From the National show chair

For the first time, the Alberta Kennel Club summer shows and associated specialties were held at the beautiful Spruce Meadows grounds. We were indeed fortunate to be able to hold our National Specialty at this world-class facility, and appreciated the help and support given us by the Alberta Kennel Club.

The weather was perfect, despite a less-than-perfect forecast, the rings were beautifully decorated, and a great time was had by all Salukis and owners. We were thrilled to have representation from all four western provinces, as well as being able to welcome a group from Washington State (Maureen Clark and her son Austin, Cathi Steiner, Kathy Jones, and Kathy Searles) as well as Patricia Karnik from Idaho. We were sorry that no one from the East was able to come. We all benched together along "Saluki Street," enjoying Sangria and nibblies, as well as the wonderful pulled pork sandwiches that Mike, Hope Johnson's other half, always brings us. We had a nice big tent at ringside, which housed our silent auction and provided shade for the hounds, and enjoyed an Alberta steak barbeque dinner, put on by the Spruce Meadows crew, during our fun after-show party. Our judges, Deric Aube and Carole Adley, did fine jobs and were good sports, visiting with everyone at the dinner. Our ring steward, Rachel Descent, kept us all organized and kept things moving along smoothly.

I would like to thank everyone who pitched in to help, whether it was setting up the silent auction, decorating at ringside, holding dogs, or helping everyone set up and dismantle the day tents, which could not be left up overnight in case of winds and thunderstorms. Most of all I would like to thank Cathie Hays, who was indeed my co-chair, as a lot of the preliminary work fell on her shoulders, since she is the one who lives near Calgary. And also for putting many of us up at Hotel Hays, despite the fact that she drove us through a tornado the first night! Well, not quite, I think we were on the edge!

Thank you to everyone who donated to the trophy fund; all donations were very much appreciated. A special thank you to Jan Buchanan for donating her beautiful Saluki reliefs, won by Ingrid Romanowski, and to Cathie Hays for the donation of her lovely handmade porcelain Saluki, purchased by Patty Milton. A big thank you to Patty for, once again, producing a beautiful catalogue, and to Sandra Gahan for her organizational and financial skills.

Jan Phelps

Note: I would like to give a big hand to Jan Phelps who headed our little team and certainly did her share of the work. Thanks Jan! – *Cathie*



Sweepstakes Critique Judge: Carole Adley

Thank you for inviting me to judge the Sweepstakes at this year's National, I enjoyed it very much. It is always a pleasure to go over Salukis and enjoy their beauty. It was also wonderful to meet old friends again. I had not seen any of these Salukis before so it was fun afterwards to check the catalogue to see their lineage.

I was pleased with many aspects of my entry, in most cases the dogs had pretty good movement, both from the side and coming and going, temperaments were fine, mouths were all good, and happily there is still a variety of types in keeping with the varied history of our breed. There were other areas where time has stood still, however. Things that need watching: we still have trouble with front assemblies, the withers climbing up into the neck, not enough layback of both the shoulder blade and humerus, some upright pasterns, and a few rather unattractive heavy feet. There are still a few too long from the stifle to the hock – dramatic looking in the show ring but not functional and spoiling the balance. For me, balance is paramount.

I was a little disappointed that the Breeder Sweeps didn't have more entries – this is a showcase for breeders, to show what they are proud to have bred, and it is open to all dogs, they can be champions, any age, or neutered. Watching the breed classes afterwards I was seeing some lovely dogs whose breeders were present, and I fantasized about what I would have done if they had all been in the Breeder Sweeps classes.

Carole Adley

YOUTH SWEEPSTAKES

9 to 12 Month Dog

1st Miriah's Sunday Silence

Owner: Maureen Clark.

Black-and-silver. Moderate and balanced, nice side gait, true coming and going. Still puppyish in outline but right for his age.

2nd Scimitar's Affirmed

Owner: Cathi Steiner.

Littermate to No. 1. Black-and-tan. More mature than his brother, also a good mover, lovely second thigh. I preferred the front of No. 1.

3rd Dadaelis T'Ku Nabil Daoud

Owner: David Fincham.

Black-and-silver smooth. A different type, tall and elegant. I preferred the balance of the other two.

12 to 18 Month Dog

1st **Dadaelis Bzantium Kokkinos Pethi** Owners: Kathleen Jones, Marilyn Brown & Susan Manthou.

Handsome dark-red smooth. Good mover with sound construction, good shoulders, pasterns, rear and feet – a balanced dog. He went on to Best in Youth Sweepstakes and then to Best of Breed later in the day.

6 to 9 Month Bitch

1st Pari-Was Rafee'ah

Owner: Shelley Work.

A self-chocolate – the first I've seen. Good side gait, wellmuscled second thighs. I liked her head and topline, correct arch over the loin. Still babyish. When she lets down in the rear she will be a nice bitch.

9 to 12 Month Bitch

1st **Scimitar's Zenyatta** Owner: Cathi Steiner.

> Littermate to the winner of the 9-12 Month Dog class. Pretty black-fringed fawn, appealing type. I liked her front assembly, topline, overall balance and nice feet. I'd like a little less length from stifle to hock. A classy bitch. Best Opposite in Sweeps.

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Best in Youth Sweepstakes Dadaelis Bzantium Kokkinos Pethi

Best of Opposite in Youth Sweepstakes Scimitar's Zenyatta

VETERAN SWEEPSTAKES

7 to 10 Years Dog

1st **Ch. Iroki Black Tie Affair** Owner: Catherine Hays

> Black-and-silver eight-year-old. What a grand dog! I loved everything about him. Lovely front set on right, good shoulders, correct feet, nice masculine and elegant head, very balanced, a good mover and in fine condition. Best in Veteran Sweeps.

7 to 10 Years Bitch

1st **Ch. Iroki Dancethruthedawn** Owner: Roberta Pattison Littermate to veteran dog. Black-and-silver. Has been in the cookie jar but she is a good Saluki, nice size, long deep chest, moderate balanced bitch of classic type. Best Opposite in Sweeps.

2nd **Ch. Auldstane Appalacha Tomasina** Owner: Janet L. Buchanan.

> Glamorous gold. Different type to No. 1. Good depth and length of ribcage, nice feet, well-muscled rear. I preferred the outline and balance of No. 1.

3rd **Ch. Elubaid's Iraphina Ishtar** Owner: Leslie J. Harris-Bartlett.

Black-fringed red. I liked the classic type of this bitch, her head, front assembly and neck, and long deep brisket. Not the balance or topline of the winner.

10+ Years Bitch

1st Ch. Iroki Camille

Owner: Roberta Pattison

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Lovely speckly gold-and-white particolour 12-year-old. Beautiful type, sweet head, good neck and shoulder layback, well-proportioned outline. Dam of the Best Veteran and Best Opposite Veteran. Well done Millie.

Best in Veteran Sweepstakes Ch. Iroki Black Tie Affair

Best of Opposite in Veteran Sweepstakes Ch. Iroki Dancethruthedawn

BREEDER SWEEPSTAKES

Dogs

1st **Miriah's Harley Davidson** Owner: Maureen Clark.

> Black-and-tan. Well proportioned with a long deep ribcage, good head, front and topline. Very nice dog. Best in Sweepstakes.

2nd Scimitar Avari Aajah Jager Owner: Cathi Steiner.

Good shoulders, balanced conformation. I preferred the elegance of No. 1.



Bitch

1st Faridaat Eo Fantomah Owner: Shelley Work.

Pretty red bitch, nice head and good shoulders, good deep chest, but she really wished she was somewhere else today and her movement was erratic.

Best in Breeder Sweepstakes Miriah's Harley Davidson



Specialty Results Judge: Deric Aube

To be asked to judge the Saluki Club of Canada's National Saluki Specialty was indeed a great honour – one I looked forward to since the invitation arrived. I was treated so well by the show committee, the exhibitors and the membes of the all-breed club who were both my taxi and dinner companions. I would like to say a special thank you to Sandra Gahan for making sure all my arrangements were so organized prior to my trip. Your new site is simply outrageous. It is rare to have a dog show at such a stunning venue and it made a perfect backdrop for your specialty. I truly enjoyed the hospitality, the exhibitors and mostly your Salukis. Thank you to each exhibitor who travelled and spent your time and resources to show me your Salukis, it was truly a pleasure.

Deric Aube

Senior Puppy Dog

1st Miriah's Sunday Silence. 22/10/2009. Breeders: Cathi Steiner, Shawn Davis & Maureen Clark, by Ch. Miriah's Harley Davidson ex Ch. Salish' Scimitar Sahalee. Elsewhere. Owner: Maureen Clark.

This is a handsome puppy. Although he has a lot of maturing to do he has the makings to become a high-quality male. He is balanced in angulation and has a curvy outline without being exaggerated. He is light on his feet going around the ring and has nice carriage for this age.

2nd Dadaelis T'ku Nabil Daoud. 16/10/2009.

Breeder: Marilyn Brown, by Amrika Zaku ex Ch. Dadaelis Tirzah. Elsewhere. Owner: David Fincham.

Handsome young dog that pushed the winner of this class. Nice movement and balance but No. 1 is more together for this awkward age for young males.

3rd Scimitars Affirmed. 22/10/2009.

Breeders: Cathi Steiner, Shawn Davis & Maureen Clark, by Ch. Miriah's Harley Davidson ex Ch. Salish' Scimitar Sahalee. Elsewhere. Owner: Cathi Steiner.

A young male who shows promise and quality but at this age just not as mature and together as his competition.

12-18 Month Dog

1st Dadaelis Bzantium Kokkinos Pethi. 26/06/2009. Breeders: Marilyn Brown & Susan Manthou, by Ch. Dadaelis Bzantium Ritu Kumar ex Ch. Dadaelis Zoe. Elsewhere. Owners: Kathleen Jones, Marilyn Brown & Susan Manthou. This boy is pretty hard to fault. He is handsome, elegant and smooth. No lumps or bumps, and his angles flow together in harmony with each other. Moderate and balanced. Nothing out of proportion and everything working together. Today the thing that took him to WD and then on to become BISS was his movement. Rarely do you find a dog that just does not seem to put a foot down wrong and while doing so maintain that light and effortless motion.

abs Daxlore Diaz. 28/04/2009.

Breeder: Daxlore Salukis, by Daxlore Aziz Barakat ex Daxlore Diva. Elsewhere. Owner: Audrey Haas.

Bred By Exhibitor Dog

1st **Miriah's Harley Davidson.** 07/03/2007. Breeder: Maureen Clark, by Ch. Doubletime Let Freedom Ring ex Ch. Miriah's Somewhere In Time Elsewhere. Owner: Maureen Clark.

An eye-catching boy. At just a glance no doubt he is a male, but at the same time he represents the grace and elegance of the Saluki. His outline is very pleasing and smooth. A nice strong and clean neck and this boy has some pretty feet. On another day this dog could easily be awarded WD.

2nd Scimitar Avari Aajah Jager. 02/12/2008.

Breeders: Cathi Steiner & Wanda Sirianni, by Ch. Miriah's River Runs Thru It ex Ch. Sirianni Red Scimitar Elsewhere. Owner: Cathi Steiner.

This male is balanced and moves nicely. He was second to another dog I liked well and if he was in a larger class could be competitive over much more competition given the opportunity.

Open Dog

1st Dadaelis Zo'lo Cool Hand Look. 15/10/2007. Breeders: Heather Ayre & Marilyn Brown, by Ch. Dadaelis Monab Apollo ex Ch. Dadaelis Zoe. Elsewhere. Owner: Kathleen Jones.

A masculine male of good proportions. Nice carriage and moved with an ease I very much like to see.

2nd Faridaat Eo Dash Incredible. 23/01/2009. Breeders: Shelley Work and Warren & Victoria Cook, by Santana Blackbird ex Melik Gulshen Elsewhere. Owner: Rita Kors-Olthof.

A dog that looked like it could get the work done. Well muscled and in great condition. Nice head plains and low hocks.

3rd Dadaelis T'cai Aswan. 04/11/2007.

Breeder: Marilyn Labrache Brown & Heather Ayre, by Ch. Dadaelis Cairo ex Ch. Dadaelis Tirzah. Elsewhere. Owner: Beverley Creed.

Masculine dog with nice easy movement. This is a dog with undeniable qualities however lacks some of the details I personally prefer.

Winners Dog Dadaelis Bzantium Kokkinos Pethi

Reserve Winners Dog Miriah's Harley Davidson

Veteran Dog

1st Ch. Iroki Black Tie Affair. 11/07/2002. Breeder: Roberta Pattison, by Awn Firuza Gibran ex Ch. Iroki Camille. Canada. Owner: Catherine Hays.

Striking colour on this boy. Moderate angulation and strong topline with nice arch. A good representation of the type of Saluki he represents. Wearing his age very well.

Junior Puppy Bitch

1st Pari-Was Rafee'ah. 12/12/2009. Breeder: Dagmar Bischoff, by Anijericho Hadi El Basher ex Wallaby's Xeer Wi-Asir. Elsewhere. Owner: Shelley Work.

This little chocolate bitch did a great job of moving around the ring with an easy and flowing gait. She is moderate and has a pretty outline. I believe with a little maturity this puppy will have some fun days in the ring ahead of her.

Senior Puppy Bitch

1st Scimitars Zenyatta. 22/10/2009.

Breeder: Cathi Steiner, Shawn Davis & Maureen Clark, by Ch. Miriah's Harley Davidson ex Ch. Salish' Scimitar Sahalee. Elsewhere. Owner: Cathi Steiner.

A stylish girl with a tiny waist and pretty face. She moves covering a lot of ground. At this age I find her to have a bit more rear angulation than front making her out of balance; however, this could easily be a stage of her growth and not a reflection of what she will be at maturity. She has lovely details including her feet and a pretty eye shape.

Bred By Exhibitor Bitch

1st **Karnak Reign's Sehrene.** 19/05/2007. Breeder: Patricia Karnik, by Ch. Iroki Black Tie Affair ex Ch. Windstorm Born To Reign Karnak. Elsewhere. Patricia Karnik.

This bitch caught my eye with her balance and details of breed type. She has nice head planes, dark pigment and a long, lean neck. She has a nicely arched and strong topline. Her overall balance and quality contributed to her being awarded WB and then ultimately BOS.

2nd Faridaat Eo Fantomah. 23/01/2009.

Breeders: Shelley Work and Warren & Victoria Cook, by Santana Blackbird ex Melik Gulshen Elsewhere. Owner: Shelley Work.

The second and third placements today could be changed on another day and both girls gave their handlers a challenge today. Pretty headed and nice outline. Balanced angulations and nice pastern angles. Her movement was difficult to evaluate today as she was more interested in having a good time than listening to her handler.

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3rd Iroki Zarkava. 17/11/2008. Breeder: Roberta Pattison, by Iroki Taos ex Ch. Iroki Dancethruthedawn. Canada. Owner: Roberta Pattison.

This girl was the second half of the two in this class who were not particularly concerned with impressing me, and much more interested in having a good time running around the ring. She is, however, a nicely proportioned young lady who has a pretty Saluki girl outline.

Open Bitch

1st Salish' Scimitar Sahalee. 18/10/2006. Breeder: Shawn Davis, Paige Davis & Mary Dee McMinn, by Ch. Lorrequer Istabraq ex Ch. Salish' Legacy Bey. Elsewhere. Owners: Cathi Steiner & Shawn Davis.

This girl represents a type of Saluki I very much appreciate. She has a lovely outline with deep brisket and tiny little waist. A pleasing head and long arched neck. She moves with lightness and ease. I would like her to have stronger topline.

2nd Dadaelis T'far Jaeda. 14/09/2006.

Breeders: Marilyn Labrache Brown & Heather Ayre, by Dadaelis Abdul Farouk ex Ch. Dadaelis Tirzah. Elsewhere. Owner: Hope Johnson.

A moderate smooth bitch with perhaps the thickest thighs of the day's entry giving her a look of power and endurance. She has balanced angulation and strong topline. I would like to see her use herself a bit more on the move.

Winners Bitch Karnak Reign's Sehrene

Reserve Winners Bitch Salish' Scimitar Sahalee

Veteran Bitch

1st **Ch. Auldstane Appalacha Tomazina.** 18/06/2002. Breeder: Pamela J. Arwood, by Ch. Gazella Auldstane Affirmed ex Ruuh Min Zahir Ela Appalacha. Elsewhere. Owner: Janet L. Buchanan. The winner of a nice class of veteran girls. She was awarded partly for keeping her figure and body in excellent condition. Nice balanced front and rear with nice strong topline. This bitch is certainly not showing the age of a veteran yet.

2nd Ch. Elubaid's Iraphina Ishtar. 06/12/2002.

Breeder: S. Bruynder, by Algazara's Byzanthium ex Elubaid's Dignity. Elsewhere. Owner: Leslie J. Harris-Bartlett.

This girl pushed hard for first in her class today. She is of obvious quality and moves light on her feet.

3rd Ch. Burydown Hilerica Ulahni. 24/05/1997.

Breeders: Hope Waters & Carol Adley, by Ch. Elana Mubarak, FCh. ex Ch. Shelby Abadiyatt Of Burydown. Canada. Owner: Margaret Coe.

At 13 years this lady has a hard body and holds her topline very well. With her strong clean neck and deep brisket she is a bitch that looks like she could have been bringing home dinner for years. I believe she was holding back a bit on the move as to not push her handler too hard. A pleasure to judge this charming team.

4th **Ch. Iroki Dancethruthedawn.** 11/07/2002. Breeder: Roberta Pattison, by Awn Firuza Gibran ex Ch. Iroki Camille. Canada. Owner: Roberta Pattison.

Such a pretty face and this girl has feathering to spare. I love her size and her overall look which says I am a lady.

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- 28 **Ch. Windstorm Thatz The Ticket.** 29/01/2007. Dog. Breeders: Randy & Starr White, by Ch. Windstorm A Sandchris Rhapsody ex Ch. Padtheway Windstorm. Nova. Canada. Owner: Stephen D. Hazelwood.
- 29 **Ch. Sandstorm Like A Rolling Stone.** 14/04/2007. Dog. Breeders: Kathleen & Scott Morton, by Blue Nile Vanilla Ice ex Ch. Sandstorm Overcast Skies. Elsewhere. Owner: Katherina Dueck.
- 30 **Ch. Auldstane Cunobelin.** 22/04/2008. Dog. Breeder: Janet L. Buchanan, by Ch. Iroki Auldstane 'Allelujah ex Ch. Aulstane Appalacha Tomazina. Canada. Owner: Janet L. Buchanan.

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- 31 **Ch. Dadaelis Bzantium Ritu Kumar.** 11/01/2006. Dog. Breeder: Sharon Gause, Marilyn La Brache Brown, Sue Anne Pietros & Cindy Cowan, by Ch. Khalils Katra ex Ch. Shivas Athena Shikidan. Elsewhere. Owners: Susan Manthou & Marilyn LaBrache Brown.
- 32 Ch. Khamsin's Raffi El Marrakech. 25/07/2005. Dog. Breeders: S. Konopa, J. Petru and B. & K. Miller, by Ch. Khamsin's Sirocco El Marrakech ex Barakisch Orkideh Yaganeh. Elsewhere. Owners: Janet Phelps & James Petru.
- 33 **Ch. Windstorm Unforgettable One.** 01/07/2007. Dog. Breeders: Starr & Randy White, by Ch. Windstorm Sovereign Hunter ex Ch. Windstorm Ruffled One. Canada. Owners: Jolene Denzin & Starr & Randy White.
- 34 **Ch. Auldstane Cygfa.** 22/04/2008. Bitch. Breeder: Janet L. Buchanan, by Ch. Iroki Auldstane 'Allelujah ex Ch. Aulstane Appalacha Tomazina. Canada. Owner: Janet L. Buchanan.

Best of Breed / Best of Winners Dadaelis Bzantium Kokkinos Pethi Best of Opposite Sex Karnak Reign's Sehrene

Best Puppy Miriah's Sunday Silence

Award of Merit Ch. Sandstorm Like A Rolling Stone

This dog along with #33 pushed very hard for BISS. He is a handsome boy with overall pleasing outline. A little long in loin for my ideal, although no question a Saluki of quality. I wanted to see him use himself on the move more today; however, he lacked motivation not the ability to do so. Both these males are of quality and could easily win the top award on any given day but were beaten by the winner today by his ability and desire to float around the ring and looked as though he would never tire of doing so.

Best Bred by Exhibitor Karnak Reign's Sehrene

Best Veteran Ch. Iroki Black Tie Affair





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Friday, July 30, 2010 | Judge: Ronald Spritzer

Winners Dog Dadaelis Bzantium Kokkinos Pethi. 26/06/2009. Owners: Kathleen Jones, Marilyn Brown & Susan Manthou.

Reserve Winners Dog Miriah's Harley Davidson. 07/03/2007. Owner: Maureen Clark.

Winners Bitch / Best of Winners / Best of Opposite Sex Karnak Reign's Sehrene. 19/05/2007. Owner: Patricia Karnik.

Reserve Winners Bitch Dadaelis Bzantium Zo'Mar Nadirah. 26/06/2009. Owner: Bev Creed

Best of Breed **Ch. Windstorm Unforgettable One.** 01/07/2007. Owners: Jolene Denzin & Starr & Randy White.

Best Puppy Dadaelis T'Ku Nabil Daoud. 16/10/2009. Owner: David Fincham.



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August 1, 2010 | Judge: Mary White

Winners Dog / Best of Winners / Best of Breed Dadaelis Bzantium Kokkinos Pethi. 26/06/2009. Owners: Kathleen Jones, Marilyn Brown & Susan Manthou.

Reserve Winners Dog Miriah's Harley Davidson. 07/03/2007. Owner: Maureen Clark.

Winners Bitch / Best of Opposite Sex Karnak Reign's Sehrene. 19/05/2007. Owner: Patricia Karnik.

Reserve Winners Bitch Dadaelis Bzantium Zo'Mar Nadirah. 26/06/2009. Owner: Bev Creed

Best Veteran (in Breed and in Specialty) **Ch. Iroki Black Tie Affair.** 11/07/2002. Owner: Catherine Hays.

Best Puppy Pari-Was Rafee'ah. 12/12/2009. Owner: Shelley Work.

