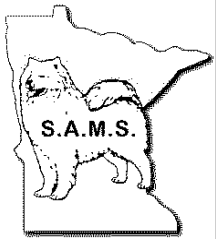


Samoyed Association of Mpls/St. Paul



CLUB NEWSLETTER

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The next General meeting will be **Wednesday, November 12th**, Gage & Gage in Shakopee (4950 12th Ave E). Come out to Shakopee early, and shop at Gage & Gage's warehouse sale (see enclosed flyer). The sale goes until 6:00 p.m. Then head over to the main Gage & Gage building for the club meeting. Please bring along a goodie to share. Social hour will begin at 6:00, and the meeting will start at 7:00 p.m.

The next Board meeting will be held at on Wednesday, November 19th, at the Knollwood Mall Panera, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Upcoming Events:

General Club Meetings: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• November 12	Board Meetings: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• November 19
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Nov 8

AHBA Herding Capability Tests

9:00 am

\$35.00

Portage, WI

Sponsored by Samoyed Assoc of Madison

For more information contact Wanda Krauss

www.bigyellowboots.com

Wolf Track Classic Sled Dog Races and Weight Pull

NADSR Rules

Ely, MN

Feb 28th, 2009

Indoors

Sanctioned Pull - \$1800.00 purse

Pre Registration happening now. Limited entry (6 per wt class, 32 total) Some classes are filling up.

There will also be a novice weight pull offered. Also limited to 32 dogs.

Go to web site to sign up. www.wolftrackclassic.com

What a fun week end. On Sunday there will be 6 and 8 dog races for distances of 30 and 60 miles with a total of 70 teams.

March 14-15, 2009

UKC Sanctioned Weight Pull

Novice Pull on Sat.

Shakopee, MN 55088

Member Opportunities:

Volunteers Needed! If you are interested in serving on the **SAMS Board for 2009**, please contact Paula Maidl, pmaidl@frontiernet.net, or any Board member, to express your interest. Board meetings are held 6 times/year, so it's not a huge time commitment. Nominations for the Board will be accepted at the November club meeting. Please consider volunteering your time to help support the club!

SAMS Holiday Party - If anyone is interested in hosting this year's Holiday Party and Auction, please contact Paula Maidl, pmaidl@frontiernet.net, or any Board member to let us know. The weekends of January 10/11, 17/18, or 24/25 all appear to be open, so if you are willing to host, you can also pick the best weekend for you!

Member's Corner:

Performance & Conformation Brags:

Ch Sylvan's Flying Bombardier, aka Gunnar, owned by Barbara Gage & Pam Landers, won a second place in the Sanctioned Weight Pull in Topeka. *Submitted by Barb Gage*

Ch Jon-Bareign's Ain't Miss Behavin', aka Kenna, owned by Paula and Todd Maidl, passed the first leg of the herding instinct testing at Nationals. *Submitted by Paula Maidl*

UCH Prairie Isle Gabby That'll Do-TT,CGC,TDI,HIT,HCT,RN,UWP,WPC,WP GRAND CHAMPION, WS,WSX. Gabby's goal was to beat the top weight pull dog in the nation and he did it up hill in warm weather. He pulled 1,279 pounds for 1st place in his weight class, a huge ribbon for most weight pulled and another huge ribbon for top percentage weight pulled. In Rally Advanced he scored 92 and beat Mr. Dillon in time. His 3rd place win included a nice ribbon and a statue of a dog standing on a sled. He made the final cut in the Open Dog show ring and placed 8th out of about 30 dogs. In the Working Dog show ring he placed 4th. He got a very nice Sammy picture, another big ribbon, a medal to wear around his neck and his favorite was a new squeaky toy. We later learned that he had won the Top Samoyed Weight Pull award for 2007-2008 at the awards banquet. We are anxiously awaiting his brass plaque. *Submitted by Linda and Donaven Murray*

Sandbeck Mr. Dillon RU Ready-TT, CGC, TDI, HIT, HCT, HT, PT, RN, RA, RE, CD, WS, WSX. After major surgery in August to remove a large bladder stone we were not sure we should even enter Dillon, but it was the Samoyed National Dog Show. To earn the 3rd leg of his RAE he scored a 93 in Rally Excellent. He did not place, but did a good job for a 9 ½ year old dog. In Rally

Advanced he got a 92, 4th place, ribbons and a nice statue. He did not place in Veteran Sweeps or Veterans, but he sure had a good time, jumping all around and looking like a 3 year old. *Submitted by Linda and Donaven Murray*

Lee Owen's boy, Pooka, received his UKC Championship, and a Group 1 that same day. *Submitted by Lee Owen*

Robinette Ralston's girl Allele, made it all the way into the final cuts in the Breed ring at the National while one month pregnant! And hadn't been in the show ring since the National last year! *Submitted by Robinette Ralston*

Snowbastian's The Devil Made Me Do It, aka Lucy, owned by Paula and Todd Maidl, received a Group 3 Working Group placement at the Rochester shows in September, a fourth place in Futurity at Nationals, and made the final cut in her Sweeps class at Nationals. *Submitted by Paula Maidl*

Litter Announcements:

GJ Harper's Taiga had a litter of 3 puppies - 2 girls and one boy - on 10/20. *Submitted by Jeanne Harper*

And, as mentioned above, Robinette's girl Allele is expecting a litter in November. The sire of the litter is Siku - owned by Rick and Mona Rauen, also SAMS members. *Submitted by Robinette Ralston*

Rainbow Bridge:

Frankie Trojan's 9 yr old male, Ranger, recently passed away from cancer. Any donation remembrance can be directed to SCA SCARF. *Submitted by Lee Owen*

Other:

Ch Jon-Bareign's Ain't Miss Behavin', aka Kenna, owned by Paula and Todd Maidl, passed all of her health clearances to receive CHIC certification. *Submitted by Paula Maidl*

Board & General Meeting Minutes

Samoyed Association of Minneapolis & St. Paul Board Meeting Minutes: 08/13/08 - DRAFT

Larry Mackai, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Kathy Mackai moved to accept the previous board meeting minutes, as read by Paula Maidl. All approved.

President's Report – Larry Mackai

- There was no president's report

Secretary's Report – Paula Maidl

- There was no secretary's report

Treasurer's Report – Kathy Mackai

- Kathy reported that there is \$1,134.31 in checking and \$3,842.91 in savings.
- We received an additional \$60 in trophy donations for the specialty.
- We paid \$2,000 in trophies, \$168 in postage, two monthly storage facility bills, and \$85 to Bob Gage for picnic food and supplies

Committee Reports

2008 Specialty: Larry Mackai

- Larry will need the PA system
- Potluck – we will provide soft drinks for the potluck (Maidls)
- Discussed menu for dinner
- Paula will email membership for extra coolers, bring Thursday morning. SAMS will provide ice.
- The rings will not be decorated.
- SAMS will provide donuts in the morning (Mackai's)
- Larry upgraded the 'complimentary' 5x7 photos up to 8x10's for BOB, BOS, AOW, WD, WB, and Sweeps winners.
- Raffle & Auction – Paula will send out email reminder for donations

Activities Committee

- SAMS Weight Pull is 9/6 & 9/7

- Herding Testing and Fun Day is 10/25

State Fair – Bob Gage

They would like us to bench again this year, as they have open spots. Some members have responded to the email. Paula will coordinate the responses to see if we have enough interest to bench one of the open days.

Nominating Committee

We need 3 members on the committee, and 2 alternates. The committee will report their nominees to the Secretary (Paula) by 10/15. The Board suggested Laura Wolfe, Jill Crisp, and Ricq Pattay as nominating committee members, with possible alternates of Elfie Shea, Karen Palm or Lynne Sparks.

Unfinished Business

- None

New Business

- None

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Paula Maidl

S.A.M.S SEPTEMBER 11, 2008 GENERAL MEETING

President Larry Mackai called the general meeting of SAMS to order @ 8 PM in the home of Jill Crisp in Blaine. The meeting was preceded with a dinner generously provided by Jill. Present were: Jill, Dan White, Brenda Countryman, Jim and Elfie Shea, Jim and Laura Wolfe, Jon Gauthier, Lynette Sylvester and Larry and Kathy Mackai.

President's Report: Larry thanked Jim for the idea of moving our Specialty to August with the St. Croix Valley shows.

Secretary's Report: The secretary was not present, but Jim Shea moved, Laura seconded to approve the minutes of the last meeting as printed. Motion carried. Jill mentioned that she had not received notice again, and Larry said he will check with Bob about the address he has for her.

Treasurer's Report: Kathy advised that there is \$645.98 in checking. There is not a final accounting on the Specialty yet, as there are a few more bills to come in, and the final payment from the entries, to come from St. Croix Valley.

Weight Pull – Larry announced that the Donovan's Gabbie won the weight pull and that he is the first Grand Champion in Weight Pulling in ANY breed!!

Herding Fun Day – The deadline for club members is 10/10, and then it will be opened up to other breeds. It is on 10/25 in Pine City. There is a flier with information on it or check with Bob Gage.

State Fair: The MPDBA people asked us to bench, and the day is August 31st. Larry and Mary Hendrickson will be there in the AM, and Laura and Jim will take the PM.

Judge Selection Committee: Jim reported that the 2009 Specialty be 8/20th and 21st.

Judges: 8/20 Sweeps Lori Chapek-Carleton
Breed: Dana Cline
8/21 Sweeps: Jan Croft
Breed: Celinda Cheskawich

Contracts are sent out, Sweeps are \$50 plus one night lodging. St. Croix Valley is asking for input for judges for 2010.

Membership: Lee Owen's membership is ready to vote on per secretary – Jim Shea moved to do the vote by voice, Laura seconded. Motion carried.

Jim moved to approve Lee's membership, Elfie seconded. Motion approved.

New Business: Jim showed the Logo used for the BOB chair. We could digitize it and use it for future trophies or items we might sell. Lynette moved, Laura seconded to get it digitized. Motion approved.

Jill had information on thyroid testing at the U of M, for a special research project they are doing. They will also give you the results for your dog. It is no charge and they could do it on a Sunday or a Tuesday. It was suggested that we send the information in an e-mail to members (Jill also had a hand-out) and see when it would be best.

Laura moved, John seconded to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Kathy Mackai