

# Arizona Mountain Mushers



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## ***Veteran's Day Weekend Dog Camp!***

**Our 4<sup>TH</sup> annual Flagstaff campout is scheduled for Nov 11<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011!**

Dog camp will be at the same site as previous years, a beautiful setting just north of Flagstaff along Forest Service Scenic Road, 151. The campsites are situated among ponderosa pine and aspen and there is ample room for club members, dogs and trucks. In addition to two nice campsites, there will be two loops for training your dogs. The training loops vary in length from 1.5 mi to 2.0 mi round trip. Mushers looking for a longer run can run a figure 8 to lengthen their run, or take off on the interconnecting FS road 418, which goes up to the Abineau/Bear Jaw Trail Head. The training trails use a portion of Hwy 151 with two winding loops in amongst dense aspen and pine – very nice! The trails are in very good shape and amenable to both carts and ATVs. Please see the map below for directions and more details regarding camping. This is a primitive site, so be prepared to bring water and general essentials.

**When:** Nov 11<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> (Friday-Sun)

**Where:** Beautiful little spot on the North side of the San Francisco Peaks

**How to get there:** See map below.

### **What to Bring:**

- ✓ **PLEASE BRING SOME EXTRA FIREWOOD** to share at the group campfire!
- ✓ Bring your stories, sonnets, poems, entertaining skits about sled dogs, mushers or just fun adventure stories you've had with your dogs. Story-tellers, poem reciters, musicians are welcome!
- ✓ Please bring a **DESSERT** item for **AUCTION NIGHT** (SAT night)!
- ✓ Please bring items to **AUCTION** off at dog camp! We are in great need of auction items to help bring

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## ***Mushing Clinic***

Well we are on for our September 24 clinic! Our event has changed locations, we will be at Foxglenn Park on Butler past Little America and Foxglenn Rd. It will run from 8:00am until 12:00pm at the big Ramada. We have a nice big grassy area for pull demos, lots of side walk for scootering and a perfect place for the weight pulling attempts. This season will be off and running with the search for new interested mushers and ideas running amuck for experienced Folks as well! Join us and have some fun. For more info. Call Cheri @ (928)527-9442



## **Don't Think About Forgetting...**

With the new season upon us it's time for dues please don't miss a thing this year with all that's coming our way Pay and Play!! Dues are \$25. Mail to: C. Engelhardt 12400 N. Peaks Pkwy Flag. AZ 86004

### **AZMM OFFICERS**

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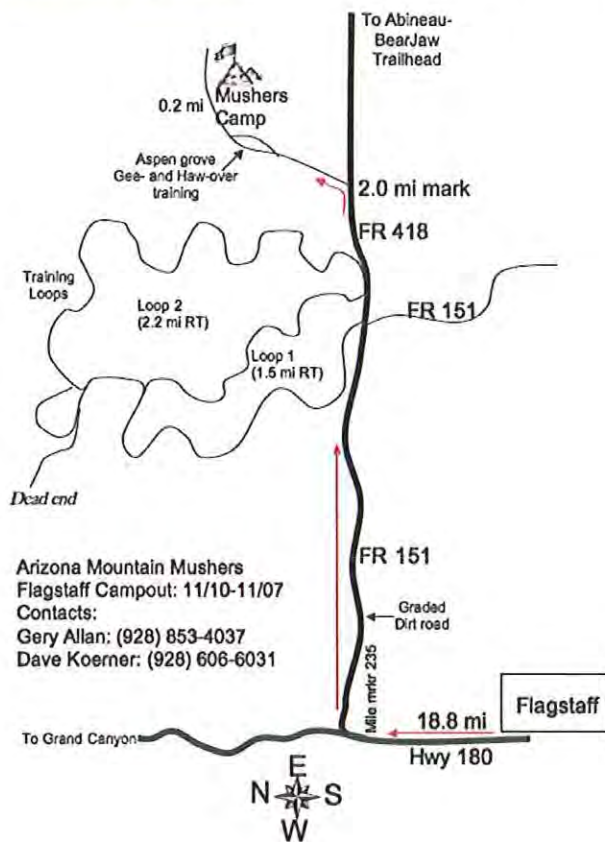


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our club out of the **RED!** Auction items can be anything that is dog-related!

#### Additional Details:

- The campsite is located about 20 miles north of Flagstaff off Hwy 180 (see map). From the Humphreys/Fort Valley intersection it is 18.8 miles to the campsite turnoff (FR 151). Look for mile marker 235, then take the very 1<sup>st</sup> right onto FR 151.
- The campsite is very spacious, so there should be plenty of parking for vehicles, trailers etc.
- There is no water at the site (primitive camping). There will be port-a-potty at the site. There is a fire ring for a campfire.
- The site is beautiful with lots of aspen and ponderosa pine. We'll be camping at 8000 ft, so it will be cold. Flagstaff temps are down in the 20s-30s overnight.
- Trails for running dogs are in very good shape and suitable for both ATVs and carts.
- Questions? Call Gery: (928) 853-4037; or email: [gery.allan@nau.edu](mailto:gery.allan@nau.edu)



Dear Club Members:

Recently, in our search for the "perfect" dog feed, we came across an opportunity to try RedPaw Performance Dog Food products. We were so happy with the results that we decided to purchase RedPaw "Performance Edge 32K (PE32K)" exclusively. In the past, we primarily used Eagle Pak Power Pak, but found that while some of our dogs did well, others didn't do quite so well on Eagle Pak. When we switched to RedPaw, ALL EIGHTEEN of our dogs did VERY well: great energy, shiny coats, excellent weight maintenance, and nice, dark, SMALL poops (a musher's dream!). Even our "difficult" dogs showed a marked change almost overnight! We are so pleased with the results that we are now ordering RedPaw by the pallet full. One of the things we really like about RedPaw PE32K is that it is a FISH-based product (1<sup>st</sup> ingredient), specially formulated for active/working dogs. RedPaw also contains corn, but it is processed in such a way as to maximize its digestibility (it's "atomized"), while providing all the essential amino acids contained in corn. RedPaw never has been, nor ever will be a pet food company, which means that their focus is on active, working dogs. Top mushers such as Lance Mackey who won the last 5 straight Iditarods use RedPaw. Right around half of the top 10 teams the last 5-6 years have been feeding Redpaw. So, needless to say, RedPaw is both time-tested and proven to be one of the best feeds available to mushers.

As a result of seeing what RedPaw did for our dogs, I decided to become a dealer for RedPaw in Arizona. This means I can offer RedPaw to AZMM members at a very competitive price (\$43/40lb bag). This price is only available when purchased in bulk (25 bags or more). If enough club members are interested, I can get full pallets shipped to Flagstaff and split the order up according to each member's need. If you live elsewhere in AZ, I can order half (25 bags) or full pallets (50 bags) shipped to your particular location. The shipping cost is the same for half or a full pallet, so ordering full pallets is a better deal (basically \$2/bag for shipping). If you are not ready to dive in with a half or full pallet, I would be happy to sell individual bags for people to try and can bring these to any of the upcoming club events (e.g., Veteran's Day Dog Camp). If you think you might be interested in trying RedPaw, feel free to give me a call (928-853-4037), or email me ([gery.allan@nau.edu](mailto:gery.allan@nau.edu)).

For more information on RedPaw products you can also go to: [www.redpawfeed.com](http://www.redpawfeed.com). At this website you will



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find lots more information on RedPaw products, along with complete lists of ingredients for each product. Consider giving RedPaw a try – you'll be GLAD you did!

Happy Mushing!

Gery Allan

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### ***Siberian Husky Club of America Trust Fundraiser***

The SHCA Trust was established by the SHCA Board as a 501(c)(3) charitable trust providing a tax deduction for contributions. We have three "arms" and provide funding for Rescue, Health and Education. In the last year, the SHCA Trust has funded 60 spay/neuters for rescued Siberians, provided \$1500 for emergency medical assistance, and more.

Please help us and support the Trust in their fundraiser. The Iditarod poster raffle begins now and lasts until we sell the 130 tickets.

#### **SHCA Trust Raffle of 1981 Van Zyle Iditarod Poster**

Dorothy Page has very kindly donated a signed, framed and personalized Jon Van Zyle Iditarod poster to the Trust to be used to raise money for rescue. The 1981 poster is entitled *The Iditarod... Today's Dream, Tomorrow's Trail...* According to Jon Van Zyle's *Iditarod Memories*, the model was his step daughter, Michelle. And that he purposely painted the child's gender ambiguous, so that all children could see themselves and their puppy leading them to Nome someday.

You can see the poster at <http://tinyurl.com/43fhvod> or <http://www.artshopgallery.com/Jon%20Van%20Zyle.htm>

Scroll down about ¾ of the page to the Iditarod Posters. It is sold out at the publishers and priced at \$580. We will only sell 130 tickets in honor of the poster's 30 years at \$10 each or 3 for \$25. Contact Mary Uhler, at [muhlr@earthlink.net](mailto:muhlr@earthlink.net) for further info.



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### ***Making Your Own Ganglines By Stephen R. Lee***

Many of you already know how to make your own gangline. But for others of us there is an article online describing, with drawings, how to make your own gangline. You can find the article at <http://www.oowoo.com/JUNIOR/doityourself/gang.html>

