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Dues are due by 4/1/24. Dues help BASH pay for our insurance for our events. We are trying to do more but will continue to ask people to help set up a hike, meet'n'greet at a park-winery-brewery etc.... We were watching for places to sled but the snow came to heavy and is now melting... we can hope for next year

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Hoped to have a General Meeting at Randee's house but she is having knee replacement surgery May 1.

We will have a meeting in May or June??? Either Randee's or at another member's home. Contact Randee if you would like to host a meeting. ([bash@com-ctl.com](mailto:bash@com-ctl.com))



Spring Siberian--- we plant stuff and they dig it up for us



# SnoBASH I 2009

By Marie Stevens



Our first SnoBASH this year was actually more of a “Not Much Sno-BASH”. The snow level was quite low and it was pretty warm. The snowcat couldn’t make it down to groom a trail for us, so someone made one with a snowmobile. It wasn’t quite as smooth or wide as the one made by a snowcat, but we put it to good use and smoothed out some of the turns as we went (not always in an upright position). We had a good turn out...all of the rooms at the lodge were full and a fair number of people came up just for a day. The weather was sunny and clear, although it got down pretty cold at night (enough so that you had to walk very carefully not to lose your footing on ice in the o parking lot.

Saturday was spent getting as many people as possible out on sleds, giving the dogs some practice pulling in the snow, and trying out teams for the Sourdough Race, held Sunday. Two of our younger participants, April (who lives up in Arnold) and Hailey, auditioned dogs all day, planning for the race. They tried multiple combinations, and eventually came up with what they hoped would be a winning team. The rest of us practiced staying on the sled while going pretty fast around corners that weren’t banked very well. We had several new people there as well, taking their dogs out initially with a few more experienced ones, and then eventually out on their own. We were all (people and dogs) worn out by the end of the day.



Luckily, Randy Fischel and his wife came. He LOVES to cook, and we were delighted when he volunteered to prepare dinner. We divided up the meals this time, so various people brought items for dinner. We had spaghetti and lasagna, green salad, wonderful bread, and dessert, as well as a variety of beverages. Randy and Jen, you are welcome anytime! Randee and I, in the press of time, had failed to prepare anything for a raffle for Saturday night. This was really



disappointing to April and Hailey, who decided to remedy that situation. They spent several hours making items to be raffled. There were posters, signs, drawings, origami-type dogs...any number of amazing things! So we had a bang-up raffle. They made almost \$400. for BASH. We may make this a permanent job for them!! Thanks, girls.

Sunday was another bright and beautiful day. We held the Sourdough Race for the kids first. We had lots of



entrants....7 or so. A couple had never been on sleds before, but they went out. and tried. And in fact, one of them won! ( Conner Smyers) Each entrant got a stuffed husky and a medal, and naturally lots of pictures were taken. There were quite a few adults racing too...Granny LaCava (who deliberately went slow so she could win the Red Lantern), Beth Saturday....the dogs were worn out from all the running and so we spent some time just sitting Chamberlain (as a cat), a man dressed as a frog, Rachel Chamberlain and her friend, David, and me. (Seems like I am forgetting a couple, but my mind has gone blank. If I have forgotten you, please accept my apology!) Rachel and her friend won this one. Sunday was a slower day than in the sun, listening to the wind in the trees and smelling the pines. It was great. We had a final run after lunch, when all of us still there went out as a group, and then we started packing up. It was a great weekend and we hope we'll have a similar turnout for SnoBASH II, to be held April 4 and 5. (There is lots more snow there now!) Hope to see you there.



# When I Got My Dog

By

Hailey M. Rapa (4/2009)

Dedicated to Tucker, Randee, Mom and Dad

When I got my dog, I didn't know what to name it. Now its name is Tucker.

When I got my dog. I didn't know if it was a male or female. Now I know it's a male.

When I got my dog, he bit me a lot. Now only occasionally he bites.

When I got my dog he only had us pay \$100 dollars for him. Now he costs a fortune!

When I got my dog, Randee my neighbor gave me a crate, food and water bowls, food, toys, collar and

leash. Now I have to buy everything myself!

When I got my dog he didn't stalk the cat. Now he really stalks the cat.

When I got my dog, he had 5 toys. Now he has 500 toys.

When I got my dog he had no friends. Now he has a million friends.

When I got my dog, all my friends called me 1,000,001 times especially Felicity, oh my gosh!

Now

they all don't call me. They only call once a year.

When I got my dog, I could pick him up. Now he is too heavy,

When I got my dog my futon was sitable. Now its all torn up because of Tucker.

When I got my dog he was adorable..... Well he still is.

When I got my dog all my friends were jealous.... Well they still are but not as much.

When I got my dog he got in a lot of trouble. Now he gets in a million times more trouble.

When I got my dog 5 of my friends came over to see him. Now they don't come over to see

him. When I got my dog he liked digging in his water bowl. Now he is more mature.

Before I got my dog, I didn't have a piece of my heart, but when I saw him he filled that missing piece

Hi. I'm Hailey Rapa. I am 10 years old and in the 4th grade. When I grow up I want to be a vet. The hole reason I wrote this story was because Tucker really did change my life. Once I saw him I fell in love but usually I do that with every puppy. This one was different. I saw him 3 times but on the 3rd day I had to get him, so that is how I got my dog.



# Homemade Dog Birthday Cake

Prep Time 10 minutes minutes

Cook Time 20 minutes minutes

Total Time 30 minutes minutes

Yield 1 6-inch cake

Serving Size 1 cake

## Ingredients For the Cupcake

- ¾ cup (93g) all-purpose flour
- ½ teaspoon baking soda
- ¼ teaspoon baking powder
- 1 large egg
- 2 tablespoons (33g) peanut butter (see important note)
- 2 tablespoons (30ml) oil
- ¼ cup (62g) applesauce unsweetened
- 2 tablespoons (42g) honey

## For the Frosting

- ½ cup (118ml) heavy whipping cream

## Instructions

- Preheat oven to 350°F. Line a 6-inch round cake pan (or a 9×5-inch bread pan) parchment paper and spray with nonstick cooking spray.
- Stir flour, baking soda, baking powder, peanut butter, oil, applesauce, egg and honey. Pour into pans. Bake 20-30 minutes, until browned and a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Cool completely before frosting.
- To make frosting: beat heavy whipping cream until stiff peaks form.
- Frost cake as desired. You can double the frosting recipe and torte the cake (cut the cake in half horizontally) to make it a 2-layer cake.
- Store covered in refrigerator for up to 3 days.

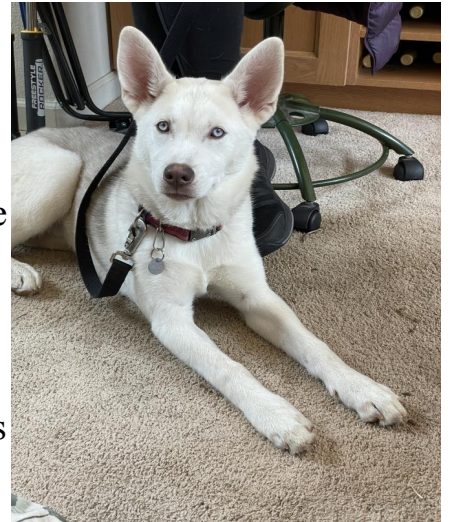


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# Rescue for April

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**Toasty.** While she is elegant looking, she is a cuddly, down to earth pup who enjoys wrestling with her foster brothers, and playing ball. Toasty likes to explore, play and go for walks, but she is also happy spending time relaxing with the family nearby. She is excited to meet new people-especially if they give her pets. Toasty can be shy meeting new dogs but warm s up after a while. There are cats at her foster home. She is trying to figure out what they are. A forever home with the right cat might be a possibility with some training. Toasty has some training already. She is crate trained and is house trained at her foster home but in a new environment she will need some work to figure out where to go. She knows sit and is willing to learn. Toasty is ready and waiting for her forever home.

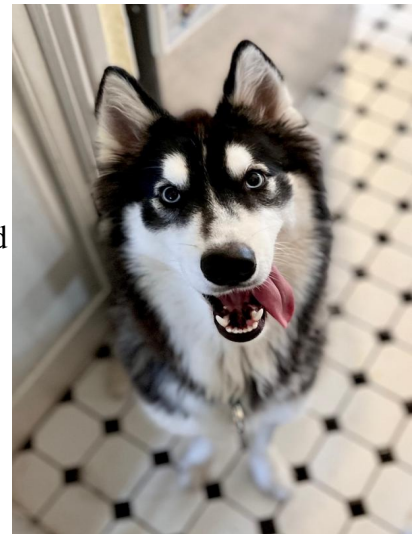


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**Cricket!** Oh you lucky lucky Cricket! She's a tiny little lucky Husky ready to be your goof luck charm. Cricket is a 35# Husky girl about 9 months old with fluffy ears and a hippity hoppity spring in her step. She could possibly be a Pomsky given her personality and zest for fun.

Cricket almost didn't make out of the shelter system but she's here safe in foster now. She adores playing with other dogs but with her rough experiences is cautious with new people. Foster mommy recommends older children with dog savvy as a better fit for play time. It doesn't take her long to warm up though if her doggy buddies tell her you are good people! She just needs calm and patience.

Lucky Cricket's best life would be with another very playful dog in the home and experienced dog owners. She is still a puppy so though she is excellent in crate she is still learning her house manners. She LOVES walks, short or long. She adores playing chase with humans or dog friends and tries her best to be the bestest tug of war rope player ever. She enjoys couch TV surfing and can clear your baby gates in a leap because hanging with the family is the MOST fun. Do you have time to play with an active bundle of hip-hopping Cricket joy? Is there room for training, consistency and taking those fun outings? Can you commit to crating and a playful fur friend at home who needs a buddy? This is the girl for you! We can't wait to meet you.





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# Bay Area Siberian Husky Club

Membership Renewal and Associate Application 2024-25

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ASK to be voted in as a voting member

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