

Elizabeth Spalding Memorial Show
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Judge: Heidi Mohn (Covington)

I want to thank the CKCSC-USA National Judges Committee and the Board for this incredible invitation to judge the Elizabeth Spalding Memorial Show over the 2015 National Specialty Weekend. This was an incredible experience for me. To be the rookie judge on a weekend along with other such respected and tenured judges at such a high profile event was simply humbling. The depth of quality at this show was truly impressive and I found it so exciting to go over so many quality dogs. Huge improvements made in correct proportions was good to see. Eyes in general were gorgeous with beautiful breed type throughout. It truly was like going to my favorite candy store. Thank you to everyone that took the trip west and stayed the entire weekend to show. It takes a tremendous commitment from everyone to make these shows work and to keep the dogs in show condition. Thank you to the Show Chairs Judi Gelderman and Kathy Tegg for an amazing job, although I didn't get to attend the entire weekend with my judging assignment being the final day I heard the weekend was one of the best Nationals ever. Jody Sutton the ribbons were to die for and Jennifer Roberts Espinoza the table clothes and I could go on and on.... It was all so gorgeous. A special thank you to my ring and gate stewards, Allyson and Susan Gonyo. Allyson knows how I think and was always a step ahead of me, was literally tripping over her to keep up with her. Susan, even in her knee brace, kept those classes coming in on time and in order. Thank you, couldn't have done it without you.

Junior Puppy Dog (2)

1. Mimric American Heartthrob (Barton/Perkins) Nice puppy just short of 6 months old. Well marked Blenheim. Good front, good balance. Eyes dark but could be larger. Good bone with reach and drive on the move. **2.**

Briarcrest Beyond Words (Van Luchene) Also a nice puppy, lighter pigmented. Not as angulated nor as balanced on the move as the winner. Similar in type however and lovely dark eyes, on a pretty and correct head.

Senior Puppy Dog (7)

1. Jadestone Legend Has It (Peek) Love everything about this puppy. Pretty much reads to the standard. Lovely shape. Compact short coupled body. Correct straight coat. Pretty eyes, large round and dark. Soft expression, lovely head framed by correctly set ears. Beautifully balanced on the move in which he does so with ease, good reach and drive. **Best Puppy Dog, Best Puppy in Show** **2. Beckenhall Shirmont He's The Ticket** (Henry) Super pretty head on this dog, loved his dark round eyes and thick rims. Could use more body at the moment and is what lost him to the class winner. I think will be a big contender in the future. **3. Tudorr Rhythm N Blues** (Mixon) Stunning boy with his super dark pigment, pretty head and eyes with dark rims. Sports a nice outline at first glance with lovely rich coat color. A little long in loin and not set underneath his front as well nor has the balance as the others in the class. But he has much maturing yet to do. **4. Brookhaven Here Comes Hogan** (Ayers/Martz) This dog makes a pretty picture on the go round as he is well balanced but unfortunately lacks the angles of the ones before him, which doesn't give him the drive from the rear on the down. Nicely marked with beautiful dark pigment.

Graduate Puppy Dog (4)

1. Tudorr Checkmate (Mixon/Cline) A larger Blenheim boy with a nice head and pretty eyes. Good pigment. Angulation is satisfactory but not quite balanced and tail is carried slightly too high. Bite still needs to settle. **2. Bonitos Companeros Watch Me** (Mitchell) Another larger dog. Very pretty head, pigment and coat. Loved his bone density. High tail carriage ruined the picture of free elegance in movement for me. **3. Mayfield Me And Bobby McGee** (Lunbeck) Very little slighter boned Tricolor boy that had such a pretty head, gorgeous eyes and expression with well placed ears. Lost out to his lack of angulation and bone and lack of rear movement. **4. Hiddencreek One Shot of Patron** (Weinstein/Green) Handsome Blenheim dog to look at. Unfortunately lacked angulation front and rear which inhibited his ability to cover ground lacking in both reach and drive. Beautifully presented and in excellent condition.

Novice Puppy Dog (1)

1. Pascavale Bijou (Cline) Flashy little boy that shows himself well. Lovely shape and size and striking to look at. Nice bone, beautiful skull shape framed with well set ears and long feathering. Would love to see more pigment in eyes and a little more angulation but he's a super little dog.

Bred By Exhibitor Dog (4) This was an incredible class.

1. Ch Dreamvale Motley Crue, JW (Sage/Colbert) This is the one dog and wish I could have done more for him. I can't get him out of my head. I really love this dog but in that National Competition that weekend, there just were so many great dogs. This is the one that got away, If there was just one more award it would have gone here! Just a super dog. Hard to take your eyes off him, he screams the standard. Never let his handler down. Head to tail he is everything a Cavalier should be from temperament to pigment to proportions. Beautiful elegant mover. Stunning

pigment, a striking dog! **Best Bred By Exhibitor Dog 2. Ch Nightingale The Eyes Have It, JW** (Mulligan/Duke) Love the super compact shape on this guy. Great mover, but not quite as free flowing as the class winner. Lovely proportions with nice bone, short hocks, lots of reach and drive on this dog, as with all from this kennel. He was such a happy little show dog too. **3. Ch Hiddencreek Hugo Boss, JW** (Green) A larger boy just not focused today. Pretty head and eyes, correct ear set framing his head nicely, nice neck and lovely layback . I'd like a little softer expression on him. A well balanced dog but not wanting to move or show himself today. **4. Ch Denham Superstorm, JW** (Maddox) This dog is a stunner with his incredible proportions and his gorgeous coat. He has a great show attitude. I'd like a little more cushion on his face and larger eye. **Best Ruby in Show**

Junior American Bred Dog (4)

1. Foxcreek Hear Me Roar (Johnson) So much to like about this dog, a real eye catcher. Shows such elegance on the move. Lovely balance with excellent reach and drive. Beautiful carriage, reach of neck flowing to well laid shoulders. Correct proportions, well broken coat. Beautiful head, one of the top group of contenders in dogs today. **2. Almeara Visionnaire** (Utych/Whitmire) Nice outline on this dog as well. Carried himself well, good balance and moved with ease covering ground with good reach and drive as all from this kennel do. Lovely short hocks, nice coat, well presented. Pretty head and Blenheim spot to boot. Carried tail a bit high which made his placement behind the first. **3. Del Sole One More Look at Quail Run** (Kornhi/Wells) Loved the front on this dog, incredible shoulder placement. Structurally the balance should be there but he wasn't using himself to show it off. However, after loosening up in the class a while he really started to pull it together and move out and I can see what he has going for him. A future prospect for sure. Lovely dark pigment makes him striking, pretty head, would like a bigger eye, but that can grow. Excited to see the future of this dog. **4. Bentwood Cartier** (Covell/Harrison) Super pretty head on this dog with gorgeous dark round eyes. Incredible coat to finish off a pretty picture. Outline is a longer and lower but primarily lacks the angulation to cover ground with strides, lacking in both reach and drive as others had in this class.

American Bred Dog (5)

1. Mimric Moves Like Jagger, JW (Painter/Hodges) The outline on this dog on the stand is lovely, he is compact and short coupled with plenty of neck. He has good angulation allowing for reach and drive and moves with great ease, but not totally in balance, he carries his tail a bit high. His head is very masculine and I'd like a larger eye and rims on him to soften expression. He is a good honest dog . **2. Briarcrest Burberry, RN CD** (Katz) A very close decision between 1st and 2nd in this class. This is a lovely dog with everything in the right place. Lovely carriage and elegant movement. Preferred many characteristics of this dog, particularly his head and eyes over the winner but in the end the entire package of the winner squeezed him out of the placement. **3. Shirmont Caddo Balliol, JW** (Henry/Dodson) Very happy to show for his handler, well broken nicely balanced boy. Very pretty well broken coat. Beautifully presented as all from this kennel. Well balanced but lacked the substance and angulation that I preferred in the ones before him. **4. Del Sol One More Night** (McHenry) Beautiful head on this dog with the prettiest darkest round eyes with thick dark rims. Ears set well framing that pretty head. Lovely pigment and coat. Well presented and very showy. Although moves out with ease he lacks the balance and the tail is carried consistently quite high and in competition today it hurt him.

2nd Generation American Bred Dogs (1)

1. Pensrick House of Stewart (Liebeler/Fellows) Super little shape on this dog. Nicely balanced allowing for a pretty picture on the go round, good coming and going. Could use more angulation to seal the deal and he could use more weight today. His head is lovely and my interpretation of the standard with ears set on correctly framing his face. Eyes are large, dark and round with thick rims. Pigment on eyes, nose and mouth are dark, could use darker pigment on coat.

Health and Confirmation Dog (2)

1. Ch Grantlley Goodwood at Truelegance (Cromer) Moves around the ring with ease, beautiful carriage, great reach and drive, using himself well. Beautiful coat with great pigment . Pretty head with clean face, beautiful dark round eyes and thick rims. Well set ears, long feathers. Shown as always in excellent condition. **2. Ch Benchmark Up In The Air of Onthemark** (Chan/Mitchell) Really happy to be showing today, made my day to watch him. Nice dog with super shape. Good dark round eyes with thick rims and super pigment. Loved the bone and short coupling on him. Pretty to watch both on the go round, coming and going. Nicely balanced and well angulated. Both super little dogs, difficult choice between the two but elegance and free flowing in movement made my final choice

Special Limit Blenheim Dog (8)

1. Aranel Colby (Wells/Smith) Stunning dog at first glance, just a class standout. Beautiful shape with well broken straight silky coat. Head is plush with large dark round eyes, thick rims and ears well set to frame it. Nice bone, lovely to go over on the table. More angulation in rear than front not giving him quite the reach on the move. A little unsure of himself. **2nd Award of Merit 2. Clopsville Meridian** (Rychlik) A little longer dog that really uses himself

on the move. Beautiful carriage, super balance great reach and drive. Pretty head sits on top of a long neck. Gorgeous large dark round eyes all with good pigment. **3. Ivyline Untamed Confection** (Giampapa) Another dog with great outline and carriage, much of what I said of the 2nd place I can say here. Good reach and drive. This one not as glamorous or well pigmented which is what put him behind the others. **4. Pauroi Hocus Pocus at Quail Run** (Kornhi/ Wells) Again, another dog with good ingredients....good type carriage, balance, angulation, reach and drive just lacks the glamour and finish as the ones before on a very competitive day.

Special Limit Tricolor Dog (1)

1. Pascavale Dodger (Jacks) This is a beautiful tricolor dog, a real contender. A lovely mover who carries himself beautifully round the ring. Beautiful coat. Nicely put together, well balanced could have had a little more reach.... Has a stunning head. Very short coupled dog . A big fan. **Best Tricolor Dog**

Special Limit Ruby Dog (3)

1. Darane Hellboy, JW (Kates) Super dog with a lovely coat, a pretty picture on the go round. Great proportions well balanced and good angles. Pretty head with nice round eyes and ears set on correctly. I would like a bigger eye. **2. Rocky Rose Sweet Dreams Filigrees Won The Relay** (Miller/Frederickson/Brauner) This guy really lacked in angulation and coat. He had a nice head and was more focused on his handler than the one behind him. **3. Robin's Nest Deuces Are Wild** (Prodanovich) Handler had a really tough time getting this guy focused. Very masculine dog with super dark pigment but again, lacked angles . I preferred the head on the 2nd place winner.

Special Limit Black & Tan Dog (3)

1. Nottingham Mugs (Beebower) A real showy dog with all the right ingredients and nice finish on him. A well balanced dog with good angulation and nice carriage. Good reach and drive. Full coat, well presented. Pretty and correct head with lovely eyes and pigment on skin and coat. **2. Blue Moon Cavaliers Cornelius** (Legerretta/Gray) A difficult decision between 1 and 2 today, both quality dogs. I preferred the darker eyes and softer expression on the class winner, but they both had lots of the same qualities otherwise. **3. Robin's Nest November Rain** (Prodanovich) This dog has a nice head and very pretty pigment going for him but unfortunately lacked significantly in angulation and therefore was unable to move like the ones before him.

Open Dogs (6)

1. Ch You're My Sunshine Vom Kaninchen Garten, JW (Hansen) Love love love this young dog. Nothing fancy or finished about him, he is just a great dog. Just everything a cavalier should be and ideal to the standard. So well put together. His outline and proportions right off the top make him stand out. Just as he should be, slightly longer in length than height. Long neck cresting flowing into well laid back shoulders. Set well under himself. His head is well cushioned with large dark round eyes and thick rims, ears set on well to frame it. When he moves, he has carriage and uses himself, super balanced and well angulated, looks elegant and free flowing on the go round . Straight coming and going. Add to that his temperament and love of everyone around him and bingo!!!! **Reserve Winners Dog**

2. Ch/Eng Pascavale Jacob (Cline) This dog is just a true Toy Spaniel to me. Beautiful little dog. This one with a lot of coat and finish. His head is a little more extreme and he runs a little closer in the rear than the winner but he's such a nice compact dog with lovely bone, soft expression with nice balance and angulation. Another that uses himself well on the move. Well proportioned, great temperament. **1st Award of Merit 3. Ch Miletree Joshua at Shirmont, JW** (Henry/Henry) Sooo much to like about this dog. He is so well put together and love his proportions, so well balanced and angulated. Love his head and pigment he just didn't use himself or seem to want to show today?? **4. Ch Forestcreek Royal Harry, JW** (Castrogiovanni) Fancy dog for sure with an incredible coat, beautifully presented to absolute perfection as always. Gorgeous head with lovely dark eyes and ears set on perfect to frame it. A balanced dog although I'd like to see more angulation and a little less leg under him.

Senior Open Dogs (1)

1. Ch Orchardhill Shirmont Back Talk, JW (Henry/ Jones/Scott) Recognized this dog in his class of 1. But had to take a double take as he looked somewhat different, softer with his age of 8.5 yrs. My initial approach with handler, "take it slow, don't tire the poor sweet boy just make a small circle" – "just go ½ way down and back". Well wasn't I put in my place when I was told "oh no, he will show". Surprise of my day! Incredible to see the condition this dog was in at this age both physically and mentally. A dog I did not care for as a younger dog I am faced with judging on the day and he was undeniably a dog deserving of major attention in National competition. Excellent condition, solid, well muscled, coat long and silky. Correct proportions and all still solid, everything in its place. Lovely long neck flowing into good layback of shoulder set well beneath him, strong front all still nice and tight. Super balanced, well angulated, short hocks, level topline, tail set straight off his topline and when he moved he carried himself like he was in his prime and showed himself off like it too. I fully feel he cheated in the challenged by showing off and barking around the ring to get attention, but what can one do in such situations???? His head, which had been extreme in his younger years, had softened with age yet his eyes are still as large dark and round with thick dark

rims and dark black nose as a young dog. He just filled my heart with joy but more so filled my heart with hope for the future of our breed. This is why I feel this dog got the recognition he did this weekend. HE STANDS FOR HOPE for the future of our breed. **Winners Dog, Reserve Best in Show, Best of Opposite Sex, Best Blenheim Dog Junior Puppy Bitches (2)**

1. Kolaci Sweet Starburst (Legerretta/Gray) Lighter marked Blenheim with a really pretty face. Pretty ears that framed her soft expression perfectly. Moves well, nicely balanced and has good reach and drive. **2. Lareina Luz De Luna** (Espinosa) Pretty head on this Tri bitch too. Good pigment and eyes. Nicely marked, well broken. Could use more front angulation which would allow her more reach.

Senior Puppy Bitch (4)

1. Benchmark Call Me Maybe (Hoorman) Pretty little compact bitch with good pigment. I thought she was made nicely. Marked well and free flowing on the move. Nicely balanced with good angulation allowing for both good reach and drive. **Best Puppy Bitch**

2. Alderglen Siren Song (Thompson) Similar in size to the winner with lovely dark pigment and large dark round eyes. Carries herself proudly and upright but lacks both the front and rear angulation of the class winner. **3.**

Nightingale Sloe Gin Fizz At Hollytree (Seymour) Lighter marked Blenheim and super cute with pretty face and nicely placed ears to frame it. Really nice outline with correct proportions when standing but doesn't have the balance on the move and didn't use herself well, roaching a bit. **4. Aranel Alana** (Seidman) Cute little Tri with a beautiful correct rich silky coat texture although still short. Would have liked more bone and substance on her along with more angulation.

Graduate Puppy Bitch (1)

1. Bentwood Forestcreek Hope (Cline/Harrison) Really lovely bitch and carried herself through to my final cut. Pretty head with large dark round eyes. Her expression was just melting and her ears framed it perfectly. Lovely pigment throughout. Correct texture and quality coat. Loved her substance. Great carriage neck and outline. Balanced with good reach and drive, just a tad long with the final competition.

Novice Bitch (1)

1. Briarcrest Back Talk (Rezowalli) Pretty head on this girl with well set ears framing her soft expression. Makes a lovely picture on the stand, nice shape with good proportions. On the move she pulls away from and to the side of her handler making it hard to assess her proper movement, I think a little more ring practice and both could do well. Lots of potential.

Bred By Exhibitor Bitch (8)

1. Ch Almeara Look At Me, JW (Whitmire) This bitch stands out in stature. Anatomically, this bitch is everything she should be and in my opinion one of the best of the day. Could not go unrewarded, even in such a competitive class. Lovely head with large dark eyes, nice fill, well set ears with good leathers to frame it. Loved her substance, in beautiful coat. A super happy bitch who loved to show. **2. Ch Brookhaven Im No Angel, JW** (Ayers/Martz) Such a show girl, amazing to watch on the move with her level topline and tailset. Carries herself so proudly, lovely long neck with that gorgeous head on top of it. Pretty face and large dark eyes. Today she was squeezed out by the winners finish on coat and ideal balance with slightly more angulation and free movement. On another day they could switch places. **3. Ch Kalais Never Too Late To Party** (Hess) This Black and Tan was presented in incredible shape and in beautiful coat. Pretty head with lovely eyes, long ears. Great substance and proportions on the stand. Nicely balanced but did not use herself on the move as the ones placing before her. **4. Ch Autumnhill Desire Me, JW** (Parente) This bitch was asking for a BIS in her attitude and showmanship. Lovely outline. good substance well balanced with good angles. Moves with ease and with purpose. Would prefer a larger eye and softer expression and was lacking coat today.

Junior American Bred Bitch (9)

1. Woodsong Angelina, JW (Kaiser) I found so much about this bitch breathtaking when she came in the ring and she carried that through to the challenge. Gorgeous head and eyes, just dreamy. Framed perfectly with long silky ears just like the rest of her coat all with beautiful pigment. Well marked, nice bone, good angulation and moved with ease. Such a pretty picture. Her tail carriage was too high when it came down to the final competition squeezing her out of the majors in this national competition but she will be a future winner without a doubt. **1st Award of Merit** **2. Closeburn Bonny Wee Kilt** (Fairchild) Thought this Tri bitch was super cute and loved her compact shape. Pretty girl with lovely head and eyes. Her coat was stellar. Beautifully balanced, good angulation and moves well. Completely different in type than the winner but a super nice little girl. **3. Chadwick Drama, JW** (Eckersley) Prettiest head on this little bitch, just love it. Beautiful correct skull, well placed ears, big large dark eyes, lovely pigment. Nice outline on the stand with correct proportions. Good angulation but doesn't use herself well on the move... yet... that will change with more experience and confidence, tons of potential. **4. Crownrose Dew Drop** (Rosenberg) Not as glamorous a bitch with all the fancy finishings as the ones before her, but have to

recognize the outline and movement on this one, she's right in line with the winners. A solid honest, sound bitch. Good reach and drive and loves to show herself off. Carries herself effortlessly around the ring. Good dark pigment and presented in excellent tone.

American Bred Bitch (5)

1. Brookhaven Sexy Sadie, JW (Ayers/Martz) Really liked this Blenheim bitch. Nicely marked with super dark pigment made her striking to look at. Beautiful head with lovely dark large eyes, thick rims, soft expression. Loved her balance and angulation, a super front on this girl. **2. Brookhaven Harper** (Milosevic/Ayers) Another nice girl of similar type with good outline. Super carriage and movement. Good angulation with reach and drive. Lovely long coat and ears although chestnut could be darker. **3. Foxwyn A Likely Story** (Greak/Comer/Fox) Pretty Blenheim girl with deep chestnut pigment. Beautiful head and expression with large dark eyes and thick rims. Long ears that frame her pretty face. A happy showgirl, good angles and well proportioned on the stack but does not use herself on the move as well as the ones before her. **4. Shirmont Delightful Caper, JW** (Henry/Rosenberg) A solid Blenheim bitch who loves to show. Great attitude. Loves showing with her handler. Good proportions and balance but lacked the finish of the ones before today.

2nd Generation American Bred Bitch (2)

1. La Reina's What About Me (Espinosa) Super pretty little tri bitch. Beautiful head with large eyes and lovely ears to frame it. Well marked. Happy to show, lots of tail wagging. She was quite straight in angulation yet balanced so they still went well together. **2. Canyoncrest Marjorie Morningstar** (Du Ross) Another Pretty tri girl, also marked very nicely. She wasn't too sure about things today and as a result didn't use herself well on the move. A little more time.

Special Limit Blenheim Bitch (5)

1. Greyhawk Trouble With The Curve (Schiffman/Kubin) This bitch was presented in lovely condition and beautiful coat. Pretty head with large dark eyes, thick rims. Nice fill, soft expression. Good angulation and balance. Love her proportions. Really uses herself well. Happy to show **2. Ivyline True Confection** (Giampapa) Another nice bitch, and ½ litter sister to the winner, this one with super carriage when moving on the go round. Lots of angulation and beautiful balance. Pretty girl with correct qualities, but the overall package in breed type and soft expression of the winner squeezed her out. **3. Althof Hello Love** (Hansen) Pretty girl with nice head and expression but would have liked it a little softer. She has incredible pigment both on eyes and coat color making her quite striking. A real show girl and loved it. Would have liked more angulation on her and the lack of ground coverage, reach/drive against the ones before her put her in 3rd. **4. Foxwyn Tell Me A Story** (Fox) A nice compact package to look at proportion wise. Nice head with pretty eyes and lovely ears to frame it. Good front with nice layback but rear is quite straight causing her to lack the balance and ease in movement as the others.

Special Limit Tricolor Bitch (4)

1. Luxxar Real Deal Druzy Of Glenellen (Murphy/Campanozzi) I thought the head and eyes on this bitch were scrumptious. Really represents the type from the kennel from which she was bred. Huge round dark eyes with super dark thick rims, which we really lost for a while and love to see so much of again. Gorgeous head piece, long ears that are well set to frame it. Really nice proportions, good bone, good balance and angulation. She's not a super showy girl, getting her head around it all in the ring but just so much to like about her. The more she moved, the better she moved out and more ground she covered. She has all the ingredients, just needs more confidence which is what pushed her out of the majors. **2nd Award of Merit, Best Tricolor in Show** **2. Windnsea Olivia** (Sutton) Another pretty bitch, a little fancier than the winner but not so happy in the ring or confident with introductions on the table. Beautifully marked, well broken and carries herself lovely on the go round, sporting a long neck, makes her very striking. **3. Sheeba Happy Talk** (Postero) A very cute bitch with a super shape. Short coupled, short hocks good angulation and balance. Loved her on the move. Not quite the head or eyes as the ones before her. **4. Roseglen I Believe In Magic** (Colombo) A very happy girl just asking for a BIS in her attitude. Loves the ring. Of a different shape than the ones before her, rather up on leg and longer in hock. Presented in excellent condition and tone.

Special Limit Black & Tan Bitch (1)

1. Iloo Dite Ilan Du Jardin De Claire of Sumara, JW (Gentil) My favorite attitude of the day which saw her through to the challenge. Made me heart sing. Super entertained with herself as she showed herself off in the ring. Always a little ahead of handler moving out with purpose as scanned the crowd to make sure they were watching her. Super cute short coupled bitch with excellent pigment. Well balanced, good angulation allowing her to move out with good topline and tail carriage. Pretty head with lovely large eyes.

Open Bitch (5)

1. Ch Carmas Penne Pasta at Crizwood (Moulton/Wornall) Some give me goose bumps, this one took my breath away the second she walked in the ring and did not disappoint on the table or for a second otherwise. Never put a foot wrong, never let herself down and she had no choice but to work for this win in this National competition. This

bitch is the total package. Really impressive! To me she meets the breed standard in every way, including temperament. Beautiful feminine face with gorgeous dark round eyes and thick rims eyes all framed perfectly with long well placed ears all sitting on top of a long well crested neck that flows into a well laid back shoulder. Level topline and tail carriage. Good substance, deep chest and ribs. Straight coming and going. Good angulation and well balanced covering ground with reach and drive, all with ease. Lovely correct coat that is well broken. Beautiful breed type with ideal and proportions. Such a lovely bitch. I was honored to award her BEST IN SHOW on this very competitive weekend. **Winners Bitch, Best in Show, Best Blenheim in Show, Best American Bred in Show**

2. Ch Chadwick Leura, JW (Eckersley) Judged her as a very young bitch and was one of my favorites but she tired in the challenge, but not today. She had bells on when returning to the ring for the Reserve. Super feminine bitch, no mistaking she is all girl power. I absolutely love her balance and elegance in movement. Long crested neck sloping into super nice layback, level topline and tail carriage. All covered in a long, straight silky correct coat of super dark pigment. Every bone is of correct length connected at correct angles. Proportions are just what the standard calls for. Just the most elegant mover of the day. Pretty head with long luscious ears to frame it. Would have liked more pigment in eyes but the package was otherwise perfection. **Reserve Winners Bitch, Best Bred By Exhibitor in Show**

3. Ch Linrica Just A Dream, JW (Hsiung/Liu) Reminds me of the song “ She was a show girl”. This little girl loves to show. Never have I seen a tail wag so much on the stand or move. Super cute, well marked, tri bitch with the nicest quality coat. Short coupled, short hocks, nice proportions. Moves with purpose and covers ground. Pretty head with lovely dark round eyes and rims. A definite worthy Champion. Thought she was a super. **4. Ch Glencross Cailin at Shirmont, JW** (Henry) Another pretty headed tri bitch with dark round eyes and lovely long ears to frame her face. Not as balanced or angulated as the others, particularly in the rear which is what let her down in the placements.

Veteran Dog (1)

1. Ch Grantilly Goodwood at Truelegance (Cromer) Naturally, have seen this dog in his prime and was thrilled to see him looking absolutely fantastic today. Shown in excellent condition both in coat and tone. Beautiful head and type with lovely eyes. Always loved his balance with good angulation allowing him to move with ease with good reach and drive. Level topline and tailset complete the picture of elegance and all still there as a veteran. Lives up to his name. Congratulations to breeder and owner. Love the veterans.

Veteran Bitch (1)

1. Nottinghill Annalise (Barnfather) How does one pick a Best Veteran, I admit it’s hard and emotional for me. This bitch, although I see not a Champion, certainly looked like she should have been. In excellent condition and tone again, good angulation and balance, level topline and tailset/carriage. Lovely coat. Huge dark round eyes and the most angelic face I could imagine. She showed her heart out and was enjoying herself so much, never put a foot wrong, not board for a second, tail never stopped. In the end, it was her attitude and her halo that won her the day.

Best Veteran in Show

Brace (1)

1. Shadowbrook Delta Darlin and Deltarose Devine Diva of Shadowbrook, C-RN (Moody) This was FUN! I appreciate the effort it takes to put a brace together and I’ve seen many and this one was really good. We did a couple fun things like a figure 8, a number 9 along with our down and back and arounds and I was impressed. Really good job to the Moodys.