

# Western Region Dog of the Year

The top winning dogs and puppies of the Western area of NSW once again gathered in the beautiful area beside the rose garden at the Parkes Racecourse on Saturday 26 November 2005 to compete in the Western Region Canine Association's Dog and Puppy of the Year competitions. The racecourse lawn was at its very best thanks to the fantastic spring that the area had enjoyed but being November in Parkes it was a fairly warm afternoon. As usual exhibitors did not find out who their judges were until event co-ordinator Anne Hickey drove into the grounds with them just before the start of the judging. Judges for 2005 were Mrs A Bowe, Ms P Suhr and Mr J Shepherd.

As usual our sponsors, Pedigree, were very generous in their donation of product and for that we thank them most sincerely. Also in what is becoming somewhat of a tradition, our former Board representative Julie Dickinson-Franks, was in attendance with her bottles of bubbly so that everyone could enjoy a toast to a good time and the approaching festive season. This year the pansies missed out on a drink as there was no wind (as in 2003) so the plastic goblets were not prone to blow all over the racecourse even when emptied, which they were in short order.

The puppy classes were judged first and the results are as follows:

**6-9 months Puppies - judged by Mrs A Bowe** 1st German Spitz (Mittel), Anduz Justintyme, R Pattinson, 2nd Cocker Spaniel, Creslyn Watch Ya Doing, Roberts/Lenz/Haycock, 3rd Boxer, Oleala Bring It On, K Beale. **9-12 months Puppies - judged by Ms P Suhr** 1st Shetland Sheepdog, Shelbrae Shamless Shirl, Shelbrae Kennels, 2nd Fox Terrier (Smooth), Triplefun Regente, G, J & K Scott, 3rd Tibetan Terrier, Shadysi Afternoon Delite, R Harrison. **12-24 months Puppies - Judged by Mr J**

**Shepherd 1st** Shetland Sheepdog, Shelbrae Swedish Design, Shelbrae Kennels, **2nd** Whippet, Chasbank Playmteofthyear, B & J Hickey, **3rd** Boxer, Tonup Cross Country Run, K Beale.

In a slight change to previous procedure all three judges were then invited to award points (3 for 1st, 2 for 2nd and 1 for 3rd) to the three first placegetters above, and the winner, and Western Region Puppy of the Year, with the most points turned out to be the German Spitz (Mittel), Anduz Justintyme, owned by R Pattinson from the 6-9 months class. The Runner Up Western Region Puppy of the Year was the Shetland Sheepdog, Shelbrae Shamless Shirl, owned by Shelbrae Kennels.

Then the Dog of the Year draw was completed which decided the pairings. From the 17 pairs it came down to three dogs being unbeaten. It was decided by all present that the fairest thing to do was to invite all three dogs into the ring and use the same system as had been used for the Puppy of the Year Competition i.e. the judges were asked to allocate 3, 2 & 1 points to their selections. The competitors in the final were the Australian Kelpie, Ch Kla Rebels Beau, owned by S Lewis, the Australian Shepherd, Ch Jedabun Star Performance, owned by T Simpson and the French Bulldog, Ch Daccord Beau Geste, owned by Paine/Ledger.

When the points were tallied the Western Region Dog of the Year was announced as Tracey Simpson's (of Bathurst) Australian Shepherd, Ch Jedabun Star Performance (Preston). This topped off a great week for Tracey and Preston as together they had won RUBIS seven days earlier on the Saturday of the RNSWCC's Spring Fair weekend. For the Runner Up Western Region Dog of the Year the judges announced that they had selected the French Bulldog, Daccord Beau Geste owned by Paine/Ledger (also of Bathurst).

**Congratulations to all the winners and especially to the Dog and Puppy of the Year winners.**



**Dog of the Year, Australian Shepherd, Ch Jedabun Star Performance**

**Dog of the Year Runner Up  
French Bulldog, Daccord Beau Geste**



**Judges (left to right)  
Annette Bowe, Pauline Suhr, John Shepherd**



**Puppy of the Year, German Spitz (Mittel), Anduz Justintyme**



**Puppy of the Year Runner Up  
Shetland Sheepdog, SHELBRAE SHAMLESS SHIRL**

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&  
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OF THE YEAR**



**RUNNER-UP DOG OF THE YEAR, the Australian Shepherd, Aust Gr/Am Ch Sugargum Top Shelf**



**DOG OF THE YEAR  
the British Bulldog  
Gr Ch Bratrice Acclaim**

**PUPPY  
OF THE YEAR  
the Dachshund  
Standard  
Smooth,  
Ch Tischamingo  
All Hotted Up**



**RUNNER-UP  
PUPPY  
OF THE YEAR  
the West Highland  
White Terrier,  
Juscot All Fired Up  
(imp NZ)**

