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## ... SAMOYEDS ...

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Among many interesting letters that we have received recently is one from David Evans of Norwood, Minnesota. Mr. Evans is proprietor of K-9 Clinic for Gun-Shy Dogs.

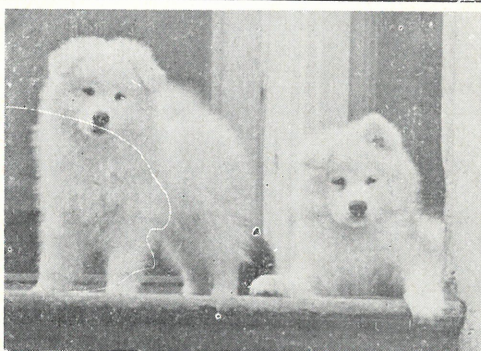
He "recalls" that in the 1930s the Standard for Sams called for a male to be 19 inches to 22 inches at the shoulder (this was 20 to 22 inches)—with bitches 18 to 20 inches. He also states that "many Sams today are 28 inches and some perhaps 30 inches. (When we consider that the Standard calls for 23½ as top height—though perhaps another inch or so is allowed—anything above that should be an absolute **disqualification** for a Samoyed). Mr. Evans further states—"though some other breeds have also undergone similar transformation, the Sam, in contrast, has apparently not suffered either in disposition or conformation in the change."

Mr. Evans further tells us that a local veterinarian and himself are trying to get stock dog trials started (in Minnesota)—and are wondering how the Sam would work on sheep. (Do any of our Sam owners know of any Sams working on herding sheep? We'd love to hear from you.)

Of course we all know the Sam is primarily a reindeer herding dog, but we also know that in our country it is excellent for herding cattle—as well as for halting runaway youngsters and puppies. In fact, my very first Sam was excellent in rounding up the beautiful mare I owned back home—it was thrilling to watch them together.

How about it, folks—anyone know of any Sams being used in sheep-herding? Write us, won't you?

Among recent readers of the Sam news in WKW are Les and Evelyn Wallace of Citrus Heights, Calif. They spoke of their enjoyment in having met Mrs. Charles James at the Sacramento show, who was most helpful to them. They own a nine-year-old female and a four-year-old male, acquired in February, '66; also a new puppy in July at four weeks old. Though the female is now "too old for a litter" she has taken over the care of the pup—and treats it like her own. The male is a proud "adopted" father—and he makes sure no one hurts the pup. His name is Tengri.



Greetings for 1966 from the  
**White Christmas Samoyeds**

to

**ALL SAMS AND THEIR "FOLKS"**

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"Much to our surprise we learned that Tengri had been shown," wrote Mrs. Wallace, "so we entered him at Del Monte—only to have him drop his coat just two weeks prior to the show." She adds: "Tengri is a beauty and we have high hopes for him." A big dog, with Tod Acres Fang, Leordan's Winter Wind of Gales and Ch. Stormy Weather in his background—on his mother's side . . . all excellent Washington-owned Sams.

Good luck to the Wallaces at the coming shows with this young stud.

Greetings:—Officers and members of the New England Division of the Samoyed Club (S.C.A.).

The following report comes from Mrs. Donald Thurston of Portsmouth, R.I.: "The June meeting of the New England Samoyed Club was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald P. Thurston in Portsmouth, R.I. Officers elected for the ensuing year are President Robert Forest of Clarmont, Nw Hampshire; First Vice-President, Mrs. Rachel Gaudet of South Attleboro, Mass.; Second Vice-President, Donald Thurston of Portsmouth, R.I.; Treasurer, Mrs. Arlene Jordan of Sudbury, Mass.; Secretary, Mrs. Roberta Bair of Providence, R.I. There were members present from all the New England states except Maine.

"Although the group is small, the meetings are very lively with much discussion as to how to better the Samoyed breed, help one another with any problems, and a concerted effort to enter as many Samoyeds as possible in the various dog shows that the members attend.

"A wonderful social hour is usually enjoyed by the members, with a door prize offered and sometimes a raffle is put on with one of the members donating the prize.

"We have had exhibits of yarn spun from the combings of our Sams, and also various articles of clothing kitted from the yarn.

"I noticed in the April issue of the Western Kennel World a story about the Stefaniks and their lovely Sam, "Kira." Just to show you what wonderful folks the Sam folks are, some time ago I started writing to Ethel Stefanik as I had heard she might weave some of the combings I had from our Loree and Nikki into yarn. Well, it ended up with the most delightful correspondence; a picture of that wonderful "Kira" and a pound of the most beautifully spun yarn I have ever seen. From her letters I just feel as if I had known her for years, and does she ever love her Sams!

"Another interesting happening was that recently we had a Navy couple call on us (as you probably have heard Newport, R.I. is a Navy town), who had just purchased a little Sam while they were out in California and

after reading the pedigree we found much of her line of breeding came from Jean Blank's Sams, and this little 'Candy' (her call name) was the most adorable baby, and the James Balls are all for learning more about the Samoyed and they hope to show her in the Providence Kennel Club Sanction Match in September as she will be six months old then. It just seems once you become an owner of a Sam, there just isn't any other like them. We are so sorry these folks will be stationed here only for six months while he is going to school here, as they would make wonderful members of our club."

The following was a Christmas letter from Mrs. Karleen Morrow of Wildcliff by-the-Sea Sams of Newport, Oregon.

It arrived much too late to make the December '65 WKW and was recently unearthed from that mail.

We sincerely trust that you will enjoy it at this time—as we did.

"In this, our second annual Christmas letter, we would like to share with you a few of the memories of the closing year—hoping to bridge the miles between us, bringing us all a little nearer together . . .

"The 'Dog Year' started with a trip south to the Golden Gate two-day benched show at San Francisco's impressive Cow Palace. Arriving late, weary and not-quite-groomed (neither dog nor handler) we did manage to get into the ring for a 3rd place ribbon. A lowly beginning for the New Year, but things got better as time went on. The young Wildcliffe Chant of the Sea made his debut at six consecutive shows; U.S. and Canada, coming home with the valuable experience for which he went; and a bonus of two Best-of-Winners, four R.W. and six points . . . all prior to his first birthday — and just squeaking through before dropping his puppy coat.

"Warmest memories of his beginning, however, were not in the wins, but in the way Chant was received by the judges, breeders, spectators and even professional handlers. Popular with all, the young dog has made his way into the hearts of those who have met him; a tribute to his great parents, Ch. Joli Knika and Ch. Starletta of Chienne d'Or (import). Northwest fanciers recall that Portland show where all Samoyed entries were in honor of the deceased Ch. Knika . . . and it was at this same show that Chant had his coming-out-party. Following his debut, his brothers, Wildcliffe Czar of the Sea (Ohio) and Wildcliffe Caj-nuk of the Sea (Portland) joined the show crowd and 1965 saw all these yearling males of the "C" litter having title points.

"Chait's imported dam, the now Champion Starletta, returned from a long ring ab-

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Berkeley, Calif.

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sence, began to campaign again and finished at Bellingham with her fourth major, 5th B.O.S. in top champion competition and 2nd Best of Winners.

"Later, as the show season quieted down, the nursery began to bubble—the inbred 'S' litter arriving the last night in August after having been in the planning stages for several years. Well worth the waiting, the second 'in' was effected by breeding the in-bred Ch. Starletta to her son Chant. The amazing results included the exciting 'Solo of Wildcliffe,' a puppy whose extraordinary appearance could only be excelled by his future potential as a dominant stud dog.

"In September the 'H' litter arrived, a linebreeding toward the English blood, the dam being the imported Kaline Kaywana with Chant as the sire. Heather, Hondo, Hamlet and five brothers and sisters were up on their feet and learning to play when the seven new babies were born to Wildcliffe Caprice of the Sea, sired by our imported Champion Columbus, Starletta's half-brother. Caprice demonstrated the strong whelpers in this line when she delivered her entire litter in one hour and twenty minutes from the first labor pain, with hardly a flick of an eyelash. As we write this letter, the 'W' children are toddling about with bearish faces peeking up from icy snowball coats, all litters proving the beautiful blending of the genes behind the U.S. Best-in-Show winning Ch. Joli Knika and the English stud behind all Wildcliffe stock, the great all-time winner, 12 times Best-in-Show Champion, Starya of Kobe (Eng.).

"In looking back over 1965 now we recall bountiful memories from the Golden Gate in San Francisco through the SCA Specialty in Seattle . . . from the beginning of a fun-filled summer on the surfboards through another of Gene's winning football seasons as undefeated Coast League Champions . . . and we see much for which to be grateful."

It has been my pleasure to receive a copy of "Sammy News," the fine bulletin published by the Samoyed Association of Canada, Joan Aitchison, Secretary. The aims of the club as mentioned by Miss Aitchison, are: "Our club hopes to really work together for the welfare of the breed, learn more about hip dysplasia so that we may do all possible to eliminate this in our breed.

"We operate on a national basis with a democratic attitude where all are at liberty to make a motion at any time by mail, and every member votes on those matters so that no one dominates the club. As a Samoyed breeder and fancier we would be delighted to welcome new members, but primarily are interested in learning and working together, getting to know other people who have a common interest in Samoyeds."

**REGARDING PINK NOSES ON SAMOYEDS**  
(Reprint from September 1944 WKW from an article by Medicus for English "Our Dogs.")

"Many a time and oft have I been asked to explain why a dog whose nose ought to be black as possible, loses that and becomes pink nosed, sometimes permanently and

sometimes only for a more or less indefinite period.

"Pigmentation is the root of the whole matter.

"Pigmentation is a very complex subject and has to do with a variety of highly technical considerations relating to the blood stream. Excess or deficiency depends upon all sorts of circumstances and both are due to blood condition. In the very common case of black nose turning to pink and then under treatment returning to black, the explanation is comparatively simple. That is, really due to some chemical deficiency in the blood, absence of constituents necessary to the formation of what is termed 'haemoglobin'. This is the material which makes the white blood corpuscles red, and its effectiveness or deficiency is dependent upon the presence or absence of certain minerals (iron, especially) in the food.

"This explains why the black nose of dogs sometimes turns pink in color and in all such cases it is obvious that the dog is suffering from a form of anemia, either temporary or constitutional and that whatever may be the originating cause, iron in some form is the first thing to be given though not perhaps the only thing.

"Anemia is a general description which covers a variety of causative beginnings. It may be due to direct loss of blood (internal or external), to some deficiency in feeding, to a wasting disease, to errors of diet, to the mischief of skin vermin, to want of healthy conditions of living (lack of fresh air, sunlight or exercise), and various other causes.

"It may be and often is, due to inbreeding and other hereditary causes which often provoke a sort of general debility. Anemia is, therefore, not a disease in itself it is a condition of the blood pointing to some deficiency in the blood stream.

"One of the commonest causes of anemia may be found in the exhaustion of a bitch which has been rearing too big a litter of whelps or has continued to feed them longer beyond the time when they might have been weaned and left to fend for themselves.

"Another thing to bear in mind, is that sudden loss of blood is quickly replaced in a healthy animal by the ordinary processes of nature, but if there is some continuous cause for loss of blood, or for failure to keep it up to 'standard quality,' if one may use the term, then this is much more dangerous than the mere loss of a bit of blood by an accident, because the reason for deficiency is there and keeps on working against recovery.

"By simple treatment, I mean a course of Parrish's syrup of phosphates, the best imaginable method of giving iron to nourish the blood stream by improving corpuscles, or failing that, by administering saccharated carbonate of iron in 2 to 10 grain doses according to the size of the dog. This saccharated carbonate is a powder which can be sprinkled on a piece of meat or a bit of

soaked biscuit, anything in fact to which it may adhere. It is quite tasteless save for being sweet, so is easily taken by any dog, for all dogs like sweet things."

Guess that's all for this time folks—don't forget the S.C.L.A. Specialty Show and plan now for the Mid-West Division Specialty to be held in 1967. —V.L.

**PET'M LABORATORIES**

Smith Kline & French Laboratories is entering the pet products field. PET'M Laboratories, a newly-formed division of the company, is now marketing a line of health and grooming aids for pets.

Six new products are sold under the PET'M trademark. They are PET'M Flea and Tick Spray, PET'M Flea and Tick Powder, PET'M Shampoo, PET'M Shampoo Bar, PET'M Shampoo Kit and PET'M Coat & Skin, a nutritional aid designed to help guard against dry, itchy skin and give pets a soft, shiny coat.

New PET'M Coat & Skin provides the poly-unsaturated fatty acids and vitamins essential for a pet's healthy skin which are often lacking in pet foods. Added to a dog's or a cat's daily diet, these nutrients contribute to a brighter, glowing coat and healthier skin noticeable in as little as seven to fourteen days.

All the new products, which have earned the Good Housekeeping Guarantee Seal, feature attractive convenience packaging.

The shampoo kit contains a lather-brush massager designed for working up a lather and invigorating a dog's skin. It also holds the detergent shampoo bar between baths. The flea and tick powder is packaged in a unique puffer-pack for easy one-handed application. The spray which leaves a pet's coat shining as well as ridding him of fleas, ticks and lice, is in an aerosol can which assures easy application and effective coverage. A convenient push-button dispenser with the Coat & Skin squirts a measured amount of supplement on a pet's food.

Photographs of dogs and cats by Walter Chandoha, well-known photographer of animals, appear in much of the promotion and packaging.

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