

# SIBERIAN TALES

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## Ways to Get Involved With BASH

- Adopt a Husky
- 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

**SIGN up for the FUN Match...**  
**It is a great day of fun with**  
**your dogs questions, call Randee or Marie**

## UPCOMING EVENT

June 6,7 Umunhum Camping  
June 13 General Meeting  
June 21 Fun Match with Norsled, SHRR and NCAMA  
July 11, 12 Temperament Test - NCAMA  
Sept 20 Ice Cream Social  
October 18 Fall Furry Flurry  
Dec 12 Christmas Party



## Remember to send pictures for a calendar for 2010

Photographs of members and their dogs just having fun at home or vacation (etc)  
Send me your pictures (jpg files or I can scan and return them) Pictures can be mailed to the BASH address. We will sell this calendar for a fundraiser at the end of this year.  
Cheryl Jueal [wcyj54@sbcglobal.net](mailto:wcyj54@sbcglobal.net)

A number have been received but we want more....



# BASH June General Meeting

Saturday June 13  
6 pm

Greg and Marie Stevens  
1924 Foxworthy Ave  
San Jose CA 95124  
(408)377-1180  
sleddingshopper@pacbell.net



After meeting  
A discussion/demonstration  
By

Randee McQueen

On

Showing your dog at the Fun Match....what you do,  
how you do it, what it all means and more....

The discussion is to make people feel comfortable  
and not feel that you have to do it just one way. This  
is a FUN match...for those that show all the time it  
is a way to practice...for those that don't it is a way  
to understand what the judge is looking at and for  
and why....



Also we will talk about the Temperament Test that the NCAMA is doing  
in July and what the Canine Good Citizen test consists of.

Dinner will follow discussion

Main entrée will be supplied by BASH

RSVP if you are coming and to sign up to bring something.

Hope to see many at this meeting.....

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## Behavior testing at HSSV



Michelle did a fantastic talk about the evaluation of dogs at the Humane Society of Silicon Valley. She started with the general goals of HSSV. What can they provide for that dog? That the most important part is to evaluate a dog that it can be safely adopted or sent to rescue. They prefer to start the evaluation prior to the dog going into their “room”. There are many steps that they use. There are two people that do the evaluation and in many cases they are re-evaluated after they have been there for a short period of time. They evaluate from their body language, touching, teeth exam, food test, dog to dog and more. Not any single test will cause them to not

make it to adoptions or rescue.

Most of us see the hair on our dog’s backs go up... and she taught us that that is their way of “blushing”. Most of us know by body language if it is good or bad...and Michelle confirmed that. Watch what else is going on. I realized that we also do that when we put a dog on a sled team...see how the dog reacts to others etc.

She also talked about the use of the plastic hand to see if they are food aggressive. She gave us examples of extreme cases and cases when they knew that the dog just was playing with it and not being aggressive. They look at the dog’s body language and not just the actual reaction.

When they do dog to dog introductions, each evaluator is watching the other person’s dog. As they approach they are constantly talking to each other. The person walking the dog can’t see what it is doing as well as the other person walking up to them. They start with the dogs 15 to 20 feet apart and work up to them being close to each other.

There were so many great things she said but I was busy listening and couldn’t type it all in. Thanks Michelle for the great and information talk....



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## Juneau – Passing of a Friend

Juneau passed away on Saturday night May 2, let me tell you about a great little friend. We adopted Juneau in 2000. He had been dropped in a night box at the Hayward Animal Control. He was rescued by a member of BASH, who took him to Nobel Veterinarian for check up and neutered. We had lost our other Siberian Mishia, after 12 years, about 9 months prior and had asked Dr Nobel if he came across another for adoption to let us know. I received a call from Dr. Nobel telling me of a great Siberian pup he had in his office and I should come down to see him. It was love at first sight. Juneau was estimated to be 6 months old but we did not have a date of birth, so I gave him mine.

I took him home and notified my wife we had a new family member. As with any new member there was the usual problem of who was boss. I really don't know if this issue was ever established. Juneau was a talker; He had an opinion on everything and gave it frequently. There were even times when I felt he was mumbling under his breath when I did not pay attention to him.

Through the years Juneau wormed his way into our lives and under our skins. Juneau was always with us. When we bought a new truck a stipulation was the need for a proper windowed camper shell for the back so he could ride with his head out the side. If the truck moved so did Juneau.

I could relate many incidents of his short life with us but the two that come to mind are the Halloween candy incident and the great frozen turkey theft.

My wife and I are both diabetics. We had a bag of candy, left over from Halloween, it disappeared one day. I thought my wife hid it and she thought I hid it.

I was in the back patio calling Juneau to brush him when he arrived carrying a Milky Way candy bar in his mouth, still in its wrapper. I hurried to the back yard and found the candy bag ripped open and spread in the area he staked out for himself. My wife and I gathered up what remained and called the Vets office. We were advised he knew the dog and the candy and saw no problems other than we should not stand behind Juneau.

The next day Juneau came around to the patio and presented me with another Milky Way bar. My wife and I scoured the yard looking for any candy we might have missed with negative results.

The next day another Milky Way bar, this time I searched the area and seeing his favorite blanket I raised it up to see a cache of candy bars fall out. He had hidden them in his blanket.

The second incident was the great Turkey theft. My wife was defrosting a turkey on the kitchen counter on a metal tray. I was in front room when I heard a crash



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and went to check the noise. I found the metal tray on the floor and asked my wife what she had on it?

She advised the 22 lb. turkey.

I told her it was gone now and headed out to the back yard. Around the side of the house Juneau had the turkey in his mouth and seeing me started to take up defense stance to defend his prize. I told him to drop the turkey which he refused to do. I cornered him by the fence and he dropped the turkey. I should advise that I'm disabled and walk with the aid of a cane. To keep him from regaining the turkey I had to place my foot on the turkey hold onto the fence for support and still keep Juneau from regain his prize. My wife arrived at this time and was reduced to laughter at the sight of me with the turkey held down with my foot and waving my cane at Juneau to keep him from it. Due to the damage to the Turkey, after my efforts to regain it, my wife decided she did not want to cook the turkey and it was thrown away.

Juneau had not been in snow so we decided to take him to the Sierras during a storm to see how he would react. We arrived and let him out of the truck. My wife walked him across the snow and as long as it was just to his feet he was fine, but he crossed to a soft patch and sunk up to his belly. He backed out, turning towards the truck and pulling my wife jumped into the back. He look at us as if to say I've had enough, if you want me to get involved in dog sledding I want to ride.

Throughout his life Juneau suffered from epileptic seizures that happened about once a month. But theses did not affect his personality or his behavior around people or other animals. With the exception of his wanting to chase the cat, which he never caught, he was very friendly and playful with other dogs. He was the official greeter at our home to everyone who visited.. The neighbor kids would come

and ask if Juneau could come out to play they thought he was a lot of fun.

He leaves a large hole in our life, but many fond memories

Dennis and Cherrill Johnson

Juneau and his lifelong friend  
Zoom





don't let the pup today



be tomorrow's throwaway  
SIBERIAN HUSKY CLUB OF CALIFORNIA

# Northern Breed Fun Match

Sunday, June 21, 2009

Oak Hill Park, Danville



For more and updated information please check our  
web site at: [www.bayareasiberian.org](http://www.bayareasiberian.org)

Pre Entries Close June 11th

Fees: First Class \$12.00

Additional Class \$8.00

Proceeds will be divided among  
the non-profit groups participating

Day of Match Entries

First Class \$15.00

Additional Class (same dog) \$10.00

Confirmation classes- Siberian Husky, Alaskan Malamute, Samoyed, Spay/Neuter, Sled Dog – ages 2 months to veterans,

Weight Pull – **\$10.00** (weather permitting) **Registration and weigh in- 1:00** **Weight pull – 2:00** Exhibitors can bring  
a note signed from the vet of dog's weight (date within one week). Some Harnesses will be available to borrow.

CGC will be offered by San Francisco Samoyed Rescue – 1:30 check in, 2:00 start – Fee \$20.00

**DAY OF MATCH ENTRIES- FROM 8:00 AM TO 9:00 AM. CONFORMATION** (puppies to veterans), **OBEDIENCE,**  
**HANDLING / Junior and Adult Handling \$5.00 at ringside during lunch, Parade of Rescue after Best in Show**

Conformation regular/non  
regular  
**Marilyn Lassagne**  
10:00 am

Sled Dog  
**B. Griffiths**  
After confirmation

After  
Jr. & Adult Handling  
**Marilyn Lassagne**  
Noon

Husky Charm  
Obedience  
Bobbi Durston, CTC, CPDT  
Pat Knittel  
9:00 am

Ribbons and Trophies: 1st - 4th classes - Ribbons ---- Best of - Rosettes & Trophies ---  
Jr and Adult Handling – Rosette, Parade of Rescue - Rosette

Lunch will be available (\$7.00 pre pay, \$8.50 day of if available) Tri-tip sandwich, chips and a drink.  
Bring your checkbook for the fantastic raffle and silent auction items....great northern breed stuff...  
Information tables may be set up for northern breed groups at a cost of a donation to the raffle. Carting  
will be demonstrated.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO B.A.S.H. - MAIL ENTRY FEES TO:  
Randee McQueen, 2633 S Bascom Ave, Campbell CA 95008 (408)371-1841

**Dog** (make copies if necessary) **# for lunch** \_\_\_\_\_ **adults**

Breed \_\_\_\_\_ **Classes Entered:** \_\_\_\_\_

Sex ( ) M ( ) F **Weight Pull:** \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ **Age:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Obedience Class** \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Name \_\_\_\_\_

AKC Registration Number: \_\_\_\_\_ **Adult Handling:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Junior Handling:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Owners Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

Street

City

State

Zip

I agree not to hold B. A. S. H, NorSled, NCAMA, SHRRCA or the City of Danville liable for the loss or damage to any dog exhibited,  
whether the result of the accident or other causes and in addition, assumes no responsibility for any loss, damage or injury  
sustained by an exhibitor. It is distinctly understood that every dog at this Match is in the care and custody and control of the  
owner / handler during the entire time the dog is on the premises.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Date

Amount Enclosed.

**Come one, come all, for the dogs, dogs, dogs!** There will be show dogs, rescue dogs, puppies, veteran dogs and all sorts of sled dogs – **Malamutes, Huskies, Samoyeds**, and **mixes** of these breeds.

A fun match is just that – an opportunity to have fun with your dog, with other people who love dogs and enjoy some great outdoor fun. You don't have to know what you are doing either! There will be judging like you see on Animal Planet's breed competitions. If you have never tried this but want to, this is the place to give it a whirl.

AKC registered dogs will be judged in formal **conformation** classes, all the other dogs will be in the spay/neuter confirmation of that breed, or the more general "Sled Dog" class. Classes will be held for **puppies, adults** and **veterans**.

If your dog likes to pull, you may want to let them try a **weight pull** – many sled dogs enjoy pulling. We may also have dog carts there that your dog might be able to try. Also see "Canine Good Citizen" (**CGC**): a certification program that is designed to reward dogs who have good manners at home and in the community.

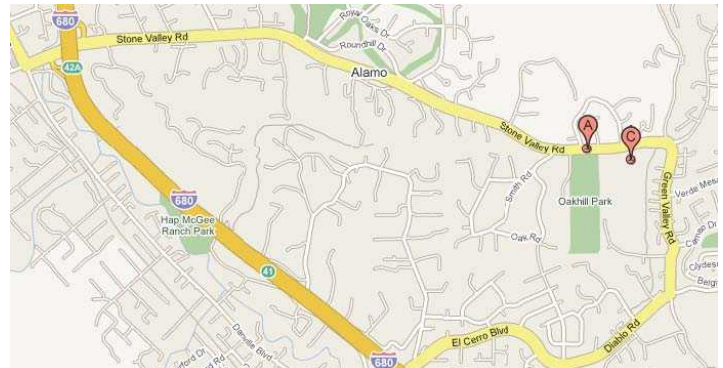
There will also be **trainer presentations, handling classes, a parade of rescues**, and a chance to talk with other sled dog owners - sharing tales (or tails), raffles, auctions and other fun activities. Come have fun!

Traveling North on I-680 you would need to exit at Stone Valley East and turn right at the stop sign. The park will be on your right hand side about 1.5 miles down the road.

Traveling South on I-680 you would need to take the Stone Valley Road EAST exit. The park will be on your right hand side about 1.5 miles down the road.

It is located next to Monte Vista High School and you may park in the school parking lot.

### Homemade Frosty Paws



1 ripe banana

4 oz. fat free yogurt --vanilla flavor

2 oz. water

Directions: Combine all ingredient in a blender and puree. Pour into ice cube trays or paper cups and freeze.

### Homemade Frosty Paws - Meat Version

1 large jar of baby food meat-- make sure it doesn't contain onions!

32 oz. fat free yogurt --vanilla flavor

2 Tbsp. honey

Directions: Combine all ingredient in a blender and puree. Pour into ice cube trays or paper cups (3 oz. dixie type) and freeze.



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# Umunhum Run and Camping

**Tentative Schedule-** They can always change because of heat, fire, dog shows and other events.



June 6,7  
July 4,5  
August 8,9  
September 12,13  
October 10,11

November 7,8

Through out the summer we cart with our dogs by moonlight. It is a fun time with our dogs getting exercise, learning to work with a team and as a team.

We meet around 5 pm on Saturday night and if the weather allows, we run the dogs between 7 and 9 pm. If it is warm we eat dinner first and then run them. They run from 1 mile to 7 miles, again it is based on the weather... the warmer it is the shorter we run. In the past 5 years of doing this event we have been unable to run 3 times. Dinner is a group effort.

Some people then camp in tents but most campout in their cars or beside them.

In the morning we rise with the sun and run the dogs again. We try different dogs in different positions and come back to a GREAT group breakfast and off the hill by 11 am.... You still have time to do things before the end of the weekend.

Most people go up for the whole event. SOMETIMES (not all the time) we have a couple that only come up for the evening part. This can only happen if we have at least two cars going down at the same time.

**Time to meet- 5 pm at the lowest gate (there are three locked gates so we have to stay together)**

**RSVP Randee at (408) 371-1841 or [bashrr@aol.com](mailto:bashrr@aol.com) by the WEDNESDAY before the weekend to find out what to bring and for how many.**

**What you need to bring- your own drinks, sleeping bag, food for your dog and food for the group.**

Call for directions. It takes approximately 30 minutes from Highway 85/Almaden Expressway to the first gate. People can also make arrangements to meet at Randee's office and follow her up.

It is great fun and very relaxing. The views of Santa Cruz, Monterey Bay and Santa Clara County are wonderful both as the sun rises and the sun sets. Come and join us.





NORTHERN CALIFORNIA ALASKAN MALAMUTE ASSOCIATION  
WILL BE HOSTING AN

## ALL-BREED TEMPERAMENT TEST

(Licensed by the American Temperament Test Society, Inc)



**Date:** Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009  
**Time:** 9:00am to 4:00pm  
**Location:** Robertson Park at Robertson Meadows  
1100 Arroyo Road, Livermore, CA 94550

**Fees:** \$45.00  
(\*Fees to reflect additional charges for park expenses\*)  
Make checks payable to NCAMA



Temperament test limited to 50 entries per day

Day of test entries if space is available

Temperament Test entry forms can be found at:  
[www.atts.org/pdf/ATTS\\_flyer.pdf](http://www.atts.org/pdf/ATTS_flyer.pdf)

**Reservation Deadline is July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

For additional information please contact:

Andrea Patterson

415-643-2069

[apattson@earthlink.net](mailto:apattson@earthlink.net)

Minimum age for Temperament test is 18 months

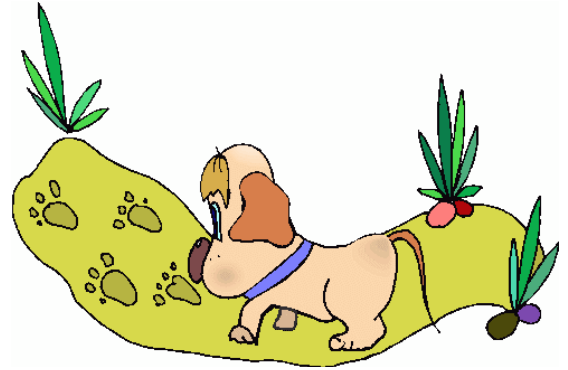


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# Hikes, Camping, going to the Beach with your dogs.....



In past years we have done 10 mile hikes (for back packing titles), camping trips, beach hikes and more. We have run out of places and ideas...but many of you may have other places that you know of to go.



If you have a place you think a group of people would like to go (with our dogs) please contact Marie Stevens. We will help you set it up, make arrangements etc....



[Sleddingshopper@pacbell.net](mailto:Sleddingshopper@pacbell.net) or  
408-377-1180

Hope to hear from you soon.....

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# Rescue June 2009

## Serving the Bay Area & Northern California

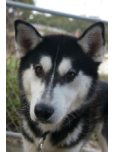
Descriptions of the dogs listed in this newsletter, including evaluations of their temperaments, are furnished by the people placing them. We are providing an exchange of information only and we do not attempt to verify the information given.

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Randy Fishel- [randyf@sibenet.com](mailto:randyf@sibenet.com)

Randee McQueen (408)371-1841 [BASHRR@aol.com](mailto:BASHRR@aol.com)

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.



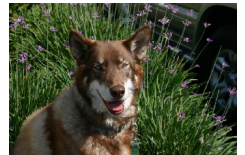
Beth Chamberlain 408-629-0448 [b.d.c@comcast.net](mailto:b.d.c@comcast.net)

Brad - He was five months when he was adopted Sept 2008 (from the San Jose Shelter), and came to us at 10 months. He was adopted but due to a family emergency he is being returned. He is full of energy, very playful, but needs training. He doesn't seem to know any commands, yet. He also jumps up and is mouthy. But he is a happy boy, and sweet. He is white and gray (no mask) with dark brown eyes. He seems to know his name. He is submissive to my dogs, and really wants to play with them. He likes the family too. He's very springy. He has been with kids and other dogs. He is very friendly.



Patty LaCava, 415-722-5727 [pattylacava@yahoo.com](mailto: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 was adopted from BASH 18 months ago. He came to BASH with a broken foot.



Martin is a rescue from San Francisco. He is very small for a siberian male. He had a spiral fracture of his hip when he was 5 months old. We repaired it in Sept 08. He is a very spunky with alot of energy. He loves to talk. He is housetrained and crate trained. He needs someone who will be consistent and firm with him or he will take advantage of the situation. He will do well on his own or with another larger dog. No cats, no kids under 10 and no small dogs or other small animals in the home. He needs training. He knows sit. He loves to talk and sits by me at work and at home. He is only 25#'s and will not get any bigger. He need an experience siberian home. He is small but has the attitude of a large dog. He plays GREAT with dogs larger than he is....



Maureen Marcus 510-895-9104, [spiritofashadow@aol.com](mailto:spiritofashadow@aol.com) Malamute Rescue

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## Bay Area Siberian Husky Club

Membership Renewal and Associate Application 2009-2010

Membership enclosed for: \$30 Single

\$35 Family

\$25 Associate

Date

Name(s)

Mailing address

City, State, Zip

Area code and phone

E-mail Address

Amount Enclosed \$

☐ I would like the newsletter mailed to me.

Make checks payable to BASH. All memberships and subscriptions are valid through March 31, 2010. Send membership renewal form and check, or inquiries about becoming a voting member, to:

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

## Bay Area Siberian Husky Club

**[www.bayareasiberian.org](http://www.bayareasiberian.org)**

2633 S. Bascom Avenue  
Campbell, CA 95008

### **Upcoming Adoption Fairs**

First Saturday  
PetsMart, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.  
850 W. Hamilton, Campbell  
Coordinator: Rande 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: Rande McQueen  
408-356-7600