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## ...SAMOYEDS...

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So—It's August 5 —and these notes are being written for September WKW — time now folks to be planning for our Christmas Sammy Special for our breed. Shall be sending you full information in a

few days. In the meantime, let's congratulate Mr. Paul Astry and his Ch. Czar of Pacifica, whose picture and story appeared in August issue.

Now, let's continue Mrs. Confer's story of some of the early Sams — "One of Patsy's puppies (Natalya of Donerna, registered name) — went to a girl in Iowa, and if I'd dig out my old files, I could probably recall where they all went. I have practically all of Mr. Seeley's letters. The first ones were full of information and knowledge of the breed and puppies in general, and it seemed each one contained some bit of information I deemed worth keeping, so I just filed the letters away. I was a guest at Mr. and Mrs. Seeley's home for several exciting days, and saw many of the famous dogs of that day, in fact I was there the day he washed and groomed Cham. Donerna's Tsilma in preparation for her journey to her new home with Dr. and Mrs. Dunton. I don't recall if Ch. Kolya was to be sent at the same time to Dr. Dunton, but

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Ch. Vierna's Sue-u-Q (subject to AKC), (Ch. Yurok of White Cliff ex "Terri"). Owner-handler Alice Thomsen, San Francisco.—Photo by Bill January.

go, he did. I also made the acquaintance of old Ch. Zanoza, whom Mr. Seeley called Old Lady 31. He was all enthused about his approaching trip to England, which he never lived to make.

About 1927 we moved to Florida, I had had to give up practically all activities because of illness. I trimmed down to Patsy, and we all took off for Florida. Shortly after we arrived there, I received a very lovely letter from Mrs. Stanley F. Mathews of Homestead, Florida, welcoming us to Florida, and extending an invitation to come over and meet them and their dogs. There was an article in the Samoyed Club Bulletin — we belonged to the Club at that



SNOWLAND KEENA FROST

**SAMOYEDS of SNOW SHOE HILL**

Puppies Occasionally, Selected Breeding  
JULIET T. GOODRICH

Land O'Lakes -- Wisconsin

time, which told of our move. Mrs. Mathews and her husband owned Capensis Kennels —and raised Sams, Saanan goats and Shaded Silver Persians.

"Because of her health, Mr. and Mrs. Mathews did very little if any showing, but they had good dogs. They owned two bitches, litter sisters that they had imported from England, Capensis Alexis and Capensis Kara—both of Parningham. Alexis was quite a good Sam, but Kara was the darndest looking Sam I ever saw. BUT she had the most gorgeous puppies — never failed to throw at least one Flyer in every litter. Her puppies were much nicer than Alexis. Her Stud was Park Cliffe Brulan whose ancestors went back to Ch. Tobolsk and Ch. Olga of Farningham, and on back to Antarctic Buck. We lived in Florida for three years, and shortly before we left we lost Patsy, and almost simultaneously I had a letter from Mrs. Mathews saying they had lost Bru. I had a good grown male available in the North and she had a Kara female puppy so we made a trade. I had the male shipped to her and she sent me the puppy. The puppy was just 2 months old when she arrived and the most adorable puppy we ever had, she was one of Nara's "Flyers", but when we were loading to leave, she was too eager to help, and a plank fell on her foot. The nearest Vet was over 100 miles away, and we were all ready to leave—so we tore for Indiana and our Vet, who had to take off the inside toe and remove the bone, but he did such a beautiful job that she never limped, she gaited beautifully! I'm sure a judge would never have seen it, but I still remembered Mr. Seeley's remark about Nara. "Tony" was never shown, she was registered as Sonya of Capensis. We had her six years, and she was still a puppy. She wasn't as smart as Patsy was about streets, and a hit and run driver got her. We were without a Sam for a long time. Had a little Cocker given me, and we had her for about six years. But during this time I was seeing a show occasionally, and reading—and still had my eye on Sams. After Teddy my daughter married and had 2 little boys, she began to think about Patsy and Tony and wishing she could find a Sam for the children. About five years ago, she ran onto Bonaventura Farms owned by Dr. and Mrs. Miceli, and not ten miles from her home. They had some Sam puppies and she bought a female from them. She has raised a couple litters of puppies, joined the SF Wayne Kennel Club and the Samoyed Club (Midwest Div.) and is really working for the breed. A little over a year ago she got a lovely little female from the Micelis and gave to me for my birthday and Mother's Day combined. She is quite a nice little bitch (must be about 5 years old now) — "So now, with

### A White Christmas Sam



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(Ch. Borealis of the Far Steppes ex  
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shots, etc. Teddy and I have been doing a little showing—"Teddy, of course is now Mrs. C. D. Stroup, and Mrs. Confer is the excellent editor of the Club Bulletin of our splendid Mid West Division S. C. A. (v.1.)

So glad to hear from Mrs. Clyde Bastian of Anchorage, Alaska, and to receive some most interesting snapshots of her Sams—some of which we hope will appear in our Western Kennel World Christmas Special.

Mrs. Bastian also kindly sent in a report on the judging of Sams at the Anchorage and Fairbanks, Alaska shows of a couple months or so ago. Mrs. Bastian wrote that since those shows, and as of May 15, the point system for Sams has been raised for dogs, now requiring 9 dogs for 5 points in our Northernmost State. She tells us that there are quite a few Sammies up there, but it's a job trying to persuade their owners to enter them in the shows. Mr. Ralph Waters, the Judge remarked that they have some very good Sams in Alaska—and their owners are trying hard, says Mrs. Bastian to train them for show experience.

It was the 17th All Breed show at Anchorage, with Mr. Waters judging Sams—11 dogs five points and 4 bitches, 2 points, 1 absent.

Puppy dogs, 2 in the class was taken by Perry S. McLain's Nirosha of Ala-Cryss. Bred by exhibitor, Sinew of Green Star, Robert and Idesta Green of Green-Star Kennels, owners. Amer.-Bred dog, 2 in the class was taken by Fancy D of Ala-Cryss, owner Dolores R. Larkins. Open dogs class had a nice entry of six, with Boreas of Ala-Cryss, owned by the Bastians, taking 1st place. This fine fellow went on to place as Best of Winners and BEST of Breed.

Puppy bitches, 3 in the class with Freda and Floyd Bastian's Soni of Ala-Cryss taking first — and their Chemsas of Green Star going 1st in Open, Winners bitch and on to Best Opposite sex, Best of Breed, Boreas of Ala-Cryss (Ch. Taymar of Ala-Cryss ex Chemsas of Green Star.) B.O. S. Soni of Ala-Cryss (Tamerlane of Ala-Cryss ex Freya of North Star, Reserve Winners Dog—Fancy D. of Ala-Cryss, Reserve Winners Bitch—Chemsas of Green Star.

Tanana Valley, Alaska Kennel Club 9th All-breed Show, Judge, Mr. William H. Pym, 6 dogs (3 points) 3 bitches (3 points).

Best of Breed and 2nd in the Working Group — Boreas of Ala-Cryss. He now has 13 points, including 3 majors, toward his championship.

"Pixie" (Chemsas of Green Star was Best Opposite, completing the necessary points

toward her championship. Reserve Winners Dog was Fancy D of Ala-Cryss. Reserve Bitch — Soni of Ala-Cryss.

The following article was submitted to us by Mel Fishback, "for use - if and," so, now in seems the time for it - that folks just starting in the "racing sled dogs" game might be prepared for winter fun. (I take no responsibility for statements made in this article, submitting it as received, V. L.)

Mel comments, "We mention our own dog Shu as an example of a Samoyed lead dog that did not arrive in this world running, and did not learn to run with dogs of another breed, and only runs now because he was taught to do so - people say 'He is just different from most Sam's - or 'He runs because the Huskies do'. This is so silly, he is no different from any other Sam basically - and heaven knows, the Huskies are taught to pull not to PUSH! and Shu is the dog running in front of them. (They do what he does—not the other way around".)

"IT'S UP TO THE DRIVER

NOT THE DOGS"

"Interest in racing sled dogs is growing steadily in the Western part of the U.S., and Samoyed owners are experiencing a "renaissance" of interest in the sport accordingly. It is pleasing to see, once again, full teams of five or more Samoyeds competing in races as they did in days gone by. We have seen old issues of Western Kennel World in which teams of Samoyeds - hard-working good Sams - were pictured; perhaps we'll see similar pictures again.

"One feature connected with the upsurge of interest in working Sams is disturbing, however. It is the prevalent attitude that "you must train Sams with faster dogs to teach them to run". Nothing could be farther wrong, and those who are looking for dogs of other breeds for the sole purpose of using them to train their Samoyeds are due for disappointment.

"The simple fact is this: It is the driver, not any individual dog in a team, who makes of his team either a racing, hard-working group or a motley collection of many spoiled dogs. Harnessing a Siberian Husky to the front of a Sam team that habitually trots will only result in a trotting Siberian Husky. A Samoyed that has been accustomed to running with fast dogs will shortly assume the speed of any new team into which he is hitched.

"The only situation in which a shortcut will work is that in which we have six fast dogs, and we take one dog that is used to working slowly and put him in the fast team. He will either work fast or he will be a sorry dog . . . but if he is taken out and transferred to his old team, he will work at precisely the speed he always worked.

"Samoyeds, or any other dogs, obey the "pack law" when they become members of a working team. If they are good sled dogs. They discard their individuality and become units in a whole. If the Sam pairs work in the same positions habitually, they will soon adjust their movements to one another, and if they are worked steadily and constantly.

they become like rhythmic machines, leaping together and automatically adjusting their pace *all at once*. It is a team attuned to one another in this way that wins races, hauls fantastic loads, and travels immense distances. How do dogs attain this perfection and unity? By the patient work of the driver who knows what he wants from his team, and by constant practice.

"To attain this end, there are a great many difficulties. The same driver must train the dogs all the time. Once they are thoroughly trained, anyone may drive them who knows what to do, but the dogs will not learn if they have several trainers with several different training methods.) The same dogs must work together consistently, under the leadership of the same leader. Yes, dogs form attachments and have varying feelings of trust in one another. A steady and easy-moving team may go to pieces and lose faith in their work if they do not have confidence in their leader. One can see that inexperienced dogs would naturally apply themselves even less without leadership that they can understand and trust.

"This, then, leaves it up to the driver first, the leader second, and the team dogs lastly. This is the logical "chain of Command", and without the first exerting all his influence, the second and third will never make any impact on the world of sled dog racing.

"It is not true that the Samoyed cannot be taught to run or "lope" and maintain this pace for a good distance. Many Samoyed owners have adopted this belief and are spoiling their dogs' chances of ever making a win by adhering to this silly notion. It is also untrue that a fast trotting team will make better time than a loping team, as some believe. How can it be so, when the loping team "breaks down" to a fast trot, when tired, that is the same speed as what the trotting dogs have done all the time?"

(Continued in October issue)

It is with pleasure that we announce having received a letter from Mrs. Bob Rosser of Halo Cross Kennels, owners of Collies and Belgians, in Red Bluff, California who is "looking for a nice show prospect male Samoyed pup - between ages of 4 and 8 months.

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To date I have not been able to locate just the pup for Mrs. Rosser - so, folks, if you have any pup that might fill this request, won't you send information and picture immediately. Mrs. Rosser asks for full description and photos of any such pup - also prices.

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Had a delightful phone conversation a few days ago with Mrs. Franklin Wolmuth of San Francisco.

She had recently bought a 3 months old Sam from Alice Dale of Coalinga, Calif.

It was interesting to note her pedigree, that I was later privileged to see, with parents given as, sire - Chiana of Tundra ex Muff, Chiana is a son of Winter Trail's Rogue, a well-known son of Mrs. A. E. Mason's Rex of White Way, Rogue's dam being Ch. Chastuska of Encino, C. D.

Muff - the pup's dam, is by Prince of Polarcrest (of Suffolk, Eng.) out of Thosathe's Gay White Ginger.

I hope to make a fuller study of this pedigree and hope to find pictures of many of the dogs mentioned. Of course we all know that Rex of White Way is one of Mrs. Mason's White Way Kennels breeding and Chastuska of Encino, the owned by the Charles Burrs of Beverly Hills, is of Margaret Tucker's Encino Kennels breeding in North Hollywood, Calif.

We are indebted to Elizabeth Wyman for the full report on Sams at the Santa Barbara show of July 30, held as usual at the Hope Ranch Park by the Santa Barbara Kennel Club. There were 16 dogs present (4 points) and 5 bitches 1 point, and 5 in Specials class.

First in Jr. puppy dogs class of 3, was Wayne and Evelyn Denzler's Kobe's Taj of Encino (Ch. Kobe's Komak of Encino ex Ch. White Way's Sisero's Buttons Novice dog winner was William Scannell's Gin-Buck-Chu (Ch. Chu the Magnificent ex Ch. T. K. of Notoc). Bred by Exhibitor—Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bristol's Startinda's Zacusa (Startinda's Mustagh-Ata ex Ch. Startinda's Doch-yeri). American-bred dog winner, in a group of 4 was Jennie and Jerry Austin's Ruffie of Kithu (Chumikantoo of Whitecliff ex Onejinks).

Open dogs winner, 7 competing class, with 2 absentees. First to Wade and Leona Powell's Prince Tyson of Snow Ridge, who went on to Winners dog. Tyson is by White Frost's Tybo ex Ch. White Way's Juliet O'Snow Ridge. RWD was Margo Gervolstad's Drayalene's Yancy Darringer (Ch. Yurok of Whitecliff ex Ch. White Beauty of Lucky Dee).

American-bred bitches had one entry, Elliott Colburn's Staraya Rhonde of Ellbur (Rokandi of Drayalene ex Silver De De O'Snow Ridge). "This adorable typey little girl" went on to place RWB.

Open bitches—4 competing and 2 absent, found L. K. Pavlu and D. Storey's Dorka, taking first. Dorka (Ty-Czar of White Frost ex Frosty Stellar) went on to take Winners bitch. BEST Samoyed, Prince Tyson O'Snow Ridge. Best Opp. Alice Thompson's Ch. Viesna's Sue-Z-Q. (Incidentally, Susie's picture appears elsewhere in this section.

Thanks to Helene Spathold for reports on Ventura Show of July 29, and the Eden K. C. Show of August 6. Ventura had an entry of

13 dogs, (1 ab.), 6 bitches and 4 Specials, total, 24 Sams. Judge O. C. Harriman. Winners dog, BW and on to Best of Breed, was Rokandi of Drayalene (Ch. Yurok of Whitecliff ex Silver Crest's Sikandi)—owners, Helene and Layard Spathold, RWD, Snow Frost of Kithu (Lydia and Kathleen Purdy, owners).

Winners bitch Margaret Tucker's Kobe's Babbette of Encino RWB Joann Connor's Allure of Lewclair. First in Stud Dog, Ch. Chu the Magnificent—owners, James and Gracie Scannell. Best Opposite sex, Alice Thomsen's Ch. Viesna's Sue—Z-O.

EDEN SHOW — Pleasanton, Calif., Judge Anton Korbel, 5 dogs and 3 bitches, one point each sex, 1 Special, absent, Winners dog, BW and Best of Breed, Barceia's Shondi of Drayalene, Helene and Layard Spathold owners. Winners bitch and Best Opp. Patrice of Snow Ridge, Dean and Janet Swanson, owners. RWD D'Artagnan of Snow Ridge, La Vera and Daniel Morgan, owners. RWB Talahassee of Whitecliff, owners, Jean and Robert Gill.

In comments from Miss Spathold, it seems to be an annual Picnic is looked forward to by Samoyed exhibitors and fanciers at the Eden show. A nice crowd of "Sammyites" and guests turned out again for the "Pot-Luck" picnic, and with the nice shaded picnic area for all, including the dogs—everyone enjoyed the day.

All were sorry to learn at the picnic why Paul Astry's Ch. Czar of Pacifica was absent. He had suffered a sprained leg, which had caused much pain, but with his fond owner's care, Czar will soon be back in the show-ring.

There are puppies at Snow Ridge, Wade and Leona Powell's Ch. White Way's Juliet O'Snow Ridge, whelped a litter of 5 males and 2 females on July 12. "The fellow that gave out the cigars being the proud sire and family pooch, was the Spatholds' Rokandi of Drayalene. There are just 2 males available from this litter, as all others are already reserved. The Powells' Ch. Juliet is the dam of the Anibal's Ch. Moak of White Frost, and the Weltzens (of Canada) Ch. Snow Ridge's Sonya, and of the often-winning Patrice of Snow Ridge.

Have just received an interesting letter from Mrs. John Helinski of Moses Lake, Washington, who writes that they are new Sammy owners, who have a 9 months old bitch — and "love her dearly." She has been in several shows and has placed first in her class. Mr. and Mrs. Helinski are members of the N. W. Division, SCA, and are interested in learning all they can about Samoyeds. They say they have been fortunate in knowing John and Lila Weir of Seattle as well as Cliff and Nell Collins, are also subscribers to our WKW, look forward to each new issue.

Mrs. Helinski writes that they have entered their young bitch in the Renton Wash-

ington show of August 19-20, are also taking her to Canada over the Labor Day weekend. Her name, Duchess Joh-Ni of Silver Moon. Her sire is Can. Ch. Polar Star's Nika Tillicum. The dam is Silver Moon, owned by Robert and Bonita Bowles of Renton, Wash.

Mrs. Jean Beaughan of San Lorenzo, writes that her young Sammy girl has just presented them with a litter of 5 darling puppies, and like several other Sammy owners are planning to give a copy of the Booklet—"the Samoyed" with the sale of each puppy. Good luck with those puppies, folks, and how about giving us the name of your Sammy, and the sire's name as well.

Just received a note from Mrs. Shirley M. Isaacs of Canoga Park, Calif., that her mother, one of our Mid West members, Mrs. Virginia Belikoff, has been visiting her in So. California, even attended Ventura and Santa Barbara shows. Shall be eagerly awaiting that story of your visit, Virginia—soon, perhaps?

Guess that's all for this time—but hope to be with you next month. Members here in No. California are looking forward to their get-together late this month, when they will greet Australia's Sammy owner who will be a visitor to our West Coast—along the story of Mrs. A. E. Mason's Sams of White Way Ko.—V. L.

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