Sleigh Courier



The Samoyed Club Inc

Winter 2008



Best in Show 39th Samoyed Club Championship Show 2008 Aust & NZ Ch Anaky Its Party Time (Imp Aust) and owner Lynne Barr

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Secretary's Report

I would like to start my report with thanking everyone that helped with our Champ show. Thank you to everyone that donated prizes, entered their dogs, gave us their time and came to watch the show. You all helped to make the show special.

The Trophy table looked wonderful. Thank you to Lorraine, you are good at finding specials. The gift wrapping of prizes is like 'the icing on the cake'. Paddy Watts made a lovely job of embroidering the 'In show' towels and Mrs Barr did the beautiful flower arrangement.

Thank you to Millie & Carole for doing the meals for Judge & Stewards, Maggie for taking the photos and Gary for making sure there was water in the un so we could have a hot drink when needed.

We were lucky that Ann Gallagher was prepared to travel to NZ for a holiday (In Winter!). Ann did enjoy her judging holiday and it was a pleasure to have her judge for us. A larger entry would have helped to offset the lost. But most shows appear to have a lower entry at the moment.

We used Rings 4 and 5 this year and moved the fences to make the Ring larger. It worked well. It was warmer at that end of the building with plenty of room to set-up and be able to see what was in the Ring.

We have our Open show on 23 August, in conjunction with Wellington Ladies Kennel at Porirua.

We are planning our Annual Snow Dog Match in November at Titahi Bay Obedience grounds again. We need to sort out a date and will advertise in the next magazine. This is a great fun day for you and your Samoyed. Meet other Samoyed owners, buy a B.B.Q. sausage and drink, and meet your committee.

The Open show for 2009 - we are trying a Summer outside show at Levin with Horowhenua Kennel Association. Waitangi Day falls on the Friday which makes it a long weekend. There will be three All Breeds Champ shows, the Spitz Breeds Club Champ show and our Samoyed Club Open show.

You can camp on the grounds, so why don't you mark it in your Calendar for 2009?

For more info on the above, you can contact me.

Anita Shugg Secretary



Our Championship show proved very successful and results, photos and the judge's critique can be found elsewhere in this magazine.

This issue contains the first part of *Samoyed* successes at the National Show 1955 – 2007. Initially I envisaged one article but as I collected information from a wealth of sources it just "grew like Topsy!"

A heartfelt thanks to those who did respond to my requests for photos - Lynne Barr, Tony Blewitt and Dyan Tucker, Eli Maitland, Noel Wilson, and Julie Wells. A special thanks to Bridget Smeeton, who photographed the National show from 1963 through to the late 1970s and has been able to provide negatives of many of the winners during those years.

Photos still welcome for the second part of the National Show article which will cover group and In Show winners, with obedience and agility to follow.

Please note the change of deadline for the Spring issue.

Lauren de C James Editor



Regarding the elderly Samoyed who was going to a new home in my last report, I am pleased to advise that he has fitted into his new home in Taranaki very nicely with no problems.

I have helped with another male Samoyed whose owners were moving to Australia. The young couple plan to be in Oz for one year and wanted to find someone to look after him for that time but it didn't work out.

Khan is now in his new home in Christchurch and everything seems fine.

Coat Care - As we get closer to the warmer months and your Samoyed starts to lose it's winter coat I think it is much easier to start using a comb to tease the old coat out.

DO NOT let anyone shave your dog's coat for summer. This does not make the dog cooler. It could make the dog hotter because the coat keeps the heat away from the body.

You might find that your older Samoyed has a long coat in places that get messy. You could scissor this to tidy the coat up. Some older Samoyeds need their feet trimmed because they end up walking on their foot hair.

Anita Shugg SamCare Coordinator 2 (06) 364 5785

PS

A home was being sought for Amy, a speyed bitch, but it is pleasing to report that at the time of going to press she has a new home to go to.

The Samoyed Club (Inc) 39th Championship Show – June 2008



Ann Gallagher (Samgold, England) ready to get down to the business of judging the SCI's 39th championship show at the NZKC Exhibition Centre, Porirua



Dog Puppy:

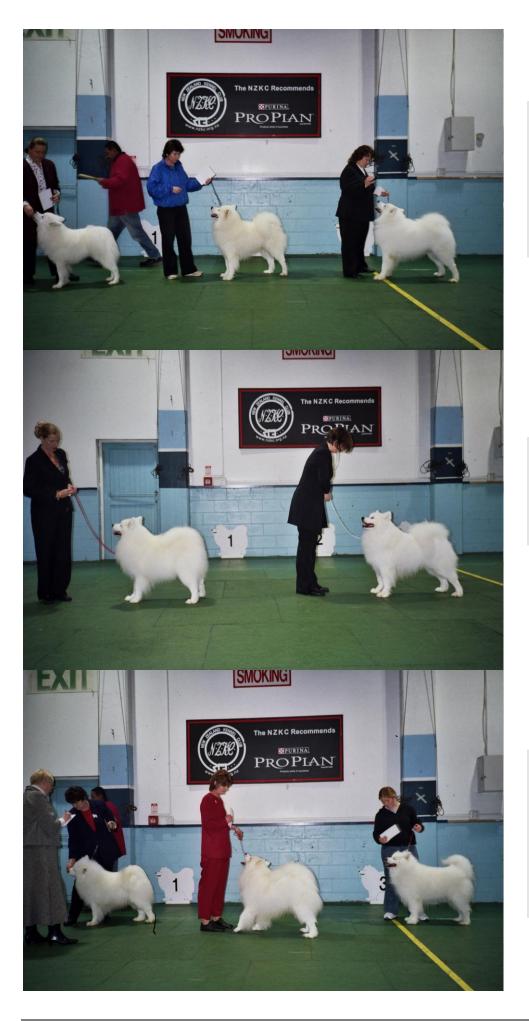
1st Kursharn Nvee'n Tymba (J Wells) 2nd Oscarbi Wild Is the Future (B Barzey & H Clark)



Junior Dog: 1st NZ Ch Kalaska Astro Boy At Oscarbi (Imp Aust) (R Barzey & H Clark)

Junior Dog: 2nd Zaminka Power Sunrise (M Asplett)

Below Intermediate Dog: 1st Ch Wytekloud Flash Zam N Kabam (S & B McRae) 2nd Sunshine In A Glass (K & A Shugg)



Limit Dog: 1st Sunshine Klasic Kruz (A Shugg & C Horne) 2nd Kursharn Sev Armmon (S MacMillan) 3rd Polar Venture T Stardom At Amarok (S Johnson)

NZ Bred Dog: 1st Ch Zaminka Back To The Future (H Clark) 2nd Skrownek Fia Onegin (S Stewart)

Veteran Dog: 1st Ch Aldonza Kid N Lace (Imp Aust) (G & L Carleton) 2nd NZ/Aust Ch Samways Aint He Awesome (J Gilchrist) 3rd Angara Lord Luibek (L Barr)



Open Dog:

 1^{st} Aust & NZ Ch Anaky It's Party Time (Imp Aust) (L Barr) 2^{nd} Gr Ch Zaminka Flashlight (L & G Carleton & S McRae)



Best Dog:Left: Aust & NZ Ch Anaky It's Party Time (Imp Aust) (L Barr)Reserve Best Dog:Right: NZ Ch Kalaska Astro Boy At Oscarbi (Imp Aust) (R Barzey & H Clark)



Baby Bitch Puppy: 1st Angara Sneaking Me Kisses (L Barr)

Baby Bitch Puppy: 2nd Whakapono of Magadan (M Hayward)



Bitch Puppy:

1st Oscarbi Just You'n Me Kid (R Barzey & H Clark)



Junior Bitch:

1st Samhain Echo'n T With Kursharn (M & J Wells) 2nd Zaminka Power Strike (G & L Carleton)



Intermediate Bitch: 1st Ch Zaminka Kid Gloves (L & G Carleton, S & B McRae) 2nd Ch Zaminka Magic Moments (Mrs J Swetman)

Limit Bitch: 1st Chenski Million Dollar Babe (J & S Gilchrist) 2nd Oscarbi Future Excitement At Carridene (C Matheson) 3rd Sunshine Paint Me Kimi Ora (M Hayward)

NZ Bred Bitch: 1st Ch Zaminka Still A Kid At Heart (H Clark) 2nd Sunshine Paint Me Suzanna (C Horne) 3rd Ch Skrownek Taan Tavia (S Stewart)



Open Bitch: 1st NZ Ch Kalaska Wild Excitement At Oscarbi (Imp Aust) (R Barzey & H Clark) 2nd NZ Ch Anaky Taking Chances (Imp Aust) (A Andrew) 3rd Sunshine Paint Me Gold (K & A Shugg)

Best Bitch: Left: Ch Zaminka Still A Kid At Heart (H Clark)

Reserve Best Bitch: Right: Ch Zaminka Kid Gloves (L & G Carleton, S & B McRae)

Reserve Best in Show, Best Bitch, and Best NZ Bred in Show: Ch Zaminka Still A Kid At Heart (H Clark)



Best Baby Puppy in Show: Angara Sneaking Me Kisses (L Barr)



Best Puppy in Show:

Kursharn Nvee'n Tymba (J & M Wells)



Best Junior in Show: NZ Ch Kalaska Astro Boy At Oscarbi (Imp Aust) (R Barzey & H Clark)



Best Intermediate in Show: Ch Zaminka Kid Gloves (G & L Carleton & S & M McRae)



Best Limit in Show: Best Opposite Sex Limit: Left - Sunshine Klasic Kruz (A Shugg & C Horne) Right - Chenski Million Dollar Babe (J & S Gilcrhist



Best Veteran in Show: NZ Ch Aldonza Kid N Lace (Imp Aust) (G & L Carleton)

Sleigh Courier – Autumn 2008



Child Handler's Class: Left to right: 1st Miracle Hayward, 2nd Tara Westwood, 3rd Hannah MacMillan, Tayla Andrew, Nikita Rzoska



Scenes at the show

Photos by Simeon Copsey

Judge's Critique

Firstly, I would like to thank your committee for inviting me to judge at your show. Thank you also, for making me feel so welcome and at home. I was pleased with the quality of the exhibits, who were all well presented, and for the owners, for taking my decisions sportingly.

DOGS:

Baby Puppy: 0 entries

Puppy: 3 entries (1 absent)

1st KURSHARN NVEE'N TYMBA (M & J Wells)

6 months baby. Good lay of shoulder Straight front Good angulation. Head yet to develop. Moved very soundly for one so young. Well coated. Good tail set. BPIS

2nd OSCARBI WILD IS THE FUTURE (R Barzey & H Clark) Well presented. Good bone. Moved well. Head coming on well, Two different types yet each with their own good qualities.

Junior: 2 entries

- 1st NZ CH KALASKA ASTRO BOY AT OSCARBI (IMP AUST) (R Barzey & H Clark) Just loved everything about this boy. Masculine without being overdone. In good body and coat. Good pigment and bite. Sparkling condition Well muscled. Moved well. Pleased to award him the RCC
- 2nd ZĂMINKA POWER SUNRISE (M Asplett) In good coat Good wedge shaped head. Well set tail. Good pigment. Not quite so positive on the move as 1. Well presented and made a pleasing picture.

Intermediate: entries

- 1st CH WYTEKLOUD FLASH ZAM N KABAM (S & B McRae)
- Well balanced dog standing in good coat. Nice angulation. Good bite and pigment. Well shaped head. Moved well.
- 2nd SUNSHINE IN A GLASS (K & A Shugg) Masculine head. In good coat. Good tail set. Nice eye and pigment. Well bent stifle. Lost out on front movement, in a nice class.

Limit: 4 entries (1 absent)

- 1st SUNSHINE KLASSIC KRUZ (A Shugg & C Horne) Smaller type dog, who had a good wedge head when he decided to show his ears. Well muscled, which showed in his good movement. Left his coat at home but could not deny him his overall construction
- 2nd KURSHARN SEV ARMMON (S MacMillan)
- Good head and eye. Larger type but in proportion. Good bite and well textured coat, nicely presented. Moved OK.
- 3rd POLAR VENTURE T STARDOM AT AMAROK (S Johnson) Another larger type, but also in proportion to size. Good bone and feet. Tail well set on. Not so settled on the move.

NZ Bred: 2 entries

- 1st CH ZAMINKA BACK TO THE FUTURE (H Clark)
- Two nice dogs. Masculine dog with good wedge shaped head. Straight front and good feet. In good sparkling coat. Moved well. 2nd SKROWNEK FIA ONEGIN (S Stewart)
 - SKROWNEK FIA ONEGIN (S Stewart)
 In good well presented coat. Correct bite. Well boned, with good pigment. Not moving quite as well as 1.

Veteran: 5 entries (2 absent)

- 1st NZ CH ALDONZA KID N LACE (IMP AUST) (G & L Carleton) Close decision between 1 & 2 nice size. 10 years young. Good shoulders and angulation, which made for free movement.. Masculine head and good ear set. Well carried tail. Pushed hard for top honours.
 2nd NZ/AUST CH SAMWAYS AINT HE AWESOME (.I Gilchrist)
- 2nd NZ/AUST CH SAMWAYS AINT HE AWESOME (J Gilchrist)
 Lovely biscuit shaded dog. 9 ½ years and moving well. Good body, well presented, and a good
 masculine head. In good coat of correct texture.
- 3rd ANGARA LORD LUIBEK (L Barr)
 8 years. Not in his best coat, although what he did have was of correct texture.. Not looking as though he wanted to be here today. The heavy rain on the roof may have upset him Good bone and feet.

Open: 4 entries

AUST & NZ CH ANAKY ITS PARTY TIME (IMP AUST) (L Barr) Super dog in tip top condition. Well boned and perfectly balanced. Good wedge shaped head leading to good lay of shoulder. Presented to perfection. Moved round the ring faultlessly, therefore was delighted to

award him the dog CC and also the BOB

2nd GR Ch ZAMINKA FLASHLIGHT (G & L Carleton & S McRae)
 Another worthy Champion. Good head and ear set. Slightly longer cast than 1, but in proportion.
 Correct tail carriage. Moved with drive.

3rd CH SKROWNEK SEV KAZAN (S Stewart & J Wells) Completing my trio of worthy Champions. Good bone. Super outline. Good head. In the best of coat. On the day, not moving quite as well as 1&2

BITCHES:

Baby Puppy: 2 entries

1st ANGARA SNEAKING ME KISSES (L Barr)

- Well schooled baby, whose movement was steady and true for one so young. Good tail set. Nice bone. Would like more body on her. Very promising.
- 2nd WHAKAPONO OF MAGADAN (M Hayward) Pretty little girl. Another steady mover for a baby. Not much between these two. Well bodied and presented. Also very promising.

Puppy: 2 entries (1 absent)

1st OSCARBI JUST YOU'N ME KID (R Barzey & H Clark) Well made puppy with a good body on her. Well muscled . Attractive head and expression. Good angulation. Moved well.

Junior: 2 entries

1st SAMHAIN ECHO'NT WITH KURSHARN (M & J Wells)

Good mover. Nice size, and feminine. Well balanced, and in good coat. Waiting for maturity. 2nd ZAMINKA POWER STRIKE (G & L Carleton)

Pretty girl. Good rear movement. Nice size and in good coat. Correct bite, and with good pigment.

Intermediate: 3 entries (1 absent)

1st CH ZAMINKA KID GLOVES (G & L Carleton, S & B McRae) Pretty bitch with correct wedge shaped head. Very feminine and in the best of coats. Happy showgirl

who moved round the ring with ease. Well bodied, and well deserving of the RCC

2nd CH ZAMINKA MAGIC MOMENTS (J Swetman) Beautiful headed bitch, reminds me of one I have at home. Well constructed and moved soundly. Two super girls and will change places many times. What a pity she dropped her coat, but could not hide her quality.

Limit: 5 entries (2 absent)

- 1st CHENSKI MILLION DOLLAR BABE (J & S Gilchrist) Very feminine bitch, in super well presented coat. Nice size and well constructed. Moved well. Rather apprehensive, but gained in confidence throughout the day.
- 2nd OSCARBI FUTURE EXITEMENT AT CARRIDENE (C Matheson) Well presented 11 month bitch. Good angulation . Coat coming on. Just waiting for maturity. Moved well in the rear, but needs to tighten up in the front.

3rd SUNSHINE PAINT ME KIMI-ORA (M Hayward) Pretty biscuit shaded bitch with super head. Not at ease with her handler, so was not really interested. She was well constructed, but very overweight, which caused her to move a little wide in front. Liked her general type, so please work on her weight.

NZ Bred: 5 entries

- 1st CH ZAMINKA STILL A KID AT HEART (H Clark) Very feminine bitch. Good overall shape and correct size. Showy girl, who makes the most of her attributes. In super well presented coat she floated round the ring, never putting a foot wrong. Pleased to award her the bitch CC and RBIS.
 2nd SUNSHINE PAINT ME SUZANNA (C Horne)
- 2nd SUNSHINE PAINT ME SUZANNA (C Horne)
 Biscuit shaded girl. Good overall shape, but carrying too much weight. Pretty head with well set ears, and tail well set on .Well presented.

3rd CH SKROWNEK TAAN TAVIA (S Stewart)

Larger type with well set tail. Well muscled and nicely presented. Moving wide in front, so cost her placing.

Veteran: 0 entries

Open: 5 entries (2 absent)

 1st NZ CH KALASKA WILD EXCITEMENT AT OSCARBI (IMP AUST) Nice size. Pretty girl in full well presented coat .Moved well around the ring but kept dropping her tail while standing, which spoilt the overall picture. Good bone and body and deserved to win her class.
 2nd NZ CH ANAKY TAKING CHANCES (IMP AUST) (A Andrew)

Larger type bitch, with a short dense coat. Well set on tail . Good angulation. Pretty head and level topline. Moved well.

3rd SUNSHINE PAINT ME GOLD Again, larger type. In good coat and standing well. Good angulation and moving well from the rear, but a little wide in front. Well muscled.

Ann Gallagher, England Judge

Best in Show:	AUST & NZ CH ANAKY ITS PARTY TIME (IMP AUST)
Dest III Show.	AUST & NZ CH ANART ITS FARTT TIME (IMF AUST)
Reserve Best in Show:	CH ZAMINKA STILL A KID AT HEART
Baby Puppy in Show:	ANGARA SNEAKING ME KISSES
Puppy in Show:	KURSHARN NVEE'N TYMBA
Junior in Show:	NZ CH KALASKA ASTRO BOY AT OSCARBI (IMP AUST)
Intermediate in Show:	CH ZAMINKA KID GLOVES
Limit in Show:	SUNSHINE KLASIC KRUZ
New Zealand Bred in Show:	CH ZAMINKA STILL A KID AT HEART
Veteran in Show:	NZ CH ALDONZA KID N LACE (IMP AUST)
Open in Show:	AUST & NZ CH ANAKY ITS PARTY TIME (IMP AUST)

STAKES CLASSES:

DOG HEAD (9 entries, 2 absent)

Ch Skrownek Sev Kazan
Zaminka Power Sunrise
Aust & NZ Ch Anaky Its Party Time (Imp Aust)

BITCH HEAD (7 entries, 4 absent)

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Ch Zaminka Magic Moments		
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Angara Sneaking Me Kisses		
a		
Sunshine Paint Me Suzanna		

MOVEMENT UNDER 12 MONTHS

(4 entries, 1 absent) Angara Sneaking Me Kisses Whakapono of Magadan

FEET (8 entries, 1 absent)

Kursharn Sev Armmon
Aust & NZ Ch Anaky Its Party Time (Imp Aust)
Angara Lord Luibek

JUNIOR HANDLER (5 entries)

Miracle Hayward	1 st
Tara Westwood	2 nd
Hannah MacMillan	3rd

DOG COAT (8 entries, 2 absent)

- 1st Aust & NZ Ch Anaky Its Party Time (Imp Aust)
- 2nd Sunshine In A Glass
- 3rd Kursharn Sev Armmon

BITCH COAT (5 entries, 1 absent)

- 1st Ch Zaminka Magic Moments
- 2nd Whakapono of Magadan
- 3rd Sunshine Klasic Lucy

MOVEMENT OVER 12 MONTHS (9 entries, 3 absent)

- 1st NZ Ch Anaky Taking Chances (Imp Aust)
- 2nd Samhain Echo'n T With Kursharn
- 3rd Ch Zaminka Magic Moments

TAIL (5 entries, 1 absent)

- 1st Oscarbi Future Excitement At Carridene
- 2nd Ch Zaminka Magic Moments
- 3rd Sunshine Klasic Lucy

Congratulations to the winners and to the losers better luck next time. Even so you all take the best dog home with you.



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Thanks too to our trophy donors, stewards, and helpers. We couldn't manage without your assistance or generosity. Special thanks to Paddy Watts for the judge's gift.



Photos of the Championship show

A CD-ROM with all the photos from the Championship Show is available for \$10.00. Please contact the secretary if you would like to buy one.

Club Raffle

The grocery raffle donated by Mille Hayward proved very popular grossing \$190. A percentage of the proceeds, \$28, was donated to the Wellington Management Committee.

Many thanks to Millie for her generosity. Thanks also to the people who went round selling the tickets and also to those who bought them.

Welcome to new Members

Allen and Kylie Hill, Australia

Farewell

Farewell to new member Meija Rantala-Rantakari and husband Olli-Pekka Rantakari who returned to Finland in May after their sojourn in New Zealand. Maybe you will visit us again some day. Best of luck to you both with your Samoyed.

Samoyed Club Inc Open Show 23 August 2008

Best in Show: NZ Ch Kalaska Wild Excitement At Oscarbi (Imp aust) owned by Rob Barzey and Helen Clark.

See the Spring issue for photos and full results.

2008 Breed Of Year Points as at 31 August 2008

Baby Puppy – Dog	
Kursharn Nvee'n Tymba (Wells)	19
NAF/ RAF (Reeve)	8
Puppy – Dog	
Lealsam Hugo Boss (Reeve)	66 57
Oscarbi Wild is The Future (Clark / Barzey)	57
Sunshine Klasic Kruz (Shugg / Horne) Kursharn Nvee'n Tymba (Wells)	16 11
Junior – Dog	
Kalaska Astro Boy (Barzey / Clark) Lealsam Hugo Boss (Reeve)	98 8
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Intermediate – Dog	100
Wytekloud Flash Zam N Kabam (S & B McRae) Sunshine In A Glass (A Shugg)	168 34
Sunshine III A Glass (A Shugg)	54
NZ Bred – Dog	
Oscarbi Wild is The Future (Clark / Barzey)	22
Ch Zaminka Back To The Future (H Clark)	13
Skrownek Fia Onegin (S Stewart)	4
Open – Dog	
Gr Ch Zaminka Flashlight (G & L Carleton / S McRae)	161
Ch Skrownek Sev Kazan (S Stewart/J Wells)	26
Aust & NZ Ch Anaky Its Party Time (Imp Aust) (L Barr)	21
Sever The Celtic Warrior (Imp Aust) (K Magnus)	4
Ch Zaminka Back To The Future (H Clark)	2
Skrownek Chagall (S Stewart)	2
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Best Dog Gr Ch Zaminka Flashlight (G & L Carleton / S	
McRae)	120
Ch Wytekloud Flash Zam N Kabam (S & B McRae)	64
Lealsam Hugo Boss (Reeve)	52
Kalaska Astro Boy (Barzey / Clark)	41
Ch Skrownek Sev Kazan (S Stewart/J Wells) Oscarbi Wild is The Future (Clark / Barzey)	20 9
	7
Sunshine In A Glass (A Shugg) Ch Zaminka Back To The Future (H Clark)	7 5
NZ Ch Sever The Celtic Warrior (Imp Aust) (K	
Magnus) Aust & NZ Ch Anaky Its Party Time (Imp Aust)	4
(L Barr)	2
Kursharn Nvee'n Tymba (Wells)	1

Baby Puppy - Bitch

Lealsam Diamond Ocea	ans (Reeve) 33
Angara Sneaking Me Ki	sses (Barr) 24
Skrownek Zin Zvamayla	a (Stewart) 6
Kursharn Nvee'n Maimu	um (Wells) 3

Puppy - Bitch

Oscarbi Future Excitement At Carridene (Clark	
/ Barzey / Matheson)	40
Lealsam Silva Fern (Reeve)	33
Kelljass A Winter's Tale (Kelly)	32
Angara Sneaking Me Kisses (Barr)	24
Lealsam Diamond Oceans (Reeve)	8
Oscarbi Just You'n Me Kid (Barzey / Clark)	6

Junior - Bitch

Junior - Bitch	
Zaminka Power Strike (Carleton)	52
Samhain Echo'N T With Kursharn (Wells) Oscarbi Future Excitement At Carridene (Clark	25
/ Barzey / Matheson)	18
Zaminka Power Ball (Carleton)	3
Chenski Million Dollar Babe (Glichrist)	1
Intermediate - Bitch	
Ch Lealsam Grand Aurora (Reeve)	64
Ch Zaminka Magic Moments (Swetman)	60
Ch Zaminka Kid Gloves (Carleton / McRae)	23
Aust Ch Anaky Tipsy On Schnaps (Imp Aust) (A Andrew)	7
Angara Dancing With The Stars (Barr)	7
Chenski Million Dollar Babe (Glichrist)	4
NZ Bred - Bitch	
Ch Wytekloud Ambers-Burn-For-Eva (S & B McRae)	130
Sunshine Paint Me Gold (A & K Shugg)	23
Sunshine Paint Me Suzanna (C Horne)	20
Oscarbi Just You'n Me Kid (Barzev / Clark)	19

Oscarbi Just You'n Me Kid (Barzey / Clark)	19
Ch Zaminka Kid Gloves (Carleton / McRae)	8
Skrownek Fia Fedacheva (S Stewart)	2

Open – Bitch

NZ Ch Kalaska Wild Excitement at Oscarbi	
(Imp Aust) (Barzey / Clark)	65
Skrownek Tchai Veyevka (S Stewart)	6
NZ Ch Kalaska Grand Elegance at Lealsam (Imp Aust) (D Reeve)	4
Skrownek Fia Flavia (S Stewart)	1

Best Representative

Lealsam Hugo Boss (Reeve) Gr Ch Zaminka Flashlight (G & L Carleton / S McRae)	67 58
Oscarbi Wild is The Future (Clark / Barzey) Wytekloud Flash Zam N Kabam (S & B McRae)	26 23
Kalaska Astro Boy (Barzey / Clark) Lealsam Grand Aurora (Reeve) Ch Skrownek Sev Kazan (S Stewart/J Wells) Ch Wytekloud Ambers-Burn-For-Eva (S & B McRae) Lealsam Diamond Oceans (Reeve)	12 10 5 4 4
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Best Baby Puppy Rep	
Kursharn Nvee'n Tymba (Wells)	20

Kursham Nveen Tymba (vveils)	20
Angara Sneaking Me Kisses (Barr)	10
Obedience Of Year Points	

Best Bitch

Ch Wytekloud Ambers-Burn-For-Eva (S & B McRae)	56
Ch Lealsam Grand Aurora (Reeve) Ch Kalaska Wild Excitement at Oscarbi (Imp	43
Aust) (Barzey / Clark)	24
Zaminka Magic Moments (Swetman)	19
Oscarbi Future Excitement At Carridene (Clark	-
/ Barzey / Matheson)	8
Samhain Echo'N T With Kursharn (Wells) Zaminka Power Strike (Carleton)	8 8
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Kelljass A Winter's Tale (Kelly)	7
Sunshine Paint Me Gold (A & K Shugg)	6
Aust Ch Anaky Tipsy On Schnaps (Imp Aust) (A Andrew)	5
Zaminka Kid Gloves (Carleton / McRae)	4
Sunshine Paint Me Suzanna (C Horne)	4
Angara Sneaking Me Kisses (Barr)	4
Lealsam Silva Fern (Reeve)	3
Oscarbi Just You'n Me Kid (Barzey / Clark)	3
Lealsam Diamond Oceans (Reeve)	3
Skrownek Tchai Veyevka (S Stewart)	1
Zaminka Power Ball (Carleton)	1
Best Bitch Rep	
Lealsam Grand Aurora (Reeve)	10
Ch Wytekloud Ambers-Burn-For-Eva (S & B McRae)	4
Lealsam Diamond Oceans (Reeve)	4
Kelljass A Winter's Tale (Kelly)	2
Zaminka Magic Moments (Swetman)	2
Oscarbi Just You'n Me Kid (Barzey / Clark)	2
Oscarbi Future Excitement At Carridene (Clark	0
/ Barzey / Matheson) Samhain Echo'N T With Kursharn (Wells)	2 2
Zaminka Power Strike (Carleton)	2
Angara Sneaking Me Kisses (Barr)	2
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Top photo: Two names required: the group and the dog.

Bottom photo: Dog's name and owner

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Big Brag for Duncan

Best in Show at The Samoyed Club Championship show - Ann Gallagher (UK) Reserve Best in Show at The Spitz Breeds Club Championship show - Peter Warby (Australia)



BISS Aust & NZ Ch Anaky Its Party Time (Imp Aust) Sire: BISS Aust Grand Ch Anaky Party Animal Dam: BISS Aust Ch Arcticlight Just Teasing Bred by Allen and Kylie Hill

Duncan has a pedigree of distinction. He is an absolute dream to live with and we are all so proud of him. Many thanks Allen and Kylie for such a wonderful and fun boy.



National Show Winners



Best of Breed 1965: Zaldena Snow Khan (Imp Aust) (later Champion) owned by Mr and Mrs A C Edwards and Mr W P Edwards (handling)



Best of Breed (bitch) 1970: Ch Lindi of Athor pictured with owner Mrs L Youngman



Note: Both 1969 winners were sons of Ch Kalina Smirnoff (Imp Aust), Best of Breed at the 1964, 1966, 1967, and 1968 National Show

Left: Best of Breed 1969: Ch Voinaika Gjovik with owner Mrs Bev Pitkethley, and Right: Reserve Best of Breed Taanoff of Tilenka (later Champion) owned by Mr and Mrs I A Todd (handled by Mrs Elma Todd)

Samoyed successes at the National Show 1955 - 2007

ONE BEST IN SHOW ONE RESERVE BEST IN SHOW ONE BEST JUNIOR IN SHOW THREE BEST PUPPY IN SHOW ONE BEST BABY PUPPY IN SHOW and the list goes on •••••

Not a bad record for our breed which is one of only 27 breeds to have won Best in Show at the National Show. Only 19.14% of the 141 breeds represented at the shows to date have achieved the ultimate award at the National Show.

The New Zealand Kennel Club actively promoted the advent of its first National Show through its publication New Zealand Dog World (NZDW), the forerunner of the Kennel Gazette (KG) and some extracts make interesting reading:

"1st National Show

The committee desire and wish to further the interest of specialist clubs as much as possible and hope to receive from them specials for competition, but it can only accept such special prizes for the breeds, provided they are not restricted to membership of a particular club. In other words, all prizes at this show are open to all without any "tags". It is your show because if you are a member of a club you are deemed to be a member of the New Zealand Kennel Club and there is no individual membership fee to pay for this privilege. You are only called upon to pay your entry fees".

"With the exception of a trophy for best in show, all trophies are to be won outright". "It is proposed to send out with schedules stickers for motor-cars with the slogan, 'See you at the National Dog Show in Wellington on September 10'. SHR" (June 1955)

"Elsewhere in this issue appears advertisements for your show because you are all members of the New Zealand Kennel Club, even though only one member of your club can exercise a vote at the AGM. You have no membership fee to pay and, with the exception of two trophies, every prize offered is for an outright win.

The main purpose of your mother club, the New Zealand Kennel Club, running this fixture, is to endeavour to make the public of the Dominion more doggy-minded as has happened in all other countries where national shows are held. If we succeed as others have done this is definitely in your interest – a wider field for you to sell your dogs". (July 1955).

The dog scene has certainly changed since those days. Now we pay an annual membership fee to NZKC for the privilege of competing with our dogs.

Reviewing the history of the national show is like a walk down memory lane, reflecting the myriad of changes which have occurred in our hobby over the last 53 years. Venues, benching, vetting, prize money, trophies, schedules, show entries, breed classes, group classification, and judging order have all undergone changes over the years. In its early days the National Show was limited to the conformation ring but nowadays caters for all aspects of dogdom such as obedience, agility, gundog, working dog trials, AD, ADX, and junior handling, as well as featuring doggy dancing and MAF Beagle displays.

From its inception the National Show was seen as the premier canine event in the country. It was virtually the only show featuring international all breed judges from countries as far afield as Canada, England, Sweden, and the USA. Usually these judges were also contracted to judge at one or more of the Australian Royals in August or September, thereby spreading the cost. But over the years that pattern has changed with many all breed kennel associations (KAs) contracting international judges and perhaps sharing the cost with other all breed KAs, single or multi breed clubs in New Zealand or Australia. As a result the National Show has lost its prestige and entry numbers in our breed have certainly dropped from its heyday of the 1970s.

Our breed has often been well represented and has even ranked in the top ten breeds some years. In 1957 Cocker Spaniels topped the popularity poll with 68 benched, followed by Rough Coated Collies, Dachshunds, Welsh Corgis, and then Samoyeds with 42 entries represented by 25 dogs.

Six years on in 1963 Samoyeds came in 10th with an entry of 19, the Pembroke Corgis topping the entry with 76. In 1965 our breed attained fifth place with an entry of 33 out of a total entry of 781 dogs, including obedience entries.

In 1971 the entry comprised 72 breeds, of which Samoyeds came in 8th. The year 1975 saw the largest entry recorded by our breed, 79, and the following year another excellent entry of 78 showed that our breed was a force to be reckoned with. By 1999 support from the breed had declined and an entry of 27 dogs put Samoyeds down to 27th equal with Pomeranians.

Vetting

During the 1950s and 60s vetting was compulsory at the National show as well as other championship shows. This meant exhibitors and dogs had to present themselves to the vet at some ungodly hour and then spend hours waiting for their few minutes in the ring. However, one of the advantages of arriving early meant that owners and dogs socialised far more than they do nowadays.

Vetting ceased at championship shows in the early 1970s but the practise continued at the National through to at least the 1980s. However hydatid dosing certificates were required to be presented throughout the 1970s and 1980s with dogs requiring to be dosed within six weeks of the date of the show.

Benching

Benching was compulsory at the first National and was still compulsory when I attended in 1972. A bench was provided for each dog, and there was a rope erected in front of the benching preventing visitors from touching the dogs. Each bench was numbered but exhibitors within the breeds did move the numbering around so that all their dogs could be benched together. Benching signs were allowed but the specifications dictated the size and wording, and in 1970 for example these had to measure 18 x 6 inches (yes this was pre metrics) with only the registered kennel name and/or dog's name to be printed in black lettering on white board. These could be attached to the bench, and of course any trophies. sashes, cards etc won during the show were also displayed.

Benching was still compulsory for the 1980 National show with dogs being required to be benched until 3.30 pm on the day they were to be judged and later for those being judged after 3.30 pm on the day. Beaten dogs could not be benched on any other day than the one on which they were shown unless prior arrangements were made with the benching manager. Overnight benching was only available if requested in advance.

By 1985 benching was no longer compulsory.

Designation of imports

When the first National show was held imports from Australia had (Aust) tagged on to the end of their name and (Imp) was included at the end of the name for imports from other countries but the naming format changed in 1973 whereby the country of import was abbreviated and included ie (Imp Aust), (Imp UK) etc.

Entry Fees

The earliest schedule I could locate was for the 1965 show where the entry fee for both breed and group stakes was £1. Fast forward to 1980 and the entry fee was \$7 and a catalogue cost \$3. Five years later the cost of both entry fee and catalogue had risen to \$10 and \$5 respectively. By 1990 \$15.00 and \$5 respectively were being charged. The mid 90s saw a reduction in entry fee to \$10 and an increase in catalogue cost to \$10 and then in 2000 increases came thick and fast with the entry fee returning to \$15.00, a reduced fee of \$12 for each subsequent dog entered, and a full catalogue costing \$15.00. In 2007 another increase brought entry fees to \$20.00, but the reduced fee for entering additional dogs had ceased, and the catalogue cost remained the same as in previous years. The same prices apply to the 2008 show.

Schedules and method of entry

In 1955 and right through till the early 1970s exhibitors had to write to show secretaries requesting a schedule to be mailed to them. Up until then exhibitors were guided by the show calendar and the odd show advertisement which appeared in NZDW and later the KG. It was not until around 1971 that it became compulsory for all championship show schedules to be published in the KG. By 1965 the schedule was being circulated as a supplement to the KG but in later years it became a centrefold in the KG and could be removed easily. Nowadays it is placed differently and is difficult to remove without pulling the KG apart in the process.

By 2004 it was possible to enter the National Show online through the NZKC web site.

Breed Classes

Breed classes have undergone some changes over the years reflecting the introduction of new classes and changes to the age range. The first National show was held on 10 September 1955 and the following breed classes were scheduled:

- puppy under 9 months (classes 1 and 6);
- puppy under 12 months (classes 2 and 7);
- junior (classes 3 and 8);
- limit (classes 4 and 9); and
- open (classes 5 and 10).

Puppies under 9 months included puppies born as recently as 25 June 1955 (in the case of our breed where there were several littermates entered) ie under 3 months of age. The class "puppy under 9 months" was not scheduled in 1958, 1959, or 1960 but the age range allowed for baby puppies to be entered in the class "puppy up to 12 months of age". In 1959 the "junior" class was replaced with "dogs under 2 years old" but in 1961 the class reverted to "junior". In 1963 the "puppy under 9 months" class was reinstated and puppy under 12 months, junior, limit and open were also scheduled.

These classes continued to be scheduled up until 1969 when "under 2 years" was reintroduced (for dogs aged 18 to 24 months) and these classes continued in 1970 and 1971.

1972 saw a revamp of classes with the disappearance of the "puppy under 9 months", "under 2 years", and "limit" classes and introduction of the "intermediate" class. Also that year the age range for

junior changed from 12-18 months to 12-24 months and an All Breed Baby Puppy Sweepstake was introduced. Baby puppies were still able to be entered in the breed classes up to and including 1971.

The same four classes (3, 5, 6, 11, and 3A, 5A, 6A, 11A) continued to be scheduled through to 1999 when the NZ Bred class (8/8A) was introduced. These five classes continued unchanged until 2002 when the Baby Puppy class (1/1A) was introduced. Since that year the same six classes have been scheduled. Based on past experience it is not a case of if but when can we expect further changes. For many years the different age puppy class winners competed against each other for best dog puppy and best bitch puppy and the winners then competed for Best Puppy of Breed. Nowadays baby puppies do not compete against puppies from older classes for best puppy of breed.

Photos

There was little photo coverage of the show published in either NZDW or the KG. Just the odd one or two photos appeared and it was not until the mid 1960s when a range of photos was published with the results. Nowadays all group, obedience, and In Show winners feature and in colour too! The Best in Show winner seldom featured on the cover of either publication though often later featured on the inside back cover of the KG promoting the sponsor's products or in another prominent position.

Best of Breed Winners

The most consistent winner at the National was undoubtedly Ch Kalina Smirnoff (Imp Aust). On each of the four occasions he was exhibited he was judged Best Samoved, the first at the youthful age of six months (see the table on page 35). Coming a close 2nd to his kennel mate was Ch Kalina Silver Knight (Imp Aust) who collected Best Samoyed on all three occasions he was exhibited. Both these dogs were renowned stud dogs, each siring a National Best of Breed winner, and both were successful group winners at the National show (read about their successes in the Spring issue). The only other dog to win three Best of Breed awards was Ch Khysser Karl of Kersbrook, owned by DSC life member Des Renner and his wife. Seven males have each won the award twice including a son of Silver Knight.



Left: Best of Breed (bitch) 1970: Ch Lindi of Athor pictured with owner Mrs Lorraine Youngman Right: Reserve Best of Breed (bitch): Sea Reward of Nordvik owned by Mrs P M Boyle and handled by Mrs Neilmar Fraser

Only six bitches have succeeded in defeating the Best Dog for Best of Breed and that occurred in 1970, 1987, 1992, 1994, 1998, and 2001. That is hardly surprising as invariably dog entries exceeded bitch entries except in the years 1965, 1967, 1968, 1971, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1995, 1998, 1999, and 2003 and only on two occasions (1970 and 1994) did the Best Dog lose to the Reserve Bitch for Reserve Best of Breed.

I felt confident in my memory that Novaskaya Georgia Mist (Imp UK) had obtained her New Zealand title after winning the CC in 1981 but checked the NZKC pedigree database to be on the safe side and lo and behold she is not on it! The other Novaskayas are listed but not Georgia Mist.(i)

From 1958 to 1960 inclusive Best Puppy and Reserve Best Puppy in Breed were judged and in 1961 Best and Reserve Best Junior in Breed were also judged. Those reserve awards ceased after 1961.

The term Best of Breed, Best Puppy of Breed etc came into effect in 1962. Prior to that the winners were referred to as Best in Breed and Best Puppy in Breed etc.

National Week

In 1987 other clubs were permitted to hold shows prior to and during the period of the National Show. One of those clubs was The Samoyed Club which held an open show that year.

No doubt this innovation helped boost entries at the National and the week has evolved into a National Show Week. This was further boosted in 2002 with the new feature of an all breed championship show billed as a curtain raiser show. Our breed has been fortunate in that most years the Spitz Breed Club Championship show has been scheduled during the week offering another opportunity for exhibitors in our breed.

In the 1970s TVNZ started featuring extended coverage of the National Show (emulating the Cruft's style coverage perhaps?) and in 1979 our breed was the feature breed. That was before video-recorders had come into general use and I am not aware of anyone who has a copy of the feature. I did write to TVNZ some years back asking if it was possible to purchase a copy but the answer was no, even though I was an exhibitor in one of the classes featured! It is



 Left: Best of Breed 1973: Ch Kalina Silver Knight (Imp Aust) owned by Mr and Mrs N K Fraser (Mrs Neilmar Fraser handling), centre Mr Jack Charters (judge, New Zealand)
 Right: Reserve Best of Breed: Ch Kirim of Rydal Mount owned, handled and bred by Mrs Kay O'Connor very disappointing not to have that amongst my memorabilia. Perhaps NZKC library or museum could consider establishing a film archive of National shows.

Prize Money and Trophies

For the first National all Best in Breed winners received a cash special of 10/6d and sash and that practice continued in 1956 and 1957: Miss M McEwen donated a trophy for Best in Breed in 1955 and one for Best Opposite Sex in 1956. In 1957 the lucky Best in Breed winner received a trophy for Best in Breed donated by The Samoyed Club, a Silver Spoon donated by the Samoyed Association of Great Britain, and the Karina Cup donated by the Dominion Samoyed Club. That same year the Dominion Samoyed Cup donated the Maoribank Cup for Best Opposite Sex in Breed, the Pierre Cup for Best Junior in Breed and the Chienne D'Or Cup for Best Puppy in Breed. These cups were also available in 1958 as well as trophies offered by the Samoved Club Inc for Best Limit Dog and Best Limit Bitch.

In 1959 there was a cash special of 10/6 and a trophy donated by Mr M Rossiter for Best in Breed plus a shield donated by the Samoyed Association of Great Britain for Best Samoyed. These trophies were listed in the breed entry section of the catalogue from 1955 to 1959 but from 1960 there has been no reference made to breed club trophies.

In 1965 and again in 1966 the Best of Breed received a solid silver teaspoon and sash. Teaspoons continued to be awarded to Best of Breed winners through to 2003 but after that the practice ceased. By 1985 rosettes were being presented to Puppy, Junior and Intermediate of Breed. Rosettes or sashes have continued to be presented for these awards each year. In 1971 the Best of Sex of each breed received prize money of \$1.

Sponsors have been very generous over the years providing their products to exhibitors as well as winners. In 1995 equipment bags were also presented to BOB winners and these continued to be presented for some years.

For some years The Dominion Samoyed Club (Inc) and The Samoyed Club Inc combined forces and held a lunch and annual presentation of trophies at the show venue. Certainly in the 1970s I can recall attending these functions on the mezzanine floor of the Show Building in Newtown.

Venue and entry numbers

The first National Show was held for one day at the Woolstore, Kaiwharawhara, Wellington and attracted a total entry of 427 dogs. Judging assignments for the first two National shows were carried out by New Zealanders but in 1957 an Australian judge was contracted to judge the entry of 443 dogs over two days. The Woolstore continued as the venue for six years with the entry in 1959 bottoming out at only 304 dogs. Obedience was scheduled for the first

time in 1960 and since then has attracted good entries. In 1961 an overseas judge was contracted and the show recorded an entry of 497.

It was reported in the October 1961 KG that the National Show Sub-committee, reappointed for 1962, recommended that a five year programme of National Show venues be adopted. NZKC Executive accepted the recommendation which proposed the following tentative programme: 1962 Auckland, 1963 Canterbury, 1964 Central North Island, 1965 Southern South Island, and 1966 Wellington.

In line with this programme the 1962 show was held at the Epsom Showgrounds in Auckland where it recorded its highest entry to date of 520 dogs. However, the plans for 1963-1965 did not eventuate and in 1963 the show returned to the Woolstore in Wellington where a wonderful entry of 727 dogs was achieved to be judged over two days by 2 judges.

The show continued to be held at Woolstores in Wellington up until 1967 when the A & P Showgrounds at Palmerston North provided a change of scene, and judging was spread over three days. Palmerston North was obviously a popular venue and the show ended up being held in that city for three years in a row, each successive show recording entry records of 1025, 1186, and 1282 respectively.

The year 1970 saw the 16th National Show return to the Wellington/Hutt Valley area with the show being held at Seaview in Lower Hutt over three days and attracting another record entry of 1292. A further record entry of 1708 was achieved for the 1971 show also held at Seaview and then in 1972 the show moved to the Show Building in Newtown Wellington attracting another record entry of 1883.

My first National was in 1972 when the show was again held at the Show Building and where it continued to be held in 1973 and 1974. It was an excellent venue, there was abundant room, the dogs were benched and large trestle tables were provided for grooming. As the show coincided with school holidays the visitor numbers were high and because of the benching and signage breeds could be located easily.

In 1975 the show moved north again, this time to Claudelands, in Hamilton where yet another record entry, this time 2691 dogs, was recorded. Then it was back to the Show Building in Wellington from 1976 to 1978 and then again in 1980. The 1979 show was held at the Woolstore in Seaview attracting an entry of 2493 including obedience and stakes.

In 1981 the show found a new home in the NZKC Exhibition Centre in Porirua where it remained for the next 22 years – its most stable period! Entries have fluctuated in recent times with only 1579 received for the 2000 show but in 2002 the breed entry of 1629 represented a 7.6% increase on 2001. In 2004 the show was held in Auckland, whilst in 2005 the South Islanders finally got to have the National in their neck of the woods ie Christchurch. The show returned to Palmerston North after a break of over 30 years in 2006, and then it was back to Porirua in 2007. This year the show returns to Christchurch. Traditionally, the National Show has been held during the school holidays at the end of the winter term, that is in late August/early September. When the school terms changed the date of the National Show was adjusted to bring the show in line with the holidays which now occur in late September. This change came into effect in 2001 when the show was held from 27 to 29 September.

Comments from the judges

1962 – Mr Jack Budd, South Africa

Samoyeds were quite good but the winner stood out from the rest. (KG October 1962)

1963 – Mrs E Rayne

Samoyeds - very even classes. Generally strong and compact. With the exception of one, had the typical Samoyed smile. (KG September 1963)

1965 - Mr W Siggers, England

As a breeder of Samoyeds I was able to appreciate fully the wonderful quality presented to me. Voinaika Tymba is of English blood and a beautiful puppy. Kit of St Kristoff was most impressive and put up a great show, but the same owner's Zaldena Snow Khan (Aust) got the Challenge. The bitches – Tatina of Kobe (Imp), a really lovely Australian Champion bred in England, won the Challenge. (KG September 1965)

Sadly, Voinaika Tymba was one of three junior Samoyeds who died after the 1966 National Show. It was customary for Voinaika Samoyeds to vaccinate their dogs two weeks before the National Show but a contaminated batch of vaccine left Tymba unprotected. The bitch, Marinka of Belaya Sobaka, bred and owned by the late Val Auckram, was another of the three Samoyeds to die. Marinka was the daughter of Ch Trezor of Belaya Sobaka, the first Samoyed bitch to win Best in Show (BIS) at an all breeds championship show.

1967 – Mr W E Foster, England

I was impressed by the presence and quality of this very good entry. The winning dog I consider was typical. In excellent coat with very good head and correct pigmentation. Good bone and excellent feet. The bitch Challenge impressed by overall balance and a very good head. With true eye and ears; again in excellent coat. This bitch's hind action I consider almost an object lesson in this breed. The general quality was high and the placings were hotly contested. (KG August 1967)



1967 Bitch CC and RBOB winner Birchleigh Rani (later Champion), winning from the puppy class, and owner Mrs Lou King with the Max Memorial Trophy

1971 – Mr W Burrow, England

Quite a good entry and quite typical and well uniformed. Some had rather too long forefaces which denotes a lack of compactness in body, ears rather foreign, pigmentation was quite poor but we still lined up some pretty smart ones in front, well up to British standard. (KG October 1971)

1974 – Mr H Carveth, Australia

Pleasing to see so many of the breed in the ring. Owners and breeders should watch the colour. BoB and Runner up worthy of note. Good strong bone and short backs evident. (KG September 1974)

1978 – Mr J Braddon, England

A good entry with some very nice ones. The dog challenge went to a superbly presented one of 4 ½ years and the reserve to an equally good one who only lacked in coat to the winner. The bitch challenge went to the puppy who shows great promise and the reserve challenge went to a youngster with a good smiling face. (KG Oct/Nov 1978)

1979 – Mrs J Kinsman, Australia

Enjoyed this breed. Both Challenge Certificate and Reserve were very typical of the Breed. Feet on most were very good. Temperament was excellent. Some little out of coat but over-all very good quality. (KG October/ November 1979)

1980 - Mr K Igarashi, Japan

My winner of very nice size, good showmanship. I bought a Samoyed sweater, it is very warm and I am very happy with it. (KG October 1980)

1981 – Mrs M Furst Danielson, Sweden

I think your Samoyeds in this country are of a very high standard and there were a lot of good ones but they were loosing (sic) coat. Most have the lovely Samoyed expression but there was a few with too rounded skulls. My winning bitch was an elegant bitch and a young one and I hope she will mature a little more. The dog is a lovely mover, he is still not one year old, he had a beautiful expression and head and very very good hindquarters. (KG October 1981)

1994 - Mr Andrew Brace, England

Good overall quality but some dogs were a bit sizey. I loved my puppies who had fabulous heads and correct balance. Some eye shapes and sets were a little foreign I felt. The bitch puppy won the Puppy Group despite her constant attempts to offer Kangaroo impressions – such gorgeous quality. (KG October 1994)



Best of Breed 1983: Ch Kimchatka Alexei owned by Mr and Mrs A P Blewitt

1996 - Mrs Ann Arch, England

Size varied considerably, as did heads, ear sets and jackets. My winners displayed correct silver tipped coats and were not too large. Was pleased to find several with correct feathering between toes. (KG October 1996)



Best of Breed 2002 and 2003: Ch Aldonza Kid N Lace (Imp Aust) owned by Mr G and Mrs L Carleton (Mrs Lynn Carleton handling)

NOTE:

(i) As an aside I had already discovered some anomalies on the database relating to stock I bred prior to the registration records being computerized. I did draw these errors to the attention of the NZKC Registrar but to date they have not been rectified. Have others checked their kennel listings? You might be wise to do so! As it is Georgia Mist was listed as a Champion in the 1982 catalogue.

Please note that names of owners are shown as printed in the relevant catalogue. Ownership is known to have changed in some instances since that time.

See the Spring 2008 issue for successes in the Group, All Breed Stakes, In Show, and Obedience.

References

The reference list is too lengthy to publish here but is abbreviated as follows: National Show catalogues 1955 to 2003 New Zealand Dog World/New Zealand Kennel Club Kennel Gazettes 1955 to 2007 The Dominion Samoyed Club (Inc) magazine 1957-2008 The Samoyed Club Inc magazine 1969 to 2003 ANZSAMS emails 1999 to 2007

The following table lists all the CC winners from 1955 to 2007. Please note that scratchings were not always marked in NZKC library catalogues and though noted in show results in breed club magazines the entry was not always split into dogs and bitches but shown as a total. On occasion the number of scratchings differed.

Key:

- # indicates later New Zealand Champion
- * indicates later Australian Champion
- ± indicates scratchings not known or not identified by sex
- D a Total dogs entered
- D b Total dogs present
- B a Total bitches entered
- B b Total bitches present

Best of Breed and Opposite Sex Challenge Certificate Winners 1955 - 2007

Year	r Breed Judge	Entry					Best of Breed	Challenge Certificate opposite sex
		Da Db		Ва		Total		
1955	Mr E Schache (NZ)	11	10	3	2	14 – 2= 12	Ch Rimski of St Mahlib (Mrs J Knowles)	Ch Sutwick of Te Whiti (Mr & Mrs P C Baillie)
1956	Mr J Robson (NZ)	16		7	7	23 ±	Ch Vovoya Snow King & Best in Breed (Mrs L Buckley)	Princess Katinka of Warnick (Mr H Nicholson)
1957	Mr W Duckworth (Australia)	17	13	8	4	25 – 8 = 17	Ch Czar of Belaya Sobaka (Mrs V Auckram)	Ch Snowland Tina (Mr D M Renner)
1958	Mr T V Cooke (NZ)	11	±	6	±	17 – 2 = 15	Ch Czar of Belaya Sobaka (Mrs V Auckram)	Kalina Stardust (Aust) # * (Mr & Mrs P C Baillie)
1959	Mrs S Allpress (NZ)	13		5		18 – 5 = 13	Ch Khysser Karl of Kersbrook (Mr & Mrs D M Renner)	Natasha of Karina (Mr J Moore)
1960	Mr E Schache (NZ)	9	6	7	6	16 - 4 = 12	Ch Khysser Karl of Kersbrook (Mr & Mrs D M Renner)	Ch Sweet Lisa of Karina (Mr D M Renner)
1961	Colonel E E Ferguson (USA)	9	7	6	4	15 – 4 = 11	Ch Khysser Karl of Kersbrook (Mr & Mrs D M Renner)	Ch Zoja of Whitefirs (Mr & Mrs H Alford)
1962	Mr J Budd (S Africa)	10	±	7	±	17 – 5 = 12	Ch Tarna of Rydal Mount (Mrs K O'Connor)	Damka of Rydal Mount (Mrs M Renneberg) #
1963	Mrs E Rayne (USA)	13	11	6	3	19 – 5 = 14	Ch Birchleigh Tzar (Mr & Mrs R J Emmerson)	Trezor of Belaya Sobaka (Mr & Mrs L A S Auckram) RBOB #
1964	Mrs A E van Court (USA)	15	12	14	13	29 – 4 = 25	Kalina Smirnoff (Imp Aust) (Mr & Mrs N K Fraser) #	Ch White Crystal of Kinnoul (Mrs A Clarke)
1965	Mr W G Siggers (UK)	16	±	17	±	33 - 9 = 24	Zaldena Snow Khan (Imp Aust) Mr W P & Mr & Mrs A C Edwards #	Aust Ch Tatina of Kobe (Imp UK) (Mr & Mrs N K Fraser) RBOB #
1966	Mr C Brown (UK)	20	16	15	8	35 – 11 = 24	Ch Kalina Smirnoff (Imp Aust) (Mr & Mrs N K Fraser)	Voinaika Trishka (Mr W P & Mr & Mrs A C Edwards) RBOB #
1967	Mr W E Foster (UK)	23	19	26	24	49 - 6 = 43	Ch Kalina Smirnoff (Imp Aust) (Mr & Mrs N K Fraser)	Birchleigh Rani (Mrs L King) # RBOB
1968	Mrs J de Casembroot (UK)	14	12	19	16	33 – 5 = 28	Ch Kalina Smirnoff (Imp Aust) (Mr & Mrs N K Fraser)	Ch Snowflake of Athlor (Mrs A Clarke)
1969	Mr R Waters (Canada)	25	±	19	÷	44 – 15 = 29	Ch Voinaika Gjovik (Mrs B Pitkethley)	Ch Snowflake of Athlor (Mrs A Clarke)
1970	Mr F Haze Burch (USA)	20	16	19	9	39 - 14 = 25	Ch Lindi of Athlor (Mrs L Youngman) BITCH	Voinaika Barownowski (Mrs M Renneberg) #
1971	Mr W Burrow (UK)	23	21	25	18	48 - 9 = 39	Ch Voinaika Romanov (Mr & Mrs N K Fraser)	Angelita Tosca of Lynall (Mrs J Hendry) #
1972	Mr W G Siggers (UK)	31	±	17	±	48 ±	Kalina Silver Knight (Imp Aust) (Mr & Mrs N K Fraser) #	Escameno Ebby of Lynall (Mr S Hofer) RBOB #
1973	Mr J Charters (NZ)	17	14	16	10	33 - 9 = 24	Kalina Silver Knight (Imp Aust) (Mr & Mrs N K Fraser) #	Ch Angelita Tosca of Lynall (Mrs J Hendry)
1974	Mr H Carveth (Australia)	36	26	29	19	65 - 20 = 45	Ch Kalina Silver Knight (Imp Aust) (Mr & Mrs N K Fraser)	Ch Pandora of Rydal Mount (Mrs F M Wilson) RBOB
1975	Mrs U Magnusson (Sw)	46	35	33	(33) 22	79 – 22 = 57	Ch Nikolay of Kyle (Mrs M Renneberg)	Kimaritsa of Pearlonna (Mr N J & Mrs F M Wilson) #
1976	Mr E Boxhall (Australia)	42	32	36	26	78 – 20 = 58	Aust Ch Kalina Imperial Ureka (Imp Aust) (Mrs J Sydenham-Clarke) #	Ch Gay Lady of Vanda (Mrs M D Farr & E Faber) RBOB
1977	Mr J Lundberg (Canada)	21	14	17	15	38 - 9 = 29	Ch Snowranger Smyelchak (Mr & Mrs A Zentveld)	Ch Nikolaevsk Kezhma (Miss L R Vine, later Mrs Harris)
1978	Mr J Braddon (UK)	24	18	28	21	52 – 13 = 39	Kalina Major Module (Imp Aust) (Mr & Mrs J Sydenham-Clarke & Mrs N Fraser) # *	Rayski of Nenetsky (Mrs E Taylor) #
1979	Mrs J Kinsman (Aust)	23	21	27	21	50 - 8 = 42	Ch Snowranger Smyelchak (Mr & Mrs A Zentveld)	Ch Ecstacey of Samways (Messrs G Paul & P Paki)
1980	Mr K Igarashi (Japan)	30	22	34	17	64 - 25 = 39	Ch Sikandi Silva Joker (Imp Aust) (Mrs F M Wilson)	Kandimanda of Watermere (Mrs B Nepe) RBOB
1981	Mrs M Furst-Danielson (Sweden)	37	27	32	18	69 - 24 = 45	Kimchatka Achilles (Mr & Mrs T A R Maitland) #	Novaskaya Georgia Mist (Imp UK) (Mr & Mrs A P Blewitt) #

1982	Mrs H Logan (Canada)	32	22	25	13	57 – 22 = 35	Ch Sikandi Silva Joker (Imp Aust) (Mrs F M Wilson)	Novaskaya Silva Sabya (Imp UK) (Mr & Mrs T A R Maitland) #
1983	Mr G Donaldson (Canada)	15	±	12	±	41 – 14 = 27	Ch Kimchatka Alexei (Mr & Mrs A P Blewitt)	Ch Eischvenka Pearlonna (Mrs D Cohen) RBOB
1984	Mr E Dixon (Canada)	21	20	17	17	38 – 1 = 37	Ch Kimchatka Achilles (Mr & Mrs T A R Maitland)	Liskalite Arctic Fame (Mr R D & Mrs L A Perry) #
1985	Mr M J Van Der Kinder (Canada)	18	ŧ	15	±	33 ±	Ch Kimchatka Sun Emperor (Mr G K Burns)	Ch Lubianca Myatizh Cher (Mr A Aitken)
1986	Mr C Frederickson (Sweden)	20	17	19	15	39 – 7 = 32	Ch Vashka Storm Cloud (Mr & Mrs A P Blewitt)	Ch Novaskaya Silva Sabya (Imp UK) (Mrs E B Maitland/Mrs G Grey) RBOB
1987	Mrs P Wolfish (Canada)	11	10	7	5	18 – 3 = 15	Ch Lubianca Myatizh Cher (Mr A Aitken) BITCH	Vashka Novarimski (Mr A P Blewitt) RBOB
1988	Mrs E Ekstam (Finland)	10	8	10	8	20 – 4 = 16	Valdez Snow Ranger (Mr J E Watts) #	Ch Samivahn Ureka's Klopya (Mr P Dunning) RBOB
1989	Mr W Taylor (Canada)	12	10	9	7	21 – 4 = 17	Ch Russniak Sir Reuben (Mr A Aitken)	Kimchatka The Ballerina (Mr & Mrs M Adams) RBOB #
1990	Mrs D Welsh (USA)	15	12	12	9	27 – 6 = 21	Samways Pure Style (Mrs K L Jensen) #	Sunshine Dazzling Snow (Mrs I Allison) RBOB #
1991	Mr J Travers (Eire)	11	7	10	8	21 – 6 = 15	Kimlana First in The Race (Mr M & Mrs A Adams)	Ch Kimchatka The Ballerina (Mr & Mrs M Adams) RBOB
1992	Mr J Sanchez (Spain)	12	11	9	8	21 – 2 = 19	Ch Kalisa The Royal Diadem (Miss D M Langley) BITCH	Liskalite Magic Future (Mrs A J Day & Mr J Gilchrist) RBOB #
1993	Mr F da Costa Maia (Brazil)	9	8	7	6	16 – 2 = 14	Ch Liskalite Magic Future (Mr J Gilchrist)	Ch Samivahn Adenoki Tochka (Miss L Barr)
1994	Mr A Brace (UK)	13	11	8	5	21 – 5 = 16	Sunshine On Coral (K & A Shugg) # BITCH	Liskalite Rock Of Honour (Mrs A J Day & Mr J Gilchrist) #
1995	Miss J Lanning (UK)	9	9	10	7	19 - 3 = 16	Ch Kalisa Christmas Knight (Mr G & Mrs L Carleton)	Samivahn Roosay (Miss L Barr) RBOB
1996	Mrs A A Arch (UK)	18	12	17	9	35 – 14 = 21	Ch Kalisa The Sun Stunner (Mrs E Clausen)	Ch Sunshine On My Shoulder (Mrs L Fothergill) RBOB
1997	Mr R Herd (Canada)	14	11	6	4	20 - 5 = 15	Ch Liskalite Magic Future (Miss S A Gilchrist)	Kazalinski Wy Zen (Miss P J Taylor) #
1998	Mrs F Hamilton (UK)	13	12	14	9	27 – 6 = 21	Ch Kimchatka Laced With Ice (Imp Aust) (Mrs G Grey & Mrs J Hawkins) BITCH	Aldonza Kid N Lace (Imp Aust) (Mr G & Mrs L Carleton) RBOB #
1999	Mr S de Castro (Brazil)	13	13	14	11	27 – 3 = 24	Ch Angara Kinda Windy (Miss L Barr)	Ch Zaminka Olympic Medal (Mr G & Mrs L Carleton)
2000	Mr T Hong (Singapore)	17	13	16	10	33 - 10 = 23	NZ Ch Elgianto Show Edition (Imp Aust) Mrs S McKandry	Ch Zaminka Olympic Medal (Mr G & Mrs L Carleton) RBOB
2001	Mr H Van Der Berg (Netherlands)	10	±	4	±	14 ±	Ch Kimchatka Sweet As Ice (Mrs J Hawkins, Mrs G Grey & Mr S Hamer) BITCH	Ch Aldonza Kid N Lace (Imp Aust) (Mr G & Mrs L Carleton) RBOB
2002	Mr A Wight (UK)	13	11	6	4	19 – 4 = 15	Ch Aldonza Kid N Lace (Imp Aust) (Mr G & Mrs L Carleton)	Ch Zaminka Olympic Medal (Mr G & Mrs L Carleton)
2003	Mrs D Cole (Canada)	12	10	13	8	25 –7 = 18	Ch Aldonza Kid N Lace (Imp Aust) (Mr G & Mrs L Carleton)	Kimchatka Phoebe-rose (Mrs J Hawkins & Mrs G Grey) # RBOB
2004	Mrs A Ulltveit-Moe (Sw)	22	19	17	14	39 - 6 = 33	Ch Zaminka Back To The Future (Ms H Clark)	Ch Kimchatka Sweet As (Mrs L Fothergill)
2005	Mr S Wilburg (UK)	18	10	16	13	34 – 11 = 23	Ch Skrownek Sev Kazan (Ms S Stewart & Ms J Wells)	Ch Zaminka Still A Kid At Heart (Mr R G Barzey) RBOB
2006	Mr R Velez-Pico (Puerto Rico)	17	15	14	13	31 – 3 = 28	Ch Skrownek Sev Kazeel (Mrs A Andrew)	NZ Ch Kalaska Wild Excitement At Oscarbi (Imp Aust) (Ms H Clark & Mr R Barzey)
2007	Mr L H Wilberg (Norway)	16	12	14	10	30 - 8 = 22	Ch Skrownek Sev Kazan (Ms S Stewart & Ms J Wells)	NZ & Aust Ch Novastar Lady In Whyte (Imp Aust) (Mrs J Hawkins/Hamer) RBOB

"Soaking up the sun Samoyed style!"

Dear fellow Samoyed parent-OWNER



If life were an alphabet, then we have reached the letter ess ("S")!

I've been thinking that we should have called Lucy "Sasha" because, at times, she can be *Sasha* good girl and, at other times, she can be *Sasha* pain in the butt, especially when she's barking. At home we deal with these episodes by shutting her out of the room. She doesn't like that at all because she seeks our attention all the time. We tried the plastic bottle with stones in but she thought that was a new toy.

Mostly we know what the barking is about and what the whining is about. Whining in the car means, "Hey, Mum, I need to pee or "Oh boy, I know this place, we're nearly home, yeah!"

However, at age 15 months, life with Lucy is *eSSentially* very good now.

Recently my husband told me that he no longer wanted to '*send* her back'! Halleluja! I have to admit that for the first 9 months I would have given her back to her breeder if she had wanted her. But I, too, no longer hark back to the days *sans* Lucy.

Nowadays the only place Lucy gets *sent* is to her rug. In training we're learning 'go to the rug and lie down'. This is very handy when I'm cooking as she's usually under my feet when I'm working in the kitchen. After I've tripped over her a few times I *send* her to her rug, which lies outside the kitchen entrance, and she lies down. Of course, I can't keep her there too long as she's inclined to release herself from the rug but overall it is working very well. And at the end of our sessions of play, she gives me her toy and I send her to her rug where she receives a reward.

The letter S is for Sorbent. Kleenex has the Labrador puppy ... we have Lucy! Picture this if you will.

You're on the toilet when you discover there is no toilet paper because Lucy has unravelled it and left a trail of it all through the house or she has eaten a hole through the middle of every sheet of toilet paper.

The letter S is also for Sign language: One Saturday I parked the car at Ngatitoa Domain and walked Lucv up the side of the railway line to Plimmerton. There wasn't a cloud in the sky, it was quite warm for a winter's day and the beach looked inviting. Along the way we met three young boys, with their carer, who were enjoying digging for shells and other treasures in the sand. Lucy was having a lovely time running up and down the beach. She generally sticks close by me as being off-lead is a fairly new experience for her. The boys were intrigued with Lucy. One of them observed her sitting, lying down and coming to me when I called her. He asked me, "Do you use sign language?" "Yes, of a sort", I said. "If she can't hear me at least she can see my signals". With that he began to imitate me. Up went his forearm and Lucy sat. Down went his arm and Lucy lay down. She made me very proud that day.

The letter S is for sweet: At obedience training Ruby's mum often tells me that Lucy "has sasha Sweet face". It's true! She's always very happy to say hello to all the other dogs and is not aggressive at all. Unfortunately, she'd like to play with the other dogs more than train with them, so sometimes I just have to bide my time until she settles down and I can leave her to 'wait' or 'stay' off-lead. After she's run around the class a few times she usually settles down to work.

S is for sleeping: Mine, not Lucy's! With Suzie, the cat snuggled in at my tummy and Lucy tucked in behind my knees, I usually wake during the night very uncomfortable because I'm twisted into an *S-bend* in order that the cat and the dog should have a pleasant, cosy sleep. Mind you, on these very cold winter nights they do keep me warm. Recently I bought Lucy a bed of her own. She seems to like sleeping on it for at least part of the night as she puts herself to bed on it.

S is for Suzie: About a month ago, just as winter set in for real, we decided to work on changing Suzie's attitude to Lucy. We started shutting Suzie in the lounge in the evenings so Suzie had to spend time with Lucy and not continually run from her. This has been well worthwhile. Suzie has reclaimed her spot in front of the fireplace and her confidence has grown so much that she doesn't hesitate to come inside anymore when Lucy is hanging about. Lucy is still very interested to find out what Suzie has been up to but she is a lot calmer now with her wee sister. One day Suzie and Lucy were even lying side by side in front of the fire. *S also stands for "Stop that, I don't like it!"* When Lucy was quite young we started using a harness for walking her. We have always preferred harnesses on our Sams because we feel it frees up their necks yet gives us more control.

After a few months Lucy started objecting to having the harness put on her. I thought that maybe the breast strap was too wide for her and could be rubbing on the inside of her front legs. So, we went back to using a slip collar for a while. We weren't enjoying such a relaxed walk with her then, especially when we met other people and their dogs, so we persevered with the harness but every day it's been a battle to get the harness on. I couldn't understand why she didn't like it – our other Sams never objected.

Then one day I was in the supermarket and I heard a wee boy telling his father "No, daddy, stop it, I don't like it", as his father tried to take hold of his hand. That's when it came to me. The harness wasn't hurting Lucy, she just didn't like us having that control over her or feeling so restricted.

We still use the harness (it also does away with tangles in the wool around the ears) but it takes time, patience and a little bribery to get it on her. Once it's on and she does a little shake to settle it right, she's fine walking with it on. Mind you, you'd laugh seeing her with it on initially as she stands stock still, as if her paws were in concrete. She always looks so dejected. It's a great device for restraining a dog in the car, of course.

On the odd occasion, the harness has been useful when we have had visitors, although there has been a marked improvement with greetings at the door lately.

Sea begins with the letter 'S': As a puppy, Lucy showed a great fascination for water. We have a water feature and she loved to stick her whole head under the water. One day I took her to Plimmerton beach on a stormy day thinking she would enjoy the waves crashing over the pavement but she did not. It took a few more visits on calm days to get her past the fear of walking on Moana Road. Today it's a different story. She loves to run in and out of the incoming waves and she doesn't mind getting a little wet.

One day we met Ziggy on Plimmerton Beach. Ziggy, only 12 months old, was afraid of the sea. Lucy, being that much more confident and mature, kept running into the waves, then racing back to Ziggy, chattering away to her, encouraging her to follow her into the water. Ziggy plucked up all her courage and followed Lucy to the water's edge but no further. She waited for Lucy to come bouncing back to shore then they ran up the beach together like old buddies.

S is also for sliding (in the mud): It had been a very wet day so I donned my gumboots and took Lucy to Ngatitoa Domain for a session of play with Hudson

and Alfie. "Look at me, boys" she barked as she buried her face and ploughed through the mud. When she eventually stood up she was no longer recognisable. She looked more like a Malamute. Fortunately, a pond had formed nearby so I waded in with my boots on and washed Lucy down before putting her back in the car. She was grinning from ear to ear!

Lucy has just had a *super* weekend as I took her to meet a lovely couple who were trying out contact with a Samoyed because other dogs have caused an allergic reaction. Even I was impressed with her behaviour.

She is always very inquisitive and when she came out of their bedroom with Sarah's cell phone in her mouth she stood quite still and gave it back to me, like the good girl she can be.

After that visit, we went to Paraparaumu to visit Zinny, a Jack Russell. Zinny thought Lucy was a nice bit of talent and showed her all around his garden, even showed her his 'Jack Russell-size' dog-door. We were flabbergasted when Lucy followed him through the wee hole.

When we got home Lucy decided to see if she could fit through our cat door – eeeeeek!!!! We knew a Labrador once who climbed through a cat door and took the whole pane of glass with her. So, Lucy, don't try that again, eh?!

While my husband has been overseas I have been minding Lucy on my own. It's been a trial at times, like last Wednesday night when she stole a packet of Panadol. It appeared she had eaten 8 tablets so I raced her off to the After Hours Clinic. Although she had plenty of food in her stomach to absorb the parecetamol there was only a bit of froth evident in her stomach contents. It was not looking good! For a dog the size of Lucy 4 tablets are toxic and can do serious liver damage. On reflection I realised that it wasn't a full packet of Panadol. Therefore, the best case scenario was that she had eaten 3 tablets; the worst case would have been 5.

On Saturday I took her for a blood test which came back normal, thank God! Apparently, Lucy is a *scavenger* by nature. Hopefully she will grow out of it.

To be honest, I have never missed my husband so much as I have on this occasion. Normally, he is home with Lucy for a good part of each day and life is a lot easier for me. Having said that, I think being placed in her dog run in the garage and being promoted from a cage by the bed to a bed of her own, as well as time-out periods in my evenings, has perhaps gone quite some way to instilling in Lucy's mind that she, after all, is the dog in this family and I am the boss! ...even my husband says so!

To show him how much we were all missing him I wrote him a letter to the tune of "Camp Grenada".

Here is an excerpt: On the dog front I got to tell you that Lucy's trouble Let's just keep the cat Sometimes I wonder Why'd I bother Oh by the way, the vet just cost three hundred dollars! On that note - bye for now.

Mary Cashmore

Flashback – National Show judge Mr Derek Rayne

Since Mr Rayne's appointment to judge the 1963 National has been announced, information has been pouring into the "Gazette" about his very high qualities and in particular we have received anecdotes about him which make it quite clear that both he and his wife have the sunniest of personalities.

For example: Derek is reported as saying: "I remember judging once in Caracacas, Venezuela, when a revolution was in progress and we could hear

the firing squad in the background. We didn't take time out for a lunch break that day but attended strictly to our business," and again: "Did I tell you about the Show I judged once in Puebla, Mexico," he once said. "The people there were extremely proud of the natural setting of their Show grounds. It is completely surrounded by steaming hot springs. The folks were awfully friendly and pleasant, you know, and laughed uproariously as they told me of the previous judge who catapulted backward and disappeared into the steam while trying to avoid a lunging dog. He was never seen again".

Another of his stories concerns the wife of the former Cuban Dictator Batista. Derek was heavily engaged in his judging when a platoon of soldiers stalked into the ring escoting the wife of the president. Mrs Batista had graciously agreed to present the Best in Show trophy but she was in a hurry. Derek is reported to have said, "I've finished only three groups but I can complete the others in perhaps half an hour". But he was told by the Guard Commander, "That's too long. You'll have to pick the dog now. We can't wait'. Derek's comment about this is "Obviously this was *not* a Show approved by the American Kennel Club, so I got out of there as quickly as possible".

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Snow Dogs Match

The Club is organising a Snow Dogs Match to be held in November. Full details will be circulated with the Spring issue. The details will also be on the club web page.

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Alan Symes

21st September 1921 – 12th August 2008

Alan Symes was the first New Zealand policeman to join the dog unit in 1956 when Frank Riley arrived from the UK to start the dog section. He came with one dog and two brood bitches, and a litter of pups born on the voyage. They started in humble beginnings in a timber yard as the kennels had not been built. They made the dogs and puppies comfortable and made the best of the situation.

Frank Riley first showed the dogs to the public by walking them through town. They then did a display at Athletic Park before the big match, Frank using Miska, and Alan being the criminal, a role he played for many years. The public gave them a good ovation, so that was a good start.

Alan was born in Wales and his passion for dogs was almost from the cradle. His father had a great knowledge of dogs, which he handed down to Alan. When he was old enough they walked the mountain with their dogs, often acquiring a few extras on the way. Alan was always finding lost dogs and bringing them home. Eventually when any dog went missing the owner would just look at 27 West Street. So you can imagine his delight when the dog school started, he immediately applied. He said "imagine working with dogs all day and getting paid for it".

He was well qualified for the job, as he had a cottage station in the 50s, and used a dog on his beat. Although unofficially, he had many captures and the powers that be turned a blind eye. It was a seaside resort, and the population more than trebled during the summer.

His dog Beauty was of great value to him, especially when the pubs closed and crowds of youngsters gathered. No one could get near him as she was always at his side. He attained a great knowledge of dogs and their behaviour. Never letting a dog get the better of him, he would work with the animal until the dog obeyed his commands.

Colin Guppy joined them soon after, where they worked the kennels during the day and did callouts at night, being called all over the country until other handlers were trained. Alan's dog Rex was a wonderful dog, the one he felt was his favourite. Rex never left his side and at night would sit by his feet. He had a wonderful working career with Rex, who died at the age of 12, whilst on duty and was the oldest working dog at that time.

He had many catches with Rex. One was a criminal who had wedged himself between two slabs of rocks. Rex just rushed into the water and held the man there, till Alan got out to him. Alan and Constable Arnold were searching for slippery Gorman who had escaped from Mount Crawford. He was awaiting extradition to UK suspected of murder. In spite of all the personnel around the area, Rex found him over a steep bank semi-conscious. Rex saved Alan's life whilst searching for Wilder. They got back to camp after a days search. Just before twilight, Alan decided to have a look around, as Wilder had a habit of back tracking. Rex disappeared for a moment, when he re-appeared he just stood his ground. As they had had a long day he called him back. Next morning he had a look at the area and saw there was a shear drop ahead, which he wouldn't have seen at night.

Colin and Alan searched Wilton bush for a mentally impaired youngster. It was wet, cold and getting too dark and they had almost given up hope of finding the child. Soon they came across the little one, exhausted, wet, cold and frightened and suffering from hypothermia. As their coats were wet, they could not use them, so they laid Dante (Colin's dog) and Rex each side to keep the child warm. Alan very happily carried the child out on his back.

In 1961 they were searching Jon F Maltby who was suspected of murdering Wendy Mayes. Alan stayed the night in his Island Bay home, in case he came back. He said it was an eerie experience sitting there in the dark. Once again Rex was at his side.

In 1967 he was sent to New Guinea to organise the Dog Section there. Things were very primitive, however he said it was a guite an experience.

His methods were used for the drug and bomb dogs. A Cup is held in his honour for this.

He retired in 1981 but still continued to train civilians until he was 84. In that time he did film and ads. On the set of Wurzel Gummidge he had 22 dogs of all types of breeds large and small. In the film of "Send A Gorilla" he used a Doberman, who turned out a "born star". He used Rottweillers for the film "Willow". The set mainly on top of Cardrona, Queenstown. This George Lucas Film spared no expense and he was treated very well. George Lucas and Ron Howard were very impressed with the standard of dog training, as the dogs had to wear long-haired coats and latex rubber masks. He also did small parts in some of the series of that time. "Black Beauty Down Under" was another memorable experience. He used Chad, an amazing looking Rottweiller/Doberman cross, with his handler Mike, whom he had trained.

Alan had a wonderful life working with his life's passion – DOGS © Reprinted with permission from Mrs Mavis Symes

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