

Samoyed Association of Mpls/St. Paul



CLUB NEWSLETTER

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General meeting is scheduled for April 14th at Minneapolis Humane Society.

The meeting program consists of the SAMS Awards/Plaques Ceremony and a presentation by Nellie Hofmeister and Lynne Sparks on their trip to England starting at 7:30pm. T-shirts ordered at the previous meeting will be handed out at the meeting.

Note: There will be a brief Activity Committee meeting at 6pm before the club meeting. Please let Barb Gage know if you would like to attend and help with the Activity Committee. Barbarag@winternet.com

Upcoming Events

April 26th

May 3rd

Time for some outdoor agility. The Outback Australian Shepherd club is sponsoring an **Agility Fun Run** on **Saturday April 26 and Saturday May 3** at Judy Moore's place in Oak Grove starting at 9:00 am and run till ???. \$5 per run / \$3 per additional run with same dog. Contact Barb Gage for directions and further info. Barbarag@winternet.com

April 27th

SAMS Annual Heartworm Clinic will be held at the Gage & Gage Office in Shakopee. Details listed on separate page.

May 17-18th

SAMS 2003 Spring Specialty

Location: Animal Inn, Lake Elmo

<u>Judges:</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
	Conformation	Jeanne Nonhof	Douglas Shipley
	Sweeps	Pat Barkhaus	Karen Nyhuis
	Obedience	Louise Botko	Donna Larson
	Agility	Carol Smorch	Carol Smorch

Banquet: Saturday evening with Auction

June 14-15th

Weight-pull Clinic. Details forthcoming in future newsletter.

Oct 4th

A-Fair with Dogs at Anoka County Fairgrounds

Club Reminders

2003 Spring Specialty: Please notify Ann Musker (ptgypsyl@msn.com) or Mishelle Katzman (<mailto:Katzf526@cs.com>) about any auction or raffle items you have to donate. Jon Gauthier is still collecting for trophy donations.

NOTE: The banquet dinner is scheduled for **Saturday** evening, **May 17th**. Please R.S.V.P. if you plan to attend.

The following is a listing of the scheduled general and board meetings for the remainder of 2003. All dates are subject to change due to facility availability and will be updated in subsequent newsletters.

General Meetings to be held at Minneapolis Animal Humane Society

Monday, **June 9th**

Monday, **September 15th**

Monday, **November 10th**

Board Meetings with locations to be determined

Monday, May 5th

Monday, June 23rd

Monday, August 25th

Monday, October 6th

Monday, December 8th

SAMS 2003 Committee listing

S.A.M.S. 2003 Committees

Committee	Chair
Activities	Barb Gage
Education (public)	GJ Harper
Education (breed/canine health issues)	Jane Anderson
Hall of Fame	Larry Mackay
Hospitality & Courtesy	Cyndy McGrath
Legislation	Pam Landers
Library	Bob Gage
Membership	Karen Palm
Auditing	Karen Palm
MPDBA	Jane Anderson
Newsletter	Lori Sorenson
Plaques and Awards	Lori Sorenson
Web Site	Robinette Ralston
SCA Liaison	Leny Wendel
2003 Specialty	John Donner
Judge Selection 2004	John Donner
Rescue	Lori Sorenson
State Fair	Betty Gerlach
Parlementarian	Rolan Anderson
Club Meeting Programs	Jane Anderson
Fundraising	Lori Sorenson

Please contact the chair, if you're interested in serving on any of these committees.

Herding Instinct Testing Information

AHBA Herding Instinct Test(HCT)
Scandia, MN
April 19, 2003
Contact: Jo Anna Yund

AHBA Herding Instinct Test (HCT)
April 27, 2003
Williamsburg, IA
Contact: Kathy Heilenman

For general information about what this involves and how to get points for the working dog program call Barbara Gage.

IN LOVING MEMORY

**SANDBECK'S LEADER DOC NUBBINS
CGC, TDI, HIT, HCT, WS**

May 12, 1990-March 11, 2003

Sandbeck's Leader Doc Nubbins

The best Samoyed lead dog in the mid-west
Trained Malamutes, Huskies, Samoyeds and Mixed breeds
Mushing was serious business, it was his quest

He was born breech on May 12, 1990
Amy bit off his tail while pulling him out
Baby Doc had his first vet visit before 6 hours old
But that didn't stop him from running all about

Started intermediate obedience at 6 months old
Entered Samoyed National Dog Show to pass his TDI
Pulled over 1300 pounds at his first weight pull
He was an extremely intelligent little guy

Pulled toboggans full of wood home many times
Helped to pull the log splitter from a deep snow bank
Learned to mimic the call of great horned owls
Confused owls didn't realize it was just a prank

He was a natural at all the therapy dog visits
Greeted each resident with a joyful howl
Kisses were given to hear them all giggle
But no one ever heard him growl

Your soft, furry head is gone from our touch
Now that we have laid you down to sleep
We can no longer hear you howling and talking
Our wonderful memories are all that we have to keep

To our special Doc
Happy trails till we meet again
Linda, Donaven, Rebel & Dillon Murray