

# Sleigh Courier

The Samoyed Club Inc

AUTUMN 2007

*The Samoyed Club Inc Championship Show*

*Sunday, 17 June 2007*

*Judge: Nancy Russell (Colorado, USA)*



**Best in Show: Gr Ch Zaminka Flashlight**

**Owners: Lynn & Gary Carleton and Stephanie McRae**

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## Your 2007 Committee

### Committee Profile Trophy Steward



My name is Lorraine Fothergill and I have been involved with dogs most of my life. I have also been involved in the many aspects of dog owning. Over the years I have enjoyed training my dogs in obedience, agility, search and rescue and my dogs have also been used in TV commercials and film work.

I enjoy everything about owning dogs and love their company. I also have a husband John and

children Nikki and Scott and they also enjoy the dogs.

Our menagerie has recently grown and now includes our four Samoyeds, two cats, two rabbits and a budgie. My husband's favourite saying is since he married me he's lead a dog's life!!! This year I am once again the trophy steward for The Samoyed Club.

### Committee Profile Treasurer



Hi I have always loved Samoyeds since I first saw one and secretly wanted one ever since. Unbeknown to me my parents got a Samoyed when I was about three years old, but sadly they didn't keep it. Perhaps that is where the attraction came from!

I have been breed showing on and off since 1989. I got my first Samoyed "Conan" from 'Sunshine Samoyeds' when I was living and working in Plimmerton. I have also attended obedience and may have a go at doing agility next (I know 'Koda' will be willing!).

I have been on and off the Committee over the years, and with the introduction of the 'walks' and 'snow dog match days' this has added other activities for our members and are a lot of fun. So watch out for the next dates in the magazine and come along and have some fun!

Simonne MacMillan



### Committee Member Profile

In 1996 I established Angara Samoyeds and bred my first litter with Samivahn Roosay. Since then I have bred two more litters with Abbey and Taiza. I am currently campaigning Danza who is Roosay's great granddaughter.

I really enjoy breeding and showing my Samoyeds but also have involvement in obedience and agility. In the past I was also involved in sledding but a serious accident put an end to my racing. The dogs really loved running in the early mornings and with the help of Andy, Fred became a Certified Sled Dog.

I have been on the committee of the Samoyed Club for several years. I have also been involved with the Spitz Breeds club, the Titahi Bay Obedience Club and the Wellington Management Board for the New Zealand Kennel Club.

Lynne Barr

## The Samoyed Club Inc would like to welcome all its newest Members

Mary Cashmore  
Linda Feltoe  
Garry Griffin  
Don Mckechnie  
Larry and Felicity Wilson

Heidi Davidson  
Paul Figliola  
Kerry McFadyen  
Karl Warren



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### Secretary's Report

Well once again, I am secretary of The Samoyed Club. Thank you to Anita Andrews for doing the secretary job for 3 years and giving me a break.

I enjoy being secretary but at times, I don't have the time I feel needs to be spent on it.

Our Champ show is only a few weeks away. Unfortunately we don't have many dogs, maybe because we changed the date? but I thought with Nancy Russell being an Alaskan Malamute breeder

and specialising in Sled work from the USA, exhibitors would be prepared to travel for her.

Thank you to all the people that have supported this show with entries and / or money.

Our Open show this year is with Wellington Ladies Kennel, Porirua in August.

Anita Shugg

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### Treasurer's Report

This year I have taken over the role of treasurer from Simeon Copsey, who has done a fantastic job over the past four years, so I have big shoes to fill!

Our membership stands at 46 as at 31 May 2007 and continues to increase. The membership form can be downloaded from the club web site at [www.thesamoyedclubinc.orcon.net.nz](http://www.thesamoyedclubinc.orcon.net.nz)

The club continues to sell Samoyed Badges for sale. The badges are 30 mm by 30 mm in size and have a clasp on the back. They are \$7 each. We also have an assortment of Samoyed themed greeting cards for sale. Inside the cards have a Christmas greeting and they are \$7 for 10 or \$1 each.

Simonne MacMillan

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### Editor's Report

I have enjoyed having a break from the SCI committee for a few years but here I am back again. My main involvement in recent years had been in helping with proofing the magazine before it went to print and assisting at the Club Championship shows. However, in April, Lynne caught me in a weak moment, and I agreed to take on the task of editor for a while.

Wanda is a very hard act to follow and my desktop publishing experience is very rusty and nowhere near Wanda's standard so please be patient as I come to grips with new software packages. Many thanks, Wanda, for your years of dedication to the magazine. Thank you too for coming to my rescue and producing the montage of photos from the Club Championship Show.

A while back I was given a pile of old New Zealand Kennel Club Gazettes from the 1950s and 1960s and have enjoyed delving through them for items of interest for this issue and future issues. There is always something new to learn and history is important, something which Dr Malcolm Willis reiterates in his interview further over.

As always contributions to the magazine are always welcome whether it be a poem, an educational article, photos, or for that matter anything newsworthy.

Lauren V de C James

## ***SamCare Report***

Unfortunately, it has been a busy time for SamCare. The good thing is that we are being told about these Samoyeds needing a home early, so we have more time to arrange things.

The first rehome was for a seven year old Male. The owners were going to travel overseas for several years. A few weeks later, the Club was contacted by an older couple wanting a mature Samoyed. So it was only a matter of putting these two couples together.

We were notified by the Kapiti Pound in March that a bitch might come up for rehoming but after talking to them, I have not heard any more. I had suggested that the bitch be spayed and this might sort out the problem. Fingers crossed that this was done.



Pictured is the male Samoyed found across the road from the New Plymouth SPCA. Because the SPCA is out of town, they believe the dog was dumped!!! It is very sad that owners could leave a Samoyed to get so bad. He is an entire male, about seven years. I advertised him on ANZSAMS, we did not find the owner or breeder, but thank you to the two breeders that gave me pet owner contacts in Taranaki who have tried to help.

In the meantime, the Auckland SamCare had lots of Samoyeds needing help. Most under one year old! Julia Roberts has been sorting out "Forever Homes". From the ad she placed, there were lots of replies from all over NZ. Julia replied to them and forwarded the Lower North Island ones for me to follow up. I contacted all of them about the Samoyed in New Plymouth. Some didn't reply, others want a puppy, but I have found someone to be a foster home in Wellington (so very pleased about that.)

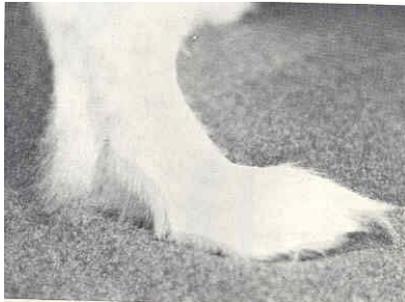
Second picture (see over the page) is him clipped off! They could not save the coat because it was so badly matted. He was de-sexed at the same time. I talked to the SPCA regularly about his likes and dislikes, temperament, etc, trying to find a home. After three weeks of searching for a home, I had two people interested in meeting him and taking him home. I contacted the SPCA and they had just found him a home as well.

I am very pleased to say that after a week trial at the first home, they were happy and are going to keep him.

Anita Shugg, SamCare Coordinator



## Bad Feet



A well-feathered foot  
 [Photo by Grounds]  
 (Courtesy of The Samoyed  
 Association publication 'The  
 Samoyed' 1971)

Often a man buying a dog will be faced with two faults, one in one dog, one in another. Which, he wonders, is the worse?

Recently a correspondence [sic] wrote us as follows: "If one dog in which I am interested in, is fairly sound all over, but has poor, weak feet, and the other is pretty good, except for a weakness of loin, which do you advise me to have?"

It has proved that a bad-loined dog with good feet is more likely to stand up to a gruelling day, better than a good-bodied dog

with soft, weak feet. Bad feet quickly go wrong in stubble or scrub, and take such a lot of putting right, that their possessor is out of commission, and a dead loss for longer than he is an asset.

On the other hand, although it is not advised that one should consider buying a dog weak in couplings, a dog so built, is indeed the lesser of the two evils.

From New Zealand Dog World,  
 October 1954



## The world is better off ...



When we acquired our first Samoyed, Abida, in 1981 a work colleague told me that bringing up a dog was good training for bringing up children. Well, all I can say is, the world is better off that we never had kids! All Samoyed owners should be aware of how clever these dogs are. In next to no time Abida had us 'wrapped around her little paw'.

Then came Bonnie and Emma. We thought that life would be easier if they had each other for company ...and it was ...but there were two of them. That was 20 years ago.

This time we're much older and wiser and we've just acquired the smartest

Samoyed (Lucy) ever! OK, sounds like she's got us 'wrapped around her little paw', too but she hasn't (yet) – we've only had her a week!

Lucy was nearly eight weeks old when we brought her home. We've had great advice from Anita and Ken, the breeders. We regularly visited Lucy and her littermates during the first two months and had to decide which puppy was going to be ours.

It wasn't a hard decision because Lucy decided that she wanted my husband, Mike. We had to be sure, so Mike put her down to play with the other pups and each time she came back to him.

A week later we brought her home.

Parting from her mum, Porsche, that Saturday morning was heart rending! Not that Lucy seemed to notice, but Porsche came to the open back door of the car and stuck her head in to say goodbye to her little girl. I wanted to take Porsche with us so I wouldn't have to feel wretched about taking Lucy away from her mother.

We weren't too sure how the car ride from Otaki to Whitby might go and Lucy couldn't settle. There was a lot of whimpering that first day and I hoped our cats would soon become her substitute brother and sister. Sunday was a fresh start! Well, not exactly – five toilet calls

during the night – I was worn out!

We had bought Lucy some new toys (which she loves) but one of her favourites is an empty soda bottle, which cost \$3.50 and I got to drink the soda. That's value for money, eh! She drags the plastic bottle around the garden, pounces on it and kicks it. She's also quite skilled with her soccer ball when it's not being carried in her mouth. She's too young to have learnt the rules yet!

We knew we'd picked the best pup for us – quiet and lady-like – when she met Buddy and Suzie, our cats, for the first time. She simply looked at them and walked away.

However, her respect for the cats lasted one day. Buddy, who is now 14 years old, had to put her in her place with a couple of punches on the nose and a boxed ear. Lucy wasn't too fazed by this and still takes her chances at enticing him to play.

Suzie, on the other hand, has always been a big-dog lover and while she thinks her new baby sister is a nuisance (don't we all?!), she likes to be close to Lucy. On their first close encounter (day three) Suzie strolled into the lounge full of confidence, rubbed her head under Lucy's chin, they rubbed shoulders and Suzie even climbed through Lucy's cardboard box. Yeah, thought Lucy, she knows how to play that game. Perhaps she'll chase me if I show her how?

There was no getting away from this pup without escaping to the outside.

Lucy hasn't figured out the disappearing cat act although she thinks it happens in the laundry at a thing called a cat door.

Whereas our other Samoyeds had all been indoor dogs, Lucy has the best time being outside in the garden. Weeding these days is a pleasure as Lucy tries to help. Buddy has started coming into the backyard to watch Lucy's antics - her favourite is to drink from the water feature in the rockery which also happens to be Buddy's favourite watering hole. He sits quietly on the step admiring her for discerning the spot where the 'cool cats' drink.

By Day four Lucy's bladder control during the night had improved – only having to get up once a night now. While this is a real blessing, I'm still not ready to play with her at 5 am, which is when she's rearing to go again for the new day. We have half an hour of playtime then it's back into her cage by my bed for a rest while I get ready for work. My responsibilities are from 6 pm till 7:30 am in order to allow Mike a bit more rest for the day ahead – it's hard work raising a dog.

We were proud parents on the sixth day at precisely 3:38 am when it was noticed that Lucy's ears were at half-mast. By the next day her right ear was at full-mast but it was another five days before her left ear joined it. Her left ear seemed to have a mind of its own the way it swivelled almost 180 degrees at every sound she heard. I had, up until the sixth day, begun to wonder if she was a bit hard of hearing or simply didn't realise her name was

"No". Oops! I mean "Lucy". However, I think the floppy ears must have interfered with her hearing to a degree.

26 years of owning dogs has taught us that you need a lot of commitment both in time and money. Time spent with Lucy is so rewarding as she learns and grows. The quiet little girl we thought was ours has grown very confident and (it seems) very quickly. As an admirer pointed out to us the other day 'what big paws she has'. What?! Oh no! We wanted a smaller Samoyed bitch. And look at her jump! When we open the French doors she no longer steps through genteely. Oh no, not our Luce. She backs her bottom up and leaps with all four paws off the ground. She doesn't climb over the pot plant at the bottom of the steps anymore, she leaps clean over the top and dives under the deck. The decision had to be taken – we're going to have to raise the fence. Ah, well, it will give us more privacy! Like we needed it?

Toileting has been pretty good for someone who is only nine weeks and two days old. She is even learning to piddle on the pebbles instead of killing off the grass. And if you want to see a grown person get down on all-fours (roughly Lucy's height) under the conservatory is a good place to poo, especially at night, so that that person (me) has to crawl into the space with a torch and pooper scooper in hand, in her pyjamas, pick up the goods and reverse out again without spilling anything, and all the while Lucy is trying to make me do just that, God bless her!

Did I mention how high  
Lucy's IQ is?

Because she likes to bite  
trouser legs and shoelaces,  
not to mention the odd hand  
or two that cross her path,  
Lucy has been having quite a  
bit of time-out in her cage in  
the lounge. We are also  
endeavouring to refocus her  
energy into training. By Day  
11 she had 'sit' under her belt

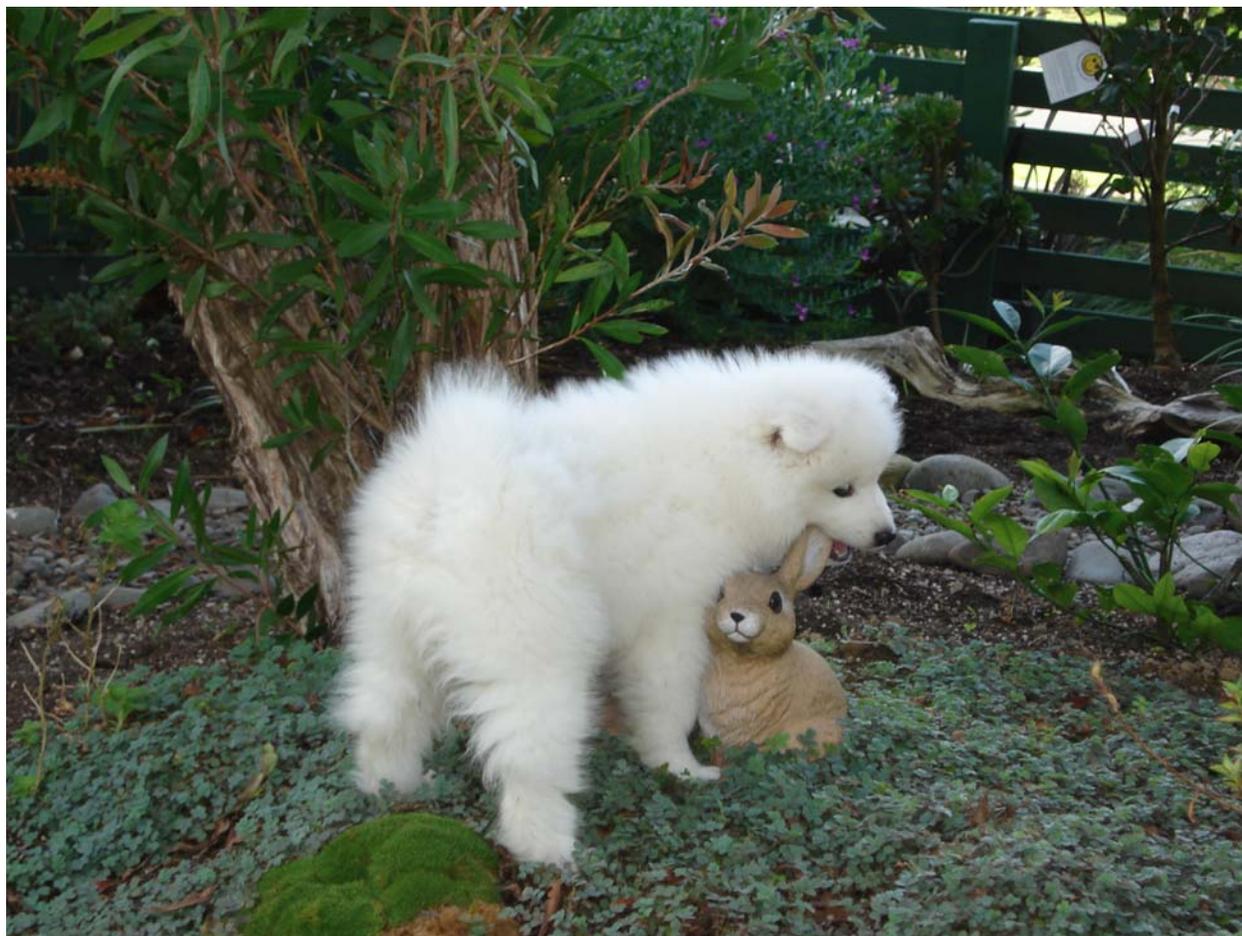
and no longer required  
reminding afresh each  
morning what that word and  
arm signal mean. Sit has  
become passé, so we've  
moved on to 'come', 'down'  
and 'stay'. Some might say  
it's beginner's luck but I know  
we've got a most intelligent  
puppy!

The next few weeks are  
going to be interesting,

especially when she is fully  
vaccinated and able to go for  
walks.

Stay tuned for the next  
exciting (to me) episode of  
"Lucy, the Wonder Dog".

Mary Cashmore

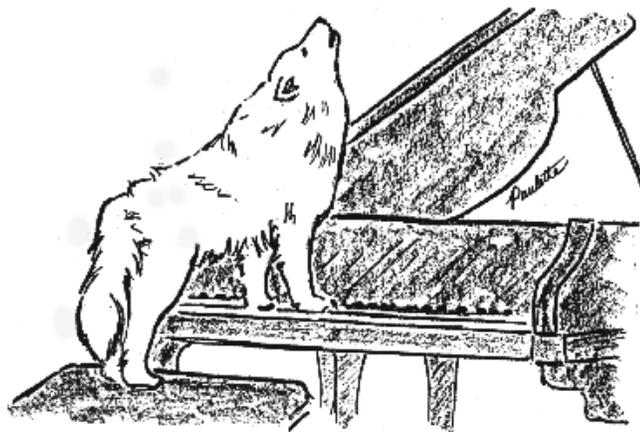


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**To be posted VERY LOW on the refrigerator door - nose height.**

**Dear Dogs and Cats,**

**The dishes with the paw print are yours and contain your food. The other dishes are mine and contain my food. Please note, placing a paw print in the middle of my plate and food does not stake a claim for it becoming your food and dish, nor do I find that aesthetically pleasing in the slightest.**



## Play it again Sam

### The Question Corner by S H Rastall

#### Wealthy Dogs

Interested (Hawke's Bay) asks if it were true that a dog in England was left £1,000 a year by its late owner and whether I could give any particulars.

I do not know of the incident you mention, but it is a fact that at odd times not only dogs but other animals have wills made in their favour for almost what is considered fabulous amounts – whether the said dogs or other animals enjoy the wealth that

becomes their property (?) is questionable. There was the case of Mrs Mae Murray Green, of San Diego, who left, quite recently, 3,500 dollars to her dog, whose bite indirectly caused her own death. However, those 3,500 dollars just look like small change to what a Samoyed became heir to. Miss Margaret McDonald of Chicago, left an income of £6,000 a year to a Samoyed dog, Spitz. And not so very long ago, a Californian woman left £4,000 to her horse. When Mr Woodbury

Rand, of Dadham, USA, died in 1945, he left £31,250 to his eight-year-old cat Buster. There went with the bequest an attendant for the cat who received £1,500 a year for her services. It would seem, indeed, that some Americans are very careful to see that their pets get all they want after the owner has died.

(From New Zealand Dog World (official organ of the NZKC) – forerunner of New Zealand Kennel Gazette, October 1955)

## New Specialist Club – The Dominion Samoyed Club

Samoyed owners will welcome the news that at a meeting of Samoyed enthusiasts held on February 12<sup>th</sup> it was unanimously decided to form a national specialist body to foster the interest of the breed in this country.

This is to be known as the Dominion Samoyed Club, and it is hoped to hold ribbon parades, devote special prizes for competition at shows by club members, and

in due course produce a monthly bulletin giving news of breeders' activities and other matters of interest about the breed generally.

Five district representatives in Hamilton, Hastings, Marlborough, Christchurch and Otago respectively have already been elected. Subscription is 10/6 per member, and 15/- for two members of the same family who shall each be deemed to be a full member.

Application for membership should be made to the Secretary, Mrs V Auckram, Ward Street, Upper Hutt.

(From New Zealand Dog World (official organ of the NZKC) – forerunner of New Zealand Kennel Gazette, May 1957)

**NOTE:**  
The Dominion Samoyed Club is still active with its headquarters based in Christchurch nowadays.



**OUR DOGS** asks the all-important questions of respected UK geneticist Dr Malcolm Willis

**NOTE:**

***Dr Willis collects information on hip scores for many breeds including Samoyeds and in 1993 provided a statistical analysis of Samoyed scores stemming from Australia, New Zealand and the UK which was published in the Samoyed Supplement in the May 1993 issue of the New Zealand Kennel Gazette.***

***Many in New Zealand would welcome an updated report!***

## ***People and dogs***

**1. Malcolm, how old are you and where were you born?**

I was born in 1935 (the year hip dysplasia was discovered!!) and I was born in Dewsbury though we lived in Mirfield. I am Yorkshire born and bred and a Taurean.

**2. Did you grow up in a dog family?**

No. My father was a prison officer and moved around. We lived in prison quarters so never had much garden. I had wanted an Alsatian as they were then called but mother was the houseproud type. Years later I learned that in his youth my dad had owned a couple of Alsatians. I never found that out until I had my own dog.

**3. Did education play a large part in your upbringing?**

My paternal grandfather, who managed a cotton mill, was very keen on education as was my dad though I recall my maternal grandmother saying: "you can educate them too much and never get anything back!" In 1946 I passed the 11 plus, the only one in my primary school to pass that year and Grandad patted me on the back and said: "your Grandad is right proud of you, lad". I went to the Durham Johnston Grammar School, a fine school for boys (now sadly a comprehensive) but Grandad died the next year so never saw me get to university. I went to Kings College, Durham (now Newcastle University) in 1953 to read Agriculture and in 1957 to Edinburgh to read for my PhD in genetics/animal breeding under Prof Alan Roberston FRS.

**4. When and where did you first become involved in dogs?**

I had a younger brother Anthony who worked on a mixed farm near Sedbergh and in 1953 I spent some months there in the summer prior to going to University. I worked several Border Collies and bought a GSD (4 months old) who was from a commercial kennel (I knew little about where to go). He was a grandson of Ch Yvo of Ravenscar and Ch Southdown Karda and was linebred on Vos v Bern HGH. HGH is a sheepworking qualification. As soon as he saw sheep the puppy clapped and he had sheep working ability and a fine nose. He was not 100% in character but had I known more I could have made more of him. One day I lost a Parker 51 pen on a long walk and that afternoon I put the harness on him and set out to find it in the woods and fields where we had walked. He found it! As a middle aged dog we were in the country and came across four sheep in the lane. He fetched them up and we put them in a field.

**5. Who were your mentors and why did you choose them?**

I joined the Northumberland and Durham GSD Club in 1953 and when I turned up with Karl I remember being asked: "Where did you get that bloody thing from?" I asked what was wrong with him and got a detailed summary. No doubt it was correct. Mac MacGregor of the Rockverne Kennels taught me about angulations with matchsticks and then I had a long correspondence with Nem Elliott of Vikkas av Hvitsand fame and studied at her feet as well as her husband Percy. At this time I was reading everything I could about the GSD and Kitty Hargreaves gave me a literal car load of magazines and journals. I was doing my doctorate at the time and I asked her why she had picked me for the gift. She said it was because she thought I would stick in the breed and be someone. I have an extensive collection of material on the GSD including several books in foreign languages. Miss M E Crooke, whom I had once defended in the canine press, left me in her will a large number of SV Zuchtbuchs and by this stage I was doing some writing in the dog papers.

**6. What breed did you start off with?**

The GSD and aside from a few years I have had a GSD ever since even when living abroad. In 1982 I was given a Newfoundland and in 1986 I met Helen and we have had BMD since then along with a Border Terrier and Chihuahuas.

**7. What year did you first judge?**

I judged my first show in 1959, an open show run by Perth ASPADS. I judged here and there until I went abroad in 1965 and even then I did a breed survey in Barbados in 1971. I got CCs in GSD in 1978 so it was a long apprenticeship. I got CC status quicker in BMD giving them in 1991, about five years after my first appointment.

**8. What put you on the route to becoming a geneticist?**

I was reading Agriculture at Kings and in the BSc course there was plenty of genetics and it was my best subject. Of course it was in relation to farm livestock but I could see a relevance to dogs and decided that when I graduated I would try to do a PhD in genetics at Edinburgh which at that time ranked with Iowa and Cornell as one of the best genetics places in the world.

**9. You lived for a time in Cuba; how did that come about?**

From 1960-65 I was geneticist with the Milk Marketing Board in Thames Ditton and I enjoyed it but I wanted a change. Dr Reg Preston, who had been doing a doctorate at Kings and who was one of the best nutritionists around, was looking for staff to join him at the newly created Instituto de Ciencia Animal in Havana province and I applied and got the job as Head of the Division of Animal Science. I went on a two year contract in September 1965 and stayed until January 1972. Scientifically it was the most productive time of my life. I was mainly in charge of post graduate education and animal science research and had some fine students. Some 33 years have elapsed since I left Havana but in August 2004 I was invited back to assist the police dog section. In my time there had been no real dog activity but in 2004 I saw some very good police dogs and there was an active civilian GSD breeding operation with several Excellent class animals. I had had a GSD soon after arriving in Cuba in 1965. She was a very tough, oversized bitch sired by Nino zd Sieben Faulen out of a granddaughter of Bill v Kleistweg who was US Grand Victor.

**10. As a well known canine author you have written many books on dogs. What awards have your books won for you and are there any more books to come?**

My first book was written when I was in Cuba. Reg Preston had been commissioned by Pergamon Press to write a book on beef cattle but hadn't got round to it. He asked me to come in with him and Intensive Beef Production came out in 1970 and was highly praised. When I returned to England I wrote another beef book with Prof Cooper and then my first GSD book. I have published nine books and written numerous chapters for other authors' books. My 1992 GSD book won the Maxwell Medal of the Dog Writers of America in that year and Genetics of the Dog (published 1989) has been highly praised and commands high prices if you can find one. Hopefully, I will revise that but being retired doesn't give you the expected lots of time.

**11. Which is the best dog you have ever judged?**

In GSD Ch Ariomwood High and Mighty who was the best dog of his day and won BOB at the national under myself (and Louis Donald) in 1988. In BMD Am. Ch. L-Sin's Dream's and Desire's who was BOB under me at the 2004 American Speciality in Texas. He was also top winning BMD of 2003 as I found out later.

**12. In the same vein which is the best dog you have ever seen?**

In BMD the one above but in GSD Fanto v Hirschel whom I saw go BIS at the World show in 1992 at Dortmund. However, there is one GSD that I have seen only recently on video and I regret not seeing him in the flesh because he looked outstanding. That is the late Vikkas Rasputin.

**13. Which of your own dogs has been your favourite?**

In GSD though not the best specimen I have had but he was the best character and a joy to live with and that was the all-black Verus v Ulmer-Felswand son Cauto Cheyenne (Macho). In BMD we have Joslyn's Dark and Dapper for Nellsbern who came to us when his owner died suddenly aged 35. Buddy goes back to our old Bogie and is a reincarnation of Bogie's outstanding character. Buddy has one Reserve CC and is no longer shown but as a dog he is absolutely fearless and a privilege to live with. His son Nellsbern Rikkor is a very good looking dog to carry on the line. Of all our dogs Buddy is the only one who is really mine.

**14. What order of preference would you place breeding/exhibiting/judging and why?**

In order judging, breeding and exhibiting. It is exciting to look at dogs and try to get them in the right order and I take it very seriously though I like to place first to last. Breeding is interesting as one watches the qualities develop. Exhibiting is a necessary adjunct of breeding but my wife does all the handling and in GSD exhibiting has been spoiled by the antics of handlers.

I have judged at championship level in Australia, Canada, Denmark, Eire, Holland, Norway, USA and the UK in BMD which probably gives me more countries than any other British BMD specialist and mostly these were speciality shows. In GSD I have judged in Australia\*, Barbados\*, Eire, Kenya, Malaysia, New Zealand\*, RSA, Trinidad and the UK (\*indicates more than once.) I have also been a breed surveyor for the BSD Breed Council which I enjoy even more than standard judging.

**15. What has been your biggest thrill in the world of dogs?**

There have been several which I would not care to rank in order. In judging the opportunity to judge the GSD national in 1988, the first Englishman to do so, and the American BMD speciality in 2004. To be awarded the gold medal of the GSD Council of Australia in 1988 for services to the GSD and to be made an Honorary Associate of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons in 1996 (the highest honour that the RCVS can give a non vet).

**16. Equally what has been your biggest disappointment?**

I don't really dwell on disappointments but maybe not making up Nellsbern Casablanca, the real founder of our kennel. We didn't show him enough (he had 1 CC and 3 RCC). He sired three champions out of a mere 80 progeny and died relatively young but his type shines out in our kennel.

**17. You are well known for your honest and forthright views. Has this ever caused you problems?**

Not serious ones and I enjoy a battle. I was expelled from the KC after 15 years of membership but 15 years later I was invited back so apart from some wasted years that is water under the bridge.

**18. Would you say you have mellowed with the passage of time?**

We all mellow with time but mellowing is not the same as sticking to your beliefs.

**19. Have you any advice to pass on?**

If you want to really know a breed as opposed to just winning then learn all you can about the breed's development and history. History is behind all your dogs and failure to know history means you end up wastefully repeating it. Don't look down on the old stagers ... some of them (not all) have something to teach you about long dead dogs that may still be in your pedigrees. Do not become a fanatic about some feature. By all means penalise serious faults but do not become a head judge or rigid about lightish eyes!

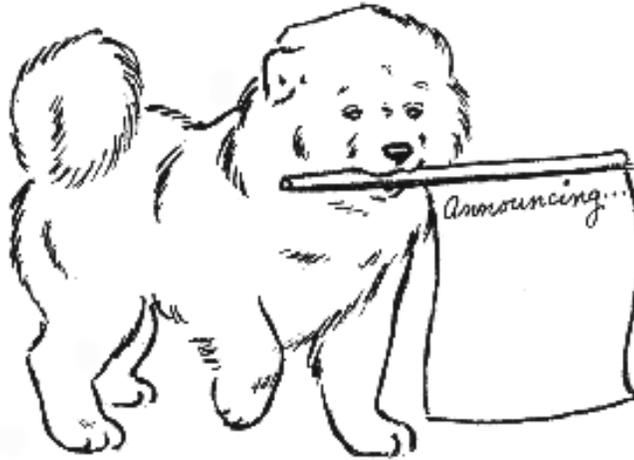
**20. How would you like to be remembered?**

As a man who put back into dogs more than he took out.

**21. Finally, when not involved with dogs what other hobbies or pastimes do you have?**

Neither a hobby nor a pastime, but as a Yorkshireman, cricket is a religion. I was brought up by my granddad and dad with stories of George Herbert Hirst, Wilfred Rhodes, Hedley Verity and Herbert Sutcliffe and I saw Len Hutton bat at Bradford after the war. I played for Durham City juniors and for my school. At the Milk Board we had a good side and I played against some county players. Later I played for Newcastle University Staff from 1972 to 1989. That was an even better side. Over time we had an ex Glamorgan player, a Minor Counties player and several County and senior league players. I played in 387 games, bowled in 295, and took 388 wickets at 15.94 apiece taking five wickets plus on 14 occasions and one hat trick. The man with more wickets than (463), also a Yorkshireman, was younger and better so I was never going to catch him. In my last match I took 4 for 9 (we had won the match by tea time) and it seemed a good time to retire at 54. I have never played since but when I go they can scatter my ashes at Close House where we played.

Anne Williams,  
Editor, Our Dogs (From "Our Dogs" 13 May 2005)



# The Samoyed Club Inc Open Show

to be held at NZKC Building, Prosser Street, Porirua, Wellington

**Sunday 25th August 2007**

**Judging commences – After Utility Group**

**Entries Close: Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> August 2007**

**Judge: Diane O'Neill ~ Napier**

## Breed Classes

<b>1</b>	Baby Puppy	<b>1a</b>
<b>3</b>	Puppy	<b>3a</b>
<b>5</b>	Junior	<b>5a</b>
<b>6</b>	Intermediate	<b>6a</b>
<b>7</b>	Limit	<b>7a</b>
<b>8</b>	NZ Bred	<b>8a</b>
<b>10</b>	Veteran	<b>10a</b>
<b>11</b>	Open	<b>11a</b>

## Stakes

**12** Dog Head, **13** Dog Coat, **14** Bitch Head, **15** Bitch Coat,  
**16** Movement under 12 months, **17** Movement over 12 months, **18** Feet, **19** Tail

**Entries: \$6.00**

**Stakes: \$3.00**

**Catalogue: \$3.00**

**Please make cheques payable to The Samoyed Club Inc**

**Entries to Show Secretary**

Anita Shugg - 136 Waitohu Valley Road, R.D.1, Otaki

## Final 2006 Breed Of Year Points

### Baby Puppy – Dog

Wytekloud Flash Zam N Kabam (S & B McRae)	63
Sunshine In A Glass (A Shugg)	26
Polar Taylored To A T (Mathers)	18

### Puppy – Dog

Wytekloud Flash Zam N Kabam (S & B McRae)	74
Sunshine In A Glass (A Shugg)	73
Lealsam Grand Slam (Ferguson)	47

### Junior – Dog

Ch Silvertips Destind To B Witch (J Roberts)	37
Sever The Celtic Warrior (Imp Aust) (K Magnus)	35
Wytekloud Flash Zam N Kabam (S & B McRae)	22

### Intermediate – Dog

Ch Zaminka Flashlight (G & L Carleton)	149
Ch Silvertips Destind To B Witch (J Roberts)	43
Ch Polar Blazing Aces At Kimskaya (K Magnus)	24

### NZBred – Dog

Ch Lealsam Snow Eagle (D Reeve)	102
Ch Skrownnek Sev Kazeel (A Andrew)	41
Ch Polar Blazing Aces At Kimskaya (K Magnus)	24

### Open – Dog

Ch Zaminka Back To The Future (H Clark)	110
Ch Zaminka Flashlight (G & L Carleton)	94
Ch Skrownnek Sev Kazan (S Stewart/J Wells)	70

### Best Dog

Ch Zaminka Flashlight (G & L Carleton)	138
Ch Zaminka Back To The Future (H Clark)	89
Ch Skrownnek Sev Kazan (S Stewart/J Wells)	61

### Best Representative

Ch Zaminka Flashlight (G & L Carleton)	85
Ch Zaminka Back To The Future (H Clark)	57
Ch Skrownnek Sev Kazan (S Stewart/J Wells)	50

### Best Baby Puppy Representative

Zaminka Magic Moments (Brighting)	10
Wytekloud Flash Zam N Kabam (S & B McRae)	2
Angara Dancing With The Stars (Barr)	2

### Baby Puppy – Bitch

Zaminka Magic Moments (Brighting)	30
Chenski Million Dollar Babe (Glichrist)	24
Polar Classic T Bird (Mathers)	16

### Puppy – Bitch

Zaminka Kid Gloves (Carleton / McRae)	64
Lealsam Grand Aurora (Reeve)	58
Zaminka Magic Moments (Brighting)	41

### Junior – Bitch

Ch Kalaska Wild Excitement at Oscarbi (Imp Aust) (Barzey / Clark)	91
Sunshine Paint Me Suzanna (C Horne)	36
Samloch Sunlite Silvamist (Imp Aust) (K Kissell)	33

### Intermediate – Bitch

Ch Kalaska Grand Elegance at Lealsam (imp Aust) (D Reeve)	59
Ch Kalaska Wild Excitement at Oscarbi (Imp Aust) (Barzey / Clark)	45
Sunshine Paint Me Suzanna (C Horne)	25

### NZBred – Bitch

Ch Wytekloud Ambers-Burn-For-Eva (S & B McRae)	121
Ch Zaminka Still A Kid At Heart (R Barzey)	40
Sunshine Paint Me Gold (A & K Shugg)	38

### Open – Bitch

Ch WyteKloud Mor-Tham-A-Mist (S & B McRae)	83
Skrownnek Kololikova (C Ferguson)	66
Ch Nikolaevsk Mii Zima (D Reeve)	46

### Best Bitch

Ch Kalaska Wild Excitement at Oscarbi (Imp Aust) (Barzey / Clark)	42
Ch WyteKloud Mor-Tham-A-Mist (S & B McRae)	36
Ch Wytekloud Ambers-Burn-For-Eva (S & B McRae)	35

### Best Bitch Rep

Ch Kalaska Wild Excitement at Oscarbi (Imp Aust) (Barzey / Clark)	38
Ch Kalaska Grand Elegance at Lealsam (Imp Aust) (D Reeve)	26
Samloch Sunlite Silvamist (Imp Aust) (K Kissell)	8

### Obedience Of Year Points – Special Beginners

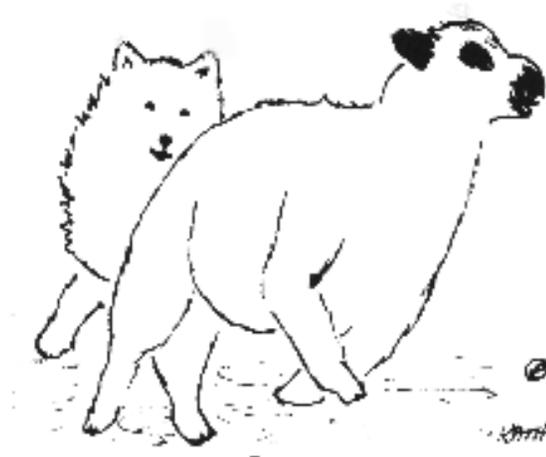
Ch Lealsam Artic Oceans (D Reeve)	4
<b>Overall Obedience</b>	
Ch Lealsam Artic Oceans (D Reeve)	4

**Congratulations to all the winners**

## 2007 Breed Of Year Points as at 24 June 2007

<b>Baby Puppy – Dog</b>		<b>Baby Puppy – Bitch</b>	
Kalaska Astro Boy (Barzey / Clark)	30	Zaminka Power Ball (Carleton)	28
Zaminka Power Sunrise (Carleton)	24	Zaminka Power Strike (Carleton)	23
<b>Puppy – Dog</b>		<b>Puppy – Bitch</b>	
Zaminka Power Sunrise (Carleton)	8	Samhain Echo'N Flirtations (Andrew)	15
<b>Junior – Dog</b>		<b>Junior – Bitch</b>	
Wytekloud Flash Zam N Kabam (S & B McRae)	136	Zaminka Magic Moments (Brighting)	12
Sunshine In A Glass (A Shugg)	32	Angara Dancing With The Stars (Barr)	10
Zaminka Magic Spell (Carleton)	3	Zaminka Kid Gloves (Carleton / McRae)	8
Polar Taylored To A T (Mathers)	2	Zaminka Power Strike (Carleton)	8
<b>Intermediate – Dog</b>		<b>Intermediate – Bitch</b>	
Sever The Celtic Warrior (Imp Aust) (K Magnus)	29	Zaminka Power Ball (Carleton)	4
Ch Silvertips Destind To B Witch (J Roberts)	28	Zaminka Kid Gloves (Carleton / McRae)	92
Skrownnek Fia Onegin (S Stewart)	4	Ch Lealsam Grand Aurora (Reeve)	52
<b>NZ Bred – Dog</b>		<b>NZ Bred – Bitch</b>	
Ch Polar Blazing Aces At Kinskaya (K Magnus)	25	Zaminka Magic Moments (Brighting)	32
Ch Lealsam Snow Eagle (D Reeve)	8	Angara Dancing With The Stars (Barr)	17
Ch Skrownnek Sev Kazan (S Stewart/J Wells)	4	Polar Dial T to Tango (Mathers)	3
Ch Skrownnek Sev Kazeel (A Andrew)	4	<b>Intermediate – Bitch</b>	
<b>Open – Dog</b>		<b>Open – Bitch</b>	
GR Ch Zaminka Flashlight (G & L Carleton)	150	Ch Kalaska Wild Excitement at Oscarbi (Imp Aust) (Barzey / Clark)	39
Ch Lealsam Snow Eagle (D Reeve)	56	Samloch Sunlite Silvamist (Imp Aust) (K Kissell)	26
Ch Zaminka Back To The Future (H Clark)	36	Sunshine Paint Me Suzanna (C Horne)	24
Ch Vashka Song and Dance (Imp Aust) (K Kissell)	16	Sunshine Paint Me Gold (A & K Shugg)	8
Aust Ch Anaky Its Party Time (Imp Aust) ( L Barr)	7	Ch Kinskaya Hot Chilly Babe (Imp Aust) (S Mathers)	3
Ch Skrownnek Sev Kazan (S Stewart/J Wells)	4	Skrownnek Fia Flavia (S Stewart)	2
<b>Best Dog</b>		<b>NZ Bred – Bitch</b>	
GR Ch Zaminka Flashlight (G & L Carleton)	123	Ch Wytekloud Ambers-Burn-For-Eva (S & B McRae)	71
Ch Lealsam Snow Eagle (D Reeve)	51	Ch Zaminka Still A Kid At Heart (R Barzey)	11
Wytekloud Flash Zam N Kabam (S & B McRae)	49	Zaminka Magic Moments (Brighting)	8
Ch Zaminka Back To The Future (H Clark)	27	Kusharn Sev Ariana (J & M Wells)	4
CH Polar Blazing Aces At Kinskaya (K Magnus)	9	Ch Angara Taiza Tale (L Barr)	3
Sever The Celtic Warrior (Imp Aust) (K Magnus)	7	<b>Open – Bitch</b>	
Ch Skrownnek Sev Kazan (S Stewart/J Wells)	6	Ch Anaky Taking Chances (Imp Aust) (A Andrew)	24
Ch Vashka Song and Dance (Imp Aust) (K Kissell)	6	Ch Lealsam Artic Oceans (D Reeve)	22
Skrownnek Fia Onegin (S Stewart)	4	Ch Aldonza Chabli For McCoy (imp Aust) (G & L Carleton)	18
Sunshine In A Glass (A Shugg)	4	Lealsam Grand Aurora (Reeve)	13
<b>Best Bitch</b>		Ch Skrownnek Taan Tavia (S Stewart/A Shugg)	12
		Kusharn Sev Anya (J Wells/S Stewart)	3

Ch Skrownek Sev Kazeel (A Andrew)	3	Ch Wytekloud Ambers-Burn-For-Eva (S & B McRae)	30
Ch Silvertips Destind To B Witch (J Roberts)	2	Ch Lealsam Grand Aurora (Reeve)	28
Kalaska Astro Boy (Barzey / Clark)	2	Zaminka Kid Gloves (Carleton / McRae)	20
<b>Best Representative</b>		Ch Anaky Taking Chances (Imp Aust) (A Andrew)	19
Gr Ch Zaminka Flashlight (G & L Carleton)	103	Ch Kalaska Wild Excitement at Oscarbi (Imp Aust) (Barzey / Clark)	13
Ch Lealsam Snow Eagle (D Reeve)	46	Ch Lealsam Artic Oceans (D Reeve)	12
Ch Polar Blazing Aces At Kimskaya (K Magnus)	25	Samloch Sunlite Silvamist (Imp Aust) (K Kissell)	10
Wytekloud Flash Zam N Kabam (S & B McRae)	20	Ch Aldonza Chabli For McCoy (imp Aust) (G & L Carleton)	10
Ch Zaminka Back To The Future (H Clark)	10	Zaminka Magic Moments (Brighting)	9
Ch Wytekloud Ambers-Burn-For-Eva (S & B McRae)	8	Ch Skrownek Taan Tavia (S Stewart / A Shugg)	4
Ch Anaky Taking Chances (Imp Aust) (A Andrew)	6	Ch Zaminka Still A Kid At Heart (R Barzey)	2
Sever The Celtic Warrior (Imp Aust) (K Magnus)	5	Kusharn Sev Anya (J Wells & S Stewart)	2
Ch Lealsam Artic Oceans (D Reeve)	5	Angara Dancing With The Stars (Barr)	2
Ch Lealsam Grand Aurora (Reeve)	2	Zaminka Power Strike (Carleton)	1
Ch Skrownek Sev Kazan (S Stewart/J Wells)	2	Kusharn Sev Ariana (J & M Wells)	1
<b>Best Baby Puppy Rep</b>		<b>Best Bitch Rep</b>	
Kalaska Astro Boy (Barzey / Clark)	14	Ch Wytekloud Ambers-Burn-For-Eva (S & B McRae)	8
Samhain Echo'N Flirtations (Andrew)	8	Ch Anaky Taking Chances (Imp Aust) (A Andrew)	6
		Ch Lealsam Artic Oceans (D Reeve)	5
		Ch Lealsam Grand Aurora (Reeve)	2



# SCI Championship Show Results

Judge: Nancy Russell (Colorado, USA)

## DOGS

### Puppy (2 entries)

1<sup>st</sup> Kalaska Astro Boy At Oscarbi (Imp Aust) Owner: Bob Barzey & Helen Clark  
2<sup>nd</sup> Zaminka Power Sunrise Owner: Maggie Asplet

### Junior (3 entries)

1<sup>st</sup> Wytelcloud Flash Zam N Kabam Owner: Stephanie McRae & Bronwyn McRae  
2<sup>nd</sup> Zaminka Magic Spell Owner: Lyn Carleton & Gary Carleton  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunshine In A Smile At Yorkrose Owner: Lorraine Fothergill

### Intermediate (2 entries)

1<sup>st</sup> Sever The Celtic Warrior (Imp Aust) Owner: Karla Magnus  
2<sup>nd</sup> Kursharn Sev Armmon Owner: Simonne McMillan

### Limit (2 entries, 1 scratched)

1<sup>st</sup> Sunshine In A Glass Owner: Ken Shugg & Anita Shugg

### New Zealand Bred (3 entries, 1 scratched)

1<sup>st</sup> Ch Polar Blazin Aces At Kimskaya Owner: Karla Magnus  
2<sup>nd</sup> Ch Zaminka Back To The Future Owner: Helen Clark

### Veteran (3 entries, 1 scratched)

1<sup>st</sup> NZ & Aust Ch Samways Aint He Awesome Owner: John Gilchrist  
2<sup>nd</sup> Ch Angara Kinda Windy Owner: Lynne Barr

### Open (3 entries, 1 scratched)

1<sup>st</sup> Gr Ch Zaminka Flashlight Owners: Lyn Carleton, Gary Carleton, Stephanie McRae  
2<sup>nd</sup> Aust ch Anaky Its Party Time (Imp Aust) Owner: Lynne Barr

## **BEST DOG, DOG CHALLENGE: RESERVE BEST DOG, RESERVE CHALLENGE:**

## **GR CH ZAMINKA FLASHLIGHT NZ & AUST CH SAMWAYS AINT HE AWESOME**

## Bitches

### Baby Puppy (1 entry)

1<sup>st</sup> Samhain Echo'n Flirtations Owner: Anita Andrew

### Puppy (3 entries, 2 scratched)

1<sup>st</sup> Chenski Million Dollar Babe Owners: John Gilchrist, Sheree Gilchrist

### Junior (3 entries)

1<sup>st</sup> Angara Dancing With the Stars Owner: Lynne Barr  
2<sup>nd</sup> Zaminka Magic Moments Owner: Judy Brighting  
3<sup>rd</sup> Zaminka Kid Gloves Owners: Lyn Carleton, Gary Carleton, Stephanie Mcae, Bronwyn McRae

### Intermediate (1 entry, scratched)

### Limit (2 entries, 1 scratched)

1<sup>st</sup> Sunshine Paint Me Kimi-Ora Owner: Millie Watene

### New Zealand Bred (3 entries)

1<sup>st</sup> Sunshine Paint Me Suzanna Owner: Carol Horne  
2<sup>nd</sup> Ch Kimchatka Sweet As Owner: Lorraine Fothergill  
3<sup>rd</sup> Ch Angara Taiza Tale Owner: Lynne Barr

### Open (5 entries, 2 scratched)

1<sup>st</sup> NZ Ch Anaky Taking Chances (Imp Aust) Owner: Anita Andrew  
2<sup>nd</sup> Ch Skrownek Taan Tavia Owner: Ken Shugg, Anita Shugg  
3<sup>rd</sup> NZ & Aust Ch Novastar A Lady In Whyte (Imp Aust) Owner: Jo-Anne Hawkins

**BEST BITCH, BITCH CHALLENGE:  
RESERVE BEST BITCH, RESERVE CHALLENGE:**

BEST IN SHOW:

RESERVE BEST IN SHOW:

BEST DOG IN SHOW:

BEST BITCH IN SHOW:

RESERVE BEST DOG IN SHOW:

RESERVE BEST BITCH IN SHOW:

BABY PUPPY IN SHOW:

PUPPY IN SHOW

JUNIOR IN SHOW:

INTERMEDIATE IN SHOW:

LIMIT IN SHOW:

NEW ZEALAND BRED IN SHOW

VETERAN IN SHOW:

OPEN IN SHOW:

Class 12 ~ Dog Head (8 entries, 2 scratched)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Sunshine In A Glass
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Kalaska Astro Boy At Oscarbi (Imp Aust)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Kursharn Sev Armmon

Class 14 ~ Bitch Head (5 entries)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Angara Dancing With The Stars
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Zaminka Magic Moments
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunshine Paint Me Suzanna

Class 16 ~ Movement under 12 months (4 entries)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Samhain Echo'n Flirtations
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Zaminka Power Sunrise
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Kalaska Astro Boy At Oscarbi (Imp Aust)

Class 18 ~ Feet (5 entries)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Ch Skrownek Taan Tavia
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Aust Ch Anaky Its Party Time (Imp Aust)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunshine Paint Me Kimi-Ora

Junior Dog Handler (4 entries)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Sarah Piper
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Miracle Hayward
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Christine Latimer

**NZ Ch Anaky Taking Chances (Imp Aust)  
Ch Skrownek Taan Tavia**

**Gr Ch Zaminka Flashlight**

**NZ Ch Anaky Taking Chances (Imp Aust)**

**Gr Ch Zaminka Flashlight**

**NZ Ch Anaky Taking Chances (Imp Aust)**

**NZ & Aust Ch Samways Aint He Awesome**

**Ch Skrownek Taan Tavia**

**Samhain Echo'n Flirtations**

**Kalaska Astro Boy At Oscarbi (Imp Aust)**

**Angara Dancing With The Stars**

**Sever The Celtic Warrior (Imp Aust)**

**Sunshine In A Glass**

**Ch Polar Blazin Aces At Kimskaya**

**NZ & Aust Ch Samways Aint He Awesome**

**Gr Ch Zaminka Flashlight**

Class 13 ~ Dog Coat (5 entries)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Sever The Celtic Warrior (Imp aust)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Kursharn Sev Armmon
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Kalaska Astro Boy At Oscarbi (Imp Aust)

Class 15 ~ Bitch Coat (6 entries)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Sunshine Paint Me Kimi-Ora
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Zaminka Magic Moments
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Chenski Million Dollar Babe

Class 17 ~ Movement over 12 months (11 entries, 6 scratched)

- 1<sup>st</sup> NZ Ch Anaky Taking Chances (Imp Aust)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Angara Dancing With The Stars
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Ch Polar Blazin Aces At Kimskaya

Class 19 ~ Tail (7 entries)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Sever The Celtic Warrior (Imp Aust)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Ch Skrownek Taan Tavia
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Zaminka Magic Moments

*Photos by Maggie Asplet and Simeon Copsey  
Many thanks to Maggie Asplet for stepping in with her camera at the last moment.*



**Baby Puppy in Show:**

**Samhain Echo'n Flirtations**



**Puppy in Show:**

**Kalaska Astro Boy At Oscarbi (Imp Aust)**



**Junior in Show:**

**Angara Dancing With The Stars**



**Intermediate in Show:**

**Sever The Celtic Warrior (Imp Aust)**



**Limit in Show:**

**Sunshine In A Glass**



**New Zealand Bred in Show:**

**Ch Polar Blazin Aces At Kimskaya**



**Veteran in Show:**

**NZ & Aust Ch Samways Aint He Awesome**



**Best Bitch & Reserve Best in Show:**

**NZ Ch Anaky Taking Chances (Imp Aust)**



**Junior Handler in Show:**

**Sarah Piper**



**Junior Handler contestants, l to r:** Sarah Piper, Miracle Hayward, Christine Latimer, Tayla Andrew

The Samoyed Club Inc. 17 June 2007



# ***Good heads versus good movement***

“It seems to me” column by  
Tom Horner

Very often in correspondence arising out of this column I am asked which part or parts of a dog matter most.

Many breeds are at different stages of development – some like the Cocker Spaniel and the Poodles are very close to perfection, while others have a lot to achieve before faultlessness will be approached.

In many breeds in the latter category there will be breeders whose aims are towards perfecting separate parts of the dog, probably more than those attempting to perfect the whole dog. Many breeders’ hearts are set upon perfecting their breed’s heads, while a small number will be intent upon achieving the ideal conformation and movement. Even fewer aim at achieving both these ends.

I am also frequently asked which are the most important points to perfect in the search for good movement.

Breeds and their conformation and balance vary so much that it is impossible to generalise in a way that will cover all breeds. In many breeds a good head is a vital sine qua non for success in the show ring; in other breeds different parts of their bodies, their conformation or their movement are considered equally or even more vital.

In many breeds in all the groups, a really good head gives its possessor a flying start towards success in the show ring. So many judges look first and last at the heads and tend to make their final decisions on the impression created by a really outstanding head. It often happens that judges go over a dog and find a flaw or two here, some looseness there, a weakness in its movement or temperament, and then stand back and are confronted with an outstanding head so give its bearer the top placing.

## **Highly rated**

Such decisions may be right provided the head is really good and the other failings not too serious. In many breeds a really good head can be the most difficult part of the dog to achieve and so is rated very highly by judges and breeders and is regarded by them as an achievement above all others. But a dog cannot walk on its head and there are other parts of a dog’s anatomy that must also be considered.

Really good, well placed shoulders are a vital ingredient in several aspects of a dog’s merit and so to many breeders make an equally strong bid for a premier place. Good shoulders give a dog an air of style and quality, they are vital to good movement in front and their placement strongly affects the overall appearance of the dog’s balance, standing and moving.

Shoulders placed too far forward detract both from the dog’s overall balance and from the length of its stride. While heavily muscled

shoulders give a clumsy look to a dog’s forehand and frequently lead to loose elbows, feet that turn in or out, and, in really bad cases, to dogs standing over at the knee.

Good, clean, well-laid shoulders – those pointing well to the rear and towards each other at the top – are the aim in almost all breeds. These enable the dog to move out freely in front and to the rear with its legs, pasterns and feet remaining straight and parallel, except at the faster speeds when they will converge somewhat.

Of equal importance is the construction and placement of the hindquarters. The greatest headed dog with the best of shoulders will be far from perfect unless its hindquarters are correctly made, balanced and placed.

Lack of the correct length in the bones of the hind legs leads to lack of the correct angulation which in turn leads to short strides, lack of drive and either close or wide hind movement.

In many breeds the problem with their hind action starts with their croup being incorrectly angulated. When the croup is too flat this often leads to lack of length in the bones forming the hind legs and thereby a shortened stride and a too high tailset.

When the croup is set at just the right angle for the breed, the upper and lower thighs are usually of the desired length, the tail is correctly placed and the hind action is in parallel and with marked drive on the move.

Many of the short legged breeds with their very marked turn of stifle and short hocks move better behind than some of the longer legged breeds whose breeders do not pay sufficient attention to this end of the dog.

Overall I think I would give my nod for the most important parts of a top quality dog of almost any breed, to good shoulders followed by good hindquarters with heads just a hair's breadth behind. A really well made, good

moving dog with an average head has to my mind more to offer its breed than a poor mover with an outstanding head.

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## How Dog Biscuits Originated

Rare indeed must be the occasion when a dog biscuit has formed the subject of an after dinner speech, but it was chosen by Mr Leo H Wright, J.P., of Liverpool, Chairman and Managing Director of Entwistles, Ltd., manufacturers of the popular ALL-in-ONE Kennel Meal, when he was entertained to dinner this week by his fellow Directors in celebration of his long association with the firm.

Replying to the toast of his health Mr Wright traced the history of dog biscuits from the time when made as ship biscuits for the crew in the days of the old sailing vessels. The biscuits were referred to, he said, as "hard tack" or "Pantiles", and they must have well earned such names for at times it was necessary to break them with a small hammer, which some manufacturers supplied for the purpose, before even old hard-bitten sea

salts could get their teeth through them. But they were good wholesome food specially made to withstand all kinds of trying climatic conditions during voyages that might last from two to three years.

It was the custom in those days said Mr Wright for each sailing vessel to store with an overplus of these ship biscuits because, if the voyage was delayed by gales or other adverse conditions and they ran out of stock at sea, it was only possible to replace by stopping a passing vessel. Each ship, therefore, when arriving at her home port usually had on board half a ton or so of surplus ship biscuits which it was necessary for the manufacturers to collect from the tanks before refilling with new biscuits. These biscuits were then advertised and sold to kennel owners for feeding their dogs.

With the dwindling of the sailing ship fleets, these returned ship biscuits because

scarcer and scarcer and insufficient to meet the demands which dog owners made. Then it was, said Mr Wright, that his late father began to try and make them even more palatable by including in the dough dried buffalo flesh and in this modest way the present dog and puppy biscuits so loved by our doggie pets came into being. As a result of the invention of dog biscuits by Mr Wright's father, the dog biscuit trade is now an international industry – America, Australia, France, Germany and many other countries now manufacture dog biscuits in large quantities.

Eventually, after lengthy experiments by the late Mr Joe Entwistle, the well-known breeder, exhibitor and judge of Cocker Spaniels, the popular ALL-in-ONE Kennel meal manufactured by Entwistles, Ltd., was evolved.

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