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Time to Renewour year goes April to March. Paying your dues, helps us pay for the rent, insurance and other costs that go into putting an event on.

### April 10 Husky Hike Stulsaft

Park

April 16-17 SnoBASH Spring May? BASH meeting

June 19 Norsled Ice Cream

Social- Danville

Dec 17 Christmas Party

## AMAZON SMILES

We have signed up with Amazon Smiles. 1.5 % of sales on Amazon through Smiles comes back to BASH. Use the following link and earn money for BASH.

# April Showers bring May Flowers



## Husky Hike- Don Edwards SF Bay Wildlife Refuge

Sunday Morning, February 28, Dennis, Kai and I got out early for the Husky Hike on the east bay shore at Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge. In contrast to the previous weeks of bright warm sunshine, it was a cool and damp overcast morning more in line with early spring. All surfaces were dry, but there was a refreshing tinge of cool damp in the air.

We set up for warm beverages and snacks in the Visitor Center parking lot, at 2 Marshlands Road. Edwards is a major refuge for bay plants, animals, birds, with a few lovely trails that are open for hiking with dogs on leashes. More information is here: http://www.fws.gov/uploadedFiles/Headquarterstrailmaps.pdf#a

Our troupe of Husky Hike regulars arrived shortly; Gail, Candace, and new arrival Kim F. with pets in tow, and we enjoyed some discussion with all our dogs. Just as we were leaving to head off to the Quarry Trail the intrepid Karen, Brian, Keegan, Gabriel foursome arrived with Captain Jack and Freya. A few more minutes with snacks, and we were on our way off to the Quarry trail across the freeway bridge into Coyote Hills, the separate East Bay Regional Park that marks the mouth of the Alameda Creek channel into the bay.

The January rains had brought out all the vivid green grass and wildflowers, particularly poppies, which I've never seen so lush, large, and brilliant. They seemed to be lit from within like neon lights. Some of them opened the width of my palm, others furled like large tea rose buds. Best display I have seen in years!

Tide was in, so the atmosphere was fresh, with some muted but interesting odors for the dogs. I noted that there were a number of volunteers working at the greenhouse center, where they are trying to restore native plants to the bay refuge areas. Have to get down there some time to see what they are up to –it looks interesting.

After passing the old quarry, we followed the Apay Way trail to the headland benches, where I dropped out for rest and relaxation, and the others continued up and around the top of the Coyote Hills for the views and the extended tour.

Along there way, there were a few peddle bikers, hikers and photographers absorbed in their pastimes; although there were a few more people than I usually see, it wasn't crowded.

A little after noon, we were back to the parking lot to finish off snacks and start to plan our next hikes. It was a fun outing; Brian was delighted to learn about this no-fee entry point to Coyote Park, and we still had time and energy left for our afternoon errands. All in all time well spent with our pets and friends.

Dennis and I will be checking out Stulsaft Park in Redwood City, San Mateo county, and Shadow Cliff Park in eastern Alameda County possible parking fees) and Garin/Pioneer/Dry Creek EBRP for our next hikes. Watch the BASH e-mail list for announcements about when, where, what time we will next meet.

BASH members and associates and people who like dogs are very welcome to come out and hike with us, or later enjoy on their own the venues that we write about. Let us know if you have areas you'd like the group to visit, and also alternate times/dates that may be more suitable to your schedules.

Happy Spring!!

# SnoBASH

# Mark your calendars April 15, 16, 17

Watch the website...If it gets warm and doesn't freeze at night we will not be going. Right now there is snow predicted through the end of the month. They will not be able to run the trail groomer down to us, so they will put the trail in for us with a snow machine and a drag behind it.

BASH will rent the group room at Tamarack Pines for those that might want to join us on Saturday evening.

We are not reserving the lodge, it is up to each individual to make arrangements to stay at the Pines or Tamarack Lodge (prices will be good as it will be off season) Both places do not allow dogs in the rooms. There are places in Arnold and Angels Camp that do.

Tamarackpinesinn.com (contact them through their website) 18326 Highway 4, Bear Valley
Tamarack Lodge at Bear Valley
18278 Highway 4, Bear Valley
Tamarack, CA, 95223, United States
tamaracklodge@hotmail.com -

\$115 to \$245 per night. "209-736-9902" messages "209-753-2310" onsite 209-768-5346 cell BASH has stayed here in the past and recently they again are renting to individuals. NO PETS in rooms. They have single rooms and out buildings for families.

Any dog running with us has to have an Alaskan Collar. We will NOT be bringing up extra equipment, so bring your own. (harnesses, collars and drop lines)

You will be able to join a person that has a sled as space permits. We will only run up to 4 dogs per sled.

Do's and Don'ts for SnoBASH and other organized Dog Activities.

We will always do our best to explain rules re where we can sled/walk dogs, etc. Each place has rules made by owners of the property and need to be respected. We want to be able to continue using these sites and/or trails.

- 1. No tie-outs longer than 12" beyond side of car or 18" front or back, to avoid tangles/fights as others walk dogs past the vehicles.
- 2. Please pick up after your dogs on or off the trail. BRING DOGGIE BAGS!
- 3. Do not walk leashed dogs on or along edge of sledding trail while it is being used. Dogs pulling sleds on the trail will head right over to visit those dogs.
- 4. NO OFF-LEASH DOGS!!!
- 5. Don't take leashed dogs up to dogs on tie-outs.
- 6. PLEASE bring water bowls and water for your dogs. Do not assume that others will have extras for you to use. Please do not take water bowls/water from other people without asking.
- 7. Follow signs in area. All of the Cross Country trails state no walking on cross-country ski trails (with or without dogs) if you aren't sure "where" BASH dogs can be walked, ask someone. (This is rule of owner of property, not BASH.)
- 8. Don't walk up to someone else's dog on a tie-out without permission. If you feel something is wrong find the owner.

We will bring copies of this to events and ask people to sign that they have read them and will follow them. Dennis lost Mischka to caner and asked if we would publish this letter...

Our Mischka passed away, a victim of cancer, on March 10. (She was adopted from BASH in 2000)

It was amazing how quickly she entered our lives. The day she entered out house I knew she would not be leaving.

Mischka was not a large dog just under 40 lbs, two years old, red brown color with two light blue eyes. She had been rejected from two other homes for various reasons but we fell in love with her from the first.

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t was not long before she had settled into our house quickly making it hers. She loved to go for rides and considered the truck just a large container that her people also shared.

The home was hers and she considered it her duty to greet all persons coming in with a butt sniff and a roll over on her back to allow them to scratch her belly. She never showed a mean side and was very gentle with all people large and small making friends wherever we would take her. She was a great diplomat for Siberian Huskies

When she first arrived she did not do a lot of talking however through the years she learned to howl and we enjoyed numerous occasions to pack howl, I'm sure to the pleasure of the neighbors.

It is saddening how empty the house now feels. Mischka moved from sharing a room with me then move to the room of my wife was in. She followed my wife through the house placing herself in a position to always watch her and in many cases be underfoot.

As I said the house now seems very empty with the sound of her nails on the floor as she moved about the house. She was a great and faithful family member and will be missed.

We were advised by our veterinarian that 50% of dogs and cats will be victims of cancer As Mischka is the second Siberian we have lost to cancer we were wondering if this is a genetic problem to the breed and if any research has been conducted in this area?

Dennis and Cherrill Johnson dj@alchemymetalart.com

# Siberian Husky Social Group

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Join us!



### San Francisco, CA

Founded Dec 4, 2010

Members 449 Group reviews 22 Upcoming Meetups

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Chip in

Organizer: Ashley Hendershott



For lovers and companions of Siberian Huskies (and mixes). Socializing, husky interaction and training are the primary focus of this SF Bay Area group. We would like to do meet-ups throughout the Bay Area. There are a lot of Huskies out there that need interaction and we would like to help them meet up.

### Join us

Join us and be the first to know when new Meetups are scheduled

### Who do I know here?

Log in with Facebook to find out

By creating a Meetup account, you agree to the Terms of



# **Husky Lovers and Companions**

Upcoming 7

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Past

Calendar

### Let's Go Back to Remington in Sausalito!

#### Remington dog park

Ebbtide at Bridgeway, Sausalito, CA (map)











We had a great meetup at Remington Dog Park in Sausalito in January, let's do it again! It's a great dog park, a big 1.3 acres with all the amenities, and it's just... LEARN MORE

## Sat Apr 2

12:00 PM

**RSVP** 

3 days left

9 going

1 comment

### What's new







I put this in as a neat place for some to join if you love to go on hikes with your Siberians. They meet all over the bay area.....different days, different places...check the group out.....

# Rescue April 2016

Patty LaCava 415-722-5727 pattylacava@yahoo.com



Max we just got from San Jose Shelter. He was an owner surrender because they had never done the correct training with him. He walks ok on a leash. He knows the basic commands of sit and down. He becomes overstimulated when playing rough with humans. You need to work with him ton de-escalate his rough play. With adequate exercise and proper training he will become a wonderful companion. He is great when being patted until he becomes overstimulated. An experienced large dog owner home would be best.



Jessica Jennings 408-482-3441 jessdvm2010@gmail.com

Taiga is 2.5 years old, neutered, up to date with vaccines, has basic obedience training, and has a solid "down stay." He is recall trained, well socialized, housetrained, an excellent hiking and jogging partner and used to twice a week off-leash pack walks. He is on a special diet due to a sensitive stomach. Like most huskies, he is not to be trusted around small animals and cats. He also has an excellent singing voice.

# Bay Area Siberian Husky Club

Membership Renewal and Associate Application 2015-2016

Membership \$35.00

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Make checks payable to BASH. All memberships and subscriptions are valid through March 31, 2017. Send membership renewal form and check to:

Bay Area Siberian Husky Club, 2633 S Bascom Ave, Campbell CA 95008

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#### **Upcoming Adoption Fairs**

First Saturday PetsMart, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.850 W. Hamilton, Campbell 408-371-1841

Second Saturday Pet Food Express 11 am – 2 pm 1902 S Bascom Ave, Campbell, (408) 371-5555

Check with foster homes if they will be at a specific adoption fairs.