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## The Role of Nutrition in Cancer Therapies

*By Dr. Stephen M. Sheldon, D.V.M.*

I have been looking forward to writing this article for some time now. I think our profession does an excellent job of diagnosing and treating cancer but has done poorly in the past in terms of dealing with nutritional management. Cancer is growing as our pets live longer; almost a full 10 percent of a veterinarian's case load may now deal with cancer. I won't keep those of you whose dogs have cancer in suspense any longer; you may be surprised to learn that an Atkins-type diet may be best for your pet.

Many dogs with cancer end up looking like they have been starved. This condition, known as cancer cachexia, is very important because it is often associated with a poor quality of life and a lower response to treatment. Therefore, nutritional therapy becomes important when we treat cancer. We'll go through a few of the things you need to know.

Let's start with some basic

nutrition. The macronutrients are carbohydrates, protein and fats. Carbs are probably the most important in regards to cancer. Many tumors/cancers love carbohydrates, and they use them in a way that robs the host (your pet) of energy. It can get complicated, but put simply, cancer uses carbs anaerobically (without oxygen) and the by-product is lactic acid. Your pet must spend energy to get rid of this poison. It's a double whammy really; your pet is robbed of energy-providing carbs and then must spend its own energy to get rid of the lactic acid. Ouch. One study showed that dogs fed a high fat diet were more likely to go into remission following chemotherapy than those fed a high carb diet.

Protein is the next macronutrient under the microscope. Cancer can cause decreased muscle mass and can lower the amount of protein produced in the skeleton. It can also use protein for energy, which can, in turn, lower immune and gastrointestinal system functions. Some amino

acids (the building blocks for protein), however, may be useful in treating cancer. The amino acids arginine, cystine, glutamine, and glycine have been shown to help prevent toxicity for chemotherapy, enhance the natural immune system, and lower anemias. So, certain proteins and amino acids are good for some cancer patients.

Fat chance you will be able to guess the next nutrient! Lipids and fats are very exciting frontiers in cancer. The lipid profile of cancer patients in phases of cancer cachexia is very off, but no one really knows what this means at the cellular level. Most of the weight loss is fat loss, but this is not good. The exciting news is that these abnormalities can be lessened by feeding a higher fat diet. It seems some tumor cells have a tough time using fat as a fuel source as compared to protein and carbs. The type is important, too. The n-3 series of fatty acids (EPA and DHA) may

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### Special points of interest:

- \* We still need a 2003 Show Chairperson volunteer! See page 9 for details.
- \* DSA Specialty B/OB Match and Tournament date is set! See page 7 for details.
- \* Recent Colorado pet legislation results. See page 5.
- \* Tips on exercising your dog! See page 3.

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# Membership Meeting Minutes

## 6/18/01 – Membership Meeting Minutes

### Present:

Thalia Peletis, Jane Reller, Sue Wangerin, Jan Cherne, Andi Mast, Bob Mast, Nancy Golden, Tom Lisec, Kristi Schopfer, Mary Lloyd, Carol Beatty, Julie Beatty, Martha Lageschulte

### Guest:

Diane Rankin, Laura Miller, Dan McShan

- Meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Julie Beatty  
-Correction to the SOG - date of Tournament is Saturday August 25, 2001

### -President's Report – Julie Beatty:

No report

### -Secretary's Report – Martha Lageschulte:

No Report.

### -Corresponding Secretary's Report – Linda Kitzman:

No Report

### -Treasurer's Report – Thalia Peletis:

#### Bank Accounts:

General Fund:	\$2,261.87
General Fund CD:	\$2,500.00
Rescue Fund:	\$4,806.53
Rescue Fund CD:	\$7,500.00
Raffle Fund:	\$ 435.91
DSA Share:	\$ 227.33
DSR Share:	\$ 208.58

#### Certificates:

Grocery Certificates*:	\$1,400.00
King Soopers:	\$ 800.00
Safeway:	\$ 600.00

**3 C's Gift Certificates: \$ 125.00**

**Total Assets: \$19,029.31**

\*Year To Date: purchased: \$13,600, sold: \$12,200, profit: \$366.00

#### Time Deposit (CD) Information:

Bank:	FirstBank
Amounts:	1) DSA - \$2500, 2) DSR - \$7500
Purchased:	06/06/01
Maturity Term:	1-year
Maturity Date:	06/06/02
Interest Rate:	4.11% (fixed)
Annual % Yield:	4.20%

### Awards – Mary Lloyd

Anyone who has already sent their request to Mary via email, please resend. She has been experiencing some problems and doesn't want anyone to get lost in the cracks.

### Breeder Referral – Martha Lageschulte

Next month a more comprehensive report will be given to the membership. Please get me all of the information regarding upcoming litters, litters that are here, and any older dogs that are available

### Breeders Showcase/Public Education – Jane Reller

No report

### Cheer – Debbie Sencenbaugh

No report

### DSA Liaison to SCA – Debbie Sencenbaugh

No report

### Historian/Librarian – Bob Sencenbaugh/Mary Lloyd

We have acquired a new video on Hip Dysplasia from OFA that will be given as a program next month

### Hospitality – Denise & Steve Baugh

No report

### Membership – Carolyn Bateman

Julie Beatty read Dianne Rankin's membership application, this was her second meeting

### Programs – Bob & Debbie Sencenbaugh

No report

### Local Specialty '02 – Denise & Steve Baugh

No report

### '03 – no chairman yet

Carol Beatty motioned that if there is no volunteer by the August meeting the Specialty be cancelled. Motion died due to a lack of a second.

### '02 Supported Entry with Plum Creek –

Nancy Golden

No further information at this time

### SOG/Website – Thalia Peletis

Passed around to membership club exchange newsletters. A big 'thank you' to Jane Reller for her help in working on the new SOG layout.

### Rescue Report – Deb Castro and Andi Mast

-There are a large number of dogs that are being given up. There is an ad in the paper and homes are being researched. Thalia spent a number of hours grooming several dogs this past weekend, a big 'thank you' to her.

-Update to the dogs available for adoption as listed in Home Alone (June Sam-O-Gram).

Remove: none

Add: Bayle, 5 yo male – all are owner surrendered.

-This is traditionally dump-your-dog time of year and unfortunately it appears that 2001 will be no different. There are currently LOTS of dogs, including Samoyeds, in area shelters some of them with multiple Sams. Adams County, Aurora, Colorado Humane, Dumb Friends League and Cheyenne have all contacted us within the last two weeks asking for help in placing their Samoyeds.

-DSR was asked by Animal Planet to film a grooming segment for the upcoming Breed All About It on Samoyeds. Thanks to Thalia Peletis for her VERY professional help with that, and to Rocks – they're gonna be TV stars!! Thalia has also been EXTREMELY generous with her time lately grooming our boarders and they feel SO MUCH better!! They'd like to send a Big, Huge, SMOOCH to their favorite person. DSR too!

-Deb Castro was asked, and accepted an Advisor position on the newly formed "SCA Rescue Alliance" (name pending approval from SCA). "Alliance" implying separate groups coming together to stand united for a common goal.

### Specialty Match – Martha Lageschulte

August 25 is the date of our match with the tournament following. Our conformation judge is Sharen Hyde a Siberian Husky breeder and exhibitor. The obedience judge hasn't been decided yet, and any suggestions are welcome. Obedience will begin at 9 am with conformation immediately following.

### Tournament – Nancy Golden

The date is August 25 following the Specialty match. The committee worked on the score sheet and the new one will be used. The entry fee will remain the same as previous years: \$15 pre-registration, \$18 day of entry, \$5 exhibition only. A list of all of the scores per judge will be posted to the entrants without the armband numbers. The pre-registration form will now only be requiring an owner's name and a check, the dogs' name won't be required at that time. Entrants are asked to download the form so additional postage costs will be eliminated. Bill Lee was contacted and accepted for the AKC judge, Robin Hug was contacted and accepted the 'other' judge assignment, and the 'breeder' judge is still undecided.

### Ways & Means –

Still need a chair for this position.

### Working Dog – Mary Lloyd

There has been minimal interest in another herding or agility seminar. There are 5 people who have expressed interest in tracking and Jane Reller took on that assignment of setting something up for us. She contacted CJ Evert and was given a contact that may be interested in putting on a seminar for us. Blue Springs does have an actual class on Saturdays, 10 weeks for \$150.

### Unfinished Business:

Bob Mast took a look at our Constitution and there are a number of changes that could be made besides the grammatical ones:

- Adding Rescue, agility etc. to the objectives

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## Membership Meeting Minutes

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- Inconsistencies to the Resignation/Lapsing section
- Inconsistencies to the Club Meeting section
- Add e-mail to the Club Meeting section
- Add Recording/Corresponding Secretary positions to the Officer
- Add 'For the Good of the Club' item to the order of business section to cover things that come up within the club
- Add the spending guidelines for committees to the Budget section

People are invited to give any/all suggestions to Bob, he will get everything pulled together and submit this to the Board, then a vote to be taken by the membership at a future meeting.

Discussion was made on the direction of the club:

Sammy Olympics

More support at the shows for one another's winning – good sportsmanship

Geriatric/retired dog day

Quarterly programs and inviting the rescue families

Casino trip

Carol Beatty made a **motion** that the goal for the year be to promote good sportsmanship.

**Motion passed**

Jan Cherne made a **motion** that the Geriatric Day be held on Sunday September 9th, location TBD. Main dish will be provided by the club, the membership will cover the rest by potluck. **Motion passed**

Obedience classes are on Thursday evenings, 7 pm at Morse Park

### New Business:

#### Barks –

Nancy Golden – Krystall's Takin' By Storm, Lilly, owned by Lori Wirth finished her championship at the Kalamazoo and Grand Rapid shows with back-to-back 5 pt majors. The next day she was awarded BOS at the Battlecreek KC and on June 9<sup>th</sup> received BOB

On June 15<sup>th</sup> CH Krystall's Desert Moon Cactus delivered 3 boys and 1 girl, sired by CH Cot'n Pic'n Shotavodka.

On June 11<sup>th</sup> CH Krystall's Snow Treasure delivered 5 boys and 3 girls also sired by CH Cot'n Pic'n Shotavodka.

Growl – Unfortunately 2 of Hadley's male puppies passed away late this week probably due to being premature.

Krystall's Halloween Package, Pumpkin, owned by Anne and Bill O'Neill and Nancy won WB at Central Wyoming KC.

White Hope's JP Norma from Denver, Norma, owned by Nobue Honda sired by CH Krystall's Blue Denim Jake BISS was WB at the Central Wyoming show and both days in Laramie. She then won a 4 pt major the following weekend at Evergreen KC.

Krystall's Splash Man, Splash, owned by Terry

Walb and Nancy was WD both days at the Colorado Springs KC.

Julie and Carol Beatty – Trilogy's Dixie Jewel (DJ) was Winners Bitch 2 of the 3 days at the Durango Kennel Club and won BOB over specials and a Group 4 on the final day of those shows. Then at the Flatirons Kennel Club show DJ won a 4 point major. At the Colorado Springs Kennel Club Saturday show, DJ won another 4 point major by going WB, BOW, and BOB from the classes.

Trilogy's Chain Reaction (Chase is co-owned by J & C Beatty with Deborah Spiller) was Winners Dog all 3 days of the Durango Kennel Club shows, winning BOS over specials on the final day. At the Laramie Wyoming Kennel Club shows, Chase was WD both days. At the Flatirons Kennel Club show Chase won a 3 point major.

Jan Cherne – Cloudnine's White Pharaoh, Ramses, completed his CD at the Flatirons KC in 3 consecutive shows. He got his 3<sup>rd</sup> leg with a 195.5 and 4<sup>th</sup> place. Ramses is owned by Charles and Nancy Kraus and Jan Cherne

Martha Lageschulte – CH Starquest's Celest'l Beginning, Cosmo, finished his CDX at the Colorado Springs KC.

**-Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Martha Lageschulte,  
Recording Secretary

## Do's and Don'ts of Exercising with a Dog

- Don't run with toy breeds or short-nosed dogs such as bulldogs, because they don't have a human's endurance.
- Don't run a dog on hot pavement. You're wearing shoes – the dog isn't. If the surface is too hot to put your hand on, it's too hot for the dog.
- Don't force the dog. If the dog is scared of traffic, or panics next to your bicycle, neither of you will enjoy the workout. Think of alternatives – running in a park or on side streets rather than on a busy street, for instance.
- Puppies shouldn't be taken for long runs because of the potential for damaging bones and joints that aren't fully formed yet. The larger the breed, the longer you should wait. Dogs of about 20 pounds can go running at eight to 10 months, while large breeds need to wait until at least 18 months.
- If the dog is overweight, is suspected of having heartworms or has any other health problems, check with a vet before beginning an exercise program.
- Always keep the dog's abilities and limits in mind. Set your pace to match what the dog can. Cut the workout short if the dog looks tired or stressed.
- Build the dog's endurance – and the calluses on its tender feet – gradually.
- If the dog flops down when you stop, or refuses to start up again, you're overdoing things.
- Watch for signs of overheating: redness on the insides of the ears, excessive panting, weakness, wobbling or fainting. Overheating can be fatal. Immediately immerse the dog in cool (not icy) water or spray it with a hose. When its body temperature begins to lower,

take to a vet. Use ice packs or wet towels to keep the dog cool in transit.

### Equipment

- Dogs don't sweat, so they can't cool themselves as efficiently as humans can. Carry water for the dog. Pet stores carry canteens, collapsible bowls and bottled-shaped bowls that snap onto a water bottle.
- For walkers and runners, there are belt-leash combinations that allow the hands-free use of a leash. A leash can also be clipped to a belt, fanny pack or belt loop – just make sure there's a quick way to detach it in an emergency.
- For bicyclists, there are products on the market that keep the dog close to the bike without pulling the rider off balance.

- via Dallas Morning News

## Treasury Information (as of 07/05/01)

### Income vs. Spending- General + Raffle - Budget Year 2001

Sub-category	General	Raffle	Total
<b>Income Categories</b>			
<b>Investment Income</b>			
Interest		3.14	3.14
Total Investment Income		3.14	3.14
<b>Local Specialty</b>			
Catalog	180.00		180.00
Change	-		-
Entry Fees	1,956.00		1,956.00
Judge's Fees	(560.00)		(560.00)
Judge's Gifts	(84.40)		(84.40)
Recording Fee	(94.50)		(94.50)
Rental & Cleanup Fees	(245.00)		(245.00)
Ribbons	(126.23)		(126.23)
Show Secretary Fees	(718.99)		(718.99)
Sweepstakes	(249.60)		(249.60)
Trophies	199.58		199.58
Total Local Specialty	256.86		256.86
<b>Membership</b>			
Dues	450.00		450.00
Total Membership	450.00		450.00
<b>Ways &amp; Means</b>			
Barks & Growls	34.00		34.00
DSAWear	34.00		34.00
Grocery Certificates	(1,292.00)		(1,292.00)
Raffle	-	(120.00)	(120.00)
Total Ways & Means	(1,224.00)	(120.00)	(1,344.00)
Total Income Categories	(517.14)	(116.86)	(634.00)
<b>Expense Categories</b>			
<b>Awards</b>			
Recognition	50.00		50.00
SCA Bulletin Ad		85.00	85.00
Total Awards	50.00	85.00	135.00
<b>Bank Charges</b>			
Cashier Check Charge		4.00	4.00
Service Charge	14.00		14.00
Total Bank Charges	14.00	4.00	18.00
<b>Breeder Show/Public Ed</b>			
Licenses/Membership Dues	25.50		25.50
Total Breeder Show/ P.E.	25.50		25.50
<b>Charitable Donations</b>	150.00		150.00
<b>Hospitality</b>			
Local Specialty	(13.85)		(13.85)
Total Hospitality	(13.85)		(13.85)
<b>Insurance</b>			
Liability	(109.00)		(109.00)
Total Insurance	(109.00)		(109.00)
<b>Library</b>			
Books/Video	10.00		10.00
Total Library	10.00		10.00
<b>Sam-O-Gram</b>			
Postage	68.00		68.00
Subscription	(25.00)		(25.00)
Total Sam-O-Gram	43.00		43.00
<b>Trophy Donations</b>	70.00		70.00
Total Expense Categories	239.65	89.00	328.65
<b>Grand Total</b>	(556.79)	(205.86)	(762.65)

### Income vs. Spending-Rescue + Raffle-Budget Year 2001

Sub-category	Raffle	Rescue	Total
<b>Income Categories</b>			
<b>Adoption Fee</b>		880.00	880.00
<b>Donation</b>		888.65	888.65
<b>Fundraiser</b>			
Calendar Sale		392.00	392.00
DSRWear		92.00	92.00
Note Cards		5.00	5.00
Raffle	142.00	-	142.00
Total Fundraiser	142.00	489.00	631.00
<b>Investment Income</b>			
Interest	3.13		3.13
Total Investment Income	3.13		3.13
<b>Placement Fee</b>		225.00	225.00
Total Income Categories	145.13	2,482.65	2,627.78
<b>Expense Categories</b>			
<b>Bank Charges</b>			
Service Charge		12.00	12.00
Total Bank Charges		12.00	12.00
<b>Boarding</b>		906.00	906.00
<b>Rescue Misc</b>			
Licenses/Membership		150.00	150.00
Phone Card		44.00	44.00
Total Rescue Misc		194.00	194.00
<b>Shelter Fees</b>		91.00	91.00
<b>Veterinary Services</b>			
Emergency Care		93.00	93.00
Neuter/Spay		848.08	848.08
Shots/Meds		379.41	379.41
Total Veterinary Services		1,320.49	1,320.49
Total Expense Categories		2,523.49	2,523.49
<b>Grand Total</b>	145.13	(40.84)	104.29

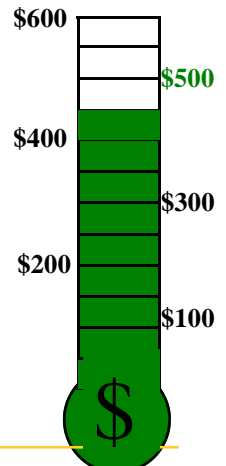
### Account Balances

Assets	Total
<b>Bank and Cash Accounts</b>	
General Fund	1,976.87
General Fund CD	2,507.34
Raffle Fund	437.01 (DSA 227.88 / DSR 209.13)
Rescue Fund	4,725.48
Rescue Fund CD	7,522.01
Total Bank and Cash Accounts	17,168.71
<b>Certificates</b>	
Grocery Certificates	1,775.00
3'C Gift Certificates	125.00
Total Certificates	1,900.00
<b>Total Assets</b>	19,068.71

### 2001 DSA Grocery Certificate Fundraiser Goal—\$500

Help us reach our goal by purchasing King Soopers & Safeway certificates!

Contact Thalia now to place your order!  
303-933-0392 or t\_peletis@msn.com



## Dry Eye: A Potentially Vision-Threatening Disease

By Susan M. Carastro, D.V.M.

A tear is the watery secretion that bathes and lubricates the surface of the eye. The cornea is the front, clear part of the eye that depends upon the tears to maintain its transparent nature. Tears bring nutrients to the cornea, remove waste material and flush away dirt and debris from the corneal surface. If tear production is inadequate, the eyes may become uncomfortable to your pet. The resultant cloudiness to the cornea will result in visual impairment and may ultimately cause blindness.



Tears are made up of three main components. The outer layer of tears is secreted by glands in the eyelid margins. This layer is made up of a fatty material that limits evaporation of the tears. The middle layer of the tears is the watery secretion that comprises the majority of the tears. The watery secretion of the tears (aqueous) is produced by two glands surrounding the eye. The lacrimal gland, located above the eye, produces 50%-70% of the aqueous secretion. The remaining 30%-50% is produced by the gland of the third eyelid, located beneath the eye. The inner layer of the tears is mucus, which adheres the aqueous and lipid portion of the tears to the corneal surface.

Tear production may be measured by performing a Schirmer tear test. This involves placing a specially prepared test strip next to the eye for one minute. The tears will wick onto the paper, and the length of strip showing absorption is measured in millimeters. Normal tear production is greater than 15 mm of moisture in one minute. If tearing is less than 5 mm per minute, this is diagnostic for dry eye. If tearing is 5-15 millimeters per minute, this is a suspicious area indicating early or subclinical dry eye.

Dry eye or keratoconjunctivitis sicca (KCS), is caused by an inadequate secretion of tears, specifically the aqueous portion of the tears. Problems you may note include yellow-green mucus from the eye that tends to have a thick and ropy consistency, redness to the white part of the eye, squinting, or cloudiness of the

cornea. Bacterial infections due to inadequate flushing of the surface of the eye, corneal ulcers (scratch on the eye), and corneal scarring are complications associated with dry eye.

Potential causes for dry eye include hereditary, immune-mediated, drug-induced, surgically induced, or chronic allergic eyelid disease. Other less common causes include the distemper virus, radiation therapy around the eye, aging, nerve palsy or trauma. Some breeds that are predisposed to dry eye include English Bulldogs, Lhasa Apso, West Highland Terrier, Cocker Spaniels, Schnauzers, and **Samoyeds**. Immune-mediated disease is one of the most common causes for dry eye in the dog. The animal's own immune system attacks the glands producing the tears. The resultant glandular inflammation causes a reduction in tear production. Drugs implicated in dry eye include some antibiotics (specifically sulfa drugs), Etogesic, and atropine. Surgically induced dry eye may be caused by the removal of the gland of the third eyelid. This gland may protrude from the inner corner of the eye, resulting

Some breeds that are predisposed to dry eye include... Samoyeds.

in a condition known as cherry eye. In the past, removal of the gland was considered the treatment of choice. It is now documented that removal of the gland will significantly increase the risk of an animal developing dry eye in the future, especially in breeds that are predisposed. Surgical replacement of the gland is the best option to limit the development of dry eye. Chronic allergies may result in inflammation of the eyelids and tissue around the eye, lowering tear production.

If a correctable cause for the dry eye can be identified, i.e., drug toxicity, immediate action should be taken to remove the offending agent. Topical eye medication is the mainstay of therapy for dogs with dry eye. Cyclosporin has been used topically. The response to this drug has revolutionized the approach to man-

aging dry eye cases. Cyclosporin will stimulate the lacrimal glands, increasing tear production in approximately 85% of cases. The response is better in dogs that have some remaining tear production. Dogs with tear production of less than 2 mm per minute seem to respond poorly. The response to Cyclosporin may take several weeks. Therefore, during the interim, frequent supplementation with artificial tears and topical antibiotics may be necessary for comfort, and to limit corneal scarring and control infection. If the eyes respond well to Cyclosporin, as evidenced by an increase in tear production, continued use of it is necessary to maintain tear production. If Cyclosporin therapy is discontinued, tear values will revert to the previous values. If there is no response to treatment within 8 weeks, there are few other proven medical avenues that have a significant effect on tear production. If the dry eye is threatening the vision or the eyes are painful, the only other alternative is surgery. The procedure involves transplanting one of the salivary ducts to empty on the eye. Although saliva is not exactly like tears, it is a good substitute. The surgical procedure performed is not a panacea, but will keep the eyes comfortable and limit the chances for blindness.



Dry eye is a potentially vision-threatening disease that, if identified and managed appropriately, generally can be controlled with medication. If you note any of the above-mentioned clinical signs in your pet, evaluation by your veterinarian should be considered for the health of your pet's eyes.

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-via *The Pet Tribune* April-May 2001 online issue

## Colorado Pet Legislation

The 2001 legislative session was very successful for Colorado's pets, with legislators voting favorably for the following bills:

**Senate Bill - 116:** Regulates veterinary medicine and continues the State Board of Veterinary Medicine until July 1, 2011. Amended to exempt veterinarians from liability for reporting suspected cases of animal abuse.

**Status:** Signed by the Governor on 4/30/01.

**Senate Bill - 131:** Allows animals held at animal shelters to become available for adoption sooner.

**Status:** Awaiting the Governor's signature.

**House Bill - 1069:** Requires a defendant charged with "animal fighting" to post bond for any animals that are placed in the custody of an animal shelter for safekeeping. Allows the court to order the forfeiture of the animal after the custodian's conviction.

**Status:** Signed by the Governor on 3/20/2001.

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## The Role of Nutrition in Cancer Therapies

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actually prevent the growth of some tumors as well as slow the onset of cachexia and metastasis, or the spread of cancer, while n-6 fatty acids are just the opposite. N-3s are a hot topic of research, and scientists are trying to decide how much n-3 is best. Some foods high in n-3 are cold-water fishes, flax oil and primrose oil; steak is high in n-6 fatty acids.

So, the guidelines for macronutrients are high fat, low amounts of high-quality protein, low-to-no carbs and certain amino acids. Then supplement with n-3s. You can construct a diet like this yourself or can buy one from Hills<sup>TM</sup> Nutrition called N/D. Dogs love N/D, but we call it the diarrhea diet for unfortunately all-too-obvious reasons. You'll want to change your dog's diet slowly.

Next, we move on to everyone's biggest concerns, the micronutrients. These are things like vitamins, minerals, garlic, tea, and shark cartilage. This is a poorly understood area, but it is growing in research due to the fact that much of the world claims success using such remedies. Studies using dogs are very hard to find; most of the useful data has been derived from rats or humans. If you are an American, please heed the following advice: more is not necessarily better (you do not need to overdo your vitamins).

Retinoids, beta carotene, and vitamins C, D, and E have all been popular at one time or another. Melanomas and squamous cell carcinomas in humans have responded to retinoids. Dogs with lymphoma of the skin and other benign skin tumors have been treated

successfully with retinoids as well. Vitamin C has been shown to mute the carcinogenic effects of nitrate-rich food and has also been shown to lower cancer resistance to some chemotherapy drugs. Vitamin E also helps with nitrate-rich foods and may protect against some malignancies. Studies at Harvard University show that vitamin E may help some oral tumors if injected directly into the tumor.

Minerals thought to have anti-cancer or cancer-fighting properties are selenium, zinc, copper, magnesium, calcium, potassium, iodine, lead, and germanium. Selenium and zinc are probably the two most popular, and they show promise for prostate and GI cancer. One study in rats held promise for mammary gland, colon, and stomach cancers.

Garlic is also a good thing, and not just for breads, sauces, and pizzas. Garlic appears to protect our DNA from oxidant damage. In a test tube garlic can slow the growth of cancer cells while leaving normal cells alone. Soy can keep cancer cachexia away by preserving fat stores and enhancing the effects of chemotherapy. Tea extracts, both green and black, are thought to have anti-cancer properties also; these extracts inhibit cancer-promoting agents, protect against oxidative damage and can make the antioxidants work better.

One disappointment out there is shark cartilage. There have not been any real studies, despite all the media hype, that shows this stuff works. I've been a victim myself and still have patients on the stuff because I don't see any harm, but the studies were stopped because of poor results. So let's stop the slaughter of innocent sharks, because it isn't doing us any

good.

As you can see, nutrition is important. I try to stress this to all my cancer patients. Feed N/D or an Atkins-type, high fat, low carb, good protein diet. Supplement with a high quality antioxidant vitamin (I use Cell Advance, which is made for dogs, from VetriScience. It's a little pricey but an excellent product and cheaper than individual vitamins), and add in n-3 fatty acids. A holistic veterinarian-friend of mine has me use shiitake mushroom extracts as well. Try some green tea extracts, too; they probably won't hurt anything. Last, follow the advice of your veterinarian and remember that nutrition is just one key to the puzzle; it does not replace the basic principles of cancer therapies but rather enhances them. It would be upsetting to know someone passed on a proven cure for lymphoma (for example) and opted instead to give a multivitamin!

**-Dr. Stephen M. Sheldon, D.V.M.** practices at and owns Hammocks Veterinary Hospital in Miami, Florida. A University of Florida graduate, he is President of the South Florida Veterinary Medical Association, and a member of the Veterinary Cancer Society. He can be reached at (305) 388-0880. Visit his website at <http://www.hammocksvet.com/>.

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## Colorado Pet Legislation

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**House Bill - 1337:** Creates a "Pet Overpopulation Authority" funded in part by voluntary contributions through a Colorado income tax check-off. Funds will be made available through grants to provide low to no cost spay/neuter of pet animals to under served areas of the state.

**Status:** Passed by the Legislature with amendments, and awaiting the Governor's signature.

I want to thank the following bill sponsors for their support: Representative Steve Johnson and Senator Mark Hillman for Senate Bill - 116, Representative Shawn Mitchell and Senator Deanna Hanna for Senate Bill - 131, Representa-

tative Joyce Lawrence and Senator Ken Gordan for House Bill - 1069 and Representative Ken Kester and Senator Deanna Hanna for House Bill - 1337.

Much of the success of this year's animal-friendly legislation was due to the involvement of animal lovers who took the time to call and make their opinions known to their legislators.

You can help make a difference, too, by contacting your representative, senator or the Governor to let them that you support future bills that positively impact the welfare of animals. You can find your representative and senator online at [vote-smart.org](http://vote-smart.org) and by entering your 9-digit zip code. If you don't know your full zip code, the site can provide you with that information, as well. You can check for current

animal-related legislation on our website at [www.ddfl.org](http://www.ddfl.org). The Humane Society of the United States ([www.husus.org](http://www.husus.org)) and Political Voice for Animals ([www.pva-colorado.org](http://www.pva-colorado.org)) publish at list of how legislators vote on animal issues.

Remember, you really can make a difference when you vote animal-friendly!

With much appreciation for your support,

Robert D. Rohde  
President

- via excerpt from *Denver Dumb Friends League - Pet Tales Newsletter* - Summer 2001

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

**Saturday, August 25, 2001**

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.

### Specialty B/OB Match

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

#### CONFORMATION

Judge: Sharen Hyde

#### 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: TBD

#### Classes:

Utility A  
Utility B  
Open A  
Open B  
Novice A  
Novice B

**Rosettes will be awarded Best of Breed, Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed and for High in Trial.**

For more information about the match, contact Martha Lageschulte Phone: 303-451-1737 E-Mail: starqst@earthlink.net

### Tournament

**Judges: Bill Lee (AKC), Cookie Hayden (Breed), Robin Hug (Exhibitor)**

#### Rules

- 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. Dogs / bitches less than 6 months old may be entered for exhibition only.
- Each dog / bitch will be scored against the Official AKC Samoyed Standard / SCA Illustrated Standard and will receive their score sheets at the end of the tournament.
- Three judges will individually judge and score the dogs; an AKC judge, a Samoyed breeder, and one other individual involved in exhibition of dogs. A joint decision for a winner and a reserve winner will be made.
- To provide visibility to the judge's scoring patterns, all scores will be posted, but they will not include the corresponding arm band numbers.
- The winner **must** be shown at the 2001 National Specialty in Denver, Colorado to receive the monetary award.
- The value of the award equals all monies taken in, minus expenses for hosting the tournament.
- If the winner is not shown at the National, but the reserve winner is, the reserve winner will receive the monetary award.
- Any dog / bitch that has won a previous DSA tournament is not eligible for competition.

#### Entry Form

Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Preregistration entry fee \$15.00 per dog. Day of show entry fee \$18.00 per dog. Exhibition only entry fee \$5.00 per dog.

# of Regular Entries: \_\_\_\_\_ # of Exhibition Only Entries \_\_\_\_\_ Total Entry fee(s)\* 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 2001 National Specialty in Denver, Colorado.  
If the winning dog/bitch is not shown, the award will be given to the reserve winner (if shown at the 2001 National).

Signature (required) \_\_\_\_\_

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

## 2001-2002 Schedule of Events

Date	Organization	Event	Location	Contact	Judge or More Info
<b>Jul 14</b>	Frontier Belgian Shepherd Dog	TDI-CGC Test (prereg.)	Longmont, CO	Sonja Ostrom	303-455-0023
<b>19</b>	<b>Samoyed Club of Houston</b>	<b>Specialty - Close 7/4</b>	<b>Houston, TX</b>	<b>Onofrio</b>	<b>Clayton Coady</b>
<b>20-22</b>	Houston KC Beaumont KC Galveston KC	Show - Close 7/4	Houston, TX	Onofrio	Donald Booxbaum Dorothy Nickels Jean Fournier
<b>22</b>	Collie Club of Colorado	Match - Reg. 8 AM	Morris Park	Gayle Stricklin	303-841-3510
<b>27</b>	<b>Grtr Milwaukee Samoyed</b>	<b>Specialty - Close 7/11</b>	<b>Waukesha, WI</b>	<b>MB-F</b>	<b>Jeanne Zuver</b>
<b>28-29</b>	Kettle Moraine Waukesha KC	Show - Close 7/11	Waukesha, WI	MB-F	Lesli R Valiunas Kathleen O Steen
<b>28-29</b>	C. Pruett-AKC Herding Judge	Herding Clinic - 2 days	CO	Lori Bashor	970-356-9407
<b>Aug 11-12</b>	Buckhorn Valley KC	Show - Close 7/25	Fort Collins, CO	Onofrio	Norton Moore Paula Nykiel
<b>12-17</b>	American Kennel Club	Seminar- AKC Judges Inst.	<b>CO</b>	Karen Reuter	919-854-0195
<b>17</b>	<b>Samoyed Club of WA</b>	<b>Specialty - Close 8/1</b>	<b>Enumclaw, WA</b>	<b>Brown</b>	<b>Gail Spieker</b>
<b>18-19</b>	Olympic KC	Show - Close 8/1	Enumclaw, WA	Brown	Sharon K Weston Albert Holabach
<b>18-19</b>	Greeley KC	Show - Close 8/1	Greeley, CO	Onofrio	William J Bailey Bruce Owen
<b>25</b>	<b>Denver Samoyed Association</b>	<b>Specialty Match &amp; Tournament</b>	<b>Sterne Park Littleton, CO</b>	<b>Martha L. Nancy G.</b>	<b>Sharen Hyde (SM-Conf) TBD</b>
<b>25</b>	Friends of Mals	Match - Reg 8 AM	ACC - Littleton, CO	Barbara White	303-688-6502
<b>26</b>	Plum Creek KC	Match - Reg 8 AM	Redstone Park	Marty Krenek	303-646-3094
<b>Sep 1-2</b>	Cheyenne KC	Show - Close 8/15	Cheyenne, WY	Onofrio	John D Lewington Madeline B Fish
<b>9</b>	<b>Denver Samoyed Association</b>	<b>Sammy Heritage Day</b>	<b>TBD</b>	<b>Jan Cherne</b>	<b>FUN EVENT!!!</b>
<b>14-16</b>	Wichita KC Hutchinson KC Salina KC	Show - Close 8/30	Salina, KS	Onofrio	Charles Whitney Betty R Leininger Jan Cowan Sigler
<b>15-16</b>	Bonneville Basin KC	Show - Close 8/29	Farmington, UT	Onofrio	Mabel S Gunville Michele L Billings
<b>15-16</b>	Prescott KC	Show - Close 8/29	Prescott, AZ	Onofrio	Richard Chashoudian Linda Riedel
<b>20</b>	<b>Metro Atlanta Samoyed Club</b>	<b>Specialty - Close 9/5</b>	<b>Atlanta, GA</b>	<b>Onofrio</b>	<b>William Hossler</b>
<b>22-23</b>	Atlanta KC Newman KC	Show - Close 9/5	Atlanta, GA	Onofrio	Ronald Menaker Nikki Riggsbee
<b>22-23</b>	Grand Valley KC	Show - Close 9/5	Grand Junction, CO	Onofrio	Beatrice Goodman Betty Leininger
<b>29-30</b>	Sunflower KC of Olathe, KS	Show - Close 9/12	Gardner, KS	Onofrio	Linda C Kruker Dody Froehlich
<b>30</b>	Mountain States Dog Training	Tracking - Close 9/12	Littleton, CO	Kae Eggert	N/A
<b>Oct 8-13</b>	<b>Samoyed Club of America</b>  Visit Web Site: <a href="http://www.samfans.org/sca2k1">www.samfans.org/sca2k1</a>	<b>Specialty - Close 9/19</b>	<b>Greenwood Village, CO Sheraton Hotel Arapahoe Road &amp; I - 25</b>	<b>Onofrio</b>  <b>Show Chairs: Bob and Debbi Sencenbaugh</b>	<b>Houston Clark (Breed) Pat Morehouse (Dogs) Dot Hodges (Bitches) Cheryl Wagner (Sweep) L. Chapek-Carlton (Fut) Nancy Pollack (Obed) B. Sencenbaugh (Wgt) D. Witherspoon (Herd) Cindy Macklin (Agility)</b>

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<b>Sep</b> 13-14	Pikes Peak Obedience Club	Obedience - Close 9/26	Pueblo, CO	C Pizzatola	Barbara & Carl Friedrich Shirlee Jacobson
13-14	Valencia Valley KC of NM	Show - Close 9/26	Los Lunas, NM	Onofrio	Clayton Coady Bruce Voran
13-14	Lawrence Jayhawk KC	Show - Close 9/26	Lawrence, KS	Onofrio	Jo Ann K Dutton Patricia Laurans
<b>Oct</b> 19-21	Rapid City KC	Show - Close 10/3	Rapid City, SD	Onofrio	Dr Glenn T Fancy Norman B Kenney Dany Canino
20-21	Kachina KC	Show -Close 10/3	Goodyear, AZ	Onofrio	Arlene Rubenstein Klaus Anselm
20-21	Chaparral KC	Show - Close 10/3	Alamogordo, NM	Onofrio	Robert Forsyth J Donald Jones
26	<b>Samoyed Club Of Austin</b>	<b>Specialty - Close 10/10</b>	<b>Austin, TX</b>	<b>D. Thurston</b>	<b>N/A</b>
27-28	Rocky Mtn Mastiffs Fanciers	Seminar-G Alston Handling	Littleton, CO	Rachel Diller	303-932-8694
28	Denver Foothills Tracking	Tracking - Close 10/10	Littleton, CO	Kae Eggert	N/A
<b>Nov</b> 11-12	Evergreen KC Flatirons KC	Show - Close 10/4	Longmont, CO	Onofrio	Harriet Campbell N/A
17	Mountain States Dog Training	Tracking Ex. - Close 10/31	Littleton, CO	Debbie Miller	N/A
17-19	Cornhusker KC Nebraska KC Council Bluffs KC	Show - Close 10/31	Lincoln, NE	Onofrio	Dr Robert J Berndt Kathy Wiley Mackai N/A
<b>Nov</b> 30 <b>Dec</b> 1-3	Yuma KC (2) Imperial KC (2)	Show - Close 11/14	Yuma, AZ	Bradshaw	Patrick Doniere Lowell Davis N/A N/A
<b>Dec</b> 1-2	Southern Colorado KC	Agility - Close 11/12	Pueblo, CO	Liz Williams	N/A
1-2	Southern Colorado KC	Show - Close 11/14	Pueblo, CO	Onofrio	Roy Stenmark Ronald Menaker
<b>Jan</b> 4 '02	<b>Samoyed Club of LA</b>	<b>Specialty - Close 12/19</b>	<b>Indio, CA</b>	<b>Bradshaw</b>	<b>N/A</b>
5-6	Kennel Club of Palm Springs	Show - Close 12/19	Indio, CA	Bradshaw	N/A
<b>Feb</b> 2-3	Hobbs KC	Show - Close 1/16	Hobbs, NM	Onofrio	N/A
3	<b>Grtr Milwaukee Samoyed</b>	<b>Specialty - Close 1/17</b>	<b>West Bend, WI</b>	<b>J Friederichs</b>	<b>Richard Lake</b>
11	Westminster KC	Show - Close 2/11	New York, NY	MB-F	Norman Kenney (Sams) Robert Stein (Working)
<b>Mar</b> 2-3	Superstition KC	Show - Close 2/13	Mesa, AZ	Bradshaw	N/A
24	Denver Foothills Tracking	Tracking Ex - Close 3/6	Littleton, CO	Patricia Pigeon	N/A
<b>Apr</b> (Pending)	<b>Denver Samoyed Association</b>	<b>Specialty - Close</b>	<b>Brighton, CO</b>	<b>Judges</b> (Pending)	<b>Darla Cassidy (Conf)</b> <b>Heidi Nieman (Sweeps)</b> <b>Brenda Valetta (Wk Sw)</b> <b>Nancy Pollack (Obed)</b>
<b>Oct</b> 5-6	Cornhusker KC	Show - Close 9/18	Lincoln, NE	Carolyn Bailey	N/A
17- 19	<b>Samoyed Club of America</b>	Specialty - Close	Carlisle, PA	Jim Rau	John Ronald Judy Mears Jean Fournier

### 2003 DSA Local Specialty

**Show Chairperson volunteer still needed! This is an AKC required event for OUR club to conduct.**

You'll only be missing out on one show, out of a 3-day show weekend!

Your fellow club members would sure appreciate it!

## Denver Samoyed Association

DSA members  
are committed to the  
protection and advancement  
of the Samoyed breed.



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### Jul 16, 2001 Meeting Reminder - 7:15 PM at Littleton Hospital - Conf. Rm. #4

- 2003 Local Specialty Show Chair volunteer is still needed.
- Submit your name if you wish to work on nominating committee and/or be considered for a 2002 DSA Officer or Board position.
- Submit your constitution changes to Bob Mast that you wish to be considered by the club. (See June Meeting minutes—Unfinished Business for ideas).

**Board meeting will follow regular meeting. All members are welcome to attend.**

- Select Nominating Committee for 2002 Officers and Board

## Denver Samoyed Rescue Report

no HOME, all ALONE      **June Placements = 3 ( 2 referrals )**

As of 07/03/01, we have the following Sammies available for adoption:

Male (Teddy Bear\*) 9 yr      House/Outdoor      Foster Home

Comments: 70#. Cute! Does well with other dogs and cats. Rides nicely in the car. Needs people attention, VERY focused on people! A home with few/no stairs is preferred. A real sweetheart!!

Why: Adams County shelter

Male (Spirit)      2.5 yr      House/Outdoor      Boarded

Comments: Average size. Very nice dog, in all aspects! Reserved personality. Responds to basic commands and his name. Shorter, plush coat. OK with female and some male dogs, not sure about cats.

Why: Owner surrender in Wyoming, abandoned

Male (Bayle)      5 yr      House/Outdoor      Boarded

Comments: 55#. Has been kept inside. OK with older kids, & female dogs. Not sure about cats. Has had formal obedience training.

Why: Owner surrender, new baby.

Male (Rocks)      8 yr      House/Outdoor      Boarded

Comments: #41. OK with kids, cats and other small animals. Does OK with female dogs. Very people oriented, a nice boy. Crate trained. Heavy coat, needs a bath. Demands attention. Is an escape artist.

Why: Owner surrender

Male (Stowe)      6 yr      House/Outdoor      Owner

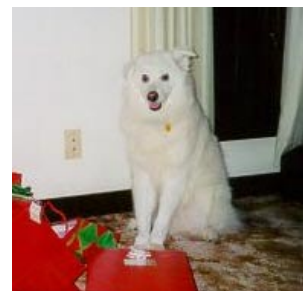
Comments: Sam mix. 41# Responds to basic commands. Medium activity level. OK with other dogs, and cats. Older children only. Loves to go for walks and will get his leash for you! Good watchdog.

Why: Owner surrender, family situation

If you know anyone who might be interested, please call the DSR hotline at 303-453-1360, or contact one of the Rescue committee members – **Deb Castro, Andi Mast, Jane Reller, or Sue Wangerin**. Thanks!



Teddy Bear\*



Stowe

\*Correction: Last month's issue rescue report showed a picture of a dog named Teddy and it should have been Teddy Bear.