

Kim Leblanc CV

I purchased my first dog, a Siberian Husky male in 1973. He, fortunately for us, was of good enough quality to become our first champion and sired our first litter. That was the beginning of Snowmist Siberians. My timing could not have been better for getting involved in this breed as many of the most famous kennels and their founders were still in existence. My mom and I had a short-lived trial with Alaskan Malamutes and decided they were not for us. But the adventure with other breeds continued and we enjoyed a Newfoundland and a few Salukis. During this time I handled many different breeds. In 1980 my late husband brought American Foxhounds into the picture.

I am still actively showing and breeding on a small scale. Mykennel (Snowmist Siberians) has been highly successful in Canada and around the world with many BIS winners in various countries. Here at home Snowmist Siberians have topped the charts in the All Breed System as well as at the breed level. MBIS MBISS MCH Snowmist's Bodacious was my first Siberian to be #1 All Breeds in Canada. What a thrill! To make it even better his daughter MBIS MBISS MRBIS Can GChG GCh Ex Am Ch Snowmist's Taffy RN TDN VN was Canada's #1 Dog 2025 by a wide margin.

My late husband and I competed in sled dog races winning our fair share of awards up until the fall of 1996 when family and business commitments forced us to retire. While racing, we actively participated in the Canadian Kennel Clubs Sled Dog Certificate Program earning over 90 titles.

In 1993 and 1994 the Siberian Husky Club of Canada awarded our lead dog Northstars Snowmist Birch C.D., S.D.U. the Ward Young Trophy for successfully competing in sled dog racing, showing and obedience within one club year. This was the first time any dog had won this award in back-to-back years.

I am a graduate of the canine course Dogs, A Hobby or Profession created by the late Casey Gardiner. Included in this educational program was a course on structure that taught structure based on a measuring process. I have used this process to improve my own knowledge, to help others understand what they see and to evaluate litters of puppies and grown dogs. I have conducted all breed measuring clinics as well as seminars on this topic.

Today I am a licensed All Breed Canadian Kennel Club judge. I began my judging career officially in 1994. Since that time I have had the honor of judging at several World Dog Shows, the Euro Dog Show and many other exciting shows around the world. I have been an active member for many years of the all breed club, Barrie Kennel & Obedience Club Inc. I have held such positions as President, Show Chair Person, and Judges Selection Committee.

I served as the Canadian Kennel Club Director for Zone 4 - Ontario North from 2004 through 2008. My duties included; Chair of the Canadian Kennel Club Junior Kennel Club Council, past Chair of the Club Relations Committee, member of the Breed Specific Legislation Committee, and Judges Hospitality and Transportation Chair for the Purina National CKC Charity Event.