitch: Marilee Reggae

Reserve Winners Dog: Briarcrest Going for Baroque

Reserve Winners Bitch: Tudorr La Dolce Angela

Best Puppy in Show: Parlett Pinky Promise