

puppies



**1st**

Photographer: Kathy Morton

Judge's Comments: A lovely portrait. Even though looking out of the frame, the toy in the mouth implies movement and story. The lighting on the background foliage enhances the richness of the Saluki's coat.

## 2009 Photo Contest



**2nd**

Photographer: Patty Milton  
Judge's Comments: This image possesses a wonderful abstract quality. The curves of the puppies' heads and the folds of the mother's coat evoke a sense of total comfort. A difficult exposure done very well.



**3rd**

Photographer: Stephanie Annee  
Judge's Comments: All elements work together in what could be a challenging shot... the tilt of the heads, the position of the sticks, and the highlights in the eyes.

splish splash



**2nd**

Photographer: Jennifer Pite

Judge's Comments: Saluki water polo, anyone? The gray water compliments the rich colours of the Saluki and ball. Concentration on the target is nicely captured from the pink ball to the tip of the tail.



..... **1st (on the cover)**

Photographer: Gary Ellis  
Judge's Comments: The ears have it! Exuberance captured at the perfect moment... the Saluki in mid-stride, ears and water flying, direct eye contact. Soon, he'll be showering you with water and happiness on the beach.

**3rd**

Photographer: Clair Chryssolor  
Judge's Comments: What can be better than sharing a romp in the surf with a friend? Both dogs are thoroughly engaged. The breaking waves, diagonal surf line and lighting all contribute to the intensity of the moment.





**1st**

Photographer: Kathy Morton

Judge's Comments: True contentment. Mom's ear protects her peacefully snuggling puppy; she remaining alert while her puppy sleeps.

The complimentary diagonals lend strength to this intimate image.



**2nd**

Photographer: Kathy Morton

Judge's Comments: A perfect family portrait. One can imagine the various personalities of the puppies by their body language and expression. The dark green background works to focus attention on the family.

**3rd**

Photographer: Stephanie Annee

Judge's Comments: Only Mom would tolerate "such behaviour." The look in this puppy's eyes is priceless.



## honourable mentions

### *puppies*

Photographer: Jaqi TerHaar

Judge's Comments: A sweet moment. Colours and texture focus attention to the puppy's eyes and ears.



### *splish splash*

Photographer: Jennifer Pite

Judge's Comments: A beautifully composed portrait. The elongation of the tail and splashing of the water direct attention to this Saluki's beautiful gaze.



### *family*

Photographer: Kathy Morton

Judge's Comments: There's no question of whose offspring this is. Despite the puppy's confident gaze, his paw on the toy belies mischievousness. The shades of beige in the grass and the golds in the background compliment the colour of their coats and their feathered ears.

