

CAVALIERS OF THE NORTHEAST

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I'd like to thank the Cavaliers of the Northeast for inviting me to judge. Laura and John Glen were especially gracious hosts picking me up at the airport and showing me such incredible hospitality the entire weekend. Thanks also to my gate and ring stewards, Laura Glenn and Josh Marshall for their efficiency and organization. They made my job easy!

Even though the entry was on the smaller side I had plenty of quality to choose from. I was very pleased with my final line up.

When judging, I look for a full-bodied cavalier with good substance that has a beautiful head with an elegant expression and glamorous appearance. Shape is very important with an ideal proportion being slightly longer than tall. I like enough leg under them so as to not appear long and low. They should move out gracefully, covering plenty of ground with a smooth flowing uninterrupted motion. Their tails should appear and an extension of their spine, carried straight off their backs.

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DOGS

JUNIOR PUPPY DOG (2)

1. **RIVERLEIGH KISS THE GIRL** (Dingman) This is a nicely coated well-made Blenheim puppy. He has good angles front and rear. Pleasing head properties included nice eyes and a very soft expression. Topline is good, though there is a slight dip in croup and good tail carriage. He came alive on the move driving fluidly around the ring. **[BEST PUPPY DOG & BEST PUPPY IN SHOW](#)**

2. **CHADWICK IDLE CHATTER** (Ekersley) This is a well broken Blenheim of nice size. He has a cute expression. He keeps a level topline and moves well. I preferred his size and it was a close call between the two.

SENIOR PUPPY DOG (1)

1. **CASTLEKEEP PALOMA DESERT POLKA** (Garstin) This is a heavily coated, lighter marked Blenheim that is somewhat up to size. He has large dark eyes giving a soft expression. Though he moved well he tended to lose his topline going round.

GRADUATE PUPPY DOG (1)

1. **GRANASIL STRUDEL OF SUMARA** (Gentil) This is a very pretty Black and Tan boy that I have liked since I first saw him. He has a good outline, short coupled with enough leg. He moves very elegantly keeping a firm topline. Unfortunately, he is quite proud of his tail at times. He has a very pretty, expressive head with just enough cushion. Overall, a quality exhibit.

BRED BY EXHIBITOR DOG (1)

1. **CH. NIGHTINGALE WIPEOUT, JW** This is a super shaped dog that immediately catches the eye as he enters the ring. He is moderate in all aspects. He scores on shape and outline. I like his short back, elegant neck and well-placed shoulders. He doesn't disappoint on the move carrying a dead level topline and driving with vigor. His side gait attracts attention. He has a pleasing unexaggerated head. [1st AOM.](#)

JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED DOG (2)

1. **BROOKHAVEN NUMBER NINE DREAM OF FINNICKYSKYE** (Utych/Utych) Heavier marked Blenheim boy who I found to be longer in cast. He has a smooth straight silky coat of correct texture. On the move carries his tail high. He enjoyed his time in the ring.

2. **BLACKFIRE ALL NIGHT LONG** (Weidig/Kennedy/McLaughlin/Kennedy) A lightly marked blenheim up to size. He has pretty, soft headpiece which I preferred to the first exhibit. His rear movement was a bit erratic on the day. He showed very well and was super attentive to his handler.

AMERICAN BRED DOG (3)

1. **NIGHTINGALE HEART OF GOLD** (Weeks/Weeks) This is an intriguing Blenheim boy of nice size and shape. I like his proportion of length to height. He moves with verve keeping a very level topline showing off a proper croup and tail carriage. He tends to get a bit excited on the move which, when going at a fast pace causes him to "bounce" a bit. When he slows down his movement is more fluid and true. He has a very attractive, soft expression. I suspect his slightly wavy coat, can be difficult to manage.

2. **LINRICA OVER THE MOON BABY** (Lui) This is a well-balanced, lightly marked Blenheim dog in excellent coat. He has a very pretty soft expression with the desired large, dark eyes. He has a short back, approaching square shape. He is nice to go over on the table where it is easy to see that he excels in angulation, front and rear. Unfortunately, he did not want to show today and moved with his tail down.

3. **DARANE R ALFIE** (Balea/Kates) This is a heavily marked, very pretty headed Blenheim boy. He has large dark eyes and an attractive expression. He moved true keeping a level topline. I would prefer longer neck and more layback of shoulders.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM DOG (3)

1. **ORCHARDHILL AUTHENTIC II** (Venier/Venier) There is much to like about this glamorous boy who caught my eye immediately upon entering the ring. He is superbly well made with a beautiful, long, arching neck that gives him an elegant profile, especially when viewing his side gait. He keeps a firm, level topline and carries his tail absolutely straight off his back. When the neck, topline and tailset all come together in this manner it makes for a rare and undeniable picture. His head qualities do not disappoint. He has a soft, yet masculine expression with dark eyes and rich nose and eye-rim pigment. I was pleased to award him [WINNERS DOG & BEST AMERICAN BRED, BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR, BEST BLENHEIM IN SHOW](#) and ultimately [BEST IN SHOW](#)

2. **NIGHTENGALE LET IT BE** (Mulligan) This is a richly colored Blenheim of good shape and size. I appreciated his correct front and rear. He has a pretty head and a large, dark eye. Unlucky to meet his competition today.

3. **LOOKOUT SECRET AGENT MAN AT TYCWN** (Knauss/May) A larger heavier marked Blenheim dog who is super well trained and showed quite well. He is a bit out of coat on the day. He moved well though somewhat proud of his tail.

SPECIAL LIMIT TRI COLOR DOG (1)

1. **SARANADE ROMANCE IN THE RAIN AT TYCWN** (Knauss) Another very happy and attentive show dog, from this exhibitor. I liked this heavier marked tri boy for shape and size.

He has a sweet head with a nice expression which can be hard to come by in this color. [AOM #1](#)

SPECIAL LIMIT RUBY DOG (1)

1. **BROOKHAVEN CATCHING FIRE, JW** (Ayers) This is a very nice ruby boy who wins out on size and shape and balance. He has a cobby body with a nicely angulated front and rear. He has a soft expression. Handsome headpiece and silky straight coat. He is somewhat erratic on the move dropping his tail at times which can spoil his topline. When he settles into the job and especially when he has friend in front of him he moves clean and true and his topline is better appreciated. [RESERVE WINNERS DOG & BEST RUBY IN SHOW](#)

SPECIAL LIMIT BLACK & TAN DOG (3)

1. **SREYA BROOKHAVEN FINDERS KEEPERS** (Ayers) This is a smaller, compact boy with a beautiful, straight, silky coat. He has a nice topline on the move with a good tail set and carriage. He has a sweet, youthful expression. I would prefer more bone. [BEST BLACK AND TAN IN SHOW](#)

2. **CHEW CREEK BOOGIE WONDERLAND** (DePhillip) Another smaller compact black & tan. He has large dark eyes and a soft expression. He is well made when examined on the table, however, his coat was a bit unruly which hid his structure and shape as he moved. He too has good tail set and carriage.

3. **JAMANDA LUKE SKYWALKER** (Weinstein) I preferred the size of the first two exhibits, this one being overall larger and longer in cast. He has straight silky coat. He moved true and was presented well by his handler.

OPEN DOG (2)

1. **FOXWYN REVOLUTIONARY** (Dingman/Baker-Fox) This is a well broken Blenheim with a pretty head, large dark eyes, and a soft gentle expression. He has a good topline and moved fluidly, though carried his tail a bit high at first but it settled with further movement. A quality exhibit.

2. **CH LEDGENCREST FINNICKYSKYE DREAM CATCHER** (Utych/Utych) Overall I preferred the size and shape of this dog but preferred the head properties of the first exhibit. Unfortunately, he was anxious and unsettled on the move which made assessment more difficult. His topline and tail carriage were strong points. He has a straight silky coat.

SENIOR OPEN DOG (1)

1. **CH BROOKHAVEN THE DREAM LIVES ON AT FINNECKY SKYE** (Utych/Utych) 7 year old dog that I have previously judged and admired. I remember judging him as a puppy at an AKC show and giving him high honors there and anticipating that he would mature into a dog to be proud of. Judging him as a senior I see he has made his owners proud. He is a smaller sized, compact, well built Blenheim with excellent front and rear angulation for his size. At seven he still carries a nice topline. He has a super attractive head, and large eyes. He moves with style.

BITCHES

JUNIOR PUPPY BITCH (9)

1. **ORCHARDHILL CHARM OFFENSIVE** (Venier/Venier) 7 month old well broken Blenheim girl, mature for her age. She is compact, full bodied, and well made. Nice head properties with large dark eyes. She edged out the second place in this class with her strong, fluid movement driving soundly off the rear.

2. **CHADWICK MASQUERADE** (Eckersley) 5-month-old very pretty headed baby that gave the class winner a run for her money. She too has a nice compact shape, and correct outline and moved well.

3. **ALMERA SHES SO FINE** (Whitmere) Another compact well broken Blenheim in this class full of quality. She moved well though was a bit unsettled on the day. None the less her quality shined through. I liked her front and rear angulation top line and tail set.

4. **RIVERLEIGH BISOU BISOU** (Dingman) 6-month-old, somewhat bigger, stockier girl with an overall good shape, topline, and tail carriage. She has a pretty head and large dark eyes.

SENIOR PUPPY BITCH (5)

1. **CHADWICK LIMELIGHT II** (Eckersley) A very cute smaller, well broken Blenheim with a dead level topline, and perfect tail set and carriage. She moved well and was a spitfire in the ring. She is compact and has a sweet expression. Flashy, caught my eye. **[BEST PUPPY BITCH](#)**

2. **SHEEBA PACIFIC ROSE AT APPLE BRANCH** (Bennett) 11-month-old richly pigmented Blenheim with large dark eyes and attractive head properties. She has a well angulated front and rear. I preferred the croup on the first bitch.

3. **BLACKFIRE BELLA ROSA** (Weidig/Kennedy/McLaughlin) The deep rich ruby has a cute expression and moved with drive around the ring.

4. SARANADE RIGHT AS RAIN (Dingman/Freberg) A smaller well made Blenheim. She was moderately angled front and rear with a topline that she held level on the move. Her movement was correct coming and going.

GRADUATE PUPPY BITCH (3)

1. BROOKHAVEN SMARTY PANTS (Whitmere/Ayers) Beautifully headed Blenheim with a soft, feminine expression, large dark eyes and nice nose and eye rim pigment. Her shape is compact and I liked the balance of her length of leg to body. She has a nicely arched neck of good length that gives her the elegance and glamour that I like to see on the move. She carried herself proudly with a level topline and tail set. Reserve Winners Bitch. **RESERVE WINNERS BITCH**

2. FALLING SPRINGS SHINING BRIGHTLY (Grimm Curley) A well broken Blenheim of good size and shape with plenty of bone and substance. She has a very attractive head and sweet expression. Her movement was correct and she carried herself well. Super unlucky to meet the first exhibit who was just edged her out in overall finish.

3. SHERAH MOONSHADOW (Damato/Crommett) Well broken blenheim with a soft gentle expression. She was a bit soft in the topline on the move.

NOVICE BITCH (2)

1. CHADWICK QUIET RIOT (Eckersley) Diminutive girl of good substance with a cute head and large dark eyes. She has a correct shape and maintains a level topline and proper tail carriage on the move.

2. LINRICA EMERALD ISLE (Liu) This is a well-built Blenheim with a very good profile. She has an attractive head with large round eyes. She carries a level topline but was unfortunately not happy on the day which distracted from her movement.

JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED BITCH (4)

1. ALMERA SHE'S THE ONE (Whitmere) A promising young Blenheim that has a cute expression. She has a super angulated front and rear which she used to her advantage on the move.

2. AUTUMNHILL I LOVE TROUBLE (Parente) A well broken Blenheim slightly longer in cast. Good front and rear. Sweet head, not overdone with dark, round eyes.

3. MADRYN COUNTRY ROAD (Weeks/Weeks) I liked the size and shape of this bitch but preferred the heads of the two placed before her. She has a rich well broken coat. She seemed to move well but might benefit from a slower gait which would allow better assessment of her attributes.

4. BLACKFIRE NEW YORK STATE OF MIND (Weidig/Kennedy/McLaughlin) Short backed tri slightly more up on leg than I prefer. Somewhat apprehensive on the move.

AMERICAN BRED BITCH (4)

1. SORELLA BROOKHAVEN TRINITY (Ayers) Attractive headpiece with a shorter muzzle, large dark eyes and good pigment. She is a sturdy, well-made, well-proportioned bitch. Tended to take some time to get down to the job at hand, but on the second time around firmed up her

topline and carried her tail straight out. 2nd AOM

2. DIORCHAVON HEARTS ON FIRE (Bialek) Another well-made Blenheim, this one slightly longer in loin than the first exhibit. Like the first bitch she had a very pretty head and expression. Her long silky coats adds to her glamour. Dead level topline and great tail carriage.

3. NIGHTINGALE OVER THE TOP, JW, MP (Mulligan) A richly pigmented Blenheim in great coat. Soft expression with large dark eyes. She has a good topline but falls off a bit in the croup. Moves very clean and correct coming and going.

4. RINGSIDE'S MARLEY AND ME (Hamblen/Damato) Well broken Blenheim, out of coat. A soft sweet head/expression. Happy and enjoyed her day.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM BITCH (1)

1. GRACELYN WILD SUMMER DREAM (Bourgholtzer) A pretty headed Blenheim girl that was out of coat today. She moved fluidly with a level topline and tail set. I liked her well angulated rear that helped her drive around the ring with ease.

SPECIAL LIMIT TRI COLOR BITCH (5)

1. CHADWICK ROULETTE (Eckersley/Reed) This is a well broken beautifully marked tri in great coat. She is a smaller size and well-proportioned with good height to length of back. Simply put, she has the correct shape. She is very pretty headed with a shorter muzzle with good cushioning. Her movement was strong around the ring with a firm topline and a correct tail set and carriage. **WINNERS BITCH & BEST TRICOLOR IN SHOW & BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX TO BEST IN SHOW**

2. CHADWICK STARBURST OF SUNJAYS (Hellman/Eckersley) Elegant, heavily marked tri in good coat. Scored well in head properties, one of the prettiest in the class. She was very well trained and presented. She moved correctly around the ring.

3. CHEWCREEK ORCHARDHILL COUNT ON ME (Venier/Venier) I liked the small size and well-proportioned shape of this heavily marked tri. She has an attractive head. She lacked the finish of the first two exhibits. 2ND AOM

4. DARANE PEARLY WHITES (Bronowicka/Carter) Heavily marked tri with a good, well-conditioned coat. She moved well but would benefit from a better croup.

SPECIAL LIMIT RUBY BITCH (1)

1. GRANASIL FLORENTINE OF SUMARA, JW, MP (Gentil) Deep rich ruby girl that catches the eye. She has a very pretty, feminine head with large dark eyes and a soft gentle expression not readily seen in this color. She has a nicely proportioned shape and is a perfect size. Would prefer a bit more coat. Looks nice going around but can become soft in the topline at times.

SPECIAL LIMIT BLACK & TAN (1)

1. **TAILULLYTATTOO TOOTSIE AT CARIEN** (Close/Rubno) A sweet headed black and tan puppy bitch with nice eyes. Would benefit from more angulation front and rear, but still young and growing.

OPEN BITCH (2)

1. **CH ORCHARDHILL PRETTY CLOSE** (Venier/Venier) A nicely marked Blenheim of top quality. She is very well made with nicely laid-back shoulders, good angles front and rear and nicely proportioned with a solid, firm topline. Her head is feminine and one of the prettiest of the day. She moves effortlessly around the ring with good drive.
2. **CH. BONITOS COMPANEROS JOSEPHINE AT WELMFORTH** (Lasser) A well broken Blenheim of longer cast than the class winner. Pretty face with the large, dark eyes. Could not match the elegance of the class winner today.

SENIOR OPEN BITCH (1)

1. **CH AUTUMNHILL DESIRE ME** (Parente) 9 year old Ruby that I have always admired. She is a superb shape with exceptional balance. She has a pretty head with large dark, round eyes. Her angulation front and rear is excellent and balanced. Even at this age she moves with reach and drive around the ring. It's this athletic movement that draws the eye. A credit to her breeder.

VETERAN DOG (1)

1. **CH. BROOKHAVEN THE DREAM LIVES ON** See Sr. Open Dog ***BEST***
VETERAN IN SHOW

VETERAN BITCH (1)

1. **CH. SUNJAYS RUMOR HAS IT** (Hellman) I gave this girl a major some years ago, and she still has the spark that drew my eye to her years ago. She has a stellar shape with good substance. She has a feminine head and soft expression. She shows so well and is one with her handler. Movement is fluid and effortless.

