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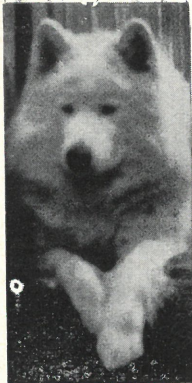
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The Silver Standard Poodle, JANICE'S SILVER SENSATION, shown with owner-breeder Janice B. Beck, 84 Paseo Hermoso, Salinas, California.



.. Samoyeds ..

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First show of the year, here in the Bay region, was that of the Golden Gate Kennel Club held in the San Francisco Auditorium January 18-19. There was an entry of twenty eight Sams (three of them absent) — for Judge Alva Rosenberg to pass upon. 11 dogs and 6 bitches in the classes, with 6 specials only, 1 Veteran bitch—1 stud dog.

Judging of Sams took place late Saturday evening—so we asked Mary Breatchel (who, with her husband was up from their Southern California home in Paramount)—to mark my catalogue for me. Winners dog with 3 points was Thomas M. and Evangeline L. Dilbeck's Snomak of Whitecliff (Champion Omak ex Sisipuk of Whitecliff); Breeder Jean Blank.

Reserve winner was Jean Blank's Chumikan-too of Whitecliff (Ch. Chumikan of Whitecliff ex Ch. Nakomis of Whitecliff).

Winners bitch with 2 points was Mrs. Eileen Stephens' Chip's Natinka of Stanford (Ch. Chipewayan of Whitecliff ex Wawonah of Whitecliff).—Breeder-owner.

Reserve W.B. was Frances and Kenneth Mizell's Startinda's Polar Mist (Ch. Winter Trail Blazer ex Ch. Startinda's Sarana)—Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bristol of Agoura, breeders.

Best of Breed was Percy Matheron' and Jean Blank's Ch. Yurok of Whitecliff (by Ch.

Omak ex Kara Babkah) who went on to place 2nd in the Working Group. Breeder, Mary Breatchel. Best Opposite—Jean M. Blank' and Percy R. Matheron's Ch. Nakomis of Whitecliff (Ch. Omak ex Princess of Valiki).

Whitecliff Kennels, with some 12 dogs entered, had an outstandingly lovely benching backing in blue and white, which set off the glistening white dogs beautifully—winning for its owners a 1st Prize in its Group class. Congratulations, Jean Blank and Mr. and Mrs. Percy Matheron. We might add here, that Whitecliff has made quite a record for itself during the past year. Five of its number having made their championships during this time. A record hard to beat!

Helen Spathold of Irvington, Calif., writes that Drayalene's puppies by Kamo of White Frost out of Ch. White Beauty of Lucky Dee, at 8 weeks old, are leaving the home kennels in rapid succession. Mary and Lee Breatchel who visited Drayalene after the GG show, so admired the puppies, they took male and a female south with them.

One female of the litter, Venus of Drayalene, has been purchased by Mr. and Mrs. John Carter of San Francisco, who also own the Mandarin Pekingese kennels. Another female from the litter Snowball of Drayalene, has been purchased by Mr. and Mrs. W. Minsky of San Francisco, as a belated Christmas gift for their son and daughter. Helene tells us—"This litter, six females and two males, were born November 21, 1957—the very night my father returned from 8 days in the hospital, where he underwent surgery. Guess that was Beauty's way of saying, 'welcome home' to her master.

"The other puppies, 2 females and a male will be main here with us at Drayalene for future show and breeding specimens," writes Helene. Their names are Kamoson and Tajzaya and Quintessence of Drayalene. This leaves only one female available to possibly find a new home. Congratulations, Helene, we do hope that your Dad will soon be able to return to complete health and activity.

News that all Sam Club members will enjoy hearing—Gene and Chuck Burr of Beverly Hills, Calif., proudly announce the arrival of a new little Skipper—Donald Charles—7 pound, three ounces born January 13, 1958. Congratulations, folks.

Welcome news comes too from Adrienne Woodhouse of Spritewood Kennels—that her husband is slowly but surely recovering from the heart attack that struck him down shortly before Christmas. Hurry and get well, Vac

Woodhouse—is the wish of all your friends.

Eileen Stephens' little bitch, Chips Natina of Stanford, just one year old—that went Winners Bitch with 2 points, at the GG show, gave her mistress such a thrill, she's practically still up in the clouds. Hope to see you at Oakland, Eileen.

A nice piece of publicity for our Sam Club, appeared in the January 23 issue of the West Valley Newspapers, Inc.—showing a picture of the lovely veteran Southern California sled team.

Mrs. Robert Ward has volunteered her Samoyed dog team's services for the Mothers' March on Polio in Hidden Hills. Pictured with her are Mrs. William Blaylock and the Hidden Hills March of Dimes chairman, Mrs. Wesley Steyer.

The sled, with Mrs. Ward at the controls, shows 4 gorgeous Sams ready to Mush On. (Photo by Wilde).

The story accompanying the photo states: "The team will be driven by the owners, Robert Ward of Hidden Hills and Charles Burr of Beverly Hills, who are officers in the National Samoyed Club of America, which promotes the hobby of Amateur dog sledding. The dogs are all champions, and will participate in the Dog Derby to be held at Big Bear February 1st and 2nd—where they have won several races in previous years. We hope to give you that story at another time.

Our Sammy folks will join me in offering sincerest sympathy to Mrs. Betty Kimpflin of Chicago, Ill., whose husband Joe, passed away suddenly on January 24 after an illness of only 4 days.

Friends of Mrs. Kimpflin "have been so kind and thoughtful in this trial," writes Betty—"especially Mr. Wayne Gillette, who drove up from Indianapolis — dear Peggy Ruick, of Pentwater, Mich., and Juliet Goodrich and Ruth Kilbourne of Chicago."

It is good to hear that Mrs. Kimpflin plans to keep the three Sams at home, saying—"after all, the doggies need a home with someone they love—otherwise I just could not stay. Chuckles, (Ch. Chuckles of Breezewood), now over 10 years of age, seems no worse just now—strange how she can continue on after that severe illness last Spring. Of course she moves a lot slower, and at times cries out as if in pain—yet she made an awful fuss when she heard Peggy's voice. As a rule, when Chuckles sleeps, nothing disturbs her—but when she heard Peggy talk, she started to bark, and we could not open the door fast enough for her. In no time, she was up on the bed beside Peggy to give her a kiss and offer a paw to shake. She's been with

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us eight years, but in all that time, she has never forgotten her first love, Peggy." In an earlier letter, Mrs. Kimpflin had written that the Sammies had a nice Christmas—their usual Christmas stockings, etc. When they see the packages, they are all excited and seem to know what the celebration is about. They will not rest until all the parcels are opened and each has his own. Chuckles had some nice days, but the last two (in early January) she is very restless. Several times during the night, she comes to my bedside to be told we love her, and to get a pat on the head, then turns around and goes back to her bed perfectly happy to know all is well."

Could it be that Chuckles somehow sensed that her owner was going to need her very badly, soon?

We've heard through the courtesy of Mrs. Ruth Bates Young of Medway, Ohio—that the Robert Leverings' Ch. Countess Sib of Top Acres (Destiny of T. A. ex Ch. Sparkle Plenty, bred by Mrs. Young, has added another Best of Breed win to her record—going Best at Mansfield, O., January 25. The following day, January 26, Sib's son, Ch. Count of Sib of Nodako, by Ch. Barney Boy, took Best of Breed and 4th in the Group at Marion, Ohio.

Incidentally, it isn't too late to send your Ad copy and cut to Mrs. Young for the Specialty Booklet now in preparation.

Mrs. W. R. Ingram of Snowdrift Kennels of Sellers, Alabama, writes in answer to an earlier query of ours regarding a black spot on a Samoyed's tongue. "It might be of interest to tell you that my Ch. Balaiya Doroga Cela (Ch. Deyomas of Ibur ex Czarivna Balaiya Doroga)—has such a spot on his tongue, in fact, he has two such spots. People often ask me what they are. "Bosko," as we call him, was bred in California by Charles and Francis Hurley. I recently finished a lovely son of Bosko, owned by R. L. Furlong of Birmingham, Ala., at the Birmingham show December 57 under Judge Earl Adair now awaiting AKC confirmation. This fellow, bred at Snowdrift, is called Snowdrift Basko-loo, son of Bosko ex Snowdrift Suzieska—this makes 2 champion sons from the same litter of Suzy's—the other one being Ch. Snowdrift Ky-frost—"Frosty," as he is called, loves the TV commercial advertising Frosty Morn meats, and is all attention the moment the commercial starts, joining in with singing until it is over. "Another Snowdrift homebred needing only one major to complete his championship, is Snowdrift Vladimyr—called Laddie. He is truly a Kobe dog, sired by our champion son of Ch. Raff of Kobe—his dam, a granddaughter of Raff.

Another promising Sam at Snowdrift is the 4½ month old Snowdrift Silvawolf (Ch. Snowdrift Silvazero ex Cedlilday's Zahrinada). He weighs 38 pounds now—has a lovely body and

head. His dam is a granddaughter of the famous Ch. Chinde of Caspar—his sire is gr. grandson of Ch. Kandalaska.

"Another young homebred winning honors, is Snowdrift Americ, who placed 4th in the class of 6 puppies at Rumson—the Specialty of last May 25."

Mrs. Ingram is happy over the near-complete recovery of her Sammy bitch—the daughter of Mrs. Margaret Tucker's late Suretta of Kobe. This Sammy, named Katrinka of Encino had suffered a stroke. Through the hard work of Dr. Chambers at whose hospital Trinka spent seven long weeks—she is back home again and getting around on her own.

Mrs. Ralph Ward of the Oni-Agra Sams in Gasport, N. Y., writes that after a lapse of 3 months in attending any of the meetings of the Ontario Section of the Samoyed Club, she found the one of January 12 a humdinger—held at the MacDonald's in Oak Ridge's North of Toronto. There were 38 members in attendance. The Canadian Samoyed Club to date, seems very well handled and shows every promise of good things to come. To all those who might hesitate to join, Mrs. Ward advises—come on in—it's fine. For a while the situation seemed almost impossible. But that little beginning social group stemming from the Samoyed Club of America was the nucleus of this now splendid group.

The Eastern folk are getting in practice for snow-sledding, although much of the snow of the year has fallen south of Buffalo. The big Eastern Open race will again be held on Oneida Lake north of Syracuse, N. Y. Again Bob Woods is working hard, getting the Dog Sledders in order, and ready to go.

"There are so many new Sledders for the Novice and Open race this season—and many small unofficial races to check time, gear and dogs. One warm-up race held last week north of Saranac Lake in the Adirondacks, gave Bob Woods the best time for Novice with five dogs. He is going to be hard to beat!

A letter from Mrs. Agnes Mason of Sacramento, owner of the White Way Kennels, tells us of the unexpected pleasure she experienced being able to attend the Big Bear Sled Team races in Southern California, February 1st and 2nd. Mrs. Mason writes that Rudy Talso sent Lloyd Van Sickle and his wife down with his team, sponsored by the Donner Ski Ranch from Donner Summit. Mrs. Mason was invited as guest of the Van Sickle's. (It will be remembered that Lloyd Van Sickle was the trainer of so many of the White Way dogs—the latest being that near champion—lead dog Rex of White Way).

We quote from Mrs. Mason's letter—"The events were very interesting and I was especially impressed with the way every one, including the teenagers, handled and controlled their dogs.

With the exception of one disagreement when two teams tangled a bit—everything ran smoothly as far as I could see. Lloyd placed first in 3 events and second in six. Bob Ward won the Rex of White Way Memorial Trophy presented by Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Burr—in honor of our Rex of White Way, as an outstanding lead dog. This was especially of personal interest to me, since the Burr-Ward team had Blitz and Blazer in it—two of Rex's sons, and the Talso team had six of Rex's grandsons in it. The Ward team

also had two of Ch. Starchak's sons and one grandson to make up the team of five. As the breeders of both Rex and Starchak, two Samoyeds I think did much to stimulate and promote the present events, makes me feel that past efforts to prove show dogs can also be work dogs—has been worth while—and Lloyd Van Sickle should be proud since it is due to his constant training and work with our dogs. "All races were run with sleds on wheels since the weatherman was not generous with snow for this event. It was a show in which everyone who had anything to do with its promotion or participation therein—can be proud. It is sportsmanship and well-behaved dogs that create more interests in such events—and attract outside interests.

The following are the events in which Lloyd Van Sickle and his wife placed with the team from Donner Ski Ranch: 1st—Obstacle Race. 1st—Lead Dog Race; 1st—Scavenger Race; 2nd—Cross Country Race; 2nd—Sprint Race and Relay Race; 1st—Women's race, team driven by Mrs. Fishback; and 2nd in Filly race—driver Alta Van Sickle.

The Burr-Ward Team—Winner of the Rex of White Way Memorial Trophy—driver, Bob Ward owner of the Lead dog Anniversary of Starchak (son of Ch. Starchak ex Dushka's White Feather). At Right Point; Ch. Starctic Storm (grandson of Starchak) by Ch. Witan an Duchess. At Left point was Chat, son of Starchak ex Snownele, owned by the George Bakers.

The dogs owned by Chuck Burr, were—at Right Wheel, Ch. Winter Trails Blazer, son of Rex of White Way ex Ch. Chastuska of Encino, CDX. At left Wheel was Winter Trails Blitz, brother to Blazer. Charles Burr drove the Winter Trail Sams, while Bob Ward drove the first 3 Sams mentioned above—to win the Relay Race.

The full 5 dog team took 3rd in the Cross Country race (approximately 4 miles)—also took 2nd in the Scavenger race. Winter Trails Blitz was 2nd in Weight Pulling, and Blazer was third—also second in Lead dog Exhibition.

The Wards' twelve year old daughter Franki won the childrens' race, driving Winter Trails Blitz. "This is the fourth year for the Dog Derby at Big Bear. It should become a big event since the future dog "mushers" are your teenagers, who are certainly promising for future competition." Thanks to Mrs. Mason and Dolly Ward for the above information.

And folks—as we have previously mentioned, the Northern California Sled dog fanciers are planning work-outs, under the inspiration of Wade Powell of San Rafael.

Miss Alice Thomsen of San Francisco, who has been appointed Trophy Chairman for the Santa Clara show, writes that trophies have been offered for firsts in all classes, with second and third places in American-bred and Open.

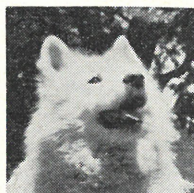
Miss Thomsen writes that she attended the sled-dog meeting held in San Francisco by the Wade Powells of San Rafael. All who attended

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seem very excited about taking their dogs, sleds etc. up to the snow country some Sunday possibly in March. If enough folks become interested in the sled work of Sams, it is possible some good teams will be ready for the 1960 Olympics at Squaw Valley.

From Mr. Wade Powell, (Snow Ridge Kennels of San Rafael), we have the following:

"HI-SLED ENTHUSIASTS!"

Sorry many of you folks couldn't make it to our first Sled enthusiasts meeting on January 22. We had a small but interested group on hand, to start the organization of the larger group of you folks who are interested in training your Sams for sled work.

During the course of the informal meeting, a few of the different types of harness and sleds were discussed and hashed over, and we endeavored to fit a harness to one dog. At this first meeting it was decided to have another informal get-together at the Santa Clara Show on the 23rd of February. We will endeavor to have at this show, some of the equipment that is available and possibly some people that we might class as experts, or who have at least had previous experience with sled dog work.

We were given an invitation to go north to Murphy's Calif. on the weekend after Easter for a Funtime in the snow with our dogs and equipment.

Will those of you who have any sledding equipment please shake off the cobwebs and dust, and check it over, and possibly bring it

along with you to the next meeting. Thanks—"

The Powell's White Way's Juliette O'Snow Ridge, the 4 point winners bitch at the San Fernando show last fall—produced a lovely litter of puppies in December sired by Kamo of White Frost—(Best of Breed at the Eden show in an entry of over 30 Sams.) There are 4 of these puppies being offered for sale now by Mr. and Mrs. Wade Powell of San Rafael all the pups are potential show stock.

Mrs. Lynn Bashow of Bramstead, Ontario, Can., writes that of that adorable litter of puppies whelped October 29th by Ch. Nova Queen of Samoyland, sired by Ch. Blairdale's Nigan-Choya, there are only 3 left, one only, for sale. Two will be kept at Tragana—they are absolute twins—and little champs. One is called Tragana's Lucky Prince Darick and the other is Tragana's Lady Beth—named for the children David and Frederick, and Elizabeth. They are all looking forward to entering them in the coming Canadian summer shows. Mrs. Bashow speaks with highest praise of the newly organized Canadian Samoyed Club.

Mrs. Antoinette Callahan of Dunellen, N. J., whose 4 lovely Sams were pictured in December WKW, tells us that Buttons has developed into something really beautiful the last two years—She is a doll, she writes. I do as Mrs. Tucker does. When Buttons came over, I felt so sorry for her I took her on my bed—and this spoiled her, for ever since she feels it's her place. She is the boss and rules them all—Tink included. (That's Ch. Tazbel—the lovely son of Mrs. Elma Miller's late famous Ch. Martingate Snowland Taz. Little Twinkle adores her dad—and he, her. Bell is a little more reserved, but has that affectionate Sammy trait, a lovely disposition. I hope to get them started on their show career, leaving it to my handler, Mr. E. J. Carver where they go.

"Was so interested in Mrs. Westcott's comment on dogs who like music. Well our Buttons is really a sketch! Certain TV programs intrigue her—she will sing along with certain sounds especially—no matter where she is. One day, we were having breakfast when an accordionist intrigued her very much. She stood be-

fore the set and sang along lustily, until she had had enough—he was so repetitious that she just barked at him, and walked away. And she has positive pitch in her "singing"—which isn't even common in humans.


THERE ARE SAM PUPS IN JUNEAU, ALASKA

An interesting letter has just reached me from Mrs. Agnes Findlay of the Glacier Kennels in Juneau. Mrs. Findlay owns a male Sam called Frosty Nannuk—a son of Frosty Mist of Alacyrss and Tessa of Green Star, both of the latter are from the Kobe line—as well as some Canadian dogs in Frosty Mist's background. Tessa is more definitely from the White Way Kennel line.

Mrs. Findlay writes—"We entered Frosty in the Anchorage show when he was 10 months old, and besides winning the puppy class, he went on to place as Winners dog, best of winners and Best of Breed for a 4 Points major under Judge Major Godsol. Since that time, something has always come up to hinder us from making the Anchorage shows, so he hasn't been shown—tho he has developed into a beautiful fellow.

Our bitch is White Way's Sisero's Beaux (White Way's Romeo ex Ch. Star chak's Warnistura) — which makes her a granddaughter of the late Rex of White Way, and also of Ch. Starchak. Frosty Nannuk and Sisero's Beaux produced a lovely litter of six females—born last May, but due to circumstances, the pups are still awaiting new homes.

There are three reasons for this—First, the Samoyed is not too well known in this part of Alaska. 2nd, the majority of people up here are (Continued on Page 25)



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