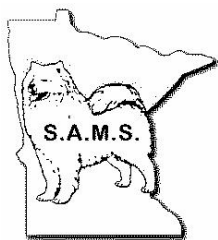


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CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Lynette Sylvester – Member at Large

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The next General meeting will be **Wednesday, May 14th**, starting with social time at 6:30pm and meeting at **7pm** at **Gage & Gage in Shakopee**.

Directions:

From the Twin Cities take Hwy 169 south towards Mankato. Exit 83 Canterbury Road and turn right. Turn right at 1st Stop sign (12th Ave). Proceed to 4950 and turn right into lot. Brown building with teal trim.

Upcoming Events:

General Club Meetings: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• July 9• September 10• November 12	Board Meetings: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• June 11• August 13• October 8• November 19
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May Sun. 11th Spooner WI - www.northcentralworkingdogclub.com has a weight pulling event

May Sat. 10th Gage & Gage Warehouse

S.A.M.S. 'Wellness Clinic'

Dr. Camille McArdle will be doing the clinic again at Gage & Gage's Warehouse/Office in Shakopee.

For S.A.M.S. members and anyone wishing to participate...

May 10th, 2008 * Saturday**

Noon to 4:30 PM

Here are the 2008 prices:

- Heartworm testing \$26
- Rabies vaccination (certificate but no tag) \$20
- DA2PP vaccination (no corona, no lept) \$20
- Bordetella (intranasal) \$16
- Implant microchip \$32 (this does not include registering it anywhere; I will have the paperwork to register it with AKC-CAR, which costs \$12.50)
- T4 Blood level \$54
- 4Dx test: Heartworm antigen plus three tick-borne diseases \$56 (higher than at a veterinary clinic, as they can do them in-house but I have to send them out)

All paperwork (rabies certificates, blood results, prescriptions for heartworm preventive, etc.) will be mailed within 8 days. **Please bring a self-addressed, stamped envelope for your papers. Please know your dog's weight for the heartworm medicine Rx.**

It would be VERY helpful to have approximate counts a week ahead, NECESSARY (!) for microchips and T4's, which require that I have an adequate number of certain forms, and knowing the total number of dogs to expect would allow me to make sure I have adequate supplies ready.

Please RSVP to Laura RgntreSams@msn.com or call her at 612-529-3930 so she can give an estimate to Dr. McArdle for the clinic.

General Meeting Minutes

Samoyed Association of Minneapolis & St. Paul
General Club Meeting Minutes: 03/12/2008

Draft – Approval Pending

Larry Mackai, president, called the meeting to order at 7:25. The meeting was held at the offices of Gage & Gage.

Corrections were made to the February Board meeting minutes from 02/12/08, mailed out to membership with the newsletter. Laura Wolfe moved to accept the meeting with corrections. Paul Holtzlider seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

President's Report – Larry Mackai

- No president's report

Secretary's Report – Paula Maidl

- No secretary's report.

Treasurer's Report – Kathy Mackai

- Kathy reported that there is \$1,597.09 in checking, and \$3,842.91 in savings.
- Dues are all in. We lost 2 memberships, but have gained quite a few new members this year.
- Income this month included \$860.00 in dues, and \$1,102.50 from the holiday auction.
- Expenses this month included \$100 for Specialty application, \$100 SCA trophy donation, \$54 mini-storage unit fee, \$164.07 for holiday party food, \$600 for annual insurance.

Committee Reports

2008 Specialty: Larry Mackai

- The application was submitted to AKC, but came back for missing the disaster contact. Larry re-sent with his name. Also needed to re-sign one application.
- We need to fill a few positions on the specialty committee: we need a grounds-person, potluck organizer (we want to have potlucks every day), banquet organizer, and hospitality person to get the Thursday judge.
- Nellie volunteered for the hospitality role.
- Junior's judge will be Coleman Nemerov for Thursday, and Shilon Bedford for Friday.
- Jane Anderson has volunteered to be chief ring steward.

Activities/Education: Barb Gage

- The Agility clinic will be held at Total Recall on June 28th.
- There will be another weight pull at Gage & Gage in April. Exact dates unknown at this time. Larry told Bob that SAMS would like to sponsor another weight pull.
- Herding Fun Day was discussed. Tentative date is May 4th. There is a limit on the number of dogs we can have, so we are limiting sign-up to 1 dog per family initially, until we see if we can fill all slots. Bob Gage is handling registration – contact him at bob-gage@hotmail.com to register.
- Bob will ask Lori about scheduling another TDI/CGC testing day this year.
- Laura will contact Camille McArdle about the Wellness Clinic. We are hoping for a date in April or May.

SCA Liaison: Laura Wolfe

- Paula is sending in the annual SCA information for the club for Laura.

Membership: Paula Maidl

- A new membership application was read for Sally Peterson.
- Larry asked if there were any objections to a hand vote (rather than ballots) for the new memberships. There were no objections. Membership applications were unanimously approved for Michael and Lori Homyak, Betty Gerlach, Bill and Patty Ellis, and Pat and Gary Griffin

Unfinished Business

- Still looking for fundraising committee/chair to help with ideas and organize them. Jill Crisp volunteered to head up committee. Paula will send out an email to membership asking any other volunteers to contact Jill to be on the fundraising committee.
- Some ideas that were discussed were shirts with our artwork on them, a SAMS cookbook, and organizing a people/pet photo session for this fall (just in time for Christmas card photos!).

New Business

- Laura brought up the sledding activity, and wanting to have impromptu events considered 'sanctioned' SAMS events. Laura moved that any given activity involving club members and dogs that is authorized by a SAMS board member, will be considered a sanctioned SAMS event. Bob Gage seconded, and all members approved.
- There was also discussion around getting our new club brochures out to our members who are breeders, so they can be given to new puppy owners. As breeder referral, when Laura received notice of a new litter, she will contact Paula who will mail brochures to that breeder.

Laura Wolfe moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. The motion was approved by all members.

Respectfully submitted,
Paula Maidl

Breeder Referral:

Congratulations to Pam Landers & Norma Pinkert, Lynette Sylvester and Laura Wolfe on placing their litters!

If you have a litter, please remember to inform Laura Wolfe, breeder referral for SAMS. She can be reached at rgntresams@msn.com.

Trophy Donations – SAMS 2008 Specialty:

First, we want to thank those of you who have already made donations to our SAMS trophy fund. We are still searching for trophy donations for our August 21 and 22, 2008 SAMS Specialties. We still have a number of openings and would really appreciate donations to the general trophy fund to fill in the empty slots.

Any donation that you can make for our specialties would be much appreciated.

You can contact me by email, home phone (763-757-6575) or cell phone (612-910-8238).

Jim Shea
2008 SAMS Trophy Chairperson

Cookbook Fundraiser:

Hello everyone,

At the last meeting we discussed different types of things we could do for a fundraiser and we are going to try to compile enough recipes to create a cookbook. Please email me your favorite human or dog recipe(s) (the more the merrier) so I can start working on the layout. If you would also like to attached a couple of photos of your Sammy we will see what we can do to include those. It doesn't matter if it is a snapshot or from any type of competition. It would be great to get some photos of the MANY different activities that we engage in with our beloved fur balls.

I am hoping that these cook books will provide some GREAT recipes that we all want to try and that they will educate people about the breed we all know and love so well.

If you have any questions or comments please feel free to call me at 763-862-9922 or by email at ejsnitro1109@hotmail.com or a shorter email would be 1109nitro@comcast.net.

Thank you in advance for submitting your recipes.

Jill Crisp