

## **CAVALIERS OF THE SOUTH**

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I am not one for gushing, however I feel I must praise the show organisers and exhibitors for a beautifully organised show and entertainment, and lovely dogs.

Now to the dogs. As always there are a few really special exhibits that fill your eye and my top winners all did this. The difficult part when judging is not finding the high flyers but accurately assessing those dogs which have an "if only". Most exhibits had correct eyes in shape and pigmentation and all were well presented. Some exhibits were lacking bone, and correct angulation of fore AND hindquarters were lacking in many. Temperaments in the main were good, but sadly one dog took a real dislike to me on the table, which was decidedly un-cavalier-like. I do hope this bitch is not bred from.

## **THE DOG CLASSES**

### **JUNIOR PUPPY DOG (8)**

1. **HUNTLAND HEISMAN** (Land/Land)  
This 7 month old Blenheim had everything in the right place and has a great future. Soft expression, but still masculine. Excellent pigment, well set ears, good reach of neck and well laid shoulders. Super well angulated hindquarters, which he used on the move presenting a lovely picture. A diamond in the rough! **BEST PUPPY DOG**
2. **IMAGINE THE LEGEND CONTINUES** (Lake)  
Really smart 5 month Blenheim. Slightly longer in loin than 1, and occasionally lost topline when standing. Moved really well for his age. Excellent deeply pigmented nose and eyes. Another very promising puppy.
3. **LEGENDCREST FINNICKSKYE DREAM CATCHER** (Utych/Utych)  
Really nicely marked Blenheim with sweet expressive head. Good size. Shows lots of promise. Moved steadily around the ring.
4. **HUNTLAND HUNTLEY VAILLANCOURT MCCOSH** (Land/Land)  
7 month Blenheim. Lovely baby that has lots to offer. Masculine head with good eyes and well set ears giving a soft expression. Movement was still a little babyish, but he has plenty of time to tighten up.

### **SENIOR PUPPY DOG (1)**

1. **WATERSEDGE NEW YEAR'S TREASURE** (Walzer/Walzer)  
Alone in this class, but very worthy of this award. Heavily marked coat of good length and texture. Expressive head with large, dark eyes. Good reach of neck and correct shoulder angulation. Just a little longer in the loin than ideal. Well schooled and moved soundly.

## **GRADUATE PUPPY DOG (2)**

1. **TUDOROSE DALTON ANGEL KISSES** (Dye/Mixon)  
Immature but well coated and well marked Blenheim. Super rich chestnut markings. Good head, with well feathered ears, properly set on, framing a correctly balanced head. Large dark eyes and correct muzzle along with a well made body, made for a very pleasing picture standing and on the move.
2. **BROOKHAVEN MR TAMBOURINE MAN, JW** (Ayers/Martz)  
Very different type to #1. Very well boned boy with lots to like. Superb eyes , masculine expression. Enough neck and good angulation. Shorter in the back than #1. Holding a good topline and tailset on the move. Not as happy standing.

## **BRED BY EXHIBITOR DOG (2)**

1. **HUNTCREST MY GUY** (Weiner Pope)  
Well-coated glamorous boy with lovely head and expression. Well made with adequate front and rear angulation. Moves steadily keeping a level topline and tail carriage. Would prefer a little more leg for better balance. Overall, a top class exhibit.
2. **AMMIK ONE PARTICULAR HARBOUR** (Madden/Mixon)  
Extremely difficult decision as so well matched, the winner, apart from a more sloping croop and consequently tailset not so good. Super happy temperament.

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

1. **BROOKHAVEN FOREVER YOUNG** (Bolster/Ayers)  
Elegant, well marked Blenheim. Very well made with a good length of neck, excellent shoulders, level back and well made rear quarters. All male to look at, and presents a great picture standing and on the move.
2. **MAJORELLE CATCH ME IF YOU CAN, JW** (Conley)  
Blenheim with the most lovely head and expression. Heavier marked than #1, but coat a good colour and texture. Good size with good bone. Not moving as freely as #1.

## **AMERICAN BRED DOG (4)**

1. **JAYBA BEAU** (Lander/Lander)  
Stallion of a dog! No mistaking his sex, but no sign of coarseness, as he has the sweetest of heads! Up to size, but presents a lovely outline standing and on the move. Moves extremely well and really uses his hocks to drive himself around the ring.
2. **ROYALMARK REMINISCENCE** (Cameron)  
This lovely boy caught my eye standing. Great outline with well set shoulders and level topline. Lovely head and expression. For perfection, I would prefer a larger eye. Moved steadily.
3. **TUDORR CHECKMATE** (Mixon/ Mixon/Cline)

What a livewire! Gave his handler a hard job but loved his character. Maybe lacking some furnishings but he had nothing to hide. When concentrating, moved really well with drive.

4. **CLARMARIAN HEIR APPARENT** (Young May)  
Up to size. Moved steadily, although a little close behind.

### **SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM DOG (3)**

1. **BRAEMARRA RUBEN OF SUMARA** (Gentil)  
Such a striking male, nothing overdone. Beautifully presented well-marked coat. Well set shoulders, correct length of neck, good topline and tailset. Moved well.
2. **DALVRECK STARSHINE** (Ayers/Martz/McInally)  
Well-coated and richly marked Blenheim. Masculine head and expression, large eyes. Good earset. Tended to be proud of his tail on the move, which spoilt his outline.
3. **TUDORR RENEGADE** (Madden/Mixon)  
Such a pity that this well sized boy was fighting his handler. Sweet and expressive head, well made throughout, but threw his chances away on the move when he lost his topline.

### **SPECIAL LIMIT TRICOLOUR DOG (3)**

1. **PINNACLE HUEY IN THE NEWS** (Bennett)  
Loved this boy as soon as he entered the ring. Not a lot of coat but then he has nothing to hide. Head is masculine without being overdone in any way. Really rich tan in all the correct places. Well constructed with correct bone. Moved really strongly covering the ground with ease. Was delighted to read later that he was sired by one of my dogs!  
**[BEST TRICOLOUR IN SHOW, BEST TRICOLOUR DOG](#)**
2. **SERAPHAVEN RETURN OF THE KING** (Gogol)  
Close up to #1 just losing out on needing a little more fill, beneath his eyes to give the melting expression. Good size and moved well.
3. **PASCAVALE DODGER** (Jacks)  
Such a quality boy, well marked with plenty of coat. Good head with large dark eyes, correctly set on. Not striding out on the move and lost topline.

### **SPECIAL LIMIT BLACK-AND-TAN DOG (1)**

1. **DARANE HAPPY SONG** (MarkiiJohn/Kates)  
On his own but a very worthy winner. Happy by name and happy by nature, this boy really appealed to me on lots of levels. Soft and expressive head, well cushioned muzzle, large dark eyes and rich tan. Correct length of neck, well angulated quarters, level topline. Hard to assess his movement at times as he is so exuberant.  
**[BEST BLACK-AND-TAN IN SHOW, BEST BLACK-AND-TAN DOG](#)**

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

*"This class presented challenges to judge, in that all 3 entrants were very worthy of the Champion title, but very different in type."*

1. **CH BROOKHAVEN THE DREAM LIVES ON AT FINNICKYSKYE** (Utych/Utych)  
This boy is so unexaggerated. Nothing in the wrong place, correct size, well marked, moves well. Not much more you can ask for. Loved him!  
**RESERVE BEST IN SHOW, BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX, WINNERS DOG**
2. **ENG CH HARANA ERROL BROWN, ENG JW** (Ayers/Martz)  
Beautifully headed boy that shouts quality. Rich ruby coat, excellent bone, well angulated all round. Just wasn't as precise in his movement as #1.  
**BEST RUBY IN SHOW, BEST RUBY DOG**
3. **CH BENTWOOD FORESTCREEK ROB RED** (Borton/Harrison)  
Another lovely dog of correct size, very well marked. Soft expression. Tended to lose his topline at times.

### **THE BITCH CLASSES**

#### **JUNIOR PUPPY BITCH (8)**

*"This class was a feast for the eyes with so many lovely bitch puppies. Bodes well for the future if these girls are going to be bred from."*

1. **WATERSEGE CURTAIN CALL** (Walzer/Walzer)  
This 5 month old baby headed this class due to her amazing outgoing temperament and text book correct conformation. Evenly marked coat of excellent texture and even a lozenge!  
Moved so well covering the ground with ease. I predict a great future.  
**BEST PUPPY IN SHOW, BEST PUPPY BITCH**
2. **ALMEARA ONCE SMITTEN TWICE LOVED** (Whitmire)  
Remarks for #1 also apply to this 7 month Blenheim. Just unlucky to be up against such an outstanding puppy.
3. **LINRICA DING DONG** (Liu)  
Beautifully schooled 7 month Blenheim. Lovely head and expression, especially her dark round eyes. Good spring of rib, length of neck and level topline. Moved steadily.
4. **TASSAJARA THIS IS US WEE** (Seidman/Seidman-McDonnell)  
Mature blanket marked tricolour girl. Coat of good texture emphasising her excellent construction. Lovely soft expression defined by her rich tan. Moved correctly.

#### **SENIOR PUPPY BITCH (2)**

1. **LINRICA MIRACLE BABY** (Liu)

Well balanced puppy with richly marked coat. Correct earset, framing a well cushioned head, with large dark eyes. Good size, with ample bone. Moved around the ring with head, tail, and level topline.

**2. INGOLD LOVED JUST RIGHT (Pickett/Mullis)**

This girl was not enjoying her day at all. Very wary of me examining her, to the extent that she growled at me. I do hope that this is a one off incident as it is certainly not correct behaviour.

**GRADUATE PUPPY BITCH (4)**

*“Such a competitive class.”*

**1. BROOKHAVEN FORBIDDEN FRUIT (Ayers/Martz)**

My star of the day! This little bitch has it all that is needed to take her to the top. Her head and expression are textbook with large dark eyes, well cushioned muzzle, beautifully marked silky coat. Standing you can really appreciate just how well made she is. Nothing in excess. She moved with great style covering the ground with correct driving action. Good luck with her in future!

**BEST IN SHOW, WINNERS BITCH, BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR IN SHOW, BEST AMERICAN BRED IN SHOW, BEST BLenheim IN SHOW, BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR BITCH, BEST AMERICAN BRED BITCH, BEST BLenheim BITCH**

**2. TUDORR SONG OF ICE AND FIRE, JW (Mixon/Mixon)**

What a showgirl this Blenheim is. Never stopped pulling out all the stops to display her wonderful temperament. Feminine head with large dark eyes. Crested neck leading to well angulated shoulders. Just a little longer in the loin than #1. Certainly not disgraced in this hot class. **RESERVE WINNERS BITCH**

**3. ASTARRING ALL THE CATS MEOW (Flowers Foster/Mohn)**

Such a sweet and feminine bitch. Fabulous large dark eyes compliment her head. Excellent outline standing and on the move. Well angulated all round.

**4. LIVELYOAK PERSUASION, JW (Brokopp/Borton/Harrison)**

Another delightful Blenheim who had many of the assets of those who beat her in this class. Very feminine, but with substance. Coat of great texture and length. Moved well covering the ground with ease, but on occasions losing her topline over her loin.

**BRED BY EXHIBITOR BITCH (2)**

**1. CH JAYBA OOH LA LA, JW (Lander/Lander/George)**

Striking, lightly marked exhibit with soft, well cushioned head. Large eye, good mouth, crested neck, good shoulder angulation. Kept a level topline and carried tail well. Just not as positive on the move as I would have liked.

2. **LINRICA REACH FOR THE STARS, JW** (Liu)

Richly marked Blenheim with well made body. Good angulation front and rear. Good driving action when moving. Not as soft an expression as #1.

**JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED BITCH (3)**

1. **LINRICA PEONY IN LOVE** (Lui)

Good size and shape. Beautiful large eyes, excellent pigment. Would prefer higher set ears. Moved very happily keeping a steady topline and tailset.

2. **AUTUMNHILL UNFORGETTABLE AT TIDEWATER** (O'Brien/Tatum/Parente)

Ruby girl who was longer in the body than #1. Good shape. Would prefer better pigment and slightly larger eye. Moved confidently.

3. **BROOKHAVEN HERE COMES WINTER** (Ayers/Martz)

Such a sweet tricolour who decided that she did not want to cooperate with her handler today. Do hope she gets the hang of this and starts to enjoy showing off her many virtues!

**AMERICAN BRED BITCH (5)**

1. **BROOKHAVEN ARIZONA** (Ayers/Martz)

Another lovely exhibit from this breeder. Blenheim bitch with substance without being overdone. Lovely head correctly cushioned with large dark eyes and good nose pigment. Moved well with good driving hocks.

2. **SUNJAYS RUMOUR HAS IT** (Hellman)

Built on taller lines than #1. Lovely outline standing and on the move. Good length of neck and shoulder angulation, well sprung ribs. Moved happily.

3. **INGOLD JACKIE O** (Pickett)

Longer in foreface than the first 2. Well made body. Just wasn't happy to show.

4. **CHADWICK HPNOTIQ** (Taub/Eckersley)

Delightful tri, pretty as a picture, just refused to walk.

**SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM (3)**

1. **INGOLD LADY BIRD** (Pickett)

Richly marked with good quality coat and furnishings. Lovely head with huge, dark round eyes. Doesn't use her ears to advantage. Well made body throughout, strong, level topline and excellent tailset. Moved well with good parallel action.

2. **HUNTCREST EARLY EDITION** (Weiner-Pope)

Lovely typy bitch with lots of virtues. Well cushioned head, well coated with lots of feathering. A little proud of her tail and would prefer a more angulated rear.

3. **SAKURAHILL SENBON SAKURA MIKU** (Woods)

Rather plain throughout. Needs better angulation.

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

1. **ALMEARA WALK LIKE AN EGYPTIAN** (Whitmire)  
Alone, but worthy winner. Correct for size, bone and angulation. Sweet head, shorter in the muzzle, good rich tan. Moved steadily.

### **SPECIAL LIMIT RUBY BITCH (3)**

1. **BROOKHAVEN I BELIEVE, JW** (Ayer/Martz)  
Yet another worthy winner from this kennel. Typy girl with lovely head and expression. Good earset used to advantage. Excellent bone and size, although would prefer a slightly longer leg for overall balance.
2. **HOLLYTREE GOOD DAY SUNSHINE** (Markiijohn/Seymour)  
Good overall shape and balance. Head needs a little more fill under the eyes. Moved steadily.
3. **AZALEARUN RED HOT VALENTINE** (Taylor)  
Carrying a little too much weight, which makes her look lacking in angulation. Movement was OK. Would prefer better pigment.

### **OPEN BITCH (2)**

1. **SERAPHAVEN PUT A SPELL ON YOU** (Gogol)  
Caught my eye as she entered the ring. Lovely outline standing and on the move. Super body with good spring of rib. Soft head and expression, framed by the most amazing ears!! Moved well covering the ground with ease.
2. **LINRICA ROSE PETALS** (Liu)  
Very close up to #1, but was just not moving as freely. Feminine head, good pigment with richly marked coat. Well ribbed up body.

### **SENIOR OPEN BITCH (1)**

1. **CH CHESHAM A MINUTE OF YOUR TIME, JW** (Taub/Eckersley)  
What a pleasure it was to have the opportunity to go over this grand girl. Still displaying many of the virtues of when she was younger. Kept a great topline and tailset. Such a sweet head and expression, no mistaking that she is a bitch.

### **VETERAN DOG (2)**

1. **KARVALE BROOKHAVEN FINN** (Utych)  
Nearly 11 years old Blenheim, but boy, does he know how to move! Still possesses great freedom in front and driving action behind. Very well marked, and apart from some grey hairs, and still has a wonderful head and expression.

2. **CH CLARMARIAN CLASSIC BY DESIGN** (Young May)

Lovely Blenheim. Super coat, very well marked. Head is all male without being coarse. Just didn't feel he was moving as freely as #1.

**VETERAN BITCH (1)**

1. **Ch CARMAS PENNE PASTA AT CRIZWOOD** (Moulton/Wornall)

8 years old and looking like a million dollars. Everything about her is refined and feminine with the most amazing ears. Presented so sympathetically by her handler, you could tell that this lovely girl enjoys her showing. Apart from being ultra glamorous, she is also extremely well made with a sound, well-ribbed body and well angulated quarters. Moved with style. A real showstopper! **[BEST VETERAN IN SHOW](#)**