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Show Critique

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My sincere thanks to the Club for the opportunity to judge at your Easter Show. It was a privilege and a pleasure. My thanks to the exhibitors for entering and accepting my decisions so sportingly. My thanks also to Jeneene Ford for her competent stewarding and company on the day.

Thank you also to the Committee for your hospitality.

I was impressed by the wonderful quality of your Cavaliers. There was such depth and quality throughout the classes and it was exciting to see. My BIS and reserve BIS winners were outstanding examples of our breed ... beautifully balanced and not overdone in any way. Keep up the great work!

Baby Puppy Dog:

The first class of the day and full of quality babies – was a taste of what was to come. I'm sure they will change places over the coming months – I was sorry not to have a sixth card!

1. Caribelle Egos and Empires

Well marked Blenheim baby, correct head with even markings, beautiful round dark eyes, lovely black nose – all adding to his sweet expression and appeal. Graceful neck flowing into well placed shoulders, level topline and correct tailset. Well constructed front and rear meant he moved well coming and going.

2. Caperway Dark Knight

Solidly marked tricolour, I liked his make and shape. Lovely tricolour head, with a good white blaze and rich tan eyebrows, lovely eyes of the correct shape and colour which added to his sweet gentle expression. Correct topline and tailset he moved well.

3. Alexabelle Mr Magic

Close decision between this richly coloured ruby and the one in front of him. He has a lovely head with round, dark eyes and black nose. I liked his correct ear set and he used his ears to good advantage. Graceful neck into well placed shoulders – slightly longer cast and lost his topline on the move.

4. Dougsba Legends of the Fall

Attractively marked Blenheim with a masculine but pretty head. Good eye shape and colour, and well marked head. Would prefer just a bit more fill under the eye.

5. Dougsba Star of Bethlehem

Blenheim, very similar and make to the one above ... my notes say same remarks apply. Preferred the tail set on this baby to his brother.

Minor Puppy Dog

1. Cavashon Ticked Thoes Boxes

Small Blenheim boy with a broad head and a tad shorter in foreface than those behind him. Beautiful dark eyes adding to a sweet expression. I liked his shape – good neck and shoulders, level topline which he maintained on the move, coat coming down moving well.

2. Coolara Scotch n Soda

Blenheim boy, close up to winner. Lovely rich coloured Blenheim coat. Attractive head, with dark eyes and rich nose pigment – wasn't having a bar of me checking his mouth today. Correct shoulder placement and tailset, well angulated hind quarters and he moved well.

3. Kandccamo Champagne Supernova

Lovely ruby with a pleasant head, just right for his age. Lovely dark eyes, squinting a bit in the sun as many do. Correct shoulder placement, level topline and correct tail set – just slightly longer cast. His coat is coming in with the promise of a good coat. Showed happily and attentive to his owner.

4. Kangala Horatio Cane

I liked the head on this boy, very pretty head, dark eyes and gentle expression. He is a bit upright in shoulder, moved OK. Very well coated for his age.

5. Dougsba Despacito

Blenheim with lovely large, round eyes, good colour though sometimes showing a bit of white in the eye. Well marked and moved well.

Puppy Dog:

1. Dompetan a Time to Shine

Handsome dog, attractive head with dark eyes. He is well constructed, correct shoulder placement which enabled him to move soundly. Not so confident today.

Junior Dog

1. Chevallove Lightening Jack

Super tricolour, loved his make and shape. Attractive, masculine head with beautiful clean head markings, rich bright tan over his dark eyes and on cheeks. Good ear set. Lovely neck and shoulders, solid markings on his short coupled body, good outline and tailset. Moved well both ways keeping a level topline.

2. Merseyport Bellissimo

Close up to number one. Another one of good size, correct shoulder placement, level topline and correct tailset. Attractive head, dark eyes and correct ear set. He was in lovely coat a happy boy who moved well.

3. Alexabelle Reign Supreme

Another pretty headed Blenheim, longer cast than those in front of him. Nice head and such lovely expressive eyes. Graceful neck that fitted into well placed shoulders. Not moving as soundly as the two boys in front of him.

4. Kingdom Ravello Love from Spain

Blenheim who was a bigger style but so sound. Attractive head shape, good eye colour – bit of pigment t come. In super coat and condition.

5. Cavalierlove Proud n Cool

Blenheim with a pleasant head and well set long ears. Good eye colour and shaped eye. Correctly placed shoulders, good tailset. Not the finish of the others.

Intermediate Dog:

This was a lovely class, with good quality boys.

1. Ch Caribelle Icy Cold but Cool

Richly coloured Blenheim boy who floated into the ring. Such an appealing head, flat skull, well placed ears that framed his beautiful face. Large, round dark eyes, black pigmentation and such a soft, gentle expression. Correctly placed, open nose which contributes to the cushioning being in the correct place. Elegant neck and correct shoulder placement, good front, short coupled and excellent outline – perfect tail carriage, his tail is an extension of his topline. The size I like, in beautiful coat, of the correct texture, in sparkling condition he moved well in complete harmony with his handler. I was delighted to award him Best in Show. Later I discovered he is the sire of the best baby and best puppy in show.

2. Kasadecav Beam Me up Scotty

Elegant richly coloured ruby. Beautiful correct head, dark eyes with a soft outlook. Graceful neck, slightly longer cast but had the correct tail set. In super coat and condition. Moved well up and back.

3. Ch Tikimi Smooth Criminal

Bigger style of Blenheim but he is so handsome. Broad, masculine head, lovely dark eyes and well pigmented nose. Well set ears framing his handsome face. Good neck and shoulders, level topline he moved so well. Beautifully presented, in super coat and condition.

4. Koairley Lord Dragon Fly

Blenheim presented in beautiful coat and condition. Pretty head, would benefit from a tad more cushioning under the eye. Lovely round dark eyes. Upright in shoulder and moved rather erratically.

Limit Dog

1. Coloora Ice on Fire

Richly marked Blenheim, typical head, lovely flat skull, correct ear placement, round and dark eyes, another with a lovely open nose contributing to the correct muzzle and sweet expression. Graceful neck fitting into well placed shoulders, level topline that he held on the move. Coat right for age.

2. Chevalove Shelby

Tricolour whose size and shape appealed to me. Pleasant head, round, dark eyes and correct open nose. Not as confident today and not moving as well as the one in front.

State Bred Dog:

1. Dabenville My Little Goodie

Well marked Blenheim with a pretty head, good dark eyes and a sweet gentle expression. Well placed shoulders and a level topline, moved well.

2. Ch Belljari Black Moon Rising

Black and tan boy in lovely coat and condition. Longer cast than the first place winner. Attractive head, good eyes. Lovely arched neck fitting into well placed shoulders. I liked his outline which he kept on the move.

3. Ch Cavalierlove Flame Burns On

Blenheim boy with pleasant head, good dark eyes and good pigment. Not the coat and finish of the two in front of him. Moved well keeping a level topline.

4. Ch Caperway Mystery n Magic

Blenheim with a lovely head, dark eyes and gentle expression. Well set ears which he used to frame his face. Would prefer a better lay of shoulder and this spoiled his outline. Well marked coat in good condition. Moved well up and back.

5. Chevalove Red Storm Rising

Ruby boy, I liked his attractive head, good eyes and gentle expression.. He has a graceful neck and good shoulder placement. Lovely gleaming coat and in good condition. Happy mover, bit proud of his tail today.

Australian Bred Dog:

Another lovely class, splitting hairs to separate them.

1. Ch Cavashon The Secret is Out

Blenheim with the desired lozenge. I loved his beautiful, gentle head and expressive dark eyes. Correctly placed shoulders, short coupled and level topline which he maintained on the move. Well marked and in good coat. He gained more confidence during the judging of the class and the more he moved the more settled he became. In the challenge line up he pulled all out and his use of his ears completed the picture for me. Delighted to award him the reserve c.c.

2. Colooro Designed By Time

Close up to the winner, attractive head and soft expression. Lovely long ears which were correctly set giving the correct head shape. I would have preferred a slightly darker eye to complete the picture. Correct size and shape. I liked his balance, best mover in the class.

3. Ch Chevalove Nobel By Design

Handsome Blenheim boy, super head and expression. Richly marked quality coat. Moved well enough.

4. Ch Matmor Society Heir

Ruby in super condition. Attractive, masculine head, dark eyes and nose adding to the correct expression. Longer cast and bigger than those in front of him. In full coat and moved well.

5. Ch Tikimi The Power N The Passion

Ruby – correct size. Lovely head enhanced by well set ears, dark eyes, soft expression. Good topline and tailset, gleaming coat – moved well enough. another with an attractive head

Open Dog:

Two beautiful Cavaliers of different type and unlucky to come up against one another in this class!

1. Sup Ch Cavashon Pick Me

Another outstanding Cavalier shown by this exhibitor. Beautiful Blenheim boy with a most attractive head, clean, clear markings on his head complete with lozenge. Large dark eyes and super black nose contribute to a gentle outlook. I liked his size and shape. Correct shoulder placement, level topline with his tail an extension of his topline. Excellent front, rear movement bit close behind. He was beautifully handled and showed exuberantly. Thought he would be my res c.c. winner but wouldn't use his ears so was just pipped by his equally beautiful kennel mate.

2. Sup Ch Matmor A Scandalous Affair

Ruby of such lovely type. He has a beautiful head, expressive dark eyes and good pigment. Well set ears enhance his lovely head. Level topline, in such beautiful coat and condition and moved well. – bigger and different style than the one in front of him and the most difficult decision I had to make all day.

Baby Puppy Bitch:

An excellent class of quality babies. To miss out on a placing was not an indication of the quality of your puppy – they all deserved to be there.

1. Caribelle Patience Puddleduck
Gorgeous Blenheim baby, beautifully shaped head, complete with lozenge. Clear even markings, round dark eyes. She has a little bit of pigment to come on her nose but couldn't deny her first place today. Well made from the tip of her nose to her tail. The brown leg we call at home, the mark of the champion, she moved so well. Close call between her and her brother for Best Baby Puppy.
2. Cavalierlove By Starlight
Another lovely Blenheim baby, similar in type – my notes say the same remarks apply. Pretty head, super dark eyes she is well marked and moved well.
3. Caperway Back Alley Girl
Darling tricolour baby, just three months old. Sweetest head and expression. Lovely clear head markings and bright tan on her face. Good dark eyes, lovely shape. Moved so well for such a youngster.
4. Dabenville Glitter in the Wind at Coloora
Blenheim girl of good type. Full and pretty head, dark eyes. Mouth changing and her teeth were not correct today – I expect it will come right. Liked her graceful neck, good shoulder placement and overall balance. Fabulous straight front, moved well both up and back.
5. Alexabelle Dream Catcher
Heavier marked Blenheim with a pleasing overall shape and balance. Correct head, eyes and sweet expression. Well constructed and consequently moved soundly and confidently

Minor Puppy Bitch:

Another class full of quality puppies.

1. Belljari Ace of Adeline
Ruby girl with an attractive head, correct ear set giving a lovely flat head when she used her ears ... which she did! Round, dark eyes correctly placed in her head and good nose pigment, she has a lovely sweet expression. Correct shoulder placement, level topline. She moved confidently and soundly, happy and responsive to her handler.
2. Cavashon Pink Kitty
Solidly marked Blenheim, rich colour. Super head, eyes to die for. I liked her shape and balance. Very responsive to her handler and moved well. Preferred the tail carriage of the girl in first place.
3. Merseyport Shirazade
Lightly marked Blenheim, correct head, lovely dark eyes which gives the typical, gentle Cavalier expression. Correct shoulder placement, longer cast. Would like a more positive rear action.
4. Jesselm Mithrill Arween
Another pleasing head, dark eye, clear well defined markings on her head. Correct shoulder placement and she could move.
5. Kandccamo Goodnews Travelsfast
Pretty Blenheim, full of fun. Head not as mature as the others but this will come. Lovely gentle eyes, good earset. Level topline and correct shape and balance.

Puppy Bitch:

Fabulous class, spoilt for choice!

1. Caribelle Bailey's on Ice
Loved her! Blenheim so typical of her sire. Beautiful head piece, clean rich markings enhanced her quality head. Dark eyes and black pigmented nose. Graceful neck flowing into well placed shoulders. Level topline, correct tailset, she flows and moves effortlessly. In good coat and condition - my notes say elegant and beautiful – likes to sit!
2. Cavanaugh Pretty in Black
And so she is. Beautiful headed tricolour, narrowish blaze that shouldn't change now. Rich tan eyebrows. Clean distinction between the black and the white markings, gentle dark eyes, good pigment enhancing her sweet expression. Well made and elegant, she was a handful for her young handler.
3. Cavashon Silhouette
Sweet headed tricolour, beautifully marked with clearly defined markings. Dark eyes, a tad almond shaped at the moment – plenty of time for them to open as they do. Well made, she moved soundly ... waiting for her coat and what she had was of a lovely correct texture.
4. Dougsba Nijinska
Very pretty Blenheim, attractive cleanly marked head enhanced by dark eyes and well set ears. Heavily and richly marked she moved soundly.
5. Chartreuse Daydream Believer
Another attractive puppy with a classic head, good dark round eye. I liked her shape and balance, coat of the correct texture she moved soundly and happily. Showed well and her tail never stopped wagging

Junior Bitch:

1. Ceellen Witches Britches
Well marked tricolour girl, full head, dark eyes and correct ear placement contributed to her gentle outlook and pleasing expression. Graceful neck sloping into well placed shoulders. Responsive and happy, she moved positively.

2. Ch Caribelle Ice Cool Lady
Typy heavier marked Blenheim girl. I liked her sweet head, lovely dark eyes and pigment. Graceful head carriage, level back and good tail carriage. My notes say fabulous mover – close up to number one.
3. Chevalove Secret Affaire
Full headed Blenheim with a lovely gentle expression. Lovely eyes, well balanced body, in good coat that was richly coloured. Moved positively.
4. Ch Cavashon Veil of Secrets
The prettiest petite Blenheim, unsettled today. Lovely head and eyes, so typical of this family of Cavaliers. Well marked profuse coat, she was in beautiful condition. Moved soundly.
5. Kaliak Dream On
Young tricolour waiting for her coat to come in. Pretty head with dark eyes. Well marked coat, moved well. Just a baby compared to the others.

Intermediate Bitch:

1. Matmor in the Society Pages
Ruby girl whose lovely balance and shape caught my eye as I watched the class being assembled. Exquisite head, round, dark eyes and good pigment contributing to a soft gentle expression. Well set ears that she used to advantage to frame her beautiful head and face. Reachy neck fitting into correctly placed shoulders, level topline and good tail set. She moved so soundly and showed beautifully for her handler – loved her. Delighted to award her the c.c. and reserve BIS.
2. Ch Cavashon Secret Daughter
Pretty Blenheim girl unlucky to come up against the ruby. Super size and shape, richly marked. She also had a graceful neck fitting into well placed shoulders. Missing her trousers today.
3. Alexabelle Pennys Rising Star of Cavalierlove
Lovely Blenheim girl, sweet head and expression, bigger style than the others in the class. Well marked, level topline and moved confidently.

Limit Bitch:

1. Kasadecav Resistance is Futile
Well coated, richly marked, Blenheim girl. Good head and eye, not as feminine as I prefer but she was an honest good all round girl. Moved well up and back.
2. Chevalove Red Hot Lil Devil
Ruby girl, wonderful rich colour. Pretty head and correctly placed dark eyes, well constructed, good topline and moved well. Not as mature as the one in front of her.
3. Elvenhome Tender Kisses of Cavalierlove
Solidly marked Blenheim, she has an attractive head and large dark eyes. Good bone. Tended to drop her topline when standing but held a correct outline on the move. Showing happily for her handler.
4. Dougsba Valenciennes
Sweet, feminine Blenheim girl, correct head type, dark eyes, lovely size. She didn't have as much coat and condition as the others.
5. Merseyport Innuendo
Pretty Blenheim girl in good coat. Sweet head, dark eyes and using her ears to enhance her expression. Not maintaining a level topline today.

State Bred Bitch:

1. Ch Kandccamo Designed by Knight
I really liked this blanket blenheim girl, sweetest head and dark eyes contributed to a soft expression. Well constructed with reachy neck and excellent shoulder placement. Coat of the correct texture she moved and showed well.
2. Belljari Red Mist ova the Moon
Richly coloured ruby, correct head and eye, she is well constructed and moved soundly. Longer cast than the winner, showing happily for her handler.
3. Ceellen Cordelia
Another lovely ruby girl, not quite the colour of the one in front of her. Full head, eyes dark and gentle, well made and in lovely coat, she moved well.
4. Blakesleigh Broadway Starlet
Pretty Blenheim who was very unsettled today and difficult to assess. When she did settle presents a pretty head and good topline. Moved erratically today.

Australian Bred Bitch:

1. Ch Cavalierlove Amorous n Ready
Alone in the class. Attractive, well marked Blenheim. Pretty head, dark eyes, made well enough. She moved adequately today.

Open Bitch:

This was a lovely class of quality bitches.

1. Grand Ch Cavashon Secret Society
Lovely Blenheim girl, super size and shape. Attractive head, beautiful large dark eyes and soft outlook. Good substance and balance. Elegant neck and correct shoulder placement, she has a good topline

which she maintained on the move. Well coated, neat mover she showed with exuberance. Liked her immensely and was pleased to award her the reserve challenge. Close decision.

2. Ch Matmor Socialite

Black and tan girl with the sweetest head, good eye colour and pigment. Bigger style and different shape from the class winner. Good topline she moved well for her handler. Beautifully presented and dripping in coat – I would prefer a tad less coat to enhance her outline.

Ch Merseyport Tinonee

Blenheim with an attractive full head. Gentle expression, enhanced by dark eyes and pigment. Well constructed she moved well. Long silky coat.

3. Ch Chevalove Imperial Design

Blenheim girl, different style. Good head and eyes, shorter in neck but correct shoulder placement. In super coat she moved soundly.

4. Kaliak Lili Marlene

Bigger Blenheim girl. A tad plainer than the others in the class. Lovely dark expressive eyes she was soundly constructed and well coated.

Open Neuter

1. Cavalierlove Shooting Star

6. Ch / Neut Ch Chartreuse Dancingwiththestars