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Our All Breed--- volunteers needed!!!!!!!!!!

A few months ago I wrote an editorial to all members of our club that all need to help with various events, but especially the All Breed. This is our major fund raiser of the year. This is what will help pay for SnoBASH, Ice Cream Socials, Fun Days, and much more.

At the current time we have approximately 12 stewards, (thanks to a new member's girl scout troop) but we need 8-18 more than this. The more we have per ring, the more breaks everyone can take. We also need 2- 3 people to help with the eye clinic (putting in eye drops and keeping track of paperwork involved) 3-5 helpers for serving lunch, "runners" that can take information or materials to rings as needed. We need people that can come early and help set up awnings, rings and tables. If you can't early maybe you can help at the end of the day taking everything down. There are other jobs that take only an hour or so.

Jacques' Porter will be calling all members to ask for help. She will have an updated list of jobs, when they are needed, etc. Please try to help.

Greta Huhtala-Koehn - Lunch
Nic Matulich - Announcer
Marilyn Lassagne - Match Secretary
Celine Tews and Randee McQueen - co Match Secretaries
Al Ouellette - Grounds Coordinator
Angela Kwan - Stewards Coordinator
Laura Morales - Raffle Coordinator
Jacques Porter- Volunteer Coordinator
Randee McQueen and Laura Morales - BASH Booth

We also request that all members get one or two raffle donations. Donate something yourself or ask you local pet store or pet service provider if they want to donate something. All types of dog items are great.

Thank you in advance for volunteering!

BASH Member Profile:

Dennis Koehn, Greta Huhtala-Koehn, and Kelly Koehn

The Koehn family joined BASH about a year and a half ago in a roundabout sort of way. About five years ago, our family dog, a 10 pound Lhasa Apso/Toy Poodle mix, died after 16 years of companionship and love. The Koehns decided to find another dog -- for about a year, the debate raged—what kind of dog?

Trips to the library to find breed descriptions, a trip to the Cow Palace show for observation, trips down to the local pound, discussions with other dog owners, a bulletin board solicitation for comments of people familiar with the breeds, quizzes on the family life style and family personalities and preferences. We know we wanted a dog bigger than Spot had been, that could go hiking and skiing with us, would be a real member of the family, share our home and hearth, and would be friendly to the other dogs (Beagle and Tibetan Terriers) owned by the extended family. A healthy, happy, sturdy, athletic, attractive, weatherproof and affectionate dog that didn't smell really doggy. This was a great exercise, for in thinking about our ideal dog, we started thinking about what type of family we were - what we really like to do, what our lives should and could ideally be like.

Dogs known in the past were considered and discussed. Finally, the choice was narrowed down to Australian Shepherd and Siberian Husky. A second trip to the next Annual cow palace show - two definite votes for Huskies, one split Australian and Husky. Talks with all the Husky breeders, pick up literature, talk with rescue people, talk with owners. Then, letters sent out to all the breeders. Many copies of the famous "So you want a Siberian Husky—" brochure. We decided we could live with shedding, had a well fenced yard, and wanted to be active with the dog.

Application forms to breeders with more family life style questionnaires. Lots of telephone replies and breeder visits and follow ups - several litters later, still no pup - all spoken for by show families. Finally Susan Calahan's Galena Creek, then near Reno. Dennis and Kelly went up to Forest Hill to pick up the fury puppy soon to be named Galena Creek's Shadow . Much more than a pet quality dog, Shadow seemed very well formed, with only the exception of a snow nose. Obviously

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SKYEWRITING

By Alan Doyle

Don't let Kurds get in the way

By BALTO SEPPALA

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GNAWBONE, Ind. (STNS) - America is on the wrong course in the Middle East because its politicians are practicing "sound-byte statesmanship," Skye told an enthusiastic audience during a presidential campaign swing through America's heartland.

"This is just another example of why we need a new team with new leadership in Washington," the calm, confident Siberian Husky told supporters and members of the press. "Our foreign policy is as bankrupt as our domestic policy. It's time for a radical change."

Gnawbone, a Southern Indiana hamlet nestled in the Brown County hills between Beanblossom and Stoney Lonesome, seemed an inappropriately bucolic setting for Skye to make his first major foreign-policy statement of the campaign. But the California canine, buoyed by recent rises in voter polls, ignored the unlikely backdrop to level criticism at the three major human candidates in the race and to call for what he described as "a new realism" in this nation's foreign and domestic policies.

Later, over a twilight dinner of Eukanuba and Milk-Bones outside the four-star Brown County Inn, Skye granted his first major interview of the campaign. Among his major points during a far-ranging, three-hour discussion:

Q: What do you mean by "sound-byte statesmanship" in the Middle East?

A: The president and most of Washington, including his major human opponents, are playing to television, desperately hoping Americans will ignore history. They're barking up the wrong tree. Americans know we don't care about the Kurds except when it's expedient; they're mostly in the way. And we mostly wish they'd go away; they're causing trouble in Turkey, they're an irritation in Iran, and we all know what's been happening in Iraq. The Kurds are a destabilizing force in an area of the world where the United States needs stability much more than it needs democracy or freedom. If we could find another way to neutralize or eliminate Saddam Hussein, we'd abandon the Kurds again. It is hypocritical to claim the current military buildup is to support the human rights of Kurds. The Kurds are only an excuse to justify election-year political agendas and the same kind of saber-rattling we seem to see every four years.

Q: Speaking of Saddam, how will you deal with that situation if you are elected?

A: I would be honest with my fellow Americans. Our national interest depends on keeping Saudi and Kuwaiti oil flowing. We don't care who rules those countries as long as they sell us oil. As for Saddam, we need to contain him, not kill him. The cure would likely be far worse than the disease.

Q: On the subject of cures and diseases, let's turn to domestic issues for a moment. What kind of national health policy can Americans expect from a Skye administration?

A: The current attempts at health care reform, as well-intentioned as they might be, are yet another example of the sort of subconscious speciesism that pervades our great nation. American humans already enjoy the best health care in the world. What tends to be ignored is that other species are facing a needless epidemic of disastrous proportions. When I am president, my highest priority will be to assemble a commission of the finest minds from all communities with the commitment to wipe out fleas in our lifetime. We have not even begun to scratch the surface in finding a cure. This may take a big bite out of the federal health budget, but it is a necessary one, and I am sure all Americans will support this needed expense.

Q. Those are radical positions and yours is a radical candidacy. What makes you believe voters will embrace them and support a canine candidate?

A: To begin with, the opinion polls show support is growing wherever voters have heard my message. They are responding to my call for them to join me in creating government that includes all Americans and all species. Furthermore, there is precedent in my home state of California, which has more than 10 percent of the nation's population. Californians have a justly deserved reputation for establishing political trends. My friends and neighbors were the first in the nation to reject speciesism and judge candidates solely on qualifications. A state that elected a Boxer to the Senate in 1992 will send a Husky to the White House in 1996.

Because Skye is refusing to accept federal funds in his presidential campaign, your support is crucial. Send money, chew toys and dog biscuits to: Skye's The Limit, c/o Alan Doyle, Campaign Manager, 1029 Tuolumne Street, Vallejo, CA 94590-4630 USA. To schedule campaign appearances,

To become a member of Skye's presidential team, as a volunteer or donor, contact his campaign committee, Skye's The Limit, in care of Alan Doyle, campaign manager, 1029 Tuolumne Street, Vallejo, California, 94590-4630; (707) 643-7975 or via the Internet at alandoyle@aol.com All contributions are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by federal law and the laws of your state. Volunteer campaign organizations will be forming within the month.

BASH TRAIL TALES

Bob Bourget - from our sister club CRSHC

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.

This race takes place in Quesnel, B.C. on January 27 & 28.

There are three divisions in the Gold Rush Trail race:

- A. 12 dog, 250 miles
- B. 12 dog, 112 miles
- C. 8 dogs, 45 miles

I ran the B division with a ten dog team, the B race is a two heat two day race of 56 miles per day, from Quesnel to Wells on Saturday and Wells to Qesnel on Sunday. The race is run on a combination of snowmobile trails, abandoned logging roads and active logging roads. I consider the Gold Rush Trail to be a very tough race, there is little, if any, flat land running, with long steady climbs and numerous short steep ones. Of course there are just as many downhill, but they just seemed so few and far between, what took an hour to climb may only take five or ten minutes to go down.

A mandatory vet check takes place all day Friday, with the musher meeting and positions draw in the evening. An official from Canada Post was there to swear in all mushers as mail carriers. Specially designated and postmarked envelopes were to be carried in each sled.

Saturday morning saw 22 teams at the starting area. The A and B teams leave together at four minute intervals . C teams leave after all A and B's are gone.

I'm 5th out with three B teams and one A team ahead of me. At about five miles out we catch the A team of Canadian Eskimo Dogs. I've heard stories about this very large breed ... not wanting to learn first hand how aggressive they really are, I chose to wait for a good spot to pass - one where we could pickup to a gallop and our momentum would carry us by. After a couple of miles we caught up to two B teams, both of which were having a hard time passing the other. Again I waited for the right opportunity to pass and we went by both teams cleanly. Looking back, I was surprised to see neither team following me. This was fine by me, but bad news for them, as we would soon be out of sight. It's always nice to have a faster team to chase, they would be the last teams we would see for thirty miles. The extreme cold (-30) and several inches of fresh snow were prime conditions for ice balling I had to stop several times to clear their feet and boot up the dogs that were prone to this problem.

We passed through the two checkpoints without stopping and came onto the plowed road section of the trail which is about ten miles long. It was kind of nice to get off the twisting up and down trail and onto some fast hardpack. You see we do slot of road training in the fall and I try and keep that a fun time for my team. Once we were on the road they picked up speed, so much so I had to hold them back. I didn't want them to get tired now because the long climb (6 mi.) and the equally long downhill into Wells. Once we were off the road and onto the trail agiun, I was able to set a snowhook and give the dogs a quick snack and check their feet. About half way through I look up to see a twelve dog team of Alaskans from Montana pull up behind me, the driver yells out His your name Bob ?" I reply yes and he says "oh good "and gets off his sled and starts checking his dogs. You see this team was also in the B race and once he knew who I was he also knew that he was ahead of me by about forty minutes. When we were finished with the dogs I let him go ahead. Being towed up the mountain by a larger and what appeared to be a stronger team was fine with me, that

is if we could keep up with him. It turned out that we had no problem keeping up. I could see that he was getting frustrated. Looking back he would see my little Siberian team right there on his heels, in particular Dallas and Flair giving it everytlung they had and looking to make a pass. With about twelve miles to go we make our move and pass, he stays right in behind us for several miles, but his team is not looking good at all, that's when I realised he must have pushed his team to hard to catch us and now they were paying for it. With about eight miles to go Dallas and Flair seem to get the scent of Wells and we break into a lope. That would be the last we would see of our friend from Montana, what was a forty minute lead had dwindled to twelve by the time arrived in Wells. I was confident we would have no problem beating this Alaskan team tomorrow.

Unfortunately he had to scratch from the second days racing. When I woke up to the weather forecast on the radio Sunday morning I was a little concerned to hear it was -44 degrees in Wells. My clothing had barely done the job at -30! Fortunately there were plenty of hills on the trail that I can run up and keep myself warm.

Sundays racing was much like the first Only colder. I also had some problems with several dogs, about twenty-five miles out I had to drop one dog. It could have easily been two but the second one wasn't slowing us down - so he stayed in. Both of these dogs showed signs of tiring at about the thirty mile mark yesterday. Also at about fifteen miles from the finish one of my steadiest dogs and backup leader injured his shoulder on one of the numerous steep downhill runs and had to ride in the sled the rest of the way.

1st 11:42:58 2nd 13:04:57 3rd 15:19: 22

Although I don't consider my times as that good, they were good enough to beat all previous years 1st place times. I also had two very distinct disadvantages. One was the fact that I had only ten dogs. The second, I knew two of my team wouldn't be able to make it past thirty miles a day. I had also been told that the fellow who won is a full time musher in the winter. He has 8 very good Alaskan team that's pretty tough to beat, but I wouldn't say impossible. There are several other things that I can improve upon, mostly nutrition and some of my training methods. All in all this was a good race for me. There is room for improvement for next year.

One more thing I would like to say is for years I've been told by other Siberian drivers and Alaskan drivers that we can't compete against the Alaffian's Husky. Well, I beg to differ! ! ! !

My team from lead to wheel.

Dallas - Flair
Patty - Golda
Kasper - Lori
Krow - Finn

Bob

Upcoming Meetings and BASH events:

- Oct 13- Umunhum Run and meeting to follow
 Nov ? a meeting scheduled prior to the Match
 Nov 16- BASH All Breed Fun Match
 Dec. 7 Los Gatos Christmas Parade
 Dec. 8 San Jose Christmas Parade
 Dec. 14 Christmas Party and December meeting.
 Jan 25, 26 SnoBASH 97 # 1

Bragg:

- Scott bragged that he had great friends in BASH that helped out in lovely Manteca.
 Angela bragged that Jazz did her first weight pull today. She also got loose after pulling but was caught.
 Melissa bragged that TJ took a first in Sled Dog Puppy Bitch, 3rd in Siberian Puppy Bitch, fourth in Best of all Puppies.
 Randee bragged that her niece Megan took first in Junior Handling with Maxx, Teruu took a first in Sled Dog Puppy and Best Opposite Sex Sled Dog Puppy

Put Your Ad HERE!

Advertise your kennel goods for sale or anything you may have in our newsletter for just \$10 a month for a business card size ad. Ads must be submitted by the 20th of the month to guarantee placement in the following months newsletter.

Please send camera ready copy to: Randee McQueen c/o BASH 2633 S. Bascom Ave Campbell CA 95008

BASH Logo Items----

Sweatshirt/t-shirt
 Bay Area Siberian Husky Club



Pin/ short
 sleeve t's



Work * Show * Play	
Sweatshirts-Child M M L XL XXL	\$ 20.00
Cardinal Forrest Green Black Plum Blue	
Long Sleeve T-Shirts- L XL XXL	\$ 15.00
Cardinal Stoney Blue Black	
Short Sleeve T-Shirt- Child M M L XL	\$ 12.00
Fusia Green Navy Black	
NEW- Rescue t-shirts - L XL XXL XXXL	\$ 15.00
Black	
*NEW hats /BASH Baseball hats	\$ 12.00
*NEW BASH sun visors	\$ 10.00
BASH pin (new logo)	\$5.00
Wolf Christmas Ornaments	\$8.00
Harnesses (x-Back, S, M, L, XL++)	\$20.00
Alaskan Collars-won't choke and can't pull out!	\$6.00
Leashes with tie-out	\$ 10.00
1/2 inch Italian Brass Snaps	\$2.00
2/3 inch Italian Brass Snaps	\$2.50
1/4, 1/2 hollow rope for lines in various colors	
Call for price and colors	
K-9 Cruisers	\$ 35.00
Rescue Knife (a must for mushing and carting)	\$ 12.00
Call for shipping costs if you want items mailed	

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UPCOMING SHOWS MATCHES AND EVENTS IN NO. CA 1996

Dog Show Dates

- Oct 5th-San Luis Obispo Kennel Club- All Breed Show. Paso Robles- Calif. Mid State Fairgrounds.
 Oct 5-6 Donner Trail Kennel Club-All Breed Show- Placer County Fairgrounds, Roseville.
 Oct 11- Shasta Kennel Club-All Breed Show Yuba-Sutter , Fairgrounds, Yuba City
 Oct 12-Chico Dog Fanciers Assoc-All Breed Show-same grounds
 Oct 13-Two Cities Kennel Club-All Breed Show-same grounds
 Oct 20-Del Valle Dog Club of Livermore- Alameda Co. Fairgrounds, Pleasanton, CA.
 Oct 26-27-Sacramento Valley dog Fanciers-All Breed Show-Dixon May Fairgrounds, Dixon, CA.
 Nov 16- **BASH All Breed Fun Match**
 Nov 22-23 Golden Valley Kennel Club-All breed show Stanislaus Co. Fairgrounds, Turlock, CA
 Nov 24-25 -San Joaquin Kennel Club -All Breed show San Joaquin Co. Fairgrounds, Stockton, CA

Meeting Minutes
9/14/96

Present: Kathy Miyoshi, Al and Carol Ouellette, Melissa Beers, Jackie Moss, Gary and Anita Kelly, Randee McQueen, Scott Tilmont, Dana Anderson, Robert Cabanban, Debbie and Bill Griffiths, Nic, Diane, Nicky and Chris Matulich, Marilyn and Art Lassagne, Doug Aldrich, Angela Dismas, Pat and Ken Waldron, Gary Newell, Donna Miller, Greta and Dennis Koehn, Teri and Lloyd Oshrio

Guests: Mitch and Lenora Erbllich.

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 at 2150 Vizcaya Cir., Campbell, CA

Approval of minutes with corrections to typos as noted:

First by Carol and seconded by Nic.

Officers Reports:

President: Was very happy with the turnout at tonight's meeting and is pleased to see so many new people interested in the club.

Vice President Absent- no report

Treasurer Absent- request by President that a report be published monthly as to financial status and send to voting members

Secretary We picked up two new members at the Malamute campout, two by mail and two tonight.

Rescue As many knew there was a meeting prior to the general meeting where it was discussed what dogs we have, what we have placed, our web page, rescue t-shirts

Election of New Members:

- A. Donna Miller- Unanimous
- B. Jackie Moss- Unanimous
- C. Bill and Debbie Griffiths- Unanimous
- D. Pat and Ken Waldron- Unanimous
- E. Greg, Marie and Nic Stevens- Unanimous

Old Business

A. All Breed- We put together the flyer for mailing with the help of all of those that attended the meeting, we need stewards to help. Jacques' will be calling all members in October to see if we can get many to come as stewards. Greta volunteered to do all aspects of the food form picking it up to setting it out. We need more obedience judges (Bill and Debbie will contact a few that they know and Marilyn will call more) We will create a map of all of the rings prior to the match so that it can be posted at the match. We need people to help with setting up rings awnings

on the morning of the match and more. Details will be in the October newsletter.

B. Ice Cream Social - Was changed to Sept 29 at Los Gatos Creek Park. We will do the Ice Cream and carting and just have a fun day!

C. Pine Crest- Those that went had a fantastic time. There were 73 dogs of which 29 were Siberians. The date has been set for next year already. The first weekend in Sept. All are welcome.

D. Next meeting will be on Umunhum (by popular demand) on October 13. This will be an afternoon run with lunch and a meeting following at least one run. November will be set in the future, December meeting will be our Christmas Dinner/ meeting on December 14th. (have Nic check and see if the cabana is available)

E. Bike Rally- discussed Celine's requirements of those attending. We have a few people that have committed but need more. A sign-up will be listee in the newsletter along with Celines rules.

F. Dog Shows- Sept 21 in Danville (Kathy and Jacques will man the booth, Sept 22 in Gilroy (Randee, Nic, Gary and Anita will man the booth)- Any other members that are available are welcome to help.

New Business

A. Future Events- SnoBASH- Nic has new ideas with a PeeWee race and a version of the Sourdough race for adults, Skijoring... The Malamute club is interesting in splitting the costs.

B. Christmas Parade- **On for Dec 7 (Los Gatos) and Dec 8 (San Jose)**. We hope that members will either be involved in one or the other. (please note at the meeting I thought San Jose was on the 1st it is on the 8th)

C. Thank yous- Scott Tilmant thanked the club and all those that stopped and helped him when his Blazer caught on fire. He stated that he realized how close many of our members are and how they were willing to go out of thier way to help and wanted all members of the club to know this.

D. We recieved two thank you's- one from the national for sponsoring one of the trophies at the National and we receive a thank you from Susan Busher for the baby gift sent last year.

E. Trail Tales T-shirts are in and were distributed to those that have had a story published.

F. The International Siberian Husky Club published a "Family" edition of their newsletter. 90% of it was on rescue, fostering and other aspects of it.

Next meetings agenda: Mt. Umunhum on October 13, 3pm (meet at noon)

(see page 4 for brags)

Motion to adjourn 8:40 : Scott first and Anita seconded

AGENDA Ocotober 13, 1996

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| I. | Call to Order | VI. | Old Business: |
| II. | Sign in sheet of members present | | A. All Breed |
| | A. Introduce guests | | B. Ice Cream Social - |
| III. | Approval of Minutes | | C. Dog Shows |
| IV. | Reports | VII. | New Business: |
| | A. President | | A. |
| | B. Vice-President | | B. |
| | C. Treasurer | | C. |
| | D. Secretary | VIII. | Set Next Meetings Agenda- |
| | E. Rescue Chairman | IX. | Brags |
| V. | Election of New Members | | Adjournment |
| | A. Gary Newell | | |

Fostering Huskies In A Condominium

Gary Wynn Kelly

I knew I wanted to foster Siberians even before I joined BASHR/R. I saw my first BASH newsletter in which the proposed bylaws for BASHR/R were published, and from that time on, I knew this was for me. So, when I joined BASH, I joined with the idea of being part of rescuing and fostering. I didn't know how this was going to work, or how much I was going to be able to contribute, but I was willing to figure some innovative ways to contribute to such a worthy rescue program.

I knew that our Siberian, Tahvi, would enjoy having a companion, but I wasn't sure how our condominium was going to accommodate another dog. Like most condominiums, ours has only a very small yard off the lanai, and we have to be sensitive to neighbors living above us, as well as on both sides.

Our condominium does have the advantage of having been chosen for accommodating a dog. Since Tahvi is my guide dog, Anita and I bought our property with the idea that I would have a dog, and the property would have to make having the dog as easy as possible. Tahvi's needs were taken into consideration even before we purchased the property, and before I obtained Tahvi. This helps, but accommodations can often be made when this is not the case.

I put up lines on which to have Tahvi fastened at all times, as the fence is only 5 feet, and hardly a challenge to a husky. One line is a trolley arrangement, while the others are simply attached via bungee to eye screws into the structure of the building. Anyone wishing to use such a line should become familiar with the advantages of a bungee.

As I write this, we are fostering our fifth dog, and I have learned from all of them. While I realize that I have more time and energy to support my fostering activities than many people have, it isn't necessary for most people to foster five dogs in less than six months. One dog a year might be a reasonable fostering effort. The idea

is to have it remain an enjoyable aspect of one's life.

Some key features to examine for fostering a dog in a small area are as follows:

1. A genuine commitment to fostering, and making the foster experience work.
2. a small yard space so your dog can be outside at least some of the time.
3. The ability to attach lines to various places to restrict the movement of your foster dog so it does not escape, or damage property.
4. The ability to wash down the yard to control odor, and keep a clean environment for the dog.
5. A sheltered area, such as an overhanging porch, so the dog will have protection from sun and rain. If this isn't available, then a dog house might be sufficient.

With these conditions being met, you are ready to consider fostering. It will be necessary to meet the criteria set forth by BASHR/R first, and to purchase some small items to make the experience work out smoothly. The would be foster home will need dog dishes for food and water-stainless steel preferred, some chewables-hooves, rawhide, or other such items as rope bones, squeaker toys, or treated bones. This saves on damage to the furniture, the building, and on your bills to your therapist.

Other items are plastic coated line, possibly a trolley arrangement, bungee cords-lots of them!-eye screws, extra leashes and collars, and outdoor mats and indoor rugs on which to have the dog sleep. Remember, you will need brushes and grooming equipment, as well as a place to groom your dog-perhaps the lanai. I use a picnic table on my lanai for the dog when grooming, and my huskies usually learn to sleep on the table at other times-they rather like it.

Most items can be obtained by a trip to your local hardware store and to your local Costco. Costco sells a great collection of 20 bungee cords for about \$7, large containers of black pepper, and lemon dish washing soap. Curious items aren't they? The pepper is *very* helpful for preventing digging, which a husky will do if there is any place for one do dig in your small

yard. Putting pepper in the holes while scolding the dog with the usual "Bad Dog!" often inhibits the behavior.

The lemon dish detergent is great for rubbing into the dog rugs and mats you provide, and which the dog thinks are additional chewables. Just rub it in, and the dog will soon stop chewing on those items. Also, it can be painted on fences, table legs, or other items without damaging them. Huskies are very smart, so they learn quite quickly what toys are theirs, and which items are yours. Having had five foster dogs, I can safely say that property damage has been minimal. It does take some thinking to anticipate possible disasters in advance.

The eye screws are useful for putting in lines outdoors, and some indoors as well. There are times when the dog will be inside, or may have to be, and it is a good idea to start, and persist in, keeping the dog limited if you wish to live in the same house.

I keep a short line attached via eye screw, in the entry of our condo. This attachment is invisible, as it is inside of the front closet, and the line runs under the door when used for the dog. It is about 2.5 feet long, so it doesn't allow much freedom. I place a rug in front of the closet door for the dog to lie upon, but the area is all tile other than that. I give the dog toys, and relax knowing that it can't do very much there. If the dog has to go out to do duties, it will generally protest loudly rather than go in such close proximity to where it has to lie, and if an accident happens, it is more easily cleaned up.

The dogs really do not mind the confinement as long as they are exercised, and receive attention. After confinement periods of 2 hours in this location a dog is in great shape for obedience training, as it views obedience training as a reward. It gets to be stimulated, and gets to interact with you. This is great reinforcement.

A sky kennel can substitute for this arrangement, and may be a better option for some persons wishing to foster. Dogs grow to like such secure areas, and one can have a happy and healthy dog in a very limited environment.

We have four places on which to fasten a dog while in the house.

The one at the front entry, one at the glass doors to the lanai off our dining /living area, one in our bedroom, and one attachment near the couch-only to be used when viewing TV so the dog is strictly supervised while with us. Using it at other times could result in a chewed couch or carpet.

A sky kennel is preferred over confining the dog to a bathroom, kitchen, or other such area. If the dog cannot see you, or be near enough to feel content in that area, then you need to add an additional line, or make an arrangement to have the dog be nearer you so it is content. Most huskies are reasonably content if they know where you are, and what you might be doing. In my personal opinion, a husky should never be left confined to a room such a bath or kitchen. It is damaging to the husky, and may be damaging to the property.

As I write this, Tahvi is sleeping four feet away, attached to the bungee at the sliding glass doors. Our current foster, Dodger is outside, on the other side of the glass doors on his line. He can see me, and has his toys, food dish, and familiar yard right there, so he is quite content.

Another reason for keeping huskies fastened at all times, or in a sky kennel, is that when your door bell rings, and you open the door, you will know where your husky is. A husky won't usually bark when the door bell rings, but it will slip out for a run when the door opens and you aren't expecting it to slip past you.

Assuming you have a small yard off your lanai as I do, you may want to adjust your planting patterns. Huskies are notorious for destroying plants, so hanging plants work better than those planted in the ground. I leave our "yard" barren, and depend on hanging baskets to provide a place for the geraniums.

I highly recommend kitty litter for odor control. Shoveling the yard once or twice a day is a must.. Costco sells a 50 pound bag of kitty litter at a bargain price. We use it to sprinkle over the soil where the dog has gone, and it virtually eliminates all odor. Washing down the fence is a once or twice a week job, as male dogs like to water fence posts, and

the kitty litter doesn't help the posts. If you don't already have a short garden hose, you will want one, and be sure you have a good place to attach it. It is helpful if you can keep the hose at the faucet, so it is handy when needed.

Those bungee cords are great for fastening to the eye screws outside, then having the line fasten from the bungee to the dog's collar. This provides for the dog pulling on the line, and limits the dog by absorbing most of the energy of the pull. Vibration is less, so the shocks don't get transferred into the building structure to annoy neighbors.

It is necessary to exercise the husky more than it might be other dogs, and when living in a condo., this must be considered as an essential aspect of fostering. You must have a schedule that permits your spending at least an hour per day with your foster in shared activities. If you walk, jog, or have other recreational activities, see if they can include your husky foster. If you have a work schedule that demands a 12 hour day every day, then fostering huskies is probably out unless your partner is really into fostering as well.

Fostering is one of the most rewarding experiences in which you might participate with a husky, and you will find yourself better for each experience in ways not imagined as you read this. This is true even if you have had more than 15 years of experience with huskies as I had when I began fostering dogs for BASHR/R.

Remember, you won't be alone. The other members of BASHR/R are there as resources and friends to ensure a successful experience for each dog. Sometimes a match just can't work in your environment, and another member must take the dog to ensure a good outcome. On another occasion, you may be the one helping another foster family by taking a dog into your home. Enjoying each dog, and providing what each needs to get adopted into the best environment available is what fostering is all about.

If you have specific questions about fostering a dog in a condominium, please feel free to contact me by email at GaryWynn@BBS.Cruzio.com, or by telephone at 408/464-2211.

PROFILE

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intelligent, playful, outgoing but not at all aggressive, not shy, Shadow has been everything we've wanted with a pup and a dog.

We took Shadow to obedience training at the Fremont Dog Club, which meets in a warehouse new the NUMMI plant several times a week - it was a great experience for Greta, as she had never really dealt with a dog bigger than one she could pick up and put under her arm when it misbehaved. I would highly recommend their training sessions for anyone (owner or dog or entire family).

Later, when Shadow was about a year old, we went to a BASH match. We met other BASH people, and Greta signed up for the mailing list. After a couple of meetings, she signed up the whole Family for membership. It's been wonderful to learn about dogs, chat about dogs - think about possibly showing Shadow and actually try out carting and sledding.

One of the things that we had wanted to do with Shadow was skijor. Dennis and Kelly are still avid downhill skiers (Dennis raced in college, years ago) but Greta has switched to cross country (definitely easier on the knees). Only bits of information were available on proper skijoring -the club has been wonderful as a source for information on skijoring, as well as information on equipment sources, other people and publications. Shadow has been a wonderful cross country companion for Greta -- and even Kelly and Dennis have become more interested in cross country now that the dog leads us along!

The Koehn family lives in the Centerville area of Fremont with an average home on an 80 by 100 lot, well fenced. Besides Shadow, two 7 year old goldfish and a cockatiel live there. Dennis has worked at Litton Microwave for about 20 years -- Greta is a cost analyst, presently working on contract through Accountants on Call at Hewitt Packard's Santa Sara facility. Kelly is a junior at Moreau Catholic High School in Hayward.

The family loves to camp, hike, and fish, as time and other family responsibilities allow (which isn't often enough) and on some winter weekends, ski from Kaleva Ski Club near Echo Summit, off Highway 50. Greta's present wish list is for another two dogs, a sled, and more time to take on dog shows, obedience training, and learn to paint with water colors but that's going to have to wait awhile. At least, until Shadow learns to push the vacuum around (instead of playing chew-tag) with the hose nozzles while mom picks up the dog hair'

An interesting story about Shadow.....

When Shadow was 10 months old, we took him up to the ski club at Echo Summit for a couple of days vacation. Although the rule is "no pets allowed inside the lodge" this rule is sometimes stretched a bit.

Shadow likes to be underfoot most of the time: if you are anywhere in the house, he is next to you. I generally don't leave him outside by himself—he's a companion. As I type this, he's on the floor at my feet. Anyhow, Shadow was yelping when tied up out on the lodge porch without us. It was really snowy outside, to cold for us, but of course not for Shadow.

Since the club is a cooperative, there may be a other families in the same building. One woman, a good friend and often at the club, was experiencing some asthma allergy problems, and it was decided Shadow definitely could not be indoors with us. So, Dennis went down to the basement with Shadow, and, after the dog seemed to be settled, came upstairs a while later, when the yelping became annoying, he went down to see how the dog was doing. He couldn't open the door into the basement at the foot of the stairs. The dog had jumped at the knob, and, in trying to get out, had completely locked himself in. Dennis forced the door, and broke the framing. Well, we decided to go down to South Shore, pick up some repair materials, and have a leisurely afternoon away from the lodge as a family so our dog wouldn't further annoy anyone.

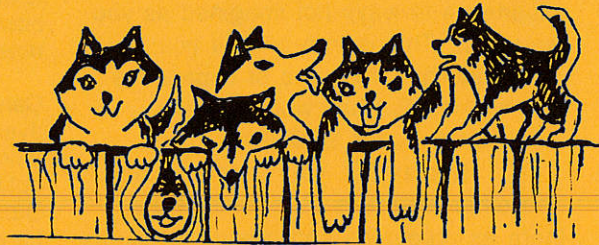
During a stop for lunch at the local Mexican Cantina, we put chew sticks in with the dog, clipped his chain to a seat belt. Of course, the sleepy dog we left in the car immediately woke up on our departure, and chewed up not only the seat belt he was clipped to (r\$176.00) but also took on the drivers shoulder belt (another \$176.00) . He did look

very happy when we got back to the car about an hour after we left. Luckily, he didn't seem to have swallowed any of the nylon webbing. We were amazed at how easily his canine teeth scissored through the webbing we couldn't do even half as easily with a very sharp Swiss army knife.

Getting back to the lodge, we ran the dog about in the snow a lot, and really tired him out. I sat with him on the porch until he looked like he was going to sleep, then went in to the warm fireside. Dennis was replacing most of the door frame in the basement. A while later, the dog raised a ruckus - I went out, more people were coming in. However, the very durable plastic "basket" rings on the ends of someone's ski poles were very chewed up. Shadow just wagged his tail and "smiled" up at me. I swear he was really grinning. It was very interesting, but of all the seven or eight sets of ski poles he could have selected, he had chosen just those of the lady who had asthma allergies!

That night Dennis slept on a cot in the basement with Shadow. All was quite. Early next morning, Dennis went on down to South Shore again, for more repair supplies and some replacement ski baskets, and I took off with Shadow through the snow with a makeshift harness -- I tied his 15 foot leash to the auto safety chest type harness we had, and took off skijoring. What a day - this is what this dog was designed for! It certainly beat sitting around at the lodge and chewing things! And the fun was definitely worth so much more than seat belts, door frames, and pole repair parts. Since then, we have become much more adept at heading off possibilities of dog damage and mischief, but no doubt there are still going to be some surprises! And we look forward to lots more fun!

Bay Area Siberian Husky Rescue/Referral



Presents:

Adoption Fairs on the first and third Saturday

Premium Pet Mart

Please join us on Saturday, October 5

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.

Pet Food Express!

Please join us on Saturday October 12

11 am to 3 pm

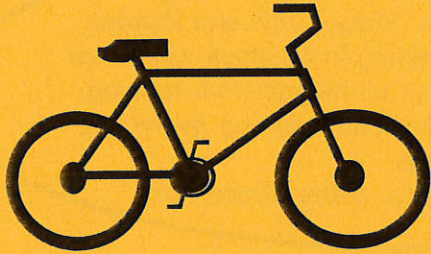
Westgate Shopping Center

1933 Davis Blvd.

Directions to Husky Day in San Leandro. Take 880 Exit Davies West take left at the first light into Westgate Shopping Center. Turn right at the first stop sign. You will find Pet Food Express to the left in the row of buildings in front of you.

BIKE RALLY- Dog Carting

At Terrell School
in San Jose.



Contact Celine or Bryan Tews
at 578- 0142 to sign up or ask
questions and get directions.



We will be giving short cart rides to children and adults. All proceeds will benefit the school. We will be handing out information and answering questions about the club.

The times for the shifts are or if you want to stay all day:

8:30-11:30

11:30-1:30

1:30-4:30

The school or rather the PTA parents who know about this is all fired up about this. They think this is the neatest thing that could happen for the walkathon. So please let me know who can come and what time you can come.

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The Bay Area Siberian Husky Club, is a group of men and women, it is a group of people who believe that the Siberian Husky/ Northern Dog is the finest canine companion in the world. Its a group of people brought together for the purpose of showing, sledding, carting, rescuing, and just generally having a good time with their dogs, but more than all of this, it is now a group of FRIENDS. With this in mind, this bulletin board has been set up as a place to say thanks to the club in general or any individuals in the club.

There comes a time in everyone life, when friends really can make a difference in whether you make it or not. This time came for me not so long ago, with the loss of Pete, and without going into deep detail, I would like to thank Nic and Randee for being there when i needed friends the most, and for still being there. Thank you.

My health prevents me from doing some things that most people take for granted. I would like to take this time to thank Angela, Doug and Randee for building a roof for my kennel. They came at the last minuet suggestion of Randee, and within 1 1/2 hrs my dogs had a roof over their heads. Thanks Guys.

Jacques Porter
Tali and Taxi

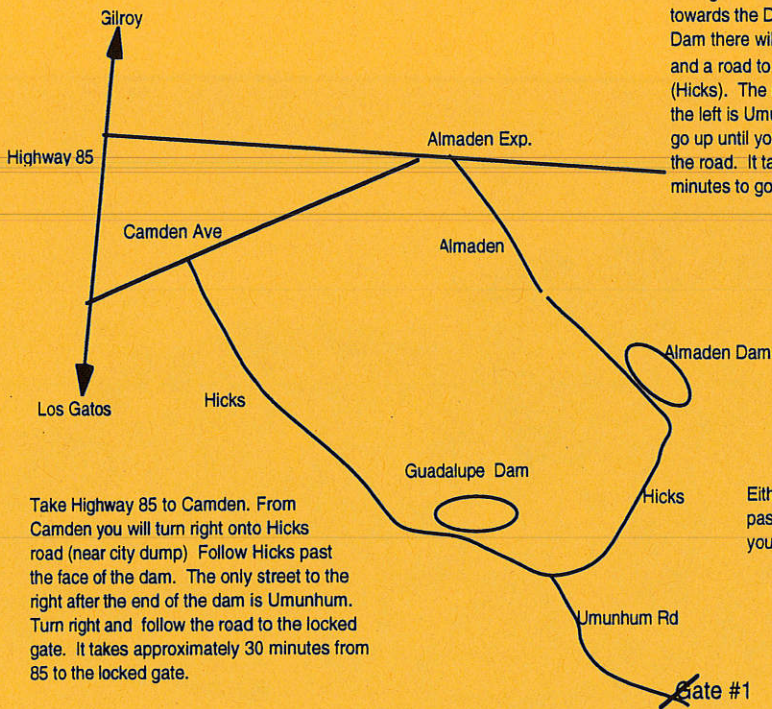
We would like thank Angela, Doug, Jacques, Kathy, Nic, Diane, Nicky, Chris and Randee for stopping, staying and helping in Manteca when our truck caught on fire. They all helped from running and getting parts to walking and watering everyones dogs.

Scott Tilmant and Dana Anderson

As editor and the paperwork coordinator for BASH, I would like to thank all of you that thought you were just coming to a meeting and ended up also putting together the 1500 flyers that we mailed out for the All Breed.

I would also like to thank those that live near me and keep helping with compiling our newsletter together. It takes time, but isn't bad when you have good company.

Randee McQueen



Take Highway 85 Almaden Exp. Take the exit to old Almaden. Go through the old town and head up towards the Dam. At the end of the Dam there will be a dead end road and a road to the right. Turn right (Hicks). The next and only road to the left is Umunhum. Turn Left and go up until you reach a gate across the road. It takes approximately 30 minutes to go from 85 to the gate.

Take Highway 85 to Camden. From Camden you will turn right onto Hicks road (near city dump) Follow Hicks past the face of the dam. The only street to the right after the end of the dam is Umunhum. Turn right and follow the road to the locked gate. It takes approximately 30 minutes from 85 to the locked gate.

Either direction, if you pass more than one Dam you have gone to far!

The next "Umunhum run" will be :

Saturday October 13th
Meet at the gate at: Noon.
General Meeting: 3pm

We pass through 3 locked gates. You must stay until everyone leaves. It is not possible to go out early. Plan on 3-4 hours. Call Randee to confirm if you are coming. Bring chips, salad or veggies and dip (408)371-1841 (last minute changes, page her at (408)377-2900.

The weather as we all know is unpredictable. Be prepared for hot, cold, windy and or foggy weather. We do have shelter in case of rain.

We have alot of fun and will take all of the dogs out on at least one run. We take as many owners out as possible.



B. A. S. H.

13 TH ANNUAL
 ALL BREED CONFORMATION & SHOW 'N' GO OBEDIENCE
FUN MATCH

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NOVEMBER 16, 1996
 At Cal State Hayward University
Mixed and Rare Breeds Welcome

Pre Entries Close Nov. 4 th.
 Fees: First Class \$8.00
 Additional Class \$5.00

Day of Match Entries
 First Class \$10.00
 Additional Class (same dog) \$ 7.00

Obedience classes, Show 'N' Go, are pre Entries only. No dog may be entered more than twice in Obedience. Limited to 35 - 50 dogs per ring depending on class. Over payments will be considered a donation to our club rescue.

Parade of Rescued Dogs \$4.00 - Pre Entry only. (Give a short history of the dog you adopted through rescue) Junior and Adult Handling \$2.00 at ring side during lunch break.

DAY OF MATCH ENTRIES- FROM 8:00 AM TO 9:30 AM. CONFORMATION, HANDLING, TATTOO CLINIC (Bill Griffiths), CHIP CLINIC- West Valley Animal Hospital, STUDIO 2 Photography, EYE CLINIC -

Conformation Classes-Judging Begins 10:00 am
 Puppy: 2-4 months, 4-6 months, 6-9 months, 9-12 months- Adults: 12-18 months, Bred By Exhibitor, American Bred, and Open.
 Special Classes: Spay and Neuter and Title Holders; Groups only.Parade of Rescued Dogs.
Obedience Classes- Judging Begins 9:00 am.-limit 2 entries per dog
 Sub- Novice, Novice, Open, Utility, Sits and Downs. NO A & B classes
 " No severe corrections or pronged chokes allowed in the ring"

AWARDS- Ribbons for 1 st- 4th place, regular classes. Rosettes: 1st -4th place in all Groups. Rosette plus a certificate for Parade of rescued dogs.
PRIZES- Best in Match Puppy, Best in Match Adult, Best in Match Spay/Neuter, Best in Match Title Holder, High Scoring in Obedience.

ADDED ATTRACTIONS Food vendors will be available, plus coffee, cocoa, tea, canned drinks, and donuts for sale. Raffle, Eye Exam Certificates - (Dr. D. V. Hacker DVM), from Vendors, Vendors and more Vendors. LUNCHEON -(catered deli style) Exhibitors are welcome to join. Adults- \$6, children under 11 yrs. \$4.00. (pre-paid only, obtain tickets day of match)

JUDGES	C Classes-Working except Boxers and Doberman Pinchers	Duana Young	Sub Novice - Kathleen Tucker	JUDGES
	O Herding. Toys & Terriers			
	N Groups-Hounds. Toys. Title Holders Group	Jean Levine	Novice - Helen Valencia	
	F Best in Match Puppy		Open - Ray Hemphill	
	O Classes- Sporting. Hounds. Balance of Working	Robert Hanely	Utility - Sue Ten Eyck	
	R Groups-Herding. Terriers. Non Sporting		Sits & Downs - Lois Seibak	
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A Jr and Adult Handling				
T Groups-Working. Spay/Neuter. Sporting				
I Best in Match				
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Judges pending as of 9/14/96

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO **B.A.S.H.** MAIL ENTRY FEES TO:

Match Secretaries- Celine Tews, Randee Mc Queen, 2633 S Bascom Ave, Campbell CA 95008 (408)371-1841 (no calls after 9 pm)

Dog # 1 (make copies if necessary) # for Luncheon _____ adults _____ children

Breed _____

Classes Entered:

Sex () M () F

Conformation : _____

Birth Date _____ Age: _____

Obedience Class 1 _____

Dog's Name _____

Obedience Class 2 _____

AKC Registration Number: _____

Adult Handling: _____

ILP Registration Number: _____

Junior Handling: _____

Owners Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

Street

City

State

Zip

I agree not to hold B. A. S. H or Cal State Hayward liable for the loss or damage to any dog exhibited, whether the result of the accident or other causes and in addition, assumes no responsibility for any loss, damage or injury sustained by an exhibitor. It is distinctly understood that every dog at this Match is in the care and custody and control of the owner / handler during the entire time the dog is on the premises.

Signature _____

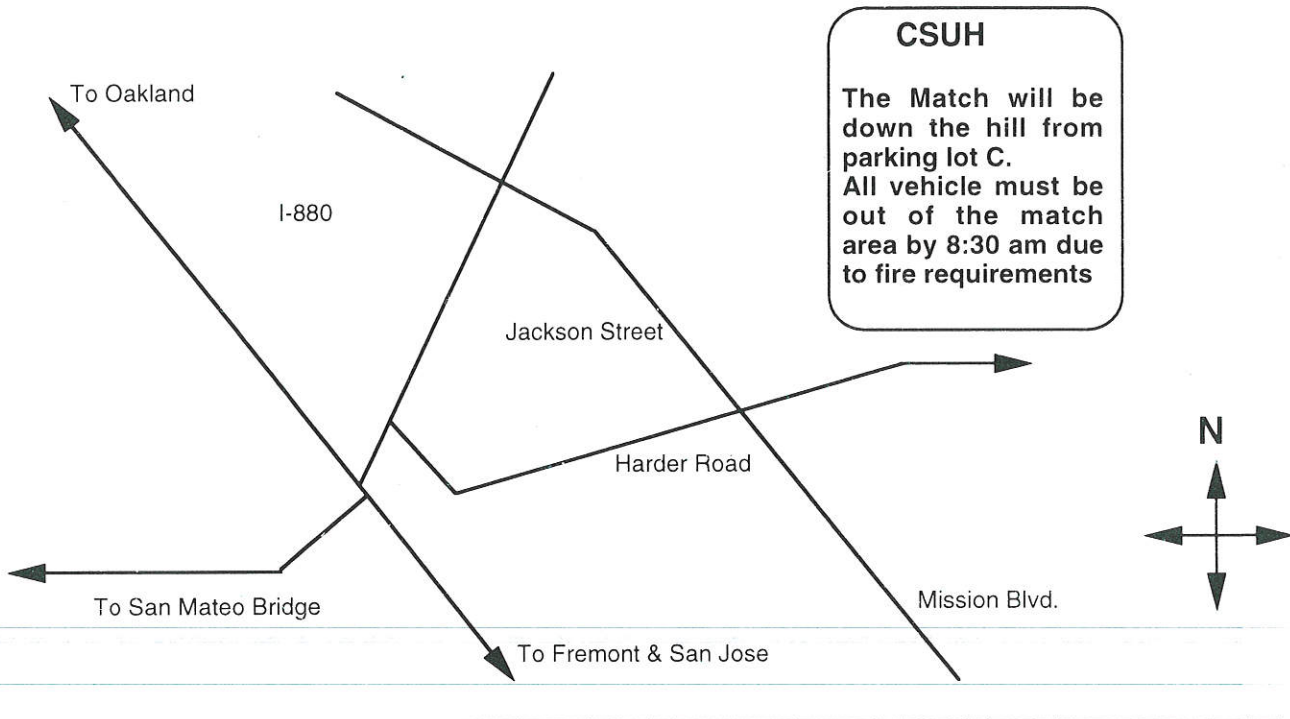
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Bay Area Siberian Husky Club

C/O Celine Tews & Randee McQueen - Co-Secretaries
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Directions: Take 880 North or South to San Mateo Bridge / Jackson Street Exit. Turn east onto Jackson Street then Right onto Harder Road. Follow Harder across Mission Blvd. and up the hill to the CSU Hayward Campus. We will be across from parking lot C down the hill to the left.



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Siberian Husky Club

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 1996

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