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# SAMOYEDES

By Vera Lawrence

There has come to us recently, a most welcome letter from Mrs. Charlotte Essman of Tyler, Texas, and while we shall write her personally, we shall also answer some of her questions on our page, in that they are questions so often asked by prospective owners of Sammies. Mrs. Essman says: "I have been noticing your ad in the W. K. W. and for some time have been noting with much interest, the articles on Samoyedes.

For several years I have been breeding cockers and they are still of course very popular here as elsewhere, but have been hoping to add another breed gradually to my small kennel, and the Samoyedes are very interesting to me. I would very much appreciate your advising me as to their adaptability to a climate such as we have here. It is warm and dry in the summer, and rainy and not very cold in the winter.

There are very few sammies in this part of Texas, and I would like to add a breed, when I do, that is outstanding and a little different.

Thanking you for your time and advice in regard to these dogs which seem to me to be beautiful and intelligent and perhaps could be made very useful here, since there are quite a few small cattle ranches in this vicinity that are operated by oil men who run their ranches for a hobby, than for profit, and I think a sammy (if he would be a good cattle dog) would be a great deal more decorative to their "gentleman farming" operations than some of the dogs they are using."

In answer, regarding climate, may we say, "California also, is a land of warm and at times, exceedingly hot dry summers, and rather cold rainy winters. But we who own Samoyedes know that they thrive in any climate and location and under all types of weather.

It will be remembered that Siberia, the birthland of our Sammy breed, experiences very hot, though short summers, and long bitterly cold winters. Even the hottest days change into cool frosty night, and probably because of these changes, the dogs acquired a physical hardiness which has come down through the ages giving us a strong vital breed, easy to care for and filling the requisites of man's faithful companion and helper.

The Sammy has a double coat, a dense woolly undercoat for warmth, and an outer "guard" coat of long weather-resisting hair. Under normal conditions, the Sammy sheds once a year. Not all at once either, but in a gradual manner. When the summer heat approaches, there begins a gradual shedding of the wool that during the winter months has kept him warm. It is during this time particularly, that a stiff brushing every day, will remove the old hair which the Sam no longer needs for comfort (of course, in the case of the bitches, there will probably be an extra shedding time, following the whelping and care of a litter of pups.) During the summer months, the Sam, never a large

cater, may be fed less, but with plenty of clean fresh water, a shady place in which to lie during the greatest heat of the day, a Sammy is as comfortable as any dog can be.

If the brushing has been continued, nature takes care of replenishing the wool when colder weather approaches, and by the time the cold rainy season has arrived, the Sam is again fortified to withstand the bitterest cold on earth if need be.

As to the possibility of him being used to herd cattle, the Sammy is endowed by nature with an intelligence which makes of him the perfect working dog. He seems to have an instinctive understanding of mankind and his wishes, and responds swiftly to training of any type. For centuries, the forbears of our present day Samoyedes, tended the reindeer herds of their Samoyede native owners, and thus the instinct to herd, is deeply imbedded in the Sammy nature, and needs only a small amount of training, or rather, suggestion, to bring it into operation.

There are several Sams in the United States which have proven their worth in herding cattle. One, of which we have heard, though do not recall the name at present, is somewhere in northern California.

Mrs. Bion Wintz of Converse, Indiana, has a Sam commonly called "Jerry," that "works" the cattle as well as any dog of any breed. She tells us, "it is quite a sight for people to watch him take the cattle back to pasture if no one is in the lot to meet him when he brings them in. Sams take to the work of herding naturally. They enjoy it thoroughly, and show so many different traits than do so many other breeds. They just seem to figure things out for themselves."

A recent letter from Mrs. A. E. Mason of Sacramento says: "the other day Nianva's herding ability was used to advantage. The four young puppies started following me down to our front entrance. After chasing them back four or five times, I realized Nianva got the idea, and held them back until I was far enough away that they did not attempt to follow. If we would only give our Sams more work to do. They seem to be always pointing out to us what they can do, and sometimes it requires a lot of patience on their part to make us understand."

It has been proven that Sammies have been used with success as rabbit dogs. we add, that a Sammy against a background of nature's own design, is a thing of beauty and eye arresting loveliness. We'll bet no lovelier or more intelligent dog ever "took over" the care of anyone's home or belongings.

We acknowledge here the receipt of the gracious letter sent us recently by Mrs. Helen S. Harris of Snowland, enclosing a check for \$10. to be used for prizes at our coming Pacific Coast Sam Club specialty show, to be held in conjunction with the Oakland Kennel Club show at the Oakland Auditorium, May 24 and 25. The prizes will be \$5.00 cash for winners dog and \$5.00 for winners bitch. Mrs. Harris says, "I am so glad you are having this specialty, and I hope it will be a great success."

There's a fine new litter of puppies at Snowland, six big beauties. Norna is well on her way to her championship, with ten points to her credit.

Lenore Thomson of Redwood City writes us the thrilling news that her Winter Dawn whelped a litter of four beautiful puppies, three males and one bitch, by her "Tekka". At four days old one of the males already weighs over

two pounds. One pup was born with a spot of black on the side of his nose, and his lips were almost black. They all seem heavy in pigment quality, moreover, it isn't coming in in spots, but evenly distributed. Their faces and legs are fully coated with hair, as they have been almost from the start. We are anxious to watch the development of these pups, they represent two splendid bloodlines.

## NEWS BRIEFS

From Mrs. C. H. Quereaux' Samoyede Club of America Bulletin.

"Mrs. Grace T. Brindle, S. Weymouth, Mass., has just sent her Sammy, "Ed's Tippy" to Mrs. Pamela Rhanor of Hawthorne, Calif."

Died: the two dogs owned by Miles R. Vernon, N. Y. Cham — 14 years old sired by Ch. Donerna's Barin ex Pollyanna. Cham was simply enormous, 23 inches at shoulder, weighed around 70 pounds. Had 14 points when an auto accident prevented his being shown again. Nonrev's Nusha, 12 years old. Sired by Ch. Brunoff ex Mrs. Signe Hewitt's Polar Queen. Both these dogs were shown at the first Samoyede specialty.

First edition of "How to train your owner" completely sold, second edition issued in January. Mimican photography gives three pages to the book in a writeup and January issue "The Rotarian" has a lovely review by Billy Phelps. Copies of the book will be on sale at Westminster show. The Samoyede Club of America endorses the book wholeheartedly, and authorizes the statement that they do so.

Sniejok's head study will be used on one side of a bubble, Ch. Storm Cloud on the other, for a Westminster prize.

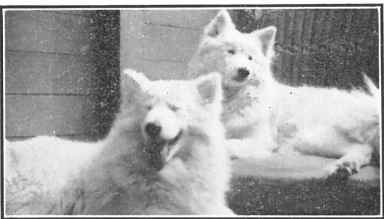
Additional Christmas card of note. "Mrs. Grace Brindle's picture of her well coated Sammy, "Ed's Alexis" an out of doors scene."

Norka Kennels, N. Y., an inside scene, a white mantel with lighted candles and ship model in center, Christmas Star hanging low, and below, in front of the fireplace, two lovely Samoyedes, one quite alert, the other, so very pleased with everything and the world at large.

Robert E. Brott, Ohio, picture of his lovely long rambling house, snow-covered and outside the white picket fence, two Samoyedes. One sitting, revelling in the snow, a very gorgeous Sam, the other standing knee deep in snow.

Harry and Ada Yencer, N. Y., a sled team of six dogs in snow, pulling two children on a sled, a powerful looking team.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Foster, N. Y., a laundry

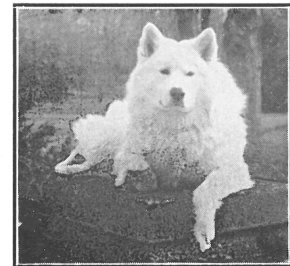


Lensen of Snowland and Her Son,  
Snow Chief

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### Ch. Nim of Snowland

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Mrs. Helen S. Harris owner of

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basket with four infant Sammies peeping over the side, unquestionably children of their beloved and truly great Sam, Norkas Mognuiski.

Mr. and Mrs. Mel Harris, Oakland, Calif., Ch. Tanya, need I say more.

Christmas time was a busy time for the Mason Samoyedes in Sacramento. The Sacramento Union and Woodland Democrat gave stories and pictures of the parade led by a sleigh pulled by five snow white Samoyede dogs owned by Mrs. A. E. Mason. Parties were held for the children of Woodland in the State Theatre and the Yolo Theatre. The Democrat said, "The special dog team attraction was arranged by Mr. and Mrs. Karl H. Koch, Ross V. Norrington (secretary manager of the Chamber of Commerce) and Santa Claus, Mr. Flowers of Woodland."

Mrs. Mason wrote: "We have had the pleasure of driving Santa through the streets of Woodland, and believe everyone enjoyed the sight of a dog team. We had a little difficulty in the beginning because of our mistake of putting Faun (not so experienced) in back of Varka. She held him back for a little while, but soon traveled along nicely. The next problem was when the band started playing along side of the team even Varka was startled and became confused because he could not hear Aljean give commands, so Mr. Hafer took over. Again in the evening, we drove Santa back to his headquarters and no picture could be lovelier than the white dog team all working in harmony going down a brightly lighted main street. Mrs. Koch described them as a ripple of white fur. The dogs waited for two hours lying on robes on the sidewalk in front of Santa's place. At times they were so covered with children the dogs could hardly be seen. People laughed whenever a motorcycle officer happened to blow his siren in passing, Varka would rise in an attempt to start and give a howl. A siren to Varka, means going down main streets with lots of excitement associated with it.

We put all five of Koch's dogs into harness, while there, two at a time. It was most interesting to see how they worked when first harnessed. Of course they pulled then slacked, but they kept going. The puppies are nine months old "Cappy" three years old, and a brother of Varka. He traveled along like an old timer. Mr. and Mrs. Koch want their own team, and a few times in back of Varka will give them a start."

News from Mrs. Dye's bulletin of the Sam Club of the Pacific Coast. "Our annual meeting was held Saturday, January 25 in San Francisco. The most important order of business was election of officers. Mrs. Mason was unanimously reelected president, as was Mel Harris, 1st vice president. Mrs. P. A. Stang of Mill Valley elected 2nd vice president in charge of the club publicity. Mrs. Dye of Lafayette, reelected secretary, Mrs. E. L. McCleary of Sacramento, treasurer.

Bench decorations are in the hands of Chairman Marcel Juilly and P. A. Stang.

We are glad to welcome to our club mem-

bership, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Robison, Jr., of Oakland, Mrs. Elmer Gracia, Miss June Lewis and W. J. Smith, all of Sacramento.

Golden Gate show news: five dogs, three bitches, three specials; novice dogs, Tekka, American-bred dog, Mrs. Mason's Chum. Open dogs, winners dog, Mrs. Mason's White Way of Kobe. American-bred bitch, Juilly's Jooschka. Best of breed, Mrs. Harris' Ch. Tanya. Best opposite sex, Mrs. Mason's White Way of Kobe. We believe this finishes the championship of White Way of Kobe. Note—Mrs. Mason's brace, handled by Aljean went best working dog brace. Juilly's Jooschka has been bred to White Way of Kobe, pups due soon.

**SAMOYEDE CLUB of the PACIFIC COAST**  
Submitted by Mrs. P. Anton Stang  
Director of Publicity

The Golden Gate show for 1941 is now a thing of the past and the members of the Samoyede Club of the Pacific Coast greatly enjoyed and appreciated the interest shown by the public in our dogs. Our benches were well visited and we feel that the "big white dogs" created quite a sensation at that show. The annual meeting of the club was held in the Civic Auditorium, at which time we had our election of officers and made plans for our specialty show to be held in conjunction with the coming Oakland show. The date of this show having been changed to May 24 and 25, we now have more time to arrange for a bigger and better show. At present we have promises for about forty dogs and many trophies, several of which are cash. Marcel Juilly, our chairman of decorations for this show is promising us a very interesting background in which to place our dogs. Let's all get busy and have our dogs in beautiful condition for this big occasion. Do let us hear from everyone of you who are interested.

The following were elected officers for the year 1941: Mrs. A. E. Mason, president; Mel Harris, 1st vice president; Mrs. P. Anton Stang, 2nd vice president, director of publicity; Mrs. Bryce R. Dye, secretary; E. L. McLeary, treasurer.

Don't forget Oakland Show, May 24-25th!

**Great Danes**

Our deep sympathy to the Garritys on the loss of their beautiful Dane bitch, Ch. Helga of Garricrest. Helga (with Hansi on our December cover) left a family of puppies behind that because of their precious heritage have the Garrity's undivided attention.

Helga's record was an imposing one. At the Reno show she went best of breed and second in the group. At Treasure Island she won two points: 5 at Malibu, 1 at Oakland, best of winners at Palm Springs and then at the Spring. Oakland she completed her necessary points for the title. She was always shown by her owner-breeder, Vincent J. Garrity, who manages to bring out the dog's best points with an ease that makes both dog and exhibitor look like the aristocrats they are.

**DOBERMAN PINSCHERS**

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jumping from behind a bush and turning the flashlight on them, at three o'clock in the morning. The watchman jumped out from behind the bush, flashed the light on the guard and dog. This is as far as he got. The dog knocked the flashlight from his hand, knocked him down and at the same time took a good sized chunk of his leather jacket in the bargain. The watchman took out his billy-club and Tristan grabbed that too.

Another night a guard was walking along with Hefy v Palanka about two o'clock in the morning. Hefy started to growl and the guard commanded him to stop but Hefy kept growling. The dog advanced a little and under some eucalyptus trees were two men laying there. The guard and the dog made the arrests. Both men are in jail under investigation.

The Doberman Pinscher Club of Southern California recently held their election of officers for 1941. Serving his second year is President Jim Case, Arthur Shakman is vice president, Mrs. Sidlo is secretary-treasurer.

F. F. H. Fleitmann is to do Doberman Pinschers at the coming Santa Anita show. This will be a boom to Dobie circles. Mr. Fleitmann has owned and bred some of the finest of the breed in this country. He is considered a critic of the highest type. A win under this easterner will be something to talk about in years to come.

Just heard that Mrs. Crete Kingman McKinney was killed in an automobile crash in Seattle, Washington, January 26. It wasn't so long ago that Doberman followers remember the then, Mrs. Fred Kingman. She and her husband (then president of the Doberman Pinscher Club of America) imported Sieger Kanzler v Sigalsburg and later Siegerin Erna v Graf Zeppelin along with others of outstanding type. Even today the kennel name of Verstaame can be seen in many an outstanding winner. The Verstaame was the Kingman kennel name. Later Mrs. Kingman made her home in Los Angeles where she was active in Doberman circles and later moved to the Pacific Northwest.

**SHETLAND SHEEPDOGS**

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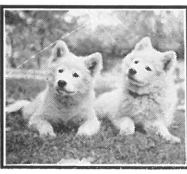
All rounder judges that are given Shetland Sheepdog classes to do not being too familiar with the breed are likely to glance at the standard upon receiving their assignment. Not bothering to read any further than the first line which mentions "collie in miniature" these judges would put up Type A. A Shetland Sheepdog specialty judge would know his standard and put up Type B.

This narrows down to the fact that breeders must decide whether they want to breed type A that will probably do most of the winning especially on the Pacific Coast because of lack of specialty judges or Type B that conforms with the Standard. This is now the biggest problem of Sheltie fanciers.

Mrs. B. B. Cooley is laying plans for a trip to the middle west. She plans on taking in the Cleveland and Cincinnati shows, leaving the first part of March. Laird of Exford will accompany her as well as her lovely little bitch, Tooney Bridget of Crawleyridge.

Ch. Petticoat O'The Picts has been bred to Ch. Royal Scot of Pages Hill. We are hoping Mrs. Cleveland gets something extra nice from this. Petticoat is already the dam of a champion. Her daughter, Ch. Pinafore O'The Picts, is now in whelp to Royal Scot, and is due in three weeks.

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