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"If there are no dogs in Heaven, then when I die I want to go where they went."

Will Rogers, 1897-1935

FROM THE SHRF BOARD

Is it cooler yet? Hopefully with the autumn season now upon us we will see some changing weather where we will want to spend more time outside with our fur-kids. The year is flying by and it's hard to imagine that the holidays are just around the corner.

SHRF is beginning our community event season to get our rescue name out there, get in more donations, and show off the beautiful breed that we all love. Make sure you check out the events calendar in the newsletter and on the website for where we will be and when. We would love to see volunteers, previous adopters (with their Huskies of course), or any of our SHRF supporters visit and/or help out.

We worked just as hard during the summer months adopting out and rescuing more Huskies. June, July, and August may not have been "event" full but we did adopt out 16 Huskies plus one referral. Then we rescued 17 more Huskies, several of which are still available for adoption. So the summer has been busy. Currently we have 12 Huskies that are looking for homes. If you haven't looked at our available Huskies recently, you will notice the new ones as well as a couple that have been in foster homes for awhile now and still looking for their fur-ever home - Calvin, Nala II and Tobbler. We would like you all to look into your hearts to see if you think you might be the forever home for one of them or if you know of someone that would open their home up to them. These Huskies are still full of life and have their own unique personalities that would be joy to anyone.

We are thankful to our new fosters that have joined the SHRF family over the past couple of months. As you know our biggest struggle is the limited number of available foster homes. Of course our regular fosters need a break now and then so it is nice when we have someone new help give them that well deserved break from fostering. Funds and foster homes are what limit us to the number of Huskies we are able to save. We do the best that we can and we thank all of you who help make this happen and support SHRF.

During the summer months we see a down trend on donations, so if you are able to provide us some additional support or have some leftover summer vacation money please consider donating to our rescue.

A couple of reminders....Please be sure that you have joined our Facebook page as it was re-created over the summer. To find us, search for Siberian Husky Rescue of Florida. This is a great way to stay in touch on our adoptable dogs, who's been adopted, and what's going on with SHRF. If you have adopted from us, we would love to hear updates or see pictures. Our board members and foster parents love to hear how your Husky is doing. Please email those in to shrfcontact@yahoo.com.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement!

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From the Editors Bob & Lorraine

A strange thing happened recently. I was talking with a neighbor about how borderline irrational I am about anything untoward happening to a dog. My irrationality doesn't apply to cats, other animals, humans or extraterrestrials, just dogs. I am unable to watch TV programs like Animal Cops because the people who mistreat dogs never get a proper punishment, at least not what I would consider proper. I will turn off, or at least change the channel on, the TV whenever anything bad happens to a dog.

I wasn't always like this. I grew up owning dogs but since I retired and have spent most of my days for the last fifteen years or so coexisting with a pack of Huskies, I have changed. I no longer just live with Huskies. I have reached what I consider a higher plane, becoming part of a pack, with all the symbiotic relationships that are thus entailed.

I tried to explain this to my neighbor but I'm not sure if it really got through. Even though she herself owns two Labs, at the end she kind of looked at me strangely, so I don't think she really got the full gist of what I was saying.

I tried to explain it this way. Many years ago, I won an amateur photography contest in New York with a picture of my daughter. She was

asleep on a colorful pillow and I apparently got the sweet innocent look on her face just right for the judges. I explained to my neighbor that the look of a sleeping child captures the absolute essence of innocence. It is something that goes away in your child as they start to get older and is essentially gone when they grow up.

I have concluded that dogs do not merely "look" innocent, they actually are innocent – permanently so. To me, this innocence never goes away in a dog. It was still there a couple of years ago when I had to say goodbye to my 17-year-old Husky girl, Nikki. It is there, daily, for me to see with all my current Huskies. Now that I am aware of it, I never stop reveling in it. It makes me smile at odd times during the day; when I happen to glance at one of them looking out the window, sleeping, chewing their nylabone, whatever. It is a heart-warming feeling and I hope everyone gets to feel it sometime.

Bob

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**If my dog is barred by the
heavenly guard
We'll both of us brave the
heat!**

-W. Dayton Wedgefarth

"In order to really enjoy a dog, one doesn't merely try to train him to be semi-human. The point of it is to open oneself to the possibility of becoming partly a dog."

- - - Edward Hoagland "Dogs and the Tug of Life"

Does Being Pet Friendly Increase The Value Of Your Home?

by Jasmine Klein | June 7, 2011

Sending Rover to the doghouse is no longer the punishment it once was because many of today's pooches of panache live lifestyles of the woof and famous. According to a recent review of properties by Move, Inc. (NASDAQ:MOVE), the leader in online real estate, man's best friend today receives more than just bones for treats as many homeowners are rewarding their dogs with custom-built doghouses, deluxe dog runs, custom "doggy-doors", pet-friendly landscaping, private patios with personal fire hydrants, and other features that add value to their master's property with many buyers.

"Pets have become important members of the family, and their needs are often high on the list of must-haves for many buyers, sometimes even higher than priorities of the two-legged members of the family," says, Eileen Healy at Prudential Rocky Mountain Realtors® in Colorado. "Calling out features or local pet-friendly amenities can make or break a buyer's interest in a particular property.

If a buyer knows a home they love already has features the family dog or pet will also love, they'll be more inclined to give that home a second look and consider it more than others on their list."

While proximity to dog parks, doggy day-care centers, or pet fashion stores are often priorities for dog owners interested in city properties, suburban properties generally have ample space for seemingly unusual pet-friendly features. For the sophisticated canines, this Victorian dog house that matches this \$10,995,000 home listed on Realtor.com in California is a must see. If country living is for you and your 'dawg' needs a warm place to chill after a long day of shepherding on the prairie, consider a heated doghouse with a deluxe dog run listed on Realtor.com at \$520,000 in Idaho. Or, for pooches in need of alone time or a quiet space, consider this secluded cottage on Realtor.com at \$524,000 in Illinois.

While spaces customized to a dog's specific needs are not uncommon according to Shari Guess, a Realtor with Buy Wise Real Estate in Texas and active member of the

Great Dane Rescue of North Texas, many dog lovers do go the extra mile when it comes to creating a pet-friendly environment at home.

"We have one particularly enormous Dane named Sampson, and we couldn't find a pet door big enough. So we made our own out of a semi-truck mud flap. It's a few years old now so we'll be duplicating our efforts and replacing it soon," said Guess. "We also put in a small outdoor patio so when it's muddy Sampson and our other dogs can go outside for whatever reason and come back into the house without us having to wipe 16 muddy paws! It has a short three-foot fence, pea-gravel with fire hydrant and can be accessed via the dog door from the dog room."

As the nation heads into the Dog Days of Summer, and in honor of National Dog Day on August 26th, Move celebrates man's best friend with information, tips and guides from pet experts and top Realtors specializing in pet-friendly homes.

Whether it's building a pooch palace or installing a bone-shaped pool, Move offers advice on how to celebrate your canine and improve the value pet-loving buyers will give your property as they search for their next home. Interesting topics available now for pet lovers and home enthusiasts to explore on the Move Network include:

Properties for sale with fantastic pet-friendly features: As more people consider themselves "pet parents," Move showcases homes for sale perfect for adapting their lifestyles to their furry family members.

Dogs go green: Have you ever thought about your dog's carbon "paw print"? Find easy ways to go green with your dog, including using environmentally-friendly dog products like biodegradable toys.

Celebrity and presidential dog homes: Celebrities love to shower their dogs with love, affection... and doghouses. Heard about Paris Hilton's two-story kennel mansion built for Tinkerbell? Or what about Drew Barrymore naming her dog 'Flossie' in her property trust valued at \$3 million?

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Sleep a little, play a little, eat a lot, scratch where it itches - Dogs have the right idea about life

Hallmark greeting card

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Realtor tips on benefits of pet-friendly homes: Realtors share experiences in working with pet owners in the market for a home and explain that Fido plays a larger role in finding a home than one might think.

How-to build a doghouse: Want to build an abode for Fido on a budget? Here are steps required, tools needed, and instructions for building a doghouse for under \$75.00.

Moving tips for your pet: Moving can be stressful for pets, so prepare a room for your pooch while you're packing everything up, ensuring hazardous materials are tucked away. Find a vet near your new home and a list of pet friendly hotels in case you need to stay at one while getting settled into the new place.

Streets named after famous dogs: Wondering how some streets were named? The famous dog Nipper in the RCA Victrola ads lived in Bristol, England, and visitors there will find a small road named "Nipper Alley."

Landscaping tips to create a pet-haven in the yard: Is your garden going to the dogs? Man's best friend can be a gardener's worst headache until you learn how to peacefully coexist with your canine companions.

The Top 10 Dog Parks in the U.S.: If you love to play at the park with your dog, you'll love Dog Fancy's list of top 10 dog parks. The Jackass Acres K-9 Korral in New River, AZ topped the list this year; it is completely green, and recycles dog waste to create other usable materials.

Pet friendly hotels: Traveling with your dog has never been easier, as hotels across the country are increasingly

offering pet-friendly rooms and activities. According to www.BringFido.com, some of the most popular cities for pet travel include Myrtle Beach, SC and Santa Barbara, CA.

Pet friendly apartments: Finding an apartment that allows dogs is not always easy. Check out the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in your area, you'll probably find a list of local pet-friendly landlords.

In addition to offering expert advice on pet-friendly properties, Move, Inc., has partnered with top breeders at Breeders USA in California to provide facts and statistics relative to top breeds by city, and the most popular breeds in America.

"We're pleased Move is helping homeowners identify ways to transform a home into a pet-friendly environment because it's a great way to maintain a pet's health and vitality," said Daniel Hect, Master Dog Trainer and owner of BreedersUSA.com in California. "By identifying the needs of your pet while you're searching for your next home, whether it's with an outdoor play area or "doggy-doors," the property is not only enhanced esthetically, but the upgrades can also become a viable marketing feature when selling or buying a home."

As part of the campaign, Move, Inc is pawing to get a glimpse into the most luxurious doggy dwellings by asking pet owners to submit their favorite photo of their pets' home on the Realtor.com Facebook Fan Page and be entered to win \$250 gift certificate for Petco. Visit Move.com, Realtor.com/blogs or join facebook.com/realtor.com for additional details on the Dog Days of Summer campaign!

FOUR FEET

I have done mostly what men do,
And pushed it out of my mind;
But I can't forget, if I wanted to,
Four-Foot trotting behind.

Day after day, the whole day
through--
Wherever my road inclined--
Four-Foot said, 'I am coming with
you!' And trotted along behind.

Now I must go by some other round
Which I shall never find--
Somewhere that does not carry the
sound --
Of Four-Foot trotting behind.

--- Rudyard Kipling ---

Check out Ginger K's Husky, Zabol, in the St Pete Times

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Pets | Readers' gallery



Swedie, 4, yellow Lab

Swedie is a rescue dog from Illinois who loves the cool, clean, refreshing waters of Florida's rivers.

Margie Spinoza, Weeki Wachee



Konica, age and breed unknown, rescue dog

We were posing for a photo. I yawned, then she did. They're contagious.

Clinton Lee, Largo



Zabol, 8, red-white Siberian husky

When Zabol climbed up on the lawn mower and placed his right paw on what could have been a start button and his left paw on the steering wheel, I just had to take the picture since it looked like he was about to drive off and mow the lawn!

Ginger Kaszer, St. Petersburg

Zoe, 2, calico Hemmingway

She likes to nap in the utility sink with her favorite toy.

Carol and Tom Duncan, Palm Harbor



Pepe, 2, toy poodle

This is the only monkey Pepe would want on his back!

Trish Wilks, Seminole



Grace, 2, Doberman

Yahooeeyyy — Frisbee Queen does the splits.

J. Menees, Largo

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Catch your pets in the act of being cute, funny or mischievous, and share your photo with us. We'll run the best ones in the BayLink section. Send us:

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- Your pet's name, age and breed.
- A short description of the moment in the photo.

Attach a high-resolution jpg (300 dpi or more) and e-mail to baylink@sptimes.com. Put "Pet photo" in the subject line. We cannot accept "albums" from photo services.

For the fifth year in succession I have pored over the catalogue of dogs in the show at Madison Square Garden without finding a dog named Rover, Towser, Sport, Spot or Fido.

Who is the man who can call from the back door at night: "Here, Champion Alexander of Clane o' Wind-Holme! Here, Champion Alexander of Clane o' Wind-Holme"?

Westbrook Pegler

SHRF Events 3rd Quarter 2011

Tyrone Petsmart adoption events



Bringing some adoptable dogs out for potential adopters to meet and for us to provide information about the breed. Please check our calendar for upcoming pet store events. Left to right, Loki (formerly Murdock, now adopted); Nala up for adoption; Servo (now adopted); Calvin up for adoption,; Tala (formerly Addie, now adopted).



Yappy Hour at Clearwater Wine and Bistro



Left to right, SHRF volunteer Barbara with Nala and Calvin (available for adoption); Kaiser (available for adoption) greeting a potential adopter; Zorro (available for adoption); Kaiser with a youngster checking out our business card, Nala happily getting her tummy rubbed; Zorro with a



young girl eating up attention; Kaiser and Zorro; Calvin letting a young girl pet him with Nala in the back ground



"If your dog doesn't like someone you probably shouldn't either." ~ Unknown

Drunk Puppy Buying Banned by West Village Pet Stores

By Serena Solomon
DNAinfo Reporter/Producer

WEST VILLAGE — You've heard of drunk dialing and drunk Facebooking, but drunk puppy buying?

Inebriated passers-by are falling in love with playful pooches frolicking in the window of a West Village pet store, and the problem has become so bad the owner has banned them from taking the pets home.

"I feel like they always come in drunk," said Fernanda Moritz, the manager of Le Petite Puppy at 18 Christopher St. which has implemented a policy against letting customers buy — or even hold — animals if they've been drinking.

The shop is surrounded by bars, and Moritz said many of her would-be customers stop in after happy hour around 6 p.m.

"They come from there and say 'let's stop by to see the puppies,'" said Moritz.

Amazingly the store, which has supplied puppies to celebrities including Sarah Jessica Parker and Hugh Jackman, isn't the only one in the neighborhood forced to implement the ban.

Christopher Street's Citipups also forbids intoxicated customers from purchasing puppies.

Moritz recalled selling a Chihuahua some years ago to a woman she thought might have been drunk, only to have the dog returned the next day — in a near-dead state.

"We took it to the vet and he found five pills in the dog's stomach," she said. "It almost overdosed."

The Chihuahua's stomach was pumped, and it survived.

Now Moritz and her staff are always on the lookout for intoxicated customers and won't even let those they suspect are drunk hold the puppies to keep them from being dropped.

Moritz says the situation is an occupational hazard of working on a strip well known for bars and boozy brunches.

The adorable sight of furry faces in the window and the effects of alcohol can be a bad combination, Moritz said.

Further west on Christopher Street, Leandro Jacoby, the 28-year-old manager of Citipups also had to make judgment calls on the sobriety of some of his customers.

Citipups — located next to the Stonewall Inn and Duplex at 45 Christopher St. — has come up with a creative way to test whether a customer is serious about the purchase.

"We have to tell them to come back the next day and most of the time they never come back," Jacoby said.

"Most of the time it happens around holidays — St. Patrick's Day or Gay Pride," he added.

Four-years ago on St. Patrick's Day, a couple came into the store and spent \$3,500 on an English Bull Dog and a Miniature Pinscher. The morning after, the couple returned to the store, apologized to Jacoby, and gave the dogs back.

"They were just having fun," said Jacoby.

Even though turning down drunken customers might seem bad for business, Moritz and Jacoby both say they'd prefer to lose the sale.

"We make sure they can take care of the dog. We make sure they go to a good home," Jacoby said.

Dr. Nicholas Dodman, Animal Behaviorist
Animal Planet TV, Dogs 101—referring to Siberian Huskies

"... and they are a real 'dog of a dog', not a toy dog, not a pretend dog. This is a real dog."

Dog For Sale



A guy is driving around the back woods of Montana and he sees a sign in front of a broken down shanty-style house: 'Talking Dog For Sale ' He rings the bell and the owner appears and tells him the dog is in the backyard.

The guy goes into the backyard and sees a nice looking Labrador Retriever sitting there.

'You talk?' he asks.

'Yep,' the Lab replies.

After the guy recovers from the shock of hearing a dog talk, he says 'So, what's your story?'

The Lab looks up and says, 'Well, I discovered that I could talk when I was pretty young. I wanted to help the government, so I told the CIA. In no time at all they had me jetting from country to country, sitting in

rooms with spies and world leaders, because no one figured a dog would be eavesdropping.'

'I was one of their most valuable spies for eight years running.. But the jetting around really tired me out, and I knew I wasn't getting any younger so I decided to settle down. I signed up for a job at the airport to do some undercover security, wandering near suspicious characters and listening in. I uncovered some incredible dealings and was awarded a batch of medals.' 'I got married, had a mess of puppies, and now I'm just retired.'

The guy is amazed. He goes back in and asks the owner what he wants for the dog.

'Ten dollars,' the guy says.

'Ten dollars? This dog is amazing! Why on earth are you selling him so cheap?'

'Because he's a damn liar. He never did any of that stuff.'



Old Faithful

**A Faithful Dog Will Play With You
And Laugh With You -Or Cry,
He'll Gladly Starve To Stay With You
Nor Ever Reason Why.**

**And When You're Feeling Out Of Sorts
Somehow He'll Understand,
He'll Watch You With His Shining Eyes
And Try To Lick Your Hand.**

**His Blind, Implicit Faith In You
Is Matched By His Great Love,
The Kind That All Of Us Should Have
In The Master Up Above.**

**When Everything Is Said And Done
I Guess This Isn't Odd,
For When You Spell "Dog" Backwards
You Get The Name Of God.**

Author Unknown

Is your Dog at Risk for Bloat?

Posted in www.barkingbulletin.com, January 2011

Canine bloat is a very serious health condition that affects dogs and can become a life-threatening emergency. Bloat is the second leading cause of death for dogs, after cancer. Understanding warning signs, prevention and treatment is critical to help reduce the risk of death if bloat should occur.

How does bloat occur?

The medical term for bloat is gastric dilatation-volvulus (GDV) and it is also referred to as 'stomach torsion' or 'twisted stomach.' In the bloated stomach, gas and/or food stretches the stomach abnormally, causing severe pain. The stomach then has a tendency to rotate and cuts off the blood supply and all possible areas for gas to exit the body.

When stomach gases cannot get out, they expand. If untreated, toxins build up and stomach tissue begins to die because it is too tight to allow blood to circulate. The liver, pancreas and other organs may be compromised and shock from low blood pressure can set in. If the stomach ruptures, peritonitis can result.

Some of the signs of bloat include a rapid heart rate, salivating, vomiting (or retching), restlessness, a swollen belly and weakness. If a dog is suspected to be suffering from bloat, it is critical to get immediate veterinary care. A dog cannot recover until the stomach is untwisted and the gases released. Even after a dog with bloat has been stabilized, there can be many related complications such as shock and heart failure.

Once diagnosis has been confirmed, medical treatment might be sufficient, however, most cases require surgery. If tissue damage is severe, the spleen and part of the stomach might be removed.

When abdominal surgery is performed, it allows an assessment of the stomach and surrounding organs and a chance to reposition and suture the stomach (called a gastropexy), to help prevent twisting in the future. Post-operative care depends on the severity of the disease and the treatment methods used to date.

What causes bloat and how can it be prevented?

Typically, dogs with deep and narrow chests are said to be more at risk, but even small dogs, such as Dachshunds and Chihuahuas, *can* be affected by bloat. (The depth-to-width ratio of a dog's chest represents the amount of room for stomach movement in the abdomen, behind the ribcage.) Bloat can occur in dogs of any age or breed, although it usually is found in dogs over the age of seven.

It's important to note that not all cases of bloat happen in the same way and bloat occurs as a *combination* of factors. There are several known causes of bloat, including risk factors relating to stress, eating and exercise habits, heredity, behavioral traits, build and disposition. A dog with a first-degree relative that has bloated is considered more at risk for bloat. Male dogs seem to suffer from bloat more often than female dogs. Spaying and neutering does not appear to affect the risk of bloat.

Diet composition is key in avoiding bloat. A dog's mealtime environment should be stress-free and as peaceful as possible. Discuss with your veterinarian the *types* of food your dog should eat, (e.g. dry versus moist, raw meat, fiber, etc.) as well as specific *ingredients* to use or avoid (e.g. protein, fat, acids, carbohydrates, etc.). Every dog is different and should be evaluated individually regarding specific diet needs and his risk of bloat.

Dogs fed only once a day – as opposed to multiple small meals – are said to increase their risk of bloat. And, dogs that eat too quickly or exercise too vigorously or too soon after a meal might also be more at risk. Discuss with your veterinarian your dog's breed characteristics and predisposition to bloat, as well as how many meals (and what portion size) he should have each day, and the specific recommendations for his exercise regimen.

In addition, some veterinarians believe that there are higher risks of bloat when certain sizes and types of dogs use *elevated* feeding bowls, while others disagree. Ask your veterinarian about this issue and whether or not floor level or elevated feeding bowls are appropriate for your dog.

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Prevention is always preferable to treatment. Avoid situations that can create anxiety and allow your dog access to fresh water at all times. Some veterinarians suggest that owners of 'susceptible' dogs keep a product on hand containing simethicone to slow gas, if bloat should occur and to 'buy more time' to get to the clinic. A supplement of acidophilus is said to promote 'friendly' bacteria in canine intestines which prevents the fermentation of carbohydrates that can cause gas and quickly lead to bloat. Be certain to discuss these options with your veterinarian.

What research is being done?

The AKC Canine Health Foundation (AKCCHF) is currently studying ways to prevent bloat as well as genetic factors and other related issues.

One of the veterinarians the AKCCHF has worked with is Dr. Leslie Monroe of the University of California at Davis Veterinary School. Dr. Monroe's podcast on bloat is posted as part of the AKC's Genome Barks podcast series. The series provides responsible breeders and pet owners with a close look at the work being done by the foundation.

Many other veterinarian researchers have also conducted comprehensive studies on bloat. Two of them are Dr. Larry Glickman at the Purdue University School of Veterinary Medicine and Dr. Ca-triona MacPhail of The Colorado State University

College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences.

Know the risks and be prepared

Bloat is a serious, life-threatening emergency that can occur quickly. Talk with your veterinarian in advance about your dog's characteristics and chances of developing bloat — and what steps you can take to avoid it.

Veterinary costs for treating bloat can add up quickly and having pet insurance can help cover the financial expense. Here at PetPartners, the exclusive provider for the AKC Pet Healthcare Plan, a sampling of some recent bloat claims we've reimbursed have been for \$1,495, \$5,000, \$3,327 and \$1,238. Another bloat claim reimbursement, for \$3,572, included a splenectomy (removal of the spleen). For more information on our other illness benefits and entire range of healthcare plans, call us at 866.725.2747 or visit: www.akcpethealthcare.com.

Become knowledgeable about the signs of bloat. If you suspect your dog has bloat, do not attempt home remedies and contact your veterinarian immediately, calling ahead so that the veterinary staff can prepare for your arrival.

Understanding your own dog's risks, prevention, symptoms and the need for prompt treatment can help avoid the risk of death if your dog should suddenly develop bloat.

DOGS LIVE HERE

**If you don't want to be greeted with paws and swinging tails don't come inside because dogs live here.
If you don't like the feel of a cold nose or a wet tongue, don't come inside because dogs live here.
If you don't want to step over many scattered toys, don't come inside because dogs live here.
If you think that a home ought to smell of perfume, don't come inside because dogs live here.
If you don't mind all of this, you will be instantly loved when you come inside, because dogs live here.**

- Author Unknown

SHRF UPCOMING EVENTS AND FUND RAISERS

4th Quarter 2011 Upcoming Events

Oct 1st — **Blessing of the Animals and Pet Fair** 10 AM - 2 PM
Lake Seminole Presbyterian Church ,8505 113TH St., Seminole, FL

Oct15th — **SPCA Tampa Bay Pet Walk** 9 AM - 1 PM
Straub Park, St Petersburg
2nd Annual Tampa Bay Veg Fest 10 AM - 6 PM
Cotanchobee , Fort Brooke Park, 601 Old Water Street, Tampa FL

Oct 23rd — **Animal Coalition of Tampa Stride for Strays** 8 AM - 1 PM
Curtis Hixon Waterfront Park, 600 N Ashley Dr, Tampa, Fl 33602

Nov 5th — 6th — **SHRF Garage Sale** 8 AM - 3:30 PM
2860 52nd St N, St. Petersburg, FL

Nov 19th — **Canine Christmas - 10 AM - 3 PM**
Bishop Animal Shelter, 5718 21st Ave W Bradenton, FL

Dec 17th — 18th — **PICTURES WITH SANTA!!** 11AM - 4PM
PetSmart on Tyrone Blvd, St. Petersburg

WATCH FOR THE HUSKY OLYMPICS COMING IN FEBRUARY 2012

Please check the calendar of events on the website or Facebook for updates to our events.

WE CAN ALWAYS USE MORE VOLUNTEERS!!! So if you can help, please call **727-391-8934** or email events@siberrescue.com . If you can't help... please come out and see us at any of these events or our recurring monthly events at Petco and Petsmart. We would love to have you.

CHECK OUR WEBSITE REGULARLY FOR EVENTS UPDATES!

Your Best Friend

"The one absolutely unselfish friend that man can have in this selfish world, the one that never deserts him, the one that never proves ungrateful or treacherous, is the dog.

A man's dog stands by him in prosperity and in poverty, in health and in sickness. He will sleep on the cold ground, where the wintry winds blow and the snow drives fiercely, if only he may be near his master's side.

He will kiss the hand that has no food to offer; he will lick the wounds and sores that come in encounter with the roughness of the world.

He guards the sleep of his pauper master as if he were a prince. When all other friends desert, he remains. When riches take wings and reputation falls to pieces, he is as constant in his love as the sun in its journey thru the heavens."

A Dog Poem By: Senator George Vest - 1870

"If you don't own a dog, at least one, there is not necessarily anything wrong with you, but there may be something wrong with your life."

Roger Caras, *A Celebration of Dogs*

Repeal Breed Specific Legislation Say Vets

by [Jasmine Klein](#) | June 7, 2011

Overwhelming support for deed not breed in dangerous dogs consultation

The government has published the results of the Defra consultation on dangerous dogs revealing overwhelming support for an overhaul of the failed Dangerous Dogs Act 1991.

The consultation closed in June and the British Veterinary Association (BVA) and British Small Animal Veterinary Association (BSAVA) submitted a joint response based on sound scientific evidence and expert veterinary opinion. The response called for an end to breed-specific legislation that targets dogs based on the way they look rather than their actions.

The BVA and BSAVA are delighted with the summary of the 4,250 responses published today that reveals:

- 88% of respondents do not believe that current legislation is effective in protecting the public
- 71% believe that breed-specific legislation should be repealed
- 84% are in favour of all dogs being microchipped.

Commenting, Harvey Locke, President of the BVA, said:

“There is enormous support amongst experts in dog health and welfare for an end to the failed breed-specific legislation.

“The Coalition Government’s programme promised to take action on dangerous dogs and Ministers must now take on board the strong views from this consultation to implement changes.

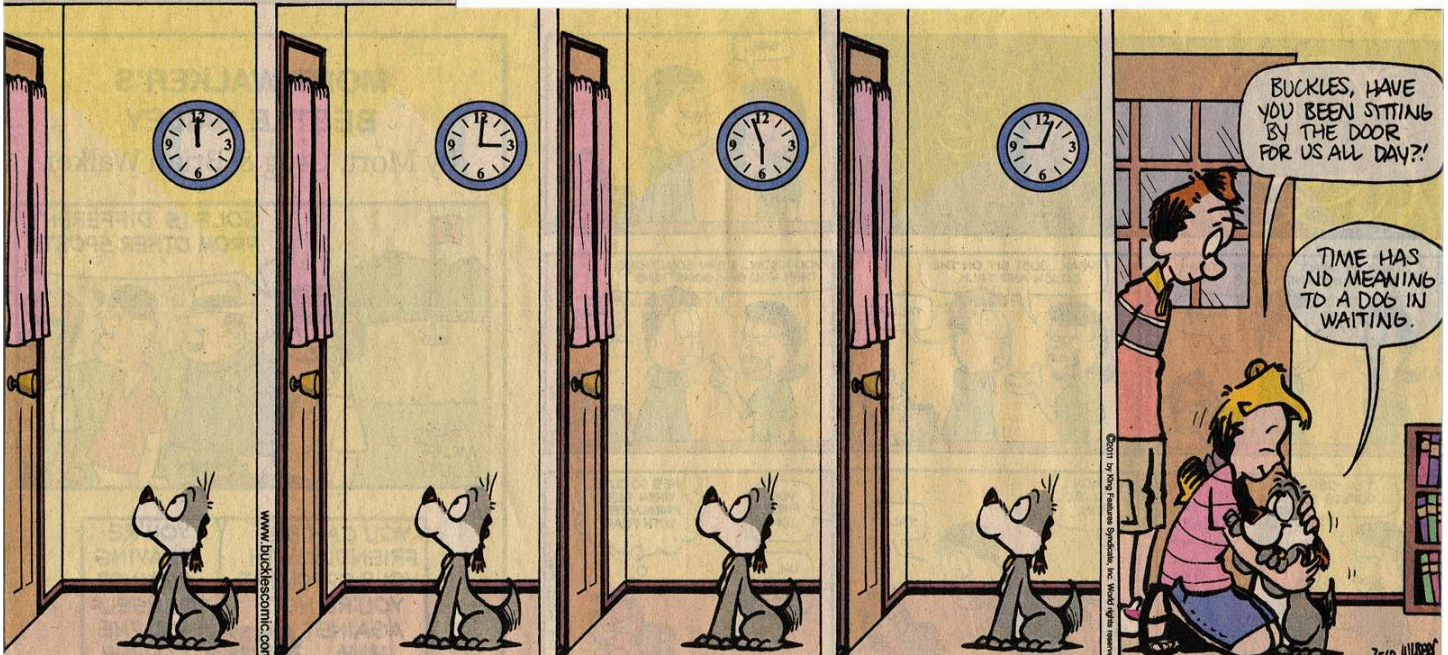
“The problems caused by dangerous dogs impact on public safety and animal welfare and maintaining the status quo is not an option.”

Grant Petrie, President of BSAVA, added:

“The problem of dangerous dogs will not be solved until the government accepts that the Dangerous Dogs Act has failed. This view is supported by the thousands of responses to the consultation.

“The support for repeal of the Act and for compulsory microchipping of dogs are clear and we look forward to hearing Defra’s plans in the New Year.”

BUCKLES/ by David Gilbert



One reason a dog can be such a comfort when you're feeling blue is that he doesn't try to find out why.

~ Author Unknown

Garmin Announces Dog Tracking Device

by [Jasmine Klein](#) | June 6, 2011

Garmin International Inc., a unit of Garmin Ltd, a major player in satellite navigation, announced today the Astro 320, a new handheld dog tracking receiver. The new Astro 320 has features that hunters have been asking for – like increased range, a simplified user interface, and must-have mapping capability.

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“Garmin is clearly the expert when it comes to reliable GPS technology, and we’re the pioneer in satellite dog tracking,” said Dan Bartel, Garmin’s vice president of worldwide sales. “Since the original Astro was delivered, we’ve listened closely to feedback from houndsmen and bird dog owners. The Astro 320 is the result of that feedback.”

Thanks to an included redesigned antenna, the maximum range between the Astro 320 and a Garmin tracking collar has been increased by nearly 30 percent – up to nine miles in flat, unobstructed terrain. Like its predecessor, the Astro 320 can track up to 10 dogs per receiver at once, and the unit is fully compatible with Garmin’s DC 20, DC 30, and DC 40 dog tracking collars and accessories.

Robust mapping capability has always been a hallmark of the Astro line, and the new Astro 320 delivers even more highly detailed, full color, sunlight readable mapping capabilities. In addition to the pre-installed basemap, the Astro can be loaded with 100k or 24k Topo maps or photorealistic BirdsEye™ Satellite Imagery (\$29.99 annual subscription required). The Astro 320 has 1.7 gigabytes of on-board memory available for loading maps, and a microSD slot for pre-loaded cards.

Mapping depicts important nearby geographical features – and lets hunters know, for example, if their dog has crossed a creek or is nearing a dangerous road. With BirdsEye Satellite Imagery, hunters can pinpoint buildings, powerlines, and even individual trees – directly on their Astro 320. State wildlife departments are also offering more and more downloadable third-party maps of public hunting boundaries, which help ensure dogs and their owners are on legal ground. Hunters and trainers can also download, view and

save their dog’s tracks to a computer for viewing in Garmin’s BaseCamp utility – a great tool for evaluating performance.

All these features are integrated into a refined user interface for easier and more useful operation. Not only does the Astro 320 indicate a dog’s distance and status, (running, pointing, or treeing) but it can be toggled to indicate the direction the dog is moving on the unit’s map page. Each dog’s precise distance can also be presented on the map page, and users can choose an option that auto zooms the map so all dogs can be seen on the display at any time. Alternately, dogs that are too far away to fit on the map’s current zoom scale can be notated on the display’s margin in the direction of the dog’s location. The user can also choose the duration that each dog’s tracklog is viewed on the display – or toggle it off completely for a cleaner display. Taken together, these refinements give dog handlers more data that is more easily understood – making their hunt or training session safer, more productive, and more enjoyable.

A new three-axis electronic compass lets hunters accurately view their dog’s position when holding the Astro 320 at any angle. In addition to audible alerts, Garmin has also incorporated a new vibration feature on the Astro 320, and the new handheld also features a handy keypad lock so buttons aren’t accidentally pushed while being carried in a pocket or through thick brush. Dog handlers can wirelessly transfer waypoints, tracks, and even their dog’s tracking settings to other Astro 320 users. The new Astro 320 is fully waterproof and runs on two AA batteries for up to 20 hours.

For current Astro users looking to upgrade, the Astro 320 handheld unit has an MSRP of \$499.99. A complete system, which includes an Astro 320 and one DC 40 tracking collar and accessories, will be available for \$649.99 (MSRP). The Astro 320 is expected to be available in July 2011. For more information, please visit <http://sites.garmin.com/astro>.

Garmin has spent more than 20 years developing technologies and innovations to enhance users’ lives, making the company a household name in the automotive, aviation, marine, wireless, outdoor and fitness industries.

For more information about Garmin’s entire line of products and services, go to www.garmin.com, www.garmin.blogs.com and <http://twitter.com/garmin>.

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**"The more I see of the representatives of the people, the more
I admire my dogs."**

- Alphonse de Lamartine

LUCKY ADOPTERS

Comments from some people lucky enough to have adopted one of our SHRF dogs.

Shadow V and Reggie Bear



My first experience with SHRF was in December, 2010 when I adopted Shadow. When I read his background I knew I needed to make him part of our family. Shadow adapted to our home without any hesitation and almost immediately got along with my other Siberian and my German Shepherd. He has the most awesome howl!!! He is such a sweet and loving dog and I often wonder how someone could have given him up, but I am glad they did so he could be part of our family. In August, 2011 I saw pictures of Reggie Bear (formerly Blackjack) and abso-



lutely fell in love with him. Shadow has been such an excellent addition to our family that I did not hesitate to adopt Reggie Bear. He settled in to his new home very quickly. He has taken over the toys and spread them all over the house and backyard! When he is not playing with toys he is attempting to uproot the trees in the yard and working on a hole big enough for an Olympic-sized swimming pool!! He is always anxious to tell me about his day!! When he is ready for a nap he'll snuggle right up next to me! I love my furbabies!!!

Kiona



We brought Kiona to her forever home on July 1st, 2011. She has settled in nicely and enjoys walks through the neighborhood, around the lake and shopping at Lowes. We feel lucky to have added such a sweet and fun loving member to our family.

Bob



Since (our dog) Frosty has crossed over so suddenly two weeks ago Bob has been a godsend. He has brought joy to our life where there was sorrow. He is one of the smartest dogs I have ever known (besides our Frosty of course) . When we came home after saying goodbyes to Frosty, Bob jumped on the bed and licked the tears off Franks face. What a dog. I had a trainer come to the house yesterday and she was amazed how smart Bob is and stated he is the most mellow husky she has ever met. He is now doing sit down and come; this is all thru positive reinforcement. He loves the treats he gets when he does well.

Dogs' lives are too short. Their only fault, really. ~ Agnes Sligh Turnbull

10 Canine Commandments



1. My life is likely to last 10 to 15 years. **Any separation from you will be painful to me.** Remember that before you buy me.
2. **Give me time to understand** what you want from me.
3. **Place your trust in me.** It's crucial to my well-being.
4. **Dont be angry with me** for long, and don't lock me up as punishment. You have your work, your entertainment and your friends. I only have you.
5. **Talk to me sometimes.** Even if I don't understand your words, I understand your voice when it's speaking to me.
6. Be aware that I pooped in the living room. **Sorry.**
7. Remember before you hit me: I have teeth that could easily crush the bones of your hand, but **I choose not to bite you.**
8. Before you scold me for being un-cooperative, obstinate or lazy, **ask yourself if something might be bothering me.** Perhaps I'm not getting the right food, or I've been out in the sun too long, or my heart is getting old and weak.
9. **Take care of me when I get old.** You too will grow old.
10. **Go with me on difficult journeys.** Never say: "I can't bear to watch it", or "Let it happen in my absence." Everything is easier for me if you are there.

AND AGAIN, SORRY ABOUT ALL THE POOP.

My sunshine doesn't come from the skies, It comes from the love in my dog's eyes.
Unknown Poet

WEB SITES THAT MAY BE OF INTEREST

My dogs can't do this http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cqxTUxzOceE&feature=youtube_gdata_plaJ

Dog bites shark http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6HyIZh5BOZY&feature=player_embedded#at=44

Huskies in Busch Gardens Ice Show <http://bcove.me/lm8jndhc>

Look Who's Going to Save the World <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BXpdmKELE1k&ob=av2e>



A dog says goodbye to his fallen companion

Petty Officer Jon T. Tumilson was laid to rest in Rockford, Iowa, where an estimated 1,500 mourners came to pay respects for the fallen Navy SEAL, including his dog Hawkeye. In fact, Hawkeye's loyalty to his owner at the funeral was visible, creating a heart-wrenching image as he laid down by the casket of his owner during the entire service.



Pet Friendly Recipes **Leftover Thanksgiving Hash** From Every Day with Rachael Ray

Ingredients:

1 sweet potato, peeled and coarsely chopped
1/2 cup leftover skinless roast turkey meat, shredded
1/2 cup leftover stuffing* or 1 piece toast, coarsely chopped
1 teaspoon finely chopped fresh sage
2 tablespoons prepared cranberry sauce



Directions:

In a small pot of boiling, salted water, cook the sweet potato until tender, about 5 minutes. Drain and let cool.

In a mixing bowl, stir together the sweet potato, turkey, stuffing and sage. Top with the cranberry sauce and serve.

* Do not use stuffing containing onions and /or garlic, which can be toxic to cats and dogs.

HAPPY ENDINGS 2nd Quarter 2011



*Congratulations to all of these newly adopted dogs and their families!
We truly appreciate your love and devotion to our SHRF Sibes!*

"In the world which we know, among the different and primitive geniuses that preside over the evolution of the several species, there exists not one, excepting that of the dog, that ever gave a thought to the presence of man."

- Maurice Maeterlinck 'Our Friend, The Dog'

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PLEASE! Can you find room in your home for one of us? We promise to be good furballs and to love you forever and ever!!



Heaven goes by favour. If it went by merit, you would stay out and your dog would go in.

- Mark Twain