

Championship Show Judge's Critique

JUDGE: MR JOAKIM OHLSSON (HACKENSACK, SWEDEN)

First of all I would like to thank Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club of Victoria Inc for my invitation. I was very thrilled when I got the invitation and has really been looking forward to this weekend and to see your Cavaliers.

A big and sincere thank you for the great hospitality I enjoyed before, during and after the show.

Thank you also to Lindsey for picking me up at the airport, to Bradley and David for taking me to the show and to dinner at Sunday evening, to Trish and David for my guided tour on Tuesday to see kangaroos and koalas and last but not the least to my excellent steward Ron who made my judging run very smoothly - thank you all.

Also a big thank you to the all exhibitor for bringing all the lovely Cavaliers and giving me the pleasure of judging and see a good number of the Australian Cavaliers. I really enjoyed judging your Cavaliers and it is always interesting to compare the breed in different countries.

You have a big number of lovely Cavaliers in Australia and I think you should be very proud about your quality and what you have achieved in the breed. My final decisions was not easy since there were so many good one too choose from.

BABY PUPPY DOG

1. Jenawyn Drum Roll (Wynn), Blenheim.

Very well balanced puppy. Lovely head and expression Well set ears. Excellent angulated front and rear. Good bones. Moves very well and with good balance, Well marked. Lovely temperament.

2. Abbysfield The Shaman (Abbysfield Knl), Blenheim.

Also very well balanced puppy. Lovely head and expression Well set ears. Excellent angulated front and rear. Good bones Well marked. Very close to no 1.

3. Daventri Nightrider (Daventri Knl), Tricolour.

Beautifully shaped tricolour puppy. Dark, round eyes. Still needs some time to mature in head. Excellent ear set with promising feathering. Well angulated. Moves easy around the ring. Well marked.

4. Marcavan Lewis (Nichols), Blenheim.

Well balanced blenheim puppy. Lovely eyes and ears. Good neck and shoulder. Moves very well. Falling of in croup. Well marked with promising coat.

5. Ashna Gift Fromendor (Thrift-Mulholland), Tricolour.

Lovely headed tricolour. Beautiful dark eyes. Well set and used ears. Good neck and bones. Promising coat. A bit long in body. Needs to get a stronger topline on the move.

MINOR PUPPY DOG

1. Cavashon Hallmark (Brooksby), Blenheim

Well matured blenheim puppy. Fantastic big, round eyes. Excellent ears. Well arched neck and good shoulders. Well angulated. Excellent tail carriage. Moves very well and are showing himself all the time. Well marked.

2. Dapsen No Mistaken It (Petersen), Blenheim.

A bit less matured than no. 1. Excellent eyes and ears. Good neck and shoulders. Moves very well with excellent topline and tail carriage. Well marked.

3. Dopell Lukka (Taylor), Blenheim.

Pretty little boy with dark, round eyes and sweet expression. Good eyes. Good neck and shoulders. Excellent size. Well marked. Need a bit more self-confidence

4. Dapsen In It To Win It (Petersen), Blenheim.

Lovely head and expression. Excellent eyes. Good neck and body. A bit long in loin. Would like a stronger topline

5. Arynbeth Heart of Gold (Frazer), Blenheim.

A bit less matured than the others. Well set ears, good sized eyes that show a bit white. Excellent size. Good neck. Needs some more time to body up.

PUPPY DOG

1. Dapsen Made Ya look (Petersen), Blenheim.

Lovely head and expression. Big, dark eyes. Excellent neck and shoulder. Well set and carried ears. Moves very well. Strong topline. Good size.

2. Petlea Patchwork Pete (Chapman), Blenheim.

Good head that still needs to fill out under the eyes. Good eyes. Well angulated. Moves very well with well carried tail. Well marked. Excellent size.

3. Jenawyn Lookn Cool (Wynn), Blenheim.

Slightly bigger than no 1 & 2. Good head with a bit to shallow stop. Lovely eyes. Excellent ears. Would like more angulations. Shows very well.

4. Merseyport Harlequin (Madigan), Tricolour.

Good head and expression. Beautiful eyes. Good neck and shoulder. A bit long in loin. Still needs to mature in body.

5. Retrac Silver Reflection (Retrac Knl), Tricolour.

On the bigger side. Strong masculine headed dog, that is a bit too heavy for me. Shows a bit white in eyes. Excellent ears. Excellent angulations, moves extremely well with good drive.

JUNIOR DOG

1. Barodaley Jolly Swagman (Weidenbach), Tricolour.

Lovely headed tricolour. Well cushioned. Lovely big, dark, round eyes. Well set and used ears with excellent fringes. Excellent neck and shoulder. Well bodied. Well angulated. Moved easily with good drive. Excellent size. A bit heavily marked..

2. Inverglenn Freddi Mercury (Burgmann), Blenheim.

Slightly bigger than no 1. Excellent masculine head and expression. Lovely eyes. Well set and used ears. Good neck and shoulder. Moves very well with excellent tail carriage.

3. Elvenhome Con Brio (Montford), Blenheim.

Good head and expression. Well shaped head with excellent eyes. Would like him to use his ears more to advantage. Very well angulated in front and rear. Moves very well with level topline. Well marked.

4. Brades Eye Candy (Snow), Blenheim.

On the bigger side. Good head and expression. Excellent eyes and ears. Good neck. Well angulated. A bit heavy boned. Moves very well.

5. Ceellen First Edition (Hennessy), Blenheim.

Excellent size. Masculine head. Still some unpigmented parts on the nose. Shows a bit white in eye. Well placed spot. Well angulated. Moves very well with good tail carriage.

INTERMEDIATE DOG

1. Ch Melloway Turning Heads (Egan & Weekes), Blenheim.

Stunning dog that really catches my eye as soon as he entered the ring. Classical head with soft, gentle, open expression. Excellent big, dark, round eyes. Well set and used ears with lovely fringes. Very well made with lovely neck. Well marked. Moves well with level topline and excellent tail carriage. Shows himself to 100%. Presented to perfection and very well handled

2. Sanquhar Bliss Bomb (Nichols), Blenheim.

Excellent head. Lovely eyes. Well placed ears. Excellent pigment. Moves very well with level topline. Excellent size.

3. Ch Merseyport Howdy Doody (Madigan), Tricolour.

Lovely head. Lovely large, round eyes. Well angulated. Moves well. Excellent tan markings. Well marked but not the best coat on the day.

4. Dopell Gunabee (Taylor), Blenheim.

Good head and expression. Excellent dark, round eyes. Well set and carried ears. Enough neck. Moves well.

5. Ch Chartreuse Royal Applause (Milton), Blenheim.

A bit finer headed. Lovely dark eyes. Enough neck. Lovely colour and coat. Moves very well.

LIMIT DOG

1. Melloway Code Breaker (Hartnett & Tomney), Tricolor.

Lovely silhouette. Wellcushined head with excellent dark eyes. Well set ears with lovely fringes. Good neck and shoulder. Moves easily round the ring with level topline and good tail carriage. Heavily marked, but coat of good texture.

2. Cabrook Slash Dance (Elliott), Blenheim.

Masculine headed dog. Lovely dark eyes. Could use his ears more to advantage. Good neck. Well angulated with good bones. Moves well with good topline. Lovely coat and texture.

3. Carnwath Royal Ascot (Daventri Knls), Blenheim.

Good head and expression. Round, dark eyes. Lovely ears. Excellent neck. Good bone. A bit long in loin. Moves well, Unfortunately a little gay tail.

4. Cabrook Faberge (Wiedenbach), Blenheim.

Good head and expression. Beautiful dark eyes. Well set ears, would like some more fringes. Excellent neck. Moves very well.

5. Korgil A Lyric Poem (Gillies), Blenheim.

Good, masculin head. Large, dark eyes. Excellent ears. Moves very well, but tends to drop topline on the move. Excellent size.

AUSTRALIAN BRED DOG

1. Ch Dapsen Make My Day (Caribelle Knls), Tricolour.

Beautiful, masculine tricolour head with correct tan markings. Lovely, dark eyes. Well set and used ears with excellent fringes. Well constructed. Well marked. Moves easily round the ring with good topline and tailcarriage.

2. Ch Cavashon Monogram (Brooksby), Blenheim.

Beautiful, masculine head. Well cushioned. Excellent dark eyes with very good eyeline. Lovely ears. Wellmarked and with coat. Moves very well.

3. Abbysfield The Vicar (Abbysfield Knls), Tricolour.

Beautifully headed tricolour. Wellshaped eyes, that shows a bit white. Good ears. Good neck and well angulated . Moves very well with good drive and excellent tailcarriage..

4. Ch Cavanaugh Simpy Red (Thompson), Ruby.

Masculine headed ruby. Well set ears. Big, round eyes that could be a bit darker. Excellent size. Good neck and back, a little falling croup. Good colour but not in best coat today.

5. Ch Cabrook Lacartier (Wood), Blenheim.

Masculin, gentle expression. Excellent ears. Dark nice eyes. Excellent neck. Well marked with lovely coat texture. Too gay tail today.

OPEN DOG

1. Gr Ch Cavashon Abracadabra (Brooksby), Blenheim.

Presenting a beautiful picture. Masculine headed blenheim. Round, dark eyes. Well set and used ears. Excellent neck and body. Very well angulated. Excellent coat and colour. Moves extremely well. Very well handled .

2. Eireanmada Taking Over (Morris), Tricolour.

Wellshaped masculine head. Big, round eyes. Well set and used ears. Excellent body. Moves well. Well marked with lovely coat texture..

3. Int Ch Elvenhome Finlandia (Montford), Blenheim.

Masculin head. Wellshaped eyes with lovely eyeliner. Good ears. Excellent neck and body. Very well angulated. Moves very efficiently around the ring.. Rich colour, just lacking some coat today.

4. Gr Ch Melloway Excalibur (Egan & Weeks), Blenheim.

Good head. Eyes shows a bit of white and could be bigger. Good neck and body. Excellent topline. A bit long in body. Moves very well. Well marked with lovely colour..

5. Ch Barodaley Flamencodancer (Schmidt), Blenheim.

Good head. Dark, round eyes that shows a bit of whiter. Enough neck and good body. Could use his ears better. Moves well. Good coat and colour.

VETERAN DOG

1. Ch Inverglan Pocket Rocket (Armstrong), Blenheim.

8 year old veteran shown in superb condition. Classical head with soft, gentle, open expression. Excellent dentition for his age. Excellent big, dark, round eyes. Well set and used ears with lovely fringes. Enough neck. Good body and bone. Moves very well with excellent topline and tail carriage. Excellent colour and coat. Shown to perfection.

CHALLENGE DOG: Ch Melloway Turning Heads

RUNNER UP CHALLENGE DOG: Ch Inverglan Pocket Rocket

BABY PUPPY BITCH

1. Dapsen Show Me What Y Got (Petersen), Tricolour.

Pretty headed tricolour. Wellshaped head. Lovely dark eyes. Excellent tan markings. Enough neck and shoulder. Promising coat. Excellent size. Moves well. Lovely temperament.

2. Daventri Night Moves (Daventri Knls), Tricolour.

Feminine pretty head. Big, round eyes. Excellent neck and shoulder. A bit wide in front. Moves well with level topline. Promising coat.

3. Smicav Sway With Me (Silvester), Blenheim.

Lightly marked but very feminine blenheim bitch. Lovely expressive dark, round eyes. Excellent neck and shoulder. Moves well with level topline.

4. Eireannmada Rich N Famous (McInnes), Blenheim.

Pretty head, that's need some time to mature. Lovely dark, round eyes. Good neck and shoulder. Moves very well.

5. Chabris Yshud B Dancin (Chapman), Tricolor.

Pretty picture. Very nice head and eyes. Excellent neck and body. Wellmarked. Would like better angulated rear. Moves well from side, a bit close behind.

MINOR PUPPY BITCH

1. Charliboi Soso Henriette (Thomas), Blenheim.

Prettiest of head with lovely eyes. Excellent proportions and well cushioned. Good neck. Very well angulated. Excellent size. Moves well from side once she settles. Well marked with promising coat. Will have a bright future once she starts to enjoy showing.

2. Melloway Knock Y Socksoff (Egan & Weeks), Blenheim.

Excellent picture. Lovely head with big, round eyes. Excellent neck and shoulder. Well matured in body. Moves well keeping a level topline. Well marked with lovely coat texture.

3. Matmor Fun O The Fair (Morse & Henderson), Black&tan.

Pretty head and expression. Needs to mature in muzzle. Excellent eyes and ears. Good neck and shoulder. Excellent topline and tailcarrige on the move. Excellent coat texture.

4. Caribelle Quite The Race (Caribelle Knls), Tricolour.

Pretty and very feminine headed tricolour. Lovely eyes. Would like more neck. Well angulated rear. Excellent size. Moves a little narrow behind, but well from side. Well marked.

5. Bowhouse Hiz Passion (Logan), Blenheim.

Dark, round eyes. Well set ears. Excellent neck and topline. Would like more fore chest. Good bone. Moves well, sometimes a bit happy tail.

PUPPY BITCH

1. Miniature Louisiana (Morse & Henderson), Black&tan.

Very feminine black/tan. Lovely head and eyes. Well shaped head with well set ears. Excellent neck and topline. Moves very well and balanced. Good bones. Excellent coat texture and colour.

2. Cavashon Etched In Black (Brooksby), Tricolor.

Pretty tricolour with good expression. Would like more forehead. Good eyes. Well set ears. Excellent neck and topline. Very well balanced. Moves very well.

3. Dapsen Look At Me (Petersen), Blenheim.

Pretty bitch with a heavier head than no.1 & 2. Lovely big, round eyes that shows a bit white. A little short neck. Excellent size and topline.

4. Charliboi Darcy (Thomas), Tricolor.

Excellent dark round eyes. Well set ears. Would like a sweeter expression. Good neck. Bigger and heavier body than I prefer. Moves well. Heavily marked.

5. Chartreuse Cameo (Milton), Blenheim.

Excellent eyes and ears. Still needs to mature in head. A bit short neck. Good body and bone. A little sloping topline. Excellent marking and coat texture.

JUNIOR BITCH

1. Ch Cavashon Just Divine (Brooksby), Blenheim.

Very pretty Blenheim with correct head and expression. Excellent big, dark, round eyes with beautiful eyeliner to complete the right expression.. Well set and used ears with lovely fringes. Excellent neck and shoulders. Moves well from all directions. Excellent level topline and tail carriage. Excellent size. Excellent coat texture. Very well handled.

2. Lakeisha Music N Lyrics (Creek), Black&tan.

Very feminine, pretty head. Lovely dark, round eyes, and excellent ears. Well cushioned. Good neck and shoulder. Moves extremely well . Excellent size.

3. Elfking Pantomime (Hollingworth & McCullough), Blenheim.

Extremely feminine and "petit" girl. Feminine, pretty head. Lovely dark eyes. Pretty head shape. Excellent ears. Good neck and shoulder. Good body, a little fine boned. Well broken with good coat texture. Moves well.

4. Leisureview Innuendo (Fox & Paul), Blenheim.

Attractive picture. Pretty headed with correct expression. Excellent eyes and eyeliner. Good ears. Would like better angulations and better set neck. Moves well.

5. Cabrook Hot Gossip (Elliott), Blenheim.

Very feminine, pretty head. Lovely round eyes, and excellent ears. Good neck and shoulder. Does not show herself very well today. Not the best coat condition.

INTERMEDIATE BITCH

1. Ch Ceellen Evangelista (Nade & Hennessy), Blenheim.

Pretty, feminine head and expression. Beautiful big, round eyes. Well set and used ears with plenty of fringes. Good neck and topline. Moves well but not showing herself 100% today. Excellent marked with lovely coat texture.

2. Chabris Wicked As (Chapman), Tricolor.

Lovely head and expression. Excellent ears and fantastic eyes. Good neck and body. Well angulated. Moves freely and efficiently. Good coat texture.

3. Staromah Calender Girl (Morgan), Blenheim.

Very feminine and pretty. Excellent dark, round eyes. Well set ears. Well cushioned muzzle. A bit short neck. Good bone. Lovely, feminine size. Could show herself more to advantage. Lovely coat and marking.

4. Ch Jessicav Wish Upona Star (Smith), Tricolor.

Pretty head and expression. Shows a little white in eye, but eyes of excellent size. Good neck and strong back. Well angulated. Falling croup. Not using her tail to advantage on the move.

5. Davenporti Carabella (Davenporti Knls), Blenheim.

Well shaped head with well cushioned muzzle. Dark eyes that could be bigger. Excellent ears. Good neck and body. Would like better topline..

LIMIT BITCH

1. Barakah Teasing Georgia (Barras & Clegg), Ruby.

Excellent shape. Pretty headed, well cushioned. Dark, round eyes. Excellent neck and angulations. Moves very well from side. Lovely colour, not in best coat today.

2. Caireen Charade (Hocking), Blenheim.

Very pretty headed Blenheim with correct expression. Dark lovely eyes. Excellent ears. Good neck and body. Moves very well with correct tail carriage.

3. Dapsen Me N My Shado (Creek), Blenheim.

Good expression but would like to see it a bit sweeter. Dark, round eyes. Well set ears that she could use more to advantage. Good neck. Moves very well.

4. Eireannmada Distant Love (Gray), Blenheim.

Very feminine, pretty head. Lovely dark, round eyes with excellent eye liner. Good neck and shoulder. Moves well. Would like a better topline. Lovely coat and colour.

5. Khaneunis Rivermatilda (Taylor), Blenheim.

AUSTRALIAN BRED BITCH

1. Ch Eireannmada Distant Star (McCullough & Browne), Blenheim.

What can be written about such a lovely bitch, I am sure everything already has been said.. The loveliest and prettiest of head. Well cushioned. Excellent big, round, dark eyes. Very well put together which shows so well when she moves. Lovely markings and excellent coat texture. Shown to perfection in splendid condition. Excellent topline and tail carriage. Excellent size.

2. Ch Melloway Devil In Prada (Egan & Weekes), Blenheim

Very feminine and pretty head. Excellent expression. Excellent round, dark eyes and well set ears. Excellent size. Moved very well. Good coat and colour. Really gave no 1 a hard match in the end.

3. Ch Korgil Ondine (Gillies), Blenheim.

Slightly heavier than no.1 & 2. Very well shaped head. Lovely big, dark eyes. Excellent pigment. Well angulated. Moved very well. Lovely coat and markings. A little round at croup.

4. Barakah La Belle Engele (Micklem), Black&tan.

Feminine head and expression. Lovely dark eyes. Good neck and body. Cover the ground very well when moving. A bit wide in front. Not in best coat today.

5. Ch Lookingglass Coolnglassy (Humphries), Blenheim.

Very feminine, but a bit too fine in muzzle. Fantastic eyes. Excellent ears. Good neck and back. Excellent size. Good colour and markings. Not showing herself to advantage today.

OPEN BITCH

1. Ch Dapsen Whoopsa Daisy (Armstrong), Blenheim.

7 years with lovely attitude and showing herself all the time. Tail never stopped wagging. Prettiest of head. Well shaped and cushioned face. Excellent big, round, dark eyes. Extremely well constructed which shows so well when she moves with perfect topline. Excellent tail carriage. Lovely markings and excellent coat texture. Very well handled.

2. Ch Cabrook Mon Amie (Elliott), Blenheim.

So pretty headed Blenheim. Lovely, dark, round eyes. Well set ears, that could be used more to advantage. Lovely picture standing. Excellent back. Well angulated. Lovely rich colour and coat. Moves very well.

3. Ch Dapsen Sparkling Diamond (Petersen), Blenheim.

Very pretty headed Blenheim. Excellent big, dark, round eyes with lovely pigmentation. Excellent ears. Excellent neck and front. Moves very well. Just slightly bigger than no 1 and 2.

4. Ch Eirannmada Love Affair (Taylor), Blenheim.

Pretty headed Blenheim, a bit stronger than the girls in front. Excellent big, round eyes. Well set and used ears. Good neck and topline. Moves very well. Excellent size.

5. Ch Miletree By Invitation (Sanquhar Knls), Blenheim.

Lovely feminine size. Excellent dark eyes. Would like to see better cushioned muzzle.

Excellent ears. Well marked but not in best coat today. Would like to see better covering of ground at rear..

CHALLENGE BITCH: Ch Eireannmada Distant Star

RUNNER UP CHALLENGE BITCH: Ch Dapsen Whoopsa Daisy

BEST IN SHOW: Ch Eireannmada Distant Star

RESERVE BEST IN SHOW: Ch Melloway Turning Heads