

Samoyed Association of Mpls/St. Paul



CLUB NEWSLETTER

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The next general meeting is scheduled for 7:00pm on Monday, November 14, 2005, will be held at Gage & Gage's in Shakopee. This will be a Potluck dinner starting at 7 PM, there will be a special program with guest speaker Paul Holtzlider, Flurry, & Glacier at 7:30 PM. Paul will speak and answer questions about the Hurricane Disaster Relief experience he had in September. Flurry & Glacier (his Samoyeds) will tell you about their experience at the Maidl's while their owner was down south. The meeting will start around 8 PM. Nominations will be announced for the 2006 SAMS Board, Voting on future Specialty/Specialties, Deadline for donations for the Hurricane Relief Fund (See info in newsletter please).

Scheduled General/Board Meetings for 2005

Board: Monday at 7:30pm:
12/12/05

Upcoming Events:

January – SAMS Holiday Party (details in next newsletter)

Member Updates:

Dawn Sawdey has married and moved to Arizona!

Email: jch840@frontiernet.net

Hurricane Relief Donations

At the September 19th meeting of SAMS the following was approved:

SAMS will donate \$500 to both the AKC/CAR (Companion Animal Recovery) fund – for animal recovery in connection with Hurricane Katrina, and to the Salvation Army- for help with needs of the people affected by the hurricane. In addition, any donations made to either of these organizations by members of SAMS will be matched by SAMS, up to a limit of an additional \$1000.00. These totals will be submitted to SCA, to be matched as a part of their program to donate up to 50% of the profits of the 2005 SCA National Specialty. Any proof of a donation made previously would be useable for the match. Please send your check payable to AKC/CAR or Salvation Army, or proof of previous donation to: Kathy Mackai, Treasurer, 7909 Stevens Ave So, Bloomington, MN 55420. If you have any questions, please call Kathy at 952-881-5080 or contact any board member.

Donations will gladly be accepted at the November 14th General Meeting, which is the deadline for the matching funds program.

Carting Clinic Recap

Five of our members plus two potential members joined the Malamute Club at Chris and JR Johnson's home in Cambridge for their fall carting clinic on Saturday Oct 1st. It was a bit warm but since the trails were shaded the dogs were able to run and not get too warm. It was a wonderful opportunity for all of us, as their members are always so willing to share their expertise with us. For some of us it was the first time our dogs had been hooked and for others it gave us a chance to hone our skills. For the dogs I think it was a wonderful day just being out and doing what they were bred to do. I saw lots of happy wagging tails. There was a pot luck lunch which I know was enjoyed by all the humans present. And I would guess our four legged friends also got a tidbit or two. So a great big thank you to the Malamute Club for inviting us to join them.

Barbara B Gage

Vice President's Message

Dear Fellow SAMS club members,

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you who were able to attend the last general club meeting and allowed us to have a quorum! It is most sincerely a joy to me when I see our members turn out and be there to vote on important issues. We accomplished a great deal of business that night. I also appreciate your support with Ann being unable to attend and my filling in. I am looking forward to seeing you at the November meeting. We have a great program involving the club support for the Hurricane Relief. I want to give a special "Thanks!" to Paula and Todd Maidl along with Alex and Rachel for caring for Flurry and Glacier while Paul Holtzlider went to do disaster relief. It was truly a club effort in action!

I would like to take a few lines to remind us of why we started the 2 day Specialties. There was a lot of effort behind this adventure for all the exhibitor activities in the club. The listed advantages we sighted at that time were:

Offering TWO wins/Double Majors for one weekend trip.

No conflict with Mother's Day, or fishing opener.

Shorter weekend for exhibitors to attend an out-of-town show. (Some of us cannot take off Thursday & Friday to do 4 day shows)

I would like to add that attendance would not be hindered by weather in May. Travel is more costly now but at least there would be no chance of a snowstorm. The two day Specialties have been successful both with attendance, camaraderie, and finances. I urge you to look closely at what benefits they offer to our club, the breed, and the Samoyed world. Again, I am looking forward to seeing you all at the November meeting.

Laura Wolfe, Vice-president/SAMS

2006 SAMS Board Nominees

Thanks to this year's nominating committee hardworking members: Barb Gage, Lynne Sparks, Lynette Sylvester for pulling together the 2006 Board nominees before heading off to this year's National Specialty. It was a close call to obtain the final member nominee, but they did it!

Pres. Karen Palm
VP Laura Wolfe
Secy Ricq Pattay
Treas Kathy Mackai

Members at Large

1 Lynne Sparks
2 Bob Gage
3 Paul Maidl

Floor nominations will be accepted at the November General meeting and voted on at the next General meeting. Thanks again to the nominating committee in completing this task for our club!

New Member Applications

Tami Lynn Kapphahn

E-mail: Tigger-tlc@yahoo.com

Kennel name: Lacheln Samoyeds (maybe)

Member of the Twin Cities Bernese Mountain Dog Club
(considered owning a Berner at one time)

owns Hawkwinds Golden Amber Onyx born 12-8-04

Sponsored by Nellie Hofmeister and Lori Sorenson

First reading 9/19/05

Attended Specialty on Saturday 2005

Wendy Graham

email: gramdal@earthlink.net

owns two rescues - 1 samoyed female Kiska
Samoyed (sibe x) male Yukon

Attended 2 Club Pack Hikes - Mar/Apr 05

Sponsored by Barb Gage & Laura Wolfe

In Memoriam Submitted by Linda and Donaven Murray

Sandbeck's Rebel Works For Me CGC, TDI, HIT, HCT, WS, WSX Dec. 16, 1993 – Oct. 13, 2005

Sandbeck's Rebel Works For ME, Was born stubborn and 'goofy' as could be

The breeder was happy to see him go, Because he always pawed his water bowl

In obedience he liked to doodle, Paid no attention, like a wet noodle

He got his first nickname in that way, It was Rebel Devil Doodle All the Day

Carting and herding were his passion, He ran dual lead in His own fashion

Logged many miles before tearing a ligament, Hike, Are you ready? and away he went

My first show dog in the conformation ring, Prancing and stacking as if he was king

Won first place in the 12-18 month class, Had nothing to prove but to show he could pass

Jumping and climbing brought him great joy, So, he had to learn the ladder was not a toy

We thought, agility must be the activity for him, To St. Cloud we did travel to find it was only a whim

Therapy dog demos took him to visit with kids, So many to pet him, they had to put in their bids

He laughed and wiggled all the while that he taught, So hence, his next nickname, Laughs a Lot

He earned the WS title in herding, packing and therapy, This was nothing compared to what he would be

WSX title included therapy and herding instinct, It was all a great joy for him as he winked

He never growled or tried to be a tuffy, And for this he earned the nickname Fluffy

He loved all his toys, but willingly shared them, Happy go lucky and rarely a problem

Jumped and barked at all animals on TV, But now the house is silent as can be

You left this world on your own que, But, Dude, we will always love you.