

CAVALIER OF THE WEST

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The entry at this show was very small but the quality was still excellent. I always enjoy judging and the good sportsmanship of the exhibitors made for a great day. Thank you to all of those who honored me with their entries.

Katherine Kates

DOGS

JUNIOR PUPPY DOG (2)

1. **SORELLA TWO TICKETS TO PARADISE** (Green)
6 1/2 months old, blenheim boy with excellent bone and substance. He had a super square outline with correct angulation front and rear. His head was lovely with pretty eyes and he moved well with moderate reach and drive. A very nice puppy with a promising future.
2. **HARRINGTON OUT OF THE WOODS** (Gonyo/Gonyo/Gonyo)
5 months old tri-color with a handsome, masculine head. He too had good bone and substance and lovely broken up markings. His shape was very similar to the first placed puppy but he was nervous so he wouldn't move around the ring. He could really do well if he can gain confidence.

SENIOR PUPPY DOG (1)

1. **SHEEBA COVER BOY AT APPLE BRANCH** (Bennett/Munoz)
9 months old blenheim, what a little rockstar this fellow was. He had a lovely, masculine head with pretty eyes. His elegant, crested neck lead into a level topline. His markings were flashy and accentuated his excellent angulation. He moved very well with confidence. I was happy to award him, **WINNERS DOG, BEST PUPPY DOG, BEST BLENHEIM DOG, BEST AMERICAN BRED DOG, BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX, RESERVE BEST IN SHOW & BEST PUPPY IN SHOW**

GRADUATE PUPPY DOG (2)

1. **CHADWICK EIGHTEEN CARAT GOLD** (Mitchell)
17 months old blenheim. This boy had a gorgeous head though his eyes were a shade lighter than ideal. His markings were well broken with dark chestnut color. He moved fairly well with reach and drive but carried his tail low. Maybe he was a bit nervous on the day but I liked him overall for his excellent substance and breed type.
2. **KENDALLKASTLE MINE BY DESIGN** (Ogle)

16 months old blenheim. This fellow had a cute head with sparkling black eyes. He had a good topline though sometimes carried his tail up. He presented a pretty picture overall but lacked the rear drive of the winner.

NOVICE DOG (1)

1. **FORESTCREEK MAN IN BLACK** (Tegg/Marshall)

18 months old tri-color. He had plenty of substance in a small package. He had a pretty head but it was a bit overdone for my taste. He moved with a level topline and tail carriage and while he moved with pizzazz, he lacked ideal drive. **BEST TRI-COLOR DOG**

JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED DOG (1)

1. **BENTLANE HEAVEN SENT TO QUAIL RUN** (Kornhi)

9 months old blenheim with thumb print. He has a moderate, typical head. He had lovely, well broken markings and a level topline but he lacked angulation front and rear which resulted in lack luster movement.

HEALTH AND CONFORMATION DOG (1)

1. **CAN CH DEL SOL ONE MORE LOOK AT QUAIL RUN** (Kornhi)

Almost 10 year old blenheim with the sweetest of expressions. He was moderate throughout and moved okay but he was out of coat on the day. **BEST HEALTH & CONFORMATION DOG, BEST HEALTH & CONFORMATION IN SHOW, BEST VETERAN DOG**

SPECIAL LIMIT BLENHEIM DOG (4) “Super quality class of dogs.”

1. **COVINGTON NEVER SAY NEVER** (Brock/Gonyo)

2 years old blenheim. He had lovely eyes and a soft expression in a handsome head, not always easy to achieve with a male. He had an ideal outline and moved with a dead level topline and tail carriage. He had excellent shoulder layback and turn of stifle allowing him to move effortlessly around the ring. His coat was a bit wavy but nevertheless I was happy to award him, **RESERVE WINNERS DOG**

2. **PROMONTORY HERE COMES HUDSON** (Solomon/Orns)

21 months old blenheim, a lovely, showy boy with a handsome head and great temperament. He had rich tan markings on a silky coat. Spirit level topline flowed into a perfect tail set. He moved fairly well but didn't have the reach of the first placed dog. Still, a quality exhibit.

3. **CROSSBOW BALOO FROM THE JUNGLE AT BLUESTARA** (Brezine/Alvarez)

Almost 3 years old blenheim. Another beautiful boy with a gorgeous head. He had a lovely coat, carried a level topline and floated around the ring. He just didn't have the movement of the two above but another worthy exhibit.

4. **NIGHTHAWK GAME CHANGER** (Crail/Mitchell)

3 ½ years old blenheim, pretty head but his eyes were rather light. Overall, I liked him. He had loads of bone and substance with a nice deep chest. He moved very well but maybe a bit wide coming at me, but I was splitting hairs with the four entries in this class. They could change places any day.

OPEN DOG (1)

1. **CH KENDALL KASTLE LOVE IS IN THE HEIR, JW** (Ogle)

2 years old blenheim. He had a cute little head with large round eyes. He had a super rich chestnut blanket on a level topline. I loved his handy size. He had good angulation and moved well but, unfortunately, he was keeping his tail straight up on the day. **BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR DOG**

BITCHES

JUNIOR PUPPY BITCH (3)

1. **SIKELELI GREAT EXPECTATIONS AT QUAIL RUN** (Kornhi)

8 months old blenheim. Pretty little girl with a moderate head and round dark eyes. She had adequate bone and substance. She had good angles front and rear and moved fairly well, but could've had better drive. She won on her overall breed type; she made a lovely picture.

2. **TEMPLAR'S LULLABY OF BROADWAY V NIGHTHAWK** (Morigi/Mitchell)

5 months old blenheim, adorable puppy with a beautiful head and pretty eyes. She also had a nice shape and good angulation. She moved well and was similar to the first place winner but was tired on the day.

3. **BLUESTARA A TIGER LILY** (Brezine/Alvarez)

5 ½ months old blenheim. She had a sweet face complete with a blenheim spot. Her topline was level but she was undershot and her movement wasn't as strong as the two above. She may improve with time.

SENIOR PUPPY BITCH (1)

1. **KENDALLKASTLE IN THE DARK OF KNIGHT** (Ogle)

9 months old tri-color. Loved this little girl's short back and compact size. She had a sweet face though the expression could be softer. Angles were straighter than ideal but she had a lovely coat coming in and moved happily around the ring. **BEST PUPPY BITCH, BEST TRI-COLOR BITCH, BEST TRI-COLOR IN SHOW**

GRADUATE PUPPY BITCH (2)

1. **NIGHTHAWK'S JINX YOU'RE IT! CGC, TK-N** (Mitchell)
Almost 15 months old blenheim. Loved this adorable little girl. She had a chunky body with good coat coming in. Her expression was precious and she had a level bite. Good topline with decent angulation but she could've had better reach and drive.
2. **QUAIL RUN SAPPHIRE JUBILEE** (Klaus/Kornhi)
14 months old blenheim with spot. She had a moderate head but had a masculine expression and showed white in her right eye. Her markings were well broken and the chestnut color was dark.

NOVICE BITCH (1)

1. **QUAIL RUN VERY PUZZLING AT KALLEASUN** (Van Cleave/Kornhi)
8 months old blenheim with spot. She had an okay expression but showed white in her right eye. Her topline was level but she tucked her tail under which made her seem nervous and prevented a true evaluation of her movement. She could do better if she gains confidence.

BRED BY EXHIBITOR BITCH (3)

1. **CH TASSASJARA SOME BUNNY LOVES ME, JW** (Seidman McDonnell/Seidman)
2 years old blenheim with a glorious soft expression and huge black eyes. She had adequate neck that led into a level topline. On the move her tail floated right out the back. She could've had more reach and drive but she moved with balance and purpose. I was happy to award her **RESERVE WINNERS BITCH**
2. **CH ALMEARA SHES SO FINE, JW** (Whitmire)
22 months old blenheim, this girl had a pretty face too but her expression wasn't as sweet as the first place winner. She had loads of bone and substance and plenty of silky straight coat with broken up markings. She moved fairly well but shimmied a bit going around.
3. **KENDALLKASTLE A DESIGN IN MIND** (Ogle)
16 months old blenheim, loved this youngster's gorgeous head. She had good bone and substance and plenty of coat for her age. She moved very well with reach and drive and had slightly better rear movement than the two above but she just wasn't as mature. Her day will come!

AMERICAN BRED BITCH (1)

1. **SHERAH PERFECTLY WICKED** (Crommett)
2 ½ years old Blenheim with the loveliest expression. She had the deepest chestnut color with excellent pigment setting off her beautiful eyes. Her crested neck flowed into her dead level topline, tail flowing right out the back. Her excellent layback of shoulder and correct turn of stifle allowed her to float effortlessly around the ring. And yet, nothing about her was extreme or overdone, perfectly balanced moderation. She was my superstar

of the day winning, **WINNERS BITCH, BEST BLENHEIM BITCH, BEST AMERICAN BRED BITCH, BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR BITCH, BEST IN SHOW, BEST AMERICAN BRED IN SHOW, BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR IN SHOW, BEST BLENHEIM IN SHOW**

OPEN BITCH (1)

1. **CH PINNACLEE BABY YOU'RE A FIREWORK, JW** (Smith/Slusher/Slusher)
20 months old black & tan, I have admired this girl in the past. Such a happy girl with a lovely head and plenty of cushioning. She had a super topline and tail set and moved elegantly around the ring with a silky, flowing coat. A worthy champion. **BEST BLACK & TAN BITCH, BEST BLACK & TAN IN SHOW**

SENIOR OPEN BITCH (1)

1. **HARRINGTON COVINGTON PEARL OF A GIRL** (Gonyo/Gonyo)
8 ½ years old blenheim. She had a moderate head but with a typical soft, sweet expression and lovely eyes. Who wouldn't want to have such a lady looking at them from across the couch? She was a bigger girl in full coat, carried a spirit level topline and had excellent reach and drive. She was considered for top honors.

VETERAN DOG (1)

1. **CAN CH DEL SOL ONE MORE LOOK AT QUAIL RUN** (Kornhi)
Previously critiqued **BEST VETERAN DOG**

VETERAN BITCH (3)

1. **HARRINGTON COVINGTON PEARL OF A GIRL** (Gonyo/Gonyo)
Previously critiqued **BEST VETERAN BITCH, BEST VETERAN IN SHOW**