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Please be careful with all of your dogs this 4th of July. Many are fearful of the noises and can escape when they usually would not.

Have a SAFE and Fun 4th of July.



July 4,5	Camping on the 4th
September 27	Ice Cream Social
October 26	Fall Furry Flurry
Dec 12	BASH Christmas Party

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General Meeting Recap

For those that attending the meeting was good and short as usual.

The best was the talk by Basim Jaber about the history of the Air Force Station located on Mt Umunhum from 1957 to 1980. The talk went on for over an hour and everyone learned interesting facts about the base. Many at the meeting had been up there to see the buildings



prior to their demolition. Some only have seen what

remained after the demolition. We learned about the importance of the station, how many people were stationed there and many interesting facts about it.



If you missed the talk, Basim Jaber has 3 more scheduled in the next 6 months.

Sunday, October 25 (Casa Grande)

<http://www.umunhumconservancy.org/wp-admin/admin.php?page=CiviCRM&q=civicrm/event/info&id=17>

Sunday, December 20 (Casa Grande)

<http://www.umunhumconservancy.org/wp-admin/admin.php?page=CiviCRM&q=civicrm/event/info&id=18>

Sunday, February 21 (Casa Grande)

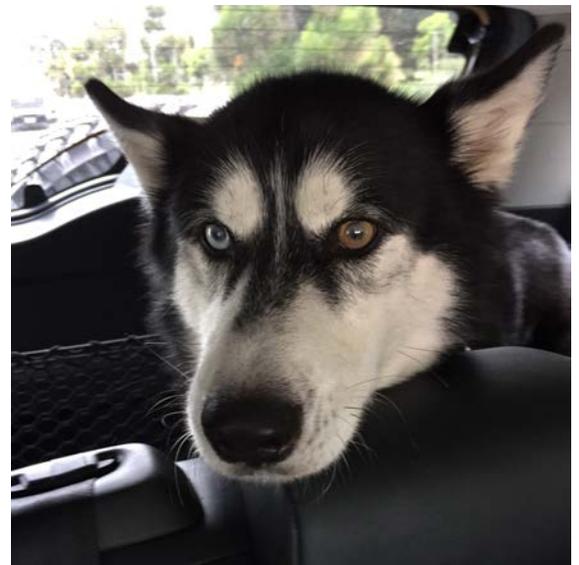
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Alex – Lost then Found

Alex was lost by his dog walker at Fort Funston, San Francisco by slipping out of his collar (a buckle collar). We had searched for him all day and even went to all the areas Alex was familiar with during his routine walk and run. He was no where to be found nor had anyone seen him. We posted flyers everywhere, contacted all the shelters and checked everyday, pulled all our resources with our local rescue groups, vets, and even all the siberian husky groups. Keep in mind, Fort Funston is massive. It connects to the borderline of San Francisco and Peninsula, if Alex wanted to he could have kept going towards Half Moon Bay. I filed a lost pet through Pet Harbor at all of the county shelters even as far to Marin County. We even went far as posting through social media making sure our posting was seen public through Face book, Instagram, Twitter and our local NextDoor Neighbor community website. Everyday we were posting flyers and to all the social media to ask people for help.

I was so surprised how social media knew about Alex so quickly. Within 2 days of Alex being lost, the posting of Alex have been shared 5,000 time through Facebook, it even made it all the way to Europe! People in Europe were sharing about Alex being lost asking their friends in the Bay Area to keep a look out of Alex. I was blown away. No one had seen Alex in San Francisco and it had already been 5 days, since Alex had been missing. Already getting discouraged, I could not give up. I had a feeling Alex was not in S.F. anymore and that someone already had him in the Peninsula area. Because of Social Media, it will take only that 1 person to see where Alex was who happened to see him in their neighbor's backyard. That person was connected to my friend, friend, a friend who happened to live in the same neighborhood where Alex was at. They took a picture of Alex to confirm it was him and was sent down to me. My heart dropped when I saw a picture of Alex and we got their address where he was residing. We found out he had been passed to 3 families and they intended to sell him. The power of Social Media was the reason we found Alex. I was so grateful how this brought the community together to help us find Alex. Through this I learned how social media can be so effective and having a husky knowing how they are an escape artist. Alex is grounded and will never leave my sight again. We will have an Alaskan collar on him from now on, GPS and will not be using dog walkers anymore! Thank you FaceBook and to all the communities who have helped us look for Alex! ~ Eron and Brett (Alex parents), San Francisco

Lessons from this: Alaskan Collar, if put on properly will not come off while walking them. Also if a dog is lost, posting to all places, shelters, social media, lost dog places etc...you never know which will get your dog back to you.



Next Husky Hike Santa Cruz Sunday July 26, 2015
Lighthouse Field State Beach (Its Beach)
740 West Cliff Drive
Santa Cruz, CA 95060 Open 7:00 AM to Sunset
Phone: 831.335-6318



Its Beach is the south-facing beach below the bluff on the west side of Point Santa Cruz. Parking lots along W. Cliff Drive access the beach via the paved path along the bluff. We'll try to park near the center of Its beach where a long stairwell that takes you down to the sand.

Dennis and I will be there around 7:30 with coffee, tea, breakfast snacks and fruit. Anticipate we'll walk toward Natural Bridges, with an off leash romp at Mitchell

Cove Beach before 10:00 AM when leashes are required. We can "beach" at Mitchell (seaweed and flies) or at Its Beach as the tide moves out, maybe play dog games on the grassy field area, depending upon conditions .

The West Cliff paved path runs from SC Boardwalk past Lighthouse/Its Beach (dogs on leashes only, off leash citations may be issued) past Mitchell Cove Beach (city run, dogs off leash before 10AM) then ends at Natural Bridges State Beach (no dogs on beach, trail OK) . Lighthouse to Natural Bridges is about 2 miles. Trail is noted for most spectacular views and vistas of the Monterey Bay.

Surfers take up most lots from about 4:30 am through 8:00 depending on tides, and summer weekend crowds arrive in the later morning. Street parking is an option with a long walk in.



Bring hiking and beach gear, 6 ft. leash, treats and water. Dress in layers for widely variable wind, sun, temperature conditions, sunscreen and lunch if you stay longer. There are restrooms and outdoor showers.

Sunday July 26 Tidal Information (not extremely high nor low tides)

Low 1:44am 0.9 ft High 8:10am 3.2 ft

Low 12:18pm 2.4 ft High 7:04pm 5.4 ft

Husky Hike for Sunday, June 14

We arrived 20 minutes early at the Sunol Regional Wilderness park gate on Sunday, the 14th of June. It was a quick, relatively traffic free trip east from Fremont on Highway 680, and about 8 miles south on Calaveras Road and Geary Road down the Sunol Valley along Alameda Creek.

It was a quiet wait, with views of the creek canyon, until the East Bay Regional Park ranger drove up and opened up at 8:00 -- it was bright and warm as we entered the park and found a shady table and set up for coffee, with our BASH companions for the day arriving right on schedule.

Richard and Thanh, and Nicole came with their dogs, we visited a bit, Richard and Thanh demonstrated the scooter and bike rigs they use for exercising Kodiak, and then we commenced our walk out on the Canyon View Trail on the east side of the Creek. It was a bit warmer than I had anticipated, but still within our husky fur coat comfort range. Grass was dry and golden in the sun, but the trees were nicely green and there were still green plants in the shadier areas, some wildflowers.



The initial part of the trail was a steady incline, winding upward along a graded dirt road until we came near the top of the canyon, and enjoyed some beautiful views. There were several nice shady places under oak trees that offered rock perches for resting, although I'd be really happy if the park service could do something to flatten the rather pointy tops of most of those rocks. This section was a good workout for me, I was out of breath most of the way, but the other people and dogs sure seemed to make the trek without difficulty. Not too many other people were out for the day, most that we did meet had dogs with them, as well.

The drop down into the Little Yosemite Ravine was too steep for me, I found some comfortable shady seating at the top, but the others, and the dogs, had no trouble getting down to refresh and play in the water and enjoy clambering around boulders for a while. We returned along the creek trail, visited a while, and then left for home.



Even though it is named 'Sunol Wilderness' it seemed, to me, to be a more comfortable venue with more amenities than others we've been to -- restrooms, shade, plenty of tables and no parking worries, although there is presently no potable drinking

water. The trail we took was wide enough that Kai didn't pick up many grass seeds or burrs, we didn't run into any rattlesnakes, and the wildlife we did hear and see (plenty of squirrels, and birds both big and small) were well behaved during this visit.



I read on one of the informational posters that East Bay Regional Park was reducing many of its visitor/youth activities for a few years while they are working on the Calaveras Dam improvements, so it will probably remain a quiet place (with the exception of construction) for a while. A man I spoke to said that they were rather strict on rules and parking enforcement at the park, be sure not to let your dog off leash until you are 200 years out from the

marked trail head, or they will cite you.

Sunol park is really a special place for me -- Mary Ann Kell O'Connor Geary, the wife of Patrick Henry Geary, the original homesteaders of the ranch, was the maternal grandmother of my own maternal grandmother, and also the great aunt of my grandfather. It was a family tradition to 'summer' in family camps all along the creek every year, a tradition we were able to continue into my generation even after the Gearys traded out the ranch to Willis Brinker in the early 50's. I always think of the peanut brittle that Rose and Nellie would have for us when we visited, as well as my mother having us walking around and dragging big gunny sacks around the pastures to fill with dried cow chips to fertilize her rose garden at home.

Best times of year to visit are in the fall when, a lot of trees turn brilliant yellow after the first frost, on cold brilliant days in winter after a rain storm, and in spring when the buds are breaking and grass is really green and every rock you turn over has an interesting colony of unusual bugs, worms, and other critters. There used to be some great swimming holes along the creek that were deep enough to swim in during summer, but I think that restricted flow from the dam and more crowding with people make it a little less fun nowadays.



Umunhum Camping/or just the evening

Saturday July 4th
RSVP required by July 1

We now only have to go through two locked gates. It has changed since some of you attended. The container is now 45 degrees different from before. We do not have extra drops to put dogs on so be prepared to drop your dog off of your vehicle.

We will meet at 4 or 5 (to be determined by weather). You can wait and park in the parking lot at Bald Mountain. Do not park on the road as in the past. We will get to the top in 20 minutes from the gate. Again depending on weather we will decide if we eat dinner first or run the dogs. You can now pitch a tent behind the container or by parking on the far side as before.

Fireworks start on the Santa Cruz side about 8:45 and on the Santa Clara side about 9. It is a beautiful sight if we don't have fog. If you would like to come up just for Dinner and the Fireworks, I will drive down to let people out at the end of the fireworks (10:30 or so)

We will run at first light in the morning, have breakfast and usually come down by noon. If it is cold or too hot, it will be sooner.

When we know a count of people, we will send out what to bring for dinner or breakfast.

RSVP by July 1 (but not 2 weeks before as I will forget) BASH@com-ctl.com



Rescue July 2015



Maddie's Fund

No Adoption Fair at Campbell Petsmart July 4.

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Triton is a 5 year old male husky. He was adopted from BASH 4 years ago and is being returned because the owner had to move where he can not go. He enjoys the company of people of all ages and gets along with dogs of all sizes. if needs the company of another dog. He's a relaxed dog who enjoys napping around the house or in the backyard. His favorite thing to do is to ride in the car and go on walks. He is smart and obedient. But with his smartness, comes with his special trait of being an escape artist, like any husky. He is up to date on his shots, leash trained, extremely well house trained (one house accident the whole time I've had him), neutered, has a microchip, and completed dog training.



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Penelope is a sweet 3 year old that is a love. She seems to bond quickly to people she meets and trusts. She walks great on a leash and rides well in a car. She will make a great companion to a person that would like to take her for walks. At first it will be best if she had a family member around with her during the day. She will need some time to feel secure. We are currently working with a behaviorist to ease her fears She was surrendered with another male Siberian (Boss) so we assume she could do alright with the right dog companion. She lives in a home with 2 dogs and a cat, but we aren't sure if she would be ok with all cats.



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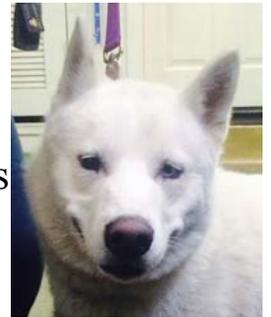
Boss is a 6 year old Siberian Husky who is an owner surrender. Boss was raised with children, is mellow and likes to play, has good obedience, is neutered, chipped and has all his shots. He is house trained and enjoys snuggling up to people. He has good manners with other dogs and is good in the house. Boss rides well in vehicles

and likes to go for walks. He is not good with small animals and may be an escape artist. It seems he either needs another dog around to keep him company or a family that is around most of the time...he wants to be loved and part of a family. He is very mellow and easy going dog. He does love to play with my dog also...he plays great and doesn't stop or slow down any more than mine does.



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Gabriel is from San Francisco. He walks ok on a leash. By his actions he was probably an apartment dog or one without a yard and is use to dog parks. He is not food agressive. He is very social. He will dart doors. He rides well in the car. He is a nice dog. He has been with small dogs and small children... He can be alot of dog if you are not use to an active big dog. He loves to play with other dogs....and play and play...so if you have a dog looking for a companion to play with Gabriel might be the one.



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Hiro is a really really sweet dog. He is great on leash, crate, food, with the pack, and playtime with Freyja and family time. He knows quite a few commands and is relatively even keeled demeanor. He walks better on a leash than their dogs do. His biggest fault is chewing plastic bottles and eating paper found around. He is great with a 4 year old.



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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
Pet Food Express 11 am – 2 pm
1902 S Bascom Ave, Campbell,
(408) 371-5555

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