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Who's Who

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Linda Kitzman	303-794-7136	Thalia Peletis	303-933-0392
Mary Lloyd	303-688-4684	Bob Sencenbaugh	303-774-8424

'00 Committee Chairpersons:

All Breed Match:	** Volunteer Needed **	
Awards:	Mary Lloyd	303-688-4684
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	Andi Mast	303-450-7712
Specialty Match:	Heidi Nieman	303-660-1472
Tournament:	Nancy Golden	303-838-5271
Ways & Means:	Denise Baugh	303-438-7235
Working Dog:	Michele Schmitt	303-770-2167

Newsletter Deadlines: Last Monday of the Month

Jan 31 [Feb issue]	Feb 28 [Mar issue]
Mar 27 [Apr issue]	Apr 26 [May issue]



Denver Samoyed Association, Inc.

Out For Blood

Out for Blood

Dealing with canine "roommates" who fight and would each other.

By Dr. Ian Dunbar

In the last issue, I limited my advice to cases where dogs that live together are fighting, but they don't do any real damage to each other. This month, I'll deal with an *entirely* different question.

If your dogs are fighting, and are causing severe damage to each other—or one dogs is causing severe damage to another—I'm sorry to say that you are dealing with the most difficult of all canine behavior problems, the one with the worst possible prognosis. Your options are extremely limited, because the treatment really should have happened when the dog was 4 1/2 months old, which is when dogs normally learn bite inhibition.

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Membership Meeting Minutes

12/20/99 - Membership Meeting Minutes

Carolyn Bateman Martha Lageschulte
Denise Baugh Tom Lisec
Steve Baugh Mary Lloyd
Carol Beatty Andi Mast
Julie Beatty Bob Mast
Jayne Clark Lorrie McAllister
Sterling Clark Thalia Peletis
Donna Dannen Bob Sencenbaugh
Kent Dannen Debbi Sencenbaugh
Linda Kitzman

11/15/99-meeting minutes accepted as written.

-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:

No report

-Treasurer's Report, Julie Beatty:

General Fund: \$5,289.90

Rescue Fund: \$9,546.49

Raffle Fund: \$364.60

King Soopers certificates available

-Committee Reports-

All Breed Match-No Chairman. Inactive Committee

Awards-Mary Lloyd

The Award Committee spent a total of \$118.21 for several types of awards.

12 engraved drop tags @ \$2.50 = \$30.00

188 letters engraved @ 0.10 = \$18.80

4 walnut appreciation plaques @\$16.00 = \$64.00

Colorado Sales Tax @ 4.80% = \$ 5.41

TOTAL \$118.21

Appreciation Awards went to:

- Bob and Deb Sencenbaugh
- Pam Hahler
- Dave Witherspoon
- Lorrie McAllister

For all there help in supporting, encouraging and providing expertise for our working dogs and their owners!

Drop tags went to:

Linda Kitzman,

Ch. Wintermist's Just Bearly

Julie and Carol Beatty and Michelle Heth,

Ch. Trilogy's Blame It On El Nino

Ch. Trilogy's Moonlight Magnolia

Janice Hovelmann and Carol Snow,

Ch. Sanorka's Xmas Carol Trilogy (breeder's tag)

Karen Anderson and Nancy Golden

Ch. Krystall's Desert Moon Cactus

Darlu Littledeer and Kent and Donna Dannen

Ch. Abakan Frontiersman WS

Colleen and Craig Groseth

Ch. Denkas High Trail Spice CD

Katherine Metter and Doris McLaughlin

Ch. Denkas Panda Bear

Barbara Arnest,

Ch. Mystical's O My Sweet Master CD

Bob and Debbi Sencenbaugh

Trailblazer's Rumor Has It WSX

Bob Sencenbaugh and Carolyn Bateman

Artic Mist's Forget Me Not WS

Kent and Donna Dannen

Ch. Tundra Winds Storm's A-Bruin WSXM

Breeder Referral -Martha Lageschulte

No report

Breeder's Showcase/Public Education -Jane Reller

No report

Cheer - Debbi Sencenbaugh

No report

DSA Liaison to SCA -Debbi Sencenbaugh

No report

Historian/Librarian -Mary Lloyd

Please make suggestions for new material for the library.

Hospitality - Denise Baugh

No report

Membership -Carolyn Bateman

No report

Local Specialty 2000 -Bob Sencenbaugh

No report

Local Specialty 2001 - Carol Beatty

No report

Program -Bob Sencenbaugh

No report. Need a program or ideas for programs.

Sam-O-Gram -Thalia Peletis

No report

Sammy Rescue -Deb Castro/Andi Mast

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

Remove from the list: Tonka, and Sam. Add "Rossco", 2 yo male, picked up from the Aurora shelter and "Sassy", 2 yo female.

-CLARIFICATION on the reported break down of proceeds to Denver Samoyed Rescue from the '99 National.

\$4167.08 was the TOTAL amount earned at the '99 National Rescue Booth. Of that grand total, \$1117.09 was distributed to Denver Samoyed Rescue.

-A year 2000 Raffle license has been issued to Denver Samoyed Association.

-PACFA (Pet Animal Care Facilities Act, Colorado Department of Agriculture) conducted a review of DSR records on 12/16/99. No violations were observed. Thanks to everyone for your support in 1999 and Best Wishes for Health and Happiness in the New Millennium!!!

Specialty Match -Heidi Nieman

No report

Tournament -Nancy Golden

No report

Ways & Means -Steve and Denise Baugh

No report

Working Dog -Michele Schmitt/Mary Lloyd

The following letter was submitted by Michele Schmitt, which accompanied a plaque of appreciation-

Dear working participants:

I would like to recognize your contributions to the Working Dog Program for the Denver Samoyed Association (DSA). Our goals support Samoyed Club of America's Working Dog Certificate Program by providing educational experiences for new and experienced owner to participate at working events. DSA's Working activities have been successful because of your help, support, and encouragement. Working together with the dogs to try Skijoring, Sledding, Herding, Weight Pulls, Parades using carts, plus programs about Pack Hiking, agility and skijoring.

The Working program is very rewarding, educational, lots of fun for the dogs and master while building bonds. Your

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SAM-O-GRAM

Membership Meeting Minutes

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encouragement to folks inexperienced in activities enjoyed by our Samoyeds is to be commended. Samoyeds care most about their master relationship and quality fun together. The Denver Samoyed Association Working Committee would like you to accept this plaque for being true to the Samoyed S.P.I.R.I.T. in our dogs and your contribution.

Sportsmanship

Samoyed smiles since it pays more and always plays fair.

Party

Samoyeds are born to party till the fur flies

Integrity

Samoyeds prerogative is to choose wise and well

Run

Samoyeds love to run for fun, recreation, and to explore.

Imagination

Samoyeds are creative and have another way, i.e. squirrels route

Team

Samoyeds love teamwork and play. Choosing to lead or

follow the way.

Thank you again for supporting DSA's Working program and sharing you Samoyed **S.P.I.R.I.T.**

Sammily,

Michele Schmitt
Working Chair
Denver Samoyed Association

-Old Business:
None.

-New Business

Debbi Sencenbaugh made the following **motion**- "The Denver Samoyed Association donate \$150 to the Nurses Education Fund in recognition of the 1999 conference room meeting space". **The motion was passed.**

-Barks and Growls:
None submitted.
- Meeting adjourned.

DSR Thank You to the Barnes & Noble Gift Wrappers

A very special thank you to all who gave of their time and wrapped gifts for donations at Barnes and Noble. Our wrappers this year included Carolyn Bateman, Deb Castro, Janet Cherne, Mary Lloyd, Bob and Andi Mast, Jane Reller, Liz Evans (owner of adopted Sams), Bobbie Wlodarek (owner of adopted Sams and foster home), and my husband Gene.

Although, we had a slow start with few donations we ended up earning \$339. Not only did we earn \$\$\$ for rescue, but it was great visiting with the Barnes & Noble customers, many of who truly understand and support our rescue efforts. Thanks guys, you did a terrific job!

- Sue Wangerin

1999 Attendance Report

1999 Total DSA Membership = 40 (2 members live out of state)													
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Total
Attendees	15	*	19	16	3**	10	8	12	9	17	9	19	118
% of Membership	38%	*	48%	40%	8%**	25%	20%	30%	23%	43%	23%	48%	27%
* = February meeting cancelled due to Local Specialty, ** = May meeting cancelled due to lack of attendance													

...compared to 1998 Attendance

1998 Total DSA Membership = 44 (4 members live out of state)													
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Total
Attendees	22	*	16	12	13	12	18	16	20	17	16	21	183
% of Membership	50%	*	36%	27%	30%	27%	41%	36%	45%	39%	36%	48%	38%
* = February meeting cancelled due to Local Specialty													

2000 DSA Local Specialty

The Denver Samoyed Association

presents its

8th Annual Specialty

Friday, February 18, 2000

One of the first Specialties of the new millennium!



Denver Samoyed Association, Inc.

Specialty Judges

Puppy Sweepstakes: Ms. Katherine Metter
Working Dog Sweepstakes: Mr. Kent Dannen
Conformation: Mr. Don Hodges
Obedience: Ms. Nancy Pollack

Specialty held in conjunction with the following All-Breed Shows

Plum Creek K.C.: 2/19/99 – F Schwartz
Colorado K.C.: 2/20/99 – J G Kay
 2/21/99 – D P Cline

Please mark your calendar and plan to attend this exciting 4-day show weekend!

- Great indoor show location: National Weekend Hall of Education at I-70 and Brighton Blvd, Denver, CO
- Easy access from Denver International Airport and many area motels/hotels
- Indoor grooming area w/ electrical hookups
- Ample parking with 4 day passes available
- Sled races & weight pull during the weekend

Premium List for DSA Specialty contact:

Show Secretary, Ms. Naomi Rigas

P.O. Box 578
 Hayden, CO 81639
 phone # (970) 276-3882 / fax # (970) 276-4285
 e-mail - ridona@cmn.net

Plum Creek & CKC Show Premium Lists contact:

Superintendent, Jack Onofrio

P.O. Box 25764
 Oklahoma City, OK 73125-0764
 Entries close February 2, 2000

Show Chairperson:

Bob Sencenbaugh
 P.O. Box 637
 Erie, CO 80516
 (303) 774-8824 strchysams@aol.com

Trophy Chairperson:

Linda Kitzman
 5829 West Fair Drive
 Littleton, CO 80123
 (303) 794-7136

Advertising Chairperson:

Julie Beatty
 P.O. Box 153
 Watkins, CO 80137-0154
 (303) 360-9782 trilogy@uswest.net

Volunteer to Help Make Our Specialty a Success!

We'll have sign up sheets at the next membership meeting to:

- Bring certain items for the Hospitality table
- Work the hospitality table for designated times
- Work the Ways & Means table and sell catalogs for certain times
- Help with setup. We'll need help getting and setting up table and chairs.

Specialty Catalog Advertisements

If you would like to place an ad in the Specialty Catalog, please contact **Julie Beatty** as soon as possible. She will provide pricing information.

Club Business Notices

DSA Club Membership Dues

are due by

January 17, 2000

**Family Membership - \$20.00
Individual Membership - \$15.00
Junior Membership - \$5.00**

Please submit dues to
Julie Beatty - D.S.A. Treasurer
P.O. Box 154
Watkins, CO 80137-0154

Make Checks Payable to: D.S.A.

March SCA Bulletin Ad for DSA Winners!

On 1/18/99 DSA accepted the following motion:

"Include in the March SCA Bulletin an advertisement to list the SCA + AKC awards/titles and National Specialty wins for the previous calendar year that club members have received in the previous calendar year. The advertisement will be placed each year and budgeted annually."

Andi Mast and Martha Lageschulte
have once again accepted the task of creating
this advertisement for DSA.
They will use the lists published in the October,
and November Sam-O-Gram issues as a basis
for this advertisement.

Please review these lists and submit any
additions or changes to Andi.
303-450-7712 or abyersaig@aol.com

1999 Committee Chairpersons

Committee reports are due by the
December '99 meeting.

Report should include the following:

- 1) Committee's Name and Year
- 2) Chairperson's Name
- 3) List of this year's accomplishments
- 4) Itemized report of income and expenses, if any.

2000 Committee Chairs

Unless the club is notified otherwise,
2000 chairpersons = 1999 chairpersons.

If you are interested in chairing or
assisting on a club committee,
please contact: Carol Beatty

Mark Your Calendar - Important Club Business Dates!

Date	Club Business
01/01/00	Fiscal year begins.
01/17/00	Elected Officers and Board of Directors take office.
	Membership Annual Dues are due.
	1999 Treasury Audit Report is due.
02/18/00	Participate, volunteer in the 2000 DSA Local Specialty!
03/20/00	Nominate 2002 Local Specialty Judges
04/17/00	Vote for 2002 Local Specialty Judges
	2000 Committee Chairperson's estimated annual budget reports are due.
07/31/00	Board's deadline to select Nominating Committee for 2001 Officers & Board of Directors.
08/06/00	Nominating Committee Chairperson's deadline to call committee meeting.
09/04/00	Corresponding Secretary's deadline to notify each nominee in writing.
11/20/00	Elections to be held for 2001 Officers and Board of Directors
11/30/00	Treasurer to send written statement of dues for 2001 to each member.
12/18/00	2000 Committee Chairperson's financial & activity reports are due.
12/31/00	Fiscal year ends.

Board Meetings will be held, following the membership meeting. All members are welcome to attend. Dates include: 01/17/00, 03/20/99, 05/15/00, 07/17/00, 09/18/00 and 11/20/99.

St. Patrick's Day Parade

Please Join Us!!!

Denver Samoyed Rescue has received an invitation to participate in the **St. Patrick's Day Parade** again this year. They will step off the morning of **Saturday March 11th**. The theme this year is Ireland: The Land of Legends. Denver has the second largest St. Patrick's Day parade in the U.S. with over 100,000 viewers on the streets, along with live television coverage in 13 states, so we have a **great opportunity** to show off our own Sammies and bring some attention to our rescue program. We will be inviting our rescue dogs to join us again this year. If you and/or your dogs would like to participate please contact Deb Castro on 303-220-7536 or Andi Mast on 303-450-7712. Please let one of us know by **February 29th** if you plan to participate.



P.S. We can still use your help even if you prefer not to bring your Sam!

DSR Alumni



This is a picture of "Nikki", proudly owned by Emily Fox.
She is a DSR alumni and was adopted (along with her Mother) in January 1996.
Nikki is 12 years old. (Her Mom, Carey Bear, is 13 and doing great as well.)

Check Out All These Sammies DSR Helped This Year!

<u>Adopt Date</u>	<u>Dog Name</u>	<u>Adopt Date</u>	<u>Dog Name</u>	<u>Year to Date Statistics</u>
01/06/99	Chinook	08/17/99	Caira	34 Samoyeds placed in 1999**
01/02/99	Klondike	09/04/99	Samantha	27 through DSR
01/23/99	Casper	11/02/99	Gusto	7 on DSR referral
03/13/99	Jessie	10/04/99	Sammy, #1	
03/27/99	Kona	10/25/99	Angel	As we move into 2000:
05/18/99	Rocks	10/11/99	Stanley Cup	5 currently in the DSR program
05/18/99	Rio	11/06/99	Sammy, #2	
12/07/99	Tonka	12/10/99	Samson	
04/18/99	Mandy	12/18/99	Rex	
06/05/99	Nikita			**Reason for the difference between
06/11/99	Tyson	<i>Referrals:</i>		this number and the "Year To Date"
06/09/99	Hurley	04/11/99	Sugarfoot	total (19) listed in the December Sam-
06/26/99	Sasha	04/09/99	Faith	O-Gram. The SOG total is based on
07/12/99	Rockie	05/28/99	Bear	the number of placements for a month
08/06/99	Baby	06/09/99	Hurley	AS OF the time the Home Alone report
08/06/99	Sassee	07/01/99	Tasha	is due to the Editor. That number does
10/20/99	Snowflake	07/11/99	Snowball	NOT include dogs placed in a given
10/04/99	Meagan	11/20/99	Nikki	month AFTER the report is submitted.

- submitted by Deb Castro

Out For Blood

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Short window of opportunity

Bite inhibition is without a doubt the single most important thing that dogs learn. It is even more important than learning to become socialized to people and other dogs, which is the second most important thing that young puppies should learn, generally before they are three months old and reinforced throughout their lives.

Bite inhibition is a learned response whereby the dog consciously and *strongly* inhibits the full force of his biting power. Most dogs display bite inhibition when they are playing together, *but also when they fight*: if a dog does not have bite inhibition, he could easily hurt or even kill another dog in a fight. You'll notice that even when most dogs fight, it looks and sounds perfectly awful, but neither dog walks away bloody. This is due to bite inhibition.

Dogs who are given the opportunity to be properly socialized by other dogs and people learn bite inhibition in the process of playing and roughhousing as puppies. When a puppy bites another dog in play, the other dog tends to either YELP! Loudly and/or leaps up and knocks the puppy over with a loud bark or growl; a bitten dog also tends to leave the game. This teaches the puppy that all the fun ends when he bites too hard.

By the way, this is the single most important reason that puppies should go to puppy class. If they are like most puppies, their veterinarian have suggested that they stay in social isolation from strange dogs for a month (giving their vaccinations time to establish protection from disease), and the puppy class is the best thing to get them play fighting and mouthing and biting each other again. Here they learn that gentle bites prolong the play session, and they're a lot of fun, and that hard bites stop the play session because the "bitee" wants some time out to lick its wounds.

People can use the same tack to teach their puppies bite inhibition. If a pup bites you too hard, yelp loudly and walk away from the puppy; it's a very effective method. What you *don't* want to do is to try to get the puppy to stop biting altogether. The *first* goal should be to teach the dog to inhibit the force of its bite, *then* reduce the frequency. If you teach the puppy never to put its jaws on you at all, when it *does* happen (say, an accident where the dog's paw gets stepped on), the dog will reach with an overstrong bite because it never learned that a softer bite will suffice.

The reason why bite inhibition is more important than socialization is because no matter how hard you try to socialize a dog to people or other dogs, there are going to be times when it is not sufficient. For example, someone shuts the dog's tail in the car door, or your socialized dog is attacked, very painfully, by another dog. In these incidents, your dog will normally respond by biting, whether it's out of provocation or self-defense. Whether or not your dog does damage is pretty much pre-ordained by the level of bite inhibition that was established before it was 4 1/2 months old.

Without a doubt, the dog's level of bite inhibition is the single most important prognostic factor which determines whether or not a fighting problem is easily resolved, or extremely difficult and potentially dangerous to even consider resolving. And a dog who has a record of attacking and actually hurting another dog clearly has a very low level of inhibition. It's really a

shame; his life is going to be much less pleasant than other dog's lives.

Put a muzzle on it

Bite inhibition *can* be taught to a dog later in life, but it's one of the most time-consuming, difficult, and potentially dangerous things to teach an adult dog. It is much easier to teach bite inhibition toward people, because it is very easy for a trainer to pad himself up in a full body suit with a Kevlar sleeve and let the dog mouth and bite him, in order to teach it that gentle bites are not appropriate. However, it is next to impossible, and certainly not fair, to do this with other dogs. Knowing that your dog mutilates other dogs, how can you set your dog up with another dog? You can't.

Basically, your options are limited to controlling the problem, using hefty amounts of common sense.

The first rule should be walk the dog on public property *only* when the dog is wearing a muzzle. It is just simply not fair to other dog owners to take an unmuzzled dog out knowing that it does not have sufficient bite inhibition to protect other dogs. I've heard people say, "Well, he does attack other dogs: I can control him." The fault with that line of thinking is that another dog might attack him, and get grievously injured, and I would consider that YOUR fault, even though the other dog started it. Dogs with good bite inhibition can get in scuffles and no harm is done. Of course, you'd hope that the owners of other dogs could control their dogs, but you can't count on it. Muzzle your dog when in public to protect all concerned.

Muzzle technology has improved quite a bit in recent years. I like the open-ended: several companies make very similar models. These are soft but strong fabric (usually nylon) muzzles that control the dog's biting, but are open in the very front to allow the dog to drink, lick his lips, and accept a treat. Since the goal is to train the dog to enjoy the company of other dogs, and to behave appropriately (sit, settle down, and be calm), wearing a muzzle that allows him to take treats (while keeping him from biting, of course) is critically important.

Learning to get along

You *can* live with these dogs permanently separated, juggling them around from room to room, but it's fairly difficult thing to do in most houses! But with the muzzle, you can now consider bringing the dogs together at times. However I would insist on muzzling both dogs; it's only fair. If you allow the good dog to bite your muzzled dog, you will only reinforce in his mind that the other dog should be bitten.

Now, with muzzled, you can start some very simple exercises to begin to condition the biting dog to begin associating the presence of the other dog with *good* things, not bad things. Put the (muzzled) biter on a leash, and sit down on the sofa, petting the dog. Have someone else enter the room with the other (also muzzled) dog, and then leave after a few moments. Have the other dog and person repeatedly enter and leave the room.

You are going to give the biting dog two types of feedback. When the other dog leaves, you totally ignore it. When the other dog comes in, you praise your dog and offer it pieces of kibble and maybe treats, even if he's growling and putting his hair up.

But wait, you say! Isn't that going to train the dog to growl and

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Out For Blood

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put its hair up? According to the laws of operant conditioning (the dog growls and it gets a treat), the growling is likely to increase in frequency. However, the growling doesn't exist on its own: the dog is growling for a reason. If you give the dog a piece of kibble when the other dog comes in, you are classically conditioning the dog to form a positive association with the other dog's entry and presence. Whenever you are training a dog in these two ways, the operant conditioning is temporary; the classical conditioning will win out. Eventually, the dog will form a positive association about the other dog, at which point he will cease to growl, because he has no reason to. So I wouldn't be too concerned with the fact that the dog is growling or has his hackles raised. The main thing you want the one dog to think is, "I don't particularly like that dog, but I love it when he comes into the room, because my owner talks to me, pets me, and gives me kibble."

For the next stop, do the same exercise, but with the positions reversed. The other dog is in the room, and you enter and exit with the biting dog, giving him treats when you enter the room, and ignoring him when you leave.

Do not punish

I should mention that the worst possible thing you can do—even if the dog growls or threatens the other dog—is to yank on the dog's leash or spank it or yell at it. *If you constantly reprimand the dog whenever another dog is present, you will*

reinforce you dog's negative feelings for other dog! Think about it! I suspect that this is 90 percent of the reason why dog fights because he meets another dog that he doesn't like. But then he quickly learns that when other dogs approach, his owner gets upset, sweats, her heart rate goes up, and she shouts and jerks the leash. So the dog learns to try to keep other dogs away. He sees another dog and he says, "Get away, get away, don't come close! My owner is unreliable around other dogs!"

I would like to add that in my video about training dogs that fight, at one point, I actually *do* raise my voice and reprimand a dog. This is one of those unfortunate things that can happen when you are trying to make a television program and working with two very difficult dogs and the producer is saying, "Hurry up and get something done!"

I fully regret departing from my usual training methods in order to accommodate the television crew; I would never do it again, no matter what the production crew wants. If they don't have the patience to wait around for the result, then they won't get it on film. •

Dr. Dunbar's newest instructional videos, "Dog Aggression: Biting," "Dog Aggression: Fighting," discuss all aspects of dealing with aggressive dogs.

- via *The Whole Dog Journal* September 1999

The Ten Commandments According To Your Dog



Thou shalt feed me today more than thou didst yesterday.

Thou shalt teach me with food - not big sticks and loud voices.

Thou shalt walk with me every day - despite thy favorite TV program.

Thou shall not buy furniture that I cannot sit on.

Thou shalt not pay attention to anyone else but me - lest I feel un-wanted.

Thou shalt love me to death - even when I bark all night.

Thou shalt not have a Cat with ATTITUDE and CLAWS.

Thou shalt not start the car until I am in it.

Thou shalt not hide the food.

Thou shalt obey the above without question lest I POOP on the neighbors lawn and promote community strife.

- Author Unknown

- Courtesy of Showdog Magazine

How to Photograph a Puppy

1. Remove film from box and load camera.
2. Remove film box from puppy's mouth and throw in trash.
3. Remove puppy from trash and brush coffee grounds from muzzle.
4. Choose a suitable background for photo.
5. Mount camera on tripod and focus.
6. Find puppy and take dirty sock from mouth.
7. Place puppy in pre-focused spot and return to camera.
8. Forget about spot and crawl after puppy on knees.
9. Focus with one hand and fend off puppy with other hand.
10. Get tissue and clean nose print from lens.
11. Take flash cube from puppy's mouth and throw in trash.

12. Put cat outside and put peroxide on the scratch on puppy's nose.

13. Put magazines back on coffee table.

14. Try to get puppy's attention by squeaking toy over your head.

15. Replace your glasses and check camera for damage.

16. Jump up in time to grab puppy by scruff of neck and say, "No, outside! No, outside!"

17. Clean up mess.

18. Fix a drink.

19. Sit back in Lazy Boy with drink and resolve to teach puppy "sit" and "stay" the first thing in the morning.



A Dog's New Year's Resolutions

By Sari B. Tietjen & Jill Wilhelm

I will . . .

- . . . refrain from chewing on the coffee table no matter how delicious it might taste.
- . . . treat the food on the kitchen counter as if it belongs to my humans.
- . . . just quietly listen when I hear a dog or a doorbell on TV.
- . . . brush my hair before rubbing against my humans' black wool suits.
- . . . wait and let others go out the door ahead of me.
- . . . lie quietly when someone comes to visit.
- . . . clean my paws and face before claiming the bed pillows.
- . . . keep my long tail away from table tops.
- . . . treat the water bowl as a drinking dish and not a splashing pool.
- . . . stay away from the toilet bowl.
- . . . wait until I dry when coming in out of the rain and not "shower" my humans.
- . . . resist the strong urge to roll in dead "stuff".
- . . . wait until my humans open at least one eye before jumping on them as they lie in bed.
- . . . put my bones and toys in my own bed instead of hiding them in the sofa or my humans' bed.
- . . . just chew on my own toys and not my humans' expensive shoes.
- . . . be quiet between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 10:00 a.m.
- . . . wait until that warm pile of clothes that just came out of the dryer cools down before lying on them.
- . . . eat all my dog food instead of just the choice bits and pieces.
- . . . stay out of the garbage.
- . . . wipe my dirty paws before coming in the house.
- . . . stay off the good sofa.
- . . . keep my toys from going under the sofa, bed and refrigerator.
- . . . keep the nose prints off the windows.
- . . . stay out of the cat's food and litter box.
- . . . curl up on my own bed instead of the more comfortable human bed
- . . . resist being the first one out the car window to grab the bag of hamburgers from the McDonald's lady.
- . . . look like I really enjoy being "coochie-cooed" by a stranger.
- . . . come immediately when called rather than when I feel like it.
- . . . AND BE THANKFUL EVERY MINUTE OF EVERY DAY THAT I AM LOVED, CHERISHED AND ADMIRER BY MY HUMANS. . . RESOLUTIONS ASIDE, I KNOW THAT I AM THE LUCKIEST DOG IN THE WORLD. . . .



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2000 - 2001 Schedule of Events

Date	Organization	Event	Location	Contact	Conf. Judge (if Show)
Jan 15-16 2000	Platte Valley KC	Show - Close 12/29	Fremont, NE	Onofrio	A J Wanner E Pimlott
22	Samoyed Club of Los Angeles	Show - Close 1/5	Ventura, CA	Bradshaw	L A Williams R Gates (Obed)
Feb 5	Samoyed A. of Madison	Specialty – Close 1/19	West Bend, WI	Jones	J A Reeve-Newson
6	Greater Milwaukee Samoyed Fanciers	Specialty - Close 1/19	West Bend, WI	Jones	J Ronald C M Pischke (Obed)
5-6	Hobbs New Mexico KC	Show – Close 1/19	Hobbs, NM	Onofrio	A Davis R R Hartinger
18	Denver Samoyed Association	Specialty - Close 2/2	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)
19	Plum Creek KC	Show – Close 2/2	Denver, CO	Onofrio	F W Schwartz
20-21	Colorado KC	Show – Close 2/2	Denver, CO	Onofrio	J G Kay D P Cline
14	Westminster KC	Show – Close 12/15	New York, NY		J R Cole
Mar 3-4	Superstition KC	Show - Close 2/16	Mesa, AZ	Bradshaw	G J Heitzman C P Herendeen
4-5	Garden City KC	Show – Close 2/16	Garden City, KS	Onofrio	R M Chashoudian H Clark
17	Samoyed Club of Houston	Specialty - Close 3/1	Houston, TX	Newport	B L Krause
18-19	Houston KC Galveston KC	Show - Close 3/1	Houston, TX	Newport	J Rappolo P A Baynes
23	Samoyed Club Central AZ	Specialty - Close 3/8	Scottsdale, AZ	Wilson	R D Smith
24-25	Scottsdale Dog Fanciers	Show - Close 3/8	Scottsdale, AZ	Bradshaw	L K Davis D Mounce
25-27	Texas KC Fort Worth KC Trinity Valley KC	Show - Close 3/8	Fort Worth, TX	Onofrio	A W Krause R Tessendorf B Captstick
26-27	Tucson KC Canada Del Oro KC	Show - Close 3/8	Tucson, AZ	Bradshaw	K Kanzler C M Barton
Apr 1-2	Scottsbluff KC	Show - Close 3/15	Scottsbluff, NE	Onofrio	A Cooper B D Alderman
1-2	Claremore KC	Show - Close 3/15	Claremore, OK	Onofrio	B M LaHam Q N LaHam
7-9	Salina KC Wichita KC Hutchinson KC	Show - Close 3/22	Valley Center, KS	Onofrio	N/A A Addicott R D Smith
14-16	Town & Country KC Oklahoma City KC Mid-continent KC of Tulsa	Show - Close 3/29	Purcell, OK	Onofrio	K McFarlane D Kodner R F Fetzer
14-15	Rio Pecos KC	Show - Close 3/29	Roswell, NM	Onofrio	V S Boutwell L K Davis
16	Metro Atlanta Samoyed	Specialty – Close 3/29	Atlanta, GA	MB-F	N/A
20-23	Mesilla Valley KC El Paso KC Mesilla Valley KC El Paso KC	Show - Close 4/5	Las Cruces, NM	Onofrio	H L James K Kahn B F Heller M K Bryant

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Apr 21	Heart of America Samoyed	Specialty - Close 3/31	Topeka, KS	Thaylia Smith	W P Shelton
22	Potomac Valley KC	Specialty - Close 4/5	Leesburg, VA	MB-F	N/A
22-23	Manhattan Kansas KC Topeka KC	Show - Close 4/5	Topeka, KS	Onofrio	N/A
29-30	Seward County KC	Show - Close 4/12	Seward, NE	Onofrio	N/A
May 6-7	Cornhusker KC Grand Island KC	Show - Close 4/19	Lincoln, NE	Onofrio	N/A C G Leipmann
6-7	Mid-del-tinker KC Canadian Valley KC	Show - Close 4/19	Oklahoma City, OK	Onofrio	J Roppolo N/A
7	Greater Sierra Vista KC	Show - Close 4/19	Sierra Vista, AZ	Onofrio	N/A
12	Sam. Assoc. Minn-St.Paul	Specialty - Close 4/26	Brooklyn Park, MN	D. Sawdey	N/A
13-14	Greater Emporia KC	Show - Close 4/26	Emporia, KS	Onofrio	N/A
13-15	Sangre De Cristo KC Rio Grande KC Chaparral KC	Show - Close 4/26	Albuquerque, NM	Onofrio	N/A
19	Samoyed Club of San Diego	Specialty - Close 5/2	Rancho Santa Fe, CA	Simmons	C Bell
20-21	Council Bluffs KC Nebraska KC	Show - Close 5/3	Omaha, NE	Onofrio	N/A
20-21	Mount Ogden KC	Show - Close 5/3	Mount Ogden, UT	Onofrio	N/A E Pimlott
26-27	Central Wyoming KC	Show - Close 5/10	Casper, WY	Onofrio	K Kahn R R Hartinger
27	Greater Pittsburgh Sam.	Specialty - Close 5/27	New Castle, PA	MB-F	N/A
28-29	Laramie KC	Show - Close 5/10	Laramie, WY	Onofrio	N/A
Jun 2	Willamette Valley Sam. F.	Specialty - Close 5/17	Vancouver, WA	Jane Garvin	N Liebes
3-4	Vancouver KC	Show - Close 5/17	Vancouver, WA	Onofrio	N/A
3	Flatirons KC	Show - Close 5/17	Longmont, CO	Onofrio	N/A
9	No. California Sam. F.	Specialty - Close 5/10	Martinez, CA	D Bechman	Janet Cherne
17	Chicagoland Samoyed	Specialty - Close 5/31	Grayslake, IL	A. Rhodie	L Steele
Jul 1-2	Terry-All KC	Show - Close 6/14	Brighton, CO	Onofrio	M K Bryant J Mielke
Aug 18	Samoyed Club of WA	Specialty - Close 8/2	Enumclaw, WA	Brown	N/A
Oct 14	Lawrence Jayhawk KC	Show - Close 9/27	Lawrence, KS	Onofrio	H Williams C Meyer
Sep 26-30	Samoyed Club of America	Specialty - Close	Frederick, MA	Jim Rau	J Nonhof (Intersex) L Blue (Dogs) K McFarlane (Bitches) P Hastings (Sweeps) A Cooper (Futurity) B Huffman (Obed) S Mesa (Herdng)
Feb 2001	Denver Samoyed Association	Specialty - Close	Denver, CO		B Linnenger J Beatty (Sweepstakes) L McClellan (Work Sw) J J Ham (Obedience)



Good Luck at all the upcoming shows!

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January 17, 2000 Meeting Reminder: Littleton Hospital - 7:15 PM

- **2000 Membership Dues are due. Please submit to Julie Beatty.**
- 1999 Committee Reports are due. Please submit to Carol.
- Committee Chairperson sign up sheet will be available at the meeting.
- **Board Meeting will following membership meeting.**
 - Please bring the Club Officer & Board Member Notebook to the meeting.
 - Discuss 2002 regional specialty show schedule (continue with separate show with Feb. CKC/PCKC shows, move it with the Nov. Longmont shows, or change to supported entry type of show).



Denver Samoyed Rescue Report

no HOME, all ALONE **December Placements: 3 (0 referrals)** **Year to Date Total: 22****

As of 1/03/00, we have the following Sammies available for adoption:

Female (Tabitha) 2 yo. 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. Needs a consistent leader.

Why: Colorado Spring shelter, L&F.

Male (Teddy) 7 yr. House/Outdoor Foster Home

Comments: Cute! 50# Does well with other dogs and cats. Has been shaved. Rides nicely in the car. Needs some people attention. VERY focused on people! A home with few stairs is preferred.

Why: Adams County shelter.

Male (Bisket) 11 yo Indoor/Outdoor Owner

Female (Trisket) 11 yo Indoor/Outdoor Owner

Comments: 70#(F), 80#(M) Leash trained; formal obedience training. Medium to low activity level. OK with older children, and other female dogs. Not sure about cats.

Why: Owner will be traveling a lot and doesn't want them kenneled all the time.

Male (Rossco) 2 yo ?House/Outdoor? Boarded

Comments: 74# Most likely a mix. Very sweet and starved for attention. Shorter coat. OK with most other dogs, not sure about cats. Crate trained. No leash training. 6' fence required – escape artist.

Why: Aurora shelter.

The following Samoyeds are available at area shelters: None at the moment.

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

**** See page 6 for a full listing of Sammies rescued this year!**