

## Letting loose the hounds in the big ring at Spruce Meadows



*It doesn't get much better than this!*

We had a highly successful lure trial on Monday, run in the All Canada ring at Spruce Meadows. Six Salukis were entered and all ran well, with very few points separating first and sixth place. The course included two water obstacles, including a devil's dyke, so it presented the hounds with one or two things they probably hadn't seen before. (We did see some slightly creative running at times.)

Best of Breed was Faridaat Danae, owned by Catherine Williams and Carole Adley, tied for second were Iroki Zarkava, owned by Robbie Pattison, and Ch. Faridaat Soleil de Minuit FCh., owned by Cathie Hays and Marlene Nixey, with Zara winning the toss for second, fourth was Ch. Iroki Black Tie Affair, owned by Cathie Hays, and NBQ was Daedaelis T'Far Jaeda, owned by Hope Johnson.

Ali, at eight years of age, was the oldest runner and Zara, a year and a half and running in her first lure trial, the youngest.

Thanks go to Sandra Gahan for donating the lure prizes; they were photographic art work done by Judy Wood of Saskatoon, who also provided the National trophies. They received oohs and aahs from everyone in attendance when the five pictures were set out so Catherine could make her choice for the Best of Breed award.

*— Cathie Hays*



*Left: Jaeda and Ali on the home stretch.*

*Top: Jaeda and Zara showing fine form, navigating the two water hazards.*

*Right: Ali, Dash and Danae performing a very abrupt about face.*

*Below: Dash and Asja on course.*

*Photos: Mike McGann*

