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# SAMOYEDS

By Vera Lawrence

## Calling All Sam Owners

Dear Sam Lover:

Yes, it's that time again! Time for sending news, pictures or cuts for our Sam section of the Christmas issue of Western Kennel World. W.K.W. rates have remained the same—though the cost of publishing a picture larger than the column width has increased. In other words—you pay for the cut as well as space used by the cut.

Now folks—if you want our Sam section in that Christmas issue, to be a "humdinger" for our breed won't you plan now for your part in it? We shall want stories and pictures, as usual. Pictures must be clear to reproduce well. Write to me for any information regarding rates, etc. Address letters to my home at 610 Colusa Avenue, Berkeley 7, Calif., then there will be no chance of your communication becoming lost in the volume of mail that comes to the office at this time. But, whatever you do, plan now—and do let me hear from you soon, won't you? Whether you own one dog or a kennel full—let us hear about them.

Yours for our Sams, Vera Lawrence, Sammy News Editor for W. K. W.

Mrs. R. V. Collicott of Albany, California sends us some interesting news about the latest litter of Sams sired by their stud, Northern Chieftain, (Silver Spark of the Arctic ex Lensen of Snowland). It began many weeks ago when Captain and Mrs. Halbert brought their lovely "Kari" to be mated to Chief—that of course is not unusual. But what makes this such an interesting breeding is that "Kari" has travelled the high seas all her lifetime, with her owner, Captain Halbert—Skipper of the steamship Lutz. Captain Halbert (a Norwegian by birth) bought Kari as a pup from the Gourock Kennels in Scotland, almost five years ago. It was when the ship docked at San Francisco in May that Kari was bred for the first time—and upon the return trip to San Francisco Captain Halbert notified Mr. and Mrs. Collicott that Kari's puppies had arrived on July 22nd, while the ship was five miles off Cape Blanco on the Oregon Coast.

Mrs. Collicott and seven year old Kenneth took advantage of the cordial invitation offered

them, and visited Kari and her babies (three sons and two daughters by Chief)—on the ship, shortly before it set out to sea again. Mrs. Col-

Samuelson at Tustin, Michigan, along with her sister Lillian, secretary of the Pacific Coast Division of the Samoyed Club of America, and of course their Ch. Chinde of Caspar, CDX, reports that Chinde has had a most enjoyable vacation. He took in several shows while in the mid-west and has attracted attention wherever he goes. On their extended trip homeward they visited Mr. and Mrs. Willard Todnem of Seattle, and Miss Rayner writes that Tod-Acres has some lovely puppies just 8 weeks old, out of Ch. Dushka of Altai and sired by KikMik of Oceanside. Dushka is by Mrs. Lucille Miller's Ch. Zantok of Breezewood out of the late Ch. Valya of Snowland.



POLAR PRINCESS  
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licott reports that the four puppies (the fifth one is being left in the States) are gorgeous, happy, fat little babies, heavy coated, small ears, and jet black noses—no set of "quads" was ever more alike than these babies, who live the proverbial "life of Riley" with their lovely mother aboard ship. They have their sleeping den in the Captains quarters; have a special exercising pen on the upper deck, and are the pets of all from deckhands to the Skipper. When the ship was docked at San Francisco the pups with their mother were locked in the Captain's quarters for safekeeping. We shall be most interested in following the career of Kari and her babies, and hope that some of our British friends who own Sams may help us trace Kari's parents. For it is the Captain's wish that the puppies be registered with the American Kennel Club, as is their sire. Kari's registration papers are at the Captain's home in Norway, and impossible to obtain at present.

Our thanks to Mrs. Collicott for sharing this news with us, and we hope for a picture at an early date.

Lois Rayner, who has been visiting Mrs.

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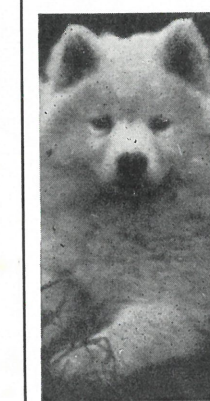
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**POLAR PRINCESS PASSES**  
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By Laura M. St. Aubin

Polar Princess has gone on ahead. No more will her joyous bark echo down the mountain trails she loved, where the dogwood blooms and the oaks cast dappled shadows across the sunny paths. No more at twilight, will she picnic with her folks on the plateau overlooking the Tennessee Valley, with the lights of Chattanooga sparkling like jewels in the gathering dusk. No more will she sit with her mistress on the tall rock and gaze across the valley to where the sun is sinking behind the hills, clothed in their autumn splendor. No more will the rabbit scurry to the underbrush at her swift approach or the neighboring cat rush for the tall timbers.

And Blitz, the golden cocker who adored her and was her shadow—what of him? No more will Polar Princess pursue her merry way stopping at every bush and tree, casting roguish glances over her shoulder at Blitz, plodding along in her wake. She has passed on and the familiar haunts that knew her will know her no more.

Polar Princess came of an ancient line of Samoyeds. A granddaughter of English Champion Polar Light of Farningham, Surrey, England, her ancestry leads back through Antarctic Buck to the first Samoyeds imported into England from Siberia in 1882. She was a companion dog in the truest sense, poised and at ease in crowded city streets or in country lane. Tail proudly carried over her back, ears erect, alert expression, graceful carriage, her breeding was evident and she was a credit to the breed. Of her it may be said with all due reverence, "Well done thou good and faithful servant." There is an aching void in our hearts for Princess has gone on:

"To that Valhalla just beyond the rim  
Where Faith and Courage  
Constitute a Knight,  
To frolic with immortals of the breed  
Forever in His sight."

**Fairfield Owned Samoyed  
Completes His Championship**

Such is the title of an item written by Charles Richards for the Dayton (Ohio) Daily News. The item, illustrated with a picture of Mrs. Ruth Bates Young's Frost Star, reads: "The show season commenced with great success for Miami Valley dogs at last week's Albion and Jackson events. These Michigan shows provided sufficient points to enable Mrs. Ruth Bates Young of Fairfield to finish the championship of her Samoyed Frost Star, C. D.

Frosty now holds the distinction of being the first of his breed from this locality to make a championship and is the first of any breed from the vicinity to be a bench show champion and an obedience degree holder. Thus the Sammy is the only dual certificate holder of the valley.

The distinction of being a dual purpose dog is seldom bestowed upon show canines. Few persons think that a dog may be shown for conformation and also be entered in obedience classes. For this reason most exhibitors concentrate on one branch or other of the sport. Frosty's record is adequate proof that a dog may be a good show specimen and may also be trained for obedience work. It shows further that the obedience and bench work may be carried out successfully simultaneously. This dog was winning his championship points at the same shows in which he was obtaining obedience credits.

Mrs. Young deserves high credit for her diligence in taking the dog through to this dual honor.

Getting back to the two Michigan shows, the Sammy received three points at Albion and four at Jackson by virtue of a best of winners win at each show.

Another newspaper clipping, called Dog Data and written by Betty Doody reads: "Taking the heat in stride, Frost Star, Samoyed owned by

Mrs. Ruth Bates Young of Fairfield, completed his championship with a three point show at Albion and a four point win at Jackson, Michigan. At the Herald office, one of the hottest days this week, Frost Star never gave the thermometer a glance despite his Arctic coat, posed willingly, waving his beautiful tail continuously in a spirit of happy cooperation, to the confusion however of the photographer.

Nothing could better illustrate than Frost Star's quiet composure in all the heat, that it not only is not necessary to clip a long-haired dog in the summer, it is not good to do it. Nature has her own way of taking care of her varieties who make their own adjustments to the seasons.

Mrs. Lucille Miller, owner of Altai Kennels of Albuquerque, has sold several lovely pups recently, sons and daughters of Ch. Snowland Stara out of ZemZem of Breezewood. Colonel and Mrs. Gee (now at Sandia Base in New Mexico) have bought Starski, a lovely pup! Colonel Gee says that he is the perfect companion for his four year old son.

A litter brother of Starski has gone to Dr. Paul W. Troneau of Winston Salem, Massachusetts. This pup has a light, graceful stride, head carried high, similar to Star's. Miss Barbara Wells of Great Falls, Montana, has a female of the same litter, and Mrs. Jack Alger, also of Great Falls, has a male. These two pups were shipped to Montana in the same crate.

**San Mateo Show August 31, 1947**

The 11 Sams at San Mateo of August 31 were judged by Ken Dyer of San Francisco. Mr. Dyer chose Mrs. Mason's Nick of White

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Way (Ch. Petrof Lebanof ex Ch. Herdsman's Faith), as winners dog, best of winners and best of breed. Toby of White Way (Ch. White Way of Kobe ex Ch. Herdsman's Faith) went reserve winner, with Gay of White Way (Ch. White Way of Kobe ex Ch. Herdsman's Faith) as winners bitch and best opposite sex. Reserve winners bitch was P. A. Stang's veteran Mielchka (Ch. Barloff ex Lady Mona).

But the benching spot for our Sams! It was a terrifically hot day, but Sams can take the ordinary heat. But—there wasn't a speck of shade offered except that provided by the dogs' owners. The pens faced a concrete wall (with about a yard of walking space between)—upon which the torrid sun beat down in all force—and the asphalt pavement before it, reflected rays of heat almost unbearable to the humans involved. Never have we encountered before, such an unpleasant, poorly chosen spot for the benching of our Sams. In answer to the question often asked, can Sammies stand the heat, our answer is "yes—San Mateo proved that to the nth degree." But such enforced subjection to it, is certainly not fair to any breed.

We were delighted to see for the first time in many years, Ivan Skavinski Skvar, with his owner Mrs. Dorothy Dye of Oakland. Anyone doubting that an old dog can be taught new tricks, had only to see seven and a half year old Ivan going through the first stages of his obedience work, to see what can be accomplished in this line.

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It was hot out there in the obedience ring, with no shade about, which did not add to the foot comfort of those involved. Ivan did as he had been trained to do, though at times giving the appearance of thinking, "what fools these humans are, this endless walking around, sitting down on hot pavement, too," however like the well trained Sam he is, Ivan carried through as directed. It was some years ago, when in his puppyhood, that Bryce Dye first started training Ivan. Then came illnesses, and the war, and Ivan's training was abandoned for more necessary things. Now, with the opportunity of a local obedience-training class at hand, Mrs. Dye has entered her Sam, taking the training along with him and some hundred others. Lots of good wishes, Dot, from all of us!

#### Sacramento Show Comes Next

Mrs. A. E. Mason of White Way Kennels in Sacramento, writes that they are planning a nice trophy list for Sacramento, and it is hoped that a record entry of Sams will be in order.

We've seen some dandy snaps of lovely Nianya of Snowland (now Champion Nianya) but H2 tells us that none are clear enough for reproduction in the magazine, so, a picture of Nianya for a later date.

Mrs. W. Y. Kraft of Pacific Grove, who recently purchased a Sam puppy from White Way Kennels, wrote Mrs. Mason that she has never seen anything, plant or animal that has grown the way "Homer" is growing. Homer is a son of Ch. Herdsman's Faith. Mr. and Mrs. Kraft became interested in Sams after seeing at Pacific Grove, Miss Pencilla Smith's lovely Kara, litter sister to Ch. Herdsman's Faith.

And here is a delightful letter from Mrs. Clifford Chamberlain of Fern Hall, Cleveland, Ohio, whose husband is to judge Sams at the Lorain County Kennel Club show on September 28. Mrs. Chamberlain writes:

"Dear Sammy Friends:

"We have just recovered from the grandest week end of Mid-West 'Goin's Ons' . . . Yes, we DO mean, Albion, Michigan, and Jackson, Michigan. If you weren't there, you should 'a'—Beautiful Samoyeds—albeit some woefully out of coat—but showing their grand bone and substance, even though practically walking around in their skins!) — but hats off to good sports and friends who want to go to the shows and can't leave their beloved dogs home. After all, what IS a good dog show unless you have a good dog! The Ruicks and the Gillettes were there, of course. I said it was a GOOD dog show, and the Gillettes had their hopefuls with them, the incomparable David and sweet Peggy, just as nice as their folks, and from California and a Michigan vacation came the lovely Lois Rayner, almost immediately on her way back to the west, but so nice to see her for at least that short a time. Our needs-no-introduction-nor-comment Ruthie Bates Young also toured in, bless her, and from Detroit came the Lee Poirers, grand sports, with a dog that is so beautifully groomed, so well-handled and such a gorgeous typical Samoyed that Frost Star really had his work cut out for him to annex those finishing points for his championship. But he did, he did, and now he have another fine Samoyed male champion, and Sun-

day and Jackson brought Mrs. Fred Dunck and her lovely Flicka to finish HER championship in a blaze of glory. Friends and good times together, during the woeful war years, when the world went without so many gracious days like these, sometimes the writer used to walk the paths of memory, wistfully recalling the Samoyed good times gone by. Never did it seem that pattern could repeat. Yet in spite of the sad days in between, for those who came to Jackson and Albion, it seemed the clock turned back. Our own Laurie St. Aubin came up from Detroit for Jackson to make the day quite complete, and I do wish ALL of you could have been there with us . . . Summer-time shows, so casual and easy, on lovely shaded grounds are such pictures anyway. Samoyeds take my breath away, on green grass, with their beautiful white crystal coats gleam in the sun, and tireless gaits that seem to spurn distance and time and space. I hope you will all remember Albion and Jackson next year—  
Be seeing you at Lorain?"

Mrs. Bertha M. Ruick of Breezewood Kennels (summering in Pentwater, Michigan) writes that at Manitowoc, Wis. show, there were 11 Sams entered though only nine competed.

Miss Juliet Goodrich's Jack Frost of Snow Shoe Hill went best of winners, and Mrs. Sylvia Gumz' Pojorkov went best of breed. He also went best local working dog and on to best local dog in show. Mrs. Gumz was thrilled with this well-earned win. Chuckles of Breezewood went reserve winners bitch, and Strog of Altai was reserve winners dog.

Mr. P. Lewis Bajus of Milwaukee has a lovely young pup which was entered at Manitowoc. This pup is Jingle Bell of Sammar (bred by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Marshall of Chicago. It is

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