North Central Illinois Pekingese Club Sweepstakes 6/14/2014

First I'd like to thank the club for inviting me to judge your sweepstakes. It is a great honor to have my first sweepstakes judging assignment for such a majestic breed for which I have come to love in a short period of time.

6-9 month puppy dog

Here we see two handsome young men. This was a very difficult decision for me, but I felt the front movement on my eventual winner of this class, was just a bit more correct with tighter elbows. Both of these boys had very nice headpieces, toplines and tailsets.

9-12 months puppy dog

In this class we have four boys of different sizes, but all of very nice type and structure. Here we are starting to see the heads maturing into that beautiful rectangular shape the Peke is noted for. In this class, the ultimate winner stood out on his own. He was truly set apart from the rest the joy, the attitude and the charisma he displayed. Combine his showmanship along with his head, coat condition, proper gait and topline, this was an easy decision for me.

6-9 month puppy bitch

These three little charmers walked in the ring and I knew this would not be easy. Ultimately I would pick a pretty young lady with a nice roll to her gait, and a lot of self confidence. She is also very well proportioned with regard to her being correctly pear-shaped with a very pretty head.

9-12 month puppy bitch

When this gal came into the ring, I was impressed from the get go just from the fact she made it around the ring on her own without having to have fellow Pekes to coax her around. I like this as it shows self confidence to me. She has a pretty head and topline, correct proportions and tailset.

12-18 month bitch

The oldest gal of the crew showed the self confidence an older dog should possess. She was very self assured, and moved about the ring accordingly. She has nice eyes and head. Nice, tight elbows and topline.

Best In Sweepstakes

Ultimately I would pick my 9-12 month puppy dog for best in sweeps. His head, topline, gait and coat condition were beautiful. Most of all for me, was the look at me attitude commanding my respect as well as demanding my attention. This is what separated my winner from my best of opposite. That charisma sealed the deal for me.

I want to thank the club for this wonderful opportunity to judge such a fine group of Pekingese.