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The Samoyed - Hero of the Arctic

Fridtjof Nansen had a dog problem. In the early 1890s, the Norwegian explorer, academic and humanitarian was in the midst of planning an expedition to the North Pole and realized that, in the perilously cold Arctic environment, picking the right type of dog to carry supplies and men over hundreds of frozen miles could easily make the difference between life and death.

After researching sled dogs, Nansen picked the Bjelkier for his task. Though little known outside its native Siberia, the Nordic-type dog had a mythical reputation, not only as a hardy sled and work dog but also for its devotion to its human masters. Nansen believed the Bjelkier's amiable disposition would make it preferable to huskies and Greenland dogs during the long, brutal journey.

Through intermediaries Nansen procured a team of Bjelkiers from the Samoyedes, an Asiatic group of nomads who had developed the dogs over hundreds, perhaps thousands, of years. Despite brutal conditions, Nansen's 1895 expedition was a success — although he didn't reach the North Pole, he traveled further north than any other human had at that time — and the glowing reports he sent to other explorers about the Bjelkier's heroic performance made it the dog of choice for several of the Arctic and Antarctic expeditions that followed. Many of these dogs, re-named the Samoyed in honor of the tribe who developed the breed, eventually found their way to England and America upon their expedition's end. Historians of the breed believe nearly every Samoyed in the West today has ancestors who were members of an Arctic or Antarctic expedition.

Bred True

A man with an appreciation for fine engineering — the boat he built for the expedition, the Fram, was so well constructed it was successfully used in a total of five Arctic and Antarctic expeditions over a 35-year period — Nansen realized that the Samoyed was perfect for the Arctic environment. Physically, the Samoyed boasts the most efficient design of the Nordic breeds, with a more pronounced double-layer coat than its canine cousins. The long outer coat, bleached white by the Arctic sun, is soil and water repellent, so the dog can easily shake off snow. The inner coat is woolly and, during the winter, so thick you can't push your finger to the flesh. Deep brown eyes are set behind almond-shaped, black eyelids to reduce glare from snow. The breed's toes spread wide to provide extra traction, like a built-in snowshoe. The curved tail covers the nose while sleeping during extreme temperatures, acting as a filter to warm and humidify the inhaled air. A V-shaped chest supports the dog's strong musculature, and dense bones provide extra hauling capacity without sacrificing agility.

This perfect design results from the unique circumstances of the Samoyed's development. The Samoyedes, who lived in the vast area of Russia between the Ural Mountains and the Yenesei River, bred the dog to work the herds of reindeer on which they subsisted. Historians believe the Samoyedes — described as a race in the transition stage between the "Mongol pure and the Finn" — migrated to this location shortly after the time of Christ in the first millennium. Sometime over the next several hundred years the Samo-

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Special points of interest:

- **DSA 2004 Local Specialty - Entries close August 18th!**
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- **Nominees selected for 2005 DSA Officers and Board.**
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Membership Meeting Minutes

07/19/04 - Membership Meeting

Present: Lori Elvera,,Linda Kitzman, Tom Lisec, Mary Lloyd, Andi Mast, Thalia Peletis, Michele Schmitt, Jane Reller, Kathi Metter

Guest: None

Meeting was called to order at 0720 PM by Andi Mast.

Review of the 06/21/04 membership meeting minutes for corrections. Minutes were approved as written.

President's Report: Julie Morris: No Report.

Secretary's Report: Terry Walb: No Report. It would be appreciated if you could email any reports that you have already typed to Terry for the Sam-O-Gram.

Corresponding Secretary's Report: Jane Reller: No Report.

Treasurer's Report: Thalia Peletis:

- Our total assets are \$29,464.79 A full report is included monthly in the Sam-O-Gram.
- We made \$1,430.50 profit year to date on the grocery certificates,

Committee Reports-

Agility – Jane Reller

- Colorado Kennel Club Agility Trial July 31 and Aug 1 will be a very good trial and location to work at to get experience. Everyone is encouraged to volunteer.
- Jane has sent out a flyer to local Agility non DSA people telling them that we are going to have a trial and request volunteers
- A message was put out on the Colorado Agility website asking for suggestions for putting on a trial. Several good suggestions have been received. Jane will compile them for the Sam-O-Gram.

Awards – Mary Lloyd

- Keep winning and let Mary know at the end of the year.

Breeder Referral – Martha Lageschulte

- No Report. Please continue to let Martha know about puppies.

Cheer - Terry Walb

- Andi reported that she saw Carolyn last week and she is improving daily. She is very appreciative of all the cards and flowers.
- Sympathy cards were sent to Julie Morris and Jan Cherne for the loss of their aunt. Get well was sent to Julie Morris and Confirmation title cards were sent to Martha Lageschulte for CH Silversage Show Goes On and CH Kara Cantata O Rossie Kari Tai.

- Please let Terry know if new titles or cheer wishes need to be sent.

Designated Specialty 2005 – Thalia Peletis

- Thalia has volunteered to chair the designated specialty 2005.

DSA Liaison to SCA - Andi Mast. Local color is due July 25th. The only thing that was put in it is that our goal is to have a great agility trial.

Historian/Librarian – Tom Lisec. No Report. If you have any requests from the library please let Tom know.

Hospitality – Lori Elvera. Jane Reller did not know that someone had signed her up to bring snacks, so she apologizes for the mistake.

Membership - Martha Lageschulte. No Report.

Program –Mary Lloyd/Tom Lisec

- Next month there will be a discussion on early spay and neutering. Everyone is asked to talk to his or her vet about early spay and neutering. Tom will send out a questionnaire, then will compile it so we have it for the discussion
- If you have any ideas for programs, please let Mary know.

Public Education – Jane Reller. We will not be attending the fair at the vet in Littleton this year, as no one volunteered to help Jane since it is a show weekend.

Sam-O-Gram/Web Site – Thalia Peletis. The premium list for the local specialty and designated specialty will be put out on the web site.

Sammy Rescue – Andi Mast

- We are loaded with dogs. There are additions to the dogs listed in the Sam-O-Gram. Junior, who came to us from Adams County. He is about 1 to 2 years and a sweetheart. Many thanks to Martha who helped with grooming him on Saturday. It took about 3 hours but they managed to get all of the mats out. Natasha is a 3-5 year old female who came from Nebraska. She had one previous litter and was in season, so we received her quickly. We also will probably be getting back two older dogs that we had placed. Their owners are being transferred to China. Our agreement is that we will always take back the dogs we place if necessary.
- Anyone who is willing to help with fostering even on a short-term basis would be appreciated. We are currently boarding 4 dogs
- Sprig will probably have to be put down. Cindi Hutt, who is fostering her, found quite a few lumps which they think might be cancer, and she might have a tumor along her spine because she has difficulty

standing up for more than a few minutes at a time. She is a return to rescue, and does not see well. She was getting along really well but has lost her radar and has fallen down the steps. She is eating and appears to be happy.

If anyone would like to take one of the rescues for a walk, they are boarded over at Pinehurst, which is off of Old Hampton Road between Wadsworth and Sheridan. They are open from 8 am to 5:30 pm Monday through Friday and from 8 am to noon on Saturday. Just get ahold of someone on the rescue committee so they can call and notify the kennel.

Specialty Match – Open. Julie did call AKC. They encourage us to hold educational events and specialty matches every year but we are not required to hold one. We must hold one every other year. If we do not have one this year we have to hold one next year. Discussion was held regarding the difference between a fun match and a specialty match.

Tournament – Open. No report.

Ways & Means – Lori Elvera. No Report.

Working Dog – Mary Lloyd/ Lori Elvera

- We had several dogs at the herding clinic. We do have another clinic set up on July 30, 2004 from 4 pm to 7 pm. Cathy will teach the person what to do for the second leg. We will be able to earn 100 points for each leg.
- Weight Pull is coming up at the National. The last time Mary talked to Bob he was willing to set up a couple nights for working on the weight pull practice.

'04 Local Specialty – Mary Lloyd

- The premium list is to go out on July 21, 2004
- Mary is still trying to set up a potluck. If we use the onsite caterer we need to have a minimum of 50 people. If we bring food in from another source we cannot use the air-conditioned building.
- Mary has also heard that we cannot do obedience until the afternoon. She is trying to contact Onofrio to see if this is true or not.
- AKC has the wrong show secretary listed. Mary has made numerous calls to correct this and it still is not correct

'05 Local Specialty – Terry Walb. No Report.

Unfinished Business:

- We decided last month that we would nominate and vote for the sweepstakes judge for the designated specialty 2005. We do not pay for the judge to come. We

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- A question was asked what time the agility trial will begin and how long they run. Jane explained that the first runs are usually around 8 am and they run until around 4-5 pm.

Michelle made a motion that DSA provide financial support for a new working group dog club, Peak to Peak Working Club, with a \$100.00 seed money donation. Linda voiced a concern that while she agrees that we should support this club but added that the new club needs to understand that DSA is an owner/handler club and that we do not want it to turn into a club that gives major support and priority to the professional handlers. The motion was tabled until next month. Michelle will bring back more information next month and get information to Thalia for the Sam-O-Gram.

- Linda Kitzman – Echo's Perfectly Clear, 'Dasani' took Winner's Bitch and Best of Winners at the Roaring Fork Kennel Club show for a major.
- Mary Lloyd – Braveheart's Storm Cloud HIC, 'Storm', took Best of Breed at the Roaring Fork Kennel Club show
- Lori Elvera – Nicholas and Golden puppy won best photo in the Gazette.

Meeting was adjourned at 08:50 pm.

Secretary's Report, Terry Walb: No Report.

Unfinished Business: none

- o Thalia will chair the committee
- o Mary Lloyd, Kathi Metter also will be on the committee
- o Andi Mast will be the alternate.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

DSA's 12th Annual Local Specialty and Obedience Trial

ENTRIES CLOSE AUGUST 18, 2004 at 6:00 PM (MST)!

Judges

Conformation / Jr. Show Elizabeth Lockman	Puppy Sweepstakes Gary Griffin	Working Sweepstakes Connie Rudd	Obedience Nancy Pollock
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Specialty Chairperson Mary Lloyd 303-688-4684	Show Secretary Odebt Massey 719-478-2140
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Board of Directors:
Jan Cherne, Linda Kitzman
Tom Lisec, and Sue Wangerin

Nominations will be taken from the floor at the October (10/18/04) meeting.

The Mystery on Alaska's Iditarod Trail

*Dear Association,
Please distribute this new and exciting press release about The Mystery on Alaska's Iditarod Trail to all your members. This new book is a big hit with dog mushing fans!*
— Mushing Magazine

ALASKA - Kids everywhere are howling with excitement for The Mystery on Alaska's Iditarod Trail. Author Carole Marsh put real children into a fictional mystery adventure across Alaska. This is one of the 16 books that make up the Carole Marsh Mystery Series. This popular series has caught on with children all over the country and spawned a fan club that receives new members daily.

The magic formula of the Carole Marsh Mysteries - which has kept them in print for over 20 years featuring real kids in real places. Kids who read these books learn about history as they help the characters solve the mysteries. From a child's perspective, "One day, I want to be a real kid in one of Ms. Marsh's mystery books. I think it would be fun, and I think I am a real character anyway. I filled out the application and sent it in and am keeping my fingers crossed!"

The Mystery on Alaska's Iditarod Trail features two main characters, Grant and Christina in

Alaska for the annual race. They meet up with Raven and her brother Hunter, two youngsters from Wasilla, Alaska, where the four must solve a mystery that involves a runaway team with a renegade musher. This delightful book teaches readers about the history of the state, race, and people of Alaska. There is Iditarod trivia, a list of Iditarod checkpoints, a glossary of Inuit terms, and a scavenger hunt for readers to participate in.

"Kids don't want to just read the Carole Marsh mysteries," says Michele Yother, president of publisher Gallopade International. "They want to visit the places in the books, write their own mystery, and become characters in the next Carole Marsh Mystery. This is why we created the Carole Marsh Mystery Fan Club." In the back of each mystery, kids will find a character application which asks them to write a paragraph explaining why they would make a good character. Members of the Fan Club receive their own official membership packet and monthly e-newsletters. With the action-packed photography, quirky artwork, and cliffhanger chapters, the Carole Marsh Mysteries are a must-read for kids. Children of Alaska can connect with the characters and the vicarious taste of the Iditarod Trail. Other books in the series of Real Kids! Real Places! include: Alamo Ghost, Blackbeard The Pirate, Biltmore

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AKC Rules on Specialty Matches

From: Julie Morris
Sent : Thursday, July 15, 2004 01:05 PM
To: clubrelations.akc.org
Subject: Specialty Match

Hi.
I am the President for the Denver Samoyed Association. Are we required to hold an annual Specialty Match? We have in the past. Just wanting to know if the rules/regs have changed on this point, we do hold, and have for many years, local specialties and we are in good standing and compliant with all AKC rules and regulations.

If you would rather I call to speak with someone in person please provide me the name and number.

Thanks for clarifying this question.
Julie Morris, President
Denver Samoyed Association dog club

From : Julie Morris
Sent : Friday, July 16, 2004 11:02 AM
To : Thalia Peletis, Andi Mast
CC : Martha Lageschulte, Terry Walb
Subject : Specialty match

Hi everyone,

Regarding the question "is our club required to hold an annual specialty match" - no we are not. I called and spoke with Pamela @ 919-816-3579 / Events Planning department with the AKC as club relations was unable to answer my question @ 212-696-8211. The AKC recommends we as a club remain active with holding matches and education and such.

However, DSA is not required to hold an annual specialty match. At minimum they recommend holding a Specialty Match every other year. We should probably record this information somewhere. I would want to create a paper trail of this information. The SOG [Sam-O-Gram] would be a great place to document this information. Let me know if you have suggestions or questions. I will not be at the meeting on Monday. Andi, I would recommend we still ask the membership if there is someone willing to take this committee because if we do not hold a Specialty Match in 2004 we will certainly need to do this in 2005. Bottom line we need a volunteer. The membership needs to know what the AKC requires of us as a licensed breed club. That's the scoop for now! Have a great weekend.

Julie Morris [DSA President]

From : Martha Lageschulte
Sent : Friday, July 16, 2004 11:19 AM
To : Julie Morris, Thalia Peletis, Andi Mast
CC : Terry Walb
Subject : RE: Specialty match

Thanks for getting the 'scoop' on this for us Julie. It is something we will need to continually monitor, since AKC changes their rules often. But at least for now we know what is expected of us.

Martha Lageschulte [DSA Board Member]

From: ClubRelations@akc.org
To: Julie Morris
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2004 9:10 AM
Subject: Re: Denver Samoyed Association dog club

Most clubs hold a sanctioned match every year in addition to their show. Should the club not hold a sanctioned match, its AKC status will not be jeopardized.

We hope this is of assistance.
AKC/Club Relations
260 Madison Ave., 4th floor
New York, NY 10016
(212) 696-8211

July 30th Herding Clinic Results

On Friday, July 30th DSA conducted a herding clinic at Cathy and Bill Balliu's Valdemar Farm in Fort Lupton, CO. Participants' dogs had the opportunity to earn their 1st and/or 2nd leg of the Herding Capability Test. The 1st leg is the Herding Instinct Test, where Cathy takes the participant's dog into a smaller round pen with 3 sheep and observes the dog's behavior to determine if the dog has the natural instinct to herd. The 2nd leg is when the owner takes their dog into a larger rectangular pen and the dog must follow these directions: wait until released to the sheep, move the sheep up and down the larger pen, turn them in several directions and come and stop when called. Each leg was worth 100 points toward the Samoyed Club of America's Working Samoyed title.

Thank you Mary Lloyd for organizing this event! We appreciate your efforts!

The clinic had a wonderful turnout, with 8 members and 13 Samoyeds participating.

Congratulations to:

Terry Walb & Mattie - earning her 1st leg!
Mary Lloyd & Twister & Bear - both earning their 1st leg!
Mary Lloyd & Ace - earning his 2nd leg!
Donna Dannen & Avie - earning her 2nd leg!
Thalia Peletis & Sunny - earning his 2nd leg!



Peak To Peak Working Dog Association

Editor's Note: In July a motion was made and tabled for voting at the August meeting, to donate \$100 seed money for the Peak-To-Peak startup costs. Please read the Meeting Minutes - New Business section for details.

To: Denver Samoyed Association
 From: Michele Schmitt

Peak-To-Peak is a new club organized to put on limited dog shows in the Rocky Mountain Front Range of Colorado. Shows will be limited to AKC Working Breeds and will offer conformation, obedience, puppy sweeps, veteran sweeps, junior showmanship, and best bred by exhibitor classes when approved for shows.

The club plans to offer working events where possible, for example, weight pulls for the Samoyeds and Malamutes, and carting for the Bernese Mountain Dogs and Newfoundlands.

Peak-To-Peak is seeking at least one representative from each breed club to be a club member.

Background:

The AKC has approved one limited breed club for working dogs back east. Dr. Anthony DiNardo organized the Connecticut River Working Dog Association. Peak-To-Peak would like to be the second club to offer shows for our Working breeds serving the Rocky Mountain area. A group in California is forming a similar association, however Peak-To-Peak would like to get approved as the second limited breed club for working dogs.

Events:

Our very first match will be held at the Douglas County Fairgrounds in conjunction with the Plum Creek Match in November.

Financing:

Peak-To-Peak is seeking donations from the established breed clubs to file the necessary documentation to get qualified to hold shows in our area ASAP. The club also plans to have many fund raisers. Stewarding for established club shows is one such alternative.

Charter Board:

As of 7/13/04
 President - Richard Samide
 Vice President - Robin Hug
 Treasurer - Mike McCarthy
 Corresponding Secretary - Barbara White
 Recording Secretary - Michele Schmitt
 Board Members: Carol Deeks, Jean Pero,
 Chuck McWilliams, and Joyce Vanek
 Chair 2004 Match - Mary Richards

Tribute to Yogi

Editor's Note: Yogi was adopted by Robert Mellon in 2001. Yogi was 6 years old at that time. Robert has adopted 2 rescue Sams, first Yogi and later in 2001 he adopted Bear. After Yogi passed away, Bear was very lonely, so Robert and his wife decided to open their home again to another rescue Sam and just recently adopted Mickey.

Yogi

Today, I lost a very dear friend of mine. We said 'Goodbye' for the last time. He died in my arms this Summer day. This last week was so unexpected, so surprising we thought we had years more time.

It seems like only yesterday you first came to our home, into our lives. Where did all the time go? It slipped away so very fast.

You made us laugh at your smile, that big pink tongue, your deep loving 'voice', and that look as you lounged upon the couch.

Your Saturday morning snoring, as you laid upon your back will be surely missed.

You made us wonder who was in there when you gave us that quizzical look from those deep brown eyes.

You were happy just to be with us, wherever and whenever we would go.



Yogi
 April 2001 - July 2004

But now our time together has come to an end.

It is time for you to take one final journey, one we cannot take together, one where you are free from the pain.

To be sure, our World will be a little darker without you, the Fall Aspens not as colorful or bright.

There will be one less diamond on a snow covered landscape, but there will always be a special place for you in our hearts.

And if Heaven's promise comes to pass, my friend rest assured I will look for you on the other side.

— Robert Mellon

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yedes began adapting the region's wolves for their purposes.

Isolated from the rest of the world in this desolate region adjacent to the Arctic Circle, the Samoyed bred true, without influences from other breeds. Some believe these conditions make the Samoyed most nearly akin to the primitive dog of all modern breeds. Through selection, the Samoyedes developed their dogs to serve as a herder, hunter, guard, and companion. The breed lived closely with its people, guarding their tents from polar bears and sleeping with children to keep them warm at night. The dog accompanied its human masters on hunts, but its primary responsibility was to keep the herds of reindeer, which provided food, clothing, and transportation to the Samoyedes, in a tight group, safe from predators. Reindeer usually pulled the sleds these nomadic people constantly employed in search of the scarce lichen and moss that fed the animals, but Samoyeds were also used in this capacity on occasion.

From Siberia to the Royal Palace

Arctic and Antarctic expeditions may have earned the Samoyed acclaim within a small community of adventurers, but a British scientist named Ernest Kilburn-Scott is primarily responsible for establishing the breed in the Western world. A member of the Royal Zoological Society, Kilburn-Scott was on expedition to Siberia in the 1880s when a cute, plump white puppy caught his eye. He purchased the dog from its Samoyede owner and brought it back to England, where the puppy received considerable attention from friends and colleagues. In the following years, Kilburn-Scott acquired several more Samoyed dogs and showed them in expositions throughout the country. At first the dog was considered only as an oddity from Siberia, but its beauty and mobility fast made it popular among the wealthy and influential. The Prince of Wales, later to become King Edward VII, received a Samoyed as a gift and became so enamored with the breed he went on to show several between 1890 and 1900. In Siberia, breed members often had cream or biscuit-colored coats, as well as coats with patches of black. The English preferred the pure white coat, however, and most breeders made that shade their goal. Today the majority of Sammies have this pure white coat. In 1909, Kilburn-Scott founded the Samoyede Club, changing the breed's name from Bjelkier in order to honor the Samoyede people. The Kennel Club decided the dog could be shown in an accepted classification in 1912. In 1923, The Kennel Club of England dropped the 'e' from the official name.

The breed's arrival in America was no less sensational than its British debut. In 1902, Mercy d'Argenteau, the Princess de Monty-

glyon, a Belgian countess and hereditary princess of the Holy Roman Empire, journeyed to St. Petersburg, Russia. The princess was an ardent dog fancier and attended a dog show while in the city. There she saw and fell in love with a large white Russian champion Samoyed named Moustan. Moustan had been entered at the show by his owner the Grand Duke Michael, brother of Czar Nicholas II. Duke Michael gave Moustan to the princess as a gift. In 1904 d'Argenteau immigrated to the United States with Moustan and three other Samoyeds she had obtained in the interim. Moustan was shown extensively and in 1906 became the first of his breed to be registered with the American Kennel Club (AKC). In 1923, the Samoyede Club of America was formed in New York. The English breed standard was adopted. In 1947, the AKC followed the British Kennel Club's example in dropping the final 'e' from the official name.

Problem Solved

Since arriving in the United States, Samoyeds have remained, for the most part, a well-guarded secret among a select group of America's dog lovers. In 2000, the breed ranked 59th of 148 breeds in terms of new AKC registrations, well behind its Nordic cousins the Siberian husky (19th) and the Alaskan Malamute (48th). Potential owners may take one look at the breed's thick coat and presume the dog is only suited for colder climates, but this is not the case — assuming proper care is taken to protect the dog from extreme heat, Samoyeds can live happy, healthy lives in practically any part of the country.

That's not to say the coat doesn't require care and attention. The Samoyed should be brushed several times a week. For a white dog, the Samoyed stays amazingly clean, but an occasional bath is necessary. The dog sheds heavily — the Samoyedes collected the fur and wove it into a yarn — so be prepared for a lot of white fuzz around the house.

Those who do look beyond the breed's imposing mass of fur will see a breed renowned for its affectionate nature. Generations spent in close contact with their nomadic owners have imbued the dog with a legendary sensitivity and devotion to their human companions. Most Sammies are anxious to please and interact with their owners, making them wonderful family pets.

Usually calm indoors, this clever, athletic breed requires daily physical and mental exercise. If allowed to become bored, it will dig and bark. Samoyeds thrive on human contact, so this is not a dog to be left ignored outside. Training is a good idea—the sooner the better. These are sensitive dogs that will tune you out if you come on too strong or too weak. Be a clear, kind, and consistent leader, and you will have a loyal companion for life.

The age of Arctic exploration, when a man's life depended on the competence and endurance of his dogs, may be over, but the same qualities that made the Samoyed a perfect solution for the needs of Fridtjof Nansen and his fellow explorers still define this beautiful, sensitive breed. As one of the modern world's most direct links to the age of wolves, the dog possesses a remarkable pedigree, but it is a loving, pure heart that makes the Samoyed a modern-day hero from the Arctic.

Health Matters

Although Samoyeds adapt well to most climates, their coat, size, and energies make them susceptible to heat/humidity-related health problems. Always make certain your Samoyed has plenty of water and a cool, shaded place to get through the hottest part of the day. Avoid situations in which the dog may become overheated, particularly with younger Sammies that are prone to foolishly overexert themselves in the heat. Young dogs should be supervised or confined in hot weather.

Samoyeds are bred to be working dogs, and therefore live happier, healthier lives when kept in good physical condition and not allowed to become soft. Make sure your Sammy gets at least one good workout every day. Dogs of Nordic origin have a tendency to bark and dig, but the more exercise and activity they get, the less opportunity this behavior has to turn into a problem.

The breed's health is typically good, but they can have hip dysplasia problems. In the United States there has been some incidence of progressive retinal atrophy (a family of diseases involving gradual deterioration of the retina). Bloat, or gastric torsion — twisting of the stomach that traps stomach contents and gases — can also be a problem. Adult dogs should weigh between 50 and 65 pounds. A healthy Samoyed has a lifespan of approximately 12 years.

<http://www.petpublishing.com/dogken/breeds/samoyed.shtml>



What Makes a Good Agility Trial?

Running a successful agility trial involves many things. Some of the items that are particularly important and detailed below.

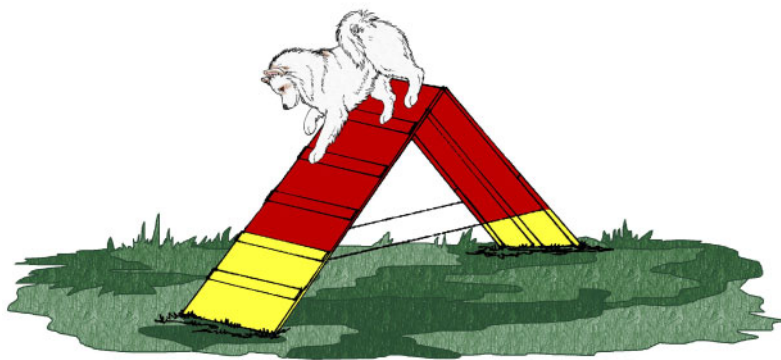
Assigning good people to key jobs gets you on the road to a successful trial. A good trial secretary is the first line of defense for getting a trial off to a good start even before the trial date. First, the secretary must put out a premium list with complete and accurate information to all potential exhibitors. They are distributed by mail, online, and at other agility trials. Second, the trial secretary must put together the entries, sending out confirmation notices in plenty of time to reach people, and then deal with move-ups at the last minute. Third, the scoring and placements, trial books, and ribbon labels must be computed, printed, and posted for each class in a timely manner during the trial.

The judge should design a course that is 'nested' meaning that it is easily converted from one class to the next without substantial rebuilding. It is helpful to have the exhibitors walk the course as it is being fine-tuned and the judge is measuring it for course times. Excessive walk, and course building times lead to a trial running late.

The chief course builder must have a good understanding of agility courses, and along with the course builders, must ensure that the courses are set up efficiently and that they can withstand the stress the running

dogs put on the equipment. Repairs and adjustments can be required during a class and must be attended to in real time to ensure minimal disruption.

The chief ring steward is responsible for making the schedule for all the helpers for each day at the trial. The host club should provide a good showing of members to help, and typically exhibitors volunteer for different jobs during the day. The chief ring steward must be flexible and able to work within the



constraints of the exhibitors' running order. Sometimes it's necessary to ask for help during the trial, and usually someone will step up to help.

The gate stewards play a big part in keeping the action in the ring flowing efficiently. A running list should be posted at the ring entry, so that exhibitors can be checked off and running order managed easily. They must keep the next 2-3 exhibitors on deck and ready so that there aren't excessive delays between runs.

The scribe, timer, and scribe assistant sit in the ring and work together to move quickly between one exhibitor to another to record times, while a score sheet runner takes the sheets to the scoring table so they can be entered into the agility software program for compilation at the end of the class. A simple wait/start sign eliminates the need for verbal permission to go at the starting line.

The leash runner takes the leash from the exhibitor who is about to start and puts it at the exit gate so it can be retrieved easily as they are leaving the ring. The jump stewards replace knocked bars, straighten the chute, and change jump heights during class as quickly as possible, again to minimize down time.

The attitude of the host club is very important to the success of the trial. Everyone must be positive and upbeat and practice the golden rule—treat others as you would want to be treated. Problems inevitably come up and can be dealt with, usually to a good outcome. Flexibility is the key.

Finally, no trial can be successful without the exhibitors. Their entries and their help at the trial are very important. They also have a responsibility to be cognizant of their walk-throughs, know the regulations, and be ready to run when it's their turn.

Any successful agility trial is a culmination of good planning, good equipment, good judges, good help, a good attitude, and there's always the element of good luck.

DSA Agility Trial Status

When: December 4th and 5th, 2004.

Where: Jefferson County Fairgrounds
15200 West 6th Avenue,
Golden, CO 80401

Trial Secretary:

Helen Hittesdorf
PO Box 33153
Northglenn, CO 80233-0153
Phone: 303-457-1350
E-mail: fordogstuff@msn.com

Trial Judges:

Sheila Lavin and Joni Weed

AKC Trial Status:

AKC has approved the event and our judges. Working on draft for premium list.

Entry Information:

Open: 10/27/04, Close: 11/24/04
Total Entry Limit: 600/day.
Application Acceptance: First Received.
Entry Fee: \$20 - 1st / \$10 - 2nd

Agility Committee Chairperson:

Jane Reller
Phone: 303-665-2843
E-mail : jrsilverstar@msn.com

Agility Committee Members:

Andi & Bob Mast, Julie & Joe Morris,
Terry & Butch Walb, Jan & Kent Cherne,
and Michele Schmitt.

Trial Volunteers: YOU!!!

Please contact Jane Reller if you can spare some time to make this trial a great success. The trial can be a wonderful fundraising opportunity. The money earned will in turn help support all the activities our club sponsors.

Treasury Reports as of 8/04/04

Subcategory	General	Raffle	Total	General	Raffle	Total
Income Categories	CALENDAR YEAR 2004			BUDGET YEAR 2004		
Designated Specialty						
Entry Share	132.00		132.00	132.00		132.00
Judge's Gifts	(26.17)		(26.17)	(26.17)		(26.17)
Recording Fee				(15.00)		(15.00)
Trophies	(60.00)		(60.00)	(60.00)		(60.00)
Unclaimed Sweeps Money	40.94		40.94	40.94		40.94
Total Designed Spec	86.77		86.77	71.77		71.77
Investment Income						
Interest		1.09	1.09		1.09	1.09
Total Investment Income		1.09	1.09	1.09	1.09	1.09
Local Specialty						
Postage	(100.00)		(100.00)	(100.00)		(100.00)
Trophies	174.65		174.65	382.90		382.90
Total Local Specialty	74.65		74.65	282.90		282.90
Membership						
Dues	240.00		240.00	495.00		495.00
Total Membership	240.00		240.00	495.00		495.00
Ways & Means						
Barks & Growls	45.00		45.00	45.00		45.00
Grocery Certificates	(1,436.00)		(1,436.00)	(1,436.00)		(1,436.00)
Total Ways & Means	(1,391.00)		(1,391.00)	(1,391.00)		(1,391.00)
Total Income Categories	(989.58)	1.09	(988.49)	(541.33)	1.09	(540.24)
Expense Categories	CALENDAR YEAR 2004			BUDGET YEAR 2004		
Agility						
Recording Fee	35.00		35.00	35.00		35.00
Rental Fee	275.00		275.00	275.00		275.00
Total Agility	310.00		310.00	310.00		310.00
Awards						
SCA Bulletin Ad	85.00		85.00	85.00		85.00
Total Awards	85.00		85.00	85.00		85.00
Bank Charges						
Service Charge	28.00		28.00	26.00		26.00
Total Bank Charges	28.00		28.00	26.00		26.00
Hospitality						
Holiday Party	16.54		16.54			
Total Hospitality	16.54		16.54			
Miscellaneous						
Postage	42.76		42.76	42.76		42.76
State Periodic Report	10.00		10.00	10.00		10.00
Total Hospitality	52.76		52.76	52.76		52.76
Sam-O-Gram/Web						
Blank CDs	25.00		25.00	25.00		25.00
Postage	44.40		44.40	44.40		44.40
Subscription	(30.00)		(30.00)	(30.00)		(30.00)
Web Hosting	99.00		99.00	99.00		99.00
Total Sam-O-Gram/Web	138.40		138.40	138.40		138.40
Taxes						
Tax Prep	490.00		490.00	490.00		490.00
Total Taxes	490.00		490.00	490.00		490.00
Trophy Donations						
SCA National	100.00		100.00	100.00		100.00
Total Trophy Donations	100.00		100.00	100.00		100.00
Total Expense Categories	1,220.70		1,220.70	1,204.16		1,204.16
Grand Total	(2,210.28)	1.09	(2,209.19)	(1,745.49)	1.09	(1,744.40)
Grand Total After Selling Remaining Grocery Certificates: \$3,175						
	964.72	1.09	965.81	1,429.51	1.09	1,430.60

Account Balances

General Fund	2,264.13
Raffle Fund	
(DSA 65.48 / DSR 253.46)	318.94
Rescue Fund	15,166.00
Grocery Certificates	3,175.00
Total Assets	20,924.80

**2004
Grocery
Certificates
Profit
\$1,623.50**

Due to our newsletter's space constraints, net amounts are displayed on these reports.

Detailed reports are on file in the President's and Treasurer's books and also available on the web site in our Members Only section.

E-mail Address Update

Bob and Debbi Sencenbaugh have a new e-mail address:

starcheysams@msn.com

Please update your computer's address book. The membership roster has been updated.

You may download a new copy from the club's website - Member's Only section!

Subcategory	Rescue	Raffle	Total	Rescue	Raffle	Total
Income Categories						
Adoption Fee	700.00		700.00	700.00		700.00
Donation	1,328.00		1,328.00	1,328.00		1,328.00
Fundraiser						
Quilt	63.94		63.94	63.94		63.94
Santa Pet Pictures	665.00		665.00	665.00		665.00
Total Fundraiser	728.94		728.94	728.94		728.94
Investment Income						
Interest		1.07	1.07		1.07	1.07
Total Investment Income		1.07	1.07		1.07	1.07
Placement Fee	250.00		250.00	250.00		250.00
Total Income Categories	3,006.94	1.07	3,008.01	3,006.94	1.07	3,008.01
Expense Categories						
CALENDAR YEAR 2004						
BUDGET YEAR 2004						
Bank Charges						
Cashier Check Charge		3.00	3.00		3.00	3.00
Service Charge	14.00		14.00	14.00		14.00
Total Bank Charges	14.00	3.00	17.00	14.00	3.00	17.00
Boarding	1,230.00		1,230.00	1,230.00		1,230.00
Charitable Donations						
Animal Shelter		100.00	100.00		100.00	100.00
Total Charitable Donations		100.00	100.00		100.00	100.00
Grooming	35.00		35.00	35.00		35.00
Microchip Enrollment	87.50		87.50	87.50		87.50
Rescue Misc						
Cards	21.41		21.41	21.41		21.41
License/Membership Dues	75.00		75.00	75.00		75.00
Newspaper Ad	64.99		64.99	64.99		64.99
Pet Food	35.08		35.08	35.08		35.08
Phone Card	20.00		20.00	20.00		20.00
PO Box Rental	48.00		48.00	48.00		48.00
Postage	23.00		23.00	23.00		23.00
Supplies	105.19		105.19	105.19		105.19
Total Rescue Misc	392.67		392.67	392.67		392.67
Shelter Fees	110.00		110.00	110.00		110.00
Tags	125.00		125.00	125.00		125.00
Veterinary Services						
Blood Panel	166.40		166.40	166.40		166.40
E-Collar	5.85		5.85	5.85		5.85
Exam	113.75		113.75	113.75		113.75
Fecal Panel	65.00		65.00	65.00		65.00
Heartworm	162.50		162.50	162.50		162.50
Heartworm Treatment	172.25		172.25	172.25		172.25
Heartworm X-Ray	107.25		107.25	107.25		107.25
Microchip	143.35		143.35	143.35		143.35
Misc	86.40		86.40	86.40		86.40
Neuter/Spay	325.65		325.65	325.65		325.65
Shots/Meds	865.05		865.05	865.05		865.05
Thyroid Panel	50.05		50.05	50.05		50.05
Total Veterinary Services	2,388.28		2,388.28	2,388.28		2,388.28
Total Expense Categories	4,382.45	103.00	4,485.45	4,382.45	103.00	4,485.45
Grand Total	(1,375.51)	(101.93)	(1,477.44)	(1,375.51)	(101.93)	(1,477.44)

2004-2005 Schedule of Events

Date	Organization	Event	Location	Contact	Judge or More Info
Aug 28-29	Cheyenne KC	Show - Close 8/11	Cheyenne, WY	Onofrio	Christina Hubbell Stephen Hubbell
Sep 3 '04	Denver Samoyed Association	Specialty - Close 8/18	Greeley, CO	Odebt Massey 719-478-2140	Gary Griffin (Sweeps) Connie Rudd (Wk Sw) Elizabeth Lockman Nancy Pollack (Obed)
	Show Chair: Mary Lloyd				
4-5	Evergreen KC	Show - Close 8/18	Greeley, CO	Onofrio	Ronald Menaker Maxine Beam
4-5	Rio Pecos KC	Show - Close 8/18	Roswell, NM	Onofrio	Col Joe B Purkhiser Patti Long Smith

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Date	Organization	Event	Location	Contact	Judge or More Info
Sep 4	Delaware Valley Samoyed Club / Somerset Hills KC	Designated Specialty - Close 8/18	North Branch, NJ	MB-F	Judy Kovitch (Sweeps) Jan Sigler
10-11	Wichita KC Hutchinson KC Salina KC	Show - Close 8/23	Salina, KS	Onofrio	Bonnie Linnell Clarke Joan Frailey Shirley D Limoges
11-12	Bonneville Basin KC	Show - Close 8/25	Farmington, UT	Onofrio	Carolyn Alexander Janet Sinclair
11-12	Sangre De Cristo KC	Show - Close 8/25	Santa Fe, NM	Onofrio	Ruth Zimmerman Joseph Gregory
11-12	Prescott AZ KC	Show - Close 8/25	Chino Valley, AZ	Onofrio	Marilyn Gitelson Arlene Rubenstein
11-12	Sangre De Cristo KC	Show - Close 8/25	Santa Fe, NM	Onofrio	Ruth Zimmerman Joseph Gregory
11-12	Prescott AZ KC	Show - Close 8/25	Chino Valley, AZ	Onofrio	Marilyn Gitelson Arlene Rubenstein
16	Metropolitan Atlanta Samoyed Club	Specialty - Close 9/1	Atlanta, GA	Onofrio	Betty Cline (Sweeps) Lynette Blue
18-19	Grand Valley KC	Show - Close 9/1	Grand Junction, CO	Onofrio	Harriet Campbell Dawn Hansen
18-19	Continental Divide Herding	AKC Herding Test & Trial	Fort Lupton	Woodmansee	970-663-7197
Sep 20-25	Samoyed Club of America	National Specialty - Close 9/1	Topeka, KS	Onofrio	Mardee Ward-Fanning Annella Cooper (Dogs) Jan Cherne (Bitches) Nancy Golden (Futurity) Wade Koistinen(Sweep)
24-26	Terry-All KC	AKC Agility - Open 7/8	Brighton, Co	Deb Ascher	Larry Brockett James Sanders
26	Denver Foothills Tracking Assoc	Tracking - Close 9/8	Littleton, CO	Lynn Kemmerer	303-794-9248
Oct 1-2	Mesilla Valley KC	Show - Close 9/15	Alamogordo, NM	Onofrio	Pete Dawkins Frank McCartha
2-3	Cornhusker KC of Lincoln, NE	Show - Close 9/15	Lincoln, NE	Onofrio	Charles Trotter Donald Booxbaum
3-4	Chaparral KC	Show - Close 9/15	Alamogordo, NM	Onofrio	Joyce Vanek Nelson Huber
9-10	Lawrence Jayhawk KC	Show - Close 9/22	Lawrence, KS	Onofrio	Ronald Menaker William Hossler
9-10	Valencia Valley KC	Show - Close 9/22	Los Lunas, NM	Onofrio	Vern Haney / Clay Coady
9-10	Pikes Peak Obedience Club	Obedience Trial-Close 9/22	Elbert, CO	Cora Pizzitola	719-634-8139
15-17	Rapid City KC	Show - Close 9/29	Rapid City, SD	Onofrio	Denny Mounce Virginia Hampton Robert Indeglia
16	Mountain States Dog Trng Club	AKC Agility - Open 8/25	Golden, CO	Makowski	Jay Acker
17	Timberline Bassett Club	AKC Agility - Open 8/25	Golden, CO	Makowski	Jay Acker
16-17	Kachina KC	Show - Close 9/29	Goodyear, AZ	Onofrio	Joseph Gregory John Ramirez
22-24	Front Range Agility Association	AKC Agility - Open 8/11	Castle Rock, CO	Debby Funk	Joan Meyer Karen Holik
23-24	Sioux Empire KC	Show - Close 10/6	Sioux Falls, SD	Onofrio	Chuck Herendeen Pat Trotter
24	Denver Foothills Tracking Assoc	Tracking - Close 10/6	Littleton, CO	Lynn Kemmerer	303-794-9248
Oct 30-31	Longs Peak Dog Training Club	AKC Agility - Open 9/1	Greeley, CO	Woodmansee	E Allyn / M Sjogren
31	Denver Foothills Tracking	Tracking Ex - Close 10/13	Littleton, CO	Patti Pigeon	303-279-8334

2004-2005 Schedule of Events

Date	Organization	Event	Location	Contact	Judge or More Info
Nov 12-16	Tucson KC Greater Sierra Vista KC Canada Del Oro KC	Show - Close 10/27	Tucson, AZ	Bradshaw	Beverly Nosiglia Dawn Hansen Jean Fournier Charles McWilliams Barbara Ann Brooks
13-14	Flatirons KC	AKC Agility - Open 8/31	Longmont, CO	Deb Ascher	Pat Guticz / Deb Funk
20	Minuteman Samoyed Club South Windsor KC	Designated Specialty - 11/3	W Springfield, MA	MB-F	Ann Bark (Sweeps) Kathleen Ronald
20-21	Sahuaro State KC	Show - Close 11/3	Phoenix, AZ	Onofrio	Irma Fertl Carl Gene Liepmann
20-21	Nebraska KC	Show - Close 11/3	Omaha, NE	Onofrio	Chris Walkowicz Robert J Moore
20-21	Mile High Agility—Boulder	AKC Agility - Open 9/22	Golden, CO	Makowski	N/A
27-28	Southern Colorado Agility Club	AKC Agility - Open 10/2	Pueblo, CO	Liz Williams	Lavond Herring / N/A
26-29	Yuma KC Imperial Valley KC	Show - Close 11/10	Yuma, AZ	Bradshaw	Richard Chashoudian Arlene Davis Clay Coady Marion Mason Hodesson
Dec 4-5	Denver Samoyed Association	AKC Agility - Open 10/27 Close 11/24	Jefferson Cty Fairgrounds	Helen Hittesdorf	Sheila Lavin Joni Weed
Jan 15-17 2005	Longs Peak Dog Training Club	Obedience Trial-Close 12/18	Greeley, CO	Woodmansee	970-224-1544
15-16	Columbine State Poodle Club	AKC Agility Trial Open—12/1 Close 12/29	Castle Rock, CO	Joni Weed	June Ebert Joyce Polivka
22	Samoyed Fanciers of Central Florida / Clearwater KC	Designated Specialty – Close 1/5	Brooksville, FL	MB-F	Iris Clough (Sweeps) N/A
Feb 4-5	Hobbs New Mexico KC	Show - Close 1/19	Hobbs, NM	Onofrio	Judy Doniere Eric Liebes
5	Greater Milwaukee Samoyed Fanciers	Specialty - Close 1/19	Fond Du Lac, WI	Jim Parrish	Pat Griffin (Sweeps) Marion Hodesson
11	Willamette Valley Samoyed Fanciers	Specialty - Close 1/26	Albany, OR	Garvin	Tina Oswald (Sweeps) N/A
20-21	Colorado KC	Show - Close 2/2	Denver, CO	Onofrio	Lowell Davis James Reynolds
May 7-8	Platte Valley of Fremont KC	Show - Close 4/20	Fremont, NE / Lincoln, NE	Onofrio	N/A
7	Utah Valley KC	Show - Close 4/22	Riverton, UT	Onofrio	Larry J Chu
14-15	Rio Grande KC	Show - Close 4/27	Albuquerque, NM	Onofrio	N/A
Sep 2005	Denver Samoyed Association Show Chair: Terry Walb	Specialty & Judges - PENDING	Greeley, CO		Jim Shea (Sweeps) ?? (Work Sw) Mrs. Lee Canalizo Carole Joy-Everett
24-25	Grand Island KC	Show -Close 9/7	Grand Island, NE	Onofrio	Arley Hussin Helen Lee James
Nov 12-13	Southern Colorado KC	Show - Close 10/26	Pueblo, CO	Onofrio	N/A

Man's Best Friend

The reason a dog has so many friends is that it wags its tail instead of its tongue. - *Unknown*

If there are no dogs in heaven, then when I die I want to go where they went. - *Will Rogers*

There is no psychiatrist in the world like a puppy licking your face. - *Ben Williams*

A dog teaches you fidelity, perseverance, and to turn around three times before lying down. - *Robert Benchley*

Dogs need to sniff the ground; its how they keep abreast of current events. The ground is a giant dog newspaper, containing all kinds of late-breaking dog news items, which, if they are

especially urgent, are often continued in the next yard. - *Dave Barry*

If your dog is fat, you aren't getting enough exercise. - *Unknown*

My goal in life is to be the kind of person my dog thinks I am. - *Unknown*

Denver Samoyed Association

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



c/o Thalia Peletis, Editor
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Littleton, Colorado
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Aug 16, 2004 Meeting Reminder - 7:15 PM - St. Joseph Episcopal Church

- 1) 2006 Local Specialty Chairperson—Volunteer needed!
- 2) Vote on motion: DSA provide financial support for a new working group dog club, Peak to Peak Working Club, with a \$100.00 seed money donation.

WE'RE ON THE WEB!
WWW.DENVERSAMOYED.ORG

September Sam-O-Gram deadline for articles is September 1st.

Denver Samoyed Rescue Report

no HOME, all ALONE July Placements = 2 (N/A referral)
As of 08/04/04, we have the following Sammies available for adoption:

Female (Moo-Shu)	9 yr	Indoor/Outdoor	Owner
Male (Boca)	10 yr	Indoor/Outdoor	Owner

Comments: Place as a pair. Moo-Shu, 75#, Boca 100#. OK with other dogs and children. Walks comfortably on a leash, responds to basic obedience commands. OK when left alone, inside or outside. Low energy level. Boca is beginning to develop cataracts. Reason: Owner surrender



Moo-Shu



Boca

Female (Samantha)	7 yr	Indoor/Outdoor	Boarded
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Comments: Is very overweight. Is cautious around other dogs, fine around cats (with supervision). Responds to basic obedience commands. Loves car rides but it is hard for her to get in because of weight. Does not like to be crated (confined space). She has an absolutely delightful personality, loves belly rubs and enjoys her daily walks. Reason: Owner surrender.



Samantha



Natasha

Female (Kate)	5 yr	Indoor/Outdoor	Owner
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Comments: ~60#. Housebroken and knows some obedience. She is very friendly, love kids and is a real sweetie. Reason: Owner surrender.

Female (Natasha)	5 yr	Indoor/Outdoor	Boarded
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Comments: Very gentle soul. Travels well in a car. Does not yet walk well on a leash, would need some obedience training. Ideal home would not include cats, but possibly ok with other dogs. She has been shaved, but coat is already growing back in. Natasha LOVES people!
Reason: Owner Surrender (Nebraska)

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