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- Join a BASH email list
- Buy a sweatshirt or T
- Give a membership as a gift
- Help with an adoption fair
- Donate to BASH
- Attend a bi-monthly general meeting
- Foster a Husky
- Help transport a Husky

UPCOMING EVENT

Feb 15, 16 Santa Clara County Dog Show at the Fairgrounds

April 4,5 SnoBASH 2

May? Vaccine/Chip clinic

Dec 12 Christmas Party

grounds

Carting Schedule with Norsled

Norsled Rescue also does carting events. Their event is at Lagoon Valley Regional Park, Vacaville, CA

For more information contact RESCUE@norsled.org

Sunday March, 1, 2009

SNDD.org – California Sled Races

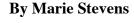
Feb 14, 15 Shaver Lake - Cancelled

Feb 28, Mar 1 Davis Lake

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Yukon Days





On January 10th, four and a half BASH members headed off to the Yukon for another sledding trip. Randee and Megan McQueen, Peggy Rusher, and I flew off <u>very</u> early....we arrived at the San Francisco airport at 5:30am, so guess what time we got up! Our last companion was a newcomer to our journeys, but we might have to invite him along again...he was a lot of fun,

although very quiet. He is short, has a flattop (actually, all of him is pretty flat), and goes by the name of Flat Stanley. He is the friend of a second grader who Randee knows, and he sent back pictures of himself in a variety of situations doing a variety of things, so the second grader could write a story about all the things Flat saw and did. (We got to know him pretty well, so we just called him by his first name. I have to admit, though, that sometimes we got confused

and called him other names, like Fast Freddy, or Flat Ferdinand... he never seemed to mind.) This time, no flights were delayed by mechanical problems, or cancelled due to bad weather, so we had high hopes that this would be a problem-free trip. However, it was not to be. When we got to Whitehorse, we were 2 suitcases short. Megan's arrived the next day, but mine didn't get there until the 3rd day! There was some frantic juggling of clothes so Megan and I could walk around town in -30 F degree weather without freezing too much by wearing other peoples' stuff.



The Yukon has experienced a greater than average snowfall this year (unlike here), so there was lots of snow. And the weather had been in the -40s for the last couple of months. It was on a warming trend while we were there, though the first few days were quite cold. We did some



day sledding trips for the first few days (averaging about 20 miles per day); we each had our own team of 6 to 7 dogs (except for Flat....he doesn't weigh enough to stop a team, so he had to ride with one of us.....usually he was in Randee's back pack). The terrain was gorgeous....trees covered in snow, high mountains, lakes, wonderfully colored clouds in the sky. We got lots of pictures. Then we started an overnight trip into the yurts. This trip has some very challenging terrain....big hills with steep down hills that take sharp turns at the bottom (always great fun!), over some overflow ice fields (some

thick ice in places, thinner in others, and some slushy icy water), narrow trails up the side of mountains where you could tumble down the side of the mountain if you tip your sled the

wrong way)....but we managed to do ok for the first 2/3 or so of the trip. Then one of the snow machines got stuck. (These are used to carry supplies in.) The guides worked for more than an hour trying to get it out, but they just couldn't. (During this time, we were with the dogs, often with one foot on the brake and one on the snow hook so they wouldn't take off....except for Peggy, who took a nap on her sled. Finally the dogs decided nothing exciting was going to happen, so they started napping too.)



Eventually it was decided that we would have to turn around and return home, because they needed to get the snow machine out before it froze into place and was stuck there until the next thaw. That was a challenge in itself....turning the teams around on a narrow trail. But we got it done and then took off for home. It was quite dark by the time we got back to the homestead, and getting chillier, but we all made it ok. Then Rod (the owner) and some others had to go back out to tow the snow machine in. We just ate and went to bed.

The weather had warmed up significantly by the end of the week.....to around +40 F....more comfortable for us but harder for the dogs. And once we got to town, there was mud and slush all over! That is the negative side of snow, I guess. But we had a great time and lots of good sledding. The dogs there are just great....lots of energetic young dogs, with more energy than



brains, but also some very experience older dogs who know what to do. We ate well, slept well, and played well. And we are already planning what to do next year!

Putting together a calendar for 2010

I was thinking it would be fun to collect pictures of BASH members and their dogs having fun at BASH events - then put together a 2010 calendar.

We could load a calendar with photographs (jpg files) using more than just one picture per month. Photographs of members and their dogs just having fun at home or vacation (etc) would be fun in the calendar also.

We could sell this calendar for a fundraiser at the end of this year.

Let me know what you think of this idea.

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Dog Treats Carob Recipies

Chocolate is a well-known toxin to dogs. So instead of using chocolate in homemade dog treats, use carob chips instead. These tasty little morsels can be found in many health food stores. Here is just one of many dog treats carob recipies that are easy to make from home.

Homemade Doggie-licious Carob Treats

Ingredients:

- 1 cup peanut butter
- 2 eggs, slightly beaten
- 1 cup milk
- 2 cups whole wheat flour
- 2 tbsp. sugar
- 1 tbsp. baking powder
- 1 cup carob chips

Directions:

- 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.
- 2. Beat eggs with peanut butter, then add milk and combine well.
- 3. In separate bowl, combine flour, sugar, and baking powder.
- 4. Combine the dry mixture with the peanut butter mixture. Mix well.
- 5. Stir in carob chips.
- 6. Drop by rounded teaspoons onto lightly greased cookie sheet, leaving about 1" in between cookies.
- 7. Bake for 20 to 25 minutes, or until biscuits look just barely "dry" in the middle and are baked through. Do not overbake! The biscuits will naturally harden as they cool.
- 8. Let cool before removing from cookie sheet.
 - 9. Call your dog over for a tasty homemade treat!

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Descriptions of the dogs listed in this newsletter, including evaluations of their temperaments, are furnished by the people placing them. We are providing an exchange of information only and we do not attempt to verify the information given.

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Luisa Sangines, sanginesl@earthlink.net

Tuni is Wonderful, loving, licker, kisser family dog. Loves children. Highly energetic. Need lots of exercise. Likes to play and fetch. Loves walks and likes the dog park. She is a bit agressive with dogs when on leash. Gets along well with other dogs when off leash. Pulls lots on walks. Fully house trained and has excellent manners indoors. Somewhat destructive when left outdoors by herself. Needs lots of chew toys while outside. Her family is placing her because they have an older dog they got her to be a companion for, and the older dog would prefer to be an only dog.

Randy Fishel - randyf@sibenet.com

Frosty is 10 months old and was surrendered to the shelter because the family was moving. He is a sweet dog who has NO training. He wants to run around and play and play and play. he was ok with other dogs at the shelter. When we played with him, we grabbed his tail and he chased it. He uses his mouth when he wants your attention, but is very soft with it. As we get more info we will update the file.



Randee McQueen (408)371-1841 BASHRR@aol.com

This is one of the sweetest siberians i have every met. He was born with underdeveloped eyes. He has limited vision, but it doesn't deter him once he knows the lay of the land. He loves to lay by your feet in addition to following me where i go in the house and lays at my feet while watching tv. he loves to go for walks. He just hangs around at my office also. BASH will continue to work with his new adopted family on his eye issues. The specialist that we have seen will talk with anyone interested in adopting him. If you would like a wonderful companion...please come and meet him.



Dutch is a great young siberian that wants to play. he loves to play with other dogs. He walks ok on a leash. He is housetrained and crate trained. He probably won't be good with cats. He lives with one at his foster home but they are kept away from the other dogs also. He is really good.



Beth Chamberlain 408-629-0448 b.d.c@comcast.net

Patty LaCava, 415–722–5727 pattylacava@yahoo.com

Rhodes(Timber) is the most amazing dog in the world. He is very mellow and calm when he is with his owner. He LOVES to play with other dogs and gets along with all dogs. Timber needs a yard with an adequate fence. He loves to be with other dogs for companion. When he's with people he's happy to just relax in a corner and spend the the day quietly enjoying his peoples company. He is living in San Francisco right now. He is left in the house with other dogs. There is no yard, so they are walked 3–5 times a day. When left in the house he is good when left with a food filled kong. He capable of being off leash. He would probably do best in a home without a yard and a person who wants to exercise with him. He

Maureen Marcus 510-895-9104, spiritofashadow@aol.com Malamute Rescue

was adopted from BASH 18 months ago. He came to BASH with a broken foot.

Bay Area Siberian Husky Club

Membership Renewal and Associate Application 2009-2010

Membership enclosed for: \$30 Single \$35 Family \$25 Associate

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Marie Stevens, 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
Coordinator: Randee McQueen
408-371-1841

Second Saturday PetsMart, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. 175 Ranch Road, Milpitas Coordinator: Bill Otto 408-258-9806

Third Saturday
Pet Food Express 11 am to 2 pm
15466 Los Gatos Blvd., Los Gatos
Coordinator: Randee McQueen
408-356-7600