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*September meeting after the Warrenton, VA, show  
October 13 - Calcutta, meeting, and picnic*





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**DO YOU REMEMBER?**

**JULY-AUGUST 1977**

Bob and Judy Staples went on vacation to Switzerland near the Jungfrauoch and sent this report:

One of the places we visited this trip was the Jungfrauoch in Switzerland. In addition to the exciting ride, the observatory, and the thrill of just being at the top, they offer sled dog rides on the glacier. Since it was very overcast that day, we were in the last group to go up and down, the dogs were not running, but we did see numbers of them in their runs on the way back down. They looked more like some of the racing dogs I've seen and not too much like show dogs, plus I suspect there were some mixtures, but even so, all I could think, was what a wonderful setting and what a wonderful life for one of our dogs.



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The purpose of this Club is to educate the membership in all matters pertaining to the Siberian Husky and to do it in a spirit of camaraderie.”

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**Got a high energy dog? Try Dog Sledding. No Snow Necessary.**



[Baltimore, MD – July15, 2007] – Dog sledding in central Maryland? Yep, you got that right, you can now go dog sledding right here in Baltimore and its suburbs with newly formed *Maryland Sled Dog Adventures LLC*. Got a high energy Siberian Husky or other breed that needs some exercise? That's great, bring him or her along and book one of our unique Run What You Brung programs. Only have one or two dogs? No problem, many dog-powered sports can be done with only one or two dogs. Of course, since we all know about the potato chip syndrome and Sibes, after you try dog sledding, you'll suddenly want five more Siberians.

So by now I'm sure you are thinking: This is Maryland, what if there is no snow? One of the best kept secrets of mushing is that dog sledding is not just a wintertime activity anymore. With warmer temperatures plaguing much of the country, there has been a recent emphasis on what is frequently called “dryland” or “dryland dog sledding.” Dryland dog sledding is dog sledding using wheeled rigs, bikes, or scooters. Dryland dog sledding is not new. It's been around for a long time and has always been used to train and condition sled dog teams in the Fall and Spring. Recently, however, it's become a popular sport in its own right with local, regional and international competitions and races which attract competitors from around the world. There's even a race, the Fair Hill Dryland Challenge, sponsored by the Pennsylvania Sled Dog Club right here in Maryland. Now, using *Maryland Sled Dog Adventures LLC's* custom engineered German rigs, anyone can mush their own team of well trained sled dogs right here in Maryland or take a ride through the scenic hills of Baltimore County behind a team of authentic sled dogs.

*Maryland Sled Dog Adventures LLC*, a licensed Nature Tourism Vendor with the State of Maryland, offers tours,

rides and mush your own team experiences throughout Central Maryland. In addition to those offerings, *Maryland Sled Dog Adventures LLC* offers specialized programs on dog sledding for Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts and special classroom presentations for classes studying the Iditarod or reading Jack London books. *Maryland Sled Dog Adventures LLC* also offers bikejoring, canicross and, weather permitting, skijoring lessons. For more information on these exciting sports, visit [www.marylanddogsledding.com](http://www.marylanddogsledding.com). Bikejoring, scootering, canicross, and skijoring are great dog-powered sports to consider if you only have one or two dogs.



Best of all, though, *Maryland Sled Dog Adventures LLC* also offers a unique Run What You Brung program. Interested in getting into dog-powered sports with your own dog(s)? If so and if you've got a high energy dog that needs some exercise, is in otherwise good health, and is approximately 30 lbs or larger, a Run What You Brung program is for you. Bring your dog(s) and *Maryland Sled Dog Adventures LLC's* owner, Catherine Benson, will work with you to train your dog to pull and then will incorporate your dog into a team with her trained sled dogs. She can also give bikejoring, canicross or skijoring lessons using your dogs or a combination of your dogs and her dogs. This is a great opportunity to get out and bond with your dog and try dog-powered sports while both of you get some exercise. "I've spent many years doing Siberian Husky rescue and one thing I've seen often is that owners of high energy northern breed dogs get the dogs because they are gorgeous and then can't manage to get the dogs the exercise these active breeds require. They don't realize that these dogs need to have a job. If you don't give them a job, they will find a job and it will not be one you like. Faced with a destructive and bored dog, unfortunately, many of these owners end up taking their dogs to shelters. I hope that with these programs, we are able to help owners of high energy dogs get the exercise the dogs need and that fewer dogs will be dropped at shelters as a result," Catherine Benson said. Call (443) 562-5736 or email [catherine@marylanddogsledding.com](mailto:catherine@marylanddogsledding.com) to book your own tour, ride or Run What You Brung.

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## WHAT DID I DO WITH MY GLASSES???

Beautiful Husky design! This item is perfect for ALL dog lovers -- both guys or gals -- to hold sunglasses or reading glasses, clip-style I.D. badge for work or meetings & conventions, hang a key, gals combine the Husky Pin with a scarf, and the guys use them as a tie tack Pin with a tie!



This little Husky Pin comes in its own little plastic pouch with instructions to "**LOCK**" the eyeglasses securely in place on your shirt or jacket -- so wondering where you left them is a "mystery" of the past! No more lost glasses, tangled chains around your neck or stretched glasses by wearing them on your head! Provides you security for your glasses especially around water and bending over to pick up items! Available in either Gold or Silver finish. Guaranteed against breakage -- if circle or clasp breaks, just return the Husky Pin's "main design portion" to the manufacturer (address is provided with each purchase). It will be replaced free of charge! What a bargain! The Husky Pin cannot be found in retail stores. Even if it could be found in shops, it would be at much higher prices!

**Each Husky Pin costs only \$10.00 plus \$3 shipping and handling. Wholesale prices are available by request for rescue agencies and other non-profit agencies.**

**To order: send check or money order, made payable to Karen Fletcher, for \$13 (includes \$3 mailing cost) to: JUST HANGING AROUND, P.O. Box 1065, Olalla, WA 98359-1065. Allow 3-4 weeks for delivery. Be sure to include name and address to whom the Husky Pin should be mailed and indicate preferred Pin finish: Gold or Silver.**

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### CALCUTTA

Hi Debby....Saturday October 13 (Roland's Birthday) for the race. Remember we decided to have 2 groups...experienced and novice. We will need some trophies for the 2 groups. Talk to you soon... Carolan

The dates for the OCT. Calcutta are the 13th with the 20th as a Rain Date...

Everyone is invited to stay after for a pot luck and looks like B day cake.... They will need to coordinate what they are bringing with Elinor..... Thats it... Debby



### MEETINGS

The September meeting will be held after the Saturday Warrenton, VA, show at the end of the month. I think a lot of members will already be there (assuming so anyway). Further details will come out by e-mail.

**October 13 – 12 NOON:** Calcutta Races At Elinor Abrell's house. Bring your dogs, harnesses, and rigs, and a dish to share. **NEW:** two classes – novice and experienced!!!!

**DIRECTIONS:** From Frederick take US 15/340 south, stay on US 15 at the 15-340 split and continue to Pt. Of Rocks. Turn left onto MD 28 at Pt. Of Rocks, just before crossing the river. If you cross the river, turn around. You missed MD 28. Continue on MD 28 about 2.5 miles to Pleasant View Rd. Turn left onto Pleasant View Rd and continue about two miles to 2222 Pleasant View Rd on the left. The driveway is immediately past the pasture with the power line towers. Call **301-831-8753 to RSVP.**



David Schwartzman's Lycisca



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Definition of "seasons" in Alaska  
**From RIVERS, a blind sleddog:**

Since this is going to many non Alaskans, maybe I should tell them about the seasons. First, there is no "outside" type summer up here. There is the warm season and the cold season. Then you got the wet season and the dry season. Someplace in between is the mosquito season. Then the tourist season which can be year-round. If you go far north you have only two season, light and dark. If you go south, you have the political season and the aftermath season, with further south brings you the Seattle season. Oh yes, and if you got dogs you have the wet poop season and the frozen poop season.

Take care,

Rivers

<http://home.gci.net/~sleddog>

[www.riversbooks.blogspot.com](http://www.riversbooks.blogspot.com)

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**A DOG'S PRAYER**

Treat me kindly, my beloved master, for no heart in all the world is more grateful for kindness than the loving heart of me.

Do not break my spirit with a stick, for though I should lick your hand between blows, your patients and understanding will more quickly teach me the things you should have me do.

Speak to me often, for your voice is the world's sweetest music, as you must know by the fierce wagging of my tail when your footsteps fall upon my waiting ear.



When it cold and wet, please bring me inside, for I am now a domesticated animal, no longer used to bitter elements.

I ask no greater glory than the privilege of sitting at your feet beside the hearth.

If you had no home, I would follow you through ice and snow than rest upon the softest pillow in the warmest home in all the land, for you are my god and I am your devoted worshiper.

Keep my pan filled with fresh water, for although I should not reproach you were it dry, I cannot tell you when I suffer thirst.

Feed me clean food, that may stay well, to romp and play and do your bidding, to walk by your side, and stand ready, willing and able to protect you with my life should your life be in danger.

And, beloved master, should the great Master see fit to deprive me of my health or sight, do not turn me away from you. Rather hold me gently in your arms, as skilled hands grant me the merciful boon of eternal rest---and I will leave you, knowing with the last breath I drew, that my fate was ever safest in your hands.