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Thank you to all that do matching donations with the companies that you work for. We received over \$1000.00 this year from various companies (some tell me the people, some don't) but we really appreciate and utilize what we receive to help more siberians into rescue. We do not use any of funds donated for the "regular club events"

We have Amazon Smiles listed as a way of getting money to BASH without doing much. Right now we are bringing in about \$80 a quarter...more people buying their stuff on Amazon using the Amazon Smile link (no difference than regular buying except that they ask you every time if you still want to support (see note about special for March on Rescue Page)

March 11- 9:30 Hike at Don Edwards Park (marsh land in Fremont)

March 18 – 9:30 carting event-by park next to Dumbarton Bridge

Patty LaCava is putting these together...more info will go out on the BASH list.

**Renew your Dues- BASH membership is from April-March**

April??? SnoBASH

Dec 1 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>



**Help Northern California Sled Dog Rescue  
Celebrate Our 20th Anniversary.**

**Join Us For Our Champagne, Wine, Cider, Cheese &  
Chocolate Tasting Fundraiser.**

**March 4, 2018**

**Hacienda de las Flores,  
2100 Donald Dr, Moraga, CA 94556**

**champagne**

Northern California Sled Dog Rescue (NorSled) is a non profit rescuing, rehabilitating and rehoming Siberian Huskies, Malamutes, Samoyeds and mixes of these breeds. We are all volunteers. All funds raised go to the dogs we rescue.

**wine**



**cheese**

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\$30.00  
Per  
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## EASTER COOKIES for Dogs

- Cookie Dough:
  - 2/3 cup pumpkin puree (not pumpkin pie filling)
  - 1/4 cup natural peanut butter
  - 2 large eggs
  - 2 1/2 cups whole wheat flour, plus extra for dusting your surface
- Icing:
  - Cream cheese
  - Fresh raspberries
  - Fresh blackberries
  - Turmeric powder



### Instructions

1. Bake the cookies: Place the pumpkin puree, peanut butter and eggs in a large bowl and beat with an electric mixture until well combined, about 1-2 minutes. Add the flour, beating until just combined. If the mixture is too dry, add up to 1/4 cup of water. Transfer the dough to a floured surface and knead a couple times until it comes together. Roll the dough out to 1/4 inch-thick and cut out with mini easter cookie cutters. Place the cookies on a baking sheet lined with parchment paper and bake at 350F for 20-25 minutes, or until the edges are golden brown. Transfer to a wire rack and cool completely.
2. Make the icing: Melt the cream cheese in the microwave for 5-10 seconds, until it has a yogurt-like consistency. To make pink icing, microwave some fresh raspberries until bubbling. Strain to remove any seeds. Add a couple drops to the cream cheese. Use the same technique with the blackberries for purple icing. For yellow icing, add a pinch of turmeric powder to the cream cheese. Spread onto the cookies and enjoy!

### Articles from the past

I have been trying to put more things in the newsletter but we don't do as many things as we did in the 90's with the club. Much of it is because the club is smaller...at one point we had 150 members...but now it is about 40... Many people would arrange a hike, carting, camping, going to Roaring Camp and more with our dogs but in today's times so many people just want to attend and not arrange. We are working at getting our few active members of the club to help put together a hike, carting by the bay, camping and other things hoping that people will want to do more with the club with their dogs.

Part of trying to figure out what we could do, I went back to old newsletters to see what other things we did and one was to write about things we did. I decided to add a couple of article this month to the newsletter from a past newsletter. One article was written by Nic Matulich about a sledding trip and another was by Gary Kelly and his experience with a rescue. I hope people enjoy them.

If anyone is interested in writing an article about something that they do with their dog it would be great. Could be about husky hike, a fun trip you did with your dog(s), going to an event, anything that you would like to write about people would love to read.

# BASHRR Story of the month – 4/97

There is more to rescue...

When I first came into the rescue effort i thought that rescue meant, take the dog out of the shelter and put the dog into a good home. Then one day i heard some wise words from a wise man, "sometimes rescue is about more than finding dogs homes". I don't know if Nic meant it the way i took it, but i just thought he meant there are lots of ways of looking at something and that's where this months story begins.

The rescue is full of dogs in need, in need of a homes, love and even medical attention. This is the story of two dogs who had loving homes, it is their people who were in need. One of the dogs. Yukon is a 8 mo. old pup who was adopted through the rescue a few months ago, his people have gone their separate ways, Susan got custody of Yukon. Susan is staying with her folks and Yukon is not welcome, she came to the rescue believing she had no choice but to give him up. After listening to her story, punctuated by poorly concealed tears, and hearing Nic's words ringing in my head, I decided to kennel Yukon for three weeks, while she searched for a home, for her and Yukon together.

I said at the beginning that this was the story of two dogs, this is his story as told by Gary Kelly.

Shadow belongs to a young couple who love him greatly, but find that the current housing shortage in Northern California has precluded them, like too many others, from finding housing where Shadow would be welcome. After four months of heart breaking searching, they concluded they must part with their six month old Shadow. I was monitoring the 800 number when Karen's call came-a call filled with tears, eloquently testifying to the breaking heart behind the brave words that would send little Shadow into a foster home. I called and got the full story, then acted as quickly as I could to avert another disaster. Karen had called local animal control in Petaluma and been given the BASH 800 number after learning that the shelter would not accept a wolf hybrid, and when forced to do so, generally destroyed them. Having read the stories of Winter in the local papers, she was ready to relinquish Shadow to Rescue. I offered to take Shadow in as a border. He will spend the next one to two months with me being civilized in the combined schooling of Tahvi and myself, with the able assistance of Anita offered to take Shadow in as a border. He will spend the next one to two months with me being civilized in the combined schooling of Tahvi and myself, with the able assistance of Anita.

By keeping in mind that there are more meanings to rescue than one, Bashrr has once again come to the aid of dogs in need. As Gary said "It seemed completely ridiculous to take a dog from a home where it is loved, and attempt to find a home that will love it!"

# April 1997- BASH Trail Tale by Nic Matulich

There is a marvelous trail for year-round day tripping or overnight excursions just this side of Silver Lake on Hiway 88. An outstanding recreational area itself, Silver Lake is about an hour southwest of South Lake Tahoe. That is when the roads are not washed out, flooded, avalanched or otherwise impassable from CalTrans work. Usually it is a very scenic, easy going drive I enjoy anytime of the year.

The trail I would like to familiarize you with has always been one of my favorites for hiking as well as sledding. During the winter the jumping off point is right on Hiway 88 proper. During non-snow months the road can be traveled into Mud Lake or Plasse which will connect you with the trail systems or the Mokelumne Wilderness. For this issue I am going to stay with the winter aspects of the trail and will at a later date write of backpacking in this area.

There is a sign along Hiway 88 that marks the trail juncture that reads Tragedy Springs, though it may be covered with snow in the winter months. Nearby is a marker for the Maidens Grave. This is part of the old Emigrant Trail dating from the 1840's and it is an area filled with the history of a struggle in the westward movement. But this trail existed long before the first settlers came from the east, long before the first Indians hunted forests here. Dim trails wind into the brush, crumbling fire rings, derelict cabins and abandoned mining claims dot the landscape mainly used by range cattle now. Campsites used by generations of Indians followed by settlers and travelers yield bits of cans and the occasional arrowhead flake. The spirits of many races can be felt on those cold clear evenings as the sun is swallowed by the night, for we are not the first nor the last to pass this way.

Many of the small emerald jewel lakes that are scattered across the mountainsides were "enhanced" by the work corps of the depression era with stone and cement dams of varying heights, most being 1-3 feet. Hidden Lake, Cole Creek Lakes, Pardee Lake as well as others bear the names of settlers from the 1800's and now the handiwork of the CCC and such from the 1930's. It was mostly make-work for the depression era unemployed that fanned out through the mountains with their donkey trains loaded with hand tools, cement and dynamite. They upgraded trails, installed campfire grates and in a few areas of the Sierra even fashioned concrete tanks for some of the hot springs encountered for the enjoyment of future generations.

Setting up the sleds can sometimes be a bit of challenge as the parking area for the vehicles is on the north side of the road and the trail we take is on the south. We have handled it two ways, setting the sleds and dogs up then running the team with sled across the road. The other is hauling everything across and setting it up there. If you have at least 3 people, one to watch for cars coming around the bend on the left, the first is easier and safer in my opinion. By yourself or with one other you should do the latter. It can be a busy hiway streaking with downhill skiers that have a distorted sense of what is important.

The trail we are about to take ultimately connects to the Bear Reservoir trails and can provide several days of traveling. The trails are regularly groomed by State Green Sticker money.



Snowmobiles will be encountered but they are not that numerous and generally easy to work with. The trail start winds along the bluffs and overlooking Silver Lake. There is a small group of summer cabins the first mile or so. Continuing up the grade be sure to notice the spectacular views out over Silver Lake. Push forward until you come to a split in the trail, maybe 2 miles in then make a choice. The machine groomed trail peels off to the right and heads down toward Mud Lake and Plasse beyond. To the left is the "Big Climb". Spectacular views await the top of the "Big Climb" but I suggest you save that for the return trip, coming up from the other side. Taking the trail to the right, you will descend a winding trail, sometimes narrow so listen for snowmachines. Pace yourselves and watch the time. I use 4-6 miles an hour of travel in the back country depending on the terrain. Mud lake is about 4 miles in but you have to watch for the trail splitting off to the right. Continuing up the main trail will take you to Plasse, and old cattle ranch. Several old log buildings are in the meadow with the current ranch building being about a mile further. If you have made it into Plasse you have covered quite a bit of trail. the shortest way back is to cut north back toward the bluffs and follow the usual snowmachine tracks back to the trail split. This direction takes you over Plasse Peak, nearly 8500.

We stopped along the trail and had lunch on one trip, dining on trail mix and making sandwiches while sitting in our sleds. My son, Nicholas was 4 years old and had a ball on this trip, driving his kids sled powered by our white Malamute, NaKeena. Nicky covered about 10-12 miles on that day.

One word caution along the bluffs, stay well back from the edges, the snow that accumulates is prone to overhang the rock and you could walk out onto an unsupported section. Even supported the snow could avalanche off the top into the valley below.

At the top of Plasse Peak you will be treated to one heck of a view of the Sierra. Silver Lake is spread out at you feet clad in its frozen waters. The best time for viewing is just before sunset with the reddish glow adding contrast and definition to the terrain. From this point it is a quick ride back to the trial split and then on to the trail head. All too quickly the trip is over but the memories will last a lifetime.



# Rescue February 2018

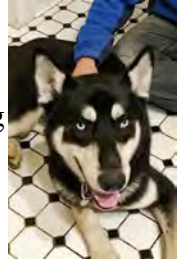
Karen Fenton

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Great to meet you! My name is Bolt! My little foster human named me.

I am a young, happy, and very energetic boy looking for a active forever friend! I am still very young with a lot to learn but I know some commands and respond well to instruction and snuggles. I know "sit", "down", "roll", and "gentle". I also play fetch and "give" or "drop it."

I like to play with toys, wrestle, and chase balls. I am ok with other dogs my own size but no small dogs or cats in the house please, I just don't know my own strength. I would do well as an only dog in an active household with time to run or exercise with me; but I may do better as a companion dog to a family with other large canine friends who like to play too. I'm a very sweet guy and will blossom in the right home. With obedience training and commitment to my crate training, I will grow into an amazing and loyal dog for all your walking, running and active adventures..



Beth Chamberlain 408-859-3101 [b.d.c@comcast.net](mailto:b.d.c@comcast.net)

Tawny is a nice 18 month old female. She is nice a friendly. She does alarm bark when she hears something, but it is quick and short (not typical for a siberian) She goes in a crate at night and appears to be housetrained even though when she was surrendered she was suppose to be an outdoor only dog. She is ok with other dogs but we think she would be very happy as an only dog.



She is a spayed Female, 18 months old, Housetrained, Crate Trained, Lead Trained, good with Large Dogs, has Rabies vaccinations, has DHLPP vaccinations, microchipped.

Rescue/foster Committee- We don't have as many foster homes but there are still many Siberians that need rescuing. We are creating a committee to brainstorm ideas on how to rescue the Siberians in our area, find more foster homes, sponsor dogs for others to rescue and other ideas. We would like to come up with ideas on what we can do and then create guidelines and rules on how to handle this. Any one interested in being a part of the committee (more minds for ideas the better) contact Randee at [BASHRR@com-ctl.com](mailto:BASHRR@com-ctl.com)

## Dear Charity Administrator,

We are excited to tell you about a new AmazonSmile promotion that will launch soon. Amazon is **tripling the donation amount** to 1.5% when customers make their first eligible [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) purchase from March 12 - 31. This is a great opportunity to increase Bay Area Siberian Husky Club's AmazonSmile donations by reminding your supporters to shop at [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com).

From March 12 - 31, use the message and banner below in email, social media, and on your website to spread the word to your donors, staff, and volunteers. Please do not announce this promotion until it begins on March 12.

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### Upcoming Adoption Fairs

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Petsmart, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
850 W. Hamilton, Campbell  
408-371-1841

Second Saturday  
Pet Food Express 11 am – 1pm  
1902 S Bascom Ave, Campbell,  
(408) 371-5555

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