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The World of Agility

Running a dog in an agility trial is the ultimate game for you and your dog and is one of the most exciting canine sports for spectators. In an agility trial, a dog demonstrates its agile nature and versatility by following cues from the handler through a timed obstacle course of jumps, tunnels, weave poles, and other objects. It's an activity that strengthens the bond between dog and handler and provides fun and exercise for both, which might explain why it's so enjoyable to watch and has become the fastest growing dog sport in the U.S.!

Agility trials are one of the many types of American Kennel Club events in which AKC-registered dogs can compete. These events, which draw nearly two million entries annually, include conformation dog shows, agility trials, obedience trials, field tests, lure coursing, hunting tests, herding tests, tracking, and coonhound and earthdog events.

Types of Agility Trials

All-breed agility trials offer competitions for more than 150 breeds and varieties of dogs recognized by the AKC. This is the most common type of trial offered.

Specialty trials are restricted to dogs of a specific breed or to varieties of one breed. For example, the Flat-Coated Retriever Club of America Specialty is for Flat-Coated Retrievers only, but the Poodle Club of America's specialty agility trial could include the three varieties of the Poodle: Standard, Miniature, and Toy.

Am I Eligible?

To be eligible to compete in agility trials, a dog must be:

- Registered with the American Kennel Club or listed with the AKC Indefinite Listing Privilege (ILP) program, which allows unregistered dogs of registerable breeds to compete in AKC Performance and Companion Events
- One year of age or older

Spayed or neutered dogs are eligible to compete.

The Role of the Judge

Agility judges are responsible for the proper setting of the agility courses at the trials they judge. All courses are different for every trial and they must meet certain guideline standards established by the AKC, to ensure safety and consistency throughout the country.

Judges meet with the exhibitors prior to competition at each trial to summarize the class rules. During this 'briefing', the judge also announces the expected time for dogs to complete the course, called the Standard Course Time. Dogs that exceed the expected Standard Course Time receive time faults.

The judge is on the course during the exhibition of the dog to determine any errors, or 'faults', the handler or dog may commit. The judge then signals those faults to a 'scribe', who records all signals from the judge. The faults are recorded on the dog's score sheet to determine qualifying scores. At the end of

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Special points of interest:

- * **Voting for Specialty Judges to take place at May meeting. See page 12 for nominees.**
- * **'A Sammies Day in Harness' is a Success. See Page 6.**
- * **Club goal will be voted on in May meeting. Help decide the direction of your club!**

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Membership Meeting Minutes

04/18/2005 - Membership Meeting

Present: Lori Elvera, Julie Morris, Jane Reller, Michele Schmitt, Sue Wangerin, Terry Walb, Sally Wheeler

Guests: Steve Wheeler

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Julie Morris.

Correction to minutes

In the judge candidates for Regional specialty 2006 under working sweeps the name should read Pam Dunn not Pam Davies.

President's Report: Julie Morris:

This is a voting meeting and since we are short two members for a quorum we will be voting in May.

There has been feedback from some members that meetings are going a little long so Julie will be working hard to keep us on track.

We need to start thinking about a club goal, which will be voted on in May.

Committee budgets were due in April.

Secretary's Report Terry Walb: No Report

Corresponding Secretary's Report Jane Reller:

The following correspondence was received.

- A receipt from AKC for the measuring wicket
- A thank you note from Peak to Peak for our seed money donation.
- A thank you note from Jim Cheskawich for our \$100.00 donation to the SCA Foundation in the names of Karen and Bob McFarlane for the Sammy leash holders and wait/go paddles.

Treasurer's Report Thalia Peletis:

- As of 04/18/05 our General Fund has \$3,939.20, and our Rescue Fund has \$12,578.33.
- Our 2005 profit so far on grocery certificate sales is: \$804.00

Committee Reports-

Agility – Jane Reller

- We purchased the measuring device through AKC for \$150.00 rather than purchasing one new, which saved us \$100.00.
- We have a contract with Jeffco, Helen Hittesdorf (show secretary) and the judge. Thalia is getting a check to Jane to send in the application with AKC.
- Jane has contacted several different people regarding equipment rental, but does not have all the information back.

Awards – Mary Lloyd:

- No report

Breeder Referral – Martha Lageschulte:

- No report. Continue to let Martha know about puppies.

Cheer - Terry Walb

The following cards were sent to:

- Martha and Jim Lageschulte for their loss of Nike, CH Starquest's Just Do It CD, HCT
- Paul Hulbert and Marne Grube for Salish's Diamonds in the Sky, Lacey, for earning both of her HIC legs at the herding clinic. By earning these legs she also earned her WSX.

Please let Terry know of anyone who should be sent cards.

DSA Liaison to SCA- Andi Mast: No Report.

Designated Specialty 2005 – Thalia Peletis:

- No report

Historian/Librarian – Tom Lisec:

- No Report. Please contact Tom if anyone would like to borrow something from the library.

Hospitality – Lori Elvera:

- No Report.

Membership - Martha Lageschulte:

- No Report.

Programs – Mary Lloyd/Tom Lisec

- No Report.

Public Education – Jane Reller:

- Nothing is on the schedule for right now.

Sam-O-Gram/Web Site – Thalia Peletis:

- No Report.

Sammy Rescue – Andi Mast

- Jane Reller - We adopted two dogs out last week, which we received from Texas. We do not have any dogs in the kennel.

Specialty Match 2005– Kathy Metter

- No Report.

Ways & Means – Lori Elvera:

- No Report.

Working Dog – Mary Lloyd/Lori Elvera.

- No Report.

'05 Local Specialty – Terry Walb.

- Helen is working on the premium list. Mary is working on getting the BBQ together and we will be adding it to the premium list hoping to get the information out to everyone.
- Martha did a great job of putting an ad together for the bulletin but there is concern that it will not come out in time for the specialty. A decision was made to look at alternative sources of advertising. Suggestions were made to send a flyer to the other clubs, look at advertising in the Samoyed Quarterly, and to put a notice

out on the Show Sams list serve.

- We will be charged an additional \$1.50 per dog by Island Grove so I have increased the entry fees by that amount.
- A suggestion was made that we consider moving the specialty inside. The reason for the request is that last year it was very hot outside and our grooming space was inside very close to the ring. Those people showing puppies had to trek their puppies outside to the ring. Moving inside would also save on us having to do our own ring setup and move the ring equipment a significant distance and eliminate the need to set up canopies. We could probably arrange to have pictures taken outside, if this is an issue.
- An advertisement for the agility trial will be placed in the catalog
- I would like to start a tradition of placing a picture of the previous year's BOB winner in the catalog with the list of previous winners. Lori suggested that we call it a Remember When as opposed to an ad.
- I am also putting together a CD with the organizational information on it, so that each year the new chairperson has access to the amount of each of the items we reserved for the show this year.
- Anyone wishing to make a trophy donation please contact Jan and also please think about if you would like to place an ad in the catalog

Unfinished Business:

- Michele Schmitt – Ken Granacki needs to be added to the list of judge candidates for the puppy and veteran sweeps.
- Jane Reller has been contacted by CKC requesting that DSA work their agility trial in August. We are still waiting for information on the number of workers needed as well as proposed payment.
- Anyone who has not submitted their committee budgets needs to get them to Julie ASAP so that she can get board approval.

New Business:

- Lori Elvera – Harness Day is scheduled for this Sunday, April 24, 2005. Only two individuals have contacted Lori so far. If there is no increased interest by Thursday it will be postponed, so let others who are interested know to contact Lori.

Barks and Growls:

- Terry Walb – On Saturday at the Mile High Golden Retriever Club Agility Trial, Mattie, CH Cloudnine's No Matter What NA, NAJ, HIC TD earned her first Open standard leg with a clean run and a score of 100. Then on Sunday she earned her first Open JWW leg with another clean run and score of 100, then also earned her second Open Std leg with a score of 85.

- Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.

The World of Agility

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each class, the judge checks the scribe sheets and then awards first through fourth place and gives a ribbon to each dog receiving an award.

How an Agility Trial Works

Once the judge has set up the course and determined the sequence of obstacles, handlers are allowed a 'walk through', which is done as a group, without the dogs. Handlers follow the numbers set at each obstacle to become familiar with the course. Most handlers walk the course as many times as they can in the time allotted, to plan their handling strategy. Exhibitors may even gather in a small groups to discuss potential challenges on the course and how best to handle them.

The handler and dog team runs the course individually, off-leash. The 'timer' tells the handler when he or she may begin, starting a stopwatch as soon as any part of the dog crosses the start line and stops the clock when any part of the dog crosses the finish line. As each dog runs, the judge indicates the faults, if any, that the dog commits. These faults are recorded by a scribe on a score sheet for that individual dog. The dog's time is also placed on the scribe sheet. This information is then given to a scorekeeper, who calculates the qualifying performances and top placements of each team.

Two Types of Classes

There are two types of classes offered at an agility trial: Standard and Jumpers with Weaves. The Standard class has contact obstacles, which have yellow 'contact zones' at each end. Contact obstacles include A-frame, dog walk, and seesaw. The dog must place at least one paw in the contact zone in order not to receive a fault. This encourages safety in training and in running the course. Standard class also has a variety of jumps, weave poles, pause table, tunnels, a tire, and a closed chute.

The Jumpers with Weaves class does not have contact obstacles or a pause table to slow the team's forward momentum. This is a very fast course requiring instant decisions by the handler and close attention from the dog.

Levels of Competition

There are three different levels of competition in agility:

NOVICE – for the dog that is just starting in agility. There are 13-15 obstacles on this course. The focus of the Novice class is on performing the obstacles with minimal handling technique.

OPEN – for the dog that has completed the Novice level. There are 16-18 obstacles on this course. The focus of the open class is on more difficult obstacle course performance with more handling skill required.

EXCELLENT – for the dog that has completed the open level. There are 18-20 obstacles on his course. The focus of the Excellent A & B class is to provide the opportunity for dogs and handlers to demonstrate their superior skills in moving quickly and efficiently with close communication and teamwork through challenging agility courses. The Excellent B level is the class where handler-dog teams can earn the title, Master Agility Champion (MACH).

How Faults are Given

Agility is a time and fault sport where the qualifying requirements are more challenging as the competition class levels get higher. There are two types of faults: time and penalty. Time faults are given for every second a dog goes over the Standard Course Time.

Novice	= 1 point
Open	= 2 points
Excellent	= 3 points

Below are examples of Penalty Faults or Failures that a judge may assess a handler and dog:

- Taking an obstacle out of sequence
- Missing a contact zone
- Displacing a bar or panel on a jump
- Jumping off the pause table before the judge is through counting
- Running around or refusing the next obstacle
- Exceeding the amount of time set by the judge for running the course
- Touching either the dog or any obstacle by the handler while running the course
- Outside assistance may be penalized
- Handler failure to control the dog may be penalized

A perfect score in any class at any level is 100.

Jump Heights

The classes are divided by jump heights in order to make the competition equal between the different size of dogs.

8"-Class – dogs up to 10" at the shoulder

12"-Class – dogs over 10" and up to 14" at the shoulder

16"-Class – dogs over 14" and up to 18" at the shoulder

20"-Class – dogs over 18" and up to 22" at the shoulder

24"-Class – dogs over 22" at the shoulder

A dog may jump in a jump height class higher than his/her shoulder measurement, but never lower.

PREFERRED CLASS – This class affords an opportunity for a greater variety of dogs, and their handlers, to participate in the sport of agility. Handlers have the option to enter the Preferred classes with modified standards of lower jump heights and more generous course times.

4"-Class – for 8-inch jumping dogs

8"-Class – for 12-inch jumping dogs

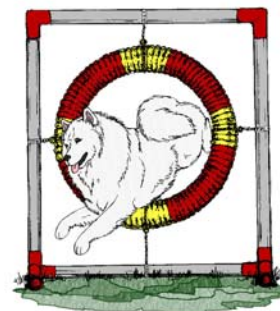
12"-Class – for 16-inch jumping dogs

16"-Class – for 20-inch jumping dogs

20"-Class – for 24-inch jumping dogs

Obstacles

- Dog Walk
- A-Frame
- Seesaw
- Pause Table
- Weave Poles–6 for Novice and up to 12 for Open/Excellent
- Open Tunnel
- Closed Tunnel
- Bar Jump
- Double Bar Jump
- Panel Jump
- Tire Jump
- Broad Jump
- Triple Bar Jump
- One Bar Jumps



Award placement rosettes or ribbons are the same in all levels of classes.

First Place - Blue

Second Place - Red

Third Place - Yellow

Fourth Place - White

All dogs that have received a qualifying score in their class receive a green ribbon to indicate that they have earned a 'leg', or qualifying score, toward their title. The titles awarded are as follows:

Novice Agility (NA) or Novice Jumpers with Weaves (NAJ)

Open Agility (OA) or Open Jumpers with Weaves (OAJ)

Excellent A Agility (AX) or Excellent A Jumpers with Weaves (AXJ)

Excellent B Agility (MX) or Excellent B Jumpers with Weaves (MXJ)

Excellent B would also produce the title Master Agility Champion (MACH) (*Requirements are 20 Double Qualifying Scores and 750 speed points*)

Novice Agility Preferred (NAP) or Novice Jumpers with Weaves Preferred (NJP)

Open Agility Preferred (OAP) or Open Jumpers with Weaves Preferred (OJP)

Excellent A Agility Preferred (AXP) or Excellent Jumpers with Weaves Preferred (AJP)

Excellent B Agility Preferred (MXP) or Excellent Jumpers with Weaves Preferred (MJP)

Agility Terms

Course Design – Judge has previously designed the course that is run by the dog and

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Specialty Match



Denver Samoyed Association, Inc. - Specialty B Match

Date: Saturday, June 25, 2005
Registration: 8:00 AM
Obedience: 9:00 AM
Conformation: Following obedience
Show Chair: Kathi Metter
 303-838-1028 / kmetter@msn.com



Competition open to all AKC registered Samoyeds over 3 months

Sterne Park, 5800 South Spotswood Street, Littleton

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



Judges: To Be Announced

Obedience classes include:

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

Conformation classes include:

- Puppy dogs/bitches 3 to 6 mo.
- Puppy dogs/bitches 6 to 9 mo.
- Puppy dogs/bitches 9 to 12 mo.
- Open dogs
- Open bitches
- Bred-by-exhibitor
- Junior Showmanship

Ribbons will be awarded for:

- High in trial
- Best of breed
- Best opposite sex to best of breed
- Best Junior

Local Specialty

The Denver Samoyed Association, Inc. presents its 14th Annual Local Specialty and Obedience Trial

Friday, September 9, 2005
Island Grove Park, Greeley, CO

Judges

Puppy Sweepstakes: Jim Shea
Working Sweepstakes: Debra Su Stephens
Regular Classes: Mrs. Lee Canalizo
Junior Showmanship: Betty Nelson
Obedience: Carol-Joy Evert

DSA Show Chairperson

Terry Walb - 303-833-2890 / starburstsams@msn.com

DSA Show Secretary

Helen Hittesdorf - 303-457-1350 / fordogstuff@msn.com
 P.O. Box 33153 Northglenn, CO 80233

Saturday & Sunday, September 10-11, 2005
Island Grove Park Greeley, CO

Evergreen Kennel Club

Samoyed Judges

Saturday: Mr. Clay Coady
Sunday: Mrs. Irene Bivin

Superintendent

Jack Onofrio
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**Please check the *Events* section on our web site:
www.denversamoyed.org for the latest information on these 2 events!**

Agility Trial



The Denver Samoyed Association, Inc. presents its 2nd Annual AKC Agility Trial

January 21st & 22nd, 2006

Jefferson County Fairgrounds - 15200 West 6th Avenue - Golden, Colorado

Entries Open: TBA Entries Close: TBA

Total Entry Limit/Day: 330

Application Acceptance: Random Draw

Entry Fee: \$20 - 1st / \$10 - 2nd

Event and Judging Panel Status pending AKC Approval

Judge: Tamara Domico

Agility Match Committee

The premium list will be posted on the DSA website to download when it's made available.

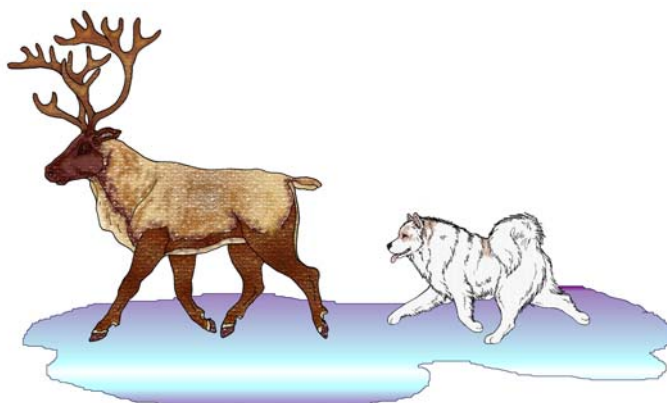
If you would like to join the committee, or are willing to volunteer to help work the event please contact Jane Reller. It's truly a lot of fun, and a major fundraiser for the club!

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303-665-2843

Trial Secretary:
Helen Hittesdorf
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Committee Members:
Martha & Jim Lageschulte,
Andi & Bob Mast,
Julie & Joe Morris,
Terry & Butch Walb,
Jan & Kent Cherne,
Sue & Gene Wangerin

Herding Clinic



WHY YOU SHOULD ATTEND

If you would like to learn more about herding events and/or determine if your dog has the potential for herding! Also, if you are a Samoyed Club of America member, and your dog earns a first and second leg during this clinic, your dog will earn up to 200 points toward their Working Samoyed title!

WHEN

Saturday June 18, 2005 - 9:00-11:00 AM

WHERE

Valdemar Farms
14741 Weld County Road 10
Fort Lupton, CO

COST

\$15 per dog for training and/or HIC first leg
\$20 per dog for second leg testing

INSTRUCTOR

Cathy Balliu

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

Mary Lloyd
mlbraveheart@prodigy.net
303-688-4684

A Sammies Day in Harness - What Fun!

On Sunday April 24, 2005, DSA held its first 'Sammies Day in Harness' sledding instinct clinic. It was an exciting day!

Our instructors were: Lori Elvera with Vail, Joanie, and Kaelin; Lana McClellan with Sage, Hawk, Gryphon, and newbie Torrey; Paul Hulbert and Marnie Grube with Storm and Lacey; Judy Mears and her granddaughter Rebecca Mears with Hank, newbie Jessie; and Bill and Christine Stewart.

Our students were Michele Schmitt with Natalie; Kim and Kevin Perry with Jack and Celeste; Terry and Butch Walb with Splash and Matty; and Thalia Peletis with Sunny and Seville.

Our instructors provided 3 ATVs, a

scooter, ganglines, necklines, tuglines, sled dog collars, and harnesses.

The experienced dogs served as our lead dogs, with our novice dogs bringing up the rear as swing and wheel dogs. The goal for the novice dogs was simply to follow the lead dogs, run in a straight line, not fight being hooked to the gangline, keep the gangline relatively tight, and most of all have fun trying something new! They didn't have to pull the ATV, since it was motorized, they just simply ran and followed!

The human students learned how to put the harness on their dogs, hook up the necklines and tuglines to the gangline, maneuver the dogs into place to ready them for the run, and hear the commands: 'Ha' and 'Gee' in action! Over-

all, we gained a greater appreciation for the hard work that goes into training a sled dog team, but also the exhilaration of seeing these wonderful dogs in action, doing what they are bred to do!

The trail conditions were very pretty good. It was packed sandy dirt, and the weather cooperated up until later in the day. It then started to snow as you can see in our lovely group photo! We were pretty soggy! But it just added to the excitement of the day.

A big thanks goes to our instructors for volunteering their time, hauling up their equipment, and teaching us newbies about the sport they love!

Thank you!



2005 DSA Sledding Instinct Clinic

Pictured Left to Right: Thalia Peletis, Christine Stewart, Michele Schmitt, Paul Hulbert (kneeling) Lana McClellan, Kim Perry, Kevin Perry, Judy Mears, Marnie Grube, Terry Walb, Butch Walb
Not Pictured: Bill Stewart and Rebecca Mears. Photographer: Lori Elvera

A Sammies Day in Harness - What Fun!



Kaelin and Vail, Seville and Sunny, Joanie and Splash, and Lori and Thafia



Paul Hulbert with Storm and Lacey at lead.



Joanie and Jack, and Lori and Kim



Michele and Butch helping maneuver the dogs into position while Lana's boys supervise!

Treasury Report as 5/3/05

General Fund						
Beginning General Fund Bank Balance			\$8,568.54			
Beginning General Fund Outstanding Checks (from 2004)			(\$335.98)			
Beginning General Fund 2004 Checks Voided in 2005			100.00			Agility: Thank You check lost, replaced in '05
Beginning Grocery Certificates Balance			\$0.00			
Beginning Raffle Fund - General Share Bank Balance			\$66.18			
Total Beginning Balance			\$8,398.74			
			Calendar Year		Budget Year 2005	
Category	Income	Expenses	Net	Income	Expenses	Net
Agility						
Equipment	\$0.00	\$175.00	(\$175.00)	\$0.00	\$175.00	(\$175.00)
Recording Fee ('06 Trial)	\$0.00	\$35.00	(\$35.00)			
Rental Fee ('06 Trial)	\$0.00	\$250.00	(\$250.00)			
Thank You ('05 Trial)	\$0.00	\$100.00	(\$100.00)			
Agility Total	\$0.00	\$560.00	(\$560.00)	\$0.00	\$175.00	(\$175.00)
Awards - SCA Bulletin Ad	\$0.00	\$170.00	(\$170.00)	\$0.00	\$170.00	(\$170.00)
Bank Charges						
Cashier Check Charge	\$0.00	\$3.00	(\$3.00)	\$0.00	\$3.00	(\$3.00)
Checks	\$0.00	\$15.00	(\$15.00)	\$0.00	\$15.00	(\$15.00)
Service Charges	\$0.00	\$3.00	(\$3.00)	\$0.00	\$3.00	(\$3.00)
Bank Charges Total	\$0.00	\$21.00	(\$21.00)	\$0.00	\$21.00	(\$21.00)
Charitable Donations - Church	\$0.00	\$125.00	(\$125.00)	\$0.00	\$125.00	(\$125.00)
Cheer - Cards	\$0.00	\$38.33	(\$38.33)	\$0.00	\$38.33	(\$38.33)
Designated Specialty						
Judge's Gift	\$0.00	\$30.00	(\$30.00)	\$0.00	\$30.00	(\$30.00)
Recording Fee				\$0.00	\$15.00	(\$15.00)
Trophies				\$0.00	\$70.00	(\$70.00)
Trophy Table	\$0.00	\$14.47	(\$14.47)	\$0.00	\$14.47	(\$14.47)
Unclaimed Sweeps	\$7.34	\$0.00	\$7.34	\$7.34	\$0.00	\$7.34
Designated Specialty Total	\$7.34	\$44.47	(\$37.13)	\$7.34	\$129.47	(\$122.13)
Local Specialty						
Advertising	\$0.00	\$85.00	(\$85.00)	\$0.00	\$85.00	(\$85.00)
Recording Fee	\$0.00	\$50.00	(\$50.00)	\$0.00	\$50.00	(\$50.00)
Rental & Cleanup Fees	\$0.00	\$200.00	(\$200.00)	\$0.00	\$200.00	(\$200.00)
Trophies	\$1,311.00	\$736.28	\$574.72	\$1,311.00	\$736.28	\$574.72
Local Specialty Total	\$1,311.00	\$1,071.28	\$239.72	\$1,311.00	\$1,071.28	\$239.72
Membership : Dues	\$220.00	\$0.00	\$220.00	\$520.00	\$0.00	\$520.00
Miscellaneous						
Envelopes	\$0.00	\$22.81	(\$22.81)	\$0.00	\$22.81	(\$22.81)
Postage	\$0.00	\$7.40	(\$7.40)	\$0.00	\$7.40	(\$7.40)
State Periodic Report	\$0.00	\$0.99	(\$0.99)	\$0.00	\$0.99	(\$0.99)
Miscellaneous Total	\$0.00	\$31.20	(\$31.20)	\$0.00	\$31.20	(\$31.20)
Sam-O-Gram/Web Site						
Postage	\$0.00	\$47.02	(\$47.02)	\$0.00	\$47.02	(\$47.02)
Subscription	\$20.00	\$0.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$0.00	\$20.00
Web Hosting	\$0.00	\$99.00	(\$99.00)	\$0.00	\$99.00	(\$99.00)
Sam-O-Gram/Website Total	\$20.00	\$146.60	(\$126.60)	\$20.00	\$128.60	(\$108.60)
Specialty Match - Rental Fee	\$0.00	\$27.00	(\$27.00)	\$0.00	\$27.00	(\$27.00)
Taxes : Tax Prep	\$0.00	\$27.00	(\$27.00)	\$0.00	\$490.00	(\$490.00)
Trophy Donations						
SCA National	\$0.00	\$50.00	(\$50.00)	\$0.00	\$50.00	(\$50.00)
Trophy Donations	\$0.00	\$50.00	(\$50.00)	\$0.00	\$50.00	(\$50.00)
Ways & Means						
Barks & Growls	\$39.00	\$0.00	\$39.00	\$39.00	\$0.00	\$39.00
Grocery Certificates	\$24,600.00	\$28,385.00	(\$3,785.00)	\$24,600.00	\$28,385.00	(\$3,785.00)
Ways & Means Total	\$24,639.00	\$28,385.00	(\$3,746.00)	\$24,639.00	\$28,385.00	(\$3,746.00)
Grand Total	\$26,197.34	\$31,159.30	(\$4,961.96)	\$26,497.34	\$30,859.30	(\$4,361.96)
Ending General Fund Bank Balance			\$3,436.78			
Ending Grocery Certificate Balance			\$4,900.00			
Ending Raffle Fund - General Share Bank Balance			\$0.00			
Total Ending General Fund Balance			\$8,336.78			

**Grocery Certificate
Fundraiser Profit
To Date! \$923.50**

Grocery Certificate Fundraiser How Does it Work?

DSA purchases grocery certificates in bulk from King Soopers and Safeway at a discounted price. The amount of the discount is dependent on the amount of certificates purchased at once.

\$ Amount	Discount
< \$2500	3%
\$2500 < \$5000	4%
\$5000 & over	5%

DSA sells the certificates at their face value. A \$25 certificate is sold for \$25, and the purchaser can use it to buy \$25 worth of groceries. So, basically it's just like cash for the buyer, but DSA benefits from it!

For King Soopers, the certificates come in \$25 amounts, and you will receive cash back if the purchase amount is less than the certificate amount. King Soopers certificates are also accepted at Albertsons grocers.

For Safeway, the certificates are gift cards, and come in \$50 and \$100 amounts. If your bill is less than the gift card amount, then the balance remains on the gift card, instead of receiving cash back.

Last year DSA earned over \$2,600 and the money served to fund many club activities that you enjoy and the necessary administrative costs (tax prep fees, liability insurance, etc.) that keeps the club running.

**The easiest way to
support DSA is
through this
fundraiser!**

Certificates are available for purchase at every club meeting or contact your club's treasurer, Thalia Peletis, to order your certificates: 303-933-0392 / t_peletis@msn.com

Rescue Fund			
Beginning Rescue Fund Bank Balance			\$13,251.22
Beginning Rescue Fund Outstanding Checks (from 2003)			(\$1,519.73)
Beginning Raffle Fund - Rescue Share Bank Balance			\$254.15
Total Beginning Balance			\$11,985.64
Calendar / Budget Year 2005			
Category	Income	Expenses	Net
Adoption Fees	\$380.00	\$0.00	\$380.00
Bank Charges			
Cashier Check Charge	\$0.00	\$3.00	(\$3.00)
Bank Charges Total	\$0.00	\$3.00	(\$3.00)
Charitable Donations : ABRN	\$0.00	\$85.00	(\$85.00)
Donations Received	\$720.00	\$0.00	\$720.00
Fundraisers			
Quilt	\$12.00	\$0.00	\$12.00
Santa Pet Pictures	\$1,150.00	\$0.00	\$1,150.00
SCA Booth	\$63.50	\$0.00	\$63.50
Fundraisers Total	\$1,225.50	\$0.00	\$1,225.50
Grooming	\$0.00	\$45.00	(\$45.00)
Miscellaneous			
Cards	\$0.00	\$19.97	(\$19.97)
License/Membership Dues	\$0.00	\$100.00	(\$100.00)
Postage	\$0.00	\$9.20	(\$9.20)
Miscellaneous Total	\$0.00	\$129.17	(\$129.17)
Placement Fees	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Transportation Fees	\$0.00	\$125.00	(\$125.00)
Veterinary Services			
Biopsy	\$0.00	\$93.50	(\$93.50)
Cyst Removal	\$0.00	\$192.00	(\$192.00)
Dental Care	\$0.00	\$251.15	(\$251.15)
Ear Treatment	\$0.00	\$256.00	(\$256.00)
Exam	\$0.00	\$60.25	(\$60.25)
Heartworm	\$0.00	\$26.47	(\$26.47)
Microchip	\$0.00	\$23.62	(\$23.62)
Shots/Meds	\$0.00	\$413.15	(\$413.15)
Thyroid Panel	\$0.00	\$110.00	(\$110.00)
Veterinary Services Total	\$0.00	\$1426.14	(\$740.55)
Grand Total	\$2,425.50	\$1,813.31	\$612.19
Ending Rescue Fund Bank Balance			\$12,597.83
Ending Raffle Fund - Rescue Share Bank Balance			\$0.00
Total Ending Rescue Fund Balance			\$12,597.83

and any necessary information for that class before they run their dogs.

Warm-up Jump – Jump provided outside the ring for the handlers to practice on before they run their dog in order to warm up the dog's muscles and prevent injury.

Approach Angles – Judges design their course so the approach to obstacles is specific to each class. Novice has mild angles. Open has moderate angles, and Excellent has angles and approaches that are the most difficult.

Faults – Penalties assessed by the judge when a dog or handler does not perform the obstacle correctly.

Refusals/Runouts – Type of fault given when the dog refuses to take the obstacle as they approach it or they run past the obstacle instead of performing it.

Wrong Course – Type of fault given when the dog does not take the next obstacle in correct sequence.

Table Faults – A dog must not leave the table before the judge has counted to five seconds.

Handling Terms – 'Front cross' 'rear cross', and 'blind cross' refer to the handler's position relative to the dog that is running the course.

Information About Agility Trials

The AKC offers a wide variety of resources to assist everyone, whether you are new to the sport or want to know how to set up your own agility trial. Contact AKC Customer Service at 919-233-9767 or email OrderDesk@akc.org to inquire about the following resources:

'Getting Started in Obedience, Agility, Tracking and CGC' – Informative brochure that outlines the basics of getting started in AKC Companion Events, including agility

AKC Agility Trial Manual – Designed to assist clubs in understanding the requirements, the paperwork, the personnel, and the many details that must be handled correctly for a successful agility trial

'Jump into Agility' Video – This video breaks down the essentials of what it takes to successfully navigate every aspect of the agility course. Whether you are simply looking to have fun with your dog, or you aspire to compete with the World Championship Team, 'Jump into Agility' will help you get on course!

Regulations for Agility Trials

A comprehensive booklet listing the regulations for AKC-sanctioned agility trials at which titles are earned.

-via AKC Web Site www.akc.org

The World of Agility (continued)

handler. Each class has a different course design.

Standard Course Time – Judge measures the course with a surveyor's wheel and determines the Standard Course Time that will be allotted for the particular course set up for the class. The yardage of the course is determined by the measuring wheel and then configured to the allotted time for the level of the class and the height of the dogs running in the class.

Dog's Path – Judge will measure what they perceive as the typical dog's path used while performing the obstacles. A 12-inch dog's path

is used for the 8-inch, 12-inch and 16-inch jump height divisions and the 20-inch typical dogs path is used for the 20-inch and 24-inch jump height class.

Walk Through – Time for the exhibitors, as a group, to walk the course and plan their strategy. During the walkthrough exhibitors determine such things as when to speed up or slow down, on which side of the dog the handler should be, when the dog should be sent ahead and where on the course they can save time.

Judges Briefing – Judge will meet with exhibitors and give them the Standard Course Time

2005-2006 Schedule of Events

Date	Organization	Event	Location	Contact	Judge or More Info
May 20	Samoyed Club of San Diego	Specialty - Close 5/3	San Diego, CA	Margaret Simmons	Kitten Rodwell (Swps) Mrs Mickey Polimeni
20-22	Durango KC	Show - Close 5/4 (includes Rally)	Cortez, CO	Onofrio	Paula Hartinger Harry Smith Roger Hartinger
21-22	Samoyed Association of Minneapolis - St. Paul	Specialty - Close 5/4	Lake Elmo, MN	Judy Hekel 952-934-0195	France Trojan (Sweeps) Bonnie Linnell Clarke Pat Champagne (Swps) John T Connolly
21-22	Mount Ogden KC	Show - Close 5/4	Logan, UT	Onofrio	Edeltraud Laurin Clinton Harris
21-22	Sunflower KC of Olathe	Show - Close 5/4	Gardner, KS	Onofrio	Helen Lee James Joseph Gregory
27-28	Central Wyoming KC	Show - Close 5/11	Casper, WY	Onofrio	Mildred Bryant Charles Ovis
29-30	Laramie KC	Show - Close 5/11	Laramie, WY	Onofrio	Dorothy Nickles Nancy Simmons
29	Greater Pittsburgh Samoyed Trumbull County KC	Designated Specialty - Close 5/11	New Castle, PA	MB-F	Bonnie Ferianc John Ronald
Jun 4-5	Flatirons KC	Show - Close 5/18 (includes Rally)	Longmont, CO	Onofrio	Barbara Alderman Kenneth Buxton
10	Northern California Samoyed Fanciers	Specialty - Close 5/25	Antioch, CA	MB-F	Betty Cline (Sweeps) Audrey Lycan
10-12	Mile-Hi Golden Retriever	AKC Agility - Open 4/27	Castle Rock, CO	Deb Ascher	Jay Acker Jennifer McDonald
11-12	Colorado Springs KC	Show & Rally - Close 5/25	Colorado Springs, CO	Onofrio	Charles McWilliams Edward Lyons
11-12	Flagstaff KC	Show - Close 5/25	Flagstaff, AZ	Onofrio	Diane Landstrom Eric Liebes
18	Chicagoland KC	Specialty - Close 6/1	Chicago, IL	Joyce Phillips	Cheryl Wagner(Sweeps) Terry Temple
24	Willamette Valley Samoyed	Specialty - Close 6/8	Canby, OR	Garvin	Chuck Murray (Sweeps) Christina Hubbell
24-25	Collie Club of Colorado	Herding Test & Trial-Cl. 6/8	Fort Lupton, CO	Woodmansee	Linda Holloway Judy Vanderford
Jun 25	Denver Samoyed Association Match Chair: Kathi Metter	Specialty B Match Registration: 8 AM	Sterne Park, Littleton, CO	Kathi Metter 303-838-1028	To Be Announced
Jul 2-3	Sioux Valley KC	Show - Close 6/15	Vermillion, SD	Onofrio	Judith Goodin Madeline Fish
16-17	Roaring Fork KC	Show - Close 6/29	Eagle, CO	Onofrio	Judy Doniere/A. Hussin
21	Samoyed Club of Houston	Specialty - Close 7/6	Houston, TX	Onofrio	Marilyn Gitelson (Sw) Betty Cline
23-24	Nebraska KC	Show - Close 7/6	Omaha, NE	Onofrio	Nancy Simmons Eric Liebes
29	Greater Milwaukee Samoyed Fanciers	Specialty - Close 7/13	Waukesha, WI	Onofrio	Elfie Shea (Sweeps) James Taylor
Aug 13-14	Buckhorn Valley KC	Show - Close 7/27	Fort Collins, CO	Onofrio	Linda Sparks/J Graber
18-21	Topeka KC Manhattan Kansas KC	Show - Close 8/3	Topeka, KS	Onofrio	J Reynolds/Arlene Davis Faye Strauss / L Davis
19	Samoyed Cl. Washington St	Specialty - Close 8/3	Enumclaw, WA	Onofrio	N/A (Sweeps) Jean Fournier
20-21	Greeley KC	Show - Close 8/3	Greeley, CO	Onofrio	Mr. & Mrs. Robert Smith
26	Heart of America Samoyed Club	Specialty - Close 8/10	Kansas City, MO	Thaylia Smith 816-916-6687	Jennifer Brown (Swps) Jan Sigler
27	HOA Samoyed Club HOA KC	Designated Specialty - Close 8/10	Kansas City, MO	Onofrio	Earl Karas (Sweeps) Fay Droval Haupt

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Sep 3-4	Cheyenne KC	Show - Close 8/17	Cheyenne, WY	Onofrio	Beverly Capstick / N/A
7	Continental Divide Herding Association	Herding Test & Trial - Close 9/7	Fort Lupton, CO Valdemar Farms	Ann Maurer 719-685-1358	Joy Sebastian-Hall
Sep 9	Denver Samoyed Association Show Chair: Terry Walb	Specialty - Close 8/24	Greeley, CO	Helen Hittesdorf 303-457-1350	Jim Shea (Sweeps) Debra Su Stephens(WS) Mrs. Lee Canalizo Carole Joy-Everett
10-11	Evergreen KC	Show - Close 8/24	Greeley, CO	Onofrio	Clay Coady / Irene Bivin
10-11	Rio Pecos KC	Show - Close 8/24	Roswell, NM	Onofrio	N/A
10-11	Bonneville Basin KC	Show - Close 8/24	Farmington, UT	Onofrio	Robert Forsyth Loraine Boutwell
16-18	Wichita/ Hutchinson /Salina KC	Show - Close 8/31	Salina, KS	Onofrio	Robert Moore Robert Slay/Joyce Vanek
17-18	Prescott Valley KC	Show - Close 8/31	Chino Valley, AZ	Onofrio	Ronald Krohne Joseph Gregory
24-25	Grand Island KC	Show -Close 9/7	Grand Island, NE	Onofrio	Arley Hussin Helen Lee James
24-25	Grand Valley KC	Show - Close 9/7	Grand Junction, CO	Onofrio	A Popora / Rudy Munoz
24-26	Mountain States Training Timberline Basset Hound	AKC Agility - Open 7/13	Golden, CO	Carol Makowski	Debby Funk
Oct 2	Potomac Valley Samoyed	Designated Specialty - Close 9/14	Leesburg, VA	?	Dave Richardson (Sweeps) / N/A
7-9	Terry-All KC	AKC Agility - Open 8/17	Brighton, CO	Deb Ascher	N/A
8-9	Cornhusker KC of Lincoln, NE	Show - Close 9/21	Lincoln, NE	Onofrio	N/A
7-10	Chaparral KC Mesilla Valley KC	Show - Close 9/21	Alamogordo, NM	Onofrio	N/A / N/A N Simmons / Donna Cole
15-16	Valencia Valley KC of NM	Show - Close 9/28	Los Lunas, NM	Onofrio	N/A
15-16	Pikes Peak Obedience Club	Rally - Close 9/28	Elbert, CO	Cora Pizzitola	Janice Dearth
21-23	Front Range Agility Assoc.	AKC Agility - Open 10/7	Golden, CO	Horacek	Keith Harold/Kathy Brown
21-23	Rapid City KC	Show - Close 10/5	Rapid City, SD	Onofrio	Joan Anselm Paula Hartinger Klaus Anselm
24-29	Samoyed Club of America	National Specialty	Biloxi, MS	Onofrio	Lynette Blue (Intersex) Annie Rogers Clark (B) Ed Bivin (Dogs) Garey Hayden (Futurity) Glenn Lycan (Sweeps) Gene Norman (Obed) B. Sencenbaugh(Wt Pull)
29-30	Sioux Empire KC	Show - Close 10/12	Sioux Falls, SD	Onofrio	N/A
Nov 12-13	Southern Colorado KC	Show - Close 10/26	Pueblo, CO	Onofrio	N/A
12-13	Flatirons KC	AKC Agility - Open 9/28	Longmont, CO	Deb Ascher	Kim Simmons Lavonda Herring
18-22	Canada Del Oro KC / Tucson / Greater Sierra Vista KC	Show - Close 11/2	Tucson, AZ	Bradshaw	N/A
25	Samoyed Club of Central AZ	Specialty - Close 11/9	Phoenix, AZ	Nancy Wilson	Bobbie LaFortune(Sw) Tomas Gomez
25	Minuteman Samoyed Club Windham County KC	Des Specialty—Close 11/9	W Springfield, MA	MB-F	C Cheskawich (Sweeps) N/A
Dec 2-3	Yuma KC	Show - Close 11/16	Yuma, AZ	Bradshaw	N/A
Jan 21-22 2006	Denver Samoyed Association Trial Chair: Jane Reller	AKC Agility - Open TBA <i>Pending AKC approval</i>	Jefferson County Fairgrounds, Golden, CO	Hittesdorf 303-457-1350	Tamara Domico <i>Pending approval</i>
Feb 26	Willamette Valley Samoyed Fanciers	Specialty - Close 1/25	Albany, OR	Garvin	Cheri Hollenback (Sw) Darla Cassidy
Jun 17-18	Sangre De Cristo KC	Show - Close 5/31	Santa Fe, NM	Onofrio	N/A

Denver Samoyed Association

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May 16, 2005 Meeting Reminder - 7:15 PM - St. Joseph Episcopal Church

- Vote for '06 Designated Specialty Sweeps Judges / '07 Local Specialty Judge
- Membership determines the specific goal of the club for the following year (2006). The Board of Governors is responsible for carrying out this goal for the club and may not delegate this to a committee. No particular focus shall encompass the goal in the previous 3 years. (4/16/01 motion). **Help decide the direction of your club!**
- Board meeting will follow the regular meeting. All members are welcome to attend. Agenda: Review 2005 committee budgets.

Denver Samoyed Rescue Report

no HOME, all ALONE - As of 05/3/05, we currently have no Sammies available for adoption! Yahoo!

DSR Success Story

The following letter was written by the Ripke family's 13-year old daughter Jeanna about their adopted Sammy named Tundra.

Dear Friends at Samoyed Rescue,

We adopted Tundra on 2/11/03. We moved from Colorado with Tundra on 10/1/04 and are now living in Seward, NE. There are many things that Tundra likes to do here. He likes to run around in our big yard. He also likes to rest his head on the railings of our deck and watch the cars and people go by. Tundra likes to lay inside and watch us eat, do stuff in the kitchen, or just be petted. He is a good and obedient dog. There are

also things that I like to do with Tundra. I like to take him on walks or runs. I like to play chase in the yard with him. I also like to sit and pet him in the house. Thank you again for allowing us to own Tundra. He is a very good dog and has brought a lot of joy into our life.

Sincerely,

Jeanna Ripke



Results of Specialty Judge Vote!

Members will vote on the 2006 Designated Specialty Puppy/Veteran Sweepstakes Judge and the 2007 Local Specialty Judging Panel at the May meeting.

The following judges were nominated during the March meeting:

For Breed: Rudy Munoz, Jeanne Zuver, Karen McFarland, Larry Makai, Kathy Bube, Carl Vitner, Joni Luna, Judy Elford, Kathy Mackai, Gail Speaker, Marilyn Gittleson, Bill Hossler, and Mardee Ward.

Puppy/Veteran Sweeps: Jan Warner, Susan Davies, Bobbi La Fortune, Cookie Hayden,

Marge Goodenough, Pat Griffin, Donna Dannen, and Mary Carlson.

Working Sweeps: Pam Davies, Betsy Lampe, Carol Deeks, Marge Goodenough, Debbie Sencenbaugh, Chris Stewart, Bill Stewart, and Lana McClelland.