

PVIWC Sweepstakes Judge Critique

Overall, the entry was very strong, and in the big 9-12 month classes I would have liked more ribbons! I look for a good blend of type and movement, but tend to break my ties in favor of the better mover. Thank you for bringing me your dogs!

6-9 Month Puppy Dogs

1st, #5, Lismore Brigadoon. Balanced, very sound, free-moving puppy.

2nd, #7, Legacy's Starkeeper Silverado Spirit. More substantial, but looser on the move.

9-12 Month Puppy Dogs

1st and BISwps, #19, Shancarrick's Debonair Darragh. Solid and sound on the move, free-moving, lovely layback and noticeably nice rear angulation.

2nd, #11, Ard Rhi's Summer Solstice. Challenged #19 for first place, but not quite as clean on the move. Very handsome hound.

3rd, #9, Ard Rhi's Solstice of Vanderverter. A little more substantial than his brother, but with less layback. Not quite as smooth on the move.

4th, #13, Howlin's Hi-Ho Lounge on St Claude. Substantial and balanced, but less layback than the dogs ahead of him. Moved out well.

6-9 Month Puppy Bitches

1st, #10, Gemini Tabbris of Aerie. Sound and substantial. I wouldn't have minded a bit more leg, but she was very balanced on the move.

2nd, #8, Taliesin's Sa'ile. Rangier bitch – this was another tough class! – and I liked her best standing still, but she wasn't as balanced on the move as the winner on this day.

3rd, #6, Blarney Stone's Ailis. Smaller and less substantial than her competition, and a bit loose on the move.

9-12 Month Puppy Bitches

1st, #16 and BOSSwps, Ard Rhi's Summer Solace. Sound and correct, workmanlike (that's a compliment!) bitch. I'd like a touch more rear angulation.

2nd, #36, Aisling Ar Dierdreadh Aoife. Smaller and lighter built than the winner, but spectacular on the move.

3rd, #12, Dash Shancarrick at Aerie. Solid and substantial, but not as smooth on the move as the girls ahead of her.

4th, #32, Laislinn Starkeeper Trinley. Nice rangy bitch (this was a very deep class!), a little loose on the move (as the rangy ones often are when young). Would prefer a little more angulation overall.

12-15 Month Bitches

1st, #42, R Noble Nebula of Eagle. Substantial bitch, lovely front, rear well put together but could be stronger on the move.