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Time to Renew your memberships.

All memberships go from April to March of each year. If you have adopted from BASH within the past year, it will just roll over for another year. \$30 for individual and \$35 for a family.

A big Thank you to our President, Anthony, for doing a great job for the last ????years. Marie Stevens made this great quilt as a thank you gift and gave it to him at our meeting. Thank you Anthony.....

Jan 30, 31 feb 1	SnoBASH- cancelled
Feb 7	Hike in Fremont
Feb 22	General Meeting
March???	Reschedule SnoBASH
Dec 12	BASH 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.

http://smile.amazon.com/ch/77-0410632



March Husky Hike Greyhound Rock Santa Cruz County Park Saturday March 14, 2015 Iow tide will be at 12:42 PM 9:00 AM to early afternoon

Santa Cruz County off California Coast Hwy 1, 3640-3691 Cabrillo Highway, Davenport, CA 95017 scparks.com more info at http://www.seecalifornia.com/beaches/greyhound-rock.html From Santa Cruz, drive north on Highway 1 about 17/18 miles, 7 miles past Davenport and Scott Creek. Small sign beach access, parking lot is on the left. If you get to Waddell Creek Beach, you've gone too far. It is about 55 miles south of San Francisco on Highway 1.



Inconspicious sign stating coastal access. Paved parking lot, several picnic tables, and restrooms near parking at top of the dunes, no facilities on beach, a hike down to a coarse sand beach along the cliffs. Access to the big rocks and tide pools at low tide; powerful waves and currants not for swimming, it can get very windy on the western beach.

Amazing views, bring your cameras

and binoculars – possible whale sightings and the occasional dead seal on the beach. Dress in layers, could be hot, cold, windy, foggy, or all of these. Towels, fresh water for dogs. Picnic lunch, drinks and beach gear you will have to carry down to the beach.

Dennis and I will bring coffee and breakfast snacks and be at the parking lot at about 9:00 a.m. (high tide will cover much of the beach at about 5:15 each morning and recede until 12:30 to 1:00). It is not a huge area so if you arrive later, you will probably find us easily. Look for the fluffy tails! We'll cancel and reschedule if there is rain, very high winds or dangerous surf, or if SNOWBASH is suddenly rescheduled with the arrival of enough snow! Watch your BASH e-mail or Bayareasiberian.org web site for status.

If it rains we will reschedule to March 28th- same time and place



BASH received a \$20 check for people that have walked their dogs on our behalf. It is a great way to raise funds and get exercise. Get the APP and sign up for BASH when you go on the next hike or just walking your dog around the block. Two people can to me at the Golden Gate Kennel show and told me that they walked for BASH and they weren't even members.

Take your Walk for a Dog

Support your local animal organization simply by walking your dog! Use the app each time you grab for the leash. It's healthy for you, your dog, and your favorite shelter or rescue.

Click "Get the App" at the top of the page, install the free Android or iPhone app, and start taking your Walk for a Dog every day. You can change the shelter or rescue you are walking for in the setup tab of the app for iPhone users, or in the settings menu for Android users. Be sure to encourage your selected animal organization to get the word out! The more people walking for a shelter or rescue, the more we can donate.

Latest News

Donations to 4,000 rescues & shelters!

In December we are sending donations to over 4,000 rescues & shelters. Please share the app. The more people walking for your selected organization, the more we can donate. Visit the About Tab on the app to see how many are walking for your organization.

About Us

WoofTrax, through the Walk for a Dog mobile app, creates fundraising opportunities for shelters and rescues while encouraging dogs and their humans to exercise together regularly.

Get the APP

http://www.wooftrax.com/get-the-app/

SnoBASH~ Cancelled

Watch the website.... We are trying to set a weekend in March to go up but waiting for more snow.

Like us on Facebook

http://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Bay-Area-Siberian-Husky-Rescue-Referral/154737834550732 and http://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Bay-Area-Siberian-Husky-Club/129080940474219 Bringing back old articles....since we haven't seen snow I thought I would bring back the last time we had SnoBASH- enjoy

SnoBASH 2013

Finally after 2 years of not being able to go, we were able to sled at Bear Valley. There was about 2 feet of snow and Paul with Bear Valley Cross Country but in a nice 1 mile trail for us. The largest team we were able run was 5 (David and Michelle's dog which included Bunkies) Any more than that and it was to slick and fast. Patty took off the first day with her 3 and they left her on a corner while others grabbed her sled. That is when we knew it was really fast and so were the dogs.





I wrote this for Siberian Husky Club of America Newsletter... thought some of you might enjoy it.

Siberian Husky Rescue — What is its role? By Randee McQueen

Everyone has a different idea or belief of what dog "rescue" is or should be; how rescue should work, what you do and don't do. Some see it as good for the breed while others feel it is a liability that should be avoided. The definition of rescue is very diverse, dependent on geographic location, the type of rescue, personal perspectives, local laws, whether it's a "handson" local rescue or a national support group, but ultimately they all have the same goal of getting animals in need into a safe, loving place. In many cases it is not necessary to be physically involved with rehoming an animal, it is simply lending an ear to an owner and providing ideas and information on how to correct a problem with a dog.

Rescue overall has changed dramatically the last 25 years. The Internet has opened up opportunities and more information is readily available. Most rescue organizations have become very effective in using the Internet to gather information, post dogs for adoption, share important information, and find lost dogs. It is an "expertise" that dog owners have increasingly taken advantage of. Yet many people still don't know how to access useful, reliable information from the web.

Most people think of rescue as saving the Siberian from the local pound or shelter, or saving a dog that has been found running loose. Rescues may also take in owner surrenders, and some help breeders place dogs that have been returned. Many groups, are bound by the laws of their region regarding ownership, the resources available to the rescue, and how many dogs the rescue can handle.

But rescue is also about helping people work through behaviors and issues with their dogs that they are not sure how to handle. As rescuers, we are often asked by Siberian owners how to address many behavioral issues, such as digging holes, jumping fences, marking in the house, food issues, and many more. Providing the owner with a solution is often simple and quick, and makes the owner feel more in control of their dog and situation. It can help keep the dog in the home preventing the dog from entering rescue.

Local rescue work can be emotionally difficult, expensive, time consuming, and has some legal liability. Local rescuers are the people who are directly working with the dogs that need rescue. They evaluate the dogs in shelters and homes. They see if they can help with finding a new home or help the dog stay in its current home. Most rescues have foster homes that care for and work with the dogs until they're adopted. They hold adoption fairs where potential adopters can meet the dogs. Many show the dogs in their homes. A few rescues board dogs and show them at the boarding kennels. At the local level Rescues arrange and pay for all the veterinary work for each dog (shots, spay/neuter, injury repair, surgeries, medications, etc.). Local rescuers are the ones who set up transport systems, and working relationships with shelters and

veterinary offices. In the end, they are the ones who work and care for the dogs until they find a new forever home or end up being a "foster failure".

At the national level, we are there to support and fill in the gaps for the local rescues. National rescue provides grants that help relieve some of the financial burden for the local rescues. But we can also help relieve other burdens as well, such as educational activities. Rather than having each local rescue spend time developing educational materials to cover the breed, behavior issues and recommended websites, one group could do the work and share it with all of the local groups. This would free up the local rescues to do what they do best, deal with the dogs in need.

Another gap that could be filled is assisting with information to those who do not have a local rescue. Although there are rescues across the country, they only cover limited areas. In many cases there are no rescues within 500 miles or more of an owner or a shelter, so there's no one to get help from. At the national level, assistance can only be provided to these owners and shelters that might otherwise have nowhere to turn to help a Siberian in need. At the national level, a dog is not rescued or actively helped to place, but there are other ways to help. Providing educational material and giving suggestions and ideas to an owner who is having behavioral problems and thinking of surrendering their dog. Owners can be given ideas on how to rehome their dogs when there is no rescue near them to assist. Suggestions can be made to shelters of alternative places to list Siberians to increase the dog's visibility on the Internet, or assist in developing contacts to transport a dog to an adopting home. Ideas can be offered to an owner with a sick or injured dog that needs help paying the vet bill. Financial assistance cannot be provided to these people, but they can be told about ways that they can get help, such as using CARE credit, identifying groups in their area that might help with funds, and suggest ideas for how to raise money for the vet bill. Information can be provided for owners of lost dogs, educating them about effective methods of locating their dog, as well as assisting with disseminating information nationwide about stolen Siberians. All of these activities fall within the definition of what national rescue could and should be, and they meet the IRS requirements for a nonprofit. None of these activities hold any legal liability, because ideas and suggestions are only offered and don't guarantee results, and at the national level there is not "hands-on" rescue work directly with the dogs.

Local rescue and national rescue both have an important role to play in saving Siberian Huskies in need. The primary goal of local rescue is to take in dogs and find them new homes. Education and assisting owners is a secondary goal. This is where national rescue can take the lead in helping Siberians, not only assisting dog owners but also helping local rescues by taking some of the educational burden off of them leaving the local rescues with more time to directly help the dogs in their area. It's a win-win situation for all concerned.

Rescue March 2015



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This is Sara she is spayed and up to date on all of her shots and vet appointments she is a very sweet lover with her parents and loves to go outside on hikes and chase little animals she does great on the beach and loves to play with other dogs.

Pat Hannum PatHannum@aol.com

Frankie aka Sinatra is a beautiful, blue eyed, Siberian Husky. Frankie is very smart, and loves people, attention, toys, rolling on his back, belly rubs and cuddling.

He especially loves his squeaky toys and balls. Frankie was hit by a car which resulted in a front broken leg which was surgically repaired at UC Davis, so he should be looking forward to a complete recovery. Frankie is very people friendly and loves to talk to you about "things" in his life. Frankie is looking for a loving and supportive home with folks who have time for him and will make him part of their family. As he is young and about 60 pounds, activities such as walking, hiking and lots of play will be the future Plan Of The Day. Frankie will do well in an experienced



Siberian home and because of his youth and exuberance, one without small children. Frankie is still in recovery, but if you would like to meet him, you are welcome to contact me.

Bay Area Siberian Husky Club

Membership Renewal and Associate Application 2015-2016

Membership \$30.00 Family \$35.00

Date	
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City, State, Zip	
Area code and phone	
E-mail Address	
Amount Enclosed \$	

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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

PetsMart, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. 175 Ranch Road, Milpitas 408-258-9806

Third Saturday Pet Food Express 11 am to 1 pm 1152 Blossom Hill Rd, San Jose, (408) 269-3333

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