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## ...SAMOYEDS...

By Vera Lawrence

610 Colusa Avenue, Berkeley, Calif.

In greeting you, our Sammy owners, with Best Wishes for a Very Happy New Year, it is with a feeling of sincere gratitude to all of you who celebrated with us another Sammy Special Christmas section of WKW. Of course it is always my sincere hope that we will have a grand united exhibit of pictures and stories at Christmas time—and this year, the added support of our grand Division Clubs and the Samoyed Club of America, made it all seem so very much a symbol of a united group of dedicated Samoyed owners—for this may I say to each of you a very grateful and humble "thank you"—for this and all the help you have given in the past.

With the coming of 1963—we hope you will continue to be with us—with news, pictures and the ever-necessary ads—which keep us going. And I shall look forward to any efforts that you can give in helping to keep our pages alive. Any suggestions as to how we may improve our section will be most welcome . . . so write us, won't you.

One question I'd like to ask . . . Would you, our readers, be interested in a "Question and Answer" section? It could be made most informative, you know, as well as interesting. So think it over, won't you, and write me direct.

### Some Late, Late News of 1962

Let's start with regrets from Mrs. Clyde Bastian of Anchorage, Alaska, who sends the report of wins of November 11 show—7 dogs and 6 bitches entered. Best of Breed

was Chief Thor of Tzerkoo (by Tzerkoo of Ala-Cryss ex Bibi of Mar-Chi), owner, Mrs. Thor Baker. Best Opposite Sex, Soraya of Ala-Cryss (by Aleshka of Ala-Cryss ex Jolie of Green Star), owners, Freda and Clyde Bastian. Reserve Winners Dog, "Kobe" (by Tamarlane of Ala-Cryss ex Bibi of Mar-Chi), owner, Ronald J. Bailey. Reserve Winners Bitch, Baliniki of Kolyma (Alesha of Ala-Cryss ex Ch. Tiko Koro of Ala-Cryss) owners, Dolores and Francis H. Larkins. The judge was H. P. Saunders.

More show reports from Helene Spathold: *Redwood Empire Show* at Petaluma, California, November 10, 1962—5 dogs (1 point), 1 bitch and 1 Special. Breed and Group Judge, Lloyd Brackett. Fourth in Group and Best of Breed, Ch. Patrice of Snow Ridge (see picture in December issue), Helene and Layard Spathold, owners. Winners Dog, Best of Winners and Best Opposite Sex, Shaloon of Drayalene, Wayne and Lois Sinclair, owners. Reserve Winners Dog, Darius King of Snow Ridge, LaVera and Dan Morgan, owners. Winners Bitch, Barcea's Dorka of Drayalene, Jim and Wilma Coulter, owners.

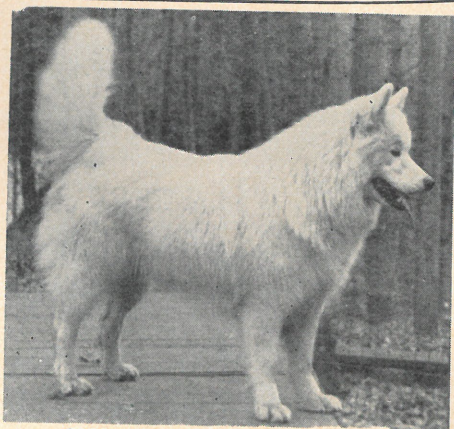
*Mensona Kennel Club Show* at Santa Rosa, California, November 11, 1962—5 dogs, 1 bitch and 1 Special. Judge was H. G. Hackett. Best of Breed, Ch. Patrice of Snow Ridge, Winners Dog, Best of Winners and Best Opposite Sex, D'Artagnan of Snow Ridge. Winners Bitch, Barcea's Dorka of Drayalene. Reserve Winners Dog, Shaloon of Drayalene.

Some late October shows in Northern California:

*Two Cities Kennel Club Show* at Yuba City, California, October 13—Judge Isadore Schoenberg. Winners Dog, Best of Winners and Best of Breed, Darius King of Snow Ridge, Dan and LeVera Morgan, owners. Best Opposite Sex, Ch. Winterland's Zeeta, owners, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rule, Jr. Reserve Winners Dog, Snow Ridge Ruble of Tamareck, Madelin Druse, owner.

*Sacramento Show, October 14*—Judge Julius Dupon—6 dogs, 1 bitch and 2 bitch Specials (2 points). Winners Bitch, Best of Winners and Best of Breed, Barcea's Dorka of Drayalene, Wilma and Jim Coulter, owners. Winners Dog and Best Opposite Sex, Shaloon of Drayalene. Reserve Winners Dog, Darius King of Snow Ridge, Dan and LeVera Morgan, owners.

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### Some Contest Winners

The winners of various contests held by the Pacific Coast Division are announced as follows: President's Contest: First, Spathold's Ch. Patrice of Snow Ridge; runner-up, Lanes' Arctic Mist of Tamarkee. Pacific Coast Puppy Contest: First, Yocum's Ch. Chu San's Princess Ghajar; runner-up, Colburn's Roketa of Drayalene. Pacific Coast Division Obedience Top Scoring Dog: Barbee's Barcea's Silver Dollar (with average score of 185 points). Pacific Coast Division Top Boy Junior Handler: Michael Yocum. Pacific Coast Top Girl Junior Handler: Bonnie Sue Ahlborn.

### Headline News!

The Alaska Dog Musers Association, Inc. presents its Annual North American Championship Sled Dog Derby. Place: Fairbanks, Alaska. Time: March 15 to 24, 1963.

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Attention:— A special note from Irene Confer's Mid-West Division Bulletin (and a most attractive Bulletin it is, too).

"Please everyone—This is a CALL FOR HELP. In a note from Bea Heagy this morning, she says Tikia is no better, in fact is losing ground fast. She has talked with her vet and he has given her all the information he has at the moment. She told him I could broadcast it to the membership and if anyone knew anything about it or had had any such trouble she knew they would give her all the information they could. Her vet at the moment does not know exactly what is wrong, but is going ahead doing all he can. He has a smear sent in to Madison, but no reply on that yet, and they are taking x-rays this week. This is a summary of what the vet told her. The trouble is in the blood, in the *white cell count* and the name of the cell is *basophile*. She is supposed to have 1 per cent; and she has 9 per cent. Bea is very worried and wonders if it may be some form of leukemia. Anyway, she says is doesn't sound good. Please, if anyone has ever known of anything of this kind in dogs . . . write Bea and give her all the help you can. Thank you all for any help you may be able to give Bea: 1537 Vine Street, Beloit, Wisconsin.

*Some Notes From Here and There*

A cheerful note from Mrs. Lena Matheron of Smartville, California, tells us that all four of their dogs are fine and seem to like their new home. "Rocky"—that's the famous Ch. Yurok of Whitecliff—is just as beautiful as ever. He had a glorious life touring the shows as he did (handled by Jean Blank). Seems a shame to keep him from further competition.

So glad to hear from the Glenn Crosleys, whose Sams thoroughly enjoy the snow at their Broken Bow Ranch in Morrison, Colorado.

Marilyn Barber and her mother of Everett, Washington, report that their bitch produced a litter of 8 lovely puppies; 5 males and 3 females, a couple of weeks ago—her first. Marilyn and her mother each own a Sam, with a third jointly owned. They also own two Scotties and three "Westies" at Kalroad Kennels in Canada.

Mrs. Barber's Sam, "Kalla," is considered just a pet, but she is working toward a CDX degree in Obedience (she was the second dog in town to receive her CD degree).

Flurry (Miss Barber's Sno Flurry) "sustained a broken leg and dislocated hip at 8 months of age and has a slight limp . . . mostly from habit, we think." At the time

the vet treated him only for the hip; with a sling which was apparently too tight, for he appeared to be getting worse. So they finally took the sling off so he could at least enjoy a few days. Then lo, he began to improve. "It wasn't until we decided to use him at stud," writes Miss Barber, "and took his x-rays to another vet to check on the hip that we learned he also had a fractured leg!" He has a beautiful head; stands 23 inches and weighs 69 pounds.

Teena (Chitena of Silver Moon) is a sister to the Bowles' Noatak, and Helinski's Ch. Duchess Johni (both of Silver Moon) but she has been the slowest of the three to mature—but is doing beautifully now. Her puppies were born October 16; she was just two years old on October 27. She is 22½ inches and weighs 60 pounds, a little large by Canadian standards. She lives every moment to its fullest (which is sometimes a problem in obedience) as she wants to see and do everything—is on the alert to everything about her. "We hope to show her in the spring shows."

Lawrence and Ruth Soper of Santa Clara, California, are looking forward to an extended trip to England sometime early in 1963. They will visit various kennels there and hope to get a lot of pictures. We shall be looking forward to news of their visit upon their return to our shores.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Powell of San Rafael, California, have recently moved their Snow Ridge Kennel to a new spot—to 15 Malone Lane in San Rafael. The telephone number will be the same as in their present ad.

They are planning to enter their Sams in coming Bay Region shows. Prince Tyson of Snow Ridge will going up to Murphys for sled work in between show appearances, I believe. He needs only one more major to make his championship. Good luck in your coming ventures, Leona.

Incidentally, have received a cute picture of a litter of puppies sired by Prince Tyson of Snow Ridge out of Copperdale's Arctic Princess (born October 12) owned by Paul and Virginia Goodrich of Concord, California.

We are indebted to Jean Brown of Louisville, Colorado, for reports of the Terry All Kennel Club show at Brighton, Colorado on December 8 and at Greeley, Colorado, December 9.

Judge at the Brighton show was Elbert E. Vary. First in Open Dog class, and Winners Dog (5 points) and on to Best of Breed was Kenny's Blazer Boy of Caribou, CDX (by Ch. Winter Trail Blazer ex Cappella, CD) owner, Donna Yocom; breeders, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dyer. This should complete

his championship. Reserve Winners Dog, Khatanga's Toby, CD; owners, Harold and Doris McLaughlin; breeders, Clyde and Mildred Moser. Winners Bitch and Best Opposite Sex (5 points), Sno Glo's Kistarr of Snomesa (Kalina Starbu of Sno Glo ex Ohmi's Polar Tiara) owners, Jean and James Brown; breeders, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman. Reserve Winners Bitch, Summer Snow Tam O'Reen (Winter Trail Rogue ex Petrouchka of Valiki), breeder-owner, Roberta Bickerstaff.

At Greeley, Colorado, judge for Sams was Herman G. Cox. Winners Dog was Donna Yocom's Kenny's Blazer Boy of Caribou. Reserve Winners Dog, Khatanga's Toby (Son of Tchecka ex Lady Mish of Rhanor's II). Winners Bitch and Best Opposite Sex, Roberta Bickerstaff's Summer Snow Tam O'Reen. Best of Breed, Ch. Voodoo Voo (Muushka ex Kiska Starr), owners, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Flint; breeders, Wesley and Shirley Wilson. Reserve Winners Bitch was Michael and Dorothy O'Brien's puppy, Sasha of Mato-Ska (Hoksila of Silver Acres ex Ska-Lo), owners, Robert and Dolores Quinney. Mrs. Brown adds: "At this show all the Sammies were in nice coat and clean and pretty. Sometimes at this time of year we get muddy—but this time it was clear and dry."

The following items are taken from the December Bulletin of the Eastern Division Samoyed Club of America (courtesy of its Editor-Publicity Director, E.D. Mrs. Eileen Whitlock).

We are hearing so much about the value of obedience training (pro and con) for our Sams.

OBEDIENCE TRAINING

*By Barbara Burke*

"To own a Samoyed is to love the breed, I'm sure we all agree. There are three exciting and challenging endeavors open to Sam owners. Showing in breed is well known, widely participated in and not to be disparaged in any way. Sled dog racing is the most exciting, I should imagine. For most of us, however, those two little gremlins called Time and Distance ring a quick curfew on that phase. So we investigate the last one—Obedience. Far from being the disreputable catch-all of breed undesirables, obedience training is becoming increasingly popular. It has two purposes: to improve the dogs general behavior and to provide the fun of acquiring degrees.

"The advantages of the former are obvious. But let me insert a note of warning at this point; if you wish behavior traits to

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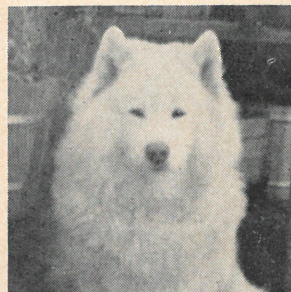
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carry over, you must insist on them all the time. A dog, particularly a Sam, soon learns if he has to behave in the ring and can get by with murder on the outside. He would not be the intelligent canine we know if he didn't take advantage of it.

"The latter has one advantage over breed. Anyone entered has a chance to be a winner no matter how many are judged better than he. He can earn a 'leg' if he qualifies and may walk off with a few prizes if his score is high enough.

"I am sure most people are thoroughly cognizant of the terms CD, CDX, UD and TD. I might refresh your memory a little by saying that after you have your three 'legs' for each degree (except tracking—you need only one) under as many judges you may compete endlessly for prizes under any judge you like. Let me say in passing that much time of late has been given by obedience clubs, A.K.C. delegates, to the advisability of having separate classes for Veteran Showmen who have degrees. This would eliminate the necessity of having them compete with those working toward degrees. This sounds like a much more equitable system, and I personally, hope it gets adopted.

"In the past, any suggestion has been met with opposition on two points. The dog will be spoiled for breed and it takes too much time. If you are still clinging to the first old wives' tale, ask any of the 250 Samoyed CD, 40 CDX or 9 UD owners if their dogs were shown in breed also and if they think it hindered them in breed. If that fails to convince you, ask anyone who remembers the Westminster KC show when El Rancho Dobe Storm convinced the judge of his merits and won a standing ovation from the entire assembly because he stood posed without moving a muscle for 13 full minutes. I do not know the dog's background but I venture to say that no dog untrained in obedience work of some sort could have done it.

"As to the latter, the record proves it can be done. Eternal vigilance is the price of everything worthwhile. I will not elaborate on this except to ask a question. If you had a child whom you believed had talent, would you deny him or her the chance to develop it because it required too much of your time?

"It may be later than you think, but it is never too late to overcome apathy with action. Double entry bookkeeping, I am told, is the accepted superior system, so let's all go to the 1963 Specialty with a double entry . . . both breed and obedience."

#### Recent Obedient Sams

Since the Specialty three Eastern Sams have added beauty to the obedience ring and proved that Sams can be obedient and obedience trained.

Connie and Dave Richardson say that just because their Princess Natiya refuses to have a coat on show dates does not mean that she is not smart. In three successive shows with scores of 187, 191 and 192, she got her Companion Dog degree. She is now Princess Natiya, CD. Connie says that the 187 was for acting like a Sam—although Princess had just been taken to an exercise pen she preferred the ring and lost 5 points for her bad manners. The 191 took Third

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Dan and Winn's Ch. White Barks Misty Snow Maid, CDX, now has her first leg on UD degree. Incidentally, Misty went BOS at the Specialty—many of you saw her there . . . she is living proof of Barbara's statement that they can be shown in both breed and obedience. I hear that Misty tried for her second leg at Morristown but missed a hand signal. Keep trying Dan and Mist—we are all rooting for you.

Prospective members, Betsy and Russ Rogers, now have a CD in their family. Their Belaya Yelena of Silver Acres also behaved for three successive shows to win her CD. Yelena's scores were 180, 192 plus and 188½. Her 192 was good enough for a Fourth in Novice A class at the Bronx County show. Yelena earned her first leg at the Westchester show the day of our Specialty. She finished at Morristown.

So . . . Congratulations to the Richardsons, the Winns, and the Rogers and Good Girl to Princess Natiya, Misty and Yelena. Hey . . . where's the boys or aren't they obedient?

#### A PAT ON THE BACK

We Sammy owners and fanciers should be on our best behavior during the next few weeks and months. The Poodle people are looking us over. They wonder what makes us tick!

In the Poodle column of the October issue of *Western Kennel World*, Jacklyn Boyd Cornelius states that for a long time she and other Poodle people have been impressed by the bond of breed loyalty and enthusiasm for the breed shown by Sam people all over the country. She goes on to say, "In the July listing in *Pure Bred Dogs* there were 135 Sams registered and 10,811 Poodles. In August, 97 Sams and 10,106 Poodles. I believe these proportions hold the answer to the question raised above."

" . . . Sammy owners must be doubly sold on their breed to stick with breeding, exhibiting and obedience training since it is not one of the top popularity breeds. In other words their choice of the breed is based on characteristics of the breed rather than on popularity fad and 'we'll sell some pups and make a fortune attitude'."

And might I add what Mrs. Cornelius said—we'd like to keep it that way. Once Sammy type people succumb to the charm of their Sams they love them for what they are . . . a furry white challenge who adds joy to living!

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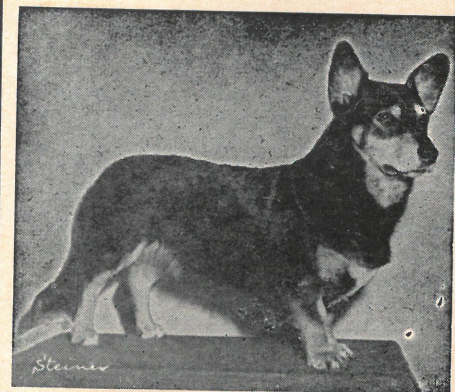
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Articles giving specific information on a breed are always helpful to novice breeders and exhibitors. We have too few of them. Old-timers tend to forget how confused a newcomer can be and how difficult it is to look at one's dog objectively: studying the Standard helps some, but not too much, as many Standards lack detail and may also be interpreted in various ways. But a standard does give the general idea and often exact measurements of different parts; height, weight, etc. Nevertheless, knowing the standard can still leave the novice at sea. Probably nothing gives real knowledge except comparison of dogs with each other, notably the winners; and comparing the points of the top winners to find out how they conform to the standard. Very often they do not conform in many features, but at least we learn where they fail.

So we mentally reconstruct the dog to possess the standard description of that particular feature and realize how it could be improved. In time, we form a mental idea of our ideal Cardigan, which will conform to the standard as we interpret it. When we actually see one which *does* conform in all respects, then indeed, our model is fixed in mind and henceforth that is what we aim and breed for. We do not all interpret a standard in exactly the same way, so often the ideal Cardigan is not identical with breeders, but we cannot go far wrong in using this method of knowing the standard and using it in comparing dogs when we see them in a ring. It is deplorable that too few judges use this method. They rely too much on their superficial "outs" in way of "gait," "soundness," and "ring manners." I protest that none of these three qualifications are justified in giving a win if the dog has not the breed qualifications. If a dog has them *in addition* to what he should have as a breed specimen that is grand, but if we notice that the top winner does not conform to our standard in many respects, we can just bet that he is superbly presented, is "sound" and "gaits" well!

But can't any mutt do likewise?

I do not believe and never have believed that a dog should win because of any of the three above-mentioned virtues. I think they are merely enhancements due to hard work on the part of a handler to train a dog. It is commendable that all dogs should be well presented and mannerly, but I fail to see



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