

CAVALIERS OF THE MIDWEST

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GILDEROAK/MARISK CAVALIERS AND BRUSSELS GRIFFONS, SCOTLAND

I was so honoured to be invited to judge your Show. I would like to thank all the Committee for their hospitality shown to us over the weekend we were certainly spoiled and made very welcome by everyone. I would like to thank all the exhibitors that had travelled long distances to show under me. I was very impressed with the quality of the dogs today especially the bitches where I was spoiled for choice.

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DOGS

JUNIOR PUPPY DOG (3)

1. **GRANASIL RUM TUM TUGGER** (Gentil) Very smart B/t lovely body shape, excellent front and hind assembly, head is just right for age, lovely eyes, black pigmentation, good mouth, coat is coming along nicely. Moved out well around the ring.
2. **FALLING SPRINGS BLACK FLAME AT MADRYN** (Weeks/Weeks) At 5 months this B/T gave away a lot in age, short, coupled dog with good overall make and shape, pleasing in head, moved well around the ring.
3. **DREAMVALE HOLLYWOOD NIGHTS** (Perini/Sage) Six-month B/T that was not playing ball today, requires time and some training to get the best from him. Pleasing shape and ok for body, head is ok. Movement was hard to assess.

SENIOR PUPPY DOG (2)

1. **CHARDOMONT FIRST EDITION OF CHADWICK** (Eckersley) A very nice 10 month old Blenheim. Lovely head with large dark eyes missing in many giving the desired soft expression, super neck and shoulders, lovely front, super ribcage and depth of chest, ex hindquarters. Shown in ex coat and condition. Moved true fore and aft. A lovely puppy. **AWARD OF MERIT 2 & BEST PUPPY IN SHOW**
2. **BLUEGARDEN CASINO ROYALE** (Bonaventura) A nicely marked Tri, he appeals for his lovely shape and balance. Masculine head, again with lovely dark eyes, level topline and correct tailset.

GRADUATE PUPPY DOG (2)

1. **KENDALL KASTLE LOVE IS IN THE HEIR, JW** (Ogle) I loved this young dog, correct head with soft gentle expression, black pigmentation, correct earset with plenty feathering super front and hind angulation, excellent ribcage and depth of chest, super bone. Coat just coming but is soft and silky. Moved very well around the ring, pushed very hard for top spot. Loved him. **RESERVE WINNERS DOG**.

2. **DEL SOL IN THE DARK AT FIELDSEDGE** (Slusher) A nice B/T that has a lovely shape standing which he holds on the move, good bone and substance, just not in full coat but what is there is soft and silky.

JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED DOG (2)

1. **DULCE BACK IN THE SADDLE** (Covel) A nicely balanced Blenheim of 12 months, good front and hind angulation, level topline, correct tail set, bone ok and substance, very pretty head with soft expression.
2. **FIELDSEDGE PADRAIG** (Slusher) A different type to 1, pleasing make and shape, well broken markings and shown in excellent coat, not the drive of 1 going away.

AMERICAN BRED DOG (4)

1. **ORCHARDHILL AUSPICIOUS AT TUDORR, JW** (Mixon) A very nice Blenheim to go over everything fits so nicely together, well broken markings and shown in excellent coat. Masculine head with soft expression, excellent ribcage and level topline. **AWARD OF MERIT**
2. **INGOLD LIVELYOAK OUR MAN JACK** (Borton) Another very nice Blenheim, good overall shape and size, ex body shape holding his shape on the move. Head is correct shape with excellent pigmentation.
3. **FALLING SPRINGS JUST YOU WAIT AT CROWNROSE, JW, MP** (Rosenberg) Another very nice Blenheim, lovely head, correct eye, good mouth, level topline which he held on the move.
4. **NIGHTINGALE REVOLUTION, MP** (Cameron) Pleasing head, balanced body and conformation, excellent front and hind angulation.

SP LIMIT BLEN DOG (1)

1. **NIGHTINGALE HEART OF GOLD, AW** (Weeks) A very nice Blenheim dog up to size for me, but very sound mover. Lovely masculine head with dark eyes giving a soft expression. Excellent front and hind assembly. Good overall body shape. Pleasing exhibit.

SP LIMIT RUBY DOG (1)

1. **CLOSEBURN RED FOX TO THE FRONT** (Fairchild/Maddox) A lot to like about this ruby shown in excellent condition. Masculine head with good mouth, super shape standing which he holds on the move, ex bone and substance. Nice exhibit.

OPEN DOG (2)

1. **CH ORCHARDHILL THEATER KID AT KINGDOMRUN** (Degen/Mixon) A lovely toy spaniel, love everything about this dog. Masculine head, lovely dark eyes, and black pigmentation, correct ear placement, ex front and hind assembly, super body shape, ex bone, topline and tailset. Coat is shown in excellent condition. Moved well around the ring driving off from his well-muscled hindquarters. A quality exhibit.
**WINNERS DOG & BEST AMERICAN BRED & BEST BLENHEIM
IN SHOW & BEST IN SHOW.**

2. **KB PRIDE DJAXXON OF AN EXCELLENT CHOICE** (Holman) This Blenheim is very nice to go over underneath the wealth of coat he carries. Attention requires to be paid to his coat as it detracts from an otherwise nice dog. Masculine head with lovely eyes, balanced conformation, and ex bone

SENIOR OPEN DOG (2)

1. **CH SERAPHAVEN RETURN OF THE KING** (Gogol) Here was a lovely Tri who excels in breed type, super head with lovely dark eyes, ex neck and shoulders, leading into a well-balanced body, correct bone, level topline and correct tailset. Shown in super condition. **BEST TRI IN SHOW**
2. **CH ROYALMARK REMINISCENCE** (Cameron) Another very nice exhibit, love the size and shape of this Blenheim, super head and eye, excellent front and hind assembly. Today just didn't move as well as 1.

BITCHES

JUNIOR PUPPY BITCH (11)

1. **CHADWICK ROYALTY** (Eckersley) A lovely shape to this Blenheim, feminine head with lovely eyes, ex neck, shoulders, body shape and topline. Moved really well around the ring. Coat is coming on really well. Out moved all the others in the class.
2. **KINGDOMRUN GENESIS OF AN EMERALD DREAM** (Degen) A cracking Blenheim with excellent body shape, super ribcage and depth of chest, well off for bone, pleasing in head with dark eyes. Coat is coming in nicely.
3. **FALLING SPRING CROWNROSE BLACK VELVET** (Rosenberg) A very nice B/T who I did think was going to win the class. Lovely make and shape, really moved well around the ring holding herself really well. One to watch for the future.
4. **FORESTCREEK RIGHT BEFORE YOUR EYES** (Sherman/Cline/Marshall) A lovely Blenheim who has a lovely shape standing and holds on the move. Lovely head and large dark eyed, super front and hind angulation, level topline. Shown in excellent condition.

SENIOR PUPPY BITCH (4)

1. **LIVELYOAK SPILL THE TEA** (Borton) I loved this Blenheim bitch her front and hind assembly is spot on, which showed on the move, she won this class on her overall construction. Super head framed by lovely ear feathering. Ex ribcage and depth of chest. Coat shown in ex condition. Should have a bright future. **AWARD OF MERIT 1, BEST BITCH PUPPY**
2. **TASSAJARA SWEET PEA AT KINGDOMRUNM** (Degen) A short, coupled bitch with excellent spring of ribs, excellent front and hind angulation, pleasing in head and eye, coat was in excellent condition.
3. **CHARDOMONT SPECIAL EDITION** (Greak/Comer) A lighter marked Blenheim that didn't give off her best today, pleasing make and shape, correct bone and substance. Lovely head.
4. **HUNTCREST A THOUSAND KISSES** (Pope) A smaller, finer boned Blenheim than I like, who wasn't showing as well today.

GRADUATE PUPPY BITCH (6)

1. **CLARMARION ECLIPSE OF THE HEART** (Young-May/Gogol) Wow, I just loved this bitch, super shape and size with ex spring of rib and depth of chest, well off for bone and plenty substance. Her head is beautiful, large dark eyes giving the desired soft gentle expression that the breed desires, she was a pleasure to go over. She should make up into a champ. **WINNERS BITCH & RESERVE BEST IN SHOW & BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR**
2. **KENDELL KASTLE KISS FOR GOOD LUCK** (Ogel) Another very nice Blenheim, a shade bigger than 1 but none the less very nice to go over everything fitting so well together another very nice exhibit.
3. **TUDORR LA DOLCE BELLA VITA** (Mixon/Degen) A short-coupled Blenheim that has a very nice body shape, level topline and tailset. Pleasing in head but a touch too short in muzzle for me.
4. **FIELDSEGE COLLEEN** (Slusher) A very pretty Blenheim that didn't want to show today, pleasing shape, coat is of correct colour and is well broken.

NOVICE BITCH (1)

1. **CAMERONA SPITFIRE** (Cameron) A very smart Blenheim bitch her tail never stopped the whole time. Lovely head and eye, pleasing front and hind assembly, short coupled and correct tailset. Moved out well around the ring.

BRED BY EXHIBITOR BITCH (2)

1. **HUNTCREST MONARCH** (Pope) A very nice Blenheim, lovely head with soft expression, excellent neck and shoulders, excellent ribcage and hind angulation. Coat is shown in excellent condition. Was losing her topline standing today.
2. **CLOSEBURN HEARTS ON FIRE STUART** (Fairchild) A nicely made Tri who didn't put everything into showing today. Lovely head with soft expression. Level topline and correct hind angulation.

JUNIOR AMERICAN BRED BITCH. (6)

“This was a lovely class all a credit to the owners.”

1. **CLARMARIAN AFFAIRS OF THE HEART** (McFarland/Young-May) Found out later this was sister of Graduate puppy winner, everything I said about her fits the sister, she is truly lovely and fits the standard so well, the third sister was 3rd in this class. What a lovely litter. Three correct bitches. Well done. **RESERVE WINNERS BITCH**
2. **CHADWICK MASQUERADE** (Eckersley/McCarty) A very nice Blenheim, super-size and shape, excellent conformation and balance, pretty head with soft expression, she held herself well on the move where she covered the ground with ease, a lovely bitch to go over.
3. **TIBBENDON SUMMER BREEZE** (O'Brien) I loved this very smart feminine Blenheim baby, scores for balance and size, lovely eyes and pigment, ex topline and tailset. Very smart on the move, just gave away a lot in age today but I am sure will hear more of her.

4. **CLARMARIAN BE STILL MY HEART** (McFarland/Young-May) The third sister and is very nice to go over on the table, a quality Blenheim, very well balanced, lovely head with lovely dark eyes, ex conformation, level topline and correct tailset. Today was out moved.

AMERICAN BRED BITCH (2)

1. **FALLING SPRINGS SHINING BRIGHTLY** (Grimm Curley) A very showy Blenheim with lots of style, shown in lovely silky coat which was excellently presented. Lovely head and large eyes, ex reach of neck, flowing into good topline and tailset, excellent ribcage and depth of chest. Moved around the ring with drive.
2. **NIGHTINGALE BUILD ME UP BUTTERCUP** (Mulligan) A very pretty Blenheim who was out of coat today but has nothing to hide. Lovely make and shape, a quality exhibit.

SP LIMIT BLEN BITCH (1)

1. **FIELSEDGE ANGELS FLYING CLOSE** (Slusher) A lovely headed Blenheim bitch with lovely large dark eyes, super front and hind angulation, excellent muscle tone, body shape, shown in super coat.

SP LIMIT TRI BITCH (3)

1. **CHADWICK BACCARAT OF CEILIMOR** (Eckersley/McCarty) A lovely well broken Tri, shown in full coat, feminine head with lovely dark eyes, excellent front and hind assembly, well off for body and depth of chest, excellent bone, just seemed bored at times and had to pay the penalty in the challenge.
2. **WINDKISS BELLA NOTTE** (Pope) A nicely made well broken Tri, not as appealing in head qualities compared with 1, none the less she is well made and has a classic shape standing which she held on the move.
3. **NIGHTINGALE KOKOMO** (Mulligan) Another nice Tri with a lot to like, pleasing in head, lovely body shape, didn't move as well as I thought she would have today.

SP LIMIT RUBY BITCH (1)

1. **GRANASIL FLORENTINE OF SUMARA JW, AW, MP** (Gentil) I loved this ruby super head with large dark eyes giving the true cavalier expression framed by long ear feathering, deep well sprung body and ex topline and tailset. Shown in super coat and condition but in the challenge, she was bored, she wanted her bed. Lovely exhibit.

BEST RUBY IN SHOW

SP LIMIT B/T BITCH (1)

1. **MYRNAC TINA TURNER TO SHERAH** (Crommett/Reid) A lovely B/T who showed really well. Loved her size and balance, such a pretty head with lovely dark eyes, scores in neck and shoulders, lovely to go over on the table and she didn't disappoint on the floor. Excellent topline and tail carriage, pulled out the stops in the hotly contested challenge. ***AWARD OF MERIT 2 & BEST B/T IN SHOW***

OPEN BITCH (1)

1. **CH CHADWICK TRIVIAL PURSUIT JW** (Reed) A beautiful Blenheim full of quality, who I really liked but, in the challenge, wanted to get over to her owner. Lovely head with the desired soft expression. excellent body shape and front and hind assembly, excellent muscle tone. Shown in excellent coat and condition.

SENIOR OPEN BITCH (3)

1. **SERAPHAVEN PUT A SPELL ON YOU** (Gogol/Young-May) At nearly 10 this Blenheim can certainly show some of the youngsters how to move. Lovely head framed by her huge ear feathering, ex body shape with depth of chest, level topline and correct tailset.
2. **CLOSEBURN BONNY WEE KILT** (Fairchild) 9-year Tri who I also loved. Super head and expression, ex front and hind angulation. Excellent make, shape and conformation. She holds herself well on the move, where she covers the ground.
3. **CH BLUEGARDEN EXCLUSIVE JW** (Matos/Glynn) A 9 yr old Blen made up this lovely class of seniors. a showy bitch with lots to like, ex super body shape, shown in super coat. Moved around the ring really well.

VETERAN DOG (1)

- 1) **CH BELLA SOGNI DOLCI DE AMOR VW** (Weeks) A lovely headed Tri, masculine but with soft expression, ex neck, shoulders, ribcage and depth of chest. Level topline. Moved really well around the ring. A very nice exhibit.

VETERAN BITCH (1)

1. **SEAPHAVEN PUT A SPELL ON YOU** (Gogol/Young-May) See above.