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A Trip to the Siberian Nationals

By Marie Stevens

Siberian Nationals, AKA the Rockford Rendezvous, took place in Rockford, Illinois, a couple of weeks ago.

Randee, Peggy Rusher, and I flew off to attend. I have only been to one other really big dog show before, so I had some knowledge of what would happen, but not a lot. It seems that every event has its own personality, as this show was quite a bit different than the last one I attended. We landed at O'Hare in Chicago early evening. It was dark and started to rain while we were there. We got our rental car and started the drive off to Rockford, about 1 1/2 hrs drive away. Randee had the route programmed into her GPS, so no problem, right? Oops.....the GPS got scrambled on the flight and wasn't working! Rain, dark, Chicago traffic, confusing road signs....you can imagine what happened. After several loops around the same stretch of road, as we tried to figure out where to go, a cab driver took pity on us. We were making a U turn to try again, and he stopped and offered help. God bless the



man....we would still be circling if he hadn't stopped. Once we got on the right freeway, we made good time and made it to our destination. By then it was 10 or so at night, and we hadn't eaten yet. We figured we would check into the hotel and then go eat. As luck would have it, the hotel was just as confusing as the freeway system, and we had no GPS to help us there either. Eventually someone who saw us wandering around gave us directions and we did find our rooms.

Turns out there was a half floor between the first floor and the second floor, and that is where we needed to go.

The next day the show began....tons of gorgeous Siberians in lots of different colors. I'm not sure how many dogs were there...several hundred I'm sure. And lots of different booths with merchandise of Siberian oriented things!!! Shoppers paradise. What more could anyone want? We would watch the show for a while, then shop, then watch, then eat, then shop, then watch,.....etc. You get the picture. They had Agility Trials as well, and something called Rally (which looked like Agility to me.....I'm not sure of all the differences.) This was held outside on the tennis court. I loved this part. The huskies were quite capable of doing all that was



**Remember to attend the
FALL FURRY FLURRY**

required, and some did it beautifully. (If you have never seen Agility, it involves some jumping over jumps, going through some tunnels, going over a teeter-totter, and a variety of other things, in a specified order. It is timed and the one who does it the best and the fastest wins.) The Siberians LOVED it. They just didn't necessarily like to do it in the required order. They would go bounding off, tails high, tongues hanging out, and race around jumping things, going through tunnels, whatever they felt like, while their owners chased after them. The dogs were clearly having a ball...the owners seemed less enthralled. Eventually, though, we had to go in, because it was in the high 30s or low 40s and we got very cold.

The next day we got up bright and early and went out to a local park to watch the "Gig Races"...that is, cart races. They had 30...yes, 30...teams entered. They had 2-dog, 4-dog, and 6-dog teams. There was every kind of cart imaginable there. Rande took pictures of a lot of the carts so we could share this with you all. Rande helped monitor one of the trickier corners out on the course, with Wayne Curtis, Iditarod musher, while Peggy and I helped hold the teams at the start. This was great fun. These were the same dogs that were in the show rings, which was fun too. They really took off fast, skidding around on the wet grass (which quickly got muddy as more and more teams took off). Someone had made a cardboard cutout of a musher and sled team, which was placed in the grass near the end of the race. Lots of the teams slowed there to look it over, and several went over to sniff and pee on it. A bit of a distraction, but funny to watch. We froze that morning too....we hadn't really planned on being outside so much and didn't bring our heavy duty cold clothes. But I wouldn't have missed it for anything. Then back to the hotel for more dog watching, eating, shopping, raffles, etc.... there was always something going on.



We came back on Sunday, getting up early and driving back to Chicago. Our flight didn't leave til the early evening, so we planned to do a little sightseeing. However, we found out that the Chicago marathon was taking place that morning, so lots of downtown was blocked off. We spent time....you guessed it....going around in circles trying to find a place to park so we could see some of the city. Once we finally got parked, we decided the best thing to do would be a boat tour of the river that runs through much of Chicago. This was really interesting and we learned a lot about the architecture of the city. We saw lots of expensive real estate, had some snacks on the boat, andyup....froze once again.

My overall message is that the Nationals are great fun. The 2007 show will be in Rohnert Park, near Santa Rosa, so it won't involve flying anywhere, or long hotel stays (although those are fun too). I encourage all of you to go for some portion of the event; I'm sure we will be involved in helping out at the event too. I am really looking forward to it. The 2007 show will have its own personality, and will be different in many ways from any other, which is what makes it so much fun and so interesting. Keep this in the back of your mind!!!



Paw Printers

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We had a great turnout. We did 20 dogs for 8 families. It was interesting and fun. We can set up another "imprint" party in the future for those that missed this one. We were donated one "imprint" and coaster for our raffle and a couple of other neat pieces that she has done.

Bootie Brigade Party # 2

We completed over 1116 medium booties and 16 smalls. They will be mailed by mid November to the coordinator of all the booties made.

We had great fun and have more plans to do the same next year.

Thanks to all that participated.

Ice Cream Social 2006

I apologize for not getting this in last month.

We had a great day. Over 40 dogs attended along with their owners. We had a couple of families that just came by with their huskies and others that had heard about BASH.



We started out with great games such as “bobbing for wieners” and “musical sits”. As usual, both games were very entertaining. There are those dogs that will not set foot (or face) in the water no matter what is offered and others that just go in to play. They have up to 30 seconds to eat as many “wieners” as they can. Then the musical sits. Those that are well trained tend not to sit fast enough and those we know have never sat on command suddenly learn just for this game.



After the great games, we had a short demonstration on carting, biking and sledding. They talked about equipment and showed how to set up the dogs.



After lunch we did the “Parade” of rescue dogs. 12 dog were introduced by their new owners, with a wonderful story about each of them.



Thank you to all that participated.





BASH General Meeting
Sunday November 19th
5 PM

Randee McQueen
906 Sweetbriar Dr.
Campbell CA 95008

RSVP
Randee1@aol.com
(408)371-1841

Dinner will follow the meeting
Guests bring an
Appetizer
Salad
Or
Dessert

Tickets for our sled drawing will be available at the meeting.
Guests are always welcome



SLED DRAWING

This sled was donated to BASH by Dianna Wallace. She saw it in Oregon and thought about all of it. It is a Risdon sled.

A little about the maker:

Clyde Risdon says he can't stand to watch a big sled dog race. "I can stand to watch them hook up 4-, 6-, and 8-dog teams and it doesn't bother me" Clyde says. "But when they hook up the open teams, I want to join them."

Clyde who raced sled dogs during the 1970s has since funneled his competitive energy into the construction of dog sleds and gigs. Clyde started building 3-wheel carts in 1972 and dog sleds in 1979. This was after many discussions with the top or professional racers of the day on what they did or did not like about the sled and training 'gigs' they had.

It was a conscious decision to start manufacturing quality dog sleds for the professional racer. Equipment that could be depended upon to perform. Clyde stills relies on feedback from mushers like Dee Dee and Mike Jonrowe, Lloyd and Mary Gilbertson, Rob and Mary Jo Downey, Jan Bootz Dittmar and Duane Dittmar, Ken and Lori Chezik, and Gary and Denise Callaghan. Research is an ongoing process at Risdon Rigs, Inc. He also wants to thank the many people who have helped him maintain this quality, Harris and Ginger Dunlap and Larry Tallman to name a few. Harris was the first to test and promote the sleds. Larry Tallman was instrumental in design of the protracker.

In 1996 ISDRA awarded Clyde Risdon a Citation of Merit in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the sport of sled dog racing through his sled making abilities, and of his design of the ever famous Risdon Rig.

This Sled will be great for a recreational musher with 1, 2 or 3 dogs. It is light and comes with a set of lines.

So how do you have a chance at it. At the next couple of meetings we will have the sled and raffle tickets. Tickets will be \$5.00 each. Drawing will be held when we sell \$200 + in tickets.

Contact Randee or Marie for tickets.

**A GREAT SLED
FOR HAVING
FUN**





EVENTS

October 7- Bootie Brigade # 2
 November 5 - Fall Furry Flurry
 Nov 11-12 - last Umunhum run
 November 19- Vaccination-Chip clinic
 November 19- General Meeting
 November 26 – Parade of Lights – Los Altos
 December 2,3 – Santa Paws
 December 3- Carol of Lights- Campbell
 December 9, 10- Santa Paws
 December 17- Holiday party at Harry's Hofbrau
 January 26-28 – SnoBASH 2007
 April 20-22 – SnoBASH II 2007
 Oct 30- Nov 2 – Siberian Husky Nationals

Parades Parades Parades

There are two great parades that we have been asked to attend this year. The first is the Parade of Lights in Los Altos. As many as want to attend are welcome. We have asked permission for children under 12 to be able to participate. We have sleds, backpacks, a wagon and carts to loan for you to LIGHT UP (battery powered everything) We have great fun. We usually decorate the day before and all meet at 5 pm in Los Altos. Parade is only 1 mile, but loads of fun.

For more info contact:
 Marie Stevens- 408-377-1180 or e-mail at
Sleddingshopper@pacbell.net

The second parade is new for us. Campbell has a parade the night they light the Campbell Christmas tree. We have been asked to participate with a sled and maybe a cart. We are still trying to get more information. Plan on coming and watching if nothing else.

For more information contact
 Cheryl Jueal at 408-374-4389 or
Wcj54@sbeglobal.net



Santa Paws Fundraiser



Every year we participate with Petsmart in their Santa Paws holiday picture event. This is our 10th year. We supply Santa and at least two elves and they supply the

Polaroid film. We receive \$5 for every set of pictures we take. Last year we brought in over \$1000 to rescue from the pictures and another \$800 in donation.

We need help. We will be doing the pictures from 11 to 4 on Dec 2,3 and Dec 9,10 at Campbell or Milpitas. Please contact Randee if you can sign up and help. We have GREAT fun at this event.

Randee (408)371-1841 or bashrr@aol.com



Vaccination/Micro Chip Clinic

Sunday November 19, 2006
11 am to 2pm

2633 S Bascom Ave
Campbell CA 95008
(408)371-1841



FOR CATS AND DOGS

Shots - \$10 each (Rabies, DHLPP,
Bordetella and others if you call.

24 Watch Microchip - \$25.00

Heartworm test - \$25.00

Frontline, Advantage, Heartguard Plus, and more will be sold at lowest price we find on the internet (including shipping) as long as it is above our cost.

Call to let us know you are coming and what shots and other products you are expecting.



All Proceeds benefit BASH in purchasing medicine and microchips and a local Boy Scout Troop.





BASH ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

LOOK FORWARD TO:

- * Eating a delicious catered dinner, joining in games and contests!
- * Participating in a silent auction, raffles (adults and kids), and gift exchange!
- * Activity and fun area for the kids! Santa and pictures

WHEN: Saturday, December 17th, 2006

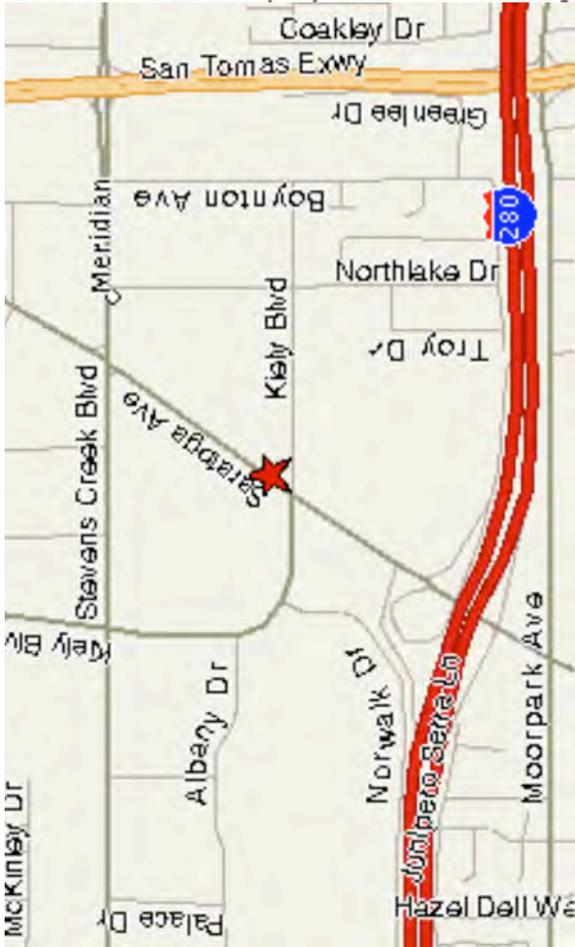
TIME: 5:00 p.m. -- doors open
5:30 --meeting (be prompt)
6:30--10:00 - dinner and fun!

WHERE: Harry's Hofbrau
390 Saratoga Avenue
San Jose, CA 95129
408 243 0434

PRICE: \$10.00 for adults; \$5.00 for children 5- 14, under 5 are free

WHAT TO BRING (Optional):

- * One gift per family for the "stealing" gift exchange (Value up to \$20.00) or you are welcome to bring one for each family member if you enjoy the "stealing"



Come and join the fun. BASH is famous for our gift stealing game. Great fun is had by all.

The Silent Auction always has wonderful items for that hard to find gift.

Dinner will include - Oven Roasted Turkey, Roast Beef and Baked Ham, Served Hot and Carved to Order - Lasagne, Steamed Vegetables, 4 salads, potatoes, rolls, coffee and lemonade

Alcohol may not be brought in to the room. There is a full bar available in the main dining room.

BASH Holiday Party ticket reservation form:

Name: _____

No. Adults _____ \

No. children 5-14 _____

Total Payment : \$ _____ (@ \$10.00 per adult and \$5.00 per child 5-14)

MAIL THIS IN TODAY WITH CHECK (by Dec. 12th) to:

BASH, 2633 S. Bascom Ave, Campbell, CA 95008



Sponsors and Prize Donors 2006
 Pet Food Express, Petco, PETsMart, Noah's Bagels,
 NBN Sports, Starbucks, Safeway, Hobee's, Trader
 Joes ...

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
 Sign in- 9:00 to 10:30
 The Walk - 9:30 to 12:30
 Contest and Games - 11:00-1:00
 Raffle Drawing - 12:30
 Silent Auction - 1:00

Safety Guide
 For the safety of your dog and those around you, please adhere to the following: Dogs must be on no more than a 6 foot leash (NO flexi leashes) - Dogs must be currently vaccinated for rabies - dogs must appear to be in good health - Female dogs in heat cannot participate - Puppies must be at least 4 months old to participate- Participants must pick up after their dogs - be sure to carry a poop bag.

Entry Form
 To register for the Fall Furry Flurry, please fill out this form and sign it. You can photocopy this form, if necessary. Each Participant must submit a separate completed entry form.

Name _____ Dog's name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone (____) _____ E-mail _____

In consideration of accepting my entry, I, The undersigned, intend to be legally bound for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators to waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against the beneficiaries, organizers, sponsors, advertisers and employees, volunteers and committee members, federal, state and local governments or private parties on whose property this event may be run including but not limited to the City of Campbell, The Country of Santa Clara, the State of California and the Bay Area Siberian Husky Club of any and all injuries suffered by me or my dog(s) while traveling to or from, or participating in this event.

Registrant's Signature/Guardian if under 18year _____ Date _____

Entry Fees must be received no later than November 1, 2006
 \$25 per person * \$ _____ T-shirt size S M L XL XXL
 \$60. Family up to 4 \$ _____

Total \$ _____
MAIL REGISTRATION FORM WITH FEES TO BASH
(Fall Furry Flurry)
 2633 S BASCOM AVE, CAMPBELL CA 95008
 • Day of Walk fee will be \$30.00 /\$75.00



Bay Area Siberian Husky Club
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Presents
4th Annual - Fall Furry Flurry

5k ALL BREED --DOG WALK - FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Pledges for walking support many Bay Area Animal Rescue Organizations.



Sunday November 5, 2006, Rain or Shine
Los Gatos Creek County Park, Campbell

Each canine participant will receive a goody bag full of treats Each paid human participant will receive a long-sleeved "Fall Furry Flurry" T-Shirt Frosty Paws for all dog participants.

Sign in- 9:00 to 10:30
The Walk - 9:30 to 12:30
Contest and Games - 11:00-1:00
Raffle Drawing - 12:30
Silent Auction - 1::00

For more information and an entry form, call 408-559-3230 x 108 or Visit our Web site at www.bayareasiberian.org

Fall Furry Flurry Pledge Sheet

Collect pledges for **BASH** and you may be eligible for prizes such as an HP Photosmart M307 Digital Camera (to the person that brings in the most pledges). Be sure to ask your friends, family, and co-worker for their support of your endeavor. Be sure to remind them that their pledges are 100% tax deductible.

Your Name _____

Address _____

City, State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ e-mail _____

Donor Name	<u>Pledges for</u> BASH Address	\$ Donation
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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_____	_____	_____

Total Pledge Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Pledge form may be photocopied. All donations are payable to **BASH**. Please staple your pledge forms to checks/money orders and mail to BASH- (Fall Furry Flurry), 2633 S Bascom Ave, Campbell, CA 95008. In order to be eligible for prizes, ALL pledges must be collected by the walker and received no later than November 15th, 2006.

***PARK DIRECTIONS CAN BE FOUND AT
WWW.BAYAREASIBERIAN.ORG***

The **Bay Area Siberian Husky Club** is a non-profit organization dedicated to educating people about Siberian huskies and other Nordic-breed dogs. A part of our club is dedicated to finding new homes for Siberians and other Nordic breed dog that have been surrendered or abandoned to a shelter. When we bring a dog into our foster care, BASH handles all medical needs of the dog. BASH also helps reunite owners with lost dogs by continually monitoring newspaper ads and shelters.

Other rescues participating in this event: Pledges for walking will go directly to the group you choose-

- MUSH (Malamute Rescue)**
- San Francisco Samoyed Rescue**
- PAWS for San Jose Animal Care Services**
Committees for: Homeless Cats, Cats and/or Dogs
- CARE**
- Unconditional Love Animal Rescue**
- SHRR**
- NorSled**
- One at A Time Rescue**
- Town Cats**
- Safe Haven Animal Sanctuary**
- Northern California Boxer Rescue**
- Bad Rap**

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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.

Tricia and Macio (831)595-4119 bashrr@col.com.com

Avery is a siberian/alaskan malamute mix. She is very sweet. She is a very nice girl, who has done great with the dogs at the shelter. She know sit and down, but needs alot of work not pulling when on a leash. She is very sweet though. She is a great dog now in foster care, house trained, friendly and more.



Patty La Cava (415) 553-8862 drunkenMalamute@yahoo.com.

Spike would like to be invited into your house to be your loving Blondie Bear. A couple of steaks and his heart will be yours. Spike has the purple tongue of a chow but has been given the soul of a siberian. With his basic obedience training he isn't the 'big bad', he isn't even kinda naughty. His chip makes him the perfect companion for humans and dogs alike. The only thing that makes him cross is being entombed in a crate



Randy Fishel- randyf@sibernet.com

Autumn is a sweet and energetic puppy that came to rescue at an early age with worms and intestinal parasites. She has been cured of her tummy problems, and is ready to start a life with a new family that is experienced with Huskies and may have a young male that is looking for a companion. She is a typical husky puppy that is bouncy one minute and napping the other. She sleeps in a crate, but voices her displeasure (but quiets quickly). She is young and will need training, including housetraining, leash training, and obedience training. She is, however, very attentive, so working wiht her to focus that attentiveness will go far in her training. Autumn is a light red color, with a unique bi-eye, where one is blue, and the other a blue/grey/green. She is also small for her age, probably due to her tummy problems in her early life. She may well get through that and be a normal sized Husky, but only time will tell.



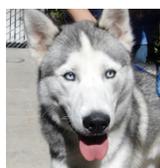
Maureen Marcus510-895-9104Spiritofashadow@aol.com

Meika is a young ?? She was reported to be a malamute from a shelter. She's not a malamute but she is cute as a button ! We actually think she is a pie bald siberian, samoyed mix. She weighs in at 55 lbs and can stand to gain a few more pounds. She also has some hair loss on her chest and appears to have been shaved around her stomach and the middle of her back but we expect with a good diet and grooming she'll have her coat back in no time. Before being transported to the Bay Area she was able to stay in a home with other dogs, cats, small children and birds. She got along great with all of them, she did want to carry the kittens in her mouth but only in a loving manner. Meika knows does know sit, needs some work on the leash, and is a bit stubborn at times, but she is a very loving girl.



ADOPTED

Wazzle, Grey, Sanyu, Jake, Harry, Ally



Bay Area Siberian Husky Club
Membership Renewal and Associate Application 2006-2007

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, 2007. Send membership renewal form and check, or inquiries about becoming a voting member, to:

Hugo Antonucci
Bay Area Siberian Husky Club
112 Clayton Court
Los Banos, CA 93635

Bay Area Siberian Husky Club
www.bayareasiberian.org

2633 S. Bascom Avenue
Campbell, CA 95008

Upcoming Adoption Fairs

First Saturday
PetsMart, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.
850 W. Hamilton, Campbell
Coordinator: Randee 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