



Cavalier Chronicles of the West

Cavaliers of the West Newsletter • WINTER 2020

Hello COTW members... wow... So much has happened since our last newsletter that I have written and rewritten my President's message several times and it becomes outdated within days if not moments.

I start this message hoping that everyone reading this is healthy and finding happiness... even with all the challenges taking place around us. Our region of CKCSC, has been through devastating and challenging times since I have become President. Fires, pandemics and other losses have nearly consumed our hearts and souls. While it has been difficult to imagine what our future holds, I am thankful for any journey that includes you all and our beloved Cavaliers. Even some of my darkest days end with those big dark Cavalier eyes looking back at me lifting my spirits and soothing the impossible of the day.

COTW is and will continue to weather the storm. Although we have had to cancel our Oakland California, Bellevue Washington show and most recently our Las Vegas show in January 2021, along with fun matches and health clinics, due to Covid-19, we look forward to returning to some National shows and our very own Oakland Show in 2021 of which Kathy Tegg is chairing. We have also scheduled our 2022 January show in Las Vegas. The Alexis Park Hotel was able to transfer our deposit to new date without a loss to our club.

For many years our Oakland show has been our AGM show where the current board reports on the year's performance, confirms the slated new board and talks about the future of COTW. This year, due to the show cancellation, our AGM did not happen at its scheduled time. In addition to the unfortunate cancellation of our AGM, COTW lost our returning slated Director Nancy Rice Waggoner on July 1, 2020. Nancy passed away in her sleep and this devastating news came as a shock to our membership and yours truly. Nancy will forever be in our hearts and minds and as unimaginable as this loss is, she would want us to carry on as servants to our beloved Cavaliers. I mention these two topics together as it did affect the way your COTW Board conducted our new board nominations and the timing of our rescheduled AGM. We are excited to announce that Ben Williams, Allyson Gonyo and Kevin Ellingson (new) have accepted new 3 year terms as Directors of your COTW Board.

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UNDERSTANDING SHOWING

How a CKCSC-USA Dog Show Works

President's Message Cont'd

We have since placed a new nominating committee for the 2021 elections that will be chaired by Jeanne Kestner and you see the other nominating committee members for 2021 later in this newsletter. We have quite a few positions to be filled, so now is the time to get involved and get in touch with Jeanne should you want to nominate someone for the open positions.

I remain optimistic about our future; the future of our club; and of course, our lovely Cavaliers. I do refuse to use the words “new normal” but concede things may be a bit different for a while also recognizing that we are all forever changed. For now, wear your masks, wash your hands, and take great care... and get vaccinated when your time comes!

Happy New Year and see you in 2021!

John

Understanding Showing: How a CKCSC-USA Dog Show Works

Each dog presented to a judge is exhibited (“handled”) by its owner or breeder. The role of a handler is similar to that of a jockey who rides a horse around the track and, hopefully, into the winner’s circle. Unlike AKC shows, professional handlers are not permitted in CKCSC-USA shows.

Most dogs in competition at conformation shows are competing for points toward their championships. It takes ten points, including two majors (wins of three or more points), awarded by at least two different judges, to become a Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club—USA Champion.

The number of championship points awarded at a show depends on the number of males (“dogs”) and females (“bitches”) of the breed actually in competition. The larger the entry, the greater the number of points a male or a female can win. The maximum number of points awarded to a dog at any show is 7 (seven) points.

Males and females compete separately within their respective classes in CKCSC-USA: Junior Puppy, Senior Pupy, Graduate Puppy, Novice, Bred by Exhibitor, Junior American-Bred, American Bred, Second Generation American Bred, Health & Conformation, Open, Senior Dog and the Special Limit color classes of Blenheim, Tricolor, Ruby and Black and Tan. The males will compete in the morning and the females in the afternoon.

After these individual classes are judged, all the dogs that won first place in the classes compete against each other to see who is the best of the class winners. These will be the Winners Dog/Bitch and Best Puppy Dog/Bitch. A second place award is also given for Reserve Winners Dog/Bitch. Best in Show and Reserve Best in Show is the last judging to take place as the judging is between the Winners Dog and Winners Bitch. Reserve Winners Dog/Bitch is awarded from the remaining class winners and the dog that took second place to the dog that won Best in Show. Points are awarded to the following placements:

Best in Show (BIS)

Reserve Best in Show (RBIS)

Winners Dog (WD) and Winners Bitch (WB)

Reserve Winners Dog (RWD) and Reserve Winners Bitch (RWB)

Best Puppy Dog/Bitch

Best Puppy in Show



LET'S TALK MERLE

Courtesy of Adessi Standard Poodles

Cute until pups are born deaf and blind with cardiac and skeletal problems because of the Merle pattern. Added to the fact they can have the fatal MDR1 gene from Collies/Shepherds.

Sadly this Merle colour is creeping in everywhere and although it might look pretty it's pretty deadly if breeders don't know what they're doing.

Some are passing off Cavaliers as being pure bred Merles now too.

It's NOT pure and never, ever was a pattern in Cavaliers. That means that the Merle gene HAD to be introduced into the Cavaliers via another breed of dog.

Why introduce a multitude of health issues to a breed like ours?!

Unethical greeders market merles as 100% Cavalier, which DNA tests are confirming, as well as having them registered in the past. Because no colour testing is required to register those breeders can click anything and get away with it. So for the new merle buyer shown the DNA test saying it's 100% Cavalier and they are registered the new owner believes them. What colour do their papers state? Chances are it'll be Tricolor because the Merle cannot be registered.

DNA tests show as being 100% Cavalier from about 5 generations but merle is NOT and NEVER has been a pure Cavalier colour EVER, it's been introduced from another breed, usually an Australian Shepherd hence the health issues. 5 Generations prove nothing and all the greeders know it.

Merle's can carry MDR1 which is a genetic blood/brain barrier issue found in herding dogs, MDR1 Mutant dogs can be killed by ingesting Ivermectin, a common ingredient found in most animal de-wormers so that's also another reason they should be checked. Can you imagine selling a puppy only for it to die because of MDR1. It annoys me that breeders can and do lie especially when it's something that can be fatal.

The other thing to REALLY consider with Cavaliers and their natural colouring....Cryptic (Hidden) Merles. Basically Cavaliers come in 4 colors so 'if' the right color merle was born you might not notice it was actually merle, you might think Tricolor. If that was bred to another merle (Double merle or Lethal white) you then have deaf and blind pups. It also doesn't necessarily hide in Tricolors, there could be a tiny white spot that looks white on a Black and Tan but could in fact also be a Merle. That's another

reason why it's just so dangerous to be brought into our breed where it wasn't there in the first place.

So what if the original Merle breeder does the tests can they guarantee a buyer will, if they breed, maybe accidentally, with another merle? So they, the original breeder, have introduced a colour that can, in the future if bred by someone with no knowledge, cause deaf and blind pups. Imagine doing that to your dog's progeny because that's exactly what they are doing! Imagine allowing for deaf and blind pups all because of a new trend and money?!

Why should you care, if you are just buying a pretty pup, with no intention of breeding?

By buying this pattern puppy it's a similar sentiment to buying a puppy farm puppy, you might get lucky and have a lovely pup (even though it is not a purebred Cavalier), but you have supported someone that is breeding purely for profit, that has no interest in breed preservation or bettering the breed.

Thankfully most clubs don't allow the registration of Merles and any breeder found to have lied can be liable for very serious consequences.

Don't fall for this new fad, don't encourage it by buying one and educate others about this dangerous pattern in Cavaliers, let's not allow our beautiful breed, already with a multitude of amazing true colours, to be bastardised with merle like so many others have happened to.



NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Deadline: February 20, 2021

The Members of the COTW Nominating Committee for 2021 are:

- ✿ Jeanne Kestner – Chair
- ✿ Ivy Giampapa – 2020 Chair
- ✿ Carolyn Peterson
- ✿ Trudy Owens
- ✿ Shelly Fields

An election for the following Board Positions for 2021 is scheduled for July 3, 2021:

- ✿ President
- ✿ Vice-President
- ✿ Secretary
- ✿ Treasurer
- ✿ Director
- ✿ Director

Officers will serve a term of two (2) years; Directors will serve for a term of three (3) years.

Suggestions for nominees, including self-nomination, are encouraged and welcome. The ultimate responsibility for the selection of the Officers and Directors of Cavaliers of the West lies with its members. Please submit names of eligible members, together with a brief resume (see note) to:

Chair, COTW Nominating Committee

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Deadline: December 15, 2020

Note:

The resume for each candidate must be submitted on one side of 8 1/2" x 11" paper and must include:

- ✿ Candidate's name, address, telephone number
- ✿ Education and professional qualifications
- ✿ Offices held, past and present
- ✿ Other positions, committees, past and present
- ✿ Other activities related to dogs
- ✿ Disclosure of conflict of interest
- ✿ Personal Statement.



New Suggested Desexing Guidelines

July 07, 2020

Assisting Decision-Making on Age of Neutering for 35 Breeds of Dogs: Associated Joint Disorders, Cancers, and Urinary Incontinence

Spaying and neutering both sexes of dogs prior to 12-months-old has become commonplace in both the United States and Europe. Recent research shows that, for some breeds, early desexing increases the risk of some cancers and some types of joint disease.

Unfortunately, up till now, that research has been very breed-specific. I'm sure many of you have seen the research on Golden Retrievers and Labrador retrievers that shows, without a doubt, neutering early increases the risk of joint disease by 2-4X. This research also showed an increase in some types of cancers by the same multiplier: 2-4X.

Many of us, myself included, lacking breed-specific data, have used that data to guide us in determining when we want our puppies spayed or neutered. Recently, the Davis School of Veterinary Medicine finished a massive research project that covered 35 breeds, including Cavalier King Charles Spaniels.

The general findings, based on 286 cases, indicated that vulnerability to joint disorders is related to body size. That means, for Cavaliers, there doesn't appear to be an increased risk of joint disorders when spaying or neutering. The same is true of various types of cancers: no increased risk with spaying or neutering; no decreased risk by leaving intact.

The exact breed-specific findings included in [the study](#) are:

The study population was 51 intact males, 72 neutered males, 87 intact females, and 76 spayed females, for a sample size of 286 cases. For males and females left intact, the occurrences of one or more joint disorders were just 4 and 1 percent, respectively, and for both sexes neutering was not associated with any increase in this measure. The occurrences of cancers in intact males were 2 percent and zero for intact females. For both sexes neutering was not associated with any increase in this measure. The occurrence of MC in females left intact was zero. The occurrence of PYO was 2 percent in intact females. There was no occurrence of UI in spayed females. Lacking a noticeable occurrence of increased joint disorders or cancers in neutered males or females, those wishing to neuter should decide on the appropriate age.



COTW: PROFIT AND LOSS

January – June 2020

Cavaliers of the West

Balance Sheet - June 2020

Assets	
Checking & Savings	\$ 15,016
Total Assets	<u>\$ 15,016</u>
Liabilities and Equity	
Unrestricted net assets	\$ 22,989
Net Income (loss)	(7,973)
Total Liabilities & Equity	<u>\$ 15,016</u>

Cavaliers of the West

Profit and Loss Report.- June 2020

Income	
Annual Membership Revenue	\$ 4,340
Auction/Silent Auction/Raffle/Fund Raising	1,150
Banquet Revenue	738
Catalog Sales	42
Donations	570
Entry Revenue	420
Eye Clinic Revenue	972
Heart Clinic Revenue	2,706
Other Revenue	1,045
Total Income	<u>\$ 11,983</u>
Expense	
Banquet Expense	3,897
Board Expense, Postage, Fees	469
Cash Basis - Net	(1,002)
CKCSC, USA Fee	148
Eye Clinic Expense	972
Heart Clinic Expense	2,590
Judges Expense	2,888
Show Chair Discretionary Expense	154
Show Secretary Supplies	167
Show Site Rental, Including Audio	7,464
Towel & Trophy Expense	2,042
Web Site Expense	167
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 19,956</u>
Net Income (Loss)	<u>\$ (7,973)</u>



COTW: PROFIT AND LOSS

July – December 2020

Cavaliers of the West Balance Sheet - December 2020

Assets	
Checking & Savings	\$ 13,180
Total Assets	<u>\$ 13,180</u>
Liabilities and Equity	
Unrestricted net assets	\$ 22,989
Net Income (loss)	(9,809)
Total Liabilities & Equity	<u>\$ 13,180</u>

Cavaliers of the West Profit and Loss Report.- December 2020

Income	
Annual Membership Revenue	\$ 4,840
Auction/Silent Auction/Raffle/Fund Raising	1,150
Banquet Revenue	738
Catalog Sales	42
Donations	570
Entry Revenue	555
Eye Clinic Revenue	972
Heart Clinic Revenue	2,706
Other Revenue	1,045
Total Income	<u>\$ 12,618</u>
Expense	
Banquet Expense	3,897
Board Expense, Postage, Fees	889
Cash Basis - Net	497
CKCSC, USA Fee	148
Eye Clinic Expense	972
Heart Clinic Expense	2,892
Judges Expense	2,888
Show Chair Discretionary Expense	154
Show Secretary Supplies	167
Show Site Rental, Including Audio	7,464
Towel & Trophy Expense	2,042
Web Site Expense	167
Insurance Expense	250
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 22,427</u>
Net Income (Loss)	<u>\$ (9,809)</u>



COTW: BOARD MINUTES

September 11, 2019 7:00 PM • Zoom Video Meeting

President John Goodwin called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM (PST)

Members Present: Kathy Tegg, John Goodwin, Jody Sutton, Sue Green, Nancy Rice-Waggoner, Ben Williams, Rena Covell, Kim Legerretta, Kathy Ogle and Trudy Owens

Treasurer's Report

Jeanne Kestner reported the bank balance of \$13,169.87. Discussed the dollar amount loss on the banquet and possible reasons for this loss. Discussed pointers and tips about working on contracts with hotels. Jeanne is looking at a 10 year trend with revenue and expenses, and what may be causing problems. It seems that most of the expenses and charges are with the hotel contract. Kathi Ogle will organize some ideas to help with hotel negotiations.

Secretary's Report

Edits were shared and will be made to the 8/13/19 minutes. Ivy Giampapa moved to approve the 8/13/19 minutes. Rena Covell seconded the motion. One abstention. Motion carried.

Committee Updates

- ❖ **Judges** - Ben Williams will ask Kelly Scalon to send out an email and he will also share on Facebook that an email is coming for those who may want to join the Judges' Selection committee. Ben will draft a letter to the COTW board with the details regarding the process.
- ❖ **Newsletter** - Sher Miller will continue with the newsletter which will be distributed late October/November. It will include pictures from the Leadership conference and the National.
- ❖ **Performance** - Carolyn Peterson will continue to manage Performance. She has already lined up judges for Rally and Obedience for the Las Vegas show. Nancy Rice-Wagoner will obtain the judges' gifts for Performance and Conformation.
- ❖ **Membership** - Ben will focus on making the Las Vegas show more welcoming. The Renewal Campaign begins at the National, and we need to make sure that our information is current.
- ❖ **Health Clinic** - Rena will obtain all the dates for upcoming health clinics for the newsletter. She will have the clinics posted on the website. John Goodwin asked a local vet to be the show vet for the Las Vegas show. He will also look for vet specialists in the area. Rena will ask Toni Wade for contracts.
- ❖ **Fun Matches** - Our goal is to have 2 matches per year. Discussed having a match in Colorado. Ivy will solicit and confirm a Fun Match for April or May in California. She will ask Mandy for a list of people who are working at being judges.
- ❖ **Ribbons** - Rena discussed and sent pictures of

different types of ribbons, including sizes and prices. **Motion:** Nancy moved to purchase the No. 10 for First Place, and F136 3"x12" in two-tone for Second to Fourth Places. This will be for all Conformation and Performance classes. Ivy seconded the motion.

New Director Nomination

Discussed Rob Paris and others to fill the position. **Motion:** Ben moved to nominate Allyson Gonyo for the open director position. Ivy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

National Leadership Meeting 8/10/19

- ❖ 32 members attended
- ❖ Discussed the Survey results, including registration, membership, shows/events, health/education, technology
- ❖ Attending members broke into groups and came up with actions and plans focusing on: nominating slate, Puppy of the Year, moving Top 20 away from the National show
- ❖ Leadership will present the survey results at the AGM and the board will discuss the initiatives and how to prioritize them.

National Show

- ❖ Timelines - Entries close on Friday!
- ❖ Volunteers - Ask Kathy Tegg if she needs help.

Las Vegas Show

- ❖ Volunteers - Wesley Shiffman will manage the Raffle and Silent Auction. Ben and John are focusing on "Community Socialization" and are organizing activities.
- ❖ Needs - \$3,000 needs to be raised (without a banquet). Wesley is helping John with ideas.

New Business

Do not accept any requests online from John Goodwin (SPAM).

Adjournment

Motion: Sue Green moved to adjourn the meeting. Ivy seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:04p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Gonyo
COTW Secretary

COTW: BOARD MINUTES

January 03, 2020 1:00 PM • Zoom Video Meeting

All Board members present. President John Goodwin welcomed Jeanne Kestner, who was present through a telephone conference call.

Treasurer's Report

- ☛ Jeanne Kestner reported that a COTW member, Patty Fensterwald, donated \$2,500 to COTW.
- ☛ Discussed some of the larger expenses for the Vegas show, and there will be an official show treasurer report when everything has been paid and received..

Secretary's Report

Kathi Ogle moved to approve the 12/11/19 minutes with the corrections discussed. Ivy Giampapa seconded the motion. Motion carried. One abstention.

Committee Updates

- ☛ **Judges** - Discussed how to form a judges selection committee. Ben Williams will draft a letter with the topic of inviting membership to be on the Judges Selection Committee. He will then share the draft letter with the COTW Board.
- ☛ **Newsletter** - Sher Miller will have the newsletter out soon.
- ☛ **Performance** - Nancy Rice-Waggoner reported that there are 11 dogs entered in Rally for the Vegas show, and several in Obedience. Nancy discussed the cost and description of all of the judges' gifts.

- ☛ **Membership** - There are 186 members in the COTW. which is 20% down. Discussion centered around why members are leaving and what more COTW can offer. Some suggestions were to increase education and guidance, articles from members in the newsletter, and invite local Cavalier meet-up groups to shows. After all renewals are in, Earlene will be asked who did not renew, and COTW has the intention of reaching out to these people.
- ☛ **Health Clinic** - Rena Covell discussed "stand-alone" health clinics. The Board discussed the costs and need to hold more clinics...
- ☛ **Fun Matches** - Ivy Giampapa shared that there is no change to her previous report (There will be a Fun Match at her house on May 30. The judge will be Liz Keane. Wesley Shiffman is planning a Fun Match in Southern California.).
- ☛ **Ribbons** - Rena Covell discussed the new selection of ribbons.

Show Schedule and Locations Discussion

Sue Green moved to change the show dates from January 20, 2021 to January 13-17, 2021. Nance Rice-Waggoner made the second. Motion carried. Contract is in hand for this show..

Entered Executive Session at 2:41pm, Exited at 2:50pm

New Business

Discussed Adult Sweeps and how this entry enables the Sweeps judge the opportunity to handle more dogs.

Adjournment

Kathi Ogle moved to adjourn the meeting. Jeanne seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:10p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Gonyo



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Cavaliers of the West

June 6, 2021 COTW Health Clinic

Location
35561 Westminster St.
Pleasant Hill, OR 97455

Details

- ✿ Health Clinic hosted by COTW and Quail Run Cavaliers
- ✿ Appointments begin at 9:00 am
- ✿ OFA ECGs and/or Auscultations with Dr Gary Wood
- ✿ OFA Eye exams with Dr Sarah Maxwell
- ✿ DAPP and Bordatella vaccinations, AVID microchips
- ✿ Covid protocols will be closely followed; masks and social distancing required, bring your own chair.
- ✿ Clients will remain outside while Clinic Helpers bring your Cavaliers inside for their exams.
- ✿ The Doctors will step outside to speak with you afterwards.
- ✿ Contact [Linda Kornhi](mailto:Linda.Kornhi@COTW.org) to book an appointment via email

July 1–4, 2021 COTW Specialty

Location
Oakland, CA

Activities
Three Championship Point Shows, Veteran/Puppy Sweepstakes, Pee Wee Puppy, Performance Trials, Trick Dog, Junior Showmanship, Health Clinics, Seminars, Silent Auctions, Membership Fun Dinner, COTW AGM Meeting.

Judges
TBA

Show Chair
Kathy Tegg

Hotel Information
Oakland Airport Hilton Hotel
1 Hegenberger Road, Oakland, CA 94621
Direct Line: (510) 635-5000

Room Rates: TBA

September 3–6, 2021 COTW Specialty

Location
Bellevue, Washington

Activities
Three Championship Point Shows, Pee Wee Puppy, Veteran/ Puppy Sweepstakes, Performance Trials, Trick Dog, Junior Showmanship, Health Clinics, Seminars, Silent Auctions, Membership Fun Dinner, COTW BOD Meeting .

Judges
TBA

Show Chairs
Kathi Ogle and Trudy Owens

Hotel Information
TBA

Room Rates: TBA

Jan 13–16, 2022 M. Anne Shapiro Memorial Specialty

Location
Alexis Park Resort, Las Vegas, Nevada

Activities
Three Championship Point Shows, PeeWee Puppy all three days, Junior Showmanship, Health Clinics, Seminars

Judges
TBA

Show Chair
Ben Williams

Hotel Information
Alexis Park Resort
375 East Harmon
Las Vegas, Nevada 89169
Hotel Direct Line: (702) 796-9533

Room Rates:
Variable. See CKCSC.org for details



Please visit us at: www.CavaliersOfTheWest.org
for all of the latest event information



TO SHAVE OR NOT TO SHAVE?

Courtesy of LynWood Cavaliers

It's Not Really a Question

DO NOT shave your Cavalier! If you want a short haired dog ... get a beagle. Don't want to deal with hair... get a parrot!! If you think I joking I am NOT!!

This is so harmful to a Cavalier on so many levels. Seeing this picture the first word that comes to mind is CRUELTY.

Cavaliers are a double coated breed. They have a downy undercoat and a guard hair top coat. During the summer the Cavalier sheds the downy undercoat and you can help by using a Mars Rake to get all that undercoat out.

The top guard hairs protect the Cavalier from heat and sun burns. The air circulates through the topcoat and keeps the dog cool. You shave all that off and you are actually making the dog hotter!! Much more likely for heat strokes. Shaved coats actually shed more!! Why? Because you have left all the under coat on the dog and the top coat and now the dog is holding on to all the coat to protect the skin. It also ruins the coat!!



Shaving a double-coated breed can really ruin the coat. Now the only thing the Cavalier can do is grow out a quick undercoat for protection. This coat is soft, fuzzy and sticks to everything and is ineffective to keep the dog cool or warm. This undercoat is that same awful stuff behind their ears that mats and knots easily. Guard hairs are slower to grow so all you can do is continue to strip out the undercoat while the sparse guard hairs slowly grow back in. They will but it will take time.

Now your dog is in a real trouble being shaved.

What I do?

I daily take all the undercoat out in spring. I try to get as much winter and soft coat out. I use a rake and comb them out almost daily. I trim tummies with a the clippers as well as between their pads. Boys get a man scape and their little jewels are all trimmed around to hang in the breeze. I may trim inside the ears and on the inside of the legs. I may shorten the length of the ears to keep them out of the water bowls and more on their leg fringes. I NEVER cut their top coat!!!

A clean coat is a cool coat. I wash our guys more often during the summer and blow dry with just a fan. They love it. I have two fans outside, shade and cold water. I lived in the Deep South of 90-100 degrees with 90 % humidity and have NEVER shaved a dog. AC during the hottest parts of the day. Early AM and Late Evening walks and always put your hand on the concrete to check the temp.

If you use a groomer make sure you are clear NO SHAVING of the top coat. I know shaving is becoming more popular, but it's detrimental to your dog!! Have a fun and safe summer and know that pretty top coat is actually better to have!!





SWEEPSTAKES

January 3, 2020 • Las Vegas, NV • Judge: Ricky Perkins, Mimric, USA

What a pleasure to participate in the very first CKCSC show ever held in Las Vegas! The opportunity to judge for the COTW is an honor and I truly appreciate the invitation. My thanks go to the show chairs and all who work so hard to put on the show, as well as the exhibitors who brought so many beautiful dogs for me to evaluate. My top winners were top class and I'm sure their ribbons will keep coming. .

Junior Puppy Dog (2)

1. **Verheyen Banjo On My Knee of Crownrose** (Rosenberg/Rosenberg): Blenheim, well coated. Shoulders laid back and strong. Horizontal tail set. Good drive and reach. Well-rounded eye and attractive expression. Topped off with a Blenheim palace spot.
2. **Noble Flaire De Los Ursidos Kodiak** (Williams/Willaims): 5+ month old tri boy who has good construction and very nice compact shape, nice turn of stifle. Good substance and solid build. Showed his form on the move and moved strongly. Attractive which is very promising. Brown points correctly marked.

Senior Puppy Dog (2)



1. **Ivylie Something About Harry** (Giamcompa): 10-month old blen who is really special in oh-so-many ways. Really beautiful head with huge black eyes, excellent cushioning and the sweetest expression—close to the type found on the opposite sex. Ear set is ideal and ears are full and further frame his lovely head. While his type stands out, his shape, too, is ideal. Proportionally could not be much better. Nice arched neck into a level topline and short back. Correct spring of rib. Good angle front and back. His side gait caught my attention soon after entering the ring, flowed with ease. In addition, red blen color is to the standard. Very please to award this lovely exhibit [Best Puppy in Sweepstakes](#), [Best Puppy Dog in Sweeps](#).
2. **Cobrnik Rocket Man** (Cook/Goodwin): 11-month old with good shape, tad longer than #1. Attractive coat with deep red color. Better coming than going, yet rear angles good. Eyes nice and round, nose jet black, head moderate compared to class winner. More ring experience will serve this puppy well.

Graduate Puppy Dog (3)

1. **Delsol Magic Carpet** (Macrae/McHenry): This class had three very different types of dogs, but this 13-month blen was the tops for me. Pretty typey head, round eyes, good teeth and well placed ears, framing this complete picture. Good bone and structure on larger frame. Nice arched neck flowed well into flat back. Very balanced and moved well around the ring.
2. **Topmeadow Roger That** (Check): 16-month blen had a cobby body shape I tend to like. Moved nicely around the ring with balanced construction, with nice rear angles contributing. Excellent bone. Coat color correct deep red. Head moderate. .
3. **Intrynzik Sauvignon** (Goodwin/Cook): 16-month B/T with very nice rich black coat, and appropriate brown points. Good shape and holds a flat topline on the move. Head not quite the sweetness of winner

Junior Puppy Bitch (6)

1. **Tibbedone Morning Mist** (Tibbetts): 5+ month blen girl who would be desired by many breeders. The sweetest of head type, outstanding expression, eyes round and black. Excellent bone. Nice neck set that leads to correct shoulder angle and flows into a flat topline which she holds on the move. Moved with ease and captured my attention. Overall balanced with excellent rear angles. Top it off with good deep red color. Very promising little girl. Quality competitor in the challenge.
2. **Starmarc Show Me** (Hooper): 7+ month tri of outstanding overall balance. Good neck set and leads to nice short back, level topline. Angles good front and rear, good coming and going and moved out with style. Nice head, round black eyes, not the sweetness of #1. Color and brown points correct.
3. **Isleposea Wonderlust** (Hoehn): 6-month blen who moved out well upon entering the ring, exhibiting her good construction and proportions. Good bone and substance. Head type promising, not yet showing fullness in face.
4. **Starmarc Showgirl** (Peterson/Peterson) 7+ month tri that program confirms is sister to #2 winner. Similar to her sister, but today is a bit taller and stretchier than her above placements. Would prefer better tail set.

Senior Puppy Bitch (5)

1. **Onthemark Whoopsie Daisy** (Chan/Mitchell): 8-month blen with outstanding shape and construction. Good bone, excellent outline stacked. Her head is as promising as her construction. Excellent breed type and sweetness of expression. Eyes and nose form the ideal triangle. Big round dark eyes. Nice arched neck on a very correct front, flows into perfectly flat topline standing. Good angles front and rear. Truthfully, given the good overall construction, I expected more powerful movement. Likely will improve with ring experience. Quality competitor in the challenge.

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2. **Parlett Pink Cadillac** (Williams/ Williams): 11-month blen with moderate head type but I felt is developing nicely. Nice eyes, good earset. Coat of silky texture and carries deep red pigment. Good rear angles, moves well coming and going, and side gait as well.
3. **Janna's Pride Esme** (Covell): 11-month blen who is nicely broken. Similar to #2. Head attractive, just behind those above. Pretty coat will be a plus as she matures.
4. **Rockcreek Excuse Me Boys** (Steagall): 11-month blen with a very cute head, good expression. Shape is similar to #1 and has promising assets. Moved well and with more ring experience it should definitely improve. Nice tail set. Good coat and deep red color.

Graduate Puppy Bitch (6)

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1. **Bluegarden Itsy Bitsy** (Matos/Glynn): 17-month blen representing the best of breed type. Head type outstanding with gorgeous dark round eyes, excellent cushioning under the eyes and in muzzle. Glamorous expression seen on many-a-club-champion. Ears set ideally and framing all these beautiful features to make an elegant picture. Construction matches her beauty. Arched neck flowing into laid back shoulders connecting to a nice short back, presenting a level topline. Table exam reveals good angles front and rear, and excellent bone and substance. Floor movement confirms my exam and she flows with ease and stacks four-square. Silky coat and deep red color finish off this outstanding exhibit. Happy to award her [Best Puppy Bitch in Sweeps](#).
 2. **Ivyline Shirley Temple At Gylden** (Ellingson/Giampapa): 15-month blen who won this placement due to her overall qualities, just the right combination of assets. Really liked her substance, construction and solid overall balanced shape. Moved with ease due to construction, good angles and good muscling. Coat and color very nice. A sweet head and expression with pretty eyes. Again overall very nice girl.
 3. **Granasil Florentine Of Sumara** (Gentil): 12-month ruby who just did make this class and is still the baby here. Caught my eye with her good flowing movement, thanks to her lovey shape and overall balance. Lovely front and good rear angles. Standing her long neck and level topline make a clean picture. Ruby color is fantastic and coat is straight. Head is sweet and with time I predict will finish beautifully. Today, her immaturity was showing but with time I'm sure she can expect a big future.
 4. **Tintagel De Los Ursidos Kodiak, JW** (Williams/Gimenez Echazarra): 16-month tri of larger size, with excellent substance and overall nice shape. Well built and moved with ease. Not the breed type of those above.

Adult Sweeps Dog (1)

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1. **Mayfield Hercules at Hifit** (Parris/Parris): 24-month blen really good structure. Super solid with good front and rear, making his movement beautiful and easy. Super rich deep red color, presenting very attractive picture. Eyes dark and round, yet face lacks fullness. Happy to award him [Best Adult in Sweepstakes](#).

Adult Sweeps Bitch (1)

1. **Shadowbrook Wish Upon A Star, C-RN, C-TDI, C-TDN** (Moody/Moody): 24-month blen really good bone and structure. Nice head shape of moderate type, with black eyes and nose. Topline a bit off today

Veteran Sweeps

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1. **Dog (Sliver) CH Briarcrest Burberry RN, CGC, CD, RA** (Katz): 8-year blen who blew me away upon entering the ring. An absolute pleasure to see this Club Champion go away the ring with so much style and elegance. Upon table exam, I was struck by his glamor and beauty. Outstanding breed type, gorgeous dark round eyes, perfectly placed with plenty of cushioning under. Full muzzle, and full gorgeous ears set ideally presenting a flat skull appearance. His shape is stunning! Beautiful neck connected to laid back front shoulders, leading to a dead level topline, even at this elder gentleman age! Proportions appear as perfection. Good angles front and rear, making it easy for him to use his structure on the move. So incredibly sound. When he went around, it was a picture. Each step put down in the exact right spot, effortlessly. Reach and drive was more than evident – I can't say enough about this boy's qualities. I feel fortunate to have the opportunity to go over him. Ecstatic to award this beautiful Cavalier [Best Veteran in Sweepstakes](#).
 1. **Bitch (Bronze) (1): 1. Clobar Renaissance Angel C-RN, C-BN, C-CD, C-RA, C-TC, C-TKN** (Waggoner): 7-year blen who still moves well, due to her muscling and good substance. Good bone. Moves well and is well-broken in coat. Good teeth, moderate head with big eyes.
 1. **Bitch (Bronze) (1): 1. Aspenglow Double Delight C-RN, C-CD, C-RE, C-TKN** (Peterson): 11-year blen in great condition. Lovely well-balanced shape with topline she still holds on the move. Moves boldly. Coat in outstanding condition and well broken. Moderate head, longer in shape, with very nice ear set.

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