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DSA Liaison to SCA:	Debbi Sencenbaugh	223-8238	
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	Mary Lloyd	688-4684	
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Local Specialty - 2000:	Bob Sencenbaugh	223-8238	
2001:	Carol Beatty	360-9782	
Sam-O-Gram:	Thalia Peletis	933-0392	
Sammy Rescue:	Deb Castro	220-7536	
	Andi Mast	450-7712	
Specialty Match:	Heidi Nieman	660-1472	
Tournament:	Nancy Golden	838-5271	
Ways & Means:	Denise Baugh	438-7235	
Working Dog:	Michele Schmitt	770-2167	

Newsletter Deadlines: Last Monday of the Month

Aug 30 (Sep) Nov 29 (Dec)
Sep 27 (Oct)
Oct 25 (Nov)



Denver Samoyed Association, Inc.

DSR & Duchess Recognition

Safety Net for Sled Dogs

Rescuers help to educate owners and find new homes for dogs that need them

Article by Lisa Price

Rocky could be a poster boy for his breed: wolf-grey, 5 years old, neutered, excellent temperament. But he caused numerous complaints in his neighborhood, including, finally, the untimely demise of a pet rabbit and a pot-bellied pig. Rocky was taken to a veterinarian to be put to sleep.

Scout's family was expecting a second baby in its Chicago home. The couple decided to have its Alaskan malamute put to sleep because there was "no time for her," and, besides, she was "stupid and untrainable."

The most common reason why so many Northern breed dogs wind up with rescue organizations is that their owners didn't understand the common characteristics of

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Membership Meeting Minutes

Membership Meeting Minutes - 7/19/99

Present:

Carolyn Bateman	Heidi Nieman
Carol Beatty	Thalia Peletis
Julie Beatty	Jane Reller
Martha Lageschulte	Michele Schmitt

-Meeting was called to order by Carolyn Bateman at 7:45 PM.

Minutes from 6/21/99 were reviewed and approved as written.

In Steve Baugh's absence, Thalia Peletis wrote the 7/19/99 minutes.

-President's Report, Bob Sencenbaugh:
No report

-Vice President's Report, Carolyn Bateman
No report

-Recording Secretary's Report, Steve Baugh:
No report

-Corresponding Secretary's Report, Jane Reller:
Have Corresponding Secretary's book available. Sara Miller is honoring her commitment to pay back the club, for the insufficient check written approximately 2 years ago.

-Treasurer's Report, Julie Beatty:

General Fund:	\$6747.84
Rescue Fund:	\$6663.75
Raffle Fund:	\$360.12

Note: Once the club is provided a receipt from the business who created the trophies for the '99 Local Specialty, the club will reimburse Colleen Groseth, '99 Trophy Chairman, for \$1500. This will leave approximately \$5200 in the General Fund.

-Committee Reports-

All Breed Match-No Chairman. Inactive Committee

Awards-Mary Lloyd

No report

Breeder Referral-Martha Lageschulte

Contact Martha if you have puppies available or are planning a litter. Martha has been our Breeder Referral contact for 3 years and it has been her experience that she receives most phone calls in August. Also, only 2 of the queries were for show homes.

Breeder's Showcase/Public Education-Jane Reller

To date, no notification has been sent by C.D.F.A. of a summer Breeder Showcase.

Cheer-Debbi Sencenbaugh

No report

Carolyn Bateman provided an update on Sterling Clark's health.

DSA Liaison to SCA-Debbi Sencenbaugh

No report

Historian/Librarian- Bob Sencenbaugh / Mary Lloyd
No report

Hospitality- Denise Baugh
No report

Membership-Carolyn Bateman
No report

Local Specialty 2000-Bob Sencenbaugh
Naomi Riggs, pending Show Secretary, has still not sent a contract to Bob. Carol Beatty offered to forward her copy that she had received for the Skipperkee club. It's not breed specific, so it should be valid.

Local Specialty 2001 – Carol Beatty
Carol plans on making up the contracts for the judges and sending them out. Martha Lageschulte has volunteered for Trophy Chairperson.

Program- Volunteer Needed
No report

Sam-O-Gram-Thalia Peletis
Several newsletters to pass around. Thalia read copy of a letter sent by Steve Loper, SCA Historian, to Doris McLaughlin, which thanked her for her donation of a notebook of "old" club matches. The thank you letter has been reprinted in the Sam-O-Gram on page 9.

Sammy Rescue-Deb Castro/Andi Mast
Updates to the dogs available for adoption as listed in July Sam-O-Gram: "Tasha", a 3 year old female has been added to the list.

Denver Samoyed Rescue and "Duchess", (Caitlyn McFarland's Samoyed Guide Dog in-training) were mentioned in an article titled "Safety Net for Sled Dogs", written by Lisa Price, and published in the May/June issue of **Mushing** magazine. The article can also be viewed online at <http://www.mushing.com>

Martha displayed an example of an upcoming Rescue fundraiser. It was very beautiful Samoyed head study, done in stained glass. The details of the fundraiser are still being worked out. If you are interested in purchasing this item, please contact the following business and mention Denver Samoyed Rescue:

The Whole Cat
1540 S. Pearl St.
Denver, CO 80210
303-971-0443
Monday 12 - 5 PM
Tues-Sat 10 – 6 PM

Specialty Match-Heidi Neiman

A flyer has been created for the Specialty Match, which will be held August 28th at Sterne Park. See page x for details. Registration will begin at 8AM, followed by Obedience at 9 AM and then Conformation. It is Heidi's understanding that Nancy Golden will conduct the Tournament. The Potluck will then follow these events.

Volunteers are needed for Setup, Registration and Stewarding. Please contact Heidi and help support this fun event!!

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Membership Meeting Minutes

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Tournament-Nancy Golden
No report

Ways & Means-Steve and Denise Baugh
No report

Working Dog-Michele Schmitt
Thanks to Mary Lloyd on July 24th, Dave Witherspoon will conduct an Herding Instinct Test. Limited Herding Instinct tests plus Advanced Training will be held on July 31st and August 7th. Please contact Mary Lloyd for more information on these classes and also to sign up.

-Old Business:
Discussion on a new meeting location was tabled until the next meeting.

-New Business:
A suggestion was made to purchase "reusable" trophies for the Local Specialties. A couple ideas included \$4-\$6 collars or inexpensive doggie stuffed toys (\$2-\$5), for 1st - 4th placements, for regular, sweepstakes and obedience competitions. The theory is that the collars if not awarded (i.e. only 2 dogs entered in a class), they could be reused in the next Specialty. They also can be raffle prizes, as had been done in the past. Large trophies for the major wins would of course still be offered. The membership present supported the idea and requested the discussion be continued at the next meeting.

A question was posed on whether the club would be interested in a supported entry at the February, 2000 Plum Creek Kennel Club show. Supported entries are designed to provide an extra competition, particularly Sweepstakes, and also to draw more entries, than just a regular dog show. Rosettes would be provided and paid for by PCKC to BOB, BOS, WD, and WB. A second Sweepstakes (in addition to DSA's Local Specialty Sweepstakes held on Friday) could be offered. DSA would need to find a Sweepstakes job, but they are not required to be AKC licensed. Also, DSA has control over their regular judge, or we can choose to use

PCKC selected judge. The supported entry would be listed as such in the premium. PCKC is encouraging multiple clubs to offer a supported entry, because they want to make the Y2K extra special. Based on the discussion, with members present, it appeared to be no known negatives for DSA, and no extra cost. It was stated that many eastern clubs hold 4 or 5 supported entries a year. Deadline to decide is November. More discussion will be held at the next meeting.

Julie Beatty suggested the idea of conducting a pop quiz on the Samoyed Breed Standard. This would be a short 15-20-question test, where members would grade themselves. The quiz would be presented in the form of a program and as a means to educate our members. The quiz could also lead into a general review of the standard, in case members have questions. The members present supported the idea and ask that Julie pursue the creation of the quiz!

-Barks and Growls:
Julie and Carol Beatty - Sanorka Xmas Carol "Holly" took her 2nd major at Sunday's show in Stowe, VT, going Best of Breed over 4 Specials! The judge was L. Saltzman. This judge also pulled "Holly" in the Working Group. "Holly" is out of our second breeding of Dixie and Gabby. (Am/Can CH. Risuko's Debutante O'Trilogy CD X CH. Sanorka's Moonlight Gambler)

Heidi Nieman - CH. Saratoga's Speed of Sound, "Mach" received his UKC Championship after multiple recent wins in Longmont. Hartwood's Meteorite received her third 4 point major after earning WB, BOW and BOS in the show prior to the Chicago Specialty. Then at the Chicago Specialty she went Best of Sweeps!

Deb Castro - Please note brag about Duchess listed in the Sammy Rescue report above.

-Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Board Meeting Minutes

Board Meeting Minutes - 07/19/99

Present:
Carolyn Bateman Thalia Peletis
Heidi Nieman Jane Reller
 Michele Schmitt

-Meeting was called to order by Carolyn Bateman at 8:15 PM.

-President's Report, Bob Sencenbaugh:
No report.

-Recording Secretary's Report, Steve Baugh:
No report.

-Corresponding Secretary's Report, Jane Reller:
No report.

-Treasurer's Report, Julie Beatty:
See earlier report in membership meeting.

-Unfinished Business:

None

-New Business:

The Board suggested Nominating Committee members for Year 2000 Board and Officers: Linda Kitzman, Michele Schmitt, Denise Baugh, Jan Cherne, Kris Schopfer and Deb Castro. Bob Sencenbaugh, will contact these individuals for interest and availability. Important club business dates to meet:

- 07/31/99 - Nominating committee selection deadline
- 08/01/99 - Deadline for the Nominating Committee Chairperson to call a committee meeting.
- 09/06/99 - Corresponding Secretary's deadline to notify each member nominee in writing.
- 11/15/99 - Elections to be held for 2000 Officers and Board of Directors.

-Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

1999 Rescue Quilt Raffle

The 1999 rescue quilt is completed and a photo is posted on the Samfans home page at <http://www.samfans.org/fundraisers/quilt99.html>

It's in beautiful shades of brilliant blue, a log cabin design, with stars overstitched with silver metallic thread. It is truly a work of stitchery art!

For those not familiar with this project, this is the third year a group of quilters from around the world have sewn quilt squares which are representative of the National theme. This year the theme is "Northern Lights". Last year's quilt raffle was extremely successful with over \$3,000 raised to support rescue groups. We hope to exceed last year's total and your help in promoting this project is appreciated.

Drawing to be held September 25, 1999

If you would like to sell raffle tickets in your local area, please print out the order form located on the Samfans website, or contact Carol Black at cablack@aol.com to obtain an electronic version. Or, keep a list with all the required information. Then, send your order form to Lori Elvera, along with total funds.

All mail orders must arrive at Lori's home before September 7, 1999.

Ticket Prices (US Funds Only)

1 for \$1.00
6 for \$5.00
18 for \$15.00
24 for \$20.00

Please make checks payable to Lori Elvera and note on the check that it's for the Rescue Quilt Raffle.

Mail ticket order to:

Lori Elvera
3017 Oak Meadow Drive
Flower Mound, TX 75028-7625

INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION

Number of Tickets _____
Amount Enclosed _____

Print Name _____
Address _____
Town/City _____
State/Province _____
Zip/Postal Code _____
Evening Phone Number:
Area Code _____ Number _____
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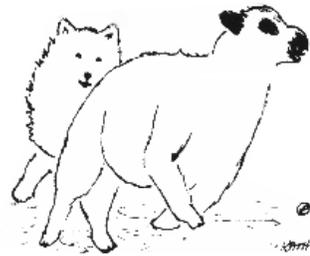
GOOD LUCK AND THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING SAMOYED RESCUE!

Questions:

Lori Elvera - kenoshasam@aol.com
Carol Black - cablack@aol.com



Herding Instinct Testing and Advanced Training



slot....

Herding instinct testing and advanced training is starting again. Dave Witherspoon has given us the following dates
July 24th
July 31st
Aug 7th
If there is a good showing he will continue to give us this time

Start time is 5PM and he will work with us till dark if need be. The 24th will be primarily instinct testing, cost \$15 paid to Dave, the 31st and 7th he will also do more advanced training if there is interest. the cost is \$10 / dog and he will limit it to 2 dogs per hour. You need to sign up with Mary Lloyd she will be scheduling times for all who are interested. If you are instinct testing remember to bring

your AKC paperwork so that Dave can fill out the certificate. You are required to have your dog on a buckle type collar, no choke collars allowed.

Directions, from I 25, Take I 76 Exit at Lochbuie (exit #25) go West over the highway then North on the frontage road. Follow that to Weld County Road 8, go West again for 8/10 of a mile to Dave's place.

Hope to see you all there, we are on the downhill side of building and moving in and hope to be able to start herding and weight pulls in August.

Bob and Debbi Sencenbaugh
Michele Schmitt
Mary Lloyd

P.S. "Advanced Training" means "whatever you might like/need"....2nd leg of herding instinct (alittle more complicated/alittle more work), beginning Trial training...(I

DSR and Duchess Recognition

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the breed: natural hunters, horrific shedders, stubborn, noisy, bred to run all day at a trot. They are big dogs with strong personalities.

"Tell a golden retriever to sit, and it will," says Sidney Helen Sachs of Sleddog Rescue, a shelter for Alaskan malamutes and Siberian huskies in eastern Tennessee. "Tell a husky or malamute to sit, and it may run a circle around you, it may woo-woo at you, it may ignore you, it may jump up, it may jump over a fence and retrieve something--or it may actually sit."

"They are stubborn, noisy, aggravating, time-consuming--and they are comics, clowns and comrades," says Sachs.

A Unique Mental Profile

As Northern breeds were developed, blind obedience was not a valuable characteristic. Bred to pull sleds in inhospitable conditions, these breeds developed tough intellects--which meant that they weren't necessarily obedient. If a dog had robot-like responsiveness, it could mush out over thin ice just because it was asked to do so, but it wouldn't survive long.

After decades of selective breeding, the Northern breeds share many behavioral characteristics. They are independent, energetic, intelligent, dominant, and they possess a highly-developed sense of pack hierarchy. Fanciers of Northern dogs cherish those traits, explains Molly Moldovan of the Alaskan Malamute HELP League in Havelock, Ontario, Canada. But many people find living with them difficult.

Northern breeds share another trait that often leads them to the wrong homes: they are beautiful, striking dogs--and gorgeous puppies--and many people want them for that reason alone, Moldovan says. It is vital, she adds, that people look past the pretty face to the type of dog--energetic and independent that comes with it. Training Northern dogs can be a real challenge, but the bigger challenge is often training their owners, and that's a big part of the services provided by Northern breed rescue organizations.

Another large part is rescuing dogs from shelters that euthanize unclaimed or unwanted animals. A spokesperson for the Alaskan Malamute Protection League points out that Northern breed dogs in general do not fair well in shelters, especially where several dogs are housed in a single enclosure. Same-sex aggression, for instance, can lead to fights, and the dog that started it is often euthanized, no questions asked. By taking Northern dogs out of such shelters, rescuers give them a greater chance of adoption and, in the meantime, appropriate care, exercise and housing.

What Rescuers Do

Each dog in need of rescue help is different and presents unique challenges to rescuers and adopters. For example, Maxi, a Siberian husky, who was born in a puppy mill in Kansas City, Mo., was fated to become a breeder because an injury to her left eye made her unsellable. She was rescued when the breeding operation was "busted." Maxi was relayed to Sleddog Rescue in Tennessee by other rescuers.

Maxi was later adopted from Sleddog Rescue by Kelly and Susie McCracken of Oliver Springs, Tenn., who had previously rescued two other Siberians. All of the McCrackens' dogs were given up for various reasons--"got too big," "tearing up my townhouse" and "uncontrollable." Now the dogs "just seem like they've all been with us their entire lives." Maxi runs with her good eye to the outside.

The McCrackens found Sleddog Rescue by chance in the classified ads of a newspaper, and that's how many adopters are united with dogs. They're already in the market for a Northern breed and find out about rescue organizations by word of mouth from other owners, newspaper ads, breeders, animal shelters or veterinarians.

Rescue organizations themselves are as varied as the case histories of the dogs they assist. Some house dogs in kennels; some house them in their own homes or foster homes; some don't handle the dogs at all, but try to unite adopters and dogs via complicated and persistent networking.

The work involves a broad range of activities, from public relations to poop scooping. Rescuers may drive long distances to pick up dogs from shelters that euthanize unadopted animals. They write newsletters, raise funds, make phone calls. They visit veterinarians and groomers. They train, exercise, groom and socialize dogs. They apply for government grants and other assistance. They help find lost or stolen dogs. And they work with owners, providing advice about training and behavior problems so that the owners will be able to keep their dogs.

For every success story, though, there are hundreds of dogs still waiting for adoption. In nearly all cases, those dogs will be kept with rescuers for as long as it takes, even if it's the rest of their lives.

"Rescue [groups] survive on donations," says Sachs. "The expenses of spaying or neutering a dog, vaccinations, heartworm tests and treatment, fecal checks and deworming, veterinary examinations, grooming, dipping, feeding and housing a dog can run into the hundreds of dollars each." Adoption fees only cover a fraction of the cost.

Getting Organized

In 1990, a young malamute named Chelsea was brought to the veterinarian for euthanasia because her owners didn't want her anymore. The veterinarian called on her clients, Dave and Patricia Hardie of Havelock, Ontario, who were malamute breeders. They decided to adopt the dog. After all, they reasoned, this was a one-time deal. But word spread, and soon they were getting calls from owners who didn't want or couldn't keep their dogs and from shelter workers seeking help placing strays. In the next three years, they helped to place 41 malamutes in new homes. In 1993, the Alaskan Malamute HELP (Housing, Evaluation, Love, Placement) League was formed to provide a formal structure for rescue efforts. By the end of 1997, 348 malamutes had received some form of assistance, and 99 had spent time as kennel guests of the League or with the organization's satellite rescue kennel in Vernon, British Columbia.

The League's current newsletter editor and a director, Molly Moldovan, says she and her husband got involved after

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becoming friends with the Hardies, who "were financing rescues from their own pockets and needed help getting organized." After they launched a newsletter, membership grew from 12 to the current 380.

Moldovan is an artist, her husband is a retired civil engineer and Dave Hardie is a retired stockbroker. "We're an unlikely, motley crew, but we do get things done," Moldovan says.

Getting things done has included the construction of a facility that can house 20 dogs, a fenced exercise yard and a clubhouse built by members with scrounged materials. It also includes organizing a variety of activities: a working dog program, a foster dog program, competitive and noncompetitive sledding, packing, weight pulling, skijoring, agility work, eye clinics, microchip clinics and canine first-aid courses. The organization's main fund-raiser, the Pac'n'Pull in early October, has grown to be Canada's largest annual gathering of malamutes and their owners.

The group also sells merchandise such as lapel pins, calendars, sweatshirts, T-shirts and baseball caps to fund its efforts. The HELP league has also published pamphlets on malamute ownership and breeding.

Without exception, every dog the League adopts out is spayed/neutered and microchipped. The group's adoption success rate has been high: less than 2 percent of the dogs the League has worked with have been unplaceable. Such dogs become part of the foster dog program, which accepts monthly donations for care at the League's kennel.

Filling a Need

Sleddog Rescue in Tennessee is a shelter primarily for malamutes and Siberians. It is run by Sidney Helen Sachs and Ken Copeland, along with "part-time and one-time volunteers, sponsors and foster homes," Sachs says. The rescue operates out of living rooms, basements and backyards.

"There was and is a crying need for Siberian and malamute rescue in eastern Tennessee, so I started one," Sachs said. Since she runs the rescued dogs in harness to wear them out, Sachs came up with the name Sleddog Rescue.

Along with a mandatory spay/neuter policy, all of the rescue's dogs are fully vaccinated, examined by a veterinarian, heartworm-tested, treated with a monthly heartworm prevention and dewormed prior to adoption. They are also groomed, "so that when the next adoptive family comes through the door, they don't see a buffalo or sheep with pointy ears," says Sachs. Required of adopters are a veterinary reference and a landlord's approval. If the adopter already has pets, they must also be spayed/neutered and on monthly heartworm prevention.

National Organizations

Janet White of Divide, Colo., is national rescue coordinator for the Samoyed Club of America. Through the club, rescuers in various states work to rescue Samoyeds by arranging for their pick-up from shelters or homes, temporary or permanent placement in homes, veterinary care including spaying or neutering, and even a good bath or grooming. Samoyed lovers who can't directly foster a dog help out by sponsoring one financially; by contributing

food, collars, leads, crates and other equipment; or by making phone calls or pick-ups and deliveries.

Duchess, a very overweight Samoyed in Colorado Springs, Colo., was surrendered to an animal shelter because her owners had "no time to deal with her." Through the efforts of Janet White and Deb Castro of Denver Samoyed Rescue, Duchess found a home with Caitlyn McFarland, also of Denver. McFarland, who is blind, trains dogs for performance events, to be good canine citizens or to work as assistance dogs for people with disabilities. Duchess, whose lethargy was due to bladder stones, is now in training to be a guide dog.

Mushers Rescuing Huskies

After a helpful start from the Greater Detroit Siberian Husky Club rescue group, three northwestern Ohio mushers began rescuing Siberians from dog pound death rows about six years ago. They average about 50 dogs per year. What's unique, rescuer Nancy Wolfe says, is that the three are all sled dog racers, and they are still willing to house the rescued dogs in their own kennels.

"Many breeders fear the possibility of bringing in disease or don't want the hassle of extra dogs," Wolfe says. "Others feel that since the dogs are often from backyard breeders or puppy mills, they aren't worth rescuing. And some feel they can't place their own well-bred dogs if they help these homeless ones."

However, these rescuers say that there are two separate pools of potential homes, that the people who are willing to pay for a good dog are not the same as those who want to rescue a dog. By talking with people from both groups, they've been able to educate would-be buyers and refer potential puppy buyers to good breeders.

If You Want to Help - Rescue Organizations

There have been other benefits too. "We've found local humane groups like us better, aren't attacking us for being sled dog racers, and we've also found homes for our own retired or not-making-it sled dogs," Wolfe says. "We also assist or counsel owners with their current dog problems so they won't abandon the dogs and help owners find homes if they are unable to keep their dogs."

"For the three of us, we've found great personal benefit from helping these forgotten dogs," Wolfe notes. "And we've recruited new mushers into the sport."

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Westminster KC Show Entries

Mr. Chester F. Collier, President, Westminster KC writes:

"To the Members of the Fancy,

The Westminster Kennel Club has been working diligently for over a year to find a way to assure that the top five dogs in each breed - based on Best of Breed wins - have an opportunity to enter our show. Our discussions amongst the fancy have been broad and in depth. Ideas have come from far and wide and many have been very helpful in giving Westminster a feeling of just what the fancy desired. We have worked hand in hand with Jim Crowley, the Secretary of the American Kennel Club, to ascertain exactly what rules needed to be followed and what time frames needed to be met. With his assurances, and at his request, the following plan was presented to the Board of Directors of the American Kennel Club at their June Board meeting.

Entries for the show of February 12 and 14, 2000 will be made in the following manner:

- (1) The top five dogs or bitches in each breed, based on the number of dogs defeated in breed competition only at American Kennel Club shows held from September 15, 1998 - September 14, 1999 inclusive will receive invitations to pre-enter the show. Invitations will be mailed to the owners during the first week of November 1999. A special invitation entry form must be returned to the superintendent by 6pm, EST on Thursday, November 18, 1999. In the case of a tie, all qualifying dogs will receive invitations. No Group or Best in Show points will be given any consideration. All invitees must be American Kennel Club champions of record.
- (2) As in past years, all entries will be limited to a total maximum number of 2500 dogs and to only those eligible for Best of Breed/Variety competition. All regular (non-invitational) entries must be mailed to MB-F Inc., PO Box 22107, Greensboro, NC 27420 only. Entries may be overnighted to street address: 620 Industrial Ave., Greensboro, NC 27406 only. Regular entries must be in the Superintendent's office no later than 6:00pm EST Wednesday, December 15, 1999 or when the numerical limit of 2500 dogs is reached, if reached prior to December 15, 1999.
- (3) No entries, other than those qualifying for an invitation, will be accepted prior to 8am EST on Friday, November 19, 1999. No fax entries - no Dial-N-Entry - no Rolf entries - no internet/Infodog entries - no hand delivered or walk-in entries will be accepted, including those normally handed in at dog shows. All entries must contain the show name and date where the dog completed its championship. Each individual delivery of entries, by any acceptable method of delivery (mail, overnight delivery, etc.) may not contain more than 10 entries. Any individual delivery containing more than 10 entries will disqualify all of the entries received in that envelope/package and the entire contents will be returned with no recourse to the individual, agent or service who submitted the entries, nor those whose entries are returned due to a violation of this club rule.
- (4) The entry fee for the Westminster Kennel Club, February 14 and 15, 2000 will be \$50.00.

This proposal was made - not for Board approval - as we were told by Mr. Crowley that there was nothing in the AKC rules that would prohibit us from proceeding with this new

entry process - but as a matter of courtesy. Mr. Crowley wished to present this to the Board of Directors so that they would have knowledge and understanding of Westminster's new entry process before it was released to the public. Much to our surprise, and without consultation with Westminster, this proposal was presented to the Board for a vote to approve or disapprove. The Board, with one absentee, voted 9 to 2 to NOT allow Westminster to offer this new process to the fancy as they determined it to be "discriminatory". We are extremely disappointed. We are disappointed in Mr. Crowley because we feel that we have been misguided by him for nearly a year. However, we believe that Mr. Crowley did not act independently but under the direction of Board Chairman Merriam in submitting this proposal for aboard vote. Again, Westminster never asked that this proposal be put forward in any manner for a vote, We are disappointed in the majority of the Board of Directors of the American Kennel Club as we feel that they acted beyond their realm of authority. We feel that they, if anyone, are the ones who are being "discriminatory". Most of you are aware that the American Kennel Club has an agenda to create just such an invitational show of their own later in the year using the entry process that we have suggested. We could possibly understand that some discrimination might be alleged if we were still offering classes at Westminster where championship points were involved but, with previous American Kennel Club approval, we have not offered these classes since 1992. Despite the fact that we are disappointed in the negativism of Chairman Merriam, despite the fact that we are disappointed in the majority of the Board of Directors and find their decision to be insensitive and shortsighted, we are most disappointed not for ourselves, but for the fancy. It is the fancy who has lost. It is the fancy who has been misled. It is the fancy who has been cheated. This was a perfect opportunity for the fancy to present their very best to the world through a very simple entry process. They have been denied this opportunity by Chairman Merriam and by the Board of Directors of their own club, the American Kennel Club.

Chester F. Collier
President - Westminster Kennel Club
17 June 1999

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The Westminster KC was trying to not only make their show an even more prestigious event, but to cut down on the absenteeism. They have been having increasing problems with individuals entering numbers of dogs-and thereby using up some of the 2500 entry limit-and then not bringing several of the dogs that were entered. Obviously, this deprives someone else of the opportunity to enter. There will always be some absent. We can't control illness and/or accident, for either ourselves or our dogs, but this might help eliminate the practices by a few selfish individuals. In the Air Force we used to have a saying that "There is always that 10% that screw it up for everyone". IMHO

Jim Alford

**Denver Samoyed Association, Inc.
Annual Specialty B/OB Match & Tournament**

Saturday, August 28, 1999

Match Registration: 8:00 AM, Obedience: 9:00 AM, Conformation: following obedience
Tournament: 11:00 AM (immediately following the Match)

Sterne Park, 5800 S. Spotswood St. Littleton

Take Santa Fe or Broadway to Littleton Blvd and then to Spotswood St. Turn south on Spotswood and it dead ends at the park.
We will be on the north side, east of the pond.

A potluck will follow the Tournament.

For more information or to sign up please call Denise Baugh at 303-438-7235 or email sbaugh@henge.com.

Specialty B/OB Match

Match competition open to all AKC and ILP registered Samoyeds over 3 months.

CONFORMATION

Judge: Randy Pasbrig

Classes:

- Puppy Dogs/Bitches 3-6 mos**
- Puppy Dogs/Bitches 6-9 mos**
- Puppy Dogs/Bitches 9-12 mos**
- Open Dogs/Bitches**
- Bred By-Exhibitor**
- Junior Showmanship**

OBEDIENCE

Judge: Cindy Hutt

Classes:

- Utility A**
- Utility B**
- Open A**
- Open B**
- Novice A**
- Novice B**

Ribbons will be awarded for High in Trial, Best of Breed and Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed

For more information about the match, contact Heidi Nieman, (303) 660-1472

Tournament

Judges: Stuart Rodgel, Donna Dannen and Kim Raleigh

Tournament Rules

- Preregistration entry fee \$15.00 per dog. Day of show entry fee \$18.00 per dog. Exhibition only entry fee \$5.00 per dog.
- Three rings will run simultaneously for judging and only one dog/bitch will be in the ring at any time, therefore, allowing you to enter more than one dog
- Eligible dogs/bitches: Any champion, current year's Best in Specialty Match winner, and any untitled dogs/bitches 6 months and older.
- Each dog/bitch will be scored against the Official AKC Samoyed Standard and will receive their score sheets at the end of the tournament.
- Three judges will individually judge and score the dogs. A joint decision for a winner and a reserve winner will be made.
- The winner **must** be shown at the 1999 National Specialty in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin to receive the monetary award.
- The value of the award equals all monies taken in, minus expenses for hosting the tournament.

Entry Form

Each entry requires a separate form (photocopies accepted)

Owner: _____ Dog/Bitch Name: _____ Exhibition Only: _____

Entry fee enclosed \$ _____ (No cash please; make checks payable to Denver Samoyed Association)

I understand that the monetary award will be paid after the winning dog/bitch is shown at the 1999 National Specialty in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin. If the winning dog/bitch is not shown, the award will be given to the reserve winner (if shown).

Signature (required) _____

Mail to: Nancy Golden 9633 Corsair Dr. Conifer, CO 80433 Phone: 303-838-5271 E-Mail: uffda@ibm.net

SCA History Enriched by One of Our Own

Editor's Note: I received a letter from Doris McLaughlin, Silveracres Samoyeds, asking me to read the following letter at a club meeting. The letter is in regards to her recent donation of a notebook filled with pictures from "old" club matches. It has been reprinted below for all members to read.

May 2, 1999

Dear Doris,

Going to the mailbox was such a surprise! When we opened your package we spent hours pouring over its' contents. What was most frustrating was the dates/years weren't available on most of the ones in the envelope. I have made a request from the SCA Board to purchase a scanner so that without using the mail system, I can scan pictures with it and send the copy wherever I want without compromising the original. If so granted, I could do this with the photos you sent and hopefully you or someone else could help with the dates or years of the photos. Also we

could add a caption and identify some of the people and dogs in the pictures.

I was able to identify some of the people, one being a very young Karen McFarlane as a Sweeps? Or Match Judge. The ringed notebook was fascinating. I hope to do this type of thing with all the archives material.

I do so hope you can find the other photos you mentioned. I would also hope other clubs/members in other areas of the U.S. would send me their pictures. I have a copy of an old film from the Snowland Kennel Dogs. The only problem is most of the dogs are not identified. It has been so interesting to see from those early dogs where our dogs today have gone.

Thank you for your interest in the Samoyeds History and sending these valuable photos to the archives.

Sincerely,

Steve Loper

Brag for the Clarks...

News from California!

Lyrical Jazz O'Rossia Kari Tai [owned by Jayne and Sterling Clark] has seven points and one major. She is visiting moms while Sterling recovers from a serious illness.

Gail Speaker



Top Dog And Cat Characteristics

11. Dogs come when you call them.

Cats take a message and get back to you when they are good and ready.

10. Dogs look much better at the end of a leash.

9. Dogs will let you give them a bath without taking out a contract on your life.

8. Dogs will bark to wake you up if the house is on fire. Cats will quietly sneak out the back door.

7. Dogs will bring you your slippers or the evening newspaper.

Cats might bring you a dead mouse.

6. Dogs will play Frisbee with you all afternoon.

Cats will take a three-hour nap.

5. Dogs will sit on the car seat next to you.

Cats have to have their own private box or they will not go at all.

4. Dogs will greet you and lick your face when you come home from work.

Cats will be mad that you went to work at all.

3. Dogs will sit, lie down, and heel on command.

Cats will smirk and walk away.

2. Dogs will tilt their heads and listen whenever you talk.

Cats will yawn and close their eyes.

1. Dogs will give you unconditional love forever.

Cats will make you pay for every mistake you've ever made since the day you were born.

1999 – 2000 Schedule of Events

Date	Organization	Event	Location	Contact	Conf. Judge (if Show)
Aug 14-15	Buckhorn Valley KC	Show – Close 7/28	Fort Collins, CO	Onofrio	P A Long Smith M L Walton
20	Samoyed Club of Washington State	Specialty – Close	Washington State	Brown	J A Goodin C Siipola Chittum (Sw)
21-22	Greeley KC	Show – Close 8/4	Greeley, CO	Onofrio	H R Ogarek M Alhino
27-29	Leavenworth KC Topeka KC Heart of America KC	Show – Close 8/27	Kansas City, MO	Onofrio	R S Shaw N/A J C Sigler
Sep 4-5	Cheyenne KC	Show – Close 8/18	Cheyenne, WY	Onofrio	J T Bennett G Schwartz
6	Plum Creek KC	Show – Close 8/18	Highlands Ranch, CO	Onofrio	M Martorella
11-12	Bonneville Basin KC	Show – Close 8/25	Draper, UT	Johnson	M Alhino L M Riedel
17-19	Salina KC Wichita KC Hutchinson KC	Show – Close 9/1	Salina, KS	Onofrio	Mrs R S Forsyth L R Mapes Mrs J R Canalizo
18-19	Prescott Arizona KC	Show – Close 9/1	Prescott, AZ	Onofrio	H Smith Jr C R Webb
21-25	Samoyed Club of America “Northern Lights”	National Specialty	Oconomowoc, WI	Robin Barkhaus Show Chair	Joan Luna (Breed) Don Hodges (D) Anne Rogers Clark (B) L Blackburn (Sweeps) Pat Griffin (Futurity) Ed Haas (Obedience)
23-25	Helena Montana KC (1) Helena Montana KC (2) Electric City KC	Show – Close 9/8	Helena, MT	Onofrio	V L Lyne N/A N/A
25-26	Grand Valley KC	Show – Close 9/8	Grand Junction, CO	Onofrio	E E Bivin I Bivin
26	Council Bluffs KC	Show – Close 9/8	Omaha, NE	Onofrio	G Johnson
Oct 2-3	Sunflower KC of Olathe	Show – Close 9/15	Gardner, KS	Onofrio	N/A
15-17	Chaparral KC Mesilla Valley KC El Paso KC	Show – Close 9/29	Alamogordo, NM Las Cruces, NM	Onofrio	N D Simmons F W Schwartz L A Reasin
16-17	Lawrence Jayhawk KC	Show – Close 9/29	Lawrence, KS	Onofrio	P A Gellerman K S McFarlane
22-24	Rapid City KC	Show – Close 10/6	Rapid City, SD	Onofrio	S J Hubbell J A Brown
29	Samoyed Club of Austin	Specialty – Close 10/13	Austin, CO	???	K W Mackai
Nov 5	Tri-State KC of Tulsa	Show – Close 10/20	Tulsa, OK	Onofrio	D O Hutchinson
13-14	Evergreen KC Flatirons KC	Show – Close 10/27	Longmont, CO	Onofrio	N/A
20-21	Tucson KC Greater Sierra Vista KC	Show – Close 11/3	Tucson, AZ	Bradshaw	N/A
20-21	Cornhusker KC of Lincoln Nebraska KC, Inc	Show – Close 11/3	Lincoln, NE	Onofrio	L Sinclair
Dec 3-4	Yuma KC	Show – Close 11/17	Yuma, AZ	Bradshaw	A Rubenstein A D Hussin

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Date	Organization	Event	Location	Contact	Conf. Judge (if Show)
Dec 4-5	Southern Colorado KC	Show – Close 11/17	Pueblo, CO	Onofrio	N/A
10-11	Panhandle of Texas	Show – Close 11/20	Amarillo, TX	Onofrio	N/A
11	Metro Atlanta Samoyed	Specialty – Close 11/24	Atlanta, GA	MB-F	N/A
12	Clovis Portales KC	Show – Close 11/24	?, NM	Onofrio	N/A
Feb 2000	Samoyed Association of Madison	Specialty – Close 1/19	Madison, WI	??	N/A
5-6	Hobbs New Mexico KC	Show – Close 1/19	Hobbs, NM	Onofrio	N/A
11	Denver Samoyed Association	Specialty - Close 1/19	Denver, CO Denver Stock Show Coliseum	Bob Sencenbaugh Show Sec 970-223-8238	Don Hodges K. Metter (Sweeps) K. Dannen (W Sweeps) N. Pollack (Obedience)
12	Plum Creek KC	Show – Close 1/26	Denver, CO	Onofrio	N/A
13-14	Colorado KC	Show – Close 1/26	Denver, CO	Onofrio	N/A
Mar 4	Greater Milwaukee Samoyed Fanciers	Specialty – Close 2/16	Milwaukee, WI	???	J L Ronald C M Pischke (Obed)
4-5	Garden City KC	Show – Close 2/16	Garden City, KS	Onofrio	N/A

Truth in Advertising!

<u>THE QUOTE</u>	<u>THE TRUTH</u>
Noted Judge.....	He put up our dog
Respected Judge.....	He put up our dog twice
Esteemed Judge.....	He puts up anything that crawls
Shown Sparingly.....	Only when we had it in the bag
Show Prospect	He has 4 legs, 2 eyes, 2 ears, 1 tail
Finished in 5 shows.....	And 89 where he failed to win a ribbon
He has good points.....	His head is shaped like a carrot
Won in heavy competition	The others were revoltingly overweight
Multiple group winner.....	At 2 puppy matches
Specialist Judge.....	Puts up anything that looks like his own breeding
Well Balanced	Straight as a stick, front and rear
Quiet gentle natured	After 4 valiums
Excels in type and style.....	However, moves like a spider on speed
Personality Plus.....	Wakes up if you put liver up his nose
Large boned.....	Looks like a Clydesdale
Good bite	Missed the judge, got the steward
Lovely head.....	2 eyes, 2 ears, 1 mouth, 1 nose
Excels in movement	If he gets loose, put on your running shoes
Gorgeous Stiff Coat	If the hairspray lasts until the class finishes
Handled brilliantly by.....	Nobody else can get near him
Won in stiff competition.....	Beat 4 puppies and a 9 year old novice dog
At stud to "approved" bitches	Those bitches whose owners check is "approved" by our bank
Linebred from famous champions.....	CH. Whoozitz appears twice in 6th generation
Good Obedience prospect.....	Smart enough to come in from the rain but he's UG-LEEEE
Terrific brood bitch.....	Her conformation is the pits, but she throws big litters
Great stud dog	Mounts anything that can fog a mirror
Loves children	For breakfast, lunch and dinner
Wins another Best In Show	His second, under the same judge, our uncle.

-Author unknown

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SAM-O-GRAM



**Aug 28 - Specialty B/OB Match,
Tournament & Potluck**



August 16, 1999 Meeting Reminder: Littleton Hospital - 7:15 PM

- Discuss alternate meeting locations
- Discuss trophy selection idea (collars, leads, inexpensive stuff toys).
- Discuss supported entry at Plum Creek KC – February 2000 show.
- Call Julie Beatty in advance, to order your grocery certificates!

Denver Samoyed Rescue Report

no **HOME**, all **ALONE** **July Placements: 2 (1 referrals) Year to Date Total: 13**
As of 07/26/99, we have the following Sammies available for adoption:

Female(Tasha) 3 yr. House/Outdoor Foster Home
Comments: Smaller in size. Wolf looking face, big ears. OK with older children and most other dogs. NO cats!
Responds to basic obedience commands. Rides nicely in the car. Very sweet.
Why: Colorado Spring shelter, L&F.

Male(Baby) 5 yr. House/Outdoor Boarded
Comments: Overweight. Pretty face. OK with kids, cats, and other dogs. Obedience training. Needs grooming.
Why: Cheyenne shelter, owner moved.

Female(Sassee) 7 yr. House/Outdoor Boarded
Comments: Overweight. Cute girl, and VERY spunky! OK with kids, cats, and other dogs. Responds to basic obedience commands. Has been shaved, coat is about 1". Needs grooming.
Why: DDFL, owner had no time for her.

Male(Sammy) 5 yr. ?House/Outdoor? Boarded
Comments: No further information available at this time.
Why: Adams County shelter, stray.

If you know anyone who might be interested, please call one of the Rescue Committee members. Thanks!

Upcoming DSR Fundraiser

A beautiful stained glass Samoyed head will be available for purchase, with a portion of the proceeds going toward Denver Samoyed Rescue. More details will follow soon.