# CAVALIERS OF THE NORTHEAST 03/17/19, WILLIAMSBURG, VIRGINIA CHARLIE WEIDIG, BLACKFIRE CAVALIERS, USA

My sincere thanks go to the Cavaliers of the Northeast for giving me the opportunity to judge this outstanding entry at such a fine venue. CNE Show Chair Mandy Mulligan went to great lengths to pull everything together, including putting together a stewarding crew I could not have matched if I had hand-picked them myself. Every time I turned around, my Ring Steward, D'Ann Fahnestock, was there with exactly what I needed. Gate Steward Ted Eubank and Table Steward Mary Grace Eubank complemented each other, as usual, as an efficient team, and Alison Matos as Announcer kept everything flowing smoothly.

After years of judging Fun Matches and Puppy Sweepstakes as a Candidate Judge, I approached my first Championship judging assignment with just bit of apprehension. The entry at this show was solid, both in numbers and in caliber. Yet looking back at this field, I can positively state that the Cavaliers I chose on this day are the ones that I would have chosen to represent the best of the breed, whether at a match in someone's back yard, or among a Crufts-worthy entry. I am honored to have been given the privilege to recognize them, and I am grateful to their breeders and owners for giving me this opportunity.

It should go without saying that, in an entry of this size and quality, there are any number of exhibits who were worthy of top honors. At another given time and place, the results could easily have been different, but this is a judgment of which Cavaliers were most deserving *on the day*. I give my most sincere thanks to each and every exhibitor who gave me the chance to make that judgment, and I hope to see your Cavaliers in the ring again.

# THE DOG CLASSES

# **JUNIOR PUPPY DOG** (7)

#### 1. MARILEE BE TRUE TO YOUR SCHOOL (Junk/Collins)

At just shy of 9 months of age, this Blenheim boy caught my attention with a pleasing masculine head, including lovely eyes and nose, and a correct bite. On the move, he showed the strength of his front assembly, and exhibited ample and balanced reach and drive.

## 2. HUNTLAND LEOPOLD (Land/Land)

With a head just as attractive as number one's, this 8 month old Blenheim was certainly in contention. Although his body still lacks development, a solid prosternum bodes well for him in this regard. At his tender age, he was just a bit too excited to show off his best movement, but I am hoping that he will gain the confidence and consistency needed as he matures.

#### 3. HOWLINWINDS ENDLESS LOVE (Curtiss)

Nice to see such a promising young puppy as this well-proportioned 5 month old Blenheim, although he didn't seem to be acclimated to the show ring well enough yet to show off his best stuff. He has great depth of chest for his age, and excellent turn of stifle, which allows him to track parallel on the move.

## 4. KALAIS CAPTAIN JACK SPARROW AT JEMANDA (Weinstein)

The not-yet-matured but well-proportioned body of this 6 month old Black-and-Tan also shows great promise, including excellent shoulder layback. On the move, he looked good both coming and going. With more coat and body development, he could develop into an outstanding Cavalier.

## **SENIOR PUPPY DOG** (6)

## 1. BLUEDAY MICH E LOB AT CHEWCREEK (DePhillip)

What's not to like in this solid 11 month old Blenheim, who packs lots of substance into a sound body that's put together so well, both front and rear. When I saw him in the lineup, his welcoming eyes and gently wagging tail told me that his temperament was exactly what we look for in our breed. On the move, he held his topline perfectly, with his silky coat flowing smoothly, and he looked great from all angles, with each footfall going exactly where it was supposed to. I was delighted to name him **BEST PUPPY DOG**.

## 2. HUNTLAND BROOKHAVEN MARCO (McCauley)

Another nice cushy head on this 10 month old Blenheim, who also has an impressively strong body for a boy of his age. When he moved, he tracked well with excellent reach, and he looked especially good going away, carrying his tail properly.

#### 3. LEGENDCREST FINNICKYSKYE DREAM CATCHER (Utych/Utych)

Very pleasant head on this 9 month old Blenheim, whose silky coat is very nicely broken with rich chestnut on a proper pearly white. He is well balanced, adding to his ability to carry an excellent topline, but didn't quite match the good angulation of the first two, taking away just a bit from his potential reach and drive.

## 4. BRYREWOOD PIANO MAN (Lundberg/Baldwin)

The strength of this 10 month old Blenheim definitely lies in his sound rear quarters, which allow him to propel his substantive body smoothly. He especially looked good going away, but lacked the front reach of his competitors.

## **GRADUATE PUPPY DOG (5)**

#### 1. DREAMVALE TIME WARP (Perini/Sage)

I was very impressed when I put my hands on this good-looking one year old Black-and-Tan. Solidly put together, and sporting good shoulder layback, he has a solid topline with good tail carriage. Short coupled through his muscular loin, he has well-balanced reach and drive, and looked especially solid and true from the front. I was happy to name him <u>BEST BLACK-AND-TAN IN SHOW, BEST BLACK-AND-TAN DOG.</u>

#### 2. MANORHOUSE GUNS N ROSES (McCaslin/Orns)

This 15 month old Blenheim is very similar to number one in this class, in terms of good physical development and proper angulation. If he had been able to move a bit more consistently, the results could have been reversed. A nice cushy head, set off by lovely ears and expressive eyes, completes a handsome picture.

#### 3. **DIORCHAVON DOCTOR LOU ON CALL** (Bialek)

Although slightly longer cast than the two ahead of him, this 16 month old Blenheim is also quite well put together, and moved about as nicely. His dark eyes and sweet expression provided an entry into a perfect Cavalier temperament.

#### 4. TUDOROSE DALTON ANGEL KISSES (Dye and Mixon)

This 16 month old Blenheim is better put together than most of his age I examined – solid, short-coupled, and with good shoulder layback. On another day, he could easily have won top honors, but on this Sunday he just was not ready to settle down well enough to show the movement and head carriage I would expect from such a sound dog.

# **JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED DOG** (1)

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

I liked the proportions on this 16 month old Blenheim boy. His gorgeous coat was set off by an excellent headpiece, accented by lovely eyes. Although I thought his strength was in his front assembly, his sturdy loin was quite well muscled for such a young lad.

## **AMERICAN BRED DOG (5)**

# 1. ORCHARDHILL NEWS TO ME (Venier/Venier)

What a great package in this not-quite two year old Blenheim! From his nicely laid-back shoulders, through a level topline, to his well-turned stifles, and right down to his very solid hocks, this boy is about as sound as they come. Going around the ring, his pleasant head leads the way for excellent parallel movement coming and going.

## 2. BROOKHAVEN FOREVER YOUNG (Bolster/Ayers)

This 1½ year old Blenheim was very close in quality to number one in the class but was just not quite as settled on the move as his older competitor. His plush head, accented by big, expressive eyes, was the first thing that caught my attention. A well broken coat accents his properly proportioned body, highlighted by excellent chest fill and a strong loin.

## 3. CHADWICK SHOOTING UPWARDS OF CEILIMOR (McCarty/Eckersley)

Yet another great head on this happy 3 year old Blenheim, with properly dark pigment in all the places that matter. Just as solid and balanced as his competitors, on this day he did not seem up to carrying his attractive and masculine head quite as proudly as the others.

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

This 1 ½ year old Blenheim has a head as proper and pleasing as his second place brother. He moves just as true and parallel as any in this class, with footfalls as precise as any I have seen. With a bit more reach and drive, he could be even more competitive.

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

#### 1. ORCHARDHILL INCLUSIVE (Venier/Venier)

Putting my hands on this 3 ½ year old was one of the highlights of my day. From his well laid back shoulders, through his strongly muscled body, he struck me as the personification of soundness. I loved the way he looked coming at me, carrying his head with exactly the royal and elegant manner we all hope for. In profile, his level topline crowned a body that sports excellent extension on both ends. There was no question that he was deserving of being named

RESERVE WINNERS DOG, RESERVE BEST IN SHOW, BEST BLENHEIM IN SHOW, BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR IN SHOW, BEST BLENHEIM DOG, and BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR DOG.

#### 2. MARILEE RAY NITSCHKE (Junk/Collins)

This 3 year old is solidly built, with a strong loin to help propel him around the ring gracefully. I especially liked the way he looked going across, with his attractive head carried nicely above his level topline. It was just a bit difficult for him to match the outstanding movement and tail carriage of number one in this class.

#### 3. AMMICK ONE PARTICULAR HARBOR (Madden/Mixon)

A strong and solid 2 ½ year old rounded out the excellent field in this class. I loved the rich chestnut pigment on his silky coat. His tail was in constant motion as he carried it properly around the ring, although he seemed just a bit hesitant on the table.

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

## 1. PINACLEE HUEY IN THE NEWS (Bennett)

This heavily marked 2 year old was beautifully presented, and his pleasant expression caught my eye as soon as I looked at his striking head. His good shoulder layback allows him to move elegantly around the ring, showing off a level topline and proper tail carriage.

#### 2. EMENKAY DREAM LOVER (Vezina/Orns)

This boy of nearly 3 years was also well groomed, and his full ears provided a perfect frame for his head, featuring a full, masculine muzzle. His chest development is quite nice, and he has the balance to propel himself effectively, with almost the same smoothness as number one.

#### 3. ONE MORE TIME VOM KANINCHENGARTEN (James/Stahl)

This 3 year old with ample coat and a deep chest completed a uniformly sound class. His proper shoulder layback was proof of a strong front assembly, and the table examination revealed a strongly muscled body. Although the others in this class may have had better rear angulation, this boy nevertheless carried a dead level tail as he moved.

## **SPECIAL LIMIT RUBY DOG (2)**

#### 1. CHEWCREEK UP IN SMOKE (DePhillip)

The big eyes on this 3 year old really caught me, and they captivated me as the dominating feature of his head. He has very good shoulder layback, and proper balance allows him to use what he has to move with grace and precision. From both front and back, it was apparent that he moved his front and rear legs beautifully in parallel planes. Delighted to name him **BEST RUBY DOG**.

#### 2. **SNOWBIRD HOCUS POCUS** (Miller)

What I loved about this 3 year old was his gorgeous head, something that can be difficult to produce in a Ruby. Although he could not match the precise movement of number one when viewed from the front or rear, his balanced structure allowed him to carry a level topline, with a nicely carried tail flowing behind.

## **SPECIAL LIMIT BLACK-AND-TAN DOG (3)**

#### 1. LYNSFAIRE CELTIC CHARM (Fairchild)

This boy of nearly 3 years makes a striking appearance, with a lovely head, excellent dark eyes, and a silky smooth coat. His body is solid and strong, and his strength is most evident in his sound rear assembly, propelling him smoothly in parallel tracks going away. The picture was equally appealing in profile, as he carried his head and tail properly on the move.

# 2. DARANE HAPPY SONG (Markijohn and Kates)

This 2 ½ year old is quite well put together, with lots of muscle and a strong topline. He knows how to hold his head proudly when moving, as his ample and smooth coat flows to complete the picture.

## 3. CORBONA'S FIREHEART OF NOONVALE (Bertron)

At just a year and a half of age, this boy needs some time in order to match the movement of his older competitors. He looked quite good from the front, with his excellent eyes providing a window into his wonderful Cavalier temperament. In profile, I loved his full, flowing tail, constantly in motion.

## OPEN DOG (4)

#### 1. CH CHADWICK CODE BLACK OF CEILIMOR (McCarty/Eckersley)

I first saw this stunning Tricolor in the ring when he was just a year old, and I was eager to see close-up how he has developed into an adult approaching his third birthday. He still makes a striking impression, with jet black markings broken by pristine white, dark eyes that beckon even the casual observer, and perfectly groomed ears that provide a fitting frame for his sweet but masculine expression. Putting my hands on him took it up yet another notch; his wonderful spring of rib led to a well-muscled loin of perfect length, topped by a spectacular topline, and all in perfect balance. He was most certainly on his game this day, and it is a credit to both his breeder and his co-owner/handler that he earned the titles of

WINNERS DOG, BEST IN SHOW, BEST AMERICAN BRED IN SHOW, BEST TRICOLOR IN SHOW, BEST AMERICAN BRED DOG, and BEST TRICOLOR DOG.

## 2. CH DREAMVALE DEVIL WITHOUT A CAUSE (Perini/Sage)

This 2 ½ year old Blenheim is another boy I had the privilege of meeting when he was just a puppy, and he too has grown into a spectacular adult Cavalier. Although perhaps just a bit slight in development compared to the marginally older number one in this class, he has an equally appealing masculine head, accented by dark eyes and nose. In the lineup and on the move, he looks beautiful from every angle, carrying his head proudly and regally. When moving, he makes sure to place each foot in exactly the right spot, enhancing the appearance of elegance. On another day, he could easily have won top honors.

# 3. CH BROOKHAVEN THE DREAM LIVES ON AT FINNICKYSKYE (Utych/Utych)

An attractive, full head on this solid 3 year old Blenheim is set off by perfectly round eyes, and framed by well-set ears. Although it was tough to match the precise movement and head carriage of the others in this class, he nevertheless carries his tail perfectly to finish off the picture created by his silky smooth coat.

## **4. CH FOXWYN COOL WATER** (Norton and Baker-Fox)

This 4 year old Blenheim has a head every bit as pleasing as the others in this class, with expressive eyes and a dark nose. Put together very solidly, he managed to move true going away, but he was just not settled enough on this day to show me his best stuff.

## **SENIOR OPEN DOG** (1)

#### 1. DREAMVALE OLLIVANDER (Sage/Hallsted)

I saw this 7 year old Blenheim in the ring when he was just a lad; I was impressed by his solid topline then, and he hasn't lost anything in the ensuing 5 years. He is incredibly active and spry for a boy of his age, and moves as well as many of the youngsters. Hats off to his breeder for showing us the kind of lasting quality we can produce.

# THE BITCH CLASSES

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

## 1. NIGHTINGALE OVER THE TOP (Mulligan)

I was just a bit over the top myself when I saw the graceful, long neck on this Blenheim girl of just 8 months. It was one of several factors that work together to allow her to move as smoothly as a veteran of the ring. Most impressive to me was the amount of extension she gets out of her rear legs; she looked fabulous going away. A pretty head and a solid topline with good tail carriage round out her résumé.

#### 2. **DELSOL LOVE ON THE ROCKS** (Gentil)

Lots of potential in this 5 month old well-broken Blenheim, who hasn't yet had the opportunity to figure out what is expected of her in the ring. While she initially had trouble walking straight, she looked really good at proper speed. Her profile view showed me excellent reach and drive, and a level topline. With a clean blaze, a well broken coat, and better shoulder layback than most, this little girl has great promise.

#### 3. WATERSEDGE CURTAIN CALL (Walzer/Walzer)

What a cute face on this 8 month old Blenheim, nicely accented by a perfect spot in the middle of her properly wide blaze! Although she has not yet acclimated herself to walking straight in the show ring, she showed enough for me to see that she carries her tail straight, and in constant motion. A strong loin bodes well for her future development.

#### 4. BLUEGARDEN ITSY BITSY (Matos/Glynn)

At just 7 months of age, this energetic Blenheim is anything but itsy bitsy when it comes to good, solid skeletal growth. She has more than ample bone, her rib cage is already well developed, and she sports excellent shoulder layback. It took her just a bit to get moving properly, but once she did, I just loved seeing her tail in constant, happy motion. If her bite improves as she matures, she will be one to watch.

## **SENIOR PUPPY BITCH (3)**

## 1. ALMEARA ONCE SMITTEN TWICE LOVED (Whitmire)

What a nicely developed package in this 9 month old Blenheim, with ample bone and lots of muscle. Her well broken markings are striking against a pearly white field. Although she hasn't yet learned to show it when she free stacks, she shows strong extension from the rear when moving, and she looked equally smooth when coming back. No difficulty naming her **BEST PUPPY IN SHOW** and **BEST PUPPY BITCH**.

#### 2. HYTEA PUDDLE JUMP (Greak/Comer)

A pretty face and captivating eyes, framed by lovely ears, drew me in to this nicely pigmented 10 month old silky coated Black-and-Tan. Once she settled, she showed remarkably good movement, looking especially nice from the rear. Although her front angulation will benefit from continued growth, she nevertheless already displays excellent reach when viewed in profile. I was proud to name her **BEST BLACK-AND-TAN BITCH.** 

#### 3. TASSAJARA RIESLING (Seidman/Seidman-McDonnell)

Although not quite as short-coupled as the others in this class, this lovely 9 month old Blenheim still presents nicely. Right now, her rear assembly appears to be the strongest part of her body, and her excellent turn of stifle helps her use it effectively. It is promising to see that she also looks good in motion from the front, and if her body grows to match her ample legs, she will certainly be one to behold.

## **GRADUATE PUPPY BITCH (5)**

## 1. ORCHARDHILL CHARGE IT TO DAD (Venier/Venier)

Call it instant infatuation if you will, but I just fell in love with this one year old Blenheim as soon as I saw her. She checks off all the boxes, starting with a lovely head, accented by darkly pigmented eyes and a perfect Blenheim spot, through her well developed and strongly muscled body, topped off by a gorgeous silky coat, and finished with a feathery tail that is carried perfectly and just won't stop waving gracefully. While she was in motion, I simply could not find a point of view from which she did not move flawlessly, showing great reach and drive with very little effort. It was easy to name her **RESERVE WINNERS BITCH and BEST BLENHEIM BITCH**.

## 2. NORTHPOINTE HEDERA COLCHICA (Mitchum)

I was struck by the lovely head on this one year old Blenheim, nicely full and padded while still attractively feminine, and with dark, round eyes that just draw you in. Overall, she shows good balance, and her parallel movement looks best from the front, while she still manages to carry her tail quite well.

#### 3. CARLEN CHATEAU STE MICHELLE (Close)

At barely one year old, this attractive Ruby will benefit from increased confidence in the ring. While her head carriage made her look just a bit unsure of herself, she is definitely a smooth mover, and she carries her tail perfectly. With wonderfully dark pigment in her expressive eyes, and in her silky coat, she has quite a bit to offer.

## 4. BROOKHAVEN HERE COMES WINTER (Ayers/Martz)

A clean white muzzle on this blanketed Tricolor of one year accents her pretty, cushy face. She has good skeletal and muscular development, with excellent spring of rib and a very strong loin. With a bit more reach and drive, she will be able to put it all together nicely.

## **NOVICE BITCH (2)**

#### 1. HOLLYTREE GOOD DAY SUNSHINE (Markijohn/Seymour)

Good pigment throughout on this Ruby of not quite two years, from her dark expressive eyes to her silky coat. She carries her lovely head proudly when on the move, holding a solid topline and extending her tail well.

#### 2. KRYSTLE DAISY MAE (Monroe)

A lot of substance in this 1 year 8 month old Blenheim, with good bone development in her chest and lots of muscle throughout. She seemed a bit unsure of herself in the ring, but looking at her going across, she proved to be an easy-going smooth mover, carrying her tail nicely. If her bite improves, she will show even better.

## **BRED BY EXHIBITOR BITCH** (1)

#### 1. CHEWCREEK DANCING QUEEN (DePhillip)

Such a pretty head on this 2 year old Tricolor, with a strikingly clean muzzle and blaze, and welcoming dark eyes. I love her short-coupled outline, complemented by a nicely

broken silky coat. Although she was not always as smooth on the move as she could have been, she presented a nice picture going across.

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

#### 1. BRYREWOOD YOU SEND ME (Torgersen/Baldwin)

This nicely put-together Tricolor of 17 months really did send me! Good shoulder layback helps to reveal a long, graceful neck, and her well-broken coat is accented by a pretty face with enough blaze to show it off. She moves properly in parallel planes both coming and going, and shows great extension from the rear. No problem naming her as **BEST TRICOLOR BITCH**.

#### 2. TASSAJARA THIS IS US WEE (Seidman/Seidman-McDonnell)

This blanketed one year old Tricolor is actually quite substantive in terms of muscle, bone, and spring of rib. Although she could not quite match the reach and drive of number one in this class, she is nevertheless quite well balanced, and presents a pretty picture on the move.

#### 3. CHADWICK PURPLE PASSION (Eckersley)

Such a pretty face on this 8 month old Tricolor with a well-broken and silky coat. At this point in her growth, she seems to be much stronger in her rear quarters than the front, showing excellent extension, and carrying her tail well from a level back. Hopefully, maturity will bring her front assembly into balance with her rear, and she will be one to watch.

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

#### 1. CHADWICK SAY YES TO THE DRESS (Eckersley)

I would definitely say yes to the lovely and well-padded face on this Blenheim of almost two years, with nicely broken markings on a clean pearly white ground. What she has is put together very nicely, with her balanced appearance and movement accented by a long and gracefully arched neck that was unmatched by any in this class.

#### 2. **INGOLD LADY BIRD** (Pickett)

Lots of substance on this two year old Blenheim, with her pretty eyes leading the way for her solid body. With well laid-back shoulders, she moves true coming and going, and presents a picture of smoothness in profile.

## 3. REGIS HOWLINWINDS PRINCESS IDA (Curtiss)

This Blenheim girl of a year and 8 months is very solid in structure, and has a pretty feminine head to boot. Her good shoulder layback is matched by excellent drive from the rear, and a nice topline only enhances the picture.

#### 4. CARLEN AMBER MARSALA SPICE (Close)

This 3 year old Blenheim also sports very good shoulder layback, and her movement looked great both coming and going. Although she is nicely marked and well-broken, the silky smooth coats of the others in this class just appealed to me a bit more.

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

## 1. FOXWYN MAYFLOWER (Fox)

I was drawn to the very pretty face on this two year old cutie, with round eyes that just won't quit, and a nicely pigmented nose to match. Her compact body is quite well developed, with lots of muscle, excellent depth of chest, and good spring of rib. All of this was put to good use as she moved true going both ways.

## 2. ANGEL'S PRIDE NESSAJA (Charen)

Very close in quality and type to number one in the class, this one year and 8 month old also is solidly put together, with plenty of muscle and good chest development. Looking good going around the ring, she has plenty of reach and drive, a nice topline and tail carriage, and is an overall smooth mover.

#### 3. KRYSTLE SWEET AS SUGAR (Torgersen)

Nicely marked, and featuring a perfect Blenheim spot, this girl of almost a year and a half has plenty of substance. Although just a bit distracted by the bits of bait on the floor, she still managed to move her legs perfectly, and place her feet well. I simply preferred the head and tail carriage of the others in this class.

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

## 1. CHADWICK WISH UPON A STAR (Eckersley)

This blanketed Tri girl at two years old has lots of strength in her solid little body. That strength translates perfectly into strong movement with plenty of drive, and holding her head proudly as she covers ground. A firm topline completes a lovely picture.

#### 2. **DELSOL ADORED** (McHenry)

Another strong and solid body on this two year old with a silky coat that just begs to be touched. She looked great coming toward me, with her lovely face leading the way for a solid front assembly, but I preferred the overall movement and head carriage of the other.

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

#### 1. BROOKHAVEN I BELIEVE, JW (Ayers/Martz)

I believe I was mesmerized by the lovely head on this two year old beauty, something that is often so elusive in a Ruby. Dark, round eyes, good padding underneath, a well pigmented nose, and a textbook stop all work together, framed by her full ears. As she strutted her stuff in the ring, her short-coupled body moved perfectly, showing effective drive and excellent balance. It was impossible to ignore her, and she was absolutely deserving of being named

WINNERS BITCH, BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX, BEST RUBY IN SHOW, BEST RUBY BITCH, BEST AMERICAN BRED BITCH, BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR BITCH.

#### OPEN BITCH (3)

#### 1. CH CHADWICK IN MY OPINION, JW (Eckersley)

What a great package in this two year old Blenheim, who packs plenty of muscle and good depth of chest into her well-proportioned body. Her attractive head is highlighted by inviting dark eyes, and she carries it regally on her gracefully arched neck. On the move, she is true from every angle, with excellent reach and drive, and perfect tail carriage. Definitely a contender!

## 2. BROOKHAVEN FORBIDDEN FRUIT (Ayers/Martz)

Similar in type to number one, this one year old Blenheim is also strong and nicely put together. I loved the way she looked coming and going, showing her pads going away, and properly parallel coming back. With a nicely balanced profile, she too carries her tail well – I look forward to seeing her after just a bit more maturity.

#### 3. CH TUDORR SONG OF ICE AND FIRE, JW (Mixon/Mixon)

This year and a half old Blenheim also presents a pretty picture, although I prefer the head type and narrower blaze of the others in the class. She sports excellent shoulder layback, and looks well balanced in profile.

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

## 1. CH CHESHAM A MINUTE OF YOUR TIME, JW (Taub/Eckersley)

At nearly ten years of age, this exquisite Blenheim is the picture of Cavalier grace and beauty. Incredibly energetic and spry for her age, her lovely well-groomed coat flowed gently as she made her way around what is by now familiar territory for her. I found her eyes to be engaging, and I was floored by how well she carried her topline and tail. She is certainly a tribute to her breeder and owners!

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

## 1. KARVALE BROOKHAVEN FINN (Utych/Utych)

At 11 years old, this Blenheim boy has all the energy and playfulness of a puppy, but when it came time to show me what he has to offer, it was all business. With his solid body that still carries lots of muscle, he moves like a dream – smooth going across, and tracking parallel coming and going. Carrying his head proudly and his tail level, he made such a fantastic picture going around the ring with his silky coat flowing gently. All this, and a full set of teeth! Most definitely deserving of

BEST VETERAN IN SHOW, BEST VETERAN DOG

## **VETERAN BITCH** (1)

## 1. KRYSTLE HOPE SPRINGS ETERNAL (Torgersen)

Another sound and well put-together Blenheim in this 10 year old girl, who certainly gave the Veteran Dog a run for his money. Another smooth mover, she carried her head, her topline, and her tail like a pro. Even without competition, it was easy to name her **BEST VETERAN BITCH**.