

Cavaliers of the South

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Asheville, NC

**Judge: Dr. Kathy Aycock-McMurry
(Highcotton)**

Thank you for the honor of judging this show. The quality of the dogs and bitches was outstanding deep into the classes. It was wonderful to see so many excellent wholecolors. All exhibits were well groomed but not over groomed. Exhibitors presented their dogs well, allowing them to show off their delightful, joyful personalities, and it seemed that the Cavaliers, exhibitors and audience were all having a most enjoyable day, as did I. I was a little disappointed in some of the rear structures which surprised me on otherwise good dogs and negatively impacted the movement of several. Some rears were too close and some even crossing over. Some exhibits were a little stuffy in the neck and the most correct, elegant necks and shoulders were noted. The majority of exhibits were typey as well as sound. It's so difficult to get a complete package but breeders should take care to keep the lustrous, large eyes which are such a hallmark of the breed. Hospitality for this show was superb with special thanks to Amanda, Matt, and Pat. Thanks to Ellen for ring stewarding and to Polly whose announcing is always mindful of what is going on in the ring and non-intrusive. I so appreciate the transportation, welcome basket, fun evening events, and I treasure the lovely, personalized leather notebook. Exceedingly well done, show chairs and officers!

Jr Puppy D (7)

1. Tassajara Voodoo Ranger at Cynja(Jones)Bl. Nice, sound, good bone, held topline, dark round eyes, moved out on the go round

2. Tassajara High Life(Seidman,Seidman) Bl Pretty head and expression, nice shape, good topline, dark eyes, confident on the move

3. Clarmarian Heartthrob(Young-May/Gogol) Bl. Beautiful rich color, sweet face, dense pigment, lovely ears for one so young, gentle, gliding movement

4. Almeara Power of Love(Whitmire) Bl. Darling, adorable, good coat, great rear, baby with excellent breed type, just learning to be a show dog

If the quality of the classes continued after this class, I knew this would be an exciting day! What lovely puppies. Bodes well for the breed.

Sr Puppy Dog (6) 1. Riverleigh Hot Off the Presses(Dingman) Bl. Beautiful head and expression, lovely silky coat, large dark eyes, good earset, stood square, and moved easily *Best Puppy Dog*

2. Orchard Hill Overanalyzed(Venier, Venier) Tri. Great shape, good topline, another with large, dark, round eyes and dark pigment, moved with drive

3. Brookhaven Charcoal(Gregory/Ayers) BT. Love this puppy. Beautiful coat. Ideal outline, handsome, mature head. Misfortune to come up against such glamorous Blenheims today. Expecting big things from this one. Was thinking he might be a contender for black and tan challenge.

4. Dulce Y O L O(Covell) Bl. Precious headpiece, silky coat, big, dark eyes and correct bone, wonderful attitude, a baby with a bright future Another outstanding class!

Jr Am Bred D (2) 1. Brookhaven I Believe in Angels(Ayers) Bl. Silky, coat in excellent condition, beautiful expression, nice dark eyes, well-schooled, good shape.
2. Falling Springs Black Flame at Madyrn(Weeks/Weeks) BT. Great topline, attractive head with beautiful ears framing face, well presented

Am Bred D (6) 1. Brookhaven Here Comes the Son(Wells) Bl Wonderful eyes, silky coat, correct layback of shoulder, best rear so far today, elegant neck, ideal shape and size, movement spot on. *Winners Dog, Best of Opposite to Best in Show*
2. Orchardhill Fan Boy (Venier/Venier) Bl Really nice dog, perfect size and ideal outline, beautiful eyes and gorgeous ears framing a handsome face, side movement good, nice topline
3. Fieldsedge Padraig(Slusher/Slusher) Bl. Another pretty boy with great eyes, good on the move, held topline
4. Tudorr Return of the Velvet Teddy Bear (Mixon/Mixon) Bl Shorter muzzle, rich red on pearly white, strong forechest and good layback of shoulder, sure mover all ways Really strong class, any could change places on another day, even the #5 dog

SpL Blen D (2) 1. Promontory Here Comes Hudson (Orns/Solomon) Bl. Beautiful outline, good forechest and shoulders, really moved out, darling, well presented
2. Forestcreek the Showman at Tudorr(Mixon/Mixon/Cline/Marshall) Bl. Full, rich red coat, sound mover on down and back, happy little showman

SpL Tri D (1) 1. Bluegarden Casino Royale(Matos/Bonaventura) Tri. Handsome boy, clean muzzle, almost tri lozenge, rear a little close on the move, but stood correctly, having a great time and a little too proud of his tail on the go round.

SpL B&T D (3) 1. Loranka's Limited Edition(Seidman/Seidman) B/T. Perfect size and outline, free and easy mover, handsome but not overdone head, presented beautifully, lovely, dark eyes *Reserve Winners Dog*
2. Sreya Brookhaven Finders Keepers, MP(Parente/Ayers) B/T. Rich red accents on gleaming black coat, good shape and outline, easy on the move, well-schooled
3. Del Sol In the Dark At Fieldsedge(Slusher/Slusher)B/T. another good one, strong rear, sound mover, silky coat with full ears framing face. I later read that his sire is one I had put up several years ago contributing to his championship.
Three super black and tan boys

Open D (5) 1. Ch Brookhaven Catching Fire, JW,AW(Ayers)Ruby. Oh, wow! Great rear, solid on the move, holding topline and shape standing and on the move, gleaming rich, red coat, strong contender for top honors
2. Ch Chadwick Hot Pursuit At Hudsonview, JW(Glynn/Glynn) Bl. Quality exhibit as to be expected from this breeder, fabulous boy, conditioning and presentation excellent, good size and shape, free and easy mover
3. Ch Tassajara Laws of Motion, AW(Seidman) Bl. Large, dark eyes, nice angles front and rear, moderate, correct bone, good rear and outline, moving well all ways

4. Ch Falling Springs Just You Wait at Crownrose, JW, AW (Rosenberg/Rosenberg) Bl. Another ideal outline, moving out with confidence, good forechest and bone, beautiful coat

Entire class closely adhering to Cavalier standard. They are all worthy Champions.

Jr Puppy Bitch (6) 1. Wellsworth Hunting for Treasure(Culhane/Wells) Bl. Beautiful coat, good movement, sweet, gentle baby

2. Granasil Mocha(Gentil)Ruby. Really pretty ruby, good bone, good forechest and layback of shoulder making her an easy mover, gleaming rich, red coat

3. Ameara Love Her Madly(Whitmire) Bl. My notes say ‘baby, baby”, profuse coat, adorable, just learning to be a show dog but should have a bright future.

4. Starmarc Blue (Hooper) Bl. Correct bone for size, sweetest little expression, endearing headpiece, compact body, nice shape and size, moved out

Sr Puppy Bitch (6) 1. Orchard Hill Diversified (Venier/Venier) Bl. Prettiest head and expression, ideal layback of shoulder with elegant neck, good dark eyes, excellent on the move.

2. Chadwick Foxy Couture(Glynn/Glynn)Bl. Dark, rich color, sweetest expression with dark eyes and lovely ears framing face, good bone, good angulation, moved happily holding topline

3. Chadwick Finders Keepers(Baker-Fox/Eckersley) Bl. Great size and shape, strong rear, silky, full coat, excellent on the move down and back and on the go round

4. Brookhaven Night Before Christmas (Ayers) Bl. Another adorable girl, just precious with a great coat in perfect condition, lovely front assembly with correct layback of shoulder and elegant neck, gently wagging tail throughout this adventure

Very strong class!

Grad Puppy B (5) 1. Ingold In The Navy (Pickett) Bl. Pretty head, rich, red color, moved well, attractive standing and on the move.

2. Falling Springs Crownrose Black Velvet, JW (Rosenberg/Rosenberg) B/T. Gleaming black coat with rich, red markings, adorable personality, nice topline and tail set, a picture going around the ring

3. Dulce Seize The Day (Covell) Bl. Really pretty coat with lovely ears framing the face, another good topline held standing and moving

4. Promontory Clover (Dingman/Solomon) Tri. Pretty head, advantageous markings accentuate her excellent shoulder layback and nice neck, moved out exuberantly

Novice Bitch (1) 1. Pinnacles I Want to Dance With Somebody at Autumn

Hill(Parente) B/T. Pretty head, dark eyes, good bite with solid topline, moving not at best today, but good enough to win first even if she hadn't scared off all the competition.

Bred By Ex B (3) 1. Ch Clarmarian Affairs of the Heart, JW (McFarland/Young-May/Gogol) Bl. Really pretty, elegant girl. Very gentle demeanor. Beautiful well-feathered ears, a classic beauty, wonderful shape and outline, moved like a dream around the ring *Reserve Winners Bitch, Reserve Best in Show* I found out later that she is a littermate to WB/BIS.

2. Onthemark Whoopsie Daisy(Chan/Mitchell) Bl. Moved with a strong topline and strong rear, balanced and moderate in bone, attractive head, well-marked coat, well-presented.

3. Ch Almeara Shes So Fine, JW (Whitmire) Bl. Really pretty, with silky coat and full, ears, big, dark eyes, good topline and tailset but rear a little off today
Best overall bitch class of the day. Such quality.

Jr Am Bred B (5) 1. Mimric Eight Six Seven Five Three 0 Nine (Hodges/Perkins)

Ideal size and delightful expression. Moved with reach and drive. Lovely head and dark, round eyes. My notes say “Cutie pie” **Best Puppy Bitch, Best Puppy**

2. Tibbedon Summer Love (Tibbets) Bl. Beautiful head with dark, round eyes and soft expression, good standing and on the move,

3. Darane Otherworldy, JW, MP (Kates) Bl. Lovely girl with good, rich coat, excellent neck and front assembly, easy mover, another quality exhibit with a pleasant expression

4. Wellsworth Huntleigh (Wells) Bl. Lightly marked Blenheim, needs to develop coat and ear furnishings, she seemed a little rattled today and probably not at her best, moving nor standing

Am Bred B (6) 1. Tassajara Jalapeno Pepper, MP (Seidman/Seidman) Bl. Biggest, prettiest eyes of the day, very feminine head, ideal size and shape, excellent mover and very showy, presented in ideal condition, contender for top honors

2. Ingold New York Minute (Pickett) Bl. Nice size, well-marked Blenheim, makes a pretty picture standing with large, dark eyes

3. Brookhaven Here Comes Logan(Ayers) Bl. Neat and compact in shape, appealing head with shorter muzzle, firm and well-constructed, confident mover, beautifully maintained coat as always from this breeder

4. Riverleigh Bisou Bisou (Dingman) Bl. Engaging personality showing her heart out, Dark, rich red on well-marked coat with good texture. Excellent tailset and carriage.

SpL Blen B (4) 1. Clarmarian Eclipse Of The Heart, MP(Young-May/Gogol) Bl.

What a beauty! She caught my eye immediately as she floated effortlessly around the ring. Up close and personal, she did not disappoint. Gentle demeanor with the biggest, darkest eyes and glorious ears finishing the picture. Her body was a joy to go over with everything in the right place allowing her to excel in movement. **Winners Bitch, Best in Show** I understand that this win finished her championship! Well deserved.

2. Tudorr Gigi, JW (Mixon/Madden) Bl. Feminine, compact, beautifully marked Blenheim, moved well around the ring

3. Tassajara Sweet Pea At Kingdomrun (Degen/Degen) Bl. Really pretty girl, level topline on well put together body, one to watch

4. Brookhaven Azura’s Star At Madryn (Weeks/Weeks) Bl. Sweet as pie, lightly marked Blenheim, quality construction and good mover, unfortunately her nose color was off today and she didn’t seem very excited to be here.

SpL Tri B (1) 1. Almeara Funlightenment (Hillman/Babcock/Whitmire) Tri. Stood alone. Prettiest headpiece with clearly defined markings, whitest white, blackest black.

SpL Ruby B (3) 1. Granasil Florentine of Sumara, JW,AW,MP(Gentil) Ruby. Richly colored ruby. Shorter muzzle with pretty dark eyes. Nice outline, shape and size. A contender for top honors.

2. Khatibi Amber Lynne, Eng JW (Maddox) Ruby. Sound ruby, well coated with lighter ruby highlights, dark pigment, large round eyes and correct head for a very pleasant expression. Good front and held topline on the move with correct tail set and carriage. Good spring of rib with compact body.

3. Lynsfair Aboscobel Ginger Spice (Norton) Ruby. Darkest, richest ruby. Well-schooled, moving easily around the ring in sync with her handler. Dark, large eyes. She's a little on the thin side today. May need to gain a pound or so to be at her best.

SpL B&T B (3) 1. Darane True Colors (Kates) B/T. Beautifully conditioned with gleaming black coat, good shoulder assembly, lovely neck, really moved out confidently

2. Myrnac Tina Turner to Sherah(Crommett/Reid) B/T. Perfect shape and outline. Good spring of rib. Sound mover holding topline standing and on the move. Sweetest head and expression. Full, pretty ears.

3. Azalearun Baileys Irish Cream(Taylor) B/T. Feminine exhibit, enjoying her day, another with gentle, friendly expression, all over the place with her movement today. Coat was shiny and silky. Dark eyes.

Open B (4) 1. Ch Forestcreek Buckle Bunny At Mimric, JW, AW (Hodges/Perkins) Bl. Such a clever name for a girl born in Texas! Really pretty with melting, dark eyes and pigment giving her an engaging expression. Nice shape and size with good spring of rib. Very attractive, clean markings on well-conditioned coat.

2. Ch Falling Springs Shining Brightly (Curley) Bl. Sound and beautiful girl, with the darkest pigment, well let down hocks, compact, balanced, attractive markings accentuated her good layback of shoulder and pretty neck.

3. Ch Pinnaclee Baby You're a Firework, JW (Gregory/Ayers) B/T. So dreamy with a luscious head, everything in perfect proportion, gleaming, silky, jet black coat conditioned well with distinct tan markings, good structure, moved with verve

4. Ch Tassajara Some Bunny Loves Me, JW (Seidman/Seidman) Bl. Smaller, very feminine with big, dark eyes and a lovely expression, coat in lovely condition, very sound with clean movement on the go round, very animated and happy.

Each one could easily change places as all are quality and are worthy champions.

Sr Open B (3) 1. Seraphaven Put a Spell On You (Gogol, Young-May) Bl Really precious, melting expression with large eyes. Well coated with lovely ears and coat. This 10 yr old moved out effortlessly showing off her sound construction.

2. Brookhaven Lucky Penny (Taylor/Ayers) Ruby. A lovely 12 yr old ruby with a beautiful coat in excellent condition, nice layback of shoulder and elegant neck, solid topline standing and on the move.

3. Ch Darane Red Sonja, JW (Kates) Ruby. Another pretty ruby at 14 yrs old, with a rich, red coat in beautiful condition. Ideal neck with correct front and rear angles and strong rear. Was still happily showing her quality in the ring.

Veteran Dog (1) 1. Ch Bella Sogni Dolci De Amor, VW (Weeks/Weeks) Tri. Really showy boy, well presented. Very handsome 10.5 year old. Gorgeous, sound and glamorous. Well constructed and moved true all ways. ***Best Veteran in Show***

Veteran Bitch (1) 1. Ch Madryn Port Royal, AW (Hasser/Hasser) Ruby. Lovely, richly coated ruby presented in very good condition. Moved easily around the ring. A joy to see a vibrant 10 year old showing so well and so happily.