

AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award



Purpose: *This annual award honors those individuals who have made a difference in the sport of purebred dogs, embodied the AKC Code of Sportsmanship, and have been an active and valued member of the Samoyed Club of America.*

1. The AYS should carry a short description of the AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award, a mechanism for submitting nominations, and a description of the selection and awarding process.
2. Only SCA Members (both for the recognition year, as well as for the year in which the individual is being nominated) in good standing are eligible for nomination. In 500 words or less, nominations will include the name of the nominee, a description of how this individual demonstrated outstanding sportsmanship during the previous calendar year, and the name of the individual endorsing the nomination. (Please note that no additional weight will be given a nomination with multiple endorsements.)
3. Written nominations must be submitted to the chair of the Bob and Dolly aWard /AKC Annual Sportsmanship Award Committee by July 1st.
4. The Bob and Dolly aWard Committee/AKC Annual Sportsmanship Award Chair will review all applications and seek clarification from endorsers (if necessary).
5. The Bob and Dolly aWard /AKC Annual Sportsmanship Award Committee Chair will provide the nominees and their endorsements to the rest of the Committee.
6. The Committee will review and vote on the nominees, taking as many votes as necessary to come to a majority decision. The individual receiving a majority of the votes will be deemed the recipient of the award. There will be only one recipient of this annual award. (However, please note that a group of more than one individual may be nominated for the EXACT SAME reason—e.g. two or more working together who showed outstanding sportsmanship.) However, should such a group of nominees receive a majority of votes to be selected as the recipient, only one medallion will be awarded and it must be shared by the recipients.)
7. The Committee must reach their decision by August 1st of the year in which the award is to be awarded.
8. The decision of the Committee is final.
9. The name of the award recipient shall be kept in confidence until the SCA Annual Awards Banquet at the National Specialty.
10. The Bob and Dolly aWard /AKC Annual Sportsmanship Award committee chair (or designee) will award the medallion at SCA's Annual Awards Banquet at the National Specialty.
11. As follow-up to this award, SCA's AKC Delegate will provide the name of the recipient to the AKC (currently Ron Rella at rr@akc.org).
12. Written recognition of the award recipient to be published in the SCA Bulletin when the rest of the SCA Annual Awards are published.

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