

# Samoyed Association of Mpls/St. Paul



## CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Club Website: <http://www.samsmn.org/>

**Next Newsletter Deadline: August 31st**

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### S.A.M.S. 2007 Board of Directors:

Larry Mackai – President  
Laura Wolfe – Vice President  
Kathy Mackai – Treasurer  
Paula Maidl – Secretary  
Jon Gauthier – Member at Large  
Bob Gage – Member at Large  
Lynette Sylvester – Member at Large

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**The next General Club meeting will be Tuesday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2007, at the North Mississippi Regional Park.** The club will host a dog walk and BBQ followed by a general club meeting. We have 2 new memberships to vote in at the meeting and will present award plaques & watch a DVD about the Donald Duncan Serum Run. Please bring a dish to share for the BBQ as the club will provide meat and beverages. Remember to dress for the weather and bring water for your dog(s). The hike will be from 4-6pm, the BBQ at 6pm and the awards ceremony & meeting at 7pm.

### Directions:

Park Info and directions:

<http://www.minneapolisparcs.org/default.asp?PageID=4&parkid=419>

Or

**4900 N. Mississippi Ct.  
Minneapolis, MN 55430**

Phone: 612 370-4865

## **Upcoming Events:**

### **General Club Meetings:**

July 11<sup>th</sup> – BBQ at North Mississippi Regional Park  
October 9<sup>th</sup> – Location TBD  
November 27<sup>th</sup> – Location TBD

### **Board Meetings:**

August 14<sup>th</sup> – Location TBD  
September 26<sup>th</sup> – Location TBD  
November 20<sup>th</sup> – Location TBD

## **SAMS Spring Specialty Comments:**

Below is an excerpt from an email received by the SAMS Specialty Committee chair from Jeanne Nonhof. Congratulations to Laure Wolfe and the entire specialty committee on a job well done!

"I think that was one of SAMS nicest specialties.....well, you have had specialties with nicer weather on both days but you were extremely well organized this year. Sorry my wild puppy tipped over the flowers. I think obedience classes may be on the schedule for that girl. She is soooo stubborn and always thinks she knows what has to be done.

I absolutely LOVED the BOB trophy on Saturday. So nice to get something you can actually use instead of something you have to polish. And my chairs just bit the dust, so this is very timely.

The favors at your banquet were just unheard of - what a treat and I bought two more - thanks for sharing those. You had so many really cool things at your auction but they went beyond my price range in a hurry. Little ole widow ladies don't have that much disposable cash - or at least this one doesn't.

Oh, and loved the garden flag. Just the thing for me. I am a big time gardener and I put it next to my Daylily Walk this morning. Looks lovely.

I wonder just how many MN specialties I have attended - even judged it once. I didn't really have time to look through the photo albums you had on display but I did see one which showed Wayne with Stanley finishing his championship at your specialty..

And that was a wonderful tribute to John (Donner). I'll bet I knew him for 40 years and the two hour pedigree phone conversations we used to have - he had such a good brain for pedigrees and what traits you would find here or there. He did leave a legacy."

Jeanne Nonhof, Moonlighter Samoyeds

## **New Memberships**

Membership Application #1:

Tom & Carol Jetzer

Kennel name: SnoIllusion Samoyeds, Hobby kennel

No other breeds

No other breed/kennel club memberships

Interested in showing, agility, sledding

Comments: May have occasional litter - not breeding commercially

All dogs/breeds currently owned: 2 adult Samoyeds, 2 Jack Russels (spayed/neutered). Non-show quality dogs all spayed/neutered

Sponsored by Paula Maidl, Kathy Mackai

Past members of SAMS. Attended both days of 2007 SAMS specialty.

Family Voting Membership

## Membership Application #2:

Name: Brenda Countryman & Dan White  
Kennel Name: none  
Do not belong to any other Breed/Kennel Clubs  
Interested in Agility, Sledding  
List all dogs: 2 Samoyeds

Sponsored by Jim Shea and Laura Wolfe  
Have attended Pack Hike, Oct 2006 and Christmas Party January 2007

## **Board & General Meeting Minutes**

**Samoyed Association of Minneapolis & St. Paul  
General Club Meeting Minutes: 05/08/07**

**Draft – Approval Pending**

Larry Mackai, president, called the meeting to order at 7:30. The meeting was held at the home of Lynne Sparks and Karen Palm.

Laura Wolfe moved to accept the March club meeting minutes, and Lynette Sylvester seconded the motion.

### Treasurer's Report – Kathy Mackai

- Kathy reported that there is \$1,332.59 in checking.

### Committee Reports

#### *2006 Specialty: Laura Wolfe*

- Set up will start at 9:00 p.m.
- Committee members only will be allowed to set up in the grooming area
- All judges will receive gifts, and sweeps judges will receive a stipend
- There were some minor changes to the judging program that Judy Hekel is making
- Larry will be presenting the SCARF slide show at the banquet

#### *Activities/Education – Barb Gage*

- We had a great turnout at the weight pull at Gage & Gage, with many compliments from entrants on the quality of the pull and how supportive everyone was of each other. And the Sammies did great at the pull!
- We are planning another pull at Gage & Gage for the 1<sup>st</sup> weekend in October.
- There is a tentative weight pull in Maple Lake on June 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- The Wellness clinic was very successful, with 26 dogs attending.
- We are looking for new dates for the Diabetes testing clinic, which will be held in Plymouth.
- The TDI testing is scheduled for Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at Gage & Gage. Call Lori Sorenson at 952-888-7142 to reserve a time. Dogs must be over 1 year old and have proof of rabies vaccinations. The test should take 15 – 20 minutes. You need to bring a buckle collar, 6-foot lead, grooming brush and water for your dog(s). You can also do the CGC test at the same time if you like.
- GJ Harper is looking into possibly having an agility clinic at Total Recall. More on this later.
- The fall Pack Hike/Camping weekend is scheduled for September 28 – 30<sup>th</sup> at William O'Brien State Park.

#### *Awards – Lori Sorenson*

- Members can still turn in award forms to Lori Sorenson.

#### *Membership – Paula Maidl*

Membership for Jill Rae Crisp was voted on. Lori Sorenson moved to forgo the paper vote, and vote by voice. Paul Holtzlider seconded this motion. The vote was unanimous to accept Jill into S.A.M.S.

#### *Local Color – Laura Wolfe*

- Laura wanted to remind members to send her information for local color (for the SCA Bulletin) at any time.

### New Business

- Georgia Kachinske presented her findings on research she did regarding placing ads in local publications promoting the club and our breeder referral. There was group discussion on this topic, and all were in favor of doing more advertising. Georgia will do further research on placing ads in the Star Tribune, and Kathy Mackai will look into the Pioneer Press.

### Unfinished Business

- There was none

The next board meeting will be held on Monday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at the Chili's at 494 & 100.

The next general club meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, from 4:00 to 10:00 p.m. at the North Mississippi River Park shelter. This will be our annual barbecue, with the club providing the meat, and everyone bringing a dish to share. We will also have a dog walk (so bring the dogs!), and a club meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Paula Maidl

## 4/17/07 Board Meeting of the Samoyed Association of Minneapolis-St. Paul

The meeting was called to order by Larry Mackai at 7:14 p.m.

### Secretary's Report (Paula Maidl)

No report given  
Previous board meeting minutes OK'd with changes

### President's Report (Larry Mackai)

No report given

### Treasurer's Report (Kathy Mackai)

There is currently a balance of \$1,659.76 in checking and \$5,836.14 in savings.

### Committee Appointment Discussion

- State Fair – the new state fair committee is currently Lynette Sylvester and Bob Gage. They will contact MPDBA to determine how to arrange our dates for 2007.
- 2008 Specialty – we need a show chair for the 2008 specialty

### Committee Reports

- 2007 Specialty (Laura Wolfe)
  - The premiums have been mailed. Judge arrangements are just about set. Sub-committees are doing well.
  - The show committee decided to provide a \$100 stipend to both sweeps judges, in recognition of their time and effort put into judging at our show.
- MPDBA (Laura Wolfe)
  - Laura has submitted the club information to the group. They looking into hiring a lobbyist, and will be contacting clubs for donations.
- Activities (Barb Gage)
  - Diabetes Testing – still finalizing a date for this testing.
  - TDI testing will be held on 6/16.
  - Agility rules – Barb brought proposed changes to the agility awards rules to the Board. Laura Wolfe moved to approve the changes, recognizing that the rules are a work in progress and that other changes may need to be made in the future. Bob Gage seconded the motion.
- Membership (Paula Maidl)
  - The membership list has been updated, and emailed to the Board members. Paula will send letters to those members who did not renew.

### Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

### New Business

Paula discussed the AKC breeder symposium, which is the same weekend as our specialty. She will get info to Laura Wolfe, who will send the email along to all SAMS members.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Paula Maidl