
Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race

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DALLAS SEAVEY FIRST INTO NOME – YOUNGEST IDITAROD CHAMPION

Nome, Alaska - Tuesday, March 13, 2012 – IDITAROD XL Musher Dallas Seavey (Bib # 34) arrived in Nome, Alaska and crossed under the burlled arch at 19:29 Alaska Time with 9 dogs on his team claiming his first Iditarod Championship. Thousands of fans lined the street to greet the youngest person to have ever won the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race.

Seavey now holds the record for being the youngest person to have won the Iditarod. Seavey turned 25 years old while on the trail. The previous record was held by Rick Swenson since 1977, when he won his first Iditarod at the age of 26.

Seavey's team traveled up the Iditarod Trail in 9 days, 04 hours, 29 minutes, 26 seconds. The record is still held by John Baker the 2011 Champion at a time of 8 days, 18 hours, 46 minutes, 39 seconds.

Dallas Seavey comes from a family with a long line of Iditarod finishers, including his father, Mitch, who won in 2004. Dallas was a third generation Seavey to be running in the 2012 Iditarod along with his father Mitch Seavey and grandfather, Dan Seavey - both still making their way to Nome.

Other mushers expected to arrive into Nome, Alaska today are Aliy Zirkle (Bib# 14), Ramey Smyth (Bib# 21), Aaron Burmeister (Bib# 44), and Peter Kaiser (Bib# 28). We expect several more shortly after midnight.

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