

Siberian Tales

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Jackie Moss

My introduction to Siberians came in a round about way. For a number of years I have used the themes in the story Julie of the Wolves to guide my sixth grade students to get in touch with the bond that exists between people and animals, and the struggles that exist in choosing between the old and new ways in society. Each time I taught this novel, I found myself drawn more and more to wanting to acquire additional knowledge and understanding of the wolf. I suppose, somewhere in my wildest dreams I would like one day to work as a member of a wolf research project.

While this "wild dream" may remain a "pipe dream" in the chapters of my life, another dream has become a reality. Enter the husky! The first time a sixth grade student brought her young Siberian into the classroom, it was love at first sight! I soon gathered publications on the breed, made my way to the Cow Palace to talk to owners and breeders, purchased books, and whenever I was in the vicinity of a Siberian, I was drawn by magnetic force to make my way over to the owner and talk about the dog.

In the beginning phases of my attraction to the Siberian husky,
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SnoBASH I 1997- what a success!

We started out with winter storm warnings for the Sierra's, a snow level of 6000 feet and most of the central valley flooding. The weekend only got better from there. On Saturday it snowed and rained but we had a great time. There were more than 60 dogs along with their owners, 10 sleds of varying sizes and many people that just wanted to try to sled. We ran rides from 11 to past 3 pm and all that wanted to try had an opportunity. We BBQ hot dogs, had hot cider and chocolate and hot chili to keep us warm.

Saturday night more than 60 of us met at the Round Table Pizza in Arnold to enjoy pizza and tell tall tales of the day. We sold tickets for pizza during the day, ordered it at 3 and they had a supply of pizza for us from 6:30 to 8:30. Thank you Greg Stevens for setting dinner up. A great time was had by all that attended.

On Sunday the snow level had dropped to 5000 feet and there were light flurries all day but not so much that we couldn't have fun. We put on a PeeWee race that benefited the Mother Lode Chapter of Disabled Sports USA. 33 racers entered. We had races for 4-7 years old, 8-11 years old, 12-15 years old and upon request amature adults. We had a 1/4 mile track with a seperate start and finish line. Up to 5 racers were in each heat with 30 second intervals. We supplied the sleds and the dogs if the racers didn't have them. We let the kids pick the dogs they liked. The owners would then help "bring the dogs to the line". If we didn't think the dogs would run but the kids still wanted them, a parent would run around the track to help. All had a great time and we raised \$165.00 for the MLCDS. A listing of those that raced and the winners are in the newsletter.

BASH would like to thank all of those that helped to make this SnoBASH so successful. Nic and Greg for setting it up the the Bear Valley Cross Country Ski for our location, Greg, Scott and Marge for the constant supply of hot water and food, Diane for the drawing for the official mushing certificates and Randee for organizing the supplies, tents and other items. Thanks to Nic, Randee, Scott, Terry, Dona and Ross for being the PeeWee race officials Thank you all that brought items up and helped with the setup and tear down each day. It is more fun when so many help with the not so fun jobs.

SKYEWRITING

By Alan Doyle

If it has pointed ears and a double coat ...

From time to time I hear discussion and debate among club members about the proper role of BASH's Rescue/Referral operation, most often whether we should continue rescuing mixed and other Nordic breeds or restrict ourselves to Siberians.

None of us would deny an adoptable Sibe space in a foster kennel, or a chance to find a loving home. That's what BASHRR is about. Neither would most of us allow any sled dog - purebred or otherwise - to be put down if we could avoid it. But where to draw the line, especially with our limited resources and foster kennel space?

Here's one perspective. I've shared my homes with sled dogs for more than 20 years. Almost all have been rescue or shelter dogs. Most have been Siberians; a few Sibe-and-something. More than a few have come to me advertised as Malamutes or Eskimo dogs or Alaskan huskies. Well-meaning but uninformed shelter works seem to figure if it has pointed ears and a double coat, it's a husky. All those rescue/shelter dogs have been great pets, and I've been privileged to share my life with them.

In the last nine months since I've become active in BASHRR, I've rescued three Sibes, a Malamute, a Sibe-and-something (probably Elkhound with perhaps a dollop of Malamute and/or German Shepherd) and by the time you read this, I will have taken out at least one more Sibe. It's the Sibe-and-something that illustrates the dilemma that BASHRR faces. The same week in mid-January that I spotted the Wooly Bear at the Vallejo shelter, I also went to the Martinez shelter to check out a red male Sibe for Nic Matulich. There was no doubt about the Wooly Bear. He had a Sibe personality, no physical problems, a sweet disposition and was exceptionally obedient. He'll make a great pet. The Martinez Sibe was another story. Marilyn Lassagne knew the dog had a history as a biter. My gut reaction, after spending 30 minutes with the dog, was that it was marginally adoptable - at best - and would require weeks, if not months, of work in a foster kennel. I consulted with Nic, with Marilyn and with Jacques Porter, with whom the dog would be fostered. The consensus was to take a chance. Marilyn got the dog and transported it to Jacques. It bit Jacques and generally was uncontrollable. Art and Marilyn had no better experience. The dog was returned to the pound, almost certainly to be put down.

The Wooly Bear, by contrast, is doing quite well with Jacques, and she anticipates he'll be adopted relatively rapidly. Thus, the week was a wash. We couldn't save a

Sibe who was too far gone, but we did rescue a sled dog that will make an excellent pet.

But if BASHRR had a Sibes-only policy, that good pet almost certainly would be a carcass today - and the uncontrollable red biter would be no better an adoption prospect.

In a perfect world, we could have rescued the red, taken the time to work with him and, if nothing else, allowed him to live out his life in a foster kennel. But our resources are severely limited. That's why BASHRR has an evaluation committee. So, how do we proceed?

One of the best guidelines I've heard comes from Scott Tilmant, who says, "If it has pointed ears and a double coat, it's a husky. I rescue it"

Our first priority should and must be Siberians. But whenever we have space and time, we also should rescue other Nordic breeds and mixes.

Each case should be decided on an individual basis, considering the quality of the dog, adoption potential and competition for foster space. As Malamute and Samoyed rescue group hopefully become more active, we may be able to work more closely with them - rescuing, for example, a Mal for transfer to Mal rescue while the Mal folks take out Sibes for us.

For now, I think that Scott's approach is the one we ought to take whenever possible. If it has pointed ears and a double coat, it's a sled dog. Let's rescue it if we can, and if we have the space. There'll be plenty of time after the rescue to worry about whether we should call it a Siberian, a Malamute or just a good ole sled dog.

Don't Forget To Write Assemblywoman Valerie Brown, D-7th, of Kenwood in support of her Assembly Bill 68, which would remove the state sales tax from transactions, including dog adoptions, by animal shelters and nonprofit rescue groups like BASHRR. Letters from constituents are extremely influential. Be sure also to write your representatives in the Assembly and Senate. Brown, a member of the Assembly's leadership, deserves our support and needs it to demonstrate to fellow legislators there is widespread backing of her bill. Her address:

The Hon. Valerie K. Brown
Assemblywoman, 7th District
California Assembly
State Capitol
Room 3013
Sacramento, CA 95814

START SPREADIN' THE NEWS: Thanks to everyone in BASH for supporting the trip to New York City for the Dog Writers Association of America awards dinner, where Skyewriting is a finalist for a national award. There'll be a full report next month, as well as an exclusive interview with Skye using his revolutionary SIBE-HOWL communications chip. Send your questions to Skye in care of Alan Doyle, 1029 Tuolumne St., Vallejo, CA 94590-4630, or e-mail Skye at alandoyle@aol.com And, as March approaches, watch for an important announcement from Skye in the ongoing battle to end speciesism.

BASH TRAIL TALES

Send your Trail Tale to: BASH'S TRAIL TALES: Nic Matulich, 1140 Nadine Drive, Campbell, Calif 95008 -or- SMELLOFDOG@AOL.COM
If we use your Trail Tale you will receive a free Tee-Shirt.

Kathy's Mis-Adventure on the Trail Bear Valley, 12/30 - 1/1/97

Well, Nic says these dogs will "drive you to tears" sometimes, and I guess it was one of those times. All started out well, for a rainy day that is. It was New Years Eve and a group of us went up to Bear Valley for a New Year's get-away. (We were supposed to go to the Meiss Ski Hut but due to the weather, we switched to Bear Valley instead.)

This was the second day and the second dog run. I hooked up 5 dogs (Nic's Jiggy in lead, Donna's Niki and Nic's foster dog Manna in Swing and then my Konan and Stoli in wheel position) and was looking forward to a fast run on my little sled. I had had the same team the day before and had a wonderful time, but today was a different day and had I known what was going to be in store for me I would have stayed dry back at the Chalet.

We got all the dogs hooked up and one by one the teams started to go! I think we had about 6 sleds with 5-6 dogs pulling each. I was fourth or so to go out and everything started fine. A little way down Donna's Niki started causing minor problems. Donna and Randee were right behind me and Nikki kept turning around to try to get back to Donna. They needed an extra dog more than I did so I gave Niki to them and now I had 4 dogs. We went a bit farther and then all of a sudden Stoli decided not to pull anymore. She just put on the brakes and that was all she wrote. I was worried her back leg was hurting her so I put her in the basket. Now I had three dogs pulling and one riding!

I went a little way and then had to re-arrange my lines. As I was un-doing and re-doing the lines Jiggy surged forward and the team started to run off without me. I reached for the snug line and managed to grab it and stop the team. Luckily I was only dragged a couple feet. Jiggy started to goof off and kept jumping off to the side to play in the deep snow. Every time he did that Manna tangled up. During one of these tangles Jiggy took off again. The snow was powdery and slushy and the snow hook just wasn't grabbing well. Again the sled was going without me and this time I missed grabbing the snug line but the snow hook grabbed me. It snagged on my snow boot and started to drag me again by my leg. I managed to reach forward and grab the line and stop the sled a second time. (Through all this poor Stoli was sitting in the sled bag looking more and more

unhappy.)

All the constant stops for Jiggy and Manna really wore me down. By this time the teams in front had dusted me and were no longer in sight. This made Jiggy even worse to handle as he had no one to follow. I started getting really fed up. I was pretty wet because it was constantly drizzling the whole time and now with only three dogs and more weight I couldn't make good time and I decided to turn around and head back to the cars. It was all uphill going back and I was so tired of all the stopping that I wanted to handle as little up hill as possible. Turning around the team was the next challenge, and the one that finally brought me to tears, but Donna helped me and eventually I got headed in the right direction.

Jiggy continued to try my patience. We ran into a lot of snow mobilers and cross country skiers and he had to say hello to every one, dragging the team and sled through the groups of people every time. Luckily people were really nice and a couple of groups helped me get on track by leading Jiggy for a little while, one was this little kid who Jiggy kept following all over the trail. The boy was thrilled to death to lead the team and cheered when we finally went by. (Through all this and all my stops and all my dog changes I never once thought to take Jiggy OUT OF LEAD! That tells you how tired I was. It just would have been too easy to put Konan up front.)

Jiggy jumped to the side one time too many and I absolutely lost my cool. I yelled every swear word in the book at him, grabbed the line behind him, jerked him out of the deep powder he was playing in and told him that he better get in front and lead this team or he would die here! Well, I'll tell you this much. Dogs understand when you REALLY mean it. Jiggy lead me all the way home without another incident. Every time he even looked to the side I said "Jiggy" in a deep voice and he would glance at me sideways and then get back on trail.

Somewhere along the line I took Stoli out of the bag and attached her to the snug line. I thought this would work although I was worried because it was a quick release. Sure enough she jerked it just the right way and the next thing I know, Stoli is running loose heading for the trees! I just stood there and watched her. I believe the tears were back! There was no way I was going after her so I just yelled her name and hoped she would return. I never would have believed it but that dog turned around and came right back to me! So I put her back on the quick release.

Unfortunately, it seems both me and the team forgot the exact spot we started at. I found myself planted with the sled somewhere close to where I thought

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Weekend in the back country?

Greg Stevens is organizing a Dog Sled /Snowshoe Camping Trip for 2 nights.

Where: Bear Trap Basin (Near Bear Valley)

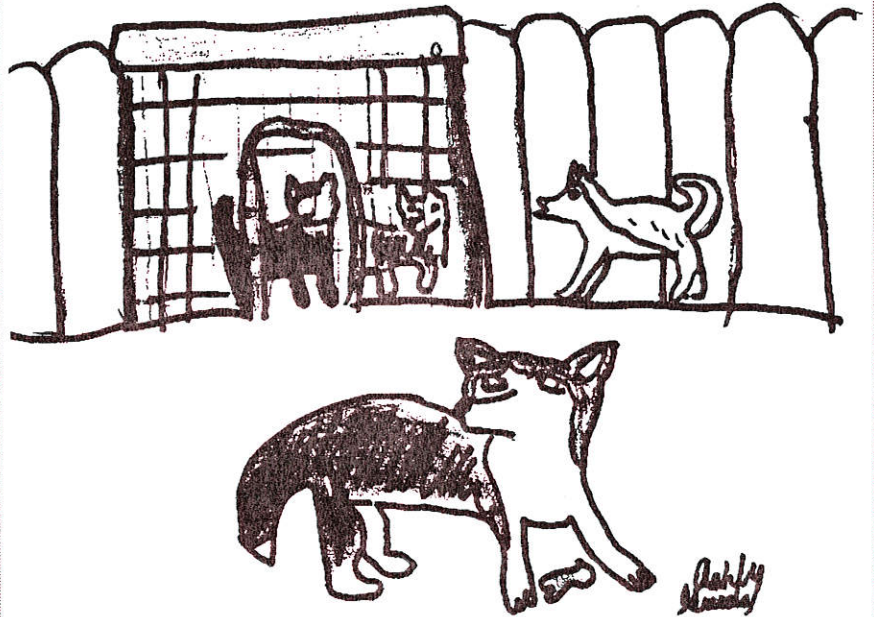
When: March 14th through March 16th

Limit: 14 people
Some Compass and map skills needed

Cost: To be determined by number that sign up.
Estimate to be \$25 to \$50 per person

If you are interested
Greg Stevens at (408)377-1180

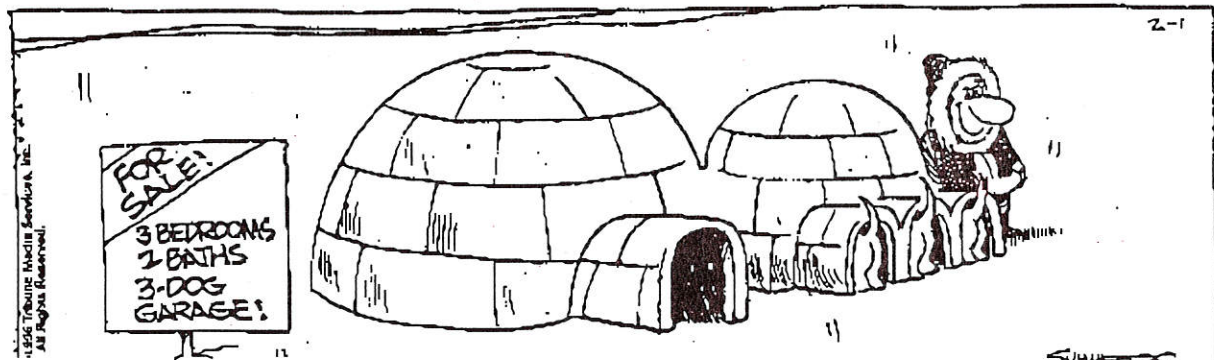
Ashley Guido drew this picture of her dogs in her backyard.



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BASHR/R story of the month

If its wooly and it has a heart....

This year has started off full tilt. I have had 6 dogs come and go, as of Jan. 28th. They were all great dogs, but this story can only be about one.

The call came one morning, it was Alan in Vallejo, he had taken a large male out of the shelter and could only keep him for a few days as he was not set up to handle an extra dog. Yes, I said, I'll be glad to foster him.

The next afternoon Alan and the great furry creature appeared at my door, the first thing out of my mouth was, oh my, he really is a Wooly Bear. Yes that was his name and he was to be one of the sweetest dogs I have ever fostered.

He had never met a stranger and loved all people, all sizes, and, all ages. Wooly is a dog who loves to love, be it human or animal. Alan explained to me that one of the reasons he needed to have someone foster this gracious animal was that, Wooly was really attaching himself to Alan, the house, and even Skye. After a few days, this big wonderful dog had worked himself into my heart and I realized the capacity this guy had to really love.

On the fourth day, I showed him for the first time and in 25 min, Wooly Bear had a new home. Not only is he quite beautiful, he is so loving and gentle it is hard not to fall for him. Now I know that this doesn't sound to extraordinary in and of its self, but, Wooly Bear was not only huge, he was older, 6-8 yrs old and he was a husky mix husky/elk-hound.

Bay Are Siberian Husky Rescue/Referral



Presents:

Adoption Fairs - Watch for Special Locations

Premium Pet Mart

Please join us on Feb. 1

11 am to 3 pm

4698 Meridian Ave

(at Branham Ave.)

Directions to Husky Day in San Jose. Take 85 South Exit Camden Ave. Go Right at light to Branham Ave. Go South on Branham to Meridian. Shopping Center on far right corner. You will find Premium Pet Mart in the middle.

Upcoming Meetings and BASH events:

Feb- no meeting

March 12 - General Meeting at Jacques' Porter

Mar/Apr - watch for a SnoBASH II

April 13 - General/Annual meeting at Art and Marilyn Lassagne

April 20th - Fun Day?

May? - Specialty Fun Match

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510-636-1288

BRAGS

Nic Matulich was quoted as to his opinion on rescue in *Mushing* magazine

The Lapes - Corgi, Shadow won a Group 1 at Sun Valley Fun Match

Bay Area Siberian Husky Club



Work * Show * Play

BASH Logo Items----

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| *New- SnoBASH Sweatshirts S M L XL XXL | \$20.00 |
| Cardinal, Forrest, Black, Navy | |
| Sweatshirts-Child M M L XL XXL | \$ 18.00 |
| Cardinal Forrest Green Black Plum Blue | |
| Long Sleeve T-Shirts- L XL XXL | \$ 15.00 |
| Cardinal Stoney Blue Black | |
| *New- SnoBASH T-shirts M L XL XXL | |
| Cardinal Forrest Black Navy | \$ 15.00 |
| *New- BASHR/R T-shirt L XL XXL | \$ 15.00 |
| Black | |
| Short Sleeve T-Shirt- Child M M L XL | \$ 10.00 |
| Fusia Green Navy Black | |
| * New BASH Baseball hats | \$ 12.00 |
| VARIETY OF COLORS | |
| *New Sun Visors | \$ 10.00 |
| BASH pin (old logo) | \$4.00 |
| BASH pin (new logo) | \$5.00 |
| *Reduced price Wolf Ornaments | \$5.00 |
| Harnesses (x-Back, S, M, L, XL++) | \$20.00 |
| Leashes with tie-out | \$ 10.00 |
| 1/2 inch Italian Brass Snaps | \$2.00 |
| 2/3 inch Italian Brass Snaps | \$2.50 |
| Alaskan Collars | \$6.00 |
| Leashes with tie-out | \$ 10.00 |
| Send \$2.00 per item if you want it mailed | |

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UPCOMING SHOWS MATCHES AND EVENTS IN NO. CA

Feb 1-2nd Golden Gate Kennel Club- Benched All breed show, Cow Palace in Daly City. Siberian show at 8:30 on Saturday.

Feb-10-11th- Westminster Kennel Club- All Breed Champion Bench show. Madison Square Gardens, look in your local TV guide for dates and time. Check the local TV guide for a listing.

BASH TRAIL TAIL Cont. from page 3

we had started and in too deep of power to feel like venturing to guide the sled out. So I put the snow hook in as far as I could, unhooked Stoli and Jiggy, left Konan and Manna and started to walk back to the truck. I got on the road and realized that I was REALLY far from the truck. I walked all the way back, watered Jiggy and Stoli, threw them in one of Nic's crates, got in my truck and drove back to the other dogs and the sled, desperately praying that they had not run off.

When I got back to the sled I could not see the dogs due to the number of kids surrounding them! Apparently Konan had started wailing after I had gotten out of sight and the kids had come to see what was going on. They stayed and pet Konan and Manna until I got back. I thanked them for taking care of my dogs and they thanked me for "letting" them pet the dogs. I loaded Konan and Manna in the back of the truck and left my sled where it lay figuring someone

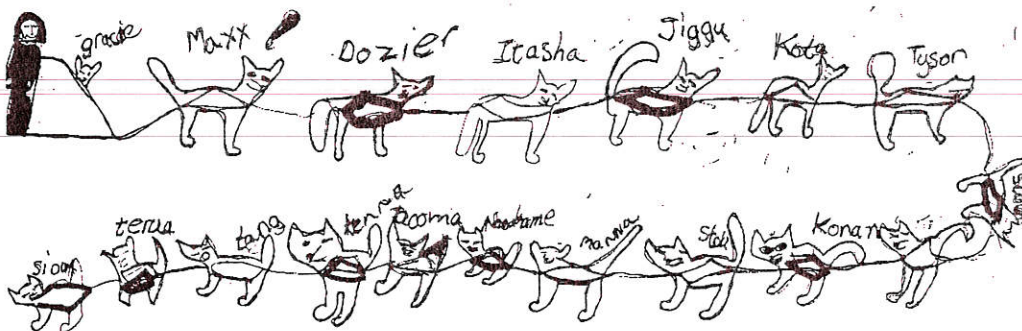
everybody (including myself!), stripped out of my wet clothes and into some dry ones and settled back with the heater on to wait for the rest of the teams. By the time they came I was feeling much better. Nic had my sled in tow and came right over to give me a hug. He had no idea what had happened but knew that it could not have been good.

You'll have to hear it from him as to what he thought when he found my sled sitting there off the trail in deep powder, the tug lines all tangled and footsteps headed in all directions. I'll just say this, he started looking around him for signs of blood and then to the tree lines to see if I was out there killing any dogs.

This was an experience that was well worth it. I still truly enjoyed the vacation and am now fostering Manna of the infinite tangles. I made up with everybody by giving them all rawhides and Jiggy didn't seem to hold a grudge. So all is well. Next time, however, I will remember to simply change the lead dog ...

Kathy & Crew

May all your sledding adventures be tangle-free! Yeah, right.'



Drawing by Megan McQueen
of all the dogs she likes to
mush with.

Dog Etiquette

We all think our dogs are well behaved and that is probably true, but that is where the rub comes in. What is good to one person may be bad to another, and is there a difference in the kind of behavior we allow at home and the one we allow somewhere else. There is great need for rules of etiquette not just so our pets are fun to be with for our selves, but also for others. Whether we are on the trail, in a hotel/motel, walking in the park or just moving about in public there needs to be common courtesies shown. Sometimes we forget that what might be excused in just one dog, one time is a lot different, from what people will overlook when it come to groups. We all probably have been remiss in our doggy etiquette, whether from ignorance of the way others view things or from just not thinking.

Here are a few things to help make our forays into the non-dog world a little more mutually enjoyable

1) When in Motels and/or Hotels, dogs should be crated. Crated dogs don't leave behind a coat of unwanted hair, they don't mark territory or have accidents on the carpets, and crated dogs don't make a break for freedom.

2) When out with dogs anywhere, always pick up all stool and dispose of it in a proper manner, as parasites and many diseases are passed through fecal material.

3) Never leave dogs unattended in rooms, even crated dogs. Howling dogs will certainly make you very unpopular. An unattended dog is also at the mercy of a prowler or a fire.

4) Feeding should always be done in a crate, or outside. Not on porches or balconies, and all uneaten food picked up so as not to attract other animals or cause fights among dogs.

So as you see, dog etiquette is not only beneficial to others it may save your dogs life.

Member Profile cont.

to own one was out of the question, since I lived in an apartment with strict rules against pets and no available yard space.

Dreams to have a way of working out. Three and a half years ago I moved into a house with a fenced-in yard in downtown San Jose. A year later, eight week old Molly, a lively black and white Siberian, entered my life. From day one, I knew Molly would be unlike any other dog I had in the past. She has managed to climb out of the best of structures, balance on the fence like a mountain goat, delight in early morning feasts of slimy snails, and bury and re-bury practically every chew toy she has ever been given.

Molly and I were introduced to obedience class when she was six month old; a decision I soon realized was three months too late. She became the class clown (there's usually one!), taking delight in "talking back" to the instructor.

I first heard of BASH when I attended the All Breed at Cal State. The members were exceptionally friendly and offered some great pointers. Shortly after, I began to receive the monthly newsletter, and made plans to attend SnoBash I in 1996. SnoBash II, some additional meetings and outings convinced me that Molly

and I would enjoy the friendly group of "husky folks" so I took the plunge and became a BASH member.

Since adding a Siberian to my life, I have also introduced my sixth graders to the Iditarod. Each February we begin to read Woodsong by Gary Paulsen. By the time the first weekend in March rolls around we are ready to take off with all those mushers in Anchorage. Each student follows the journey of a particular musher from start to finish by checking on his or her progress on the Internet and recording the daily events in a journal. The final celebration takes place at our Red Lantern Party.

Last summer I had the opportunity to travel to Alaska and learn more about the Iditarod firsthand. One of the many highlights of the trip was meeting a musher and telling him about the student who followed his progress in the Iditarod. The musher gladly offered to have his picture taken with his lead dog, took time to write a message to the student, and made one future seventh grader a truly 'happy camper'.

I look forward to becoming more involved in BASH activities and possibly, one day, trying my hand at dog sledding.

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Bay Area Siberian Husky Club
Agenda March 8

- I. Call to Order
- II. Sign in sheet of members present
 - A. Introduce guests
- III. Approval of Minutes
- IV. Reports - Officers
 - President
 - Vice President
 - Treasurer
 - Secretary
 - Rescue Chairman
- V. Election of New Members
 - A. none at this time
- VI. Old Business:
 - A. SnoBASH
 - B. Sled Drawing
 - C. Ski Hut
 - D. Voting on new board
 - E. Report from Alan about Dog Writers Event.
- VII. New Business:
 - A. Specialty - must set date if we haven't already for May
 - B. Future events
 - C.
 - D.
- VIII. Set Next Meetings Agenda- April 13, 4 pm at Art and Marilyn Lassagne's
- IX. Brags
Adjournment

Sled Dogs for Sale:

Pat Waldron, a club member, has to find homes for all of her dogs due to financial problems. She has run sprint races with SNDD. Most of her dogs are AKC registered Siberian Huskies and some are Seppula Siberians. They are all trained as sled dogs. Some are wheel some are swing and a few are leaders. A trained sled dog can teach your team a great deal. If you are looking for a dog to add to your team these dogs would be an asset to anyone. For information on the dogs contact Nic Matulich (408)379-7253 or Pat Waldron (916)836-4077

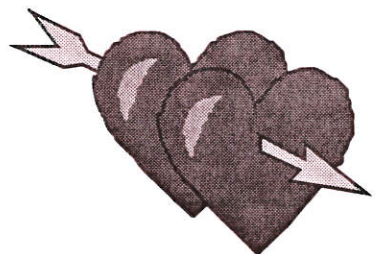
Puppies

8 week old puppies: AKC, father is a white Seppula and mother is Agoudish in coloring Seppula. \$350.00
 (3) male- blue eyes, white
 (2) females- blue eyes- Agoudi in coloring

Retired Lead Dogs

All have been house dogs, with most house manners and use to kids and adults.
 \$150.00 each
Alexi- 4 year old neutered male, gray and white
Zeta- 10 yr spayed female, she is really sweet and doesn't look her age.
Lobo - 6 year old neutered male. Runs great on a team but is not fast.
Jake - 5 year old neutered Male

Happy Valentines Day



To all of our
BASH puppies

Remember that chocolate can be deadly to dogs.

RACE THE WEST

SNDD 3,4,6,8 dog Sprint Races 1997
 Mark your calendars now!

- Feb 7-8 Mamouth Lakes
- Feb 15-16 Truckee Lions Race
(many BASH members are going up to have fun watching the race and then going to other spots to Mush.
- Feb 22-23 Chester (this one is not confirmed yet)
- Mar 1-2 Forrest Hills (17 miles east of Auburn)
- ALSO-
The Iditarod starts March 1 in Anchorage Alaska

Bay Area Siberian Husky Club

General Meeting- January 12, 1997

Members attending: Randee McQueen, Marilyn and Art Lassagne, Jackie Moss, Jacques' Porter, Greg and Nick Stevens, Nic Matulich, Doug Aldrich, Angela Dismas, Dona Miller, Terry and Melissa Beers, Gary and Anita Kelly, Kathy Miyoshi, Greta Huhtala-Koehn, Jackie Moss, Robert Cabanban, Mike and Diana Guido, Laura Crockett *, Jane Smith* *(new associate members first meeting)

Guests: Rudy Quan, Whitney Dawson, Chloe Barr-Cabanban

- I. Call to Order - 4:35 pm
- II. Sign in sheet of members present
 - A. Introduce guests
- III. Approval of Minutes - First by Terry and second by Marilyn
- IV. Reports
 - A. President- Absent- in the hospital, doing well and coming home today
 - B. Vice-President- absent no report
 - C. Treasurer- absent no report
 - D. Secretary- we have added at least 10 new paid members and 15 new members from adoption of rescue dogs.
 - E. Rescue Chairman- We had a very good month as far as placing dogs. We ran ads in the paper which generated many phone calls. We had one dog that was picked up in Santa Rosa that had a broken jaw and was fixed. Today we took in another that had a broken jaw.
- V. Election of New Members
 - A. None
- VI. Old Business:
 - A. SnoBASH- all is going well. Most are staying in and around Dorrington. We will try to have a group dinner someplace in the area. Greg Stevens will look into places. Others offered to take various items up so that one doesn't take all of them. We will be doing a PeeWee race to benefit The Disabled Americans.
 - B. Sled Drawing- we need to sell tickets. As soon as Randee can get to it, members will all be sent tickets to sell. We are hoping to raise at least \$500.00 with raffle.
- VII. New Business:
 - A. future events- Greg Stevens has another sled trip planned for March. A flyer will be in February's newsletter. A second SnoBASH will be planned for March also.
 - B. Nominating Committee- approved as proposed with a first by Marilyn and second by nic

President- Al Ouellette
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 Kathy Miyoshi- Secretary
 Randee McQueen- Treasurer
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 Dana Anderson- Member at Large
 Greg Stevens- Member at Large and events coordinator
 Jacques' Porter- Alternate
 Nic Matulich- Rescue Chairman
 Greg Stevens- events coordinator
 Melissa Beers and Greta Huhtala -Koehn- Hospitality
 Diana Guido- Historian
 - C. Sponsoring Alan Doyle to go to the Dog Writers Association Banquet to hopefully accept 1st place for his column. After a discussion the vote was in the majority favor of sponsoring him to the amount of \$600.00. The club has sponsored others in the past that went.
 - D. Changes in Cal State Hayward rules. We need to discuss now a date for the all breed event. Go for Nov. 15th. (new coordinator or Marilyn?) Do we want the specialty there? if not where.
 - E. Cow Palace- There is no one from BASH showing their dogs under BASH. Siberians will be judged on Saturday at 8:30 am
- VIII. Set Next Meetings Agenda-

Feb -There will not be a meeting this month due to so many things going on each weekend we would not get enough people to come as happened last year.
 This would be the meeting for nominations from the floor. There will be a notice placed in the paper to make nominations. I

Mar 8- at Jacques Porters
 April 13th at Art and Marilyn Lassagnes-
- X. Brags- Nic was made to brag that he was quoted in an article about rescue in MUSH..

Adjournment - 5:20 with a first by Terry and second by Nic.

Respectfully,
 Randee McQueen
 Secretary

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