

Breeders With Pride: Warwind Borzoi



Barbara Lord Comments on Responsible Breeding



In Borzoi, our code of ethics states that a bitch cannot be bred prior to her 2nd heat or 2 years of age, whatever comes first. We normally do not breed a bitch until she has attained her AKC conformation championship, and is fully mature (in our opinion, at least 4 to 5 years of age). By this age, to the best of our ability, we know whether there are any medical or genetic conditions which have to be addressed or might preclude us from breeding this female.

Our pups are kept with us until they are at least 12 weeks old (preferably 16 to 24 weeks of age), and depending on the puppy, some up to 8 months of age. Keeping the pups with us longer allows us time to properly vaccinate, permanently identify (microchip and/or tattoo) and, along with their Mom, teach the pups proper behavior, crate train them, leash train them, stair train, house train, vehicle riding train, and cat train them BEFORE they are placed into a home.

Our family picture illustrates that our involvement in purebred dogs is truly a Family Adventure, one in which everyone participates, learns, appreciates, and loves the dogs!

Our puppies go to people who must provide references (including Veterinarian reference). They must also allow us to inspect their home prior to the pup going to them and they must have a securely fenced in yard; they must stay in touch with us and provide us with yearly photos of our puppies. In addition, they sign a contract and agree that, if, for any reason, EVER, they are unable to keep or choose to not keep our puppy, the puppy/dog MUST BE RETURNED TO US with its registration papers!

Our puppies cannot be resold, co-owned, placed with another person, pet shop, puppy mill or shelter. WE get the puppy back and will take it back for the rest of his/her life. Our companion quality (non show/breeding quality) pups are neutered or spayed prior to going to their new homes and can thus NEVER be used in a breeding program.

I am hoping that you will continue to promote the category for purebred enthusiast, with number criteria that will in turn encourage other purebred enthusiasts to join your fight to get stronger laws established in our State to protect these innocent animals

Comments from other Breeders With Pride, along with additional photos of some of their dogs, can be found on the Wisconsin Puppy Mill Project Website:

- Breeders With Pride: <http://www.nowisconsinpupmills.com/breeders-with-pride.html>
- Barbara Lord, Warwind Farm: <http://www.nowisconsinpupmills.com/warwindfarm.html>
- Sybil Basombrio, Kirkwall Cairns: <http://www.nowisconsinpupmills.com/kirkwall-cairns.html>
- Lois Leonard, Willo Siberians: <http://www.nowisconsinpupmills.com/willo-siberians.html>