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I was absolutely honoured to have been asked to judge the CKCSC, USA National Specialty show, in what had been a pretty difficult year for me. I was very much looking forward to the appointment, as you can all imagine. I was only sad that my Mum wasn't there to share this accolade with me. She was so very proud for me when I got the appointment, but I am sure she was with us all there.

As always, my partner and I were made to feel so welcome, at what was a well run, fun and friendly show. I loved the Halloween theme, and the beautifully decorated ring and ballroom added to the atmosphere and lovely feel of the event.

It is 3 years since I judged in the US, and I feel that quality is much the same. It was, again, heartening to see that all the top awards went to American bred dogs. Although nearly all the 'Bests' went to the boys, I still feel that, overall, the bitches have the edge on consistency of quality, the puppy bitch classes being particularly exciting. I'm still disappointed that the wholecolours seem to be back to being the 'poor relations', but I hope that with some foresight in breeding decisions, that they will soon rise in the ranks again.

I was more than thrilled with all my major winners...and MUST make mention of the quite outstanding Open bitch class. I literally had goose bumps as one beautiful bitch after another walked into the ring. It's been a long time since there has been a class of that quality in the UK. Thank you all so much for bringing them!

DOGS

JUNIOR PUPPY DOG (1)

1. **KELLENE WHEN IRISH EYES ARE SMILING** (Carter)

What a lovely start to the day...sweet little ruby, a real baby and quite raw. A nicely made, sound little chap who has all the scope to develop nicely.

SENIOR PUPPY DOG (2)

1. **STARMAC MAN ABOUT TOWN** (Rezowalli/Hooper)

Really liked this heavily jacketed Tricolourcolour, soundly made, scored for his neat size and compact shape. Lovely head and eye, with a soft, kind expression. Moved ok....a little 'flappy' in front, but this will improve as he develops and settles into himself. Liked his level topline and good tail carriage on the move. His more mature and steady outlook won him **BEST PUPPY IN SHOW**, **BEST PUPPY DOG** and **BEST SENIOR PUPPY** over the sublime little bitch.

2. **RANLYNS'S DIAMONDS ARE FOREVER** (Bragg)

A more mature Blenheim, a size bigger all over. Nicely put together all through, just preferred the neater package of the Tricolour.

GRADUATE PUPPY DOG (6)

1. **HUNTCREST MY GUY** (Weiner-Pope)

This pretty Blenheim won this competitive class on his overall type, make and shape. Lovely head with large 'open' eyes. Neat size with good bone & substance. Moved ok when settled, and was carrying a good coat of lovely texture and colour.

2. **ELLEMICH THE SINNER** (Hansen/Chapman)

Another richly coloured Blenheim. Nice head-piece on this boy with well placed ears on a nice flat topskull. Kept a nice shape whilst standing and carried himself well on the move. Close up to #1, I just preferred the kinder more open expression of the winner.

3. **CHADWICK CODE BLACK** (McCarty/Eckersley)

Well broken Tricolour, possessed good movement. Of a nice size and in good coat. Sweet head and expression and a lovely joie de vivre about him.

4. **FOXWYN LOOK NO FURTHER** (Baker-Fox)

Nicely made Blenheim who didn't make the best of himself today. Large dark eyes and good pigment.

BRED BY EXHIBITOR DOG (6)

1. **CH TUDORR RHYTHM N BLUES, JW** (Mixon)

Whenever I judge, I usually wait for the 'hair on the back of my neck' moment when I see a dog that appears to fulfil my idea of the standard. Sometimes I get it on first look...other times it creeps up on me gradually. With this dog it was a case of POW!!!.....he caught and held my attention as soon as he came in the ring. He has everything I look for when judging. Starting with his head, it appeals on all levels. You are first struck by his huge round eyes, with the lovely black halos that so enhance the expression. Correct foreface, with strong lipline. Excellent pigmentation all through. Crested neck, set on well-laid shoulders. Neat, compact body, with good depth of chest and spring of rib. Adequate hind-angulation with neat, short hocks. Loved his outlook, with free easy movement, yet still possessing plenty of drive. Held a firm topline and carried his tail well. He was at one with his handler and did all that was asked of him. Add to all this, he never stopped showing, and I was thrilled to award him **WINNERS DOG, BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR IN SHOW, BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR DOG, BEST AMERICAN BRED IN SHOW, BEST AMERICAN BRED DOG, BEST AMERICAN BRED from the MAJOR WINNERS, BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR IN SHOW, BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR DOG, BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR from the MAJOR WINNERS, BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR from the BRED BY EXHIBITOR CLASSES, BEST BLENHEIM IN SHOW, BEST BLENHEIM DOG** and eventually **BEST IN SHOW** over the exquisite bitch.

2. **CH WOODSONG DELTA BLUES** (Crancer/Kaiser)

Nicely made Blenheim in super coat which was presented beautifully. A very close decision to #1, just preferred the head piece and overall size and type. A really happy showman.

3. **CH ALMEARA EXTRA EXTRAORDINARY, JW** (Whitmire)

Another nice Blenheim in good coat. Moved well, nice size & shape. Not such a large kind eye as the first two, but a quality exhibit.

4. **CH CLARMARIAN CLASSIC BY DESIGN** (Young-May)

This almost 6 year old Blenheim was looking in fabulous condition...moving and showing really well. Just had to give way to the youngsters today.

JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED DOG (3)

1. **CHADWICK TELLTALE AUTHOR, JW** (Eckersley)

Heavily marked Blenheim of quality. Nice size, a little longer cast, but all in proportion. In super coat with good furnishings. Would have liked a better tail carriage, but he somewhat stood away in this class. Considered him for further honours, but he is still young and has plenty of time...but did think him worthy of the [AWARD OF MERIT #1](#).

2. **ALMEARA I BELIEVE** (Parente)

Another typy Blenheim who wasn't carrying quite the coat of number one. Well made throughout, with good sound movement. I liked his head, but a rather forward face marking, for me, detracted from his expression.

3. **KELLENE HIT THE ROAD JACK** (Marshall)

A finer made dog all over, he was a nice size and shape...would just have preferred more of him.

AMERICAN BRED DOG “A somewhat disappointing class”

1. **ORCHARDHILL STRAIGHT TALK** (Hill)

Nicely made Blenheim who moved well with plenty of reach and drive. He scored in size and shape, possessing all the overall qualities to earn him this place.

2. **ROCKCREEK MARK ME FIRST AT HIFLT, JW** (Parris & Steagall)

Well coated, heavier marked Blenheim. Sweet head, although would prefer a more open expression. Moved ok, but was a little 'happy' with his tail today.

3. **WOODSONG BIG EASY** (Nel/Kaiser)

Larger cast Blenheim, with good bone & substance. Good all through.

4. **CHADWICK SHOOTING UPWARDS AT CEILLIMOR** (McCarty/Eckersley)

Very profusely coated Blenheim, moved ok...shown and presented well.

SECOND GENERATION AMERICAN BRED DOG (2)

1. **CLARMARIAN HEIR APPARENT** (Young-May)

Nicely made, very exuberant Blenheim. In lovely coat, which was of a super condition. Moved well, with style. Nice head, just needs a little more fill under the eye for me.

2. **OGGBRAE DON OTTAVIO** (Bales)

Blenheim of nearly 6 years, in nice coat, was a neat size and keeping a nice shape. Wasn't making the best of himself today.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM DOG (1)

1. **BONITOS COMPANEROS REINGOLD** (Lemon)

Standing alone, this well-coated Blenheim was more than deserving of his place. Whilst he is a tad long, he is still in proportion and his sound reachy movement is testament to this. He held a pleasing outline whilst standing and on the move. Nice head, with lovely eyes and excellent pigmentation.

Worthy of [AWARD OF MERIT #2](#)

SPECIAL LIMIT TRICOLOUR DOG (6) “This was a super class of Tricolours”

1. **KELLENE BACKSTREET BOY** (Carter)

Lovely headed boy with gorgeous eyes and soft melting expression. Beautiful outline, all elements Blending nicely into one another, which caught and held my eye immediately. Decently arched neck with good straight front and adequate lay of shoulder. His movement effortless, he seemingly floated around the ring, holding a firm topline and carrying his tail correctly. Despite the best efforts of his handler.....I could not deny him a close [RESERVE WINNERS DOG, BEST TRICOLOUR IN SHOW, and BEST TRICOLOUR DOG.](#)

2. **TRUELEGANCE PISTOLS AT DAWN** (Ogle)

Close up to #1, although a different type, he appealed on all planes. Sweet head and eye, using his well placed ears to advantage - just preferred #1's gentler expression. Good neck flowing into well laid shoulders and neat level back. Today he just lost out to the better tail set & carriage of #1.

3. **CHADWICK ACE OF SPADES AT HUDSONVIEW** (Glynn/Glynn)

A smaller boy, although he was in fantastic coat, which was of a lovely texture and well marked. For me he was a little unbalanced at this stage, needing a little more leg under him to his length of body, but he is still young and has time to come together more.

4. **ONE MORE TIME VON KANINCHENGARTEN** (James/Stahl)

More mature boy who was also in super coat. Moved and showed well...just couldn't match the above for kindness of expression.

SPECIAL LIMIT RUBY DOG (1)

1. **SNOWBIRD HOCUS POCUS** (Miller)

Again, standing alone, this richly coloured ruby deserved his 1st place. A 'pretty' boy of a nice size and shape, in ok coat, he could do with a little more body and substance to improve the picture.

[BEST RUBY DOG](#)

SPECIAL LIMIT BLACK-AND-TAN DOG (1)

1. **INTRYNZIK BEAUXREGARD** (Goodwin)

Well coated black-and-tan, a nice size and shape. He moved well and was really enjoying himself. Would like a slightly larger eye and more masculine headpiece, for me.

OPEN DOG (4) “Another super class”

1. **CH CHADWICK JETSETTER AT HUDSONVIEW, J.W** (Glynn/Glynn)
This glamour boy really scores on his head. Such a soft melting expression, given off from his huge dark eyes. Superb pigment all through, lovely rich coat colour, with lots of it of a good texture. He was such a happy go lucky lad, that my eye kept coming back to him in this class. Couldn't deny him the win and considered for top honours in the challenge.
2. **CH BROOKHAVEN HERE COMES HOGAN** (Ayers/Martz/Green)
Another lovely boy, and well deserving title holder. For me he just didn't have quite the pizzazz or soft expression of Jetsetter. Showed a nice outline when standing, with all components fitting nicely together. Just didn't seem to have the free easy movement I looked for on the day.
3. **CH BROOKHAVEN THE DREAM LIVES ON AT FINNICKYSKYE** (Utych/Utych)
Smaller boy of lovely type. Useful size and shape, with sweet head, nice eyes and soft expression. Couldn't match the first 2 for coat or condition today.
4. **CH FORESTCREEK HEART OF ROCK N ROLL, JW** (Gregory/Cline)
Another compact boy in good coat. Lovely overall exhibit and worthy title holder.

SENIOR OPEN DOG (2)

1. **CH CHANTISMERE CAST A SPELL ON CORDUKE** (Mulligan)
Super Blenheim of 8 years old. Moved like a dream, totally belying his age. Lovely typy head, large dark eyes and still with excellent pigmentation. A really nice old boy who I was thrilled to get the chance to judge.
2. **KARVALE BROOKHAVEN FINN** (Utych/Utych)
Profusely coated Blenheim of 10 years. Not quite the sound steady movement of #1, but a really lovely old chap who was thoroughly enjoying himself.

BITCHES

JUNIOR PUPPY BITCH (5) “A really exciting class of babies!”

1. **CHADWICK RIOTOUS** (Eckersley)
Just loved this gorgeous Tricolour baby. What a personality! Bounced into the ring with intent, and she fulfilled it!! Beautifully marked coat, with rich bright tan in all the right places. Bright, inquisitive eyes, of lovely size and colour. Ideal size and substance for her age. On top of this she could really move, carrying her head proudly, giving her real ring presence that I could not ignore. Such a happy little girl who melted my heart from the word go. Am sure we will hear a lot more of this girl in the future. I could have stolen her, wish she were mine!! When it came to the puppy challenge she was 'all in' and had to give way to the more mature, steady young dog.
[BEST PUPPY BITCH, BEST JUNIOR PUPPY IN SHOW](#)
2. **ANGELS PRIDE KATELYNN** (Lemon/Lemon)

Very promising girl of 6 months. Really pretty head, with lovely eye and expression. Nicely broken markings. Loved her chunky body, bone and substance, whilst still retaining her femininity. With normal luck should hit the top flight, just couldn't match 'Miss Personality Plus' today.

3. **AUTUMNHILL SCANDAL** (Parente)

Very raw black-and-tan, but who had bags of promise. Really scored for size and outline, good bone and substance that was proportionate to her size. Just lost out to the 2 more forward girls above her.

4. **RIVERVIEW VODOO DOLL** (Barrois)

Another very pretty Blenheim, lovely eyes and good pigment. Not such a soft expression as the others before her.

SENIOR PUPPY BITCH (7)

1. **MARSELLE DARAM CAME TO FRUITION** (Stout)

Really pretty Blenheim of 9 months. Such a lovely head, with huge dark eyes, giving such a soft melting expression. Nice size and shape, moving well with style, keeping an elegant outline at all times. Not quite as finished as some in the class, but won on her overall exquisite breed type.

2. **ROSERIVER KNOCK YOUR SOCKS OFF** (Young)

Nicely made Tricolour, decent shape, showing a balanced outline. Moved well with plenty of reach and drive. Pretty head, with well set and carried ears. Could make a little more of herself in showing, which did cost her the class. With that little bit more confidence, she could do well.

3. **RANLYN'S TIFFANY DIAMOND** (Bragg)

Shapely Blenheim with pretty head, lovely eyes, and super pigment. Looked really lovely on the move, showing very sound fluid strides. Just wouldn't settle on the stack, which let her down.

4. **LEWISWOOD BECAUSE I'M HAPPY AT HOLLYTREE** (Seymour)

Less mature Tricolour than the 3 above, and not carrying such a good coat, but a pretty headed, promising puppy.

GRADUATE PUPPY BITCH (6)

1. **PASCAVALE LILY PAD** (Johnson)

A nice Blenheim who won this class on her overall construction and sound movement. Pretty girl with a head so synonymous of her heritage. Moved so well, with such reach, she just flowed round the ring. It was a joy to watch. Just loved her for size and her compact, well balanced shape.

2. **LINRICA ROSE PETALS** (Liu)

This lovely Blenheim was pretty close up to #1. Didn't possess quite the elegant standing outline as 1 or the neat size, but she was a quality bitch possessing many of the same attributes.

3. **ALTHOF SUNSHINE LOVE** (Hansen)

Thought this might have been my class winner on first look: neat size, lovely shape and outline, both standing and on the move. Had the most beautiful eyes, so large and dark...just a tad short in face and strong in head for me, on closer look.

4. **CHADWICK SECRET CODE** (Eckersley)

Decent Blenheim who was in between coats today, and couldn't match the above for shape & glamour.

NOVICE BITCH (4)

1. **KELLENE QUEEN BEE** (Marshall)

Really pretty black-and-tan with lovely head and eye, which is where she really scored. Moved ok, holding a level topline, and carrying her tail well. In decent coat of correct colours, in great condition.

2. **DARANE WHITE WEDDING** (Kates)

Lightly marked Blenheim, in not such a good coat as #1. Sweet head, with large eyes of a good colour. Moved ok, but not the free easy strides of 1.

3. **CHADWICK WISH UPON A STAR** (Eckersley)

Well marked Tricolour, carrying a heavy coat of quality. Longer cast than 1 & 2. Moved soundly, and showed a decent outline.

4. **RIVERVIEW BLING IT ON** (Rackler)

Very raw 5 ½ month old baby. Very well shown by her young handler who got the very best out of her...just a shame she came up against the older more mature ladies...showed a lot of promise.

BRED BY EXHIBITOR BITCH (3)

1. **CHEWCREEK DEVIL MAY CARE** (DePhillip)

Lovely black-and-tan who was full of 'Joie de Vivre'. Had such attitude on the move, she really caught your eye when going round, keeping a super topline and carrying her tail well. Very pretty head and sweet expression

2. **CH TUDORR LA DOLCE ANGELA, JW** (Mixon/Mixon/Cline)

This bitch possesses a most beautiful headpiece...it absolutely screams breed type. Sadly she just didn't make the best of herself in this class, compared to the sassy nature of the little black-and-tan, and had to settle for her 2nd place.

3. **CLOSEBURN BONNY BARONET** (Fairchild)

Nice Blenheim who couldn't match the first 2 for coat or condition.

JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED BITCH (5)

1. **BROOKHAVEN SPEND A PENNY** (Martz/Ayers)

Well-marked Blenheim, quite an easy winner of this class. Not carrying the best of coats, but had nothing to hide. Very shapely bitch of superb construction. Her movement was exemplary, covering the ground easily with her free, flowing gait.

2. **CHADWICK IN MY OPINION** (Eckersley)

Liked this girl, she was just a tad longer than the class winner. Nice head, with soft melting expression...moved well, with purpose.

3. **ROSERIVER HOT TO TROT** (Young)

This ruby appealed on many levels, but today was let down by her 'happy' tail carriage. Lovely head, with huge eyes. Nice shape with good bone & substance

4. **ALTHOF HELLO SUNSHINE** (Hansen)

Pretty Blenheim with lovely eyes, good head & expression, just not quite the outline I look for.

AMERICAN BRED BITCH (6)

1. **CHADWICK OH LA LA, JW** (Greak/Comer/Eckersley)

Lovely Blenheim who excels in breed type. So pretty with beautiful eyes, good pigment set off by a very correct, balanced headpiece. Really moved out with purpose, floating round the ring keeping a hard topline and carrying her tail as you would expect from such a well made bitch. My notes say "Hope she makes more of herself in the challenge", sadly she didn't. Possibly not helped by the change of handler, but I liked enough of what I saw to award her the **AWARD OF MERIT #1**. I'm sure given time she will be joining many of her kennel mates in the upper house.

2. **LINRICA KISSED BY AN ANGEL** (Liu)

Another pretty Blenheim who possesses lovely breed type. Close up to one, nice size and shape, moving well fore and aft. Just preferred the neat shapely outline of #1.

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

Yet another pretty girl whose rather exuberant tail carriage let her down today. Nice coat which was well marked and in good condition.

4. **BOMBAY C SOPHIA** (James)

Heavier set Blenheim in good coat. Pretty head with nice dark eyes.

SECOND GENERATION AMERICAN BRED BITCH (4)

1. **RANLYN'S CRISTALLE DE CHANEL** (Bragg)

Really pretty Blenheim with lovely head and eye. Moved ok. Showing a nice shape. Was a little out of coat here, but was hiding nothing...won on her overall quality & breed type.

2. **DARANE TRUE COLOURS** (Kates)

Another lady who left her clothes at home. Nicely made black-and-tan, all in proportion. Sound, true movement, keeping a level topline and good tail carriage.

3. **SERAPHAVEN MI AMORE** (Douglas/Gogol)

Slightly plainer Blenheim, built on larger lines all through. Well made, with good movement, just not the elegance of the first 2.

4. **WINDSEA DANCING QUEEN C-RN** (Peterson)

Finer made Blenheim, moved ok...would like a fuller head piece.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM BITCH (2)

1. **LINRICA MIGNON MOCHI, JW** (Liu)

Very pretty Blenheim whom I considered for higher honours. Lovely eyes giving a soft, gentle expression. Moved really easily, with a light fluid gait, carried her tail well and kept a firm level topline at all times. A really honest type of bitch who couldn't be overlooked.

2. **PICCADIL GODDESS OF BRIGHTNESS AND RADIANCE** (Comer/Greak)

Larger made bitch who was just a bit plainer all through for me. However, she possessed a nice balanced outline, and moved well.

SPECIAL LIMIT TRICOLOUR BITCH (7)

1. **TUDORR LEGEND OF THE PRIM PRINCESS** (Mixon/Mixon/Cline)

Well marked Tricolour of lovely type. Carrying a fabulous coat of good quality with nice bright tan in all the required places. Nice shape, with good reach of neck and well laid shoulder. Moved soundly holding her topline and tail correctly.

2. **EMENKAY STARRY NIGHT** (Young)

Heavier marked girl in not such good coat as 1. Liked her for size and substance, moving freely coming and going. Very sweet head and happy personality.

3. **CLOSEBURN BONNIE WEE KILT** (Fairchild)

Another sweet happy little girl, a size smaller all over than the first 2, but not lacking in any bone or substance. Just couldn't match the first 2 for coat & condition.

4. **MARILEE REGGAE** (Collins)

Heavily coated, well marked girl who was a bit more extreme in head properties for me. Nice size with sound movement.

SPECIAL LIMIT RUBY BITCH (3)

1. **MADRYN PORT ROYAL** (Weeks/Weeks)

Really pretty ruby of 4 years old. Lovely head with super eyes and pigmentation. In great coat which was a lovely rich colour. Scored in neck and shoulders, and her short compact body. Moved really well keeping a firm level topline and showing lots of style. Pleased to award her [**BEST RUBY IN SHOW and BEST RUBY BITCH**](#)

2. **AUTUMNHILL HIDDENCREEK OUTLAW GIRL** (Parente/Green)

Larger type of bitch...another possessing a really rich colour. Sweet head, with lovely eyes, a little short in foreface for me. Couldn't match number one for coat or condition.

3. **AZALEARUN RED HOT VALENTINE** (Taylor)

Nice, shapely ruby who moved well. Not the sweet head or expression of #1 and #2.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLACK-AND-TAN BITCH (4)

1. **ROSERIVER BEDAZZLED** (Young)

Really liked this neat, compact black-and-tan girl. Ideal size, but not lacking in substance. At 5 years old she could have given away something in age to the youngsters, but she easily held her own. Moved well once settled. Attractive head, with lovely big eyes, could have used her ears to more advantage, but liked so many of her other qualities that I couldn't deny her this class, and felt she stepped up in the challenge to win a deserving [AWARD OF MERIT #2, BEST BLACK-AND-TAN IN SHOW AND BEST BLACK-AND-TAN BITCH.](#)

2. **ROSEARBOR BIJOU** (Eckersley)

Quality bitch with appealing head, large eyes of a nice 'dark chocolate' colour. Moved well coming and going with easy fluid strides, holding a level topline and correct tail at all times

3. **INTRYNZIK LICENSE TO KILL** (Goodwin)

This girl was just a baby in this class, but she has a lot to like about her, and with maturity should fulfil the potential she showed here.

4. **BONITOS COMPANEROS BISCAYA AT CHIYODA** (Lemon/Lemon)

Shapely bitch in good coat of correct colours. Nice make and shape...sound mover.

OPEN BITCH (7) “An absolutely fabulous class that was brimming with quality...if these are the brood bitches of the future, then the breed is in great hands!!”

1. **CH CHADWICK SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY, JW** (Eckersley)

My notes say WOW!!! This bitch comes about as close to my ideal as I could ask for. She is one of the most exquisite bitches I have judged. Her head is almost heart stoppingly beautiful, framed by heavily fringed, 'bell' shaped ears. Her eyes are huge with such lustre, you could lose yourself. Clean, straight front giving good reach. Adequate neck on good shoulders, strong, firm back, well sprung rib and neat loin. Well-covered, neat shape, good substance, and enough bone for her size. Good turn of stifle, well let down hocks giving plenty of drive behind. Kept her shape on the move, carrying herself well showing a lovely picture. Reminded me of the many of my old 'favourites' from yesteryear I just could not deny her [WINNERS BITCH](#) in a strong line up of bitches. When it came to Best In Show, she was just pipped by the dog who had had the advantage of having a well-earned rest from competition, so she had to make do with [RESERVE BEST IN SHOW](#) and [BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX.](#) A bitch to be proud of – one I would love to have on my sofa!! [BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR BITCH, BEST AMERICAN BRED BITCH, BEST BLenheim BITCH](#)

2. **CH BROOKHAVEN SIMPLY SOUTHERN AT BEARIVER** (Toepfer/Martz)

Fell for this beautiful Blenheim hook, line and sinker!! From the tip of her jet black nose to the end of her ever wagging tail, she just screams quality. She has the sweetest of heads, with large, really round, dark eyes. Gently sloping stop, tapered muzzle with just the right amount of cushioning. Clean, straight front, good upper arm sitting correctly under the withers. Crested neck blending into well-laid shoulders. Short back, with firm, level topline. Top this off with easy driving movement, she makes a superb package. In a very close decision she had to settle for the, well deserved [RESERVE WINNERS BITCH.](#)

3. **CH TASSAJARA FORESTCREEK CRISTAL** (Cline)

Liked this girl. Very typey Blenheim, with a slew of coat that was in super condition. Moved easily, holding a good shape and showing nice angles all round. Lovely head, gorgeous eyes and well

placed ears that she used to advantage. Add ideal bone for her size and she was a very gratifying package.

4. **CH FOXWYN A LIKELY STORY** (Baker-Fox/Greak/Comer)

Well made Blenheim, who moved really well. Liked her shape and substance. Not quite the neck and shoulder placement of the above, which tends to follow with such a short compact body, however, another worthy title holder.

SENIOR OPEN BITCH (1)

1. **CH DENHAM DREAMED ABOUT, JW** (Maddox)

The sweetest of rubies at 8 years old. Still looks fantastic, in fabulous coat of a real rich red. Super pigment for her age, with the loveliest, darkest of eyes. Moved out with purpose and style. She could show some of the youngsters a thing or two. I was honoured to judge her.

VETERAN DOG (2)

1. **CH CHANTISMERE CAST A SPELL ON CORDUKE** (Mulligan)

As Senior Open

2. **B&B'S SIR TOBIAS BRAGG TOBY** (Bragg)

A lovely old ruby boy with the sweetest of heads & expressions. Thoroughly enjoying his moment in the spotlight...a credit to his owner!

VETERAN BITCH (3)

1. **CHADWICK IDOL GOSSIP AT MARKLEY** (Storey/Eckersley)

Lovely Blenheim of 11 years...still as sound as a bell, never putting a foot wrong. Gorgeous head and eye, giving the softest of expressions. Pulled out all the stops to take the class over the lovely ruby placed 2nd...a girl to be really proud of. Happy to award her **[BEST VETERAN IN SHOW](#)**

2. **CH DENHAM DREAMED ABOUT** (Maddox)

As Senior Open

3. **CLOSEBURN BONNY PANDORA** (Fairchild)

Blenheim of 8 years, out of coat compared to 1 & 2. Seemed to be enjoying being back in the ring and a credit to her owner/breeder.

Judge: Lucy Koster