

CAVALIERS OF THE WEST

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I would like to thank the COTW for the opportunity to judge this well run and organised show. I would also like to thank all the exhibitors for entering and allowing me to judge your dogs and accepting my decisions with grace.

Overall, I found the quality to be generally good but much stronger in the bitches. I was, however, shocked by how many poor tail set and carriages there were, in several classes, and this, as breeders, is something you need to be mindful of. Front assembly in some exhibits were poor with upright shoulders and again something that should be taken into consideration when breeding or keeping the next potential show puppy.

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THE DOG CLASSES

JUNIOR PUPPY DOG (4)

1) **FORESTCREEK GOLDFINGER** (Cline/Cline)

Blenheim boy of just 6 months with personality plus. Pleasing head with dark pigment and eyes, correct ear set. Nice neck into a well angulated body which was short and compact and correct for his age. Moved well with good head carriage and delightful tail positioning.

BEST PUPPY DOG AND BEST PUPPY IN SHOW

2) **DEL SOL MAGIC CARPET** (Macrae/McHenry)

Well-marked Blenheim Male who is very similar to winner in type and shape. Pretty head with large round dark eyes with a gentle expression. Moved well just needs to tighten a little with front. I'm sure both him and the winner will have bright futures a head of them.

3) **QUAIL RUN FRANK DALTON** (Kornhi)

Tri Male with large dark eyes, jet black pigment and rich tan markings. Good depth of chest and spring of rib. Moved okay.

4) **FLYING REINDEER LUCKY STAR** (Malinak/Malinak)

Well-marked Blenheim with a good width to skull and well-set ears just lacks fill at this stage. He has a moderate bone and a good spree going of rib and a firm topline. Lacks reach in front and is a little erratic in rear movement and a little longer in rear patterns than my ideal.

SENIOR PUPPY DOG (1)

1) **SORELLA GOD OF THUNDER** (Green)

Richly coloured heavier marked Blenheim with a masculine head and well set and placed ears. Jet black nose pigment however I would prefer larger eyes. Moderate neck into shoulders and a good topline moved ok would just prefer more drive from behind.

GRADUATE PUPPY DOG (1)

1) **SHEEBA SUPERSTITION** (Mitchell)

Charming headed male with plenty of width to skull and correctly set ears which were well feathered. Moderate neck shoulders and bone. Well sprung ribs moved ok just lacked drive.

BRED BY EXHIBITOR (1)

1) **IVYLINE RHINESTONE COWBOY** (Giampapa)

Attractive headed Male with most lustrous of eyes which were large dark and soft in expression. Jet black pigment and correct scissor bite. Long well feathered ear which framed his face to complete the picture. Pleasing outline and good to go over its good angulation front and rear and this showed in his movement. Delighted to award him

SECOND AWARD OF MERIT, BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR DOG

JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED DOG (2)

1) **HARRINGTON THE BEAR NECESSITIES** (Tompkins/Gonyo/Gonyo)

Ideally marked Blenheim Male who was rich in colour. Masculine head with large dark eyes and pigment and correct bite. Ears set well on a broad almost flat skull. Correct muzzle but would prefer a little more fill under the eyes. Moderate neck, fore and hindquarters. Short coupled moved ok. Put down in beautiful condition.

2) **QUAIL RUN CALLOWAY GARNER** (Kornhi)

Flashy marked Tri colour of a nice size but who lacked the maturity of the winner. Kind dark eyes. Jet black pigment and rich tan markings. Well-schooled and at one with his handler.

AMERICAN BRED DOG (3)

1) **MAYFIELD HERCULES AT HIFLT** (Parris/Parris)

Heavier marked richly coloured boy who lacks maturity overall at the moment but won this class on his movement. He has large round dark eyes and black pigmentation and a correct bite. Moderate neck and shoulders into a firm topline

2) **HARRINGTON HAUTE STUFF** (Tompkins/Gonyo/Gonyo)

A well-marked Blenheim boy who at first glance I thought would be my class winner. Nice head with large dark eyes and jet-black pigment. He has a moderate neck into decent shoulders and bone. A good spring to his ribs and a firm topline. On the move he was erratic and was too busy looking up at his handler which was throwing his movement out. I gave him an opportunity to move again but unfortunately, he did the same.

3) **DELSOL DRESS TO IMPRESS** (Macrae/McHenry)

A richly coloured Blenheim who is very deep in stop and more exaggerated in head than I like. He is of a nice size and was put down in excellent condition and handled superbly. He tends to rise over the loin in topline and this showed more so on the move.

HEALTH & CONFORMATION DOG (1)

- 1) **CH BRIARCREST BURBERRY** CGCA,CDX, C-CDX,RE, C-RE,THDN,TKN, C-RA
(Katz)

Charming headed Blenheim with large round dark eyes which were soft in expression. Correct in stop with black nose pigment. Nice width to skull with nicely placed ear which were long and well feathered. He is neat in outline and good to go over with a level back and short coupled body. He just glided round the ring and it's easy to see why he is a Champion.

BEST HEALTH AND CONFORMATION, BEST VETERAN DOG, BEST VETERAN IN SHOW

SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM DOG (3)

- 1) **ENG CH LEOGEM RENAISSANCE ENG JW** (Ayers/Homes/Homes)

A dog that I have liked from the ringside in the UK but never had my hands on him until today. He has a very appealing head and a face which is kind and gentle in expression. He has good pigment and a correct scissor bite. He is of a nice size and is well angulated in front and rear with a well sprung rib and a tail that comes straight of his back as such he moves very soundly. Ideally, I would like a little more leg length to complete the picture. Unfortunately, he was carrying a little excess weight and as such lost his topline and the crucial moment in the challenge for Reserve Winners dog but recovered it to receive

FIRST AWARD OF MERIT

- 2) **INTRYNZIK BLAZE** (Goodwin/Goodwin)

Well-marked Blenheim dog who was different in head type to my winner. Large round dark eyes and pigment. Long well, feathered ears which were set well on a broad skull which was almost flat. Moderate neck and front and rear angulation. Firm level topline. Moved well in all directions just not the coat and finish of the winner.

- 3) **LOOKOUT SECRET AGENT MAN AT TYCWN** (Knauss/May)

Well-marked Blenheim with large round dark eyes. Correct dentition and good pigmentation. Long well feathered ears. Moderate neck into shoulders that I would have preferred to be better lay back and this showed in his front action. He has a good firm topline and well angulated rear although a little longer in rears Pasterns.

SPECIAL LIMIT TRICOLOUR DOG (2)

- 1) **STARMAC MAN ABOUT TOWN** (Rezowall/Hooper)

Tri Male with a pretty but masculine head of a good breed type. Large round dark eyes giving the gentleness of expressions. His tan is rich and he has dense pigmentation and a correct bite. Ample bone for his size with a good depth of chest and well sprung ribs and firm topline. Moved ok although a little wider in front.

BEST TRICOLOUR DOG

- 2) **BROOKHAVEN DON'T STOP BELIEVING** (Ogle)

A quality boy who I have had the pleasure of judging before who is nice to go over. He has large dark eyes jet black pigment and rich tan markings with a correct scissor bite. Moderate neck into good shoulder placement, well sprung ribs. Firm topline and short coupled body he moved well coming and going just not the breed type of winner.

SPECIAL LIMIT RUBY (2)

1) **MEADOWLAKE PHOENIX FAWKES** (Swanson)

Pretty headed Ruby with large round dark eyes. nice broad skull and well set and placed ears. Jet black nose pigment and correct scissor bite. He has a moderate neck shoulders and spring of rib. A firm topline which he kept at all times moved well coming and going

2) **COBRNIK REED BUNTING** (Tegg)

This little guy was full of enthusiasm. He has a pretty head with large round dark eyes. He has a neat Cobby body and is of a good size just preferred the shoulders on the winner. He just needs to slow down a little on the move.

OPEN DOG (4)

1) **CH BROOKHAVEN THE DREAM LIVES ON AT FINNICHYSKYE** (Utych)

This boy ticked so many boxes for me type, size, shape, and soundness.

He has a very appealing head with large round dark eyes giving a soft and gentle expression. He has a correct stop and correct scissor bite. Pleasing neck into well laid shoulders well sprung ribs on a neat short cobby body. He has a firm level topline with correct tailset and carriage and topped with a well angulated rear. He moved well in all directions and covering the ground well. Was delighted to award him **WINNERS DOG , BEST BLENHEIM DOG , BEST AMERICAN BRED & BEST IN SHOW**

2) **CH MILBU JIM DANDY** (Sherrin)

Just loved this boy for breed type. He has the most adorable of heads. Well set ears which were long well feathered and framed his face. He has large dark limpid eyes that draw you in. He is pleasing to go over with everything fitting as it should. Moved well coming and going and in profile just a little proud of his tail at times but nevertheless a quality exhibit. Delighted to award him

RESERVE WINNERS DOG

3) **CH ROCKCREEK MARK ME FIRST AT HIFLT** (Paris/Steagall)

Blenheim of same size to first two. Nice head head and expression. Rich chestnut markings. Moderate neck into shoulders that could be a little better laid back. Well sprung ribs and good depth of chest moved ok although was carrying tail a little funny.

4) **CEDARCREEK RISE AND SHINE** (Owens)

Blenheim who was different in head type to previous three and a little longer cast in body. He has large round dark eyes. A nice arched neck into moderated shoulders and firm topline and good rear moved well and was put down in good condition.

SENIOR OPEN DOG (1)

1) **CH COVINGTON TRUE BLOOD** (Gonyo/Gonyo/Mohn)

Nine-and-a-half-year-old Blenheim boy with nice broken markings and rich chestnut colouring. Round dark eyes and good pigment. He has an almost flat skull with well set on ears which were long and well feathered. He is moderate in all aspects. Very sound on the move with a correct tail set and carriage.

THE BITCH CLASSES

JUNIOR PUPPY BITCH (3)

1) **PARLETT PINK CADILLAC** (Williams/Williams)

Flashy marked Blenheim girl with personality plus. Pleasing outline with a good neck into moderate shoulders. Firm topline. Correct tail set and carriage and bone. Moved well just needs to tighten a little in front. She typifies her age with a moderate head, correct muzzle and large round dark eyes.

2) **GRANASIL FLORENTINE** (Gentil)

Lovely headed ruby with large round dark eyes giving a gentle expression and good nose pigment. Well set ears which frame her pretty head. Nicely arched neck into a good lay of shoulders. She needs to tighten in topline but I'm sure this is an age thing. Correct tail set. She moved ok but was unfortunately startled by someone outside the ring dropping something and creating a loud noise. I was delighted to see that by the time she came in to challenge for best ruby that she had settled.

3) **LABOOTSEA MILLER HURST** (Frater)

Lighter marked Blenheim girl with large dark eyes. Good pigment and correct dentition. Would prefer a softer head but is still young. Her general construction and movement was good.

SENIOR PUPPY BITCH (3)

1) **TINTAGEL DE LOS RUSIDOS KODIAL** (Williams/Williams)

Tricolour girl with a pleasing head. Large round dark eyes and dense nose pigmentation. Rich tan markings in all the right places. She has a good neck into nicely placed shoulders and upper arm. Very well sprung ribs and a firm level topline and short neat cobby body. Moved well in all directions and put down in beautiful condition. Delighted to award her

BEST PUPPY BITCH

2) **QUAIL GARDEN SHOW BIZ** (Colombo)

Blenheim who is different in head type to the winner. Well-marked with a moderate neck although I'd prefer a little more lay of shoulder. She has a good spring of rib and well angulated rear.

3) **IVYLINE SHIRLEY TEMPLE AT GYLDEN** (Ellinghurst/Giampapa)

Blenheim girl who was more slight in stature to previous two. Nice head with good eyes, pigment and dentition. She has a nice neck although again her shoulder lay could be better. She tends to look up at her handler on the move rather than where she is going and this tends to throw her movement out.

GRADUATE PUPPY BITCH (4)

1) **CARLEN CHATEAU STE MICHELLE JW** (Close)

Quality ruby bitch who I'm sure will have a bright future. She has a very pretty head with large round dark eyes and the softest of expressions good pigment and correct scissor bite. She is well angulated in front and rear and has a moderate neck. Good topline tail set and carriage. She needs to spring in rib but this will come with maturity and with a bit more finish she can compete with the best. I had no hesitation in awarding her

BEST RUBY IN SHOW

2) **OH LA LA DE LOS URSIDOS KODIAL** (Williams/Williams)

Blenheim girl of an overall good type with gentle large round dark eyes. Good pigment and bite. She has a moderate neck and shoulders a good depth to chest and well sprung ribs. Not the rear angulation of the

winner. She was startled on the move but pleased to see she resumed her composure. Moved ok when she settled.

3) **FORESTCREEK IMAGINE IF** (Goodwin/Cline)

Another nice Blenheim bitch with a pretty head. She is nice to go over and has good substance for her age. A firm topline and good tail set and carriage I would prefer a bit more drive in the rear which she lacked compared to the first two in this class.

4) **BEARIVER CALIFORNIA GIRL** (Toepfer)

This Blenheim girl was exquisite in breed type with large dark round soulful expressive eyes correct pigment and bite. She was nice to go over although a little longer cast. Had thought she would be higher placed on first glance; however, I was disappointed in the lack of rear drive from her with an almost tip toe movement. A shame as she is quality in so many other ways.

BRED BY EXHIBITOR BITCH (3)

“WOW, WHAT A CLASS! I’M SURE ANYONE OF THESE BITCHES CAN CHANGE PLACES AT ANYTIME. THE OWNERS OF THESE GIRLS SHOULD BE VERY PROUD.”

1) **CH ASTARING ALL THE CATS MEOW** (Foster/Mohn)

Delightful headed Blenheim with a beautiful face containing big round dark lustrous eyes with the softest of expressions. Dense pigmentation, plus muzzle and correct dentition, framed by lush correctly set ear fringes. Her appeal continues in body with a good neck, well angulated front and hind quarters, short coupled and strong bone. Plenty of substance covered in a wealth of soft textured well-presented quality coat. Carried herself well with accurate and positive movement, head held high and demonstrating an outgoing fun temperament with ever wagging tail.

RESERVE WINNERS BITCH

2) **CH ORCHARDHILL CHARGE IT TO DAD JW** (Venier/Venier)

Equally lovely Blenheim possessing a beautiful head piece that’s soft and unexaggerated in any way. The largest round dark eyes giving a sweet feminine and charming outlook. Black nose and eye rims and pigmentation, gently tapering muzzle and attractive profuse ears. Ample neck, good lay back of shoulders, level short coupled back and well angled rear. Well-marked rich colour in good coat and condition. She can move displaying and keeping a level topline but tended to pull a head losing the elegance in outline. Delighted to award her

FIRST AWARD OF MERIT

3) **IVYLINE POWDER PUFF** (Giampapa)

Yet another prettily headed Blenheim having the desired dark expressive eyes and black pigment. Feminine and correct with super ear fringes good bite and enough fill in foreface. Decent well-conditioned coat of suitable colouring covers a well-constructed cobby body. With good length of leg, perfect topline and tail. On the move she just flowed around the ring, so precise and parallel, head held high on a moderate neck, just a pleasure to watch. Although not as mature she must have a bright future.

SECOND AWARD OF MERIT

JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED (3)

1) **FORRESTCREEK ANGELINA** (Cline/Cline)

Well-marked Blenheim with a long straight silky coat which was presented immaculately. Profuse long ears which frame her face. Large round dark eyes good pigment and bite. Nicely arched neck into well laid shoulders and firm level topline with a tail that comes straight off her back. Well angulated rear moved well.

2) **PARLETT COPYCAT** (Williams/Williams)

Tri girl with a neat short cobby body and good bone for size. Feminine head with soft eyes which were large and. Dark as was her pigment. Correct scissor bite. She has a good depth of chest and well sprung ribs she moved ok coming and going just not the drive of winner.

3) **SHADOWBROOK WISH UPON A STAR** (Moody)

Blenheim girl with a nice head and dark eyes. Moderate neck although I would prefer a better lay of shoulder. She has a good topline and moderately sprung ribs. She moved a little closer behind in rear to the previous two.

AMERICAN BRED BITCH (3)

1) **LINRICA REACH FOR THE STARS JW** (Liu)

Very feminine pretty headed bitch with big large round eyes with a truly melting expression. Dense nose pigment, correct stop and correct bite. Almost flat skull and well set long profuse ears. Pleasing in outline and good to go over with everything fitting as it should all topped off with a rich coloured coat. Just needs more coat to complete the picture. Moved well.

2) **SORELLA GEORGIA ON MY MIND** (Green)

Well-marked nicely headed Blenheim with attractive dark eyes. Neat in shape with a arched neck, good topline and spring of rib and well angulated rear. Would prefer a better lay of shoulder and this showed in her front movement.

3) **DELSOL LOVE IN AN ELEVATOR** (McHenry)

Moderate headed Blenheim with pleasing expression. Moderate bone with good depth to chest and well sprung ribs she is a little longer in loin than the previous two and lacks the shoulder placement.

SPECIAL LIMIT TRICOLOUR BITCH (2)

1) **COVINGTON SASSENACH** (Gonyo/Mohn)

Attractive Tri girl with expressive large dark eyes. Correct scissor bite and pigmentation, good ear set and correct muzzle. Long well feathered ears and rich tan markings. Pleasing in outline and of a nice size. Good angulation front and rear and as such moved well, she is a little between coats at the moment.

BEST TRICOLOUR BITCH & BEST TRICOLOUR IN SHOW

2) **CAMBRYCE MADEE BLACK MAGIC** (Sherrin)

Another quality tricolour bitch who was presented in excellent condition. Large dark soft expressive eyes and rich tan markings. Good nose pigment and correct bite. Neat Cobby short body and good angulation front and rear with a good driving rear and a pleasing front. Just carrying her tail a little too high.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLACK & TAN BITCH (1)

1) **BROOKHAVEN MAGIC MOLLY** (Ayers/Martz)

Small neat and compact Black and Tan with lovely raven black coat and rich tan markings. Likeable head with a warm yet cheeky look from her large round dark eyes, jet black pigment. Moderate neck and shoulders well sprung ribs and level topline with a well angulated rear she moves well.

BEST BLACK & TAN BITCH, BEST BLACK & TAN IN SHOW

OPEN BITCH (2)

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

Charming Blenheim who impressed at first glance. Balanced in outline, sassy in nature and ideal in size. Her head is broad with ears positioned correctly framing her face which contains big round dark eyes, black pigment, moderate muzzle well filled under the eyes giving a confident, friendly and pretty expression. She continued to impress in her construction with good neck shoulders and upper arm short back, well-turned stifles and short pasterns. This shows on the move, free, parallel with ample reach and keeping her outline. Good for bone and substance and richly marked. Her virtues clearly outweigh any slight imperfections.

2) **COVINGTON COGNAC AMBER AT CROSSBOW** (Schiffman/Murphy)

Well broken Blenheim with large round dark eyes and dense pigment with a correct muzzle and good dentition. Well set and feathered ears. Nice neck into adequate shoulders she moved well. She was a little longer cast and not the spring of rib of the winner.