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## Road Trip with the Champ

By Marie Stevens

When we were at Tamarack for SnoBASH I, BASH was invited to participate in the Winter Explosion at Mt. Reba, the downhill ski area of Bear Valley. They wanted us to give a demonstration of dog sledding. We weren't quite



sure what to expect, but we agreed. So on Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> we set off bright and early in the morning. There were 3 adults (me, Randee, and Peggy) and 7 dogs packed into Randee's Jeep. The dogs we chose were the puppies (Ralfee and Frankee), the three Stooges (Quinn, Trekk, and Madee), and the Flying Nun (Kobee). We threw Foxyy in for good measure.

We packed carefully so the Jeep was full but not obnoxiously so. Ralfee, Frankee, Trekk, and Foxyy were in the back, and were very good the whole trip. Kobee, Madee, and Quinn were in the back seat with Peggy. Before we had even made it out of San Jose, Quinn was standing with his front feet on the console, giving me "the look". (I was the front seat passenger.) I thought, "Oh, how cute. He wants to be friendly." That naïve thought didn't last too long, though. Very soon I realized that what he was really saying was, "What is that lowly commoner doing in my seat?" When I didn't move as he apparently expected, he decided the only option was to join me. So abruptly he jumped into my lap, tail swishing across my face in the process. (I got to know his rear end up close and personal during this trip!) He maneuvered around for a while, then settled down with his chin on the dash, his body draped over one of my legs, with a paw hanging down on either side. That lasted a few seconds, then he shifted his face so his nose was wedged between the dash and the window. (Apparently he likes the fresh, cool air.) Then his head slowly slid off, down onto my leg, and then down on further. Suddenly I realized that he had caught the scent of the snacks I had in the bag under my legs. After I wrestled his head out of that, I shoved him back into the back seat. This was the pattern for the rest of the trip. Up on my lap, tail in my face, twist and turn to get comfortable, face on dash, face on window, licking window, lurch around, back into the back seat. (Randee said that he was usually "restless" on the way somewhere, but was much calmer on the trip home. Do NOT believe her! He was the same way all the way home.) Randee tried putting her arm across to my seat back, and that worked for a second or two, until he discovered he could easily go under the arm. Eventually we tried opening the console so that the top would block him from jumping into the front seat. That worked for a while, but eventually one of us would forget to keep it propped open with an elbow, and up he'd come. Madee got curious after a while, so she hopped onto the console (her butt and all four feet fit on, she is so little!!) but soon Quinn decided it was time to go back into the back seat and just turned around and jumped, knocking her off

on her tush. Intermittently Peggy would grab his leash and restrain his head resting on the console (tongue out, of course). But the instant our attention was elsewhere he crept slowly up and then jumped back into my lap. By the end of our trip, my pristine red fleece looked like another dog. It also got pretty exciting when we got onto the narrow, windy mountain roads with him standing on my lap, because then Randee couldn't see out that window or see the mirror on that side of the car, and would ask me what was over there! That was a bit unnerving when there was nothing there but the edge of a mountain, and we were trying to wrestle him into the back seat! Needless to say, we made the trip safely and had a good time giving rides in the hot sun at the foot of the ski mountain. And in Quinn's defense, I have to say I don't think his head has recently gotten big because he is now a champion... I think he has already had a high opinion of himself!!

Champion Kaila's Quinn of Umunhum 1/27/07 (while Randee was at SnoBASH.)



thanks to Celine and Bryan Tews and Bill and Debbie Griffiths

## Santa Paws Fundraiser



To let all know we brought in over \$5000 from Petsmart for the holidays. We received a little over \$1000 for the Santa Paws Pictures, \$2800 from Holiday Wish Tree and a Petsmart card for \$1200 from the Holiday Wish Tree. The card will be used by foster homes for things that they need that we usually don't get donated. Again thanks to all that participated....

## SLED Drawing

The Risdon sled, donated by Dianna Wallace, drawing was held at SnoBASH on January 27<sup>th</sup>. We brought in over \$400. The winner was Patty LaCava.



Thank you to all that participated in this fundraiser.

## More Pictures from our Bear Valley Outing..



# SWEATSHIRTS & Henleys



Adults \$20 (S, M, L, XL, XXL)

Child \$15 – Large

Henleys (short Sleeve) \$15  
(S, M, L, XL, XXL)

Contact Randee to order  
your own. [BASHRR@aol.com](mailto:BASHRR@aol.com)



## EVENTS

March 3- Ceremonial Start of the Iditarod  
March 24 – general meeting Marie and Greg Stevens  
home  
April 20-22 – SnoBASH II 2007  
May ? Vaccination Clinic  
May 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>- Umunhum Run  
June ? BASH Fun Match  
Oct 30 Nov 4 – National Specialty



**General  
Meeting**

**Saturday  
March 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Greg and Marie Stevens**

1924 Foxworthy Ave  
San Jose 95124  
(408)377-1180

**5pm**

**Meeting with Dinner to follow**

**Contact Marie or Greg to find  
out what to bring.**

**At the meeting we will be  
discussing upcoming events  
such as line making, hikes  
etc....**



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# Mythbusters

March 14th at 9:00PM



Norsled's very own Bobo and Cece were chosen to star in a segment for Mythbusters titled "Can you teach an old dog new tricks?" The picture above is of Bobo, CeCe, Adam Savage, Jamie Hyneman and Norsled's John and Don Homewood. The stars of the show, Adam and Jaime along with Bobo and Cece worked with two separate trainers to see if this "MYTH" can be proved. (You'll have to watch the episode to see what happened) However, both Bobo and Cece adapted quickly to stardom and did very well. The episode with our two stars will premiere March 14th at 9:00PM. The show is titled "Dog Myths"

*It is time to RENEW your memberships.*

Membership are from April to March. Check your mailing address label for when your is up.

If you have adopted a dog in the past year and wish to continue your FREE subscription, just drop Marie a note ([sleddingshopper@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sleddingshopper@sbcglobal.net)) and you will be extended for a year.

ELECTIONS are coming up....if you are interested in a position, please let the secretary know.

With the changes with the bylaws- we have diminished the board back to 5 positions. The positions that are up for renewal are Vice-President, Treasurer and Activities Director

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# Winter Umunhum Runs

(pictures are courtesy of Ed Grant  
in Memory of Mac McQueen )



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# SnoBASH 2007 – April 21-22

We will be holding the event at Bear Valley Cross Country. Most years we give rides to Disabled adults on one of the two days. We don't know which day yet, nor if we are for sure doing it.



Rooms at Tamarack Lodge go quickly. BASH reserves the entire lodge. Dogs are not allowed in the rooms. All of our dogs stay in our vehicles at night. They offer a continental breakfast each morning or those staying at the lodge. Rooms are for 2 nights. The last few days you can get them for one night. The main lodge has rooms that are dorm style

(bathrooms and shoer down the hall). These rooms for two nights range from \$190 to \$210 (two adults per room) All rooms sleep two and some sleep more. Extra people in a room are charged \$10 per night. There are two barn rooms that sleep up to 8. They each have kitchens and a separate bedroom area. They are \$370 + per room (works out better than two rooms).



Contact Randee for more information and/or to reserve a room. 50% deposit on rooms.



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# SnoBASH Schedule

Friday—2 to 5 pm set up drops

Times can always change. If it is warm, we will not be running in the sun and will extend times to later and just sit around and chat.

These are great days to relax with your dogs.....

Saturday 7:30– 9:30 breakfast  
10:00 to 12:00 rides  
12:00 to 1:30 lunch  
1:30 to 3:30 rides

5:00 meeting  
6:00 dinner

Sunday 7:30– 9:30 breakfast  
10:00 to 12:00 rides if time allows  
12:00 to 1:30 lunch  
1:30 to 3:30 finish fun runs and clean up to go home

Lunch can be bought at SnoBASH for \$5.00 – Hot Dog or burger, chips, drink and a cookie.

Dinner– We aren't sure what we are doing yet, either dinner at Tamarack Lodge or at Bear Valley Lodge. More details to follow closer to the event.

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# March 2007

## Serving the Bay Area & Northern California

Descriptions of the dogs, including evaluation of their temperament, listed in this newsletter 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.

Kari Allen 831-210-0136 Karikmendiola@aol.com

**Jake** is a husky/mix, about 2 years old and comes from a loving home. Jake has been raised around children ages infant through teen. Jake is an excellent family dog and comes from a family of 8. Jake cannot be a free-feed pet, he is best fed once per day and will continue to eat if provided access to food. He is crate trained and excellent indoors. Although Jake can make it on his own, he thrives with a companion. His family is relocating to Maui and has found that they cannot save up enough money to transport him as he is over the maximum weight requirements for passenger flight travel. Jake is current on all vaccines, is neutered and micro chipped (medical records will be provided). Jake likes walks and does well with a consistent owner – he is a great companion and loves to smile.



Maureen Marcus 510-895-9104, spiritofashadow@aol.com

**Ally** is very very sweet, needs some work on a leash. She was surrendered by her owner with another dog. She is great with other dogs both large and small. She was raised with children of all ages. She is overweight and needs to loose a few pounds. She is a very nice dog. We have realized she decides if she is interested in a new person or not. She knows who will work and love her.



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Pep & Elsa Jinenez 831-261-2003 shotwithlove@hotmail.com

**Bruno** is mellow, extremely loveable and very friendly. He came to rescue with 3 other siberians. They were all owned by one family and dropped at the shelter in Los Banos. He is a very sweet dog but does not want to be an outside dog and does not like to be in a crate. He is ok when loose in the garage. More info to follow as we know more about them.



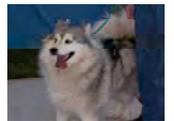
Tricia Ellston 831-663-4323 shotwithlove@hotmail.com

**Willow** is a great dog who came to rescue with 3 other Siberians. She is good on leash, loveable, gets along w/other dogs, a little shy, She is not crate trained yet! but we are working on it.

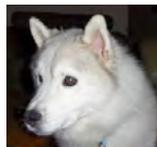


Randy Fishel randyf@sibernet.com

**Celine** is a very sweet woolly coated husky that has been neglected recently. But she so much wants to be loved. She is good with other dogs, and kids, and may even be good with cats (though we havn't tested her with cats). She is bi-eyed, but her blue eye has juvenile cataracts, and is a bit swollen. Though blind in that eye, it doesn't bother her, and she looks at you with loving eyes. Do you think you have the home that she can call her's?



**AD OPTED** Roxii, Storm, Prince Blue, Rocky, Tikanni and Juno..... Tawny, Simba, Shirley, Dutchess



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**Bay Area Siberian Husky Club**  
Membership Renewal and Associate Application 2007-2008

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 \$

Make checks payable to BASH. All memberships and subscriptions are valid through March 31, 2008. Send membership renewal form and check, or inquiries about becoming a voting member, to:

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**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  
(408) 356-7600