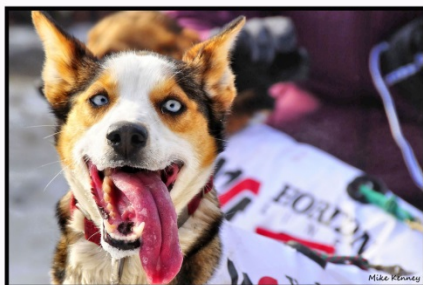
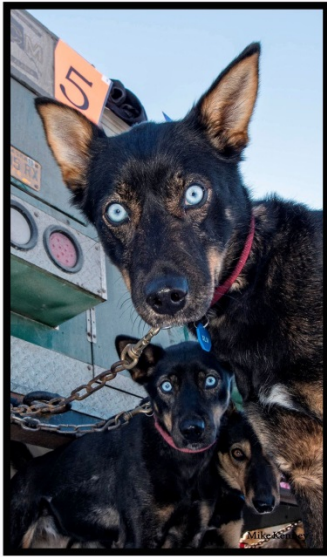


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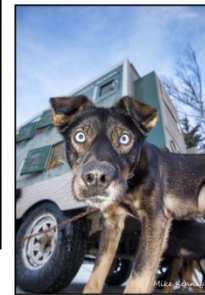
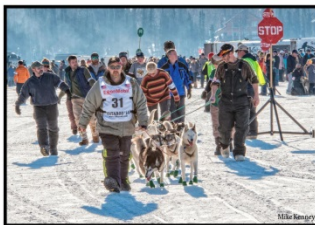
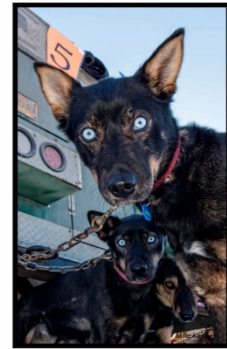


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INTRODUCTION

Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race

You can't compare it to any other competitive event in the world. A nearly 1,000-mile race over the roughest, most beautiful terrain Mother Nature has to offer, it throws jagged mountain ranges, frozen rivers, dense forests, desolate tundra and miles of windswept coast at mushers and their dog teams.

(Note: In 2012, the northern route distance changed to approximately 975 miles and the southern route to approximately 998 miles. In prior years, the distance was always more than 1,000 miles. Three things factor into this adjustment: the new ceremonial start location, which now runs from downtown Anchorage to Campbell Airstrip; the new restart location, which is now runs from Wasilla to Willow and factors in the loss of the Wasilla-Knik-Susitna River as well as some Yentna River mileage; and finally, the year-to-year trail conditions, which often result in rerouting and cause the trail distance to vary slightly each year. In addition, "1,049 miles" has been a symbolic figure since the inception of the race to signify the more than 1,000 miles of race trail, with the number 49 depicting Alaska as the 49th state).

Add temperatures far below zero, winds that can cause a complete loss of visibility, the hazards of overflow, long hours of total darkness and treacherous climbs to hundreds of miles of jagged terrain and you have the Iditarod – a race extraordinaire only possible in the Last Frontier. From the city of Anchorage in Southcentral Alaska to Nome on the western Bering Sea coast, each team of 12-to-16 dogs and its musher cover more than 975 miles in 9-to-17 days.

It has been called the "Last Great Race on Earth" and has won worldwide acclaim and interest. German, Spanish, British, Japanese and American film crews have covered the event. Journalists from outdoor magazines, adventure magazines, newspapers and wire services flock to Anchorage and Nome to record the excitement. It's not just a sled dog race; it's a race in which unique men and woman compete. Mushers enter from all walks of life. Fishermen, lawyers, doctors, miners, artists, Alaska Natives, Canadians, Swiss, French and others; men and women each with their own story, each with their own reasons for going the distance. It's a race organized and run primarily by thousands of volunteers made up of men and women, students and village residents. They man headquarters in Anchorage, Nome and Wasilla. They fly in dog food and supplies. They act as checkers, coordinators, veterinarians and family supporters of each musher.

"THE LAST GREAT RACE ON EARTH"

The race puts man and animal against nature; against wild Alaska at her best. As each mile is covered, a tribute to Alaska's past is issued. The Iditarod is a tie to a commemoration of that colorful past.

The Iditarod Trail, now a national historic trail, had its beginnings as a mail and supply route from the coastal towns of Seward and Knik to the Interior mining camps at Flat, Ophir, Ruby and beyond, to the west coast communities of Unalakleet, Elim, Golovin, White Mountain and Nome. Mail and supplies went in, gold came out – all via dog sled. Heroes were made; legends were born.

AN EVENT FOR ALL ALASKA

Anchorage is the ceremonial starting line, a city of more than 301,000 people, street lights, freeways and traffic. From there, a field of dog teams, which varies in number each year, runs to Campbell



Airstrip, approximately 20 miles. After a restart the following day in the Matanuska Valley at Willow, the mushers leave the land of highways and bustling activity and head out to the Yentna Station Roadhouse and Skwentna, then up through Finger Lake, Rainy Pass, over the Alaska Range, down the other side to the Kuskokwim River, Rohn Roadhouse, Nikolai, McGrath, Takotna, Ophir, Cripple and on to the mighty Yukon at Ruby a river highway that takes the teams west through the Arctic tundra.

The race route alternates every other year, one going north through Cripple, Ruby and Galena, and the other south through Iditarod, Shageluk and Anvik.

Finally, they're on the coast of Unalakleet, Shaktoolik, Koyuk, Elim, Golovin and White Mountain before the last stretch into Nome where a hero's welcome awaits.

The route encompasses large metropolitan areas and small Native villages. It causes a yearly spurt of activity, increased airplane traffic and excitement to areas otherwise quiet and dormant during the long Alaska winter. Everyone gets involved from very young school children to the old timers who relive the colorful past of Alaska as they watch each musher and his team. The race is an educational opportunity and an economic stimulus to these small Alaska outposts.

THE BEGINNING

The Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race first ran to Nome in 1973, after two short races on part of the Iditarod Trail in 1967 and 1969. The idea of having a race over the Iditarod Trail was conceived by the late Dorothy G. Page. In 1964, Page was chairman of the Wasilla-Knik centennial committee. Her task was to find projects to celebrate the centennial year in 1967.

She was intrigued that dog teams could travel over land that was not accessible by automobile. In the early 1920s, settlers had come to Alaska following a gold strike. They traveled by boat to the coastal towns of Seward and Knik and from there, by land into the gold fields. The trail they used is today known as the Iditarod Trail, one of the national historic trails designated by the Congress of the United States. In the winter, the only means of travel was by dog team.

The Iditarod Trail soon became the major thoroughfare through Alaska. Mail was carried across the trail, people used it trail to get from place to place and supplies were transported via the Iditarod Trail. Priests, ministers and judges also traveled between villages via dog team.

All too soon, the gold mining began to slack off. People began to go back to where they had come from and suddenly there was less travel on the Iditarod Trail. The use of the airplane in the late 1920s signaled the beginning of the end for the dog team as a standard mode of transportation, and of course with the airplane carrying the mail, there was less need for land travel. The final blow to the use of the dog team came with the appearance of snowmobiles.

By the mid '60s, most people in Alaska didn't even know there was an Iditarod Trail or that dog teams had played a very important role in Alaska's early settlement. Page, a resident of Wasilla and self-made historian, recognized the importance of recognizing the use of sled dogs as working animals and of the Iditarod Trail as well as the important part it played in Alaska's colorful history. She presented the possibility of a race over the Iditarod Trail to an enthusiastic Joe Redington Sr., a musher from the Knik area. Soon Page and Redington began promoting the idea of the Iditarod Race to the extent that Joe and Vi Redington moved to the Knik area at Flat Horn Lake, just 30 miles out of Knik, and never



moved back.

The Aurora Dog Mushers Club, along with men from the Adult Camp in Sutton, helped clear years of overgrowth from the first nine miles of the Iditarod Trail in time to put on the first short Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race in 1967. A \$25,000 purse was offered at the race, with Joe and Vi Redington donating one acre of their land at Flat Horn Lake, adjacent to the Iditarod Trail, to help raise the funds. The land was subdivided into square-foot lots and sold with a deed and special certificate of ownership, raising \$10,000 toward the purse. Contestants from all over Alaska and even two contestants from Massachusetts entered the first Iditarod race. However, it was newcomer Isaac Okleasik, from Teller, Alaska, who won the race with his team of large working dogs. The short race – approximately 27 miles – was put on again in 1969.

The goal was to have the race go all the way to the ghost town of Iditarod in 1973. However, in 1972, the U.S. Army reopened the trail as a winter exercise and in 1973, the decision was made to take the race over 1,000 miles to Nome. Redington and Page were instrumental in getting the first long Iditarod on its way to Nome in 1973, amidst comments that it couldn't be done. There were many that believed it was crazy to send a bunch of mushers out into the vast uninhabited Alaska wilderness. But the race went! Twenty-two mushers finished that year. Since 1973, there have been 718 finishers and a total of 2,008 racers to cross the finish line, as of 2013. Mushers from 23 states, five continents – including North America, South America, Europe, Asia and Australia – and 21 foreign countries – Argentina, Austria, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, France, Great Britain, France, Germany, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Norway, Russia, Serbia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom – have finished the Iditarod race, including 120 women.

The late Dorothy G. Page, who is considered the “Mother of the Iditarod,” is quoted in the October 1979 issue of the Iditarod Runner on her intent for the race: “To keep the spirit of the Iditarod the same. I don't ever want to see any high-pressure people getting in and changing the spirit of the race. We brought the sled dog back and increased the number of mushers. It is really an Alaska event. I think the fact that it starts in Anchorage and ends in Nome opens up a whole new area for people in Alaska. I think they appreciate that. It puts them in touch with the pioneer spirit.”

IDITAROD TODAY

The race has started in downtown Anchorage since 1983. The 44th Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race will begin on Saturday, March 5, 2016. The teams will leave the start line at the corner of Fourth Avenue and D Street at two-minute intervals starting at 10 a.m. About 86 teams are expected.

The mushers follow streets and bike trails through Anchorage to Campbell Airstrip. From there, the dogs are loaded into dog trucks and taken home for the night. While the race actually starts in Anchorage, in 1995, the rules were changed so that the Anchorage to Campbell Airstrip – originally to Eagle River – portion does not count in the overall time to Nome.

On Sunday, March 6, mushers will line up at the restart area in Willow, Alaska about 70 miles north of Anchorage. At 2 p.m., the first team will depart on its way to Nome.

From Willow, they head over Willow Lake and wind through typical northern forests of birch and spruce, cross frozen swamps and lakes before dropping onto the Big Susitna River and heading toward Yentna Station. The area between Willow Lake and Yentna Station, approximately 45 miles, has



been dubbed the world's longest tailgate party to this day, as spectators set up camps with bonfires, banners, food and sprits to cheer the teams on as they make their way to Nome.

It is impossible to predict the exact day or time that the first musher will cross the finish line in Nome. However, we typically expect it to be between eight and 10 days, making it on Monday or Tuesday. 2014 Iditarod Champion Dallas Seavey completed the race in eight days, 13 hours, four minutes, 19 seconds, which is a new Iditarod record.

BEHIND THE SCENES

It takes so much more than a field of willing mushers and anxious sled dogs to run the Iditarod Trail race. With the annual race budget of over \$2.5 million dollars, the Iditarod Trail Committee depends on a hardworking force of volunteers and supporters to raise the necessary money all year around. Our race sponsors supply over \$2 million in cash donations and/or goods and services. A semi-annual raffle is held as well as an Idita-Rider Musher Auction, where bidders place bids of \$500-\$7,500 on entered mushers to ride in their sled at the Anchorage Ceremonial Start for the first 11 miles. Iditarod gift shops in the Anchorage and Wasilla area sell Iditarod merchandise year round. Merchandise is also sold at the Alaska State Fair and on other special occasions during the year. Banquets are planned in both Anchorage and Nome. This volunteer force and the loyal supporters from both the private and business sectors make the race possible each year.

Information headquarters are set up in Anchorage, Nome and Wasilla during the race to disseminate information and race standings to the public. Volunteers man each of the 20 plus checkpoints, including some who spend their vacations on the trail. A complex communications net covers the course offering logistical support, emergency communications and an information source for race officials. The Iditarod Air Force is a fleet of small, privately-owned bush planes flown by volunteers, that shuttle dog food and mushers' supplies to each checkpoint, moving veterinarians and race officials up and down the trail, hauling tired dropped dogs back to the major pickup points. A group of veterinarians from all over the United States, and sometimes even from other countries, take time out from their busy practices to assist with dog care duties along the trail. Trail breakers on snow machines precede the field of mushers, cutting trail, marking trail, packing trail in windswept areas, trying to give each team a safe path to follow.

Without these volunteers, there wouldn't be a race. Their efforts save the committee thousands of dollars, which would be nearly impossible to raise otherwise. Their dedication and involvement is what this historic Alaska event is all about.

ON THE TRAIL

The rules of the race lay out certain regulations. There are pieces of equipment each team must have: an Arctic parka, a heavy sleeping bag, an ax, snowshoes, musher food, dog food and booties for each dog's feet to protect against cutting ice and hard-packed snow injuries.

Whether they run during the day or night, each musher has a different strategy on and off the trail. In addition, each has a different approach for dog care, dog diet, dog stamina as well as their own personal ability. Mushers spend an entire year getting ready and raising the money needed to get to Nome. Some even prepare around a full-time job. In addition to planning the equipment and feeding needs for three weeks on the trail, hundreds of hours and miles of training have to be put in on each team.

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MEDIA INFORMATION

Media credential applications due by **Feb. 19, 2016**

Applications can be found at <http://iditarod.com/resources/press-media/>

Media briefing will be held **at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, March 2, 2016**, at The Lakefront Anchorage, at 4800 Spenard Road.

Media must attend the briefing in order to pick up media credentials. This is the **ONLY** time media can pick up credentials for Anchorage or Willow. Any media that do not attend the briefing will not receive credentials.

The media briefing is where you will receive information needed for covering the ceremonial start, restart and the trail.

Important: If you plan to take a laptop on the trail, please bring it to the media briefing where GCI technicians will be available to configure your laptop for use on the trail.

NOME MEDIA BRIEFING

Mini-Convention Center
409 River Street
Nome, AK 99762

Projected Finish Date: **Tuesday, March 17, 2016**

Several hours before the projected finish there will be a distribution of finish line badges. Badges are limited.

Note: The badges used along the trail and in Anchorage will not allow media into the finish chute in Nome.

Signs will be posted in the Nome Mini-Convention Center once the time and date of the briefing is determined.

Credential Guidelines

When applying for media credentials for the 2016 race, please read these guidelines prior to filling out an application to ensure you meet eligibility requirements.

- You must be on assignment from a media outlet and provide details of the assignment.
- Specialty photography and personal website photography are not considered valid assignments. Freelance media are required to detail and submit proof of assignment when submitting an application to media@iditarod.com.
- Media credentials will not be issued if supporting documentation is not emailed at the time of application. Partial applications will not be approved.
- Media credentials can be picked up at the media briefing on Wednesday, March 3, 2016 at 2 p.m. at The Lakefront Anchorage. Credentials cannot be picked up prior to the briefing and media must attend the briefing in order to receive credentials.
- Media credentials issued are not transferable and may be revoked at any time. There is a fee for lost media credentials.
- Receiving credentials in the past does not guarantee future approvals.

In evaluating all media credential applications, the Iditarod Trail Committee (ITC) will consider the following:

- Previous journalism experience.
- The commercial nature of any website, including advertisers.
- The amount of content produced.
- How the content will be used.
- How long the outlet has been in existence, its audience, and circulation/unique visitors numbers.

Media Guidelines

- The Iditarod is exclusive owner of any and all of its intellectual property rights, including, but not limited to trademarks, copyrights, and other proprietary rights. Each credential authorizes the media the right to use Iditarod trademarks in its news coverage of the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race. Media is not authorized to use trademarks in non-news contexts, specifically for commercial purposes unless a separate license or permission is obtained from the Iditarod.
- Any and all use of any non-text content owned by ITC must first be approved by ITC, and if approved, shall not have any sponsorship or advertising integrated with or around the content in such a way that implies an endorsement or sponsorship relationship between Iditarod and another third party. Further, such content may not be sold or licensed without approval by ITC in writing and shall not include live or tape delayed transmissions of any portion of any Iditarod Race or related event except for taped highlights used for news coverage, unless otherwise approved by Iditarod.
- The media applicant assumes all risk and danger incidental to the race, as well as any risk or danger reasonably foreseeable while covering the race and assumes the risk and releases the ITC, its employees, members, directors, officers, volunteers, sponsors, mushers, and all agents thereof from any and all liabilities resulting from injuries or personal property loss occurring during or after the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race.
- The media applicant jointly and severally indemnify, defend and hold the ITC harmless from and against any and all claims, actions, damages, liabilities, costs or expenses arising out of or in connection with any act or omission done, or alleged to have been done by media, including without limitation, media applicant(s) breach of any term of this credential. In case of any dispute regarding the terms and conditions of this agreement Alaska law will apply, without regard to choice of law principles.

Official Media

- Iditarod Insider Productions, Sportsman Channel, Denali Media (KTVA-TV) and Ohana Media Group have preferential access and positioning and are identified by a credential that indicates they are "Official Media."

Dog Team and Trail Etiquette and Expectations:

- Media credentials must be worn in all checkpoints and specified media areas.
- Dog teams always have the right-of-way, no exceptions.
- Do not touch sled dogs without musher approval.
- Do not help mushers unless they ask for your help. Strict rules are in place against mushers receiving outside assistance.
- Do not intrude on a musher if he/she indicates they do not wish to be disturbed. This includes taking

photos of the musher and their dogs.

- Do not ask to interview a musher during any medical exam of the dogs and/or musher.
- Media must stay clear of a team upon its arrival into a checkpoint. Race personnel require immediate access to the musher and dog team. When the check-in process is completed and the dogs have been taken care of, mushers can then give consent to be interviewed.
- Media are not allowed inside the dog parking/staging area (where dogs are fed and rested) without prior approval of the race judge or race marshal. The musher and/or race judge or race marshal must escort media in these areas. Drop dog areas are restricted to mushers and race personnel only. Media are permitted to take photos of mushers and dogs from outside the dog staging area.
- Media are expected to ensure they have appropriate escorts or expertise for trail travel. Any on trail coverage plans must be fully detailed and discussed with ITC.
- Food, equipment, shelter, Internet and phone connectivity provided by the Iditarod are for race communications and race personnel only.
- Flash photography or the use of artificial lighting is only permissible in the immediate vicinity of the checkpoints. Flash photography is forbidden on the trail unless arrangements have been made beforehand.
- In the event that a race official or musher considers the conduct of media to be detrimental or obstructive to them or the race they may register a protest against any media personnel. Current and future media credentials could be revoked or denied.
- Nome Finish: There will be a pre-finish media briefing, which all credentialed media traveling to Nome should attend. Information regarding access to the winning musher and timing of such access will be communicated at that time.
- Media may not share or distribute media credentials to others not approved by ITC. Doing so will cause your credential to be revoked.

Need assistance in applying for credentials? Contact Bri Kelly with Thompson & Co. Public Relations, by email at media@iditarod.com, or by phone at 907-376-5155 ext. 106 or 907-903-9350.

MEDIA FAQ

Can I use Iditarod logo, videos or pictures from the website? No, unless specific approval is authorized by the Iditarod Trail Committee (ITC). Please note that this will most likely require a license agreement and fee for defined use. Insider footage is available for sale and cost is determined by how much footage is needed. For information on purchase or license of items on the Iditarod website, please email shooley@iditarod.com.

Do credentialed media receive access to the Iditarod Insider for free? In the media room at the Iditarod Race Headquarters in The Lakefront Anchorage, we have equipment available for media use which has the Insider Video on demand and Insider GPS Tracker available free of charge. Otherwise, you may [purchase an Iditarod Insider subscription](#).

Can I attend the banquet for free? Media wanting to attend the banquet can do so for free for news purposes only, provided they stand and do not eat. Media often choose to purchase a ticket, as the event is more than four hours long. Banquet tickets are available for \$82.00 and can be purchased through the [online store](#) or by calling 907-376-5155 ext. 103. This is a fun event where the mushers draw for starting order from a mukluk on stage at the Dena'ina Center in Anchorage. The banquet is an opportunity to meet mushers and visit with fans from all over the world. Please understand that mushers are seated with their own sponsors and special guests, so be respectful of their time.

Is there a media center with free Wi-Fi access? Iditarod Race Headquarters at The Lakefront Anchorage offers Wi-Fi for guests staying there. Additionally, the media room located in the The Lakefront Anchorage has designated equipment for media with Wi-Fi access. You must show your media credentials to use.

Is Iditarod interested in purchasing my photos? We do not purchase photos. The ITC has an agreement with Jeff Schultz who is the Iditarod's official photographer. You may contact him by email at Jeff@Schultzphoto.com or by phone at 907-279-2797.

PRIZE MONEY FAQ

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TRAVEL INFORMATION

Can the Iditarod help me with my travel arrangements or accommodations on the trail? Media are responsible for arranging their own travel arrangements. Iditarod staff can answer general questions about the area and specific information about the race.

For more travel information see the following:

State of Alaska tourism office

www.travelalaska.com

800-327-9371

Visit Anchorage

524 W. Fourth Avenue

Anchorage, AK 99501

907-257-2363 or 800-476-1255

info@anchorage.net

www.Anchorage.net

Visitor Information Center

Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport

907-266-2437 or 907-266-2657

Mat-Su Convention & Visitors Bureau

7744 Visitors View Court

Palmer, AK 99645

907-746-5000

www.alaskavisit.com

Nome Convention & Visitors Bureau

P.O. Box 240

Nome, AK 99762

907-443-6555

www.visitnomealaska.com

Can I call the mushers? Will Iditarod give me their phone numbers? First, refer to [each musher's bio](#).

You will find that they contain valuable information about the mushers and their kennels. Most bios also have a website listed for contact information. We are only able to provide additional contact information for those mushers who have indicated they want this information distributed. The best time to reach these mushers is usually prior to the start of the Iditarod.

How many mushers have completed the Iditarod? As of the finish of the 2015 Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race, 797 mushers have completed the race.

Does the Iditarod race route change? Yes, in odd years the race follows the [southern route](#). In even years the race follows the [northern route](#).

What is the length of the race? In 2012, ITC published trail mileage using data gleaned from GPS mileage (southern route = 998 miles, northern route = 975 miles) calculations. While this data gets us close to the actual mileage, it is not exact as the units do not include a sufficient number of data points to account for all full twists, turns and elevation changes in the trail. Also, we know that the trail is not the same distance as it may be “set” or “broken” and “marked” somewhat differently in certain areas from year to year. Because of these factors, we often continue to use the symbolic figure of 1,049 miles, a number first used in the very early years of the Iditarod: 1,000 miles of trail and 49 to identify Alaska as the 49th state.

Permanent changes to the start – running only from downtown Anchorage to Campbell Airstrip instead of to Eagle River – and the change of the restart location from Wasilla to Willow – loss of mileage from Wasilla-Knik-Yentna River runs – has eliminated approximately 35 miles from the race.

IDITAROD FACTS

- The Iditarod starts in downtown Anchorage, Alaska, on Saturday, March 5 at 10 a.m.
- The Iditarod restarts in Willow, Alaska, on Sunday, March 6 at 2 p.m.
- As of December 16, 86 mushers signed up for the 2016 Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race, including 69 veterans and 17 rookies. Entrants hail from nine states – Alaska, Idaho, Illinois, Oklahoma, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, New York and Wyoming – and from four countries – United States, Canada, Norway and Sweden. The record number of mushers starting the race was 96 in 2008.
- The Iditarod traditionally pays the highest purse in sled dog racing. The 2015 purse was \$700,100.00, distributed between the top 30 finishers with \$1,049.00 paid to each additional finisher for a total of \$737,864.00.
- The teams average 16 dogs, which means over 1,000 dogs will leave the starting line in 2016. Each musher can start with a maximum of 16 dogs down to a minimum of 12 dogs, and can finish with as few as six dogs.
- Seven Iditarod champions will be attempting to regain the title. Many of the past champions from other long distance races are also racing including Yukon Quest champions, Kusko 300 champions and Beargrease champions. The champions are J Lance Mackey, Jeff King, Martin Buser, Dallas Seavey, Mitch Seavey, Robert Sorlie and John Baker.
- The race crosses two mountain ranges, including North America's largest mountain range, the Alaska Range, and runs along the Yukon River and over the frozen Norton Sound.
- The route alternates every year. The southern route, runs from Ophir thru Iditarod, Shageluk, Anvik, Grayling, Eagle Island, Kaltag, Unalakleet, Shaktoolik, Koyuk, Elim, *Golovin, White Mountain, and Safety before ending in Nome. *NOTE: Golovin is not a checkpoint, but the race goes through this village. ITC appreciates the village's support and willingness to help the Iditarod.
- The northern route runs from Ophir through Cripple, Ruby, Galena, Nulato, Unalakleet, Shaktoolik, Koyuk, Elim, *Golovin, White Mountain, and Safety before ending in Nome. *NOTE: Golovin is not a checkpoint, but the race goes through this village. ITC appreciates the village's support and willingness to help the Iditarod.
- There are 24 checkpoints on the northern route, including Anchorage and Nome, three of which are uninhabited during the rest of the year.
- There are 19 checkpoints on the southern route, including Anchorage and Nome, three of which are uninhabited during the rest of the year.
- Seven teams signed up for the 2016 Iditarod that also signed up for the 2016 Yukon Quest – Rob Cooke, Allen Moore, Hugh Neff, Brent Sass, Cody Strathe, Paige Drobny and Scott Janssen.

- Volunteers are an integral part of the Iditarod. Currently there are over 1,000 volunteers registered. This number does not include those who volunteer in communities along the trail or the locals in Nome. The number of volunteers will continue to grow over the weeks to come and by the end of Iditarod 2016 there will be over 1,500 volunteers involved in some way or another.
- In 2016 there are a total of 52 veterinarians – three for dropped dogs in Anchorage, two for dropped dogs in both McGrath and Unalakleet, with 42 veterinarians dispersed along the trail and three consultants.
- There have been 797 finishers, which include 13 rookies, for a grand total of 2,087 to cross the finish line as of 2015. Mushers hailing from 23 states, five continents – North America, South America, Europe, Asia and Australia – and 22 foreign countries – Argentina, Austria, Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, France, Great Britain, Germany, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, New Zealand, Norway, Russia, Serbia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom – have finished the Iditarod since 1973, including 126 women.
- Two generations of Busers and Seaveys, are running again this year as well as the Berington twins and the Mackey brothers.
- Mushers can be shy about talking about themselves; however, they will usually talk your ear off about their dogs.
- Checkpoints are staffed by volunteers who range from locals to visitors who have traveled hundreds of miles to Alaska. Volunteers may provide interesting stories about their communities and/or volunteer work. Some volunteers are actually on their vacation, and return year after year to volunteer. Ask them how long they have been a volunteer and you will be surprised to find that many have more than 20 years of experience.
- The first Iditarod race began on March 3, 1973 with 34 teams; 22 teams finished 32 days later.
- The slowest winning time of 20 days, 15 hours, two minutes and seven seconds was recorded in 1974 by Carl Huntington. The fastest winning time was recorded in 2014 race by Dallas Seavey with eight days, 13 hours, four minutes and 19 seconds, breaking John Baker's 2011 record of eight days, 18 hours, 46 minutes and 39 seconds.
- The closest finish was in 1978 when Dick Mackey beat Rick Swenson by one second, finishing in 14 days, 18 hours, 52 minutes and 24 seconds.
- The most finishers in one year occurred in 2008 when 78 teams crossed the finish line.
- Rick Swenson is the only five-time winner, the only musher to win in three decades, and only musher to complete 35 of 43 Iditarod's.
- Susan Butcher, Martin Buser, Doug Swingley, Jeff King and Lance Mackey have each won four Iditarod championships. Mackey is the only musher to have won four consecutive races with Butcher and Swingley both winning three consecutive races.

- Dick Mackey, Rick Mackey and Lance Mackey (father and two sons) have won the Iditarod. All three won wearing bib number 13 in their sixth race. Rick Mackey won the race in 1983 to become the first son of an Iditarod champion to match his father's accomplishment. Emmitt Peters was also wearing bib number 13 when he won in 1975.
- Lance Mackey is the first four-time Iditarod Champion to win all four races consecutively in 2007, 2008, 2009, and 2010. He also won the Yukon Quest in 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008, making him the first musher to win both of Alaska's premier long distance races back to back in 2007 and 2008 within weeks of each other.
- Four-time winner, Susan Butcher, claimed Iditarod victories in 1986, 1987, 1988, and again in 1990. Doug Swingley became the second four-time winner in 2001. His victories were in 1995, 1999, 2000 and 2001. Butcher and Swingley have the distinction of being the only Iditarod champions who have three consecutive victories.
- The youngest musher to ever compete in the Iditarod was Dallas Seavey in 2005 when he turned 18 on March 4, 2005. He was also the youngest winner in 2012.
- The oldest musher to ever compete is Colonel Norman D. Vaughan who last competed in 1992 at the age of 86.
- The Iditarod traditionally pays the highest purse in sled dog racing.
- On the trail, dogs need about 10,000 calories daily. How that is attained depends on their feeding program, which varies from kennel to kennel.
- The core diet is a premium kibble, specifically designed to have much higher levels of protein and fat than regular commercial pet food. Additional fat supplements (saturated or unsaturated, i.e., animal or plant sources) are needed to attain the 10,000-calorie level. Meats and fish are used to enhance palatability and/or as snacks. Of course, the more fat that is in the meat, the less pure fat supplement needed.
- There has been a huge amount of research into the topic of dog food. Authors include Grandjean (Royal Canin), Reynolds (Purina) and Reinhart (Iams). Knowledge gained by research into the nutritional needs of the sled dog has led to significant improvements in pet food formulations.

IDITAROD HISTORY

WHAT DOES THE WORD “IDITAROD” MEAN?

The following is from an article in the Anchorage Times following the 1973 Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race, written by Gordon Fowler, Times Sports writer:

“Iditarod means clear water and was named by the Shageluk Indians for the Iditarod River.”

The following came from one of the Anchorage papers during the 1983 Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race:

“The word comes from the Ingalik Indian word, Halditarod, which was the name for the river on which the town was built. It means distant place.”

And this one comes from James Kasri, assistant professor at the University of Alaska Native Language Center in 1979:

“The name Iditarod came from an Ingalik and Holikachuk word Hidehod for the Iditarod River. This name means distant or distant place. This word is still known by elders in the villages of Shageluk, Anvik, Grayling and Holy Cross.”

HISTORY OF THE “WIDOW’S LAMP”

During the days of Alaska sled dog freighting and mail carrying, dog drivers relied on a series of roadhouses between their village destinations. Since these mushers ventured out in most all kinds of weather, for safety reasons they founded the idea that pilots rely on, known today as the flight plan. Word was relayed ahead that a musher and team were on the trail, and a kerosene lamp was lit and hung outside the roadhouse. It not only helped the dog driver find his destination at night, but more importantly, it signified that a team or teams were somewhere out on the trail. The lamp was not extinguished until the musher safely reached his destination.

In keeping with that tradition, the Iditarod Trail Committee will light a “widow’s Lamp” at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 5, 2016, in Nome, the trail’s end. This lamp, which will be attached to the Burl Arch, or the official finish line, will remain lit as long as there are mushers still on the trail competing in this year’s race. When the last musher crosses the finish line, officials will extinguish the “Widow’s Lamp” signifying the official end of the 2016 Iditarod.

So often the media tend to think of the race being over once the “winner” crosses the finish line, yet the public still wants to follow the progress of the remaining mushers on the trail. We hope you will find this often overlooked part of the race worthy of your attention.

HISTORY OF THE “RED LANTERN”

Often, the “red lantern” is confused with the “widow’s lamp.” They are not the same. An article written several years ago in Alaska magazine states that the first red lantern was awarded in the 1953 Fur Rendezvous Race. According to Alaska magazine, “Awarding a red lantern for the last place finisher in a sled dog race has become an Alaskan tradition. It started as a joke and has become a symbol of stick-to-itiveness in the mushing world.” Earl Norris said, “The idea was that the last fellow was so far behind, he needed to light his way home.” In this tradition, Iditarod Trail Committee awards a red lantern to the

last musher off the trail.

1925 SERUM RUN TO NOME

The Serum Run ended in Nome on Feb. 2, 1925, when Gunner Kaasen drove his tired dog team down an almost deserted First Avenue.

At stake were the lives of countless Nome children who had been exposed to the dreadful disease, diphtheria. Kaasen was one of the 20 drivers who took part in the record 674-mile relay race from Nenana to Nome. He delivered 300,000 units of antitoxin serum to Dr. Curtis Welch. The serum arrived in Nome in just one week from Anchorage and more than 127 hours from Nenana.

It was on Jan. 21, 1925 that Dr. Welch first diagnosed the diphtheria outbreak in Nome, and immediately sent telegraph messages to Fairbanks, Anchorage, Seward and Juneau asking for help. The only serum in Alaska was found in Anchorage, where Dr. J.B. Beeson had 300,000 units at the Alaska Railroad Hospital. The problem was, it needed to get it to Nome in the shortest amount of time possible.

The only two planes available were in Fairbanks and had been dismantled and stored for the winter. A pair of pilots offered to attempt the flight if the planes could be made ready, but it was left to Alaska's governor to decide. Many thought dog teams were the only reliable answer.

In Juneau, Governor Scott C. Bone decided on dog teams. He ordered an additional supply of antitoxin from Seattle. Then he called on the Northern Commercial Company, the largest organization in the Yukon River area, to arrange for relay teams. Men of the Army Signal Corps, at their scattered telegraph stations, also assisted.

In Nome, Dr. Welch and the mayor, George Maynard discussed ways to get the serum to Nome. They suggested sending the serum to Nenana by rail and then sending a team to the rail line, or asking a fast team to start the antitoxin down the Tanana and Yukon Rivers and have a team from Nome meet it about half way.

In Anchorage, Dr. Beeson packed the serum in a cylinder, which he wrapped in an insulating quilt. The whole parcel was then tied up in canvas for further protection. The parcel left Anchorage by train on Monday, Jan. 26, in the charge of conductor Frank Knight of the Alaska Railroad. It was at 11 p.m. on Tuesday that the train reached Nenana and Knight turned over the parcel to the first driver, William "Wild Bill" Shannon.

Shannon carried the serum 52 miles to Tolovana, where he handed it over to Dan Green. Green carried it 31 miles to Manley and handed it over to Johnny Folger. Folger went the 28 miles to Fish Lake. Sam Joseph picked it up there and carried it 26 miles to Tanana. Titus Nikoli carried it 34 miles to Kallands and Dave Corning carried it 24 miles to Nine Mile. Edgar Kallands picked it up at Nine Mile and went 30 miles to Kokrines and Harry Pitka carried it another 30 miles to Ruby. Billy McCarty carried it 28 miles to Whiskey Creek and turned it over to Edgar Nollner, who carried it 24 miles to Galena. George Nollner carried it from Galena to Bishop Mountain 18 miles. Charlie Evans went the 30 miles to Nulato and Tommy Patsy went the next 36 miles to Kaltag. At Kaltag, Jackscrew picked it up and took it 40 miles to Old Woman. Victor Anagick carried it 34 miles to Unalakleet and Myles Gonangnan carried it 40 miles to Shaktoolik. Henry Ivanoff started from Shaktoolik to Golovin with the serum.

Leonhard Seppala left Nome intending to rest at Nulato and return with the serum. But Seppala met Ivanoff outside of Shaktoolik where he took the serum and turned around, heading back for Nome. He carried the serum back over Norton Sound with the thermometer 30 degrees below zero. Seppala had to face into a merciless gale and in the darkness retraced his route across the uncertain ice. When Seppala turned the serum over to Charlie Olson in Golovin, after carrying it 91 miles, he had traveled a total of 260 miles. Olson turned the serum over to Gunnar Kaasen at Bluff. Kaasen took it the remaining 53 miles to Nome.

Balto, Kaasen's lead dog, owned by Seppala was memorialized with a statue in Central Park in New York City. Seppala always felt that his lead dog, Togo, didn't get enough recognition for his 260-mile effort. After Togo died, Seppala had him custom mounted and he is now on display at Iditarod headquarters in Wasilla. Balto is on display in Cleveland at the Museum of Natural History.

IDITAROD RACE HEADQUARTERS CONTACT INFORMATION

The Iditarod Trail Committee operates its primary race headquarters in Anchorage at the The Lakefront Anchorage Hotel, 4800 Spenard Road. Another headquarters operates in Nome to make accurate information available at the end of the race. You are invited to drop in to either headquarter location for the latest race information and to purchase Iditarod memorabilia. Visit www.iditarod.com.

General Information, Updates and Race Business: Anchorage Race Headquarters at The Lakefront Anchorage Hotel, 4800 Spenard Road, Room 1004	907-248-MUSH (6874)	Open throughout the business day March 2, 2016, then open 24/7 March 7–24 2016
General Information and Updates: Nome Race Headquarters at Mini-Convention Center	907-443-MUSH (6874)	Open March 15, 2016
Iditarod Media Coordinator: Bri Kelly, Thompson & Co. Public Relations	907-376-5155 ext. 106 or 907-903-9350	media@iditarod.com

ALASKA VISITOR INFORMATION

State of Alaska tourism office: 800-327-9372 www.travelalaska.com

Visit Anchorage

www.Anchorage.net

524 W. Fourth Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99501

907-276-4118 or 800-476-1255

Visitor Information Center

Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport

907-266-2437 or 907-266-2657

Mat-Su Convention & Visitors Bureau

www.alaskavisit.com

7744 Visitors View Court, Palmer, AK 99645

907-746-5000

Nome Convention & Visitors Bureau

www.visitnomealaska.com

P.O. Box 240, Nome, AK 99762

907-443-6555



JR. IDITAROD HISTORY

In order to enter the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race, one must be 18 years old. In 1977, a number of younger mushers wanted to mush the Iditarod Trail. A group of these young people got together and organized the first Iditarod for junior mushers. This race, run annually, is now known as the Jr. Iditarod. Those early organizers were Karl Clauson, Kenny Pugh, Clarence Shockley and Eric Beeman.

The Jr. Iditarod trail is about 160 miles long. Mushers travel the 80 miles from Wasilla to the Yentna Station Roadhouse on the Yentna River over the historic Iditarod Trail. They overnight at Yentna, where race rules require that they stay with their dogs and care for them just as the Iditarod mushers in the adult Iditarod do. The next day, they return to Willow for the finish.

When a musher turns 14, he/she is eligible to compete in the Jr. Iditarod. These young people often have their own teams and are totally responsible for training them. According to a parent of one of the early mushers, the Jr. Iditarod is a “race founded with the idea of giving young mushers a choice between sprint and distance mushing and to help train young mushers to run the much longer race, the ‘grand daddy’ of all long distance races: the Iditarod.”

Many of the junior mushers have gone on to compete in the Iditarod. Ramey Smyth, Cim Smyth, Ray Redington, Jr., Dallas Seavey, Cain Carter and Lance Mackey are Jr. Iditarod alumni. Karl Clauson, Ellie Claus, Cali King, Rome Gilman, Clarence Shockley, Laird Barron, Kimarie Hanson, Caleb Banse, Andy Willis, Tony Willis, Andy Moderow, Tyrell Seavey, Daniel Seavey and Simon Kinneen are a few other former juniors who have gone on to race to Nome.

While most of the Jr. Iditarod participants have been from Alaska, in previous years young mushers have made the trip from Minnesota, Montana, Spain and Canada to compete in the Jr. Iditarod. The Jr. Iditarod welcomes mushers from all over.

There are no monetary prizes in the Jr. Iditarod; however, scholarships are awarded to the top five finishers and the winners of the Humanitarian and Sportsmanship awards, by Jr. Iditarod sponsor, Lynden.

In October of 1987, a formal agreement was signed, officially making the Jr. Iditarod part of the Iditarod Trail Committee, Inc. The 2016 Jr. Iditarod begins at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 27 on Knik Lake, Mile 13, Knik Goose Bay Road, Wasilla.



KNIK LAKE

PAST JR. IDITAROD® WINNERS

1978	Mike Neuman	Knik, AK
1979	Clint Mayeur	Glenallen, AK
1980	Gary Baumgartner	McGrath, AK
1981	Christine Delia	Skwentna, AK
1982	Tim Osmar	Clam Gulch, AK
1983	Tim Osmar	Clam Gulch, AK
1984	Tim Osmar	Clam Gulch, AK
1985	Lance Barve	Wasilla, AK
1986	Lance Barve	Wasilla, AK
1987	Dusty VanMeter	Kasilof, AK
1988	Dan Flodin	Chugiak, AK
1989	Jared Jones	Knik, AK
1990	Jared Jones	Knik, AK
1991	Brian Hansen	Anchorage, AK
1992	Ramey Smyth	Big Lake, AK
1993	Ramey Smyth	Big Lake, AK
1994	Cim Smyth	Big Lake, AK
1995	Dusty Whittemore	Cantwell, AK
1996	Dusty Whittemore	Cantwell, AK
1997	Tony Willis	Anchorage, AK
1998	Charlie Jordan`	Tanana, AK
1999	Ryan Redington	Knik, AK
2000	Ryan Redington	Knik, AK
2001	Tyrell Seavey	Seward, AK
2002	Cali King	Denali Park, AK
2003	Ellie Claus	Chitina, AK
2004	Nicole Osmar	Kasilof
2005	Melissa Owens	Nome, AK
2006	Micah Degerland	Two Rivers, AK
2007	Rohn Buser	Big Lake, AK
2008	Jessica Klejka	Bethel, AK
2009	Cain Carter	Fairbanks, AK
2010	Merissa Osmar	Ninilchik, AK
2011	Jeremiah Klejka	Bethel, AK
2012	Conway Seavey	Sterling, AK
2013	Noah Pereira	Clarkson, NT
2014	Conway Seavey	Sterling, AK
2015	Kevin Harper	Wasilla, AK

LAURA WRIGHT – 2016 IDITAROD TEACHER ON THE TRAIL™



Laura is a second-grade teacher at Eanes Elementary School in Austin, Texas. Laura incorporates Iditarod-themed lessons into all areas of her curriculum including math, art and science, with a strong technology piece that allows students to share their learning with others.

Reflecting back on her 20 years as a public school teacher, Laura remembers leaving the University of Texas eager to change the world and inspire students to care passionately about the world they live in. She began her career working with special education students in a school where she did not have access to textbooks or even a chalkboard.

Teaching in such a difficult situation and with limited resources, she shared her own passions with her students; a love of nature by visiting nearby caves or performing plays and reading adapted classic literature such as "The Three Musketeers." Laura soon realized that every student in every classroom had the same desire; to be inspired about what they are being asked to learn. During her last year at Campbell Elementary School, she was awarded a \$20,000 grant to develop a space called "Kid City". Working with the University of Texas School of Design, real-world buildings resembling a city were built to encourage real-world math skills in a simulated city environment.

At her current school, Eanes Elementary, Laura embraced Project-based Learning and was asked to pilot 1:1 technology for all the EISD elementary schools. She has presented locally and nationally at teacher conferences, sharing the tools and ideas she has learned to be successful in the classroom. What inspires her now is finding ways to give her students opportunities to share their work and passion with others nationally and globally.

Laura believes in the power of volunteering. For the past 25 years, Laura has been a passionate volunteer in the Austin community. It is important to Laura that all of her students understand that even a child can make a difference, no matter how small in their city, town or state. Laura's students can expect to donate cat and dog food for the local animal shelter at the annual holiday party or raise money for bat conservation in science. It is an expected and important part of her teaching.

As an educator, Laura is involved in many district committees, which allow her to share and collaborate with other educators in many ways. Her entire school has been involved in Iditarod activities this school year and in past years. Eanes Elementary and district administration have shown support of Iditarod-based education as a tool of content driven instruction by sending educators to Iditarod's Winter Teacher Conference for the past two years. This year, a team of educators from Laura's school will present at the conference, sharing the many STEM (plus art and other curriculum area) lessons and activities utilized to enrich classroom curriculum.

Laura applied to be Iditarod's Teacher on the Trail™ because she believes more teachers and students should be a part of this special Iditarod learning experience. She also believes her years of passionate, creative teaching, advanced technology skills, and leadership abilities help her connect 'The Last Great Race on Earth®' to more classrooms nationwide and globally.

Laura says, "bringing the Iditarod into the classroom ensures that students will not only have strong content mastery, but also important 21st century skills including the "Four Cs": critical thinking, communication, collaboration and creativity."

Laura is the 18th educator to gain the title of Iditarod Teacher on the Trail™. The program was created in 1998 by Finney, Andrea Aufder Hyde, who served as the first Teacher on the Trail™ in 1999. Following in Finney's 'boot tracks' along the Historic Iditarod Trail, Laura has embraced the school year by providing rigorous and highly engaging lessons and activities for students in her classroom and around the world.

JOANNE POTTS – 2016 IDITAROD HONORARY MUSER



The Iditarod Trail Committee has selected Joanne Potts to be the Honorary Musher for Iditarod XLIV. Her association with Iditarod began in 1975 when a neighbor asked if she'd like to volunteer for the race -- being fairly new to Alaska at the time, Joanne didn't even know what Iditarod was. Over the past 40 years, Potts has worn many hats in the Iditarod organization. In 1982 she joined the Iditarod staff as Race Coordinator. Today her official title is Assistant to the Race Director.

For the Ceremonial Start of the 2016 Iditarod, Joanne will see the race from a very different perspective. Instead of handing out bibs, directing traffic, parking mushers, assigning

volunteers, assisting VIPs or answering questions like usual, Joanne will experience the ceremonial start from the perspective of an IditaRider. Wearing bib #1 and riding in the 2016 Junior Iditarod Champion's sled, she will lead the mushers down 4th Avenue on March 5. The Iditarod Trail Committee, past and present mushers, friends, family, race fans and volunteers recognize and thank Joanne for more than 40 years of service to the Iditarod and for everything she has done to help make the Iditarod what it is today.

Joanne was born in 1940 and grew up in Richmond, Virginia. She has been married to her husband Art for more than 50 years. Their two children, Valerie and Jim, were born in Hydaburg, Alaska while Art was serving as the Presbyterian minister.

Joanne's appointment as Honorary Musher is recognition that Aliy Zirkle says, "has been a long time coming. Joanne has been an integral part of Iditarod for longer than most of us can remember. When any musher has a question, the answer is always - **ASK JOANNE**. Joanne has no favorites and she cares about everyone. She will help the most disorganized musher (which face it... most of us are) and not think ill of us. From the bottom of our hearts, all of us thank her for everything she has put into the race and into the mushers."

Answering phones a couple nights a week at race headquarters in Anchorage was Joanne's first job as a volunteer -- well before search engines and the Internet was the means of finding information. Standings for the top 10 mushers were recorded on answering machines. Folks could call anytime and hear the recordings. Those calling with questions or inquiries about a back-of-the-pack musher needed to talk to someone like Joanne in the phone room. The next couple of years she manned a bare-bones satellite race headquarters in Eagle River. She posted standings on a chalkboard for interested locals. Potts also spent time in the Iditarod booth at the state fair selling merchandise.

After three years of getting her feet wet, Joanne took on the job of running race headquarters in Anchorage. She was substitute teaching at the time but

refused jobs during March to volunteer for the Iditarod. Turning down a paying job to volunteer? It's sounding like she's pretty hooked on the race.

In 1982 the Potts family moved from Eagle River to Wasilla and Joanne staffed the office at the newly established Iditarod Headquarters above Teeland's Store. Before starting the new position, she told them she would need to be home with her children during the summer. When summer rolled around, there was no one to take over so Joanne stayed on.

In August of 1982, over the objection of race founder Joe Redington Sr., Joanne was hired as the Race Coordinator. One hot day in August, Redington trekked upstairs to the office and found Joanne sitting with her feet propped on the desk. Joanne says, "it was hotter than blazes and nobody was around until Joe walked in and I was just trying to stay cool." Redington thought it was completely unbecoming of her to have her feet on the desk; after all it was the Iditarod office. Joe told the Iditarod Board they needed to find somebody "classier" for the job of Race Coordinator. Joe quickly came to respect Joanne for her organization skills, tireless energy, people skills and devotion to the race.

Official Iditarod Photographer, Jeff Schultz, recently said, "I photographed my first race in 1981 and Joanne was there and, as always, was happy to help a newbie. I believe Joanne has been and is the best public relations person for Iditarod it could ever have had. Not in the sense of sending out press releases, talking to the press and such, but she has helped countless mushers, sponsors, volunteers and staff in getting answers and/or results for anything they need. She has helped the Iditarod name and race by going the extra mile in everything she does for Iditarod including doing her best to see that people are satisfied. Over the 40 years she's served Iditarod, she's done tons to perpetuate the race."

Joanne put her PR skills to use on her first big assignment as the race coordinator. She was sent to Nome to smooth some ruffled feathers from the previous race. In Nome, she met and talked to a lot of people. Joanne assured the people of Nome that she was there only as a resource and that the Iditarod didn't want to control what went on in Nome. A Nome resident agreed to coordinate activities for the finish and appoint people to do things. Her visit improved relations immensely.

Barb Redington said, "Joanne is so personable and that's what endears her to everyone. She really cares. It's great to honor Joanne in this way so everyone has the opportunity to say thank you and we appreciate you and everything you've done." Raymie Redington, son of race founder Joe Redington Sr., said, "it's real good they've chosen to honor Joanne. She deserves it."

Not only does Joanne care for the adult mushers; she's there for the Junior Iditarod mushers as well. She's watched many of those kids grow up from cradle to sled. Once they reach the age of 14, they can compete in the Junior Iditarod and then many continue mushing and run the Iditarod. Joanne delights in seeing the kids come full circle. She's served on the Junior Iditarod Board of Directors, currently acts as the secretary, and is the voice of Iditarod for the Junior Iditarod organization. Potts served as the starter/timer at Yentna Station, the halfway point of the junior race, for many years. She recorded the teams'

arrival times at the rest stop, calculated their layover and differential and gave them the count down to leave for the finish. Their departure might be at 3:00 or 4:00 in the morning and it might be 30 degrees below, but she was out there to send them to the finish with a smile, wishes of good luck and pride in their accomplishments.

When mushers have questions, Joanne is their primary contact. She says, "I feel like they're my kids and I take care of them the best I can." Cindy Abbott seconds that, "my first contact with Joanne was three days after the finish of the 2011 race. Even though she was busy working on thousands of post-race duties, she took the call from the crazy California woman who knew very little about mushing or Alaska but wanted to run the Iditarod. Over the years, Joanne and I became friends," says Abbott. "I could go to her for advice and guidance on any issue. No matter how busy she was, Joanne always responded quickly in her positive, supportive and forthright manner. She's one of the most kind, caring and hardworking people I've ever known. Her dedication knows no limit - she goes to great lengths to help with whatever needs to be done."

At the burlled arch in Nome, Potts congratulates the finishers, not just some of them but all of them. It makes no difference if it's 3:00 PM or 3:00 AM, if it's the champion or the Red Lantern or somebody in between. Joanne is there. She greets every finisher, rookie or veteran, like they were her own children, sharing their joy and pride in what they've accomplished.

"Joanne missed my finish in 2015," says Abbott. "My dream of finishing Iditarod came true because Joanne had taken my call. I was the Red Lantern musher but it felt as if I were the winner. I was excited to see Joanne, but where was she? Come to find out, Joanne had slipped on some ice and was on her way to the hospital but she sent someone to give me a hug and congratulations for her. Joanne Potts is the embodiment of The Last Great Race on Earth®." Before heading back to California after her race, Abbott collected her congratulatory hug from a mended Joanne.

In 2013, Joanne was the first Iditarod staff member to be inducted in the *Anchorage Dispatch News* Iditarod Hall of Fame. The announcement mentions Joanne's super powers. No question about it, Potts does seem to have superhuman qualities along with the perceived ability to somehow be in two places at once. When it comes to Iditarod facts and information or people's names, just think of her brain as a storage device with a mega Terabyte capacity, then consider her exceptional ability to multi-task that is her standard operating mode every day of the year, especially at race time.

If you're at an Iditarod function and somebody calls out, "SUPERWOMAN," they're asking for Joanne, who can easily be considered the female version of Clark Kent. Jeff Schultz calls her the 'Iditarod Answer Woman' because "If you have an Iditarod-related question, she can answer it or she'll find out and get back to you sooner rather than later. She seems tireless in her energy to be involved in it all - setting up meetings, giving advice to rookies, helping a musher with paperwork, being at all the pre-race functions, fetching donuts or pizza and selling raffle tickets at the banquets in Anchorage and Nome."

Over her lengthy Iditarod career, Potts has enough stories to create a book that would easily be one of the 10 largest books ever published. A story from the 1988 race would certainly be included. Before departing Anchorage for the burled arch in Nome via Alaska Airlines, Joanne was handed a box that contained a unique Iditarod handgun and a solid gold Iditarod belt buckle. The content of the box was valued at \$5,000. Joanne was told, "deliver this to Rosemary Phillips (Iditarod Executive Director) and don't let it out of your sight." Joanne took the charge very seriously and put the box in her carry-on bag.

Anchorage airport security took their job just as seriously. When the x-ray of her carry-on bag revealed the contents, a small army of security officers quickly surrounded Joanne and escorted her to a room for questioning. Authorities advised Joanne that carrying a gun onto an aircraft could result in a \$10,000 fine and 10 years in prison. The FAA and the FBI were alerted. The next few hours were tense and emotional until the Vice President of Alaska Air came to the rescue. Finally, after a lot of explaining and negotiation, the pilot was put in charge of the handgun and belt buckle and Potts was allowed to fly. As Joanne deplaned in Nome, surely with more gray hair than when she began the day, the pilot handed her the precious package. She then delivered it to Phillips as instructed.

Going the extra mile, getting things done and doing it with a smile is what Joanne is known for. Musher Becca Moore says, "our family (Becca and husband, Ramey Smyth) has had a team in the race since 2005. I have always admired Joanne's dedication, hard work and can-do attitude. While we're deep into training and focused on the dogs, Joanne keeps us up-to-date and informed on things we need to know. She is there at sign-up, she's at the start and she'll be at the finish line."

Joanne does so much more than what the assistant to the race director's job description requires. Moore continues, "she is genuinely concerned for mushers and their families from sharing in the joys of the birth of a baby to concern and support during a family hardship and all things in between. When we stop at Iditarod Headquarters, the kids and I love to go into the office to say hi to Joanne. She has photos of the mushers' children pinned up at her desk. She has welcomed both of our children to the mushing family with handmade blankets. Once, before the race utilized GPS to track the mushers, I was worried about Ramey spending 18 hours in Rohn. I called Joanne. She let me know he was fine; it was the race standings that hadn't been updated. Planning for and preparing for Iditarod is year-round both in the office and in the kennels. Joanne has always been available, summer and winter, always going the extra mile."

Her current job title is assistant to the race director, but Joanne is pretty much the Iditarod Jack of all Trades. Potts loves working for the race. Over the years, she's gotten to know the mushers and their families and has talked to and met a lot of people from around the world. Joanne considers all of those contacts to be the best part of her job. No two races are the same and there's no such thing as a routine day for the Superwoman of the Iditarod. Congratulations Joanne and thank you.

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IDITAROD MUSER AND BIB AUCTIONS

IDITARIDER MUSER AUCTION – ONE OF A KIND EXPERIENCE

Not only is the IditaRider Musher Auction one of the largest fundraisers for the Iditarod, but it is definitely one of the most adventurous! The IditaRider Musher Auction, which opens on Dec. 1 each year, offers the opportunity for fans to bid to ride in a sled as it leaves the Start Line in downtown Anchorage on Saturday. Riders from all over the world have been in sleds as well as famous people such as comedian Joan Rivers, actress Susan Lucci, astronaut Bernard Harris, Jr., Olympic Gold Medalist skater Dorothy Hamil and many more. The ride goes 11 miles along some of Anchorage's beautiful trails through parks and snow-covered woods and ends at the BLM Science Center. Being an IditaRider is the next best thing to being on the runners of a sled. Bidding opens at \$500. The bids are generally over \$1,300 with many sleds selling for the maximum – \$7,500 per sled. The auction closes on the third Friday in January each year. Remember: Bid! Win! Ride!

2016 MUSER BIB AUCTION

After the race begins, an autographed bib worn by each musher from the start line goes on auction until the end of March. Bids start at \$100. Take a chance and bid to win so you can own the bib of your favorite musher, a champion or a rookie of the year. This is a great way to have your own piece of the Iditarod history. Visit the auction site www.iditarodauktion.com.

The Iditarod Trail Committee, Inc. is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization. Winning bids may use as a portion as a tax deduction. A contribution report is sent with the credit card receipt once the auction has closed.

CEREMONIAL START COORDINATOR'S MESSAGE TO MEDIA

ANCHORAGE START INFORMATION

Welcome to the 44th Iditarod! This portion of your media guide includes a brief event timeline for Anchorage, and maps depicting Fourth Avenue and the trail through Anchorage to the Bureau of Land Management complex.

There are four guidelines that concern media at the start:

1. It is imperative that members of the media not impede the activities of the mushers and dog teams, handlers, officials or any other volunteer. The media is asked to make way for these people, as well as the teams, and to comply with security requests.
2. **COLOR CODED MEDIA CREDENTIALS MUST BE VISIBLE AT ALL TIMES.** Security will ask you to produce these credentials if they are not visibly displayed. Anyone who cannot produce and display the proper credentials will be asked to leave the Avenue. Members of the media who have questions or concerns regarding credentials may inquire with the media coordinator at the Iditarod Operations Motorhome.
3. **BLUE ZONE (Official Media)** - Priority positions for start line coverage will be reserved exclusively for official media (KTVA-TV, Ohana Media Group, Iditarod Insider Productions and other entities under contract with Iditarod). **NO OTHER MEDIA WILL BE ALLOWED ACCESS TO THE AREA BETWEEN THE KTVA-TV CAMERA PLATFORM AND E STREET.**
4. **RED ZONE (Non-Official Media)** - Other television stations, newspapers, production companies and their videographers and photographers. People and equipment will only be allowed **BEHIND** the snow berms between the start line and C Street. **YOU MAY NOT** position your equipment on, or lay on, the snow berms. The first 75 feet on the north side of Fourth Avenue, running east from the start line, is off limits to any and all personnel, including media.
5. **GOLD ZONE** – All other credentialed media.

The primary purpose and responsibility of ALL start volunteers is to provide for the safety and well-being of the mushers and their dogs. We ask simply that you respect their efforts.

We sincerely hope that you enjoy this year's race. Good luck with your stories, and if there is anything we can do to assist you please don't hesitate to call.

Karl Heidelberg

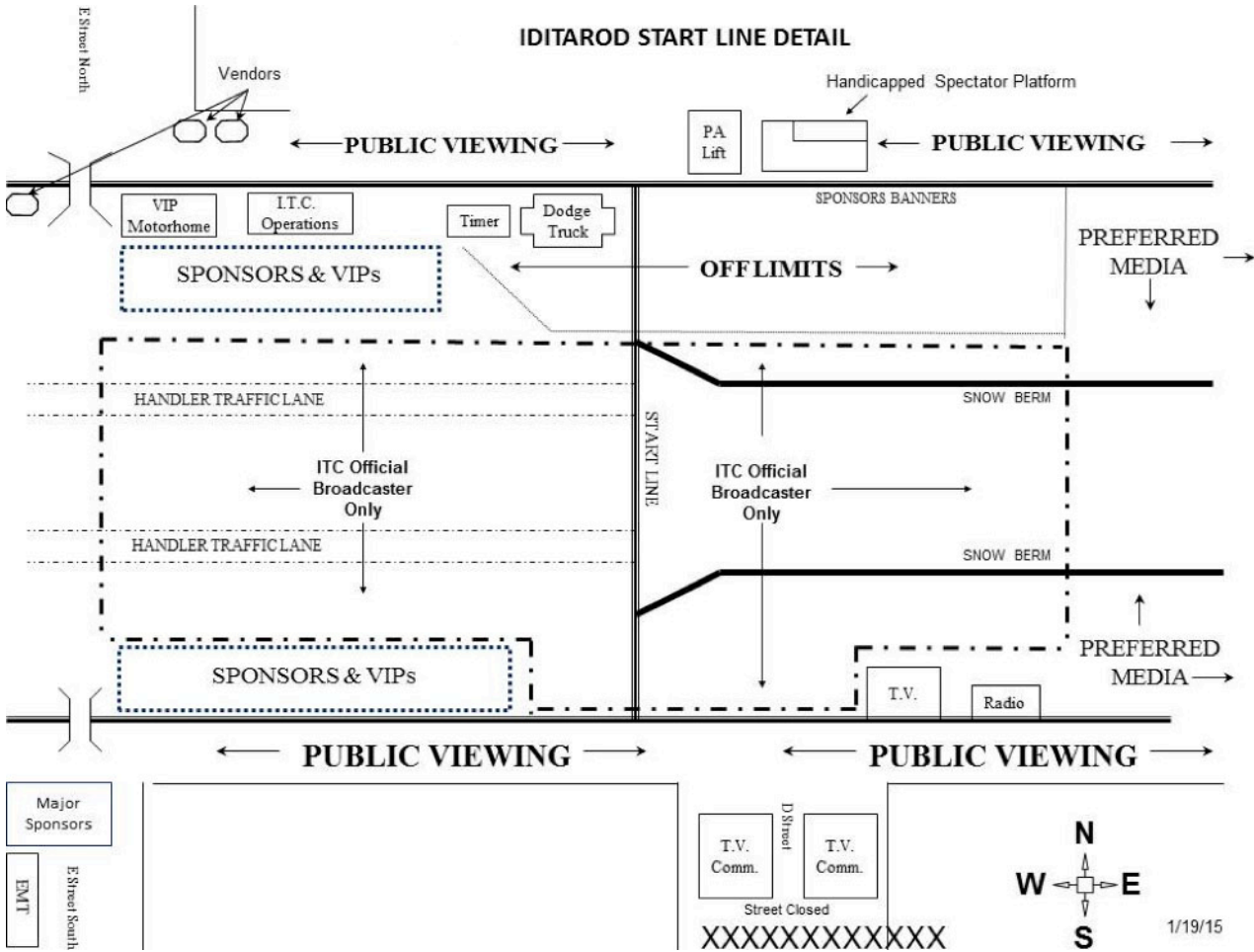
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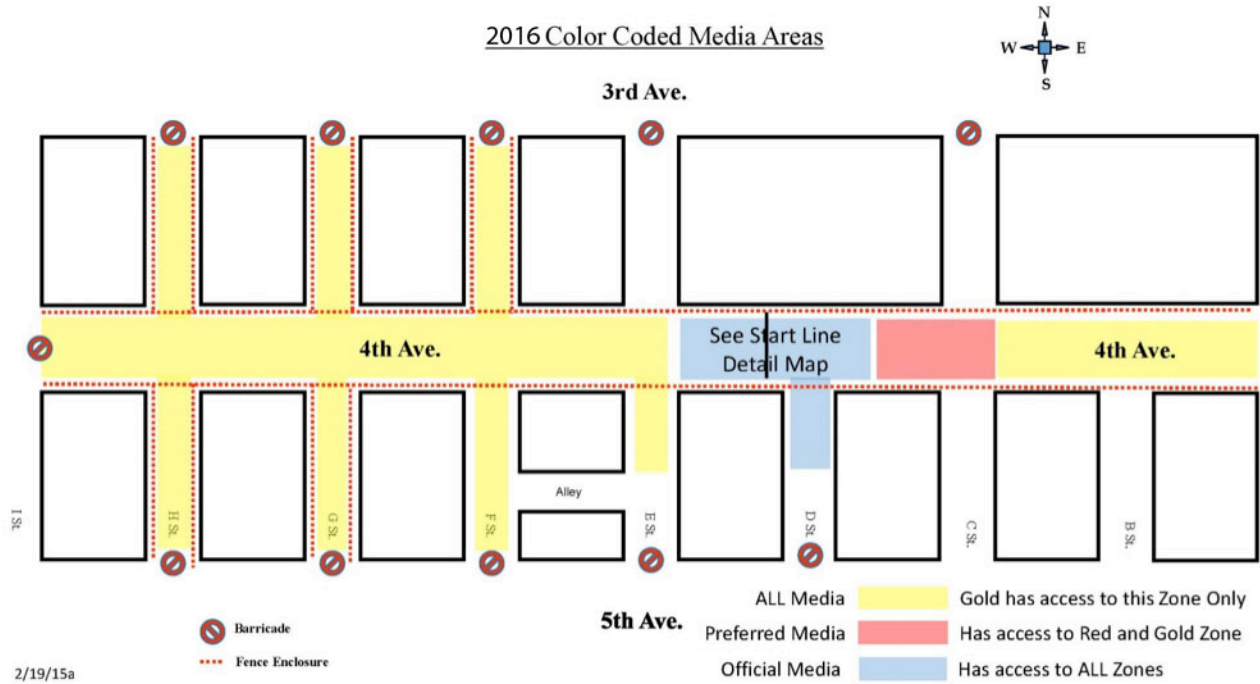
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ANCHORAGE STARTING LINE DETAIL



2016 ANCHORAGE COLOR-CODED MEDIA ZONES

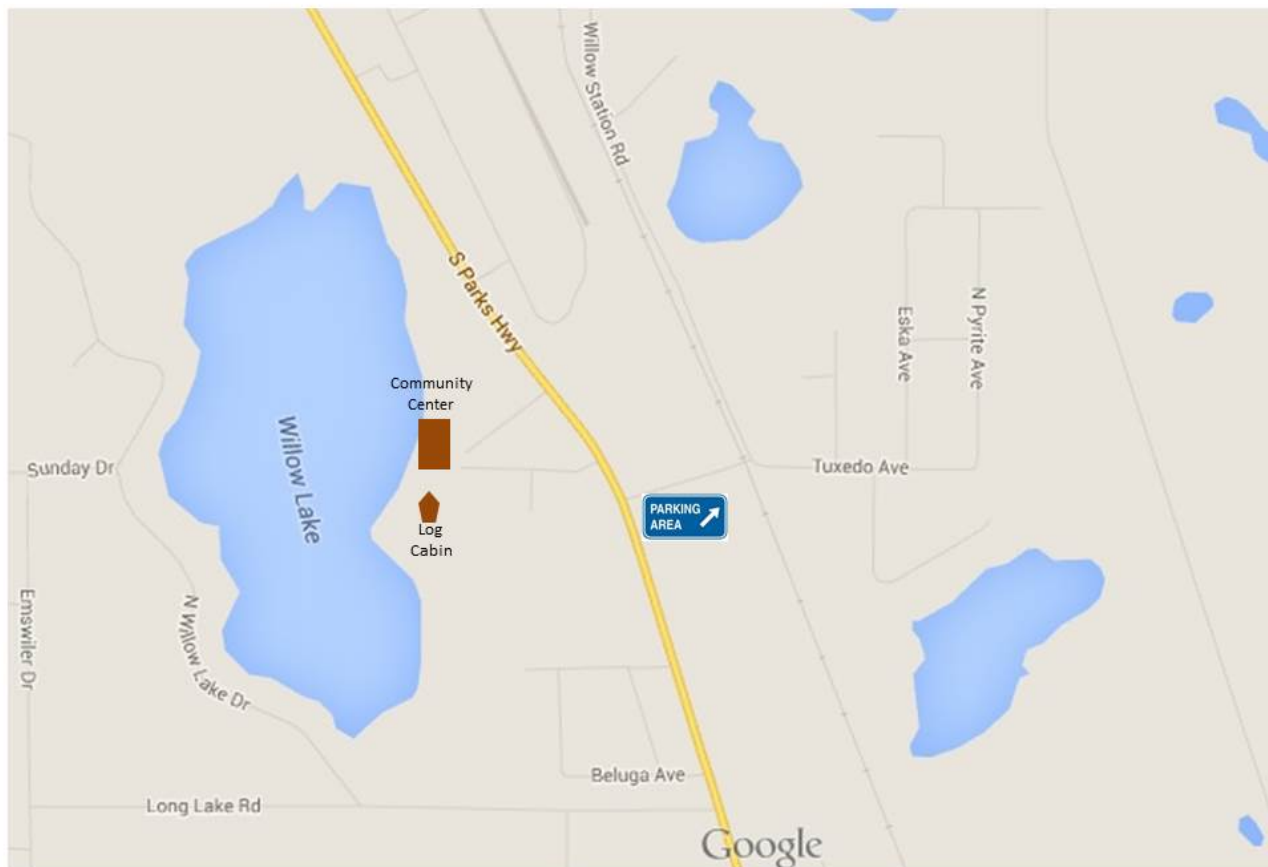


RESTART-WILLOW MAP

The restart will begin at 2 p.m. on Sunday, March 6, 2016.

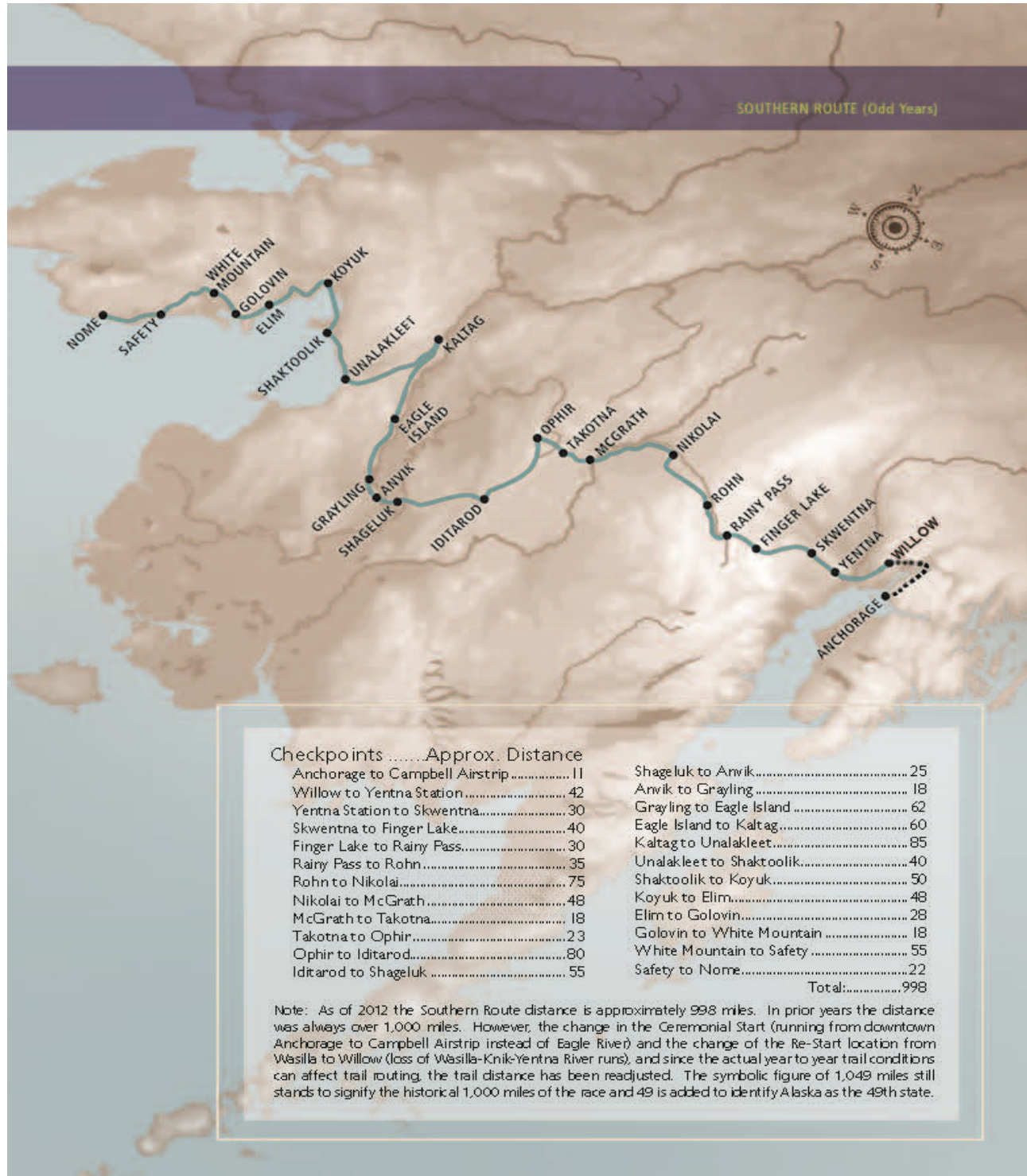
The restart will be staged on Willow Lake located behind the Willow Community Center. From Willow Lake the mushers will cross Long Lake, Crystal Lake, and Vera Lake. Once they leave Vera Lake they will travel to the Susitna River and on to the Yentna River.

Media and fans traveling to Willow are encouraged to do as much carpooling as possible to avoid unnecessary congestion on the Parks Highway. Public Parking will be available at the Willow Airport at a cost of \$10.00 per vehicle.





MAPS, MILEAGES AND CHECKPOINTS-SOUTHERN ROUTE-ODD YEARS



OFFICIAL CHECKPOINT MILEAGES-SOUTHERN ROUTE

CHECKPOINTS	DISTANCE BETWEEN	FROM ANCHORAGE	FROM NOME
Anchorage to Campbell Airstrip	11 miles	11 miles	964 miles
Willow to Yentna Station	42 miles	53 miles	922 miles
Yentna to Skwentna	30 miles	83 miles	892 miles
Skwentna to Finger Lake	40 miles	123 miles	851 miles
Finger Lake to Rainy Pass	30 miles	153 miles	822 miles
Rainy Pass to Rohn	35 miles	188 miles	787 miles
Rohn to Nikolai	75 miles	263 miles	712 miles
Nikolai to McGrath	48 miles	311 miles	664 miles
McGrath to Takotna	18 miles	329 miles	646 miles
Takotna to Ophir	23 miles	352 miles	623 miles
Ophir to Cripple	73 miles	425 miles	550 miles
Cripple to Ruby	70 miles	495 miles	480 miles
Ruby to Galena	50 miles	545 miles	430 miles
Galena to Nulato	37 miles	582 miles	393 miles
Nulato to Kaltag	47 miles	629 miles	346 miles
Kaltag to Unalakleet	85 miles	714 miles	261 miles
Unalakleet to Shaktoolik	40 miles	754 miles	221 miles
Shaktoolik to Koyuk	50 miles	804 miles	171 miles
Koyuk to Elim	48 miles	852 miles	123 miles
Elim to Golovin	28 miles	880 miles	95 miles
Golovin to White Mountain	18 miles	898 miles	77 miles
White Mountain to Safety	55 miles	953 miles	22 miles
Safety to Nome	22 miles	975 miles	

Note: As of 2012, the southern route distance is approximately 998 miles. In previous years the distance was always over 1,000 miles. Three things factor into this adjustment:

- The change in the ceremonial start (running from downtown Anchorage to Campbell Airstrip instead of Eagle River)
- The change of the restart location from Wasilla to Willow (loss of Wasilla-Knik-Yentna River runs)
- The actual year-to-year trail conditions can affect trail routing and the actually mileage will vary somewhat from year to year

“1,049 miles®” has been a symbolic figure from the inception of the race to signify the 1,000 miles or more of race trail and the number 49 depicts Alaska as the 49th state.

SOUTHERN ROUTE TRAIL DESCRIPTIONS

Pronunciation, Population and Facts of Interest

Anchorage (ang-ker-ij) – (ANC) Lat 61.12 Long 149.55

Population: 301,000 – Anchorage is Alaska's largest city with a full range of transportation and hotel accommodations. The race starts downtown on Fourth Avenue. Interesting side trips during March include Portage Glacier or downhill skiing at Mount Alyeska, both less than an hour drive south, or head north to Hatcher Pass for cross country skiing and to explore the remains of Independence Mine.

Willow (wil-oh) – Lat 61.45.25N Long 150.03.10W

Population: 2,156 – The restart takes place on Willow Lake at Parks Highway Mile Marker 70.

Yentna Station -- (YENT-na) -- (YENT) Lat 61.46 N Long 150.41W

Population: 8 – This checkpoint is at the home of the Dan and Jean Gabryzack family.

Skwentna (SKWENT-nuh) - (SKW) Lat 61.55 Long 151.11

Population: 30 – Located near the confluence of the Skwentna and Yentna Rivers. The checkpoint is located at Joe and Norma Delia's log house, also known as the Post Office. There is a store and limited lodging nearby.

Finger Lake -- (FL) Lat 61.59 Long 152.40

Population: 2 – In the heart of the snow country, here it is not uncommon to have 10 feet of snow on the ground. The checkpoint is at Winter Lake Lodge.

Rainy Pass -- (RP) Lat 62.10 Long 152.43

Population: 2 – This area represents the highest point on the Iditarod Trail as it passes over the majestic Alaska Range. Located on Puntilla Lake is Vern Humble's guiding operation. Known as Rainy Pass Lodge, it is closed down at this time of year. Iditarod uses one of their cabins for a checkpoint and another for mushers to rest in.

Rohn (RONE) -- (ROH) Lat 62.35 Long 153.21

Population: 0 – This area is tied with Rainy Pass as having the most spectacular scenery. The gateway to the interior, Rohn Roadhouse marks the transition point where the mushers start to venture into the flatlands of the interior, along with dropping temperatures. Situated near the

confluence of the South Fork of the Kuskokwim and Tatina Rivers, the area served as one of the original Iditarod Trail Roadhouses for the dog teams carrying mail, etc. The actual roadhouse is gone, so the checkpoint is a cabin built in the 1930s. Note: most press mistakenly refer to this as Rohn River checkpoint, but there is no Rohn River. It's Rohn Roadhouse. Many mushers take their mandatory 24-hour layover here before heading across the bleak but treacherous Farewell Bend area. No facilities or lodging are available at Rohn.

Nikolai (NIK-o-lye) -- (NIK) Lat 63.02 Long 154.22

Population: 101 – This is the first of many Alaska Native villages along the Iditarod Trail. There is a village store at the far end of town across the airstrip and limited lodging is available through advance booking. The checkpoint is located in the Community Hall.

McGrath (muh-GRATH) -- (McG) Lat 62.57 Long 155.36

Population: 341 – Located near the confluence of the Kuskokwim and Takotna Rivers, this thriving community has two stores, a bar and a restaurant. It's the last chance to buy aviation gas, except for Galena, until you reach the coast at Unalakleet. Lodging is also available with advance booking.

Takotna (Ta-COT-na) -- (TAK) Lat 63.00 Long 156.04

Population: 49 – Situated on the banks of the Takotna River, this town has a store and restaurant. This is one of the smallest towns with one of the biggest welcomes.

Ophir (OH-fur) -- (OPH) Lat 63.08 Long 156.31

Population: 0 – Now a ghost town, it took its name in 1908 from a nearby placer creek, one of a dozen streams in Alaska to be named by Bible-reading prospectors, for the lost country of Ophir, the source of King Solomon's gold. Many items and artifacts still remain untouched. The checkpoint is at Dick and Audra Forsgren's cabin.

Iditarod (I-DIT-a-rod) - Lat 62.38 Long 155.05

Population: 0 – Now a ghost town, it was once a bustling community of over 10,000. GCI Dorothy G. Page Halfway Award is presented to the first musher to the checkpoint in addition to a trophy and \$3,000 in gold nuggets.

Shageluk (SHAG-a-luck) - Lat 62.42 Long 159.24

Population 83 - Ingalik Indian name meaning “village of the dog people.” Checkpoint is in community hall. Adolph Hamilton resides here. He helped race organizers find the original trail to the town of Iditarod even though he had been over it once, as a small boy, with his father.

Anvik (AN-vick) - Lat 62.39 Long 160.11

Population: 79 – First checkpoint on the Yukon River. Checkpoint is in lodge minimum accommodations available. The Lakefront Anchorage First Musher to the Yukon Award, including a seven-course meal and \$500 in \$1 bills.

Grayling - Lat 62.55 Long 160.40

Population: 189 – Checkpoint is in the community center and is the last village until Kaltag, 122 miles up the trail on the Yukon River.

Eagle Island - Lat 63.39 Long 159.24

Population: 0 – **Tent** checkpoint on the Yukon River.

Kaltag -- (KAL-tag) -- (KAL) Lat 64.19 Long 158.45

Population: 205 – This town signals a brief respite from the driving winds as the trail from here leads overland through Kaltag Portage to the coast of Norton Sound where the winds take on new meaning. Kaltag is the home of Virginia Kalland, widow of Edgar Kalland who was one of the original mushers who helped carry lifesaving diphtheria serum along this trail 60 years ago. She also owns one of Kaltag's three stores. Note: The location for mushers' check-in is at Rich Burnham's house, but the official checkpoint and gathering spot is the community hall about a block away. Please don't treat the Burnham home as a checkpoint.

Unalakleet (YOU-na-la-kleet) -- (UNK) Lat 63.53 Long 160.42

Population: 692 – Situated on the coast of Norton Sound, just north of the Unalakleet River, this village is the largest community on the Iditarod Trail between Willow and Nome. Two well-stocked stores as well as two restaurants can be found here along with limited lodging by advance booking. The trail is now entering the gateway to the Bering Sea and from here on the mushers can expect sudden storms and an ample supply of wind. The checkpoint is in front of the A.C. store.

Shaktoolik (Shak-TOO-lick) -- (SHAK) Lat 64.20 Long 161.10

Population: 258 – One look down the street at the snowdrifts will tell you this is one of the windiest stretches of the trail. From here the trail continues overland for a short distance, and then leads the mushers out onto the ice of Norton Bay, one of the most treacherous segments of trail that the musher may have to contend with. The checkpoint is at the armory.

Koyuk (Koy-uk) -- (KOY) Lat 64.56 Long 161.10

Population: 347 – Once this checkpoint is reached, the mushers can breathe a sigh of relief as almost all of the rest of the trail is at least over land. The checkpoint is the City Rec Center.

Elim (EE-lim) -- (ELM) Lat 64.37 Long 162.15

Population: 332 – The checkpoint is at the fire hall (check at the store for directions). From here, the trail heads over the hills of the Kwiktalik Mountains inland a little ways to the next checkpoint on Golovin Bay. The checkpoint is at the fire hall, but ask at the village store.

Golovin (GULL-uh-vin) -- (GOL) Lat 64.32 Long 163.50

Population: 171 – Not an official checkpoint, but a community with a large welcome. Golovin has one store. From here the trail heads across Golovin Bay, then overland to the next checkpoint.

White Mountain --(WT MT) Lat 64.41 Long 163.24

Population: 199 – Just 77 miles from Nome, this village is located on the banks of the Fish River. It takes its name from that of a picturesque nearby mountain. Checkpoint is located in the community hall building up the hill from the store.

Safety -- (SAF) Lat 64.27 Long 164.49

Population: 0 – The last checkpoint before Nome, just 22 miles away. Here the mushers are on the coast of the Bering Sea and travel on the beach most of the way to Nome.

Nome -- (OME) Lat 64.30 Long 165.24

Population: 3,695 – The end of the Iditarod Trail! Prospectors established this Seward Peninsula city as Anvil City after adjacent Anvil Creek in 1898. A year later, gold was discovered in beach sand and it became a boomtown, home of 30,000 gold seekers. The city was renamed Nome in 1899 after a nearby point on Norton Sound, which got its name in 1853 when a British Navy cartographer misinterpreted a chart notation of "? Name" and recorded it as Nome. The gold rush atmosphere still abounds, especially when "Iditarod Fever" hits town with the entire community turning out to welcome the mushers and visitors alike to their community. Numerous stores, restaurants and bars line Nome's infamous "Front Street", but lodging is at a premium. If the Nugget Inn and Polaris Hotel are full, check with the Nome Convention and Visitors Bureau for the availability of bed and breakfast accommodations.

SOUTHERN ROUTE-DESCRIPTION OF THE IDITAROD TRAIL BETWEEN CHECKPOINTS

Between the Checkpoints

Anchorage to Campbell Airstrip.....11 miles

Ceremonial start of the Iditarod Trail that begins on Fourth Avenue in downtown Anchorage and runs through the snow covered streets and trails of Anchorage. Each musher participates and carries an Idita-Rider, a passenger who has successfully bid (\$500-\$7,500) to ride in the basket of a particular musher to the end of this 11-mile ceremonial start.

Willow to Yentna Station42 miles

The trail begins on Willow Lake, travels across frozen lakes and swamps before the trail winds through a birch forest before dropping onto the Big Susitna River via Corral Hill. Most of the trail is flat. Once the teams drop onto the Big Susitna River they travel via river to the Yentna Station Checkpoint, which is located on the Yentna River.

Yentna Station to Skwentna.....30 miles

The mushers run the Yentna all the way to the confluence with the Skwentna River and the town of Skwentna, three miles from the mouth. These slow moving glacial rivers normally provide very good trails. They are all from one fourth to more than a mile wide and freeze thick enough to provide a good trail until late into the winter. Hazards are sometimes plentiful with rough ice to manhandle a sled over and around. Overflow, water running on top of the ice, can be a very real problem in some conditions.

Skwentna to Finger Lake40 miles

From the Skwentna checkpoint the trail continues up the river for one mile and turns off on the left bank. It continues inland across Eight-Mile Swamp through spruce timber and cottonwoods to the Old Skwentna Roadhouse. The crossing is at a 45-degree angle to the river. The trail climbs up a creek drainage turning first right and then left into an open swamp, long and narrow, and through spruce forest for 2-2.5 miles to Shell Creek. Overflow and/or open water is often a problem. From Shell Creek the trail continues, crossing One Stone Lake. From there to Finger Lake are open swamps and thin stands of spruce and alder. The trail crosses to the north shore and the Finger Lake cabin. All grades are moderate or gentle with no hard climbs and no dense woods.

Finger Lake to Puntilla Lake (Rainy Pass Lodge)30 miles

At Finger Lake the trail drops sharply onto Red Lake leaving the lake at the northwest corner. It climbs steeply leaving the lake at the northwest corner. It climbs steeply up a small creek bed to the benches above Finger Lake. From here it is through swamps, spruce and alder forest to Happy River. The two miles before Happy River are through dense spruce. At Happy River there are three benches to descend with the first being the longest drop, known as the "Steps". A small drainage leads down to the level bench and the trail drops straight down this "V". From this bench the trail descends off the right end to the bench along the river. The last drop is onto the river itself. This section is one of the most hazardous on the trail and extreme caution must be exercised here. The trail will be well marked and the descents will have a straight lead-in. In 2012 the trail will be routed around the famous "Steps" due to a road that was created by a mineral exploration company. This trail re-routing is not yet a permanent change.

Once on the river itself, the trail turns left to the mount (200') and then right, going up the

Skwentna River. Approximately 1/4 mile up the Skwentna is a draw coming down from the right and the trail goes up this draw. A ramp may have to be constructed because the bank has washed away leaving a cut bank four to eight feet high. Once into the draw, stay to the right side as the left side leads to a vertical wall 6' high and is impassable. The draw is only 125 - 150 yards long and once on top the trail continues northwest to Shirley Lake passing through spruce and cottonwood and rolling hills. No grades are steep or long. The steepest grade is up the draw from the Skwentna River. The trail exits Shirley Lake on the northwest side and continues through spruce and cottonwood to Round Mountain. There are some moderate but short grades and a couple of steep but short grades both up and down. At Round Mountain a side hill is encountered and brush is encroaching on the trail. From here to Puntilla Lake is a distance of three to four miles and is gentle terrain with open swamps and sparse timber.

Puntilla Lake to Rohn.....35 miles

Puntilla Lake (Rainy Pass Lodge) is 1835 feet above sea level and from here the trail climbs through Rainy Pass reaching 3160 feet above sea level. From the lodge the trail climbs a small hill and enters the valley. It runs on the north side of the ridge that separates the Indian Creek drainage from Happy River drainage. The trail gradually crosses to the right side of the valley and where Happy River forks three ways, follows Pass Creek (the right fork) into Rainy Pass itself. The climb this far is gentle but the terrain is barren with a few willow thickets and the snow is wind packed to ice and very rough. Once across Rainy Pass Lake (Puntilla Lake), the trail climbs to the summit and descends along Dalzell Creek. Dalzell Creek runs to the Tatina River and here the trail turns sharply left and continues five to six miles to the Rohn checkpoint.

Rohn to Nikolai75 miles

The trail leaves Rohn and crosses the South Fork of the Kuskokwim River and turns sharply left (inland) about 3/4 mile below the Rohn checkpoint. From here to Farewell Lake the trail crosses sharp hills with moderate and steep grades, both up and down. Some of the grades are up to 1/2 - 1 3/4 miles long. The trail is very narrow in places and in some of the denser stands of spruce is a tunnel. The worst area is the Tin Creek with a steep side hill drop to the canyon floor and a climb up the other side. This climb is to the right of the gorge (100-150 yards) and should be well marked. The trail from Tin Creek to Farewell Lake continues through spruce and alder. In the open areas the trail is but a rut when the snow is light. It crosses several "wallows" which are very rough. Approaching Farewell Lake the terrain levels out somewhat and crosses a small lake a couple of miles prior to dropping onto Farewell. This is bison (buffalo) country!

The trail leaves Farewell Lake at the northwest end of the lake and for the next 8-10 miles passes through dense spruce forest and across lakes. It then enters the old "Farewell Burn." In the summer of 1984, the B.L.M. cleared the trail through the Burn. It is 25 feet wide and was cleared to bare ground so there are no windfalls and it is a good trail. The terrain is rolling with short moderate grades. This trail segment is approximately 20 miles long and it then enters very large open swamps to the Salmon River. Trail markings are the only visual references for direction. At the Salmon River the trail turns to the right, crosses the Salmon River at the cabins and continues to Nikolai through spruce and alder stands and open swamps. It crosses the Kuskokwim River into Nikolai. The one danger area through the Burn is at Bear Creek, which has a history of being open. Bridges will be built, if needed, and the area will be well marked.

Nikolai to McGrath48 miles

From Nikolai, the trail runs west to McGrath. The terrain is mostly flat. The trail passes through open

swamps, small stands of spruce and alder and runs on the river itself. There are no grades to consider. This section is well traveled and should present no problems unless deep fresh snow is encountered, at which time the trail is very soft. McGrath is a major staging area and many trails run out of town. The Iditarod will be well marked to prevent confusion.

McGrath to Takotna18 miles

The trail leaves McGrath at the east end of Runway Seven, the same place where it enters. Crossing the Kuskokwim River to the mouth of the Takotna River and turning west, the trail continues over Porcupine Ridge to Takotna. The terrain is gentle rolling hills with moderate grades and is mainly spruce timber with a few open areas. This is a well-traveled trail and should present no problems.

Takotna to Ophir23 miles

From Takotna the Iditarod Trail is the State Highway that runs to Ophir. Take the road to the right at the fork 1.5 miles out of Takotna. Normally there is no snow plowing on the Ophir fork of the highway; however, it is well traveled by dog teams and snow machines all winter. It is seven miles to the top of the grade and then runs down into the Innoko River Valley. Bridges and streams are identified with State of Alaska signs. The trail leaves the road occasionally to cross ridges and to avoid drifted areas. These departures should be well marked.

Ophir to Iditarod80 miles

Out of Ophir checkpoint the trail follows a cat trail along the Innoko River into the old town site, about a mile. It runs right down the airport runway and crosses the Innoko about a mile further along. You cross the river again at six miles out of the checkpoint. Large spruce, birch and cottonwood here a good camping spot. Immediately after crossing the Innoko, the cat trail forks -left to Iditarod. It will be well marked. A long up grade through black spruce to the Beaver Mountain Pass across a barren rocky, desolate area. Two small creeks cross this stretch offering the only meager cover available. The trail is heading in a West - Southwest direction. Six to eight miles after re-entering spruce cover; you pass Don's Cabin on the right side of the trail. You are 36 miles from Ophir. The trail crosses a small spruce covered ridge and crosses Windy Creek. The trail runs south on the East side of the Iditarod through open timber, swamps, and lakes into Iditarod. Some gentle rolling ridges are encountered. The checkpoint is on the west side of the large slough with old town on the left.

Iditarod to Shageluk55 miles

You leave Iditarod out of the west end of the slough and drop onto the river for about two miles north and then go up the left bank following a low ridge between two small streams climbing a gentle often moderate grade to nearly the top of a 1008-feet barren knob. This portion of trail is in an old burn; it will be marked with tripods, reflectors, and tape. It passes across ridge after ridge with gentle to occasionally steep grades. The Little Yentna crossing is the first stream of any size since Iditarod. You continue through swamp and scattered timber to the Big Yentna out of small drainages in a westerly direction. It crosses a few low ridges with gentle grades while changing drainages. Spruce covered hills are encountered as you drop into the lower Innoko River Valley at Shageluk.

Shageluk to Anvik25 miles

Leaving Shageluk, you drop onto the Innoko and go north about a mile. Depart the river on the left bank and proceed in a westerly direction across swamps and lake for 10 - 11 miles. The trail turns to a more southwesterly direction and passes through heavy timber, cottonwood, spruce, birch and lots of brush. It is nearly a tunnel in some spots. You come out on the Yukon and pass an island on your right.

Across the Yukon and 3/4 miles north is Anvik. It is on a small slough just off the river.

Anvik to Grayling18 miles

The trail goes north along the west shore of the Yukon out of Anvik for miles to Grayling.

Grayling to Eagle Island62 miles

Out of Grayling you travel north along the west shore of the Yukon. Occasionally the trail may run on an island sandbar to avoid thin river ice. Local conditions will control this. The Iditarod trail will have confirming marking just after intersections or turnoffs. It is located just inside a small stream on the west bank.

Eagle Island to Kaltag60 miles

Out of Eagle Island the trail continues to hug the west shore for about 23 miles and then crosses to some midstream islands and then to the east shore at 35-mile Slough. We follow the trapper's trail north on up the Yukon to Kaltag.

Kaltag to Unalakleet85 miles

From Kaltag, the trail exits from the northwest end of the runway. The next 15 miles run through spruce forest and open areas along the Kaltag River, climbing gently to the summit of the Portage. Continuing through similar terrain, it starts down the Unalakleet drainage to Old Woman Cabin at the base of Old Woman Mountain. This mountain is an excellent landmark. The trail continues past the mountain and runs along the left side of the Unalakleet drainage. The terrain is gentle rolling hills. Little or no vegetation can be seen along the trail until near Unalakleet. Approximately five miles out of town the trail hits the river. With the exception of a few short portages across horseshoe bends, the trail follows the river into Unalakleet. The last 32 miles from Old Woman Mountain is often windy and the snow is usually wind packed and crusty. In fact, the entire coast is often very windy.

Unalakleet to Shaktoolik40 miles

To Shaktoolik, the trail crosses several low ridges with mostly gentle and moderate grades. The vegetation is stunted spruce and willow thickets. Leaving Unalakleet, the trail turns northward and parallels the coast to Power, then turns inland, crossing behind Blueberry Point. It then drops back toward the coast at Egavik, a summer fish camp. A series of long low hills is crossed with grades being moderate to gentle but some are up to a mile long. The crest of the last ridge is about 17 miles from Shaktoolik and the village is visible from here. The next four to five miles are down a moderate to steep serpentine grade through willow thickets and stunted spruce. The turns are moderate but can be extremely slick. At the bottom, the trail follows the coastal dune on the landward side the last 12 miles to Shaktoolik. The trail from the bottom of the hill to the checkpoint runs over ice on the Shaktoolik River and is often rough. The village is on the left.

Shaktoolik to Koyuk50 miles

The trail from Shaktoolik bears north, crossing the peninsula. It runs on land for eight to nine miles then starts across Norton Bay at the mouth of Reindeer Cove. The terrain to this point is mostly gentle swells of the ground with no true grades. There is no vegetation. Approximately five miles onto the ice is Island Point and Little Mountain. It appears to be a large rock rising from the sea ice, but is in fact the head of a small peninsula. The trail passes a shelter cabin on the south side of Little Mountain. From here a compass bearing of 340 degrees leads into Koyuk. Marking on this segment of the trail usually consists of laths with reflective tape alternating with spruce boughs. Every mile will be marked. The ice is often

rough.

Koyuk to Elim.....48 miles

When leaving Koyuk for Elim, the trail follows the coast, almost doubling back on itself. It runs southeast to Bald Head and Castle Rock where it turns westerly, following the coast to Moses Point. Moses Point is a spit that, with the coastline, forms Kwiniuk Inlet. The trail parallels the spit for five to six miles where it joins the mainland. It continues on the sea ice along the coast, passing the abandoned F.A.A. Station. From there to Elim two routes may be used. One continues along the ice to Elim; the other takes the road along the coast to Elim, which is six-to-eight miles away.

Elim to Golovin (not an official checkpoint, but an integral part of the race)28 miles

The trail leaves Elim, following the ice along the coast for 10-11 miles to a cabin just north-northeast of the limestone cliffs, and here it turns right (inland) and crosses the Kwiktalik Mountains. This range is a low series of hills (1,000 to 1,500 feet) with moderate grades. Vegetation ranges from small spruce to barren ground. Some of the grades are long (1 mile) but none are excessively steep. The barren sections are often windblown and icy. The last descent to Golovin Bay is long and sometimes runs side hill. At the Shelter Cabin on the coast, the trail turns sharply right and crosses the ice to Golovin. The village is located on a spit and is easily seen. (Counting the cabin below Elim where the trail leaves the ice, there are three shelter cabins on the trail, one of them being nine miles from the coast where the trail intersects McKinley Creek).

Golovin to White Mountain18 miles

From Golovin the trail crosses the ice on Golovin Lagoon to the Mudyutok River and goes up this river to the Fish River and then to White Mountain. This section is short, easy travel unless a strong wind is blowing down the rivers, and then it can be difficult going.

White Mountain to Safety.....55 miles

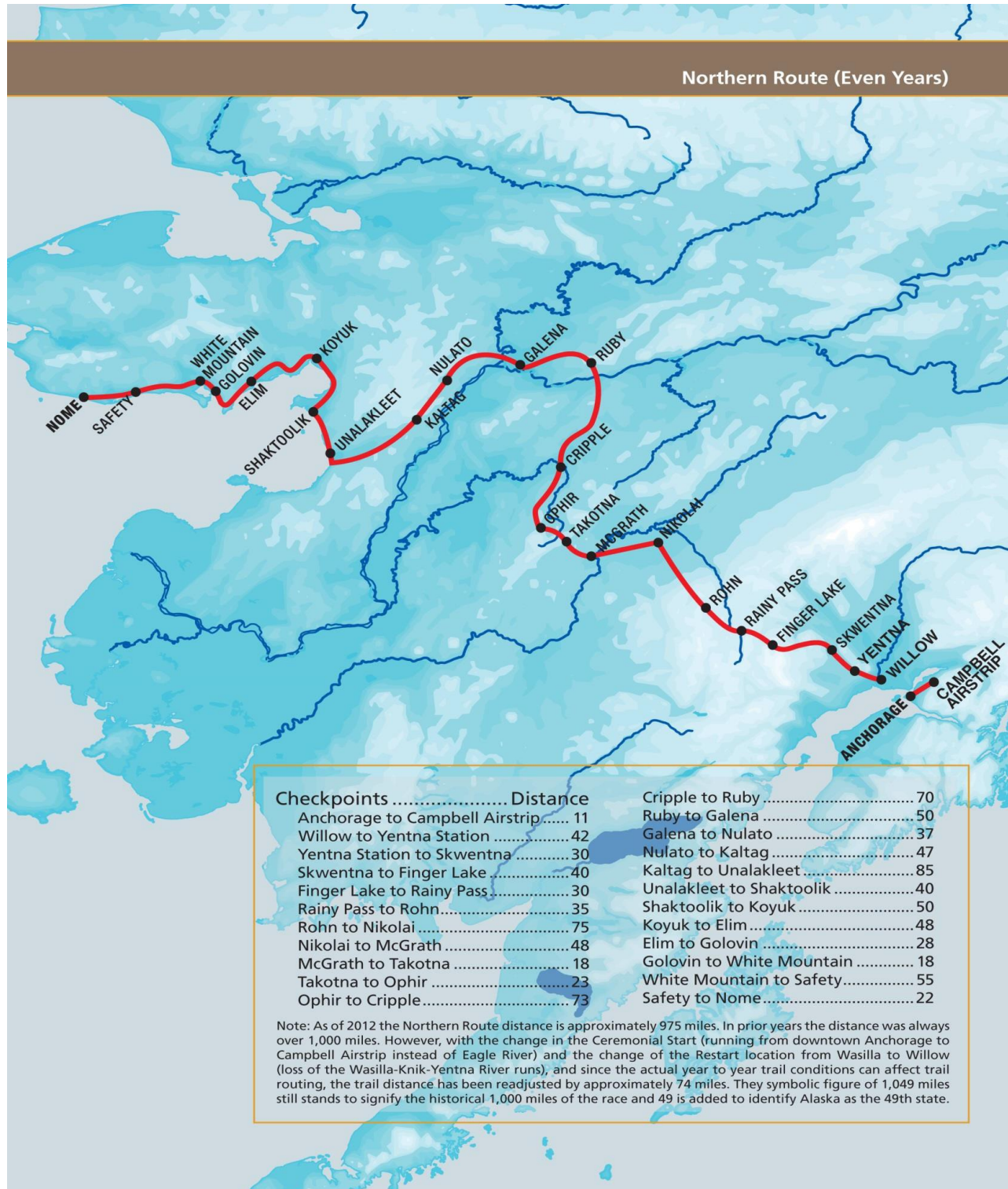
The trail from White Mountain continues up the Fish River for another 2-2.5 miles to a large island. It makes a sharp left turn and starts overland. This turn should be well marked, since a trail continues up the river to Council also. One-fourth mile after leaving the river, a trail comes in from the right (also from Council) and this intersection should be well marked but can be confusing if snow machiners or mushers have departed from the trail. The Iditarod Trail crosses a series of low hills with moderate grades and starts through the Klokeblok River drainage. There is a little vegetation (willow) along some of the creeks. At Topkok, the trail turns sharply right along the coast. The Nome Kennel Club has a shelter cabin at the bottom of Topkok Hill. There is little in the way of visual references and each hill looks like the last. Wind often exceeds 40 knots. From Topkok, the trail follows the coast westward to Solomon, passing south of the actual village (near the Old Solomon village site) from here to Safety Roadhouse, the trail is the road.

Safety to Nome22 miles

From Safety Roadhouse to Nome the trail runs along the Nome-Solomon Road except where it passes around Cape Nome and the last seven miles into Nome. Here the trail parallels the road on the right side and presents no obstacles.



MAPS, MILEAGES AND CHECKPOINTS-NORTHERN ROUTE-EVEN YEARS



OFFICIAL CHECKPOINT MILEAGES – NORTHERN ROUTE

CHECKPOINTS	DISTANCE BETWEEN	FROM ANCHORAGE	FROM NOME
Anchorage to Campbell Airstrip	11 miles	11 miles	987 miles
Willow to Yentna Station	42 miles	53 miles	945 miles
Yentna to Skwentna	30 miles	83 miles	915 miles
Skwentna to Finger Lake	40 miles	123 miles	875 miles
Finger Lake to Rainy Pass	30 miles	153 miles	845 miles
Rainy Pass to Rohn	35 miles	188 miles	810 miles
Rohn to Nikolai	75 miles	263 miles	735 miles
Nikolai to McGrath	48 miles	311 miles	687 miles
McGrath to Takotna	18 miles	329 miles	669 miles
Takotna to Ophir	23 miles	352 miles	646 miles
Ophir to Iditarod	80 miles	432 miles	566 miles
Iditarod to Shageluk	55 miles	487 miles	511 miles
Shageluk to Anvik	25 miles	512 miles	486 miles
Anvik to Grayling	18 miles	530 miles	468 miles
Grayling to Eagle	62 miles	592 miles	406 miles
Island Eagle Island	60 miles	652 miles	346 miles
Kaltag to Unalakleet	85 miles	737 miles	261 miles
Unalakleet to Shaktoolik	40 miles	777 miles	221 miles
Shaktoolik to Koyuk	50 miles	827 miles	171 miles
Koyuk to Elim	48 miles	875 miles	123 miles
Elim to Golovin	28 miles	903 miles	95 miles
Golovin to White Mountain	18 miles	921 miles	77 miles
White Mountain to Safety	55 miles	976 miles	22 miles
Safety to Nome	22 miles	998 miles	

Note: As of 2012, the northern route distance is approximately 975 miles. In previous years the distance was always over 1,000 miles. Three things factor into this adjustment:

- The change in the ceremonial start (running from downtown Anchorage to Campbell Airstrip instead of Eagle River)
- The change of the restart location from Wasilla to Willow (loss of Wasilla-Knik-Yentna River runs)
- The actual year-to-year trail conditions can affect trail routing and the actual mileage will vary somewhat from year to year

“1,049 miles®” has been a symbolic figure from the inception of the race to signify the 1,000 miles or more of race trail and the number 49 depicts Alaska as the 49th state.

NORTHERN ROUTE TRAIL DESCRIPTIONS

Pronunciation, Population and Facts of Interest

Anchorage (ang-ker-ij) – (ANC) Lat 61.12 Long 149.55

Population: 301,000 – Anchorage is Alaska's largest city with a full range of transportation and hotel accommodations. The race starts downtown on Fourth Avenue. Interesting side trips during March include Portage Glacier or downhill skiing at Mount Alyeska, both less than an hour drive south, or head north to Hatcher Pass for cross country skiing and to explore the remains of Independence Mine.

Willow (wil-oh) – Lat 61.45.25N Long 150.03.10W

Population: 1,658 – The restart takes place on Willow Lake at Mile Marker.

Yentna Station Roadhouse -- (YENT-na) -- (YENT) Lat 61.46 N Long 150.41W

Population: 8 – This checkpoint is at the home of the Dan and Jean Gabryzack family.

Skwentna (SKWENT-nuh) - (SKW) Lat 61.55 Long 151.11

Population: 30 – Located near the confluence of the Skwentna and Yentna Rivers. The checkpoint is located at Joe and Norma Delia's log house, also known as the Post Office. There is a store and limited lodging nearby.

Finger Lake (FL) Lat 61.59 Long 152.40

Population: 2 – In the heart of the snow country, here it is not uncommon to have 10 feet of snow on the ground. The checkpoint is at Winter Lake Lodge.

Rainy Pass (RP) Lat 62.10 Long 152.43

Population: 2 - This area represents the highest point on the Iditarod Trail as it passes over the majestic Alaska Range. Located on Puntilla Lake is Vern Humble's guiding operation. Known as Rainy Pass Lodge, it is closed down at this time of year. Iditarod uses one of their cabins for a checkpoint and another for mushers to rest in.

Rohn (RONE) (ROH) Lat 62.35 Long 153.21

Population: 0 – This area is tied with Rainy Pass as having the most spectacular scenery. The gateway to the interior, Rohn Roadhouse marks the transition point where the mushers start to venture into the flatlands of the interior, along with dropping temperatures. Situated near the confluence of the South Fork of the Kuskokwim and Tatina Rivers, the area served as one of the original Iditarod Trail Roadhouses for the dog teams carrying mail, etc. The actual roadhouse is gone, so the checkpoint is a cabin built in the 1930s. Note: most press mistakenly refer to this as Rohn River checkpoint, but there is no Rohn River. It's Rohn Roadhouse. Many mushers take

their mandatory 24-hour layover here, before heading across the bleak but treacherous Farewell Bend area. **No facilities or lodging are available at Rohn.**

Nikolai (NIK-o-lye) (NIK) Lat 63.02 Long 154.22

Population: 101 - This is the first of many Alaska Native villages along the Iditarod Trail. There is a village store at the far end of town across the airstrip, and limited lodging is available through advance booking. The checkpoint is located in the Community Hall.

McGrath (muh-GRATH) (McG) Lat 62.57 Long 155.36

Population: 341 - Located near the confluence of the Kuskokwim and Takotna Rivers, this thriving community has two stores, a bar and a restaurant. It's the last chance to buy aviation gas, except for Galena, until you reach the coast at Unalakleet. Lodging is also available with advance booking.

Takotna (Ta-COT-na) -- (TAK) Lat 63.00 Long 156.04.

Population: 49 – Situated on the banks of the Takotna River, this town has a store and restaurant. This is one of the smallest towns with one of the biggest welcomes.

Ophir (OH-fur) (OPH) Lat 63.08 Long 156.31

Population: 0 – Now a ghost town, it took its name in 1908 from a nearby placer creek, one of a dozen streams in Alaska to be named by Bible-reading prospectors, for the lost country of Ophir, the source of King Solomon's gold. Many items and artifacts still remain untouched. The checkpoint is at Dick and Audra Forsgren's cabin.

Cripple (krip-uh l) Lat. 63.41 N Long 156.20W

Population: 0 – Part of the famous Iditarod Mining District, which saw \$35 million in gold taken out of the area between 1908 and 1925. Not bad when you figure that gold was only worth \$20 an ounce in those days. This checkpoint marks the “official” halfway point in the race on the northern route.

Ruby (ROO-bee) Lat. 64.44 N Long 155.29W

Population: 173 – The first checkpoint on the famous Yukon River, the longest river in Alaska, stretching 1,875 miles from its headwaters in the Yukon Territory of Canada to the Bering Sea. Gold was discovered here in 1907, but no town **was established until 1911 when additional gold deposits were discovered on Long Creek**, causing a rush of prospectors to the area. This is the home of 1975 Iditarod champion Emmitt Peters. Ruby was home for many of the mushers who carried mail for the Northern Commercial Company from Tanana to Ruby. The trip took four days and paid \$5 a day. Dog team mail ended here in 1931. The checkpoint is in the community hall.

Galena (gull-LEE-na) Lat. 64.44 Long 156.56

Population: 487 - Galena derived its name from lead sulfate ore found in the area, known chemically as galena. The town was founded in 1920 when Natives moved down river from the old town site of Loudon because of the availability of firewood. A man could cut 250 cords a winter and sell it for \$8 a cord to the stern-wheelers that worked the rivers in the summer. This was the home of Edgar Nollner, the last living musher who carried the lifesaving diphtheria serum along this trail to Nome in 1925. The checkpoint is at the "old" community hall downtown.

Nulato (nu-LAH-toe) Lat. 64.43 Long 158.05

Population: 275 - Originally founded in 1838 at the confluence of the Nulato and Yukon Rivers, Nulato was a Russian trading post. Without a stockade, the Indians promptly burned it down. In 1841, the Russian American Company rebuilt the trading post consisting of seven log buildings, but again without a stockade. In 1851, the Koyukan Indians again burned it down and killed most of the inhabitants. In 1853 the trading post was rebuilt at the present town site, two miles upriver from the old site. The checkpoint is the community hall.

Kaltag -- (KAL-tag) (KAL) Lat 64.19 Long 158.45

Population: 205 – This town signals a brief respite from the driving winds as the trail from here leads overland through Kaltag Portage to the coast of Norton Sound where the winds take on new meaning. Kaltag is the home of Virginia Kalland, widow of Edgar Kalland who was one of the original mushers who helped carry lifesaving diphtheria serum along this trail 60 years ago. She also owns one of Kaltag's three stores. Note: The location for mushers' check-in is at Rich Burnham's house, but the official checkpoint and gathering spot is the community hall about a block away. Please don't treat the Burnham home as a checkpoint.

Unalakleet (YOU-na-la-kleet) (UNK) Lat 63.53 Long 160.42

Population: 692 – Situated on the coast of Norton Sound, just north of the Unalakleet River, this village is the largest community on the Iditarod Trail between Willow and Nome. Two well-stocked stores as well as two restaurants can be found here along with limited lodging by advance booking. The trail is now entering the gateway to the Bering Sea and from here on the mushers can expect sudden storms and an ample supply of wind. The checkpoint is in front of the A.C. store.

Shaktoolik (Shak-TOO-lick) (SHAK) Lat 64.20 Long 161.10

Population: 258 – One look down the street at the snowdrifts will tell you this is one of the windiest stretches of the trail. From here the trail continues overland for a short distance, then leads the mushers out onto the ice of Norton Bay, one of the most treacherous segments of trail that the musher may have to contend with. The checkpoint is at the armory.

Koyuk (Koy-uk) (KOY) Lat 64.56 Long 161.10

Population: 347 – Once this checkpoint is reached, the mushers can breathe a sigh of relief as almost all of the rest of the trail is at least over land. The checkpoint is the City Rec Center.

Elim (EE-lim) (ELM) Lat 64.37 Long 162.15

Population: 332 – The checkpoint is at the fire hall (check at the store for directions). From here the trail heads over the hills of the Kwiktalik Mountains inland a little ways to the next checkpoint on Golovin Bay. The checkpoint is at the fire hall. Ask at the village store.

Golovin (GULL-uh-vin) (GOL) Lat 64.32 Long 163.50

Population: 171 – Not an official checkpoint, but a community with a large welcome. Golovin has one store. From here the trail heads across Golovin Bay, then overland to the next checkpoint.

White Mountain (WT MT) Lat 64.41 Long 163.24

Population: 199 – Just 77 miles from Nome, this village is located on the banks of the Fish River. It takes its name from that of a picturesque nearby mountain. Checkpoint is located in the community hall building up the hill from the store.

Safety (SAF) Lat 64.27 Long 164.49

Population: 0 – The last checkpoint before Nome, just 22 miles away. Here the mushers are on the coast of the Bering Sea and travel on the beach most of the way to Nome.

Nome (OME) Lat 64.30 Long 165.24

Population: 3,695 –The end of the Iditarod Trail! Prospectors established this Seward Peninsula city as Anvil City after adjacent Anvil Creek in 1898. A year later gold was discovered in beach sand and it became a boomtown, home of 30,000 gold seekers. The city was renamed Nome in 1899 after a nearby point on Norton Sound, which got its name in 1853 when a British Navy cartographer misinterpreted a chart notation of "? Name" and recorded it as Nome. The gold rush atmosphere still abounds, especially when "Iditarod Fever" hits town with the entire community turning out to welcome the mushers and visitors alike to their community. Numerous stores, restaurants and bars line Nome's infamous "Front Street", but lodging is at a premium. If the Nugget Inn and Polaris Hotel are full, check with the Nome Convention and Visitors Bureau for the availability of "bed and breakfast" accommodations.

NORTHERN ROUTE DESCRIPTION OF THE IDITAROD TRAIL BETWEEN CHECKPOINTS

Between checkpoints

Anchorage to Campbell Airstrip 11 miles

The ceremonial start of the Iditarod Trail that begins on Fourth Avenue in downtown Anchorage and runs through the snow covered streets and trails of Anchorage. Each musher participates and carries an IditaRider, a passenger who has successfully bid (\$500-\$7,500) to ride in the basket of a particular musher to the end of this 11-mile ceremonial start.

Willow to Yentna Station 42 miles

The trail begins on Willow Lake, travels across frozen lakes and swamps before the trail winds through a birch forest before dropping onto the Big Susitna River via Corral Hill. Most of the trail is flat. Once the teams drop onto the Big Susitna River they travel via river to the Yentna Station Checkpoint, which is located on the Yentna River.

Yentna Station to Skwentna 30 miles

The mushers run the Yentna all the way to the confluence with the Skwentna River and the town of Skwentna, three miles from the mouth. These slow moving glacial rivers normally provide very good trails. They are all from one fourth to more than a mile wide and freeze thick enough to provide a good trail until late into the winter. Hazards are sometimes plentiful with rough ice to manhandle a sled over and around. Overflow, water running on top of the ice, can be a very real problem in some conditions.

Skwentna to Finger Lake 40 miles

From the Skwentna checkpoint the trail continues up the river for one mile and turns off on the left bank. It continues inland across Eight-Mile Swamp through spruce timber and cottonwoods to the Old Skwentna Roadhouse. The crossing is at a 45-degree angle to the river. The trail climbs up a creek drainage turning first right and then left into an open swamp, long and narrow, and through spruce forest for 2-2.5 miles to Shell Creek. Overflow and/or open water is often a problem. From Shell Creek the trail continues, crossing One Stone Lake. From there to Finger Lake are open swamps and thin stands of spruce and alder. The trail crosses to the north shore and the Finger Lake cabin. All grades are moderate or gentle with no hard climbs and no dense woods.

Finger Lake to Puntilla Lake (Rainy Pass Lodge) 30 miles

At Finger Lake the trail drops sharply onto Red Lake leaving the lake at the northwest corner. It climbs steeply leaving the lake at the northwest corner. It climbs steeply up a small creek bed to the benches above Finger Lake. From here it is through swamps, spruce and alder forest to Happy River. The two miles before Happy River are through dense spruce. At Happy River there are three benches to descend with the first being the longest drop, known as the "Steps". A small drainage leads down to the level bench and the trail drops straight down this "V". From this bench the trail descends off the right end to the bench along the river. The last drop is onto the river itself. This section is one of the most hazardous on the trail and extreme caution must be exercised here. The trail will be well marked and

the descents will have a straight lead-in. **In 2012 the trail will be routed around the famous “Steps” due to a road that was created by a mineral exploration company. This trail re-routing is not yet a permanent change.**

Once on the river itself, the trail turns left to the mount (200') and then right, going up the Skwentna River. Approximately 1/4 mile up the Skwentna is a draw coming down from the right and the trail goes up this draw. A ramp may have to be constructed because the bank has washed away leaving a cut bank four to eight feet high. Once into the draw, stay to the right side as the left side leads to a vertical wall 6' high and is impassable. The draw is only 125 - 150 yards long and once on top the trail continues northwest to Shirley Lake passing through spruce and cottonwood and rolling hills. No grades are steep or long. The steepest grade is up the draw from the Skwentna River. The trail exits Shirley Lake on the northwest side and continues through spruce and cottonwood to Round Mountain. There are some moderate but short grades and a couple of steep but short grades both up and down. At Round Mountain a side hill is encountered and brush is encroaching on the trail. From here to Puntilla Lake is a distance of three to four miles and is gentle terrain with open swamps and sparse timber.

Puntilla Lake to Rohn..... 35 miles

Puntilla Lake (Rainy Pass Lodge) is 1,835 feet above sea level and from here the trail climbs through Rainy Pass reaching 3,160 feet above sea level. From the lodge the trail climbs a small hill and enters the valley. It runs on the north side of the ridge that separates the Indian Creek drainage from Happy River drainage. The trail gradually crosses to the right side of the valley and where Happy River forks three ways, follows Pass Creek (the right fork) into Rainy Pass itself. The climb this far is gentle but the terrain is barren with a few willow thickets and the snow is wind packed to ice and very rough. Once across Rainy Pass Lake (Puntilla Lake), the trail climbs to the summit and descends along Dalzell Creek. Dalzell Creek runs to the Tatina River and here the trail turns sharply left and continues five to six miles to the Rohn checkpoint.

Rohn to Nikolai..... 75 miles

The trail leaves Rohn and crosses the South Fork of the Kuskokwim River and turns sharply left (inland) about 3/4 mile below the Rohn checkpoint. From here to Farewell Lake the trail crosses sharp hills with moderate and steep grades, both up and down. Some of the grades are up to 1/2 - 1 3/4 miles long. The trail is very narrow in places and in some of the denser stands of spruce is a tunnel. The worst area is the Tin Creek with a steep side hill drop to the canyon floor and a climb up the other side. This climb is to the right of the gorge (100-150 yards) and should be well marked. The trail from Tin Creek to Farewell Lake continues through spruce and alder. In the open areas the trail is but a rut when the snow is light. It crosses several "wallows" which are very rough. Approaching Farewell Lake the terrain levels out somewhat and crosses a small lake a couple of miles prior to dropping onto Farewell. This is bison (buffalo) country!

The trail leaves Farewell Lake at the northwest end of the lake and for the next 8-10 miles passes through dense spruce forest and across lakes. It then enters the old "Farewell Burn." In the summer of 1984, the B.L.M. cleared the trail through the Burn. It is 25 feet wide and was cleared to bare ground so there are no windfalls and it is a good trail. The terrain is rolling with short moderate grades. This trail segment is approximately 20 miles long and it then enters very large open swamps to the Salmon River.

Trail markings are the only visual references for direction. At the Salmon River the trail turns to the right, crosses the Salmon River at the cabins and continues to Nikolai through spruce and alder stands and open swamps. It crosses the Kuskokwim River into Nikolai. The one danger area through the Burn is at Bear Creek, which has a history of being open. Bridges will be built, if needed, and the area will be well marked.

Nikolai to McGrath48 miles

From Nikolai, the trail runs west to McGrath. The terrain is mostly flat. The trail passes through open swamps, small stands of spruce and alder and runs on the river itself. There are no grades to consider. This section is well traveled and should present no problems unless deep fresh snow is encountered, at which time the trail is very soft. McGrath is a major staging area and many trails run out of town. The Iditarod will be well marked to prevent confusion.

McGrath to Takotna 18 miles

The trail leaves McGrath at the east end of Runway Seven, the same place where it enters. Crossing the Kuskokwim River to the mouth of the Takotna River and turning west, the trail continues over Porcupine Ridge to Takotna. The terrain is gentle rolling hills with moderate grades and is mainly spruce timber with a few open areas. This is a well-traveled trail and should present no problems.

Takotna to Ophir23 miles

From Takotna the Iditarod Trail is the State Highway that runs to Ophir. Take the road to the right at the fork 1 1/2 miles out of Takotna. Normally there is no snow plowing on the Ophir fork of the highway; however, it is well traveled by dog teams and snow machines all winter. It is seven miles to the top of the grade and then runs down into the Innoko River Valley. Bridges and streams are identified with State of Alaska signs. The trail leaves the road occasionally to cross ridges and to avoid drifted areas. These departures should be well marked.

Ophir to Cripple..... 73 miles

Out of the Ophir checkpoint the trail follows a cat trail along the Innoko River into the old village site about a mile further along. It crosses the river again six miles out of the checkpoint. From the crossing, the trail heads northeast. The terrain is flat with sparse scrub spruce with a few rolling hills as it approaches Cripple.

Cripple to Ruby 70 miles

Leaving Cripple, the country stays the same for 15-to-20 miles. Then the trees get larger and thicker, with larger rolling hills. At Bear Creek, the trail enters a cat trail that should be easy to follow. At Sulatna Crossing (steel bridge), most of the mushers stop to rest and feed their dogs. (Sulatna Crossing is not a checkpoint.) There is a small lake on the left. Immediately after the bridge, the trailbreakers will punch out 15 to 20 parking spots for dog teams. The trail follows this road all the way to Ruby Hills. There are many long grades and much side hill to travel.

Ruby to Galena50 miles

From Ruby to Kaltag, the next 134 miles is on the Yukon River, passing through Galena and Nulato. In most years the local traffic keeps the river trail hard and fast. This section is well marked because wind and snow can cover the trail very quickly. Checkpoint is usually in the Galena Community Center.

Galena to Nulato 37 miles

About 10 miles outside of Galena is the picturesque Bishop's Rock, where some of the most famous photographs of mushers are taken. In most years the local traffic keeps the river trail hard and fast. This section is well marked because wind and snow can cover the trail very quickly.

Nulato to Kaltag47 miles

The final stretch on the Yukon River before turning inland for the Kaltag Portage headed towards the coast. Kaltag always offers a warm welcome. Checkpoint is at Kaltag Community Center.

Kaltag to Unalakleet 85 miles

From Kaltag, the trail exits from the northwest end of the runway. The next 15 miles run through spruce forest and open areas along the Kaltag River, climbing gently to the summit of the Portage. Continuing through similar terrain, it starts down the Unalakleet drainage to Old Woman Cabin at the base of Old Woman Mountain. This mountain is an excellent landmark. The trail continues past the mountain and runs along the left side of the Unalakleet drainage. The terrain is gentle rolling hills. Little or no vegetation can be seen along the trail until near Unalakleet. Approximately five miles out of town the trail hits the river. With the exception of a few short portages across horseshoe bends, the trail follows the river into Unalakleet. The last 32 miles (from Old Woman Mountain) is often windy and the snow is usually wind packed and crusty. In fact, the entire coast is often very windy.

Unalakleet to Shaktoolik40 miles

To Shaktoolik, the trail crosses several low ridges with mostly gentle and moderate grades. The vegetation is stunted spruce and willow thickets. Leaving Unalakleet, the trail turns northward and parallels the coast to Power, then turns inland, crossing behind Blueberry Point. It then drops back toward the coast at Egavik, a summer fish camp. A series of long low hills is crossed with grades being moderate to gentle but some are up to a mile long. The crest of the last ridge is about 17 miles from Shaktoolik and the village is visible from here. The next four to five miles are down a moderate to steep serpentine grade through willow thickets and stunted spruce. The turns are moderate but can be extremely slick. At the bottom, the trail follows the coastal dune on the landward side the last 12 miles to Shaktoolik. The trail from the bottom of the hill to the checkpoint runs over ice on the Shaktoolik River and is often rough. The village is on the left.

Shaktoolik to Koyuk..... 50 miles

The trail from Shaktoolik bears north, crossing the peninsula. It runs on land for eight to nine miles then starts across Norton Bay at the mouth of Reindeer Cove. The terrain to this point is mostly gentle swells of the ground with no true grades. There is no vegetation. Approximately five miles onto the ice is Island Point and Little Mountain. It appears to be a large rock rising from the sea ice, but is in fact the head of a small peninsula. The trail passes a shelter cabin on the south side of Little Mountain. From here a compass bearing of 340 degrees leads into Koyuk. Marking on this segment of the trail usually consists of laths with reflective tape alternating with spruce boughs. Every mile will be marked. The ice is often rough.

Koyuk to Elim.....48 miles

When leaving Koyuk for Elim, the trail follows the coast, almost doubling back on itself. It runs southeast to Bald Head and Castle Rock where it turns westerly, following the coast to Moses Point. Moses Point is a spit that, with the coastline, forms Kwiniuk Inlet. The trail parallels the spit for five to six miles where it joins the mainland. It continues on the sea ice along the coast, passing the abandoned F.A.A. Station. From there to Elim two routes may be used. One continues along the ice to Elim; the other takes the road along the coast to Elim, which is six-to-eight miles away.

Elim to Golovin (not an official checkpoint, but an integral part of the race)28 miles

The trail leaves Elim, following the ice along the coast for 10-11 miles to a cabin just north-northeast of the limestone cliffs, and here it turns right (inland) and crosses the Kwiktalik Mountains. This range is a low series of hills (1,000 to 1,500 ft.) with moderate grades. Vegetation ranges from small spruce to barren ground. Some of the grades are long (1 mile) but none are excessively steep. The barren sections are often windblown and icy. The last descent to Golovin Bay is long and sometimes runs side hill. At the Shelter Cabin on the coast, the trail turns sharply right and crosses the ice to Golovin. The village is located on a spit and is easily seen. (Counting the cabin below Elim where the trail leaves the ice, there are three shelter cabins on the trail, one of them being nine miles from the coast where the trail intersects McKinley Creek).

Golovin to White Mountain 18 miles

From Golovin the trail crosses the ice on Golovin Lagoon to the Mudyutok River and goes up this river to the Fish River and then to White Mountain. This section is short, easy travel unless a strong wind is blowing down the rivers, and then it can be difficult going.

White Mountain to Safety 55 miles

The trail from White Mountain continues up the Fish River for another 2-2.5 miles to a large island. It makes a sharp left turn and starts overland. This turn should be well marked, since a trail continues up the river to Council also. One-fourth mile after leaving the river, a trail comes in from the right (also from Council) and this intersection should be well marked but can be confusing if snow machiners or mushers have departed from the trail. The Iditarod Trail crosses a series of low hills with moderate grades and starts through the Klokeblok River drainage. There is a little vegetation (willow) along some of the creeks. At Topkok, the trail turns sharply right along the coast. The Nome Kennel Club has a shelter cabin at the bottom of Topkok Hill. There is little in the way of visual references and each hill looks like the last.

Wind often exceeds 40 knots. From Topkok, the trail follows the coast westward to Solomon, passing south of the actual village (near the Old Solomon village site). From here to Safety Roadhouse, the trail is the road.

Safety to Nome22 miles

From Safety Roadhouse to Nome the trail runs along the Nome-Solomon Road except where it passes around Cape Nome and the last seven miles into Nome. Here the trail parallels the road on the right side and presents no obstacles.

IDITAROD TRAIL COMMUNICATIONS

IMPORTANT: Media access to communications methods varies from checkpoint to checkpoint.

While the Iditarod Trail Committee (ITC) does not have the ability to provide checkpoint Internet access for the media between Anchorage and Nome, each year there are improvements in communities along the trail for public Internet access. GCI, Inc., our official communications partner, has cellular coverage in many communities along the trail. Contact your local GCI representative to discuss cellular service availability and how it can be accessed.

ITC strongly advises journalists to have their laptop computers configured by GCI immediately following the media briefing on Wednesday, March 2 at The Lakefront Anchorage Hotel, Anchorage, in the third floor foyer in order to allow for greater success with Internet connections when public internet access points are available along the trail. The Iditarod Trail Committee has wireless Internet access available for media in Nome at Iditarod Race Headquarters in the Nome Mini Convention Center.

Please do not attempt any interviews with mushers at checkpoints until they have fed and strawed their dogs! This is a crucial time for each sled dog team, and members of the press are asked not to approach any musher until this process is completed. This may take up to an hour.

Race rules require that mushers stay in a central location in every checkpoint, rather than scatter throughout the villages. There will be specific checkpoint areas in each checkpoint. Each area will have a designated mushers' sleeping area and we ask the cooperation of reporters, photographers and camera crews in not interrupting the mushers during their chosen rest times. Mushers will be available in other areas of the checkpoints for interviews and pictures.

Please understand that this is a race and the first priority for the mushers is the care of their dogs and their race. They will be much more apt to be cooperative if you cooperate with them from the beginning.

The following is a list of recommendations for those of you traveling up the trail. The main thing to remember is that you are traveling through rural Alaska, so come prepared to provide your OWN food and shelter.

We recommend you:

- Offer to pay if invited to sleep in village school or community hall.
- Offer to pay for food that may be offered by villagers.
- Consider purchasing the beautiful Alaska Native works of art while in villages.
- Take the time to find out about the many wonderful folks in the villages along the trail who will make great human interest stories.
- Remember and respect the cultural differences you experience along the trail.
- Help the local economy by patronizing local restaurants and grocery stores.
- Stop in and visit at local schools. It's a great way to learn more about the village you're in, and the students enjoy the interaction.
- Use a telephoto lens to get close up still and video shots.
- Ask for permission from musher to take pictures of dog teams.

- Wait for interviews until mushers have had time to feed their dogs and to rest.
- Look for official race information from the checkpoints. The media coordinator is available to answer any questions you might have.

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Please do not:

- Take alcohol to any of the village checkpoints. It is against the law in most communities along the trail.
- Rely on someone else to take care of you, or avail yourself of the Iditarod food at checkpoint.
- Try to get lengthy interview as soon as musher pulls into checkpoint, or disturb a resting dog team.
- Let your story be influenced by rumors. Please take time to verify the story you're working on.

PACKING FOR THE IDITAROD TRAIL

Clothing choices and comfort are very important, but be aware that the logistics of traveling on the trail can be very labor intensive. Knowing how to pack and transport your gear to and from the airplane will save a tremendous amount of effort and will assist with everyone's logistics. Try packing so you can haul your gear in one trip. Here's how!

Baggage:

- One large duffel bag (preferably with 'U' shaped zipper)
- Daypack and/or fanny pack
- Camera bag
- Short plastic sled
- Cinch sleeping bag and pad down between the handles of the duffel with snaps. Strap bundle down to the sled using bungees.
- Keep heavy clothing handy by snapping it under the bungees. This arrangement should be easy to drag around and stows well in an airplane. Rigid frame packs do not stow well in aircraft.

Clothing:

- Choose clothing that can all be worn together
- Use layering in everything
- Wear insulated boots such as "Bunny Boots" or open cell neoprene
- Have a pair of "snow sneakers" for use in checkpoints
- 40 above to 40 below clothing
- Polypropylene or cotton long underwear
- Musher style insulated hat
- Polar fleece shirt and pants
- Face mask
- Insulated scarf or cowl
- Windproof jacket and snow pants (bibs)
- Felt gloves with insulated over mitts
- Oversized heavy parka with hood

Other:

- Any good quality sleeping bag rated from -10 to -20 degrees Fahrenheit
- Foam pad or Therma-Rest type mattress
- Avoid extra heavy duty weight bag unless you're at a tent checkpoint
- Small bag of high energy snack food
- Sunglasses
- Flashlight
- Camera gear
- Please avoid bringing dryers, curling irons, electronic razors, large-frame backpacks, etc.

ALPHABETICAL MUSER LISTING

FIRST	LAST	CITY	STATE	COUNTRY	STATUS
Tore	Albrigtsen	Tromso		Norway	Veteran
Elliot	Anderson	Big Lake	AK		Rookie
Ken	Anderson	Fairbanks	AK		Veteran
Kristin	Bacon	Big Lake	AK		Rookie
John	Baker	Kotzebue	AK		Veteran
Jodi	Bailey	Chatanika	AK		Veteran
Patrick	Beall	Norman	OK		Rookie
Travis	Beals	Seward	AK		Veteran
Charles	Bejna	Addison	IL		Veteran
Anna	Berington	Wasilla	AK		Veteran
Kristy	Berington	Wasilla	AK		Veteran
Robert	Bundtzen	Anchorage	AK		Veteran
Noah	Burmeister	Nenana/Nome	AK		Veteran
Martin	Buser	Big Lake	AK		Veteran
Rohn	Buser	Big Lake	AK		Veteran
Jason	Campeau	Rocky Mountain House	AB	Canada	Veteran
Rick	Casillo	Palmer	AK		Veteran
Rob	Cooke	Whitehorse	YT	Canada	Veteran
Larry	Daugherty	Eagle River			Rookie
Richie	Diehl	Aniak	AK		Veteran
Zoya	DeNure	Delta Junction	AK		Veteran
Paige	Drobny	Fairbanks	AK		Veteran
Sigrid	Ekran	Alvdal		Norway	Veteran
Al	Eischens	Wasilla	AK		Veteran
Matthew	Failor	Willow	AK		Veteran
Linwood	Fiedler	Willow	AK		Veteran
Kim	Franklin	Cottered		UK	Rookie
Cindy	Ballea	Wykoff	MN		Veteran
Hans	Gatt	Whitehorse	YT	Canada	Veteran
Paul	Gebhardt	Kasilof	AK		Veteran
Ellen	Halverson	Wasilla	AK		Veteran
Mary	Helwig	Willow	AK		Rookie
Karin	Hendrickson	Willow	AK		Veteran
Trent	Herbst	Ketchum	ID		Veteran
Geir Idar	Hjelvik	Narjordet		Norway	Rookie
Tom	Jamgochian	Nome	AK		Rookie
Scott W	Janssen	Anchorage	AK		Veteran
Ralph	Johannessen	Dagali		Norway	Veteran

DeeDee	Jonrowe	Willow	AK		Veteran
Peter	Kaiser	Bethel	AK		Veteran
Katherine	Keith	Kotzebue	AK		Veteran
Jeff	King	Denali Park	AK		Veteran
Martin	Koenig	Seeley Lake	MT		Veteran
Jim	Lanier	Chugiak	AK		Veteran
Joar	Leifseth Ulsom	Mo I Rana		Norway	Veteran
Jason	Mackey	Wasilla	AK		Veteran
Lance	Mackey	Fairbanks	AK		Veteran
Kelly	Maixner	Big Lake	AK		Veteran
Wade	Marrs	Wasilla	AK		Veteran
Lars	Monsen	Skiptvet		Norway	Rookie
Allen	Moore	Two Rivers	AK		Veteran
Becca	Moore	Willow	AK		Veteran
Hugh	Neff	Tok	AK		Veteran
Lisbet	Norris	Willow	AK		Veteran
Dag Torluf	Olsen	Hammerfest		Norway	Rookie
Ryne	Olson	Two Rivers	AK		Veteran
Miriam	Osredkar	Willow	AK		Rookie
Kristin Knight	Pace	Denali Park	AK		Rookie
Tim	Pappas	Big Lake	AK		Rookie
Noah	Pereira	Brockport	NY		Rookie
Nicolas	Petit	Girdwood	AK		Veteran
Mats	Pettersson	Kiruna		Sweden	Veteran
Michelle	Phillips	Carcross	YT	Canada	Veteran
Ray	Redington, Jr.	Wasilla	AK		Veteran
Robert	Redington	Wasilla	AK		Rookie
Ryan	Redington	Wasilla	AK		Veteran
Ketil	Reitan	Kaktovik	AK		Veteran
Jessie	Royer	Darby	MT		Veteran
Mike	Santos	Cantwell	AK		Veteran
Brent	Sass	Eureka	AK		Veteran
Justin	Savidis	Willow	AK		Veteran
Nathan	Schroeder	Warba	MN		Veteran
Dallas	Seavey	Willow	AK		Veteran
Mitch	Seavey	Seward	AK		Veteran
Scott	Smith	Willow	AK		Veteran
Sim	Smyth	Big Lake	AK		Veteran
Billy	Snodgrass	Dubois	WY		Veteran
Robert	Sørli	Hurdal		Norway	Veteran
Jan	Steves	Edmonds	WA		Veteran
Melissa (Owens)	Stewart	Wasilla	AK		Veteran

Ed	Stielstra	McMillan	MI		Veteran
Sarah	Stokey	Seward	AK		Rookie
Cody	Strathe	Fairbanks	AK		Rookie
Michael	Williams, Jr.	Akiak	AK		Veteran
Monica	Zappa	Kasimov	AK		Veteran
Aliy	Zirkle	Two Rivers	AK		Veteran

1973-2015 CHAMPIONS & RED LANTERN WINNERS

Year	Musher	D:H:M:S	Musher	D:H:M:S
1973	Dick Wilmarth	20:00:49:41	John Schultz	32:05:09:01
1974	Carl Huntington	20:15:02:07	Red Olson	29:06:36:10
1975	Emmitt Peters	14:14:43:45	Steve Fee	29:08:37:13
1976	Gerald Riley	18:22:58:17	Dennis Corrington	26:08:42:51
1977	Rick Swenson	16:16:27:13	Vasily Zamitkyn	22:09:06:06
1978	Dick Mackey	14:18:52:24	Andrew Foxie	22:03:29:44
1979	Rick Swenson	15:10:37:47	Gene Leonard	24:09:02:22
1980	Joe May	14:07:11:51	Barbara Moore	24:09:25:45
1981	Rick Swenson	12:08:45:02	Jim Strong	18:06:30:30
1982	Rick Swenson	16:04:40:10	Ralph Bradley	26:13:59:59
1983	Rick Mackey	12:14:10:44	Scott Cameron	21:04:36:41
1984	Dean Osmar	12:15:07:33	Bill Mackey	19:09:43:33
1985	Libby Riddles	18:00:20:17	Monique Bene	22:03:45:45
1986	Susan Butcher	11:15:06:00	Mike Peterson	20:13:42:21
1987	Susan Butcher	11:02:05:13	Rhodi Karella	19:09:01:01
1988	Susan Butcher	11:11:41:40	Lesley Monk	19:13:22:55
1989	Joe Runyan	11:05:24:34	Bob Hoyt	17:11:19:19
1990	Susan Butcher	11:01:53:23	Steve Haver	21:10:26:26
1991	Rick Swenson	12:16:34:39	Brian O'Donoghue	22:05:55:55
1992	Martin Buser	10:19:17:15	Vern Cherneski	18:13:05:02
1993	Jeff King	10:15:38:15	Lloyd Gilbertson	18:04:19:19
1994	Martin Buser	10:13:02:39	Mark Chapoton	16:16:17:35
1995	Doug Swingley	09:02:42:19	Ben Jacobson	17:06:02:05
1996	Jeff King	09:05:43:13	Andy Sterns	15:23:48:22
1997	Martin Buser	09:08:30:15	Ken Chase	15:09:07:44
1998	Jeff King	09:05:52:26	Brad Pozarnsky	14:05:42:04
1999	Doug Swingley	09:14:31:07	Jeremy Gebauer	15:03:18:44
2000	Doug Swingley	09:00:58:06	Fedor Konykhov	15:05:44:44
2001	Doug Swingley	09:19:55:50	Karen Ramstead	14:23:53:16
2002	Martin Buser	08:22:46:02	David Straub	14:05:38:12
2003	Robert Sørlie	09:15:47:36	Russell Bybee	15:05:30:53
2004	Mitch Seavey	09:12:20:22	Perry Solmonson	15:02:50:36
2005	Robert Sørlie	09:18:39:31	Phil Morgan	15:06:02:57
2006	Jeff King	09:14:11:36	Glenn Lockwood	15:18:08:56
2007	Lance Mackey	09:05:08:41	Ellen Halverson	16:11:56:20
2008	Lance Mackey	09:11:46:48	Deborah Bicknell	15:05:36:12
2009	Lance Mackey	09:21:38:46	Tim Hunt	15:14:06:22
2010	Lance Mackey	08:23:59:09	Celeste Davis	13:05:06:40
2011	John Baker	08:18:46:39	Ellen Halverson	13:19:45:49
2012	Dallas Seavey	09:04:29:26	Jan Steves	14:11:57:03
2013	Mitch Seavey	09:07:39:56	Christine Roalofs	13:22:36:08
2014	Dallas Seavey	08:13:04:19 **	Marcelle Fressineau	13:04:42:08
2015	Dallas Seavey	08:18:13:06 **	Cindy Abbott	13:11:19:51 *

** Fastest winning time

* Fastest Red Lantern time

1973-2014 CHAMPIONS AND RED LANTERN WINNERS CONTINUED

2016 ALPHABETICAL MUSHER BIOGRAPHIES & PHOTOS



Tore Albrigtsen – Tromso, NORWAY

Website: activetromso.no

Tore Albrigtsen, 49, was born and raised in Tromso, Norway. Tore is a wilderness guide and together with his girlfriend, Sandra Gollor, runs his own company, Active Tromso, offering dog sled tours, kayaking and mountaineering. He began mushing in 1978 and ran his first Finnmark race in 1987. He has completed that race 13 times. He ran the Iditarod in 2006 to celebrate the 10 year anniversary of his first long distance race. He said he had wanted to run the Iditarod ever since the first Norwegian, Stein Fjestad, ran it in 1977. He has also participated in classic ski expeditions and did the Finnmark and Iditarod on skis with one dog in 1996 and 1997. He climbed Mt. McKinley in 2007. Tore is a member of the Tromso 06 Omeen Sled Dog Club and says he enjoys kayaking, climbing and the Liverpool Football Club. He is the father of one adult daughter, Silje and the grandfather of Emma, 4.

Total prize money: \$2,700

Year	Position	Time	Year	Position	Time
2006	29	10:14:30:3			



Elliot Anderson – Big Lake, AK

Website: None

Elliot Anderson, 24, was born and raised in Milton, Wisconsin. Before moving to Alaska in 2012, he worked on a ranch in Wyoming riding horses and hunting. He came to Alaska to be a tour guide on Mendenhall Glacier running dogs. He lists his occupation as dog musher and says his hobbies are hunting, fishing, trapping and harvesting from the land.



Ken Anderson – Fairbanks, AK

Website: www.windycreekkennel.com

Ken Anderson, 43, was born in Minnesota. He says he began mushing at birth as his parents had a recreational team. When he was in third grade, his father bought him a book on the Iditarod, and he decided to someday compete in the Race. Before moving to Alaska, he attended the University of Minnesota and was a dog handler. He came to Alaska in 1993 to learn more about mushing and study biology at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. He's been running the Iditarod since 1999. Ken is married to Gwen Holdman, also an Iditarod veteran. Ken says, "I love the race." He lists his occupation as dog musher and says his hobbies are sailing, carpentry, boating and writing. Ken and Gwen are the parents of twins, Marais and Leif, age 7 and Lael "Lilly", age 5.

Total prize money: \$384,785.67

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
1999	26	12:10:43:01	2009	14	11:01:34:14

2002	18	09:22:29:49	2010	4	09:06:25:23
2003	5	10:06:12:17	2011	9	09:09:23:16
2004	17	10:10:10:26	2012	12	09:18:56:03
2005	17	10:09:25:54	2013	12	09:16:09:20
2006	15	10:01:02:30	2014	12	09:14:27:08
2007	7	09:18:28:48	2015	9	09:10:38:54
2008	4	09:18:11:06			

Awards

2005.....Nome Kennel Club Fastest Time Safety to Nome



Kristin Bacon – Big Lake, AK

Website: www.baconsacres.com

Kristin Bacon, 42, was born in Youngstown, Ohio, and resided in various parts until 1997 when she graduated from the Ohio State University with a degree in Physical Therapy. In early 1999, after a phone interview with Providence Children’s Hospital, Kristin was offered a job in Alaska. Seeking a chance to work in a hospital setting with children, and intrigued by the unknowns Alaska had to offer, Kristin decided to make the move. Not only did the children’s hospital provide an excellent opportunity to grow professionally, Kristin met a mentoring doctor who introduced her to his sled dog team. Kristin began helping at his kennel annually for several weeks while he and his wife traveled to Kauai.

In 2005, Kristin began volunteering at the Skwentna checkpoint during the Iditarod. Now that she has her own team, she is focused on preparing herself and her dogs to run the Iditarod. Originally, Kristin hoped to qualify to run in 2014. Due to poor winter conditions for her first two race seasons, which caused several qualifying races to be cancelled, the steep learning curve encountered to become competent at training/racing sled dogs, plus the challenge of being the sole financial provider for her kennel, it took longer than expected to be prepared. Kristin is now excited to run Iditarod in 2016.

When she isn’t training for races, Kristin really enjoys sharing the dogs with the community during events like Ikidarod (free dog sled rides for kids with special needs), Aurora Dog Mushing events (Junior and Business person races, vaccination clinics, etc) as well as doing adapted mushing activities with her pediatric clients at Bacon’s acres.

Kristin also continues to work as a pediatric physical therapist servicing families in Anchorage, the Mat-Su Valley and remote Alaskan school districts. She is the secretary of the Aurora Dog Mushers and in her free time enjoys photography, international travel, gardening and learning to surf.



John Baker – Kotzebue, AK

Website: www.dreamtrywin.com

John Baker, 53, was born and raised in Kotzebue, Alaska. He began mushing in 1995 and was interested in the Iditarod after watching the race in its early years. He ran his first Iditarod in 1996 and has been in every race since. He has 13 top ten Iditarod finishes, and became the first Iditarod champion from Northwest Alaska when he won the 2011 Iditarod, and the first Inupiat champion as well. Baker is a self-employed business owner and enjoys the rural Alaska life. He has a son, Alex, 27, a veteran of the Jr. Iditarod and a

daughter, Tahayla, 14. A commercial pilot, he says that his hobby is flying.

Total Prize Money: \$568,832.78

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
1996	22	10:23:26:00	2006	5	9:17:37:45
1997	11	09:23:09:36	2007	8	9:18:36:22
1998	5	08:21:43:09	2008	23	10:10:17:50
1999	5	10:10:10:54	2009	3	10:06:18:51
2000	22	10:05:48:29	2010	5	09:07:07:54
2001	6	10:21:00:30	2011	1	08:17:46:39
2002	3	09:05:46:30	2012	9	09:13:25:47
2003	8	10:07:33:07	2013	21	09:21:49:16
2004	9	10:00:43:00	2014	19	09:18:19:15
2005	6	09:21:41:00	2015	21	09:22:12:58

Awards

1993.....City of Nome Lolly Medley Golden Harness
 1998.....GCI Dorothy G Page Halfway
 1998.....Millennium Hotel First to the Yukon
 2011.....Anchorage Chrysler Dodge Jeep Truck
 2011.....Wells Fargo Gold Coast



Jodi Bailey – Chatanika, AK

Website: www.dewclawkennel.com

Jodi Bailey, 47, grew up on the island of Marthas Vineyard MA. She earned her BA in Theater Studies and Anthropology at Emory University in Atlanta GA. While at Emory she made her first summer trip to Alaska to study storytelling. After graduating in 1991 she moved to Fairbanks and never looked back. Today she and Dan Kaduce call Dew Claw Kennel in Chatanika, AK home.

Jodi began mushing in 1995 and has completed the Copper Basin 300, Tustumena 200, Denali Doubles, Kobuk 440, Yukon Quest and other races. In 2011 Jodi made history when she became the first rookie to successfully complete both the Yukon Quest and Iditarod in the same year. “What I enjoy most about long distance mushing is the time alone with your team on the trail.” Jodi explains, “When you are that focused on your team, dealing with immediate concerns in front of you, and directly exposed to the natural world around you; then you are really living in the moment.”

In addition to mushing Jodi enjoys yoga, running, biking, gardening, and cooking. Jodi is married to Yukon Quest and Iditarod veteran Dan Kaduce.

Total prize money: \$8,000

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2011	31	11:00:40:18	2013	44	11:07:52:02
2012	23	10:20:19:53	2015	30	10:16:07:55



Patrick Beall – Norman, OK

Website: None

Patrick Beall, 27, was born and raised in Oklahoma. He graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a degree in Environmental Science. He came to Alaska to work at a lodge in Bettles. He says he was first interested in mushing when he took care of 10 Alaskan Huskies in Bettles. He moved to Sterling to work with Mitch Seavey. He worked with Dallas Seavey, too, training dogs and getting qualified for the Iditarod. He lists his hobbies as live Bluegrass music and hiking with his dog, Umiak.



Travis Beals – Seward, AK

Website: www.TurningHeadsKennel.com

Travis Beals, 24, was born and raised in Seward, Alaska. “I ran my first sled dog race at four years old,” he says. “I’ve always wanted to run Iditarod.” In 2013 that dream came true. In Seward, he operates tours. He enjoys fishing, hiking and the outdoors.

Total prize money: \$27,000

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2013	37	11:01:10:51	2015	11	09:13:18:45
2014	37	11:03:18:38			



Charley Bejna (bej’ na)– Addison, IL

Website: iditarodmusher.com

Charley Bejna, 42, a self-described adventurer, was born and raised in Addison, Illinois. Charley has owned and operated Charley’s Landscaping Company for 25 years. His attraction to the last frontier began when he first came to Alaska in 1991 with his dad. They toured most of the State together. He participated in the 2007 Iditarod as Bruce Linton’s Idita-Rider and as his tag sled rider in 2008. Also in 2008, he met GB Jones at his kennel where he drove a small team down the trail. He then became GB’s handler and worked as his tag sled driver in the 2011 Iditarod, which sealed his interest in racing. Charley is looking to spend another fun winter with his dogs!!!!

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2013	Scratch		2015	34	11:02:07:10
2014	41	11:18:01:10			



Anna Berington -- Wasilla, AK

Website: seeingdoublesleddogracing.com

Anna Berington, 32, was born and raised in northern Wisconsin on a small farm. She became interested in dog sledding at an early age when she worked for a neighbor who raced sled dogs. After graduating from high school, Anna attended the University of Wisconsin River Falls and then joined the National Guard during which time she did a lot of traveling and received more education. She ended up in California working for a dog

sled touring company. After some time there, she decided “giving tourists rides wasn’t enough, so moving to Alaska was an easy choice.” She started distance mushing with Dean Osmar and now works with Scott Janssen. “The best times I have had have been running dogs with my twin sister, Kristy. She taught me to mush, and I love being on the trail with her and my dogs.” She says that when she and Kristy aren’t mushing, they are running and competing in triathlons. “I love endurance racing and dogs, which is what draws me to the Iditarod.”

Total prize money: \$3,700

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2012	43	12:02:16:30	2014	39	11:14:15:22
2013	43	11:07:07:55	2015	28	10:11:06:33



Kristy Berington – Wasilla, AK

Website: seeingdoublesleddogracing.com

Kristy Berington, age 32, was born and raised in Wisconsin. She says she started mushing at the age of 10. “As a kid, I knew about the race and the dream started becoming a reality when I moved to Alaska.” She moved here in 2007 to work with Iditarod champion, Dean Osmar, and learned about distance racing sled dogs. “I love living here in Alaska where I can combine my love for adventure, dogs, endurance sports and exploring all into one.” Kristy lives in Knik where she works for Scott Janssen. Team Janssen manages a competitive racing kennel of nearly 80 dogs. “My twin sister, Anna Berington, and I will be racing the trail again this year. See if can tell us apart.” Kristy has been a musher/property manager for the last eight years. In her spare time, she says she enjoys adventure, outdoor activities, running, biking, swimming and everything else Alaska has to offer.

Total prize money: \$3,800

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2010	39	11:06:44:02	2013	42	11:07:07:17
2011	29	10:20:02:47	2014	30	10:19:20:26
2012	43	12:02:17:13	2015	29	10:11:10:50



Robert Bundtzen – Anchorage, AK

Website: None

Robert Bundtzen, 66, grew up in Anderson (after moving to Alaska from New Mexico in 1960) where he used a small dog team while trapping. After obtaining a degree from UAF, an MD from the University of Washington and training in infectious diseases at the University of Wisconsin, he returned to Alaska to establish a consultative infectious disease practice in Anchorage. With the aid and encouragement of Jim Lanier, Robert began to run sled dogs in 1994. He has run the Iditarod 15 times, the Knik 200, Klondike 300, Tustumena 200 and the Copper Basin 300. Robert continues to be amazed at what the trained Alaskan husky can do and continues to run dogs for inexplicable reasons (he loves it). His wife Joan and son, Travis, are his most ardent fans. When not mushing, Robert enjoys hunting, fishing, reading and skiing.

Total prize money: \$2,000

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
1995	40	13:09:55:09	2006	30	10:15:25:15
1997	27	12:01:32:43	2007	43	12:14:21:17
1999	28	12:15:04:15	2008	35	11:05:58:45
2001	31	12:15:38:43	2009	34	12:13:24:30
2002	31	11:00:34:42	2011	Scratched	
2003	28	11:15:18:54	2013	Scratched	
2004	38	11:06:53:00	2014	42	11:20:23:18
2005	39	11:18:45:30			



Noah Burmeister – Nenana/Nome, AK

Website: None

Noah Burmeister, 36, was born and raised in Nome, Alaska. He has chosen to stay in Alaska because, he says, “I enjoy the freedom and opportunities to live life to its fullest.” He went to University of Alaska-Fairbanks, where he studied Heavy Diesel Mechanics, Welding, Airframe and Power plant. He started mushing as soon as he could stand. He was born into a mushing family, with his dad, Richard, and brother, Aaron, being Iditarod veterans. Noah says, “After sitting on the sidelines for the past ten years and helping the kennel with the training, prep and trail maintenance, I am excited to be able to get on the runners again and race to Nome. I am honored to have the opportunity to be able to race a team from Alaskan Wild style Racing that just finished 3rd place with Aaron in the 2015 Iditarod and hope to be able to improve on that in 2016. The dogs, gear, diet, racing style and training methods have evolved so much in the last several years it keeps it fun and exciting to be involved and always trying to improve. We have an incredible team at Alaskan Wild style Racing of dogs, people and sponsors that all lead to the success of our kennel and without whom we would not be able to continue to race. ‘The Last Great Race’ is one of the best events in the world. It brings together the state of Alaska and thousands of volunteers every year to make it happen. It is exciting to be a part of it all.” Noah is a member of the IOFC and the IUOE. He loves his pet dog, Mr. Bo jangles, and he enjoys hunting, fishing and boating in his spare time.

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2004	52	12:02:50:32	2016		
2006	55	12:08:09:17			



Martin Buser (Boo' zero)– Big Lake, AK

Website: www.buserdog.com

Born in Winterthur, Switzerland in 1958, Martin became fascinated with sled dogs while still a teen. He came to Alaska in 1979 to enhance his knowledge of care and training of sled dogs. He began working and training with long-time Alaskan mushers Earl and Natalie Norris and ran his first Iditarod in 1980. Martin and wife Kathy Chapoton, reside in Big Lake, Alaska, where the family owns and manages Happy Trails Kennel. Their sons, Nikolai and Rohn, both named after Iditarod checkpoints, have been involved with

dogs at various times in their lives. Nikolai currently resides in Seattle. Rohn lives near the kennel and is currently an integral part of the kennel operation Rohn completed his first Iditarod in 2008, as a senior in high school.

Martin spends a great deal of time speaking in schools on the humanitarian care of animals and the spirit of the Iditarod. A favorite celebrity of the children of Alaska, Martin treats them with surprise visits from his dogs and puppies.

Martin runs the race each year with his dogs to test the success of their breeding, training and physical endurance. He regards his racers as true competitive athletes and prides his team on their longevity and spirit of competition. Says Martin, "I run the Iditarod to prove that my dogs, bred, trained and raced by Happy Trails Kennels, are the best amongst the world's long distance athletes." For nine years, Martin's 2002 team held the record for the Fastest Iditarod by completing the race in 8 days, 22 hours, 46 minutes and 2 seconds.

As tribute to his treatment of his racers, Martin was awarded the coveted Leonhard Seppala Award in 1988, 1993, 1995, and again in 1997, for the most humanitarian care of his dogs. The award was named for the most famous Alaskan musher who ran the longest and most dangerous stretch of the 1925, 674-mile diphtheria serum run from Nenana to Nome, which saved hundreds of lives.

Following Martin's 2002 Iditarod victory, the process for his becoming a naturalized citizen of the United States was completed under the burl monument. He then turned around in Nome and made the trip from Nome to Big Lake with his family by snow machine.

Upon completion of the 2005 Iditarod after a woodworking accident 4 days prior to the race start resulting in the amputation of a part of his finger; he was awarded both the Sportsmanship and Most Inspirational Awards by his fellow mushers.

Martin is an honorary member of Rotary. He is always involved with some project around the kennel or house. While he and Kathy moved into the retirement home that Martin built, they are still working on finishing all the details, your typical Alaskan self-built home that is never quite finished.

In the summer, Martin and his family give tours of their working kennel. The tour begins with a DVD trip from Anchorage to Nome narrated by Buser and includes his unique anecdotal stories gathered over 23 Iditarods. Visitors are offered a glimpse of a mockup of the Cripple Checkpoint complete with campfire and wall tent. Veterinary and dog care topics are discussed and of course, there's the cuddling of puppies. The tour ends with a riotous symphony of dogs barking as a team is hooked up and taken on a demo run to show folks the dogs in action.

Martin is currently the musher with the most consecutive Iditarod finishes, 29 races completed in row, 30 total finishes. We are looking forward to many more and working diligently toward a fifth Iditarod win. While the race is always the final exam, the year round interaction and relationship with the dogs is the most valuable aspect of this lifestyle. On a daily basis, we are amazed by the stamina, loyalty, honesty, and joy of our dogs. Author Brian Jacques went on a ride with Martin and the team many years ago and described the dogs as "eternal children." We couldn't agree more. It is our good fortune to be able to take care of them.

Total prize money: \$813,619.89

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
1980	22	17:06:50:05	2000	7	09:14:55:15
1981	19	14:02:47:23	2001	24	12:07:43:59
1986	25	15:00:53:56	2002	1	08:22:46:02
1987	10	12:02:26:28	2003	4	10:03:40:19
1988	3	12:04:21:46	2004	11	10:02:41:24
1989	6	12:02:06:05	2005	13	10:02:32:40
1990	10	12:02:33:44	2006	23	10:12:04:35
1991	2	12:18:41:49	2007	4	09:14:07:04
1992	1	12:18:41:49	2008	5	09:19:11:50
1993	6	11:00:47:39	2009	18	11:02:43:00
1994	1	10:13:02:39	2010	14	09:15:33:58
1995	2	09:08:47:44	2011	18	10:01:03:38
1996	3	09:17:58:00	2012	19	10:18:10:13
1997	1	09:08:30:45	2013	17	09:20:01:33
1998	7	09:21:47:58	2014	6	09:00:58:58
1999	2	09:23:10:59	2015	22	09:22:36:40

Awards

1988 Gold Coast
 1988 Alaska Airlines Leonhard Seppala Humanitarian
 1993 Alaska Airlines Leonhard Seppala Humanitarian
 1992 Anchorage Chrysler Winner's Truck
 1992 Winner's Purse
 1994 National Bank of Alaska Gold Coast
 1994 Lead Dog -- Golden Harness
 1994 Anchorage Chrysler Winner's Truck
 1995 Alaska Airlines Leonhard Seppala Humanitarian
 1996 GCI Dorothy G Page Halfway
 1996 Regal Alaskan First to the Yukon
 1996 Alaska Commercial Golden Pace
 1996 Lead Dog – Golden Harness
 1997 Regal Alaskan First to the Yukon
 1997 National Bank of Alaska Gold Coast
 1997 Alaska Airlines Leonhard Seppala Humanitarian
 1997 Lead Dog – Lolly Medley Golden Harness
 1997 Anchorage Chrysler Winner's Truck
 1998 Cars & Eagle Quality Center Sportsmanship
 2000 Cabela's Outfitter
 2002 City of Nome Lolly Medley Golden Harness
 2002 Anchorage Chrysler Winner's Truck
 2002 PenAir Spirit of Alaska
 2002 Wells Fargo First to the Gold Coast
 2002 Millennium Hotel's First to the Yukon
 2002 GCI Dorothy G Page Halfway
 2004 GCI Dorothy G Page Halfway
 2005 Sportsmanship

2005 Most Inspirational
 2007 PenAir Spirit of Alaska
 2007 Millennium First to the Yukon
 2011 PenAir Spirit of Alaska
 2013 Millennium First Musher to the Yukon
 2014 Alaska Airlines Leonard Seppala Humanitarian



Rohn Buser – Big Lake, AK

Website: www.buserdog.com

Rohn Buser, 26, was born in Alaska. He began mushing when he was 12. He says he grew up around sled dogs. He was the Jr. Iditarod champion in 2007 and ran his first Iditarod the following year. He was also the winner of the Kusko 300 in 2012 and 2014. Rohn comes by mushing naturally. He is the son of four time champion, Martin Buser. He currently resides at Happy Trails Kennel where he trains dogs.

Total prize money: \$11,100

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2008	37	11:06:58:25	2015	40	11:19:21:21
2012	18	10:18:10:12			

Award

2012 Most Improved Musher



Jason Campeau – Rocky Mountain House, AB CANADA

Website: www.jasoncampeau.com

Jason Campeau, 41, was born and raised in Ottawa, Ontario, CANADA. He graduated from the University of New Brunswick with a B.A. under an athletic scholarship playing hockey. In 1998 his team won the national championship. Growing up as a hockey player, Jason never really got the opportunity to try dog sledding, but always had a passion for it and was determined that one day, when the timing was right, he would try his hand at becoming a competitive musher. Jason eventually became a professional hockey player and then turned his competitive drive to the business world where he became a partner in two companies: Maple soft Group and CMG Sports. Now that Jason and his family live on a ranch outside of Calgary, the focus, when not busy working, has become the dogs. This is something the whole family is able to enjoy together and is one of the primary reasons it works. The goal for Atka Kennel and Jason is truly to reach out and help underprivileged children by using mushing as the platform in which to do so. "We feel that dogs and mushing are a great way to connect with kids and truly have an impact with them." Jason is married to Jennifer, and they have identical twin daughters, Jessica and Mackenzie, age 12. Jason says that he enjoys "our retreat in the mountains with the horses, dogs and Texas long horn cows."

Total prize money: \$15,500

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2015	18	09:19:28:11			



Rick Casillo, (Ca see' lo) Palmer, AK

Website: www.battledawgs.org

Rick Casillo, 43, grew up in a small country town of Alder, outside of Buffalo, NY. He worked in Alder as a sub-contractor before moving to Alaska in 1999 to become a fly fishing guide. He began mushing in 2002. He says, as he watched the Race go by, he began to get interested in actually running it. He first ran in 2004. He came back in 2014, after establishing their kennel, Battle Dawgs Racing. "The primary goal of our kennel is racing the Iditarod and raising awareness for combat veterans. My wife, Jennifer, a combat veteran, and I have a non-profit organization called Battle Dawgs. This is separate from the race kennel. Battle Dawgs' focus is providing year round camps for warriors all across the country and Alaska. Activities include Iditarod, dog mushing, rafting, hiking and hunting. Our motto is 'Helping Our Warriors one step at a time.' This year we are taking the first steps in building our year round facility for warriors, families and their battle buddies." Rick lists his hobbies as "working with combat veterans and fly fishing."

Total prize money: \$5,700

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2004	57	12:06:53:14	2008	32	11:02:33:55
2006	34	10:23:32:00	2014	26	10:16:53:22
2007	37	11:20:48:39	2015	44	12:00:37:22



Rob Cooke – Whitehorse, YT CANADA

Website: shaytaansiberians.com

Rob Cooke, 49, was born and raised in Worcester, England. He received his B.A. and M.A. in Humanities in the United Kingdom. "Originally an aircraft engineer in the UK Royal navy, I got bitten by the mushing bug and Louise and I moved to Canada to pursue the dream of completing the Yukon Quest. We have completely changed our lives and now live in the Yukon bush with our 44 Siberian Huskies. Having fulfilled the dream of running the Quest in 2013 we wanted another challenge and so decided that we would try to run both 1000 mile races in the same year. Having completed this historic feat in 2015, we thought we would try again and complete both races with better times. As the 2015 Iditarod was Fairbanks to Nome, we also want to race over the traditional Iditarod Trail. Rob is a member of the Yukon Quest Board of Directors and the Siberian Husky Club of Great Britain. He lives in Whitehorse with his "tolerant" wife, Louise.

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2015	50	12:04:23:45			



Larry Daugherty – Eagle River, AK

Website: None

Larry Daugherty, 40, was born in Provo, Utah but raised in Arvada, Colorado until age of 13. His family then moved to Auburn, Washington where he attended high school. He was very fortunate to be a member of a successful debate team at Auburn Senior High School - an experience which he feels changed the trajectory of his life and helped him realize that success is possible through hard work, dedication and perseverance. To his eternal credit, Coach Mike Burton played an enormous role in changing Larry's life.

After high school, he attended Ripon College for one year prior to serving a 2-year mission for his church in San Diego, California. He then attended Ricks College, where he completed a 3-year paramedic training program. Through his experiences as a paramedic, he learned he enjoyed helping people in the most difficult of situations - a realization that would ultimately guide his later career choice in cancer medicine. He completed his undergraduate studies at Albertson College of Idaho with a degree in history. Shortly after 9/11, he accepted a job as a paramedic in Connecticut where he worked for a year prior to enrolling in the University of Utah School of Medicine, where he graduated in 2007, then completed his radiation oncology residency in 2012 at Drexel University in Philadelphia. He came to Eagle River, Alaska, in September of 2014 after working at the Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville, Florida. He now practices at Alaska Cancer Treatment Center in Anchorage, where he treats most types of cancer with radiation.

He says he came to Alaska to fulfil two dreams: to bring the best possible cancer care to the state of Alaska and to race in the Iditarod. He had dreamed of running the Iditarod for "as long as I can remember" and has been interested in the race since he was a kid, inspired largely by his Grandmother who was obsessed with the race. He began mushing in 2012 after winning a spot on the Fjallraven Polar competition in Scandinavia. He is married to his dream girl and incredibly supportive wife, Prairie, and is the father of five: Bailey, 15, Calvin, 13, Azalea, 9, Conrad, 6, and Charlie, 4. He says he enjoys mountain climbing, being a dad, volunteering with Radiating Hope to improve cancer care around the globe and Boy Scouts. He'd like to give a shout out to Troop 29, the youth of the Eagle River Valley Ward and Jax East Stake who he hopes to inspire that dreams are possible!



Richie Diehl (Deal)– Aniak, AK

Website: None

Richie Diehl, 30, was born and raised in Aniak, Alaska. He graduated from the University of Alaska Anchorage in 2008 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Aviation Technology. He's been working as a carpenter in Aniak the last seven years. He says he began mushing "as a kid" and has been racing competitively in Alaska since 2010, having completed the Kusko 300 several times as well as the Paul Johnson Memorial 450 in its inaugural year, 2012 and the Iditarod in 2013, 2014 and 2015. He lists his hobbies as

flying, boating, fishing and hunting.

Total prize money: \$30,700

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2013	36	10:22:32:06	2015	22	09:23:26:59
2014	14	09:16:35:40			

Award

2014 Horizon Lines Most Improved Musher

**Zoya DeNure – Delta Junction, AK**

Website: dogsleddenali.com

Zoya DeNure, 39, was born and raised in Wisconsin. She spent 12 years in the fashion industry working primarily as a runway & fashion model. In 2002, tired of the pressures and triviality of that lifestyle, she rented a storage unit in Madison, Wisconsin, stacked it with furniture, shoes, dresses, and headed to Alaska with a carry-on and the dream of running, living and breathing sled dogs. Her Siberian husky, Ethan, traveled with her.

Ethan has since passed, but the dream is still alive. Zoya is married to fellow dog driver John Schandelmeier, and now splits her time between homes at Maclaren River and Delta Junction, Alaska. She has two daughters; Jona, seven and Olivia, two. The family operates a rescue/rehab facility for unwanted sled dogs and is striving to focus attention on positive training techniques. Zoya loves the sport of sled dog racing, enjoys time on the trail with her team and is determined to succeed in the Iditarod.

Zoya had some initial success racing sled dogs finishing her rookie year, but has had several rocky years in her Iditarod quest since. She is determined to turn it around in the 2016 Iditarod and is embarking on an ambitious training regimen with a respectable Iditarod finish in mind.

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2008	53	12:01:57:35	2012	Scratched	
2010	Scratched		2015	Scratched	
2011	Scratched				

**Paige Drobny (Drob' knee) – Fairbanks, AK**Website: www.squidacres.com

Paige Drobny, 41, was born in Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania, says she moved all over growing up. She graduated from Virginia Tech in 1997 with her B.S. in Biology and from UAF in 2008 with her M.S. in Fisheries Oceanography. Before moving to Fairbanks in 2005 for graduate school, she lived in Vermont and was a fisheries biologist. "I enjoy the outdoor lifestyle. I work as a fishery biologist and help my husband, Cody Strathe, build dogsleds for our company, DogPaddle Designs, during the summer. Our mushing started in 2006 as a way to explore the wilds of Alaska with no plan to ever do any racing. We spent several years camping and traveling with our dogs. In 2010, Cody and I decided to give it a whirl and entered the GinGin 200 together...we had a blast, and suddenly we were on the slippery slope. She and Cody have both run the Yukon Quest and this year they will both run the Yukon Quest and the Iditarod.

Total prize money: \$11,500

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2013	34	10:18:15:54	2015	27	10:06:15:37
2014	25	10:04:42:26			

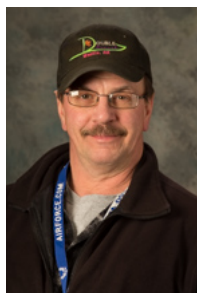
**Sigrid Ekran – Alvadal, NORWAY**

Website: None

Sigrid Ekran, 36, was born and raised in Sparbu, Norway. She lived in Alaska from 2003 to 2008 and received her Master's Degree from UAF in Northern Studies. She began running dogs in 2006 while she lived in Fairbanks and became interested in the Iditarod when she "got two teams from Team Norway after the 2004 Race." She ran the Iditarod twice before moving back to Norway to race in Europe. In Europe she ran La Grande Odyssey in 2009, the Femondsløpet in 2009, 2010, 2011, 2013 and 2014, winning in 2011, and the Finnmarksløpet in 2009, 2010, 2011, 2013, 2014 and 2015, winning in both 2014 and 2015. She says her current occupation is "Expedition guide and wildlife management." Her hobbies are hiking, hunting and coffee drinking.

Total prize money: \$45,400

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2007	20	09:15:50:16	2012	11	10:13:21:07
2008	24	10:11:15:20			

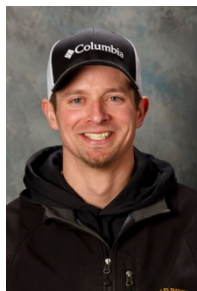


Al Eischens – Wasilla, AK

Website: doubleekennel.com

Al Eischens, 56, was born in Minnesota and raised in Adak, Alaska. He moved to St. Lawrence Island for 10½ years, where he worked construction, and then to Wasilla in 1991. He began mushing in 2011. He is dedicating all his miles to Pediatric strokes and Pediatric brain cancer. He and his wife, Tangela, have six children and 13 grandchildren, ages 4 months to 13 years old. Al says he enjoys hunting and fishing.

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2015	60	12:11:56:36			



Matthew Failor – Willow, AK

Website: www.17th-dog.com

Matthew Failor, 33, was born and raised in Ohio. He says, "My family taught me a love of the outdoors; camping, fishing, canoeing, backpacking, hunting, were all things we did on family vacations. My mom and dad and brothers and sister all enjoy an active outdoor lifestyle. My three brothers and I are Eagle Scouts." He moved to Alaska in 2006 for a summer college job as a dog handler at Gold Rush Sled Dog Tours. He graduated with a Bachelor of Fine Arts Photography in 2007. He moved to Alaska permanently in 2008 to work with Matt Hayashida and train with him and his dogs. He has worked for various mushers and in 2010, he started handling for Martin Buser and ran his first Iditarod as Martin's handler. He recently moved to Willow to run dogs under his own name. 17th Dog, Team Matthew Failor, is excited and eager to get back out onto dog mushing's greatest stage, the Iditarod. "The dogs and I spend all summer, fall and winter together living as a family and learn to work towards a common goal, improving in everything we do and never stop learning. Twenty eight canines have become my immediate family now, however, Ohio will forever be called home." Matthew is currently a dog trainer and has been manager of Alaska Icefield Expeditions for 10 years. He says he enjoys birch farming and he is a World Cup fan!

Total prize money: \$23,100

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2012	48	12:18:10:20	2014	15	09:16:42:30
2013	28	10:13:39:46	2015	41	11:22:42:42



Linwood Fiedler (FEED' ler) – Willow, AK

Website: None

Linwood Fiedler, 62, was born in Vermont. He received his BSW at Carroll College and his MSW at University of Montana. He began dog mushing in 1977 and lived in Montana before moving to Alaska in 1990, after finishing eighth in his second Iditarod. He says he moved to Alaska “race Iditarod and raise my family.” For the last 16 summers, he has operated a glacier tour business in the Juneau area. Linwood says, “Mushing is what surrounds our life at the Fiedler home. I’ve been fortunate to have a wife and family that support me. After many runs to Nome and the hardships and victories it has brought me, my sled dog focus has been the joy of training and running my dogs to Nome. In each race, I try to do the best I can while caring for my dogs first.” Linwood and his wife, Kathleen, are the parents of Justin and Dalton. He says his hobby is flying super cubs.

Total Prize Money: \$199,093

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
1989	26	13:13:37:37	2000	19	10:04:01:31
1990	8	12:01:19:16	2001	2	10:03:58:57
1991	25	15:23:45:15	2002	Scratched	
1992	25	12:21:59:50	2003	6	10:07:02:55
1993	17	12:21:02:50	2007	Scratched	
1994	18	11:15:57:30	2009	23	11:13:44:45
1995	13	10:08:27:00	2010	Scratched	
1996	17	10:07:25:00	2013	29	10:15:00:52
1997	17	10:14:58:20	2014	Scratched	
1998	8	09:22:29:32	2015	37	11:18:28:35
1999	13	10:18:30:40			

Awards

1989 Sportsmanship
 1990 Alaska Airlines Leonhard Seppala Humanitarian
 2001 PenAir Spirit of Iditarod
 2001 Millennium First Musher to the Yukon



Kim Franklin – Cottered, UNITED KINGDOM

Website: None

Kim Franklin, 49, was born and raised in Essex, UK. She began musher in the early 90's and became interested in running the Iditarod when she was running her Malamutes in the UK and then following the 2002 and 2006 Iditarods. She now lives in Hertfordshire, a

more rural area, where they are closer to her partner's, Ian Payne's, work. She has been a property landlord since 2007 and says she left school at 16 to work in the family business. She is a member of Racehorse Owners Association and British Eventing, and says her hobbies are horseracing, horse riding, travel, skiing, fine dining and reading. Kim wishes to thank Dean and My Dzung Osmar for allowing her to run their dogs, Janice Penman for her support in the UK, and too many mushers to name who have been kind enough to offer advice, help and support.

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2008	Scratched				



Cindy Gallea (Gal' Lee)– Wykoff, MN

Website: cindygallea.com

Cindy Gallea, 64, grew up on a farm in Minnesota where she experienced the pleasure of the outdoors and the good feeling of interacting with animals. She graduated from the University of Washington in 1990 with a Master's degree in nursing. She has worked as a nurse practitioner for the last 25 years. Cindy says, "I started running sled dogs when I lived in northern Minnesota in the late 1980's. The more I ran dogs, the more my passion for the sport grew. I moved west for professional reasons and lived in Montana for 20 years. Western Montana is a dog mushing paradise with good training and breath taking beauty. But in 2010, I returned to Minnesota to be closer to family. I now live in southern Minnesota, which is not a prime dog mushing area. But my passion for sled dogs and the Iditarod remains the same. So I have run the Iditarod several times since living in Southern Minnesota. Each time, I have said it is my 'last Iditarod.' But I have found it difficult to let go of something that is deep in my soul and that gives me the opportunity to run my dogs for days through the beauty of Alaska." Cindy is the mother of two adult sons: Iditarod veteran, Jim, who still participates as a race official during the Iditarod, and Brian. She lists her hobbies as bicycling, hiking, outdoor activities, politics and "my sons and grand-daughter."

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
1998	48	14:00:48:36	2008	39	11:07:56:20
2000	Scratched		2009	41	12:19:15:05
2001	38	12:21:46:53	2010	40	11:08:12:01
2003	33	12:07:48:52	2013	51	13:02:24:13
2004	41	11:07:58:10	2014	Scratched	
2006	54	12:07:20:02	2015	64	13:00:57:28
2007	45	12:16:50:17			



Hans Gatt – Whitehorse, YT CANADA

Website: gattsled.com

Hans Gatt, 57, grew up on a farm in Austria. His passion for sled dog racing began when he attended a dog sled race in Europe. After winning all eight races entered in his first year of racing, including the European championship, Hans moved to Canada in 1990 to

race in North America. He has won the Yukon Quest four times, finished the Iditarod in the top 10 four times and finished at the top of many other races in sprint, stage, mid-distance and long distance.

He lived in Atlin, B.C. for 17 years and now lives three km south of Whitehorse, Yukon, with Susie Rogan and 48 dogs, including seven pups and 18 retired dogs. Hans says, "I took a look at the dogs in the fall and decided I still have an Iditarod team out there. I'm hoping for a good race for all the dogs and mushers in the 2016 Iditarod."

In the summer he says he rides bikes, and kayaks a bit, and builds sleds. And in the winter, "I mostly run dogs." Hans builds a line of high performance dog sleds for mid-distance, stage, and ultra-long distance racing. As of 2013, Gattsled is now also building sleds for the dog sled tourism industry with the same eye on quality and job—specific performance.

Aside from running dogs, Hans enjoys dirt bike riding and cross country skiing.

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
1999	21	11:19:15:28	2007	15	10:07:58:17
2000	12	09:22:57:24	2008	6	09:20:20:36
2001	19	12:01:46:54	2009	10	10:20:07:32
2002	23	10:08:54:04	2010	2	09:01:04:02
2005	18	10:12:26:05	2011	3	09:00:24:23
2006	36	11:00:22:14	2014	9	09:04:40:25

Award

2001 Cabela's Outfitter



Paul Gebhardt – Kasilof, AK Website: none

Paul, 59, was born and raised on a family farm in central Minnesota. He has raised and taken care of animals his whole life. Paul has been a carpenter and a contractor since he was 18 years old and is currently a general contractor in Kasilof, Alaska. He moved here from Minnesota in 1989, began mushing in 1992 and ran his first Iditarod in 1996 with dogs he bred up in his own kennel. He has been breeding and raising his own dogs ever since. He has placed as high as second in the Iditarod twice. "I am still looking for my first Iditarod championship. I believe in the ability of my dogs and myself and will continue to race Iditarod as long as I feel we are capable of winning the race. I love traveling with my animals and find them to be more loyal than any human could ever be! They love me without questions and in return, I love them back the same way! I would never ask them to do more than they are capable of and I will always take the best care of them that I'm capable of. I will push them to the limit as long as they are able and having a good time doing it." Paul has two adult daughters and one adult son, Kristi, Nikka and Paul Jr. He says he enjoys hunting, gardening and raising birds.

Total prize money: \$445,420.78

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
1996	26	11:08:08:00	2007	2	09:07:28:12

1997	14	10:08:59:25	2008	6	09:20:20:36
1998	13	10:04:54:40	2009	16	11:02:26:30
1999	6	10:09:37:10	2010	19	09:20:31:01
2000	2	09:06:04:23	2011	Scratched	
2001	5	10:20:37:05	2012	15	10:03:35:48
2003	23	11:08:51:32	2013	16	09:19:09:32
2004	19	10:12:26:22	2014	28	10:18:27:32
2005	9	10:01:24:20	2015	12	09:15:38:20
2006	3	09:15:23:20			

Awards

1998 Alaska Airlines Leonhard Seppala Humanitarian
1998 Nome Kennel Club Fastest Time Safety to Nome
2000 PenAir Spirit of the Iditarod
2000 Lolly Medley Golden Harness
2005 Millennium First Musher to the Yukon
2006 Millennium First Musher to the Yukon
2006 Alaska Airlines Leonhard Seppala Humanitarian
2010 Nome Kennel Club Fastest Time Safety to Nome



Ellen Halverson – Wasilla, AK

Website: None

Ellen Halverson, 55, was born and raised in North Dakota. She received her degree in Biology and Music Education at Concordia College in Minnesota and then went to medical school in North Dakota. She has been a psychiatrist since 1991. She moved to Alaska in 1998 for a job at the Alaska Guidance Clinic, which is now Providence Behavioral Medicine. Ellen began mushing when she moved to Alaska and finished the Iditarod in 2007. "In many ways, 'm not a newcomer to Iditarod. I feel like I have so much to learn and master to complete Iditarod successfully. There are always many things that affect the Iditarod, the weather, the trail, health of the dogs. I feel I can do a better job of preparing myself and the dogs for this adventure. I am the most content when I am out with the dogs. I have not been successful in completing Iditarod in my last two attempts. So I am back this year with my furry friends to "get 'er done." "The help and support I received on the trail is heartwarming and much appreciated ." Ellen has a son, Peter, age 12. She lists her hobbies as Icelandic horses, fitness, health and biohacking

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2002	Scratched		2011	47	13:19:45:49
2003	Scratched		2014	Scratched	
2007	58	16:11:56:20	2015	Scratched	

Awards

2007 Wells Fargo Red Lantern
2011 Wells Fargo Red Lantern



Mary Helwig – Willow, AK

Website: <https://m.facebook.com/bravokennel?ref=bookmarks>

Mary Helwig, 32, was born in Virginia. She says she always loved and wanted to work with dogs, but growing up in southern California, mushing never crossed her mind. After her 2006 graduation from North Park University in Chicago with a B.A. in Psychology, she moved to Alaska to work for the Christian non-profit organization, Covenant Youth of Alaska (CYAK.org). She moved to Unalakleet to work as a youth leader in the local church during the winters and head cook at the Covenant Bible Camp 10 miles upriver during the summers. She also spent many weekends in the villages on the coast from Unalakleet to Nome cooking for youth retreats and working with the local youth. "I had my first experience on a sled during a short women's dog sled race put on by the Norton Sound Sled Dog Club. I was instantly hooked. After moving from Unalakleet, I worked as a part time handler for Jonrowe Racing Kennel to explore my interest. In 2011, I moved back to Unalakleet to work for Siku Kennel and 2010 Iditarod musher William 'Middy' Johnson. I ran my first mid-distance race that season (the Portage 200) and I knew I was all in. I formed my own team in 2013 and am thrilled to be running Iditarod with my own dogs, seven of which I bred and raised myself. Even though I lost my home and nearly all my belongings in the Sockeye wildfire, I am determined to run my first Iditarod in 2016. I am looking forward to mushing 'home' to Unalakleet and greeting my friends from there to Nome." For the last three years, Mary has worked as a financial analyst and is now going to school studying to be a veterinary technician. She says she enjoys gardening, hiking and serving.



Karin Hendrickson – Willow, AK

Website: www.blueonblackdogs.com

Karin Hendrickson, 45, was raised in the small mountain town of Mt. Baldy, California. She has a BA in Environmental Conservation from the University of Colorado at Boulder and has worked in environmental regulation since 1998. For the last 10 years, she has been an environmental manager here in Alaska and lives north of Willow.

"I saw my first sled dog in March, 2002, when I came up to volunteer for Iditarod. By 2003, I had sold everything I owned, quit my job, and moved to Alaska to become a handler. After two years as a handler, I tried to quit my dog habit. That didn't last long—I was miserable without dogs!"

"I started building my own team in 2006. I really never expected to do any racing, much less run the Iditarod! I am not too sure how it all happened, but just two years later I found myself signed up for my first Iditarod. 2016 will be my fifth time to leave the starting line of 'The Last Great Race.' I was hit by a truck while training last fall and broke my back in three places. Luckily all my dogs were O.K., but I wasn't able to run in 2015. I am working hard to overcome my injuries and make it back on the trail in 2016."

"I am one of a very few mushers to work full-time through the winter. My biggest challenge is trying to fit training and racing in around the demands of my job. It is just this side of impossible to get everything done, but somehow we make it happen."

Before dogs, she says she used to telemark ski, rock climb, white water kayak, train horses, hike and all kinds of other outdoor sports. Now she spends so much time with her dogs that she doesn't have time for other hobbies.



Trent Herbst – Ketchum, ID

Website: www.trentherbst.com



Trent Herbst, 45, was born and raised in Wisconsin. He completed his education at University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse with a major in elementary education and has been a teacher ever since. He became interested in the Iditarod while teaching in Switzerland when his students wanted to hear all about the Iditarod Race. He began mushing in 2005. He says, "Happy to be back... love the dogs and traveling down the historic trail." Trent will be running yearlings from Ed & Tasha Stielstra's Nature's Kennel once again. He says, "Huge thanks to students (past and present), family friends, and Tim for all the prodding and support to get back on the trail." He now lives in Idaho where he teaches fourth grade. He summers at their property in the Homer/Anchor Point area. Trent is married to Candida. They are the parents of two daughters, Kali, 13, and Kire, age 4. Trent is a member of P.R.I.D.E., American Pack Rafting Association and Alternative Education Resource Organization. He lists his interests as rivers, family, dogs, travel and teaching.

Total prize money: \$4,100

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2006	65	14:04:13:54	2010	49	12:13:53:00
2008	73	14:00:42:43	2011	25	10:12:16:58
2009	48	15:02:39:47	2012	37	11:20:17:36

Awards

2009 Most Inspirational
 2011 GCI Dorothy G Page Halfway
 2011 Horizon Lines Most Improved Musher



Geir Idar Hjelvik – Narjordet, NORWAY

Website: none

Geir Idar Hjelvik, 54, was born in Molde, Norway and raised in the village of Hjelvik. He lived in Trondheim for 18 years working as an excavator operator. Fourteen years ago, he moved to the Narjordet to work, to mush and for dancing competitions. Geir has been a traditional log cabin craftsman for 20 years. He began mushing in 1987 and started his mushing career skijoring with a German Shepherd. His first litter of Alaska husky pups was born in 1989, bloodlines from Susan Butcher and Jerry Austin. That sparked his original interest in the Iditarod and he began thinking seriously about the Iditarod after a couple of competitive finishes in the Femundløpet and the Finmarksløpet in the 90's. He has finished the Femundløpet nine times and the Finmarksløpet three times. He maintains a kennel of 30 dogs in Norway, but is running a team from Dallas Seavey's kennel in the Iditarod this year. When not mushing dogs, Geir is a competitive Norwegian folk dancer. He is the father of Mår, age 13. He is a member of the Femund Trekhund Klubb and Roros Folkdanislag. He lists his hobbies as Rorospols (Norwegian folk dancing), knife making and wood working.



Tom Jamgochian – Nome, AK

Website: www.couchdogkennel.com

Tom Jamgochian, 38, is an Assistant District Attorney and musher living in Nome. He

obtained his first sled dogs in 2011 a couple weeks after getting married. His wedding vows included a cap of 13 dogs. He now owns 17 sled dogs and yet is still married.

Born and raised in San Francisco, Tom moved to Anchorage in 2004 for what he thought was a one year legal job, after which he intended to start a normal life as a San Francisco lawyer. But, as has been known to happen, he never left. Since then, he's moved to Bethel, Fairbanks and Nome. He also married an Alaskan so he will be here for the long haul. Tom loves 8 month long winters, being out on the trail all day and on the couch with 1 or 4 sled dogs at night. He has completed the Copper Basin 300, Northern Lights 300, Knik 200 and Nome-Council 200, where he came in first place in 2015.

Tom and his wife live with their dogs 15 miles north of Nome on the banks of the Nome River. Their kennel is named Couch Dog Kennel.



Scott W Janssen – Anchorage, AK

Website: www.JanssenFuneralHomes.com

Scott Janssen, the “Mushing Mortician,” 54, was born and raised in Crookston, Minnesota. He married his high school sweetheart, Debbie, in 1980. He graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1985 with a B.S. degree with a major in Mortuary Science. Scott and Debbie moved to Alaska in June of that year for Scott to work as a funeral director at Evergreen Memorial Chapel. He has been a mortician and funeral home owner for the last 29 years. They now, along with their friend, Jordan Eastman, own five funeral homes in Anchorage, Eagle River and Wasilla, including, Evergreen, as well as Alaska Cremation Center and Eagle River Funeral Home under the name of Janssen Funeral Homes. Scott has been a friend and sponsor of Paul Gebhardt for 15 years and began mushing in 2007. He says, “Paul got me hooked!” He finished the Iditarod in 2011 with a team of Gebhardt dogs and in 2012; he had a blend of his own dogs and dogs from 1984 champion, Dean Osmar. His 2012 race went national when the story of the mouth to snout resuscitation of his dog, Marshall, was on Diane Sawyer’s World News Tonight, during the 2012 Race. Marshall fully recovered and is retired, living in the house with “full benefits” befitting an Iditarod veteran. He says “Iditarod has been his dream since 1986.” He and his wife of thirty years, Debbie, are the parents of two adult daughters, Angela and Chelsea. Their godson, Jaikob Stahnke, 10, is like a son to them, and they are proud grandparents of infant, Avalyn. Scott is a member of National Funeral Directors Association, Alaska Funeral Directors Association, Arch Diocese of Anchorage, Knights of Columbus, Kiwanis, Harley Owners Group and the Iditarod Official Finishers Club. He says he enjoys anything outdoors, including landscaping, hiking, hunting, fishing, ridin’ Harleys, and skiing on both water and snow.

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2011	42	12:20:28:28	2014	Scratched	
2012	39	11:2138:31	2015	Scratched	
2013	Scratched				



Ralph Johannessen – Dagali, NORWAY

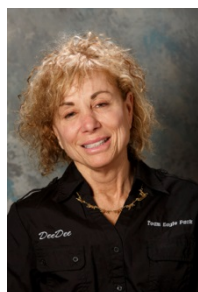
Website: None

Ralph Johannessen, 58, was born and raised in Bergen, Norway. He began mushing in 1973 and became interested in someday running the Iditarod after Robert Sørli won the Iditarod in 2003. He has run both the Femundsløpet and Finnmarksløpet races

many times and is a past champion of both the Femundsløpet and Finnmarksløpet. He is the father of two, Mark and Sondre. He lists his hobby as “outdoor life.”

Total prize money: \$10,200

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2014	22	10:03:45:50			



DeeDee Jonrowe – Willow, AK

Website: www.DeeDeeJonrowe.com

DeeDee Jonrowe, 62, was born in Frankfort, Germany, while her father was in the military. The family moved to Alaska in 1971 where her dad was stationed at Ft. Richardson. DeeDee has a B.S. degree in Biological Sciences and Renewable Resources and now lists her occupation as kennel owner and dog racer. She began mushing in 1979 when she was living in Bethel and her mother was excited about volunteering in the early Iditarod races. She says, "This will be my 34th Iditarod start, 16 finishes in the top

10. My competitors have become my family; sometimes dysfunctional, but still I love them dearly. As I have lost most of my immediate family and all my worldly belongings except my dogs, along with my close neighbors, I have seen the very best in hearts of Iditarod fans, volunteers and competitors, all of whom have reached out to support each of us. This race for me has always been about the passion for my dogs and culture of the Alaskans in the rural areas. Now it has once again expanded to my being reminded how very good people are. And that, faced with the choice of all my material belongings or my dogs, my first reflex was to save my dogs. God gave me that privilege. I lost everything else. Only relationships really last." DeeDee is a member of the Big Lake Baptist Church, the Willow Running Club and the State Veterinarian Licensing Board. She says her hobbies and interests include “training Labrador Retrievers, Pekingese Rescue, Quality of Life opportunities particularly for senior citizens, hiking and trail running in back country and the history of early Alaska during territorial days.” DeeDee is married to Mike, secretary of the Iditarod’s Board of Directors.

Total prize money: \$541,348.44

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
1980	24	17:07:59:24	2000	20	10:04:24:04
1981	31	16:05:05:43	2001	10	11:14:33:15
1983	15	13:18:10:25	2002	16	09:22:07:20
1984	30	15:19:18:13	2003	18	10:23:45:39
1987	22	13:02:58:15	2004	15	10:08:40:49
1988	9	13:16:29:06	2005	10	10:01:42:55
1989	4	11:37:14:16	2006	4	09:16:25:50
1990	5	11:14:41:31	2007	Scratched	
1991	7	13:13:44:10	2008	15	10:01:07:46
1992	5	11:09:05:00	2009	13	10:22:56:10
1993	2	10:16:10:50	2010	22	10:02:47:44
1994	9	11:04:25:15	2011	12	09:10:24:17
1995	4	09:11:24:07	2012	10	09:14:43:15
1996	5	09:20:18:00	2013	10	09:13:24:39
1997	4	09:18:26:10	2014	Scratched	

1998	2	09:08:49:42	2015	31	10:19:10:23
1999	Scratched				

Awards

1981 Sportsmanship
1991 Halfway
1991 Alaska Airlines Leonhard Seppala Humanitarian
1993 Most Inspirational Musher
1997 Joe Redington, Sr. Tesoro
2003 Chevron Most Inspirational Musher
2008 GCI Dorothy G Page Halfway
2012 Alaska Airlines Leonard Seppala Humanitarian



Peter Kaiser – Bethel, AK

Website: www.kaiserracing.com

Peter Kaiser, 28, was born and raised in Bethel, Alaska. He graduated from Bethel High School in 2005 and has worked for Knik Construction/Lynden for the last eight years. He says, “Our family has always had dogs, and I’ve been mushing since I was a kid. Watching the Kuskokwim 300 every January sparked my interest in long distance racing, and a few years ago, I decided that I would give the Iditarod a try.” Peter says he enjoys boats, hunting, and fishing. Pete and his girlfriend, Bethany, are the parents of three year old

Ari.

Total prize money: \$132,400

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2010	28	10:11:13:59	2013	13	09:17:36:34
2011	8	09:07:06:06	2014	13	09:15:28:30
2012	5	09:11:06:23	2015	14	09:15:44:35

Awards

2011 NAC Four Wheeler Drawing
2012 NAC Four Wheeler Drawing



Katherine Keith – Kotzebue, AK

Website: www.katherinekeith.com

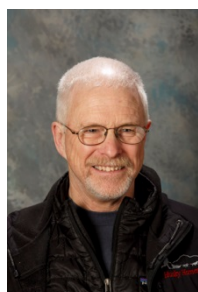
Katherine, 37, was born in Minnesota and lived there until completing high school at which point Katherine decided that it was time to pursue her dream of going to Alaska. She graduated from the University of Alaska, Fairbanks in 2008 with a degree in Renewable Energy Engineering. She had always dreamed of flying a bush plane, eating caribou, running dogs, and having a camp in the Brooks Range. She went to Kotzebue to handle dogs and has lived there off and on ever since. Katherine began racing dogs in

2011 and soon realized that Iditarod was on the horizon. So she began competing in the races she needed

to qualify for the 2014 Iditarod.

Katherine and John Baker raise and train over 50 dogs in Kotzebue, Alaska as they focus on having the best dog kennel in the world. Katherine and John also own a number of small businesses including Remote Solutions, LLC which allows them to professionally help meet the needs of rural Alaska. Katherine is an Ironman Triathlete and hopes to soon qualify for the Ironman World Championship in Kona, Hawaii. She is also a proud parent of Amelia who is 13 years old.

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2014	32	10:10:43:15	2015	Scratch	



Jeff King – Denali Park, AK

Website: www.huskyhomestead.com

Jeff King, 59, was born in California. He came to Alaska in 1975 to "seek adventure." He began mushing in 1976 after he heard Jerry Riley's race finish while listening to the radio. Jeff has an outstanding race record, including a Yukon Quest victory in 1981 and four Iditarod victories. He has three adult daughters, Cali, Tessa and Ellen. All the girls have run the Jr. Iditarod, and Cali finished the Iditarod. He says his hobby is "ping pong."

Total prize money: \$888,019.78

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITIONN	TIME
1981	28	15:07:02:47	2003	3	09:23:17:
1991	12	13:14:24:40	2004	2	09:14:40:59
1992	6	11:10:40:35	2005	12	10:02:21:21
1993	1	10:15:38:15	2006	1	09:11:11:36
1994	3	10:21:46:09	2007	5	09:15:05:17
1995	7	09:18:52:10	2008	2	09:13:05:51
1996	1	09:05:43:00	2009	12	10:21:06:06
1997	3	09:15:35:15	2010	3	0:02:22:17
1998	1	09:05:52:26	2012	Scratched	
1999	7	10:10:10:32	2013	3	09:09:21:56
2000	3	09:08:44:41	2014	Scratched	
2001	3	10:07:19:43	2015	7	09:05:47:50
2002	6	09:10:42:19			

Awards

1991 Regal Alaskan First to the Yukon
 1993 Anchorage Chrysler Dodge Winners Truck
 1993 Halfway
 1993 Regal Alaskan First to the Yukon
 1993 Golden Harness Award for Lead Dogs
 1993 Nome Kennel Club Fastest Time Safety to Nome
 1996 Anchorage Chrysler Dodge Winners Truck
 1996 National Bank of Alaska Gold Coast
 1997 GCI Dorothy G Page Halfway

1998.....	Anchorage Chrysler Dodge Winners Truck
1998.....	National Bank of Alaska Gold Coast
1998.....	Lead Dog – Golden Harness
1999.....	Joe Redington Sr.
2003.....	Alaska Airlines Leonhard Seppala Humanitarian
2004.....	PenAir Spirit of Iditarod
2004.....	Millennium Hotel First to the Yukon
2006.....	Anchorage Chrysler Dodge Winners Truck
2006.....	Wells Fargo Winner's Purse
2006.....	Wells Fargo Gold Coast
2006.....	Lead Dog – Golden Harness
2007.....	Wells Fargo Gold Coast
2008.....	Wells Fargo Gold Coast
2008.....	Alaska Airlines Leonhard Seppala Humanitarian
2010.....	PenAir Spirit of Iditarod
2010.....	Millennium Hotel First to the Yukon
2014.....	Millennium Hotel First to the Yukon



Martin Koenig – Seeley Lake, MT

Website: None

Martin Koenig, 64, was born and raised in Switzerland. He moved to the United States in 1973 and became a US citizen in 1978. He settled in Montana in 1980 after arriving on horseback from Colorado. He has been a self-employed machinist for 45 years. He says, "I traded horses for sled dogs in 1992 and started sprint racing." He moved on to stage, mid-distance and distance racing. "I quit the race circuit two years ago and turned into a recreational musher. I don't miss the race scene but I do miss traveling with the dogs and running new trails. I decided it was time for another trip to Alaska and to take the dogs to Nome. I have 28 dogs in my kennel, and 20 are in training for Iditarod. They are all rookies except one. Should be interesting. I do like a good challenge." Martin is a member of the Montana Mountain Mushers and when asked about hobbies, he says, "no time for anything else."



Jim Lanier (La Near')– Chugiak, AK

Website: northernwhites.com

Jim Lanier, 75, was born in Washington, DC and raised in Fargo, North Dakota, where his family moved when he was six years old. After receiving his medical degree from Washington University in St. Louis, he moved to Alaska in 1967 to serve at the Native Hospital with the US Public Health Service. A pathologist at Providence Hospital for thirty-some years, Jim is now retired from medicine, but not from mushing. He "went to the dogs" in the 70's, as a result of hanging around with Iditarod mushers Ron Gould, Dinah Knight and Gerry Riley. Then in 1979, he ran his first Iditarod, as chronicled in his book, *Beyond*

Ophir. In 2014, he entered his seventeenth Iditarod, and, for the first time, had to scratch due to a ruptured Achilles tendon. Came 2015, and Jim was determined to make it to Nome, but determination ran into pneumonia, bringing him to his knees in Unalakleet, and forcing another scratch. Apparently Jim's determination, or stubbornness, knows no bounds as he returns to the starting line for another go. After that, "Who knows", he says. "Health aside, it's a matter of continued enjoyment of the dreaming, planning, scheming, training, support of family and friends, and of going head-to-head with people half my age and younger." His specialty is his white dogs and therefore, his "Northern Whites Kennel." Jim is married to Anna Bondarenko, first Russian woman to enter and complete "The Last Great Race on Earth" in 2000. He is the father of four (Margaret, 47, Kim, 46, Willy, 37 and Jimmy, 18) and also the grandfather of five (Annie, Ethan, Ollie, Logan and Jessie.) His hobbies include singing, hunting, commercial fishing, cabin building, reading, writing....and raising kids.

Total prize money: \$49,138

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
1979	43	24:06:44:18	2006	41	11:07:59:30
1984	40	17:05:49:22	2007	27	10:19:01:56
1998	42	12:06:09:35	2008	20	10:06:35:40
1999	42	13:13:55:00	2009	35	12:13:24:35
2001	49	13:15:35:40	2010	24	10:05:21:10
2002	25	10:12:43:00	2012	33	11:02:58:18
2003	24	11:11:11:10	2013	35	10:21:08:46
2004	18	10:11:01:10	2014	Scratched	
2005	40	12:00:07:50	2015	Scratched	



Joar Leifseth Ulsom (U are' Life'seth Ool'some) – Mo I Rana, NORWAY

Website: <http://www.RacingBeringia.com>

Clocking the 5th fastest time ever run in the 2014 Iditarod race, Joar Leifseth Ulsom (29) holds the record as the fastest rookie to have ever run the Iditarod, while placing seventh in 2013. Joar is one of only two mushers to place top-7 three times in just three Iditarod starts.

The 2013 Iditarod Rookie of the Year is from Mo I Rana in Norway by the Arctic Circle. Joar traveled with his dogs from Norway to Alaska where they currently reside since fall of 2011. He works full-time with his small kennel of dogs and Russian team mates for the GoNorth! Adventure Learning non-profit as part of Team Racing Beringia.

Racing Beringia is an online education program for students in K-12 classrooms around the world to explore the region of Beringia spanning from the Yukon in Canada, across Alaska to Chukotka, Russia ([RacingBeringia.com](http://www.RacingBeringia.com)).

Joar and his team have raced throughout Beringia starting with the Yukon Quest in 2012. Setting a new time record for the Nadezhda Hope race in Chukotka (Russia), Joar became the first non-native winner of the "toughest race in Eurasia" in 20 years. He is now a 2-time Nadezhda Hope champion, with a second victory in 2014. Joar and his team also placed 1st in 2012 Chukotka Sprint Championship.

Back in Norway Joar started out as a kid by borrowing his neighbors two housedogs to pull him around on skis. Watching Iditarod movies is what fueled his dreams growing up. In 2007 Joar started mushing and building up his own team. He got a degree from an agricultural college and worked as a cowboy while he ran the great races of Scandinavia before coming to Alaska. With this fourth Iditarod, the run for Racing Beringia continues in 2016.

Total prize money: \$113,100

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2013	7	09:12:34:00	2015	6	09:05:21:01
2014	4	08:19:01:01			

Award

2013

Jerry Austin Rookie of the Year



Jason Mackey – Wasilla, AK

Website: None

Jason Mackey, 44, was born in Alaska and raised in the Mat Valley and at Coldfoot. He says he's been mushing "since I was big enough to hold onto the sled." His mushing career began when he started running junior races back in 1983. After four Jr. Iditarod's and four Jr. World Championships, he went into distance mushing. The first Iditarod he remembers was the 1978 Race. "Dad won in 1978." Jason says, "I grew up with sled dogs. It's what I know and what I love! We have bred up a proven line of dogs that have won more long distance races than any other lines. We are going to continue breeding and racing as long as we can. This year's team consists of Mackey, Osmar and Seavey bloodlines. It's what's working for us. A recent move to the Interior has been great for some of the best training in North America. My wife and I purchased four acres and our son, Patrick, purchased an acre north of Fairbanks so our kennels are close, and Patrick and I do most all of our training together... we love it here." Jason is married to Lisa and they are the parents of Patrick, 24 and Jason, 22. Jason has been a heavy equipment operator for "all of my adult life." He says he enjoys fishing and berry picking, and my new one, "The beach in Jacksonville, Florida."

Total prize money: \$3,300

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2004	28	10:18:58:27	2014	34	10:21:29:20
2008	33	11:03:44:27	2015	42	12:00:32:15
2013	Scratched				



Lance Mackey – Fairbanks, AK

Website: www.comebackkennel.com

Lance Mackey, 45, was born and raised in Alaska. He says he's been racing since birth, from sprint to distance. "I love the dogs and traveling across this state and am looking forward to improving on my 2015 performance." He is a four-time back to back Iditarod

champion, and a four time Yukon Quest champion. He's also run the Kusko 300, the Kobuk 440 and lots of other races. He says he is still in the "school of hard knocks." A member of Mush with Pride, the Iditarod Trail Committee, and is a Yukon Quest Board member, Lance says his hobby is "racing my '71 Legends race car."

Total prize money: \$367,844.44

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2001	36	12:18:35:13	2009	1	09:21:38:46
2002	Scratched		2010	1	08:23:59:09
2004	24	10:18:27:37	2011	16	09:17:55:34
2005	7	10:00:21:00	2012	22	10:20:17:27
2006	10	09:22:08:38	2013	19	09:20:52:14
2007	1	09:05:08:41	2015	43	12:00:32:37
2008	1	09:11:46:48			

Awards

2002.....Most Inspirational
 2007.....Anchorage Chrysler Dodge Truck
 2007.....Chevron Most Inspirational Musher
 2007.....GCI Dorothy G Page Halfway
 2007.....City of Nome Lolly Medley Golden Harness
 2007.....Wells Fargo Winner's Purse
 2008.....PenAir Spirit of Alaska
 2008.....Millennium Hotel Anchorage First Musher to the Yukon
 2008.....Wells Fargo Winner's Truck
 2008.....Anchorage Chrysler Dodge Truck
 2009.....GCI Dorothy G Page Halfway
 2009.....Millennium Hotel Anchorage First Musher to the Yukon
 2009.....Wells Fargo Gold Coast
 2009.....Alaska Airlines Leonhard Seppala Humanitarian
 2009.....Anchorage Chrysler Official Dodge Truck
 2009.....Wells Fargo Winner's Purse
 2010.....City of Nome Lolly Medley Golden Harness
 2010.....Wells Fargo Winner's Purse
 2010.....Anchorage Chrysler Dodge Truck
 2011.....Nome Kennel Club Fastest Time Safety to Nome
 2012.....Sportsmanship
 2013.....Dorothy G Page Halfway
 2015.....Sportsmanship



Kelly Maixner – Big Lake, AK
 Website: madstorkkennel.com

Kelly Maixner, 40, was born and raised in North Dakota. After graduating from Montana State University he went to dental school at Nova Southeastern in Ft. Lauderdale, where

he received his dental degree. Kelly moved to Alaska in 2007 for a pediatric dental residency. Being a man who always seeks out challenges, he immediately set his sights on running the Iditarod. He started Mad Stork Kennel, LLC with two pregnant females and it has grown to around 60. Before Kelly decided to become a pediatric dentist, he was a farmer, a snowboard instructor, a soldier in the National Guard, a bartender, a doughnut-maker, a physical therapy assistant for the Phoenix Suns, a state champion boxer, and a semi-professional football player for the Bozeman Kodiaks. An avid runner and competitor, Kelly has completed multiple marathons and triathlons, including the Silverman competition. He hopes, someday, to finish the Iditarod, climb Mt. McKinley, and race the Boston Marathon in the same year. Every year Kelly takes his professional skills to Haiti to provide dental care for the children of Kobonal Mission. Kelly's wife, Margaret, found him in 2009 and they were married the following year. They are the parents of Rosemary, 4, and Vendelin, 2, and an infant, Bernadette. He is a member of the American Dental Association and the America Academy of Pediatric Dentistry.

Total prize money: \$24,900

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2011	30	10:20:29:31	2014	Scratched	
2012	32	11:01:53:02	2015	13	09:15:39:01
2013	31	10:16:57:36			



Wade Marrs – Wasilla, AK on website

Website: stumpinjumpinkennel.com

Wade Marrs, 25, was born and raised in the Knik area outside of Wasilla, Alaska. "I have been mushing dogs since I was a young boy. My uncle had a team of his own and showed me the ropes. When he passed away, I took over running the dogs. I enjoy mushing because of the awesome bond I have with my dogs, the time alone with them on the trail and the sights we get to see together. We are always looking for ways to improve our finishing position and look forward to someday winning the Iditarod." In 2014, he moved to Willow for better training opportunities and to expand his growing kennel. When he is not mushing, Wade enjoys hunting, fishing, competing in running races and relaxing at home.

Total prize money: \$51,492

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2009	47	14:11:6:25	2014	16	09:17:27:35
2012	Scratched		2015	8	09:08:15:17
2013	32	10:17:05:18			



Lars Monsen – Skiptvet, NORWAY

Website: www.larsmonsens.no

Lars Monsen, 52, was born in Oslo, Norway. He grew up partly in Oslo and partly in Beiarn in the northern part of Norway. He moved to Skiptvet in 2010. Lars began mushing in 1990 and became interested in running the Iditarod when his friends, Robert Sørli, Harald Tunheim and Stein Håvard Fjestad first came to Alaska to run Iditarod.

Since 2006, he has completed the Femundløpet 600 eight times and the Finnmarksløpet 1000 five times. He worked as a teacher until 1991, and then he dedicated all his time to being an adventurer and author. Lars has written 18 books and been on many expeditions. His books are about his travels in the wilderness in Alaska, Canada and Norway. Some of his many expeditions have been quite long trips: Crossing Alaska in 10 months, the length of Norway in a year, crossing Canada in three years. Some shorter expeditions are hiking across Kodiak Island and Admiralty Island, by canoe down the Savonovski (Katmai) and Togiak Rivers and one month and 600 km by canoe in Quebec. Lars has also made movies of some of these expeditions, and they have been shown on NRK (Norwegian National Television) several times. Lars lists his hobbies as chess, adventures, expeditions, making TV and writing books.



Allen Moore – Two Rivers, AK

Website: SPKDogLog.com

Allen Moore, 58, was born and raised in Northeast Arkansas where he received a degree in Biology from Arkansas State University. He worked as a carpenter and taxidermist there before moving to Alaska over 20 years ago. He says it was too hot in Arkansas so he drove with his family to Alaska. He began mushing about twenty years ago and had competed in sprint races and in many mid distance races around the State before he ran his first Iditarod in 2007. "I race the Yukon Quest in February and then when the first weekend in March arrives, our kennel clears out because we try to race ALL of our dogs in the Iditarod. My goal is to have a group of young SP Kennel dogs become an educated, working dog team by the end of the Iditarod. The goal is to finish the Race with as many strong dogs as possible, so they will be prepared for future years of racing competitively. After a young dog crosses the finish line in Nome, it is mentally 'unstoppable'. It's a great thing to witness in these youngsters. I might not have the fastest time to Nome, but it is one of the most rewarding!" Allen lives in Two rivers, Alaska with his wife Aliy Zirkle, also an Iditarod veteran and competitor in 2016. He enjoys fishing, hunting and playing with grand kids. Allen has two adult children, Bridget and Jennifer.

Prize Money: \$9,500

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2007	36	11:20:45:15	2011	24	19:07:37:05
2008	Scratched		2013	33	10:18:04:21
2009	33	12:10:00:00	2014	27	0:17:27:45
2010	35	10:23:25:04	2015	38	11:16:52:43

Award

2011Fred Meyer Sportsmanship



Becca Moore – Willow, AK

Website: www.homestretchkennel.com

Becca Moore, 44, was born in Heidelberg, Germany and raised in Berlin. She went to Colorado State University where she earned a B.S. in Natural Resource Management in 1997. After graduation, she worked for the Army Corps of Engineers in Washington. She started coming to Alaska in 1999 and worked for the Sitka Ranger District. She has been

self-employed for the last eight years. She began mushing in 2000, and while working as a handler in 2003, she started thinking about running Iditarod. She finished the Yukon Quest in 2009. Becca says, "I've always enjoyed adventure. During high school I loved kayaking, backpacking, and back country skiing with friends. During college I spent my free time telemarking, snowboarding, and racing bikes. After college, my work with the Forest Service, NOAA and HDR took me to many remote and exciting places in Alaska. Now, the adventure continues with my husband, kids and 49 dogs living off-grid on a homestead parcel in our solar powered home. Our kids, Ava, 8 and Banyan, 4, are completely involved with all aspects of the kennel, from taking care of puppies, to hopping in the sled to go on a long run with us, to running their own races! One of my personal interests is promoting healthy activities for kids. It is of the utmost importance that kids get exercise and healthy foods! I will be volunteering with outdoor activity groups for kids, sharing my experiences with young people at the children's hospitals and mentoring kids to pursue sports and healthy choices. I'm looking forward to sharing the adventures of Iditarod with my amazing sled dogs. There will be some hardened veterans, young dogs and dogs new to our kennel in the training line-up. Ava and Banyan will be hard at work helping to raise our puppies! I'm thankful for my family, friends and sponsors that make it possible for me to race this year!" Becca says she enjoys skiing and cycling in her spare time.

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2015	57	12:10:56:26			



Hugh Neff – Tok, AK

Website: www.laughingeyeskennel.com

Hugh Neff, 47, was born in Tennessee. He grew up in Evanston, Illinois and attended Loyola Academy and the University of Illinois. Before moving to Alaska in 1995, Hugh worked as a professional golf caddy in Evanston, Illinois. Since moving to Alaska, he lived in numerous Interior Athabaskan villages and moved to Tok in 2010. He says he loves the people and loves the area. He began mushing in 1995 and after reading *Iditarod Classics* by Lew Freedman, he became interested in running the Iditarod. Hugh has competed in twenty-four 1,000 mile races since 2000, 14 Yukon Quests and 10 Iditarod's. He won the Yukon Quest in 2012. He lists his occupation as public speaker and writer, which he's been doing the last 15 years. He is an Eagle Scout and a member of the Tok Dog Musher and says he "loves to make people smile." Hugh says, "I love the Iditarod Trail and I love my dogs. I can't wait to return to Nome!"

Total prize money: \$136,546.67

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2004	22	10:16:21:01	2009	15	11:04:42:29
2005	26	10:22:59:39	2010	9	09:10:52:24
2006	21	10:06:22:39	2011	5	09:03:16:18
2007	19	10:13:05:15	2012	17	10:08:41:52
2008	25	10:12:12:20	2014	Scratched	

Award

2004Rookie of the Year
 2011Millennium Alaska Hotel First to the Yukon



Lisbet Norris – Willow, AK

Website: lisbetnorris.blogspot.com

"I grew up in Willow, AK, surrounded by dogs and loving winter," says 28 year old Lisbet Norris. "After high school, I moved to Fairbanks to attend university. At UAF, I cultivated a love for the North. I studied in Norway and Baffin Island and worked as a musher and expedition guide. I received my BA in Northern Studies and History from UAF in 2011 and decided then to pursue a long-held dream: distance mushing. I returned to Northern Norway that summer and spent the fall and winter training and racing dogs in the Alta area. In 2012, I came back to Alaska convinced that dog life was the life for me. Distance musher offers what I love most:: time in nature and time with dogs. In 2014, I completed my rookie Iditarod with a team of Siberian Huskies from the family kennel: Alaskan Kennels, the oldest Siberian husky kennel in the world. I am excited to again field a team of AKC registered Siberian Huskies in the 2016 Iditarod. Thanks & love to my many friends and supporters." Lisbet is a member of the Aurora Dog Musers Club and the Willow Dog Musers Association.

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2014	48	13:04:41:33	2015	49	12:03:41:12



Dag Torluf Olsen – Hammerfest, NORWAY

Website: www.arcticmusher.com

Dag Torluf Olsen, 51, was born and raised in Hammerfest/Finnmark, Norway. He has been running dogs since 1993 and has been dreaming about the Iditarod since 2000. He says, "Mushing dogs is a big part of my life. Breeding dogs is normal work for me. The whole family is well known in the mushing community. I have imported some dogs from Alaska from Mitch Seavey and I have a breeding line from Lance Mackey." Dag is married to Nina and they have two adult children, Hans and Nikolai. He lists his hobbies as fishing

and hunting.



Ryne Olson – Two Rivers, AK

Website: www.rynokennel.com

Ryne Olson, 27, was raised in Durango, Colorado. Five years ago, she moved to Alaska to pursue dog mushing at SP Kennels. She worked with Aliy Zirkle and Allen Moore and in 2012, ran a team for SP Kennels in the Iditarod. It was then that she knew what she wanted to do for the rest of her life. With the help of SP Kennels, she started to build her own kennel, Ryno Sled Dog Kennel, in the summer of 2012. Since then the kennel has grown to "25 incredible athletes." She ran the 2015 Yukon Quest, and now says, "We've signed up for the 2016 Iditarod to teach the team the trail and have a wonderful wilderness experience." Having left college to come to Alaska, she went back to college to complete her degree with a Bachelor of Accounting at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks in 2012. Currently, she is a professional dog musher and a staff accountant. She says she enjoys hiking, skiing, backpacking, hunting and fishing.

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2012	31	11:01:33:40			



Miriam Osredkar (Os red' car) – Willow, AK

Website: racingberingia.com

Miriam Osredkar, 38, was born and raised in Chardon, Ohio. She received her B.A. from Oberlin College in 2000 with a major in biology. She began mushing in 2006 and became interested in the Iditarod while working for Iditarod veteran, Frank Teasley, in Jackson Hole, Wyoming. While in Jackson Hole, she also was a back packing guide in Yellowstone National Park. She says she's been tour guide for the last 10 years. Miriam moved to Alaska in 2011 to pursue her dream of running dogs. In her spare time, she enjoys hiking, kayaking and singing.



Kristin Knight Pace – Denali Park, AK

Website: www.hey Moose kennel.com

Kristin, 32, was born and raised in Ft. Worth, Texas. She graduated with honors from the University of Montana with a degree in photojournalism. She lived in Montana where she worked for a while for the local newspaper and then worked for the Forest Service there. She came to Alaska in 2009 to take care of a cabin and recreational team for a friend. She soon married Andy and became the lead back country ranger for Denali. While handling for four time Iditarod champion, Jeff King, Andy and Kristin started their kennel in 2011. They bought four puppies from Jeff King and 10 acres of raw land outside Healy. Then they began to work hard toward their dream of running a thousand mile race. In 2012, they trained Brent Sass's yearling team and at the end of the season, they split the rookies with Sass. They also did a breeding with Michael Williams, Jr.'s team and that rounded out their kennel with "three amazing bloodlines." "Now, five years later, we have 27 dogs. Last year, we achieved our goal of running 1,000 miles by finishing 15th in the Yukon Quest with a strong 12 dog team. We can't wait to see the beautiful Iditarod trail. After all, there's no better way to see and experience the country than on the back of a dog sled." Kristin is currently a wilderness planner for the National Park Service. She says she enjoys writing, backpacking, exploring wilderness and playing music.



Tim Pappas – Big Lake, AK

Website: none

Tim Pappas, 26, was born and raised on the East coast and after high school, he moved to Wyoming, where he worked as a hunting guide and guided wilderness pack trips in the summer and was a ski patroller in the winter. He moved from there to Juneau where he ran dog sled tours on the Mendenhall Glacier. He moved to Big Lake in 2013 to "further my knowledge of sled dogs after running dog sled tours in Wyoming." While in Wyoming, he says he formed a deep respect and love for the wilderness and the bond between man and beast. He moved to Big Lake to apprentice under four time Iditarod champion, Martin Buser and will be running a "phenomenal team of yearlings." His hobbies are playing music, hunting fishing, climbing, snowboarding and COFFEE!



Noah Pereira – Brockport, NY

Website: None

Noah Pereira, 19, was born and raised in Brockport, New York. Growing up, he met local mushers and was amazed after talking to them. He began mushing in 2009. He and his dad came to Alaska in winters of '13, '14 and 15 to train dogs. In 2013 he became the first non-Alaskan musher to win the Jr. Iditarod. His team is made up of dogs from New York and some younger ones from Alaska. He says, "My goal for this race is to finish with a happy and healthy dog team." When he is not mushing, he likes archery, hunting and fishing.



Nicolas Petit (Pe' ti) – Girdwood, AK

Website: TeamPetit.com

Nicolas Petit, 36, grew up in Normandy and always loved animals. Nick got into mushing by adopting "Ugly", a gorgeous Alaskan Mutt. He put a harness on him and then the adventure began. Nick developed his passion for sled dogs, while living in Girdwood, Alaska, and working for Dario Daniels, whose training techniques live on through Nick's calm mushing demeanor. Nick has placed 28th, 29th, 6th and 10th in past Iditarods and 31st, 4th and 2nd in the Copper Basin. He won the 2014 Aurora 50/50. He says, "The future looks bright for my dog team." He is proud to finally run his own dogs. His team consists of eight yearlings that he raised and a few experienced dogs that have been with him a couple of years.

Total prize money: \$69,100

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2011	28	10:15:43:01	2014	Scratched	
2012	29	10:24:23:00	2015	10	09:11:19:20
2013	6	09:11:39:13			

Award

2011 Jerry Austin Rookie of the Year
 2012 Horizon Lines Most Improved Musher



Mats Pettersson – Kiruna, SWEDEN

Website: sleddog.se

Mats Pettersson, 45, was born and raised in Kiruna, Sweden. He began mushing in 2000, after visiting Goose Lake Kennel and buying a female sled dog, Shasta, from Jeff King. Later, he went back and bought an "awesome" sled dog, Rhumba. This was the start of his kennel and the breeding program for the kennel. He has run the Finnmarksløpet in Norway five times and also the Femundløpet, and the Amundsen races. He is the Swedish champion in long distance mushing. He has been in the tourism business in Sweden 33 years and currently runs a tourism business just 20 km away from the world famous Ice Hotel in Sweden, Kiruna Sleddog Tours. This will be his third Iditarod. He says he loves the Nature and people of Alaska and he loves to spend the winter here with his family. He and his wife, Charlotta, are the parents of Linnea, 20, Clara, 18, Tolda, 16 and Zeb, 5 and Freja, 1. He is a member of Kiruna Slädhundsklubb and says he enjoys music, sports and his children. He's also been a "half professional" ice hockey player as a goalie.

Total prize money: \$9,600

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2014	29	10:18:32:05	2015	25	10:00:11:21



Michelle Phillips – Carcross, YT CANADA

Website: www.tagishlakekennel.com

Michelle Phillips, 47, was born and raised in Whitehorse, YT. “After traveling the world for 10 years, I decided to settle down in a small cabin in the Yukon Bush. After living for a few years in the Southern Lakes region of the Yukon, I met my partner, Ed Hopkins. Ed introduced the sport of dog mushing to me and I immediately fell in love with the sport. Growing up in a very athletic family and training for many years as a figure skater, I enjoyed challenging myself and working with such an elite and talented group of athletes. After running my first Yukon Quest, I was hooked on long distance mushing and I’ve been doing it since. I love traveling with my team of dogs and spending time with my best friends.” She and Ed own and operate Tagish Lake Kennel. Michelle has run six Yukon Quest races (best finish 4th and Vet’s Choice award in 2009.) For the past 17 years, when not racing professionally, Ed and Michelle, with their son Keegan, 15, (and up to 90 Alaskan huskies) have provided visitors with sled dog adventures of 30 minutes to seven days throughout the year.

Total prize money: \$60,200

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2010	27	10:08:31:12	2013	24	10:02:22:06
2011	17	09:20:22:22	2014	20	09:18:55:00
2012	16	10:08:18:01	2015	20	09:21:17:30

Award

2012 Northern Air Cargo Herbie Nayokpuk



Ray Redington, Jr. – Wasilla, AK

Website: www.teamredington.com

Ray Redington, Jr., 40, was born and raised in Alaska. The grandson of Iditarod co-founder, Joe Redington, Sr. and son of Iditarod veteran, Raymie Redington, Ray says that he's been mushing “all his life.” Ray is married to Julie Flodin, who is a Jr. Iditarod veteran and daughter of Iditarod veteran, Steve Flodin. Ray and Julia's daughter, Ellen, will be ten during the 2016 Iditarod and son, Isaac, will be seven in December of this year. Ray says he enjoys hunting and fishing and “more hunting and fishing.” He lists his lifelong occupation as “dog musher.”

Total prize money: \$267,005

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2001	35	12:18:14:42	2009	20	11:09:59:15
2002	14	09:21:26:18	2010	11	09:12:53:44

2003	15	10:19:04:08	2011	7	09:05:41:05
2004	20	10:14:21:31	2012	6	09:12:19:11
2005	25	10:17:04:00	2013	5	09:11:04:54
2007	17	10:12:43:10	2014	8	09:04:11:10
2008	18	10:05:38:16	2015	16	09:16:27:00

Awards

2008Fred Meyer Sportsmanship
2010Fred Meyer Sportsmanship
2014 Nome Kennel Club Fastest Time Safety to Nome



Robert Redington – Wasilla, AK

Website: None

Robert Redington, 27, was born and raised in the Knik area outside Wasilla. He says he's lived on his grandfather's (Joe Redington, Sr.) homestead all his life. He started mushing five years ago and says he had a feeling he would run the Iditarod since he was a kid. In the summers, he does tours at Alaska Excursions Dog Sled Discovery and Musher's Camp in the Juneau area. He is the grandson of Iditarod co-founder Joe Redington, Sr. and a

brother to Ryan and Ray Redington. All three Redington men have entered the 2016 Iditarod. Robert enjoys skateboarding in his spare time.



Ryan Redington -- Wasilla, AK

Website: <http://callintrailkennel.com>

Ryan Redington, 33, was born and raised in the Knik area outside Wasilla. He says he began mushing when he could walk. "I was born to race Iditarod," said Ryan. He last finished the Iditarod in 2009 and has done "every style of racing, from Fur Rondy, stage racing to the Iditarod." He and his two brothers, Robert and Ray are the sons of Iditarod veteran, Raymie Redington and grandsons of Joe Redington, Sr. and all three are racing the Iditarod this year. Ryan is married to Erin and they are the parents of two. Raynee is

13 and Eve Violet is a year old. Ryan says he enjoys trapping and hunting.

Total prize money: \$17,000

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2001	Scratch		2008	Scratch	
2004	44	11:19:10:15	2009	36	12:14:27:25
2006	39	11:06:59:18	2010	Scratch	
2007	18	10:12:46:00	2012	Scratch	



Ketil Reitan – Kaktovik, AK

www.kaktoviktours.com

Ketil Reitan, 55, was born in Trondheim, Norway. He received his Master's Degree in

Fisheries Science from the University of Tromso, having written his thesis on whaling. He came to Alaska in 1987 to do fieldwork on Inuit whaling for that Master's. He met his wife in Kaktovik. Since 2010, he's been taking people out by boat to photograph the polar bears around Kaktovik. When he was in high school in Norway he became a member of the mushing club. He ran the Finnmark race in 1986. Now he is the only musher to have finished the five longest sled dog races: the Iditarod four times, the Yukon Quest, La Grande Odyssee, the Hope Race from Nome to Anadyr, Chukotka and the Finnmarksløpet. Ketil is married to Evelyn and they are the parents of Vebjorn, age 19, and Martin, age 17.

Total prize money: \$21,980

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
1991	16	16:13:14:54	1993	36	14:17:57:42
1992	10	11:14:38:00	1994	23	12:07:48:10



Jessie Royer – Darby, MT

Website: www.huskypower.com/jessie

Jessie Royer, 39, was born in Idaho. She grew up on a cattle ranch in Montana where she lived for 21 years. She worked on ranches as a horse wrangler and horse teamster. She says she got her first sled dogs when she was 15. She started learning about dogs from Doug Swingley whom she worked with for a couple of years. She had dogs in Montana seven years before moving to Alaska in the spring on 1998. In December of 2011 she went back to the ranch in Montana to work. She says, "I still have my place in Fairbanks and go back and forth as much as I can." Jessie has extensive mushing experience including having won Montana's Race to the Sky when she was only 17 and she was the winner of the invitational La Grande Odyssee in France in 2005. She says her hobbies are horses, hunting, mounted shooting and photography.

Total prize money: \$304,687.11

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2001	14	11:23:04:40	2009	8	10:15:07:25
2003	20	11:04:09:08	2010	15	09:16:04:40
2004	21	10:14:23:32	2011	10	09:09:23:17
2005	8	10:01:03:30	2013	18	09:20:20:15
2006	11	09:23:23:04	2014	7	09:04:03:25
2007	21	10:15:25:05	2015	4	09:15:51:09
2008	14	10:01:00:20			

Awards

2001 Nome Kennel Club Fastest Time Safety to Nome
 2001.....Rookie of the Year
 2009.....Lead Dog – Lolly Medley Golden Harness Award
 2014.....Nome Kennel Club Fastest Time Safety to Nome



Mike Santos – Cantwell, AK

Website: www.wolfsdenkennel.com

Mike Santos, 47, was born in Massachusetts, but says that he was born Alaskan in the wrong state. Mike started working with sled dogs in New England, before he even knew that the Iditarod race existed. Mike has always been fascinated by dogs, particularly the athleticism of sled dogs. After years of learning from dogs in New England, Mike and his wife Caitlin moved to Alaska in 2005 in search of longer trails, deeper snow, and the chance to run the Iditarod.

Mike and Caitlin settled in Cantwell, Alaska, just outside Denali National Park. This remote village has about 150 year round residents. Mike has worked hard at raising and training the dogs, and more recently, raising and training their 1 year old son Max. Caitlin teaches at the local school. Mike and Caitlin have worked to restore their Alaskan homestead. They spent their first year living in the dog barn, which had a gravel floor, and finally got running water in the spring of 2014.

Sled dogs captivate the imagination of the world and it is really fun to know that you are excited about dogs and the Iditarod. Mike invites you to meet his dogs on his website, to watch them in action on the WolfsDenKennel channel on YouTube, and to visit them in person at DogGoneIt Tours.

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2011	Scratched		2014	Scratched	
2012	34	11:14:20:04	2015	39	11:19:07:23



Brent Sass – Eureka, AK

Website: wildandfreealaska.com

Brent Sass, 36, owner and founder of Wild and Free Mushing, has been racing and training huskies for 13 years. Originally from Excelsior, Minnesota, Sass moved to Alaska in 1998 to “fulfill a lifelong dream of living in Alaska.” He’s been following his dreams ever since. After attending UAF for 4 years and graduating with a major in Geography, he started building log cabins and started his own building and rental cabin business in at the Goldstream Valley outside of Fairbanks. In 2011 he bought a homestead in Eureka, Alaska and has been breeding, raising and training dogs and living a remote wilderness lifestyle ever since. Since his first race in 2006, Sass has placed in over 20 races, including several first place finishes. He has run the 1000 mile Yukon Quest nine times and won the race in 2015. He was the Rookie of the Year in the 2012 Iditarod and is eager to be back on the trail and to the finish line in 2016. Brent’s entire team will be dogs that he has bred, raised and trained their entire life. He has an amazing bond with his dogs and feels that his remote mushing lifestyle will put him in contention to win the race in 2016. Brent lists his occupation as professional dog musher/guide and his hobbies as wilderness travel, hunting and axe throwing.

Total prize money: \$26,700

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2012	13	09:20:25:25	2013	22	09:23:24:03
2012	34	11:14:20:04	2015	Disqualifie	

Awards

2012Jerry Austin Rookie of the Year



Justin Savidis – Willow, AK

Website: snowhookkennel.com

In 2004, Justin (AJ), 41, and his wife, Rebecca, packed their worldly belongings into a truck and a trailer, complete with a rocking chair strapped to the top, and moved to Willow, Alaska to follow a job offer, and more importantly, to chase down a dream of running dogs. It was a quick journey from having a couple of dogs and handling for other mushers to establishing a kennel of their own, and then setting the goal to prepare for and race in the Iditarod. Today, they operate Snowhook Kennel comprised of 40+ dogs—some are rescues, some procured from other mushers, and others are a result of the Snowhook Kennel recipe. Growing up in Southeast Idaho, Justin has always sought out adventure including mountaineering and whitewater kayaking. Mushing and the Iditarod are a natural fit for Justin's sense of and need for adventure—he and the dogs live for pulling the snow hook! Justin's racing career includes the Rich Allen 'For Love of Dogs' award for exceptional dog care and a 5th place finish in the 2013 Northern Lights 300, a 1st place finish in the 2012 Don Bowers Memorial Sled Dog Race, and a 1st place finish and receiving the Humanitarian Award in the 2011 Don Bowers Memorial Sled Dog Race—the awards for dog care are by far the bigger honors. Justin earned his degree in Parks, Recreation, and Tourism with an emphasis on experiential education from the University of Utah in 2002. Driven to help others, his career path has been focused on working with youth at risk. In addition to running dogs, Justin enjoys kayaking, climbing, languages and reading.

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2010	Scratched		2013	38	11:01:12:14
2011	39	12:06:08:03	2014	33	10:21:18:24
2012	45	12:04:45:53	2015	33	11:00:35:10



Nathan Schroeder –Warba, MN

Website: <http://schroedermushing.com/>

Nathan Schroeder, 38, was born and raised in Warba, Minnesota. He graduated from Mesabi Range Community and Technical College in 1999 as a maintenance mechanic. He has worked as a millwright in Local 1348 for the last 16 years. Nathan was introduced to mushing at the age of 12, when he was given a ride at an elementary school behind a team of malamutes. He has raced numerous races in the "Lower 48." He is a three time champion of the John Beargrease Sled Dog Marathon and a Rookie of the Year in the Iditarod. He says, "It's always been a dream to run the Iditarod. This will be my third race. After last years' race at the finish line, I absolutely needed to return! So here we go again!" Nathan has three young children: Gavin, 5, Sawyer, 3 and Kinley, 2. He enjoys fishing, fishing and more fishing!!!!

Total prize money: \$24,800

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2014	17	09:17:52:51	2015	24	09:23:44:59

Award

2014 Jerry Austin Rookie of the Year



Dallas Seavey – Willow, AK

Website: DallasSeavey.com

Dallas Seavey, 28, current Iditarod champion, was born in Virginia and his family moved to Seward when he was five. He is a third generation musher who grew up helping his dad, Mitch, the 2004/2013 Iditarod champion, train his racing teams. He ran the Jr. Iditarod four times and in 2005, Dallas became the youngest musher in history to run the Iditarod. He also wrestled for Sky View High School and spent one year training at the U.S. Olympic Training Center. He is a High School State Champion, a Jr. National Champion, and was on the 2005 Jr. World team. In 2009, he and his family moved to Willow to “train our Iditarod team.” Dallas’ current occupation is being a keynote speaker. In 2011, he won the Yukon Quest and in 2012, he became the youngest Iditarod champion in its history. He is one of four mushers ever to hold a championship in both the Yukon Quest and the Iditarod. Dallas and his wife, Jen, also an Iditarod veteran, are the parents of five year old Annie.

Total prize money: \$299,200

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2005	51	12:19:34:48	2012	1	09:04:29:26
2007	41	12:08:08:11	2013	4	09:10:20:51
2009	6	10:14:49:45	2014	1	08:13:04:19
2010	8	09:10:04:20	2015	1	08:18:13:06
2011	4	09:02:27:18			

Awards

2009 Horizon Lines Most Improved Musher
 2010 GCI Dorothy G Page Halfway
 2012 Anchorage Chrysler Dodge Truck
 2012 Wells Fargo Winner’s Purse
 2014 City of Nome Lolly Medley Golden Harness 201420142012014
 2014 Wells Fargo Winner’s Purse
 2014 Anchorage Chrysler Dodge Truck



Mitch Seavey – Seward, AK

Website: www.ididaride.com

Mitch Seavey, 56, was born in Minnesota and moved with his family to Alaska in 1963. He graduated from high school in Seward and wrestled for Pacific University in Forest Grove, Oregon. He began mushing in 1963. Mitch's dad, Dan, ran the Iditarod in 1973, so he decided he wanted to run the Iditarod someday. After running eleven Iditarods, Mitch won the race in 2004. In 2008, Mitch was the winner of the All Alaska Sweepstakes, held that year as a commemoration of the original All Alaska Sweepstakes, and then he won the Iditarod again in 2013. He says, “Running the Iditarod is a family tradition.” Mitch and Janine are the parents of four boys, three of whom have run the Jr. Iditarod and the Iditarod, Danny, Tyrell

and Dallas. The youngest, Conway, is 18 and won the Jr. Iditarod in 2012 & 2014. He says his hobbies are writing, family and hunting.

Total prize money: \$627,905.33

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
1982	22	17:10:27:00	2005	3	09:19:20:58
1995	20	11:07:00:00	2006	9	11:07:39:27
1996	15	10:06:27:00	2007	9	09:19:30:23
1997	16	10:14:31:55	2008	7	09:20:42:31
1998	4	09:12:18:00	2009	4	10:14:18:00
1999	11	10:14:26:29	2010	10	09:12:08:54
2000	9	09:19:15:45	2011	Scratched	
2001	42	13:07:56:06	2012	7	09:13:10:58
2002	11	09:14:25:10	2013	1	09:07:39:56
2003	12	10:14:12:100	2014	3	08:15:39:40
2004	1	09:12:20:22	2015	2	08:22:22:56

Awards

2004 Lolly Medley Golden Harness
 2004 Wells Fargo Winner's Purse
 2013 Anchorage Chrysler Winner's Truck
 2013 Wells Fargo Winner's Purse
 2013 Lolly Medley Golden Harness
 2013 Wells Fargo Gold Coast



Scott Smith – Willow, AK
 Website: RDRKENNEL.com

Scott Smith, 46, was born and raised in Maine. He attended UMO and Unity College majoring in fisheries management. He has worked as a commercial diver, commercial fisherman, hunting, fishing and whitewater guide, outfitter, heavy equipment operator and carpenter. After spending 11 years in Wyoming where he got his start in dog racing, Smith moved his kennel to Willow, Alaska in 2005 and now calls that home. He is a veteran of both the Iditarod and Yukon Quest and is eager to do another 1000 mile race with his RDR kennel mates. "I'm grateful for the opportunity to be getting back on the trail with my dogs and look to learn and improve as always." When Scott is not at work in the Oil and Gas Industry or building/rebuilding something other than a dog team, he enjoys hunting, fishing and traveling.

Total prize money: \$5,700

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2004	48	11:22:06:09	2008	34	11:04:10:36
2005	scratched		2015	26	10:06:12:26

2007	35	11:19:09:49			
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Cim Smyth – Big Lake, AK

Website: www.perseverancespringsfarm.com

Cim Smyth, 39, was born and raised in Fairbanks, Alaska. The family moved to the Wasilla area in 1991. He is the son of Iditarod veteran "Bud" Smyth. Cim says he's been mushing "since I was big enough to stand on a sled." He lists his occupation wild land firefighter. He is married to Corrine. They have a daughter, Norie, age 2. He enjoys horses, hunting, fishing and gardening.

Total prize money: \$192,386

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
1996	18	10:08:00:00	2009	5	10:14:27:50
2003	27	11:42:14:44	2010	23	10:05:05:00
2004	43	11:18:58:00	2011	21	10:05:59:44
2005	34	11:12:24:50	2012	24	10:21:26:58
2006	12	09:23:31:50	2013	15	09:19:08:22
2007	11	10:02:16:40	2014	24	10:04:11:22
2008	12	09:22:24:19			

Awards

1996 Nome Kennel Club Fastest Time Safety to Nome
 1996 Rookie of the Year
 2004 Sportsmanship
 2004 Most Inspirational Musher
 2006 Nome Kennel Club Fastest Time Safety to Nome
 2007 Nome Kennel Club Fastest Time Safety to Nome
 2008 Nome Kennel Club Fastest Time Safety to Nome
 2013 Sportsmanship



Billy Snodgrass – Dubois, WY

Website: www.distancedogfood.com

Billy Snodgrass, 59, was born and raised on a ranch in central Wyoming. He is a fourth generation Wyoming cowboy. Billy has spent the last 10 years outfitting and dog mushing in the mountains of Dubios. He says, "I run the Iditarod for the adventure." He lives with his horses and 140 sled dogs and owns the Distance Dog Food Company and Continental Dog Sled Adventures. He began mushing in 1981 and used dog teams to get into his ranch. He says he wanted to run Iditarod ever since he first started mushing. He has finished the Iditarod four times and competed in many mid-distance races. He has three grandchildren and says he loves tennis and a "good beach." His life motto is, "It's a great day to be alive—if you don't think so, you're going to have to leave—because you'll only bring the rest of us down."

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
1998	47	13:23:04:23	2010	48	12:05:34:20
2000	45	12:06:31:14	2011	37	12:05:39:20

**Robert Sørli – Hurdal, NORWAY**Website: www.sled.no

Robert Sørli, 59, was born and raised in Norway. He began mushing in 1970 and became interested in the Iditarod after “winning all the long distance races in Europe. I wanted more challenge.” He has since won the Iditarod twice. He his back because he wants to finish in a better place than last time he ran. Robert is married to Elin and they are the parents of two adult children, Håkon and Magnus. Robert says he enjoys nature and camping.

Prize money: \$206,356.67

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2002	9	09:13:44:52	2007	12	10:04:34:34
2003	1	09:15:47:36	2014	21	09:20:23:26
2005	1	09:18:39:31			

Awards

2003.....Winner’s Purse
 2003.....Anchorage Chrysler Dodge Winner’s Truck
 2005.....Anchorage Chrysler Dodge Winner’s Truck
 2005.....PenAir Spirit of Iditarod
 2005.....GCI Dorothy G Page Halfway
 2005.....Wells Fargo Gold Coast
 2014.....Northern Air Cargo 4-Wheeler Drawing

**Jan Steves – Edmonds, Washington**Website: www.jansteves.com

Jan Steves, 59, was born and raised in Edmonds, Washington. In 2009, she moved to Alaska to run dogs and train for the Iditarod. A 1974 graduate of Edmonds High School, she attended the University of Washington. She is currently employed in musher property management. She began mushing in 2008 and says she became interested in the Iditarod “when I first spent time with sled dogs in 2007.” “I had a dream,” she says. Jan is the mother of three adult children, Nicole, Tyler, and Kelsey. She is a member of Willow Dog Mushers and Everett Mountaineers. She lists her hobbies as hiking, boating, fishing and skiing.

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2012	53	14:11:57:03	2014	Scratched	
2013	Scratched		2015	Scratched	

Award

2012.....Wells Fargo Red Lantern



Melissa (Owens) Stewart) – Wasilla, AK

Website: None

Melissa (Owens) Stewart, 26, was born and raised in Nome. She moved to the Mat-Su Valley in 2009 to attend Northern Industrial Training and decided to stay. She later earned a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from the Charter College. Melissa lists her occupation as dog musher and says she has been mushing "since birth." She says she has wanted to run the Iditarod as long as she can remember. "My dad ran the Iditarod the year I was born and mushing is in my blood. After completing four Jr. Iditarods, I ran my first Iditarod in 2008 and am the youngest female to finish the Iditarod. After taking a few years off, we have decided it is time to come back and run again and show the dogs what it is like to race across Alaska. My husband, Jason, and I now share the responsibilities of the kennel and enjoy spending time with the dogs and seeing them grow as a team. We are excited for this winter."

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2008	30	10:20:21:14	2011	Scratched	
2009	Scratched				



Ed Stielstra – McMillan, MI

Website: www.natureskennel.com

Ed, 46, grew up in Ludington, Michigan enjoying competitive sports, dogs and being outside. After high school, he attended Michigan State University where he received a Bachelor of Science from Lyman Briggs College of Science. Approximately 13 years ago, Ed and his wife left their "real world" jobs to operate Nature's Kennel Sled Dog Adventures and Racing full time. Their kennel is located in Michigan's beautiful Upper Peninsula, and they offer dog sled adventures geared toward the beginner.

Along with tours and racing, Ed and Tasha combine their mushing experience with their past teaching experience to do presentations for students in kindergarten through 8th grade around the US and abroad. Their "Pulling Together" presentations focus on teamwork and respect from a sled dog's viewpoint.

Ed says he ran his first Iditarod in 2004 because, "Basically I got tired of answering the question, 'have you ever run the Iditarod.'"

When not training dogs and entertaining guests, Ed spends his free time with his two children, Nate, 5, and Fern, 3.

Total prize money: \$10,400

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2004	60	12:11:58:52	2009	32	12:06:35:12
2005	43	12:02:40:51	2011	27	10:14:01:30
2006	46	11:18:02:53	2012	25	10:02:59:59
2008	29	10:17:28:05	2013	Scratch	



Sarah Stokey – Seward, AK

Website: www.TurningHeadsKennel.com

Sarah Stokey, 27, was born and raised in Massachusetts. She received her BA from Northeastern University in Sociology. She moved to Seward in 2010 “to pursue a dream of running dogs.” She had wanted to run the Iditarod since she was six and saw the movie, *Iron Will*. In 2011, she met Travis Beals, and they began running dogs together. She enjoys writing, fishing and hiking.



Cody Strathe – Fairbanks, AK

Website: www.squidacres.com

Cody Strathe, 38, was born and raised in Iowa and Wisconsin. He received a BS in Natural Resource Management from the University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point, in 2001. He first came to Alaska in 2001 as a canoe and backcountry guide. He moved to Fairbanks to go to graduate school for archaeology, where he graduated with a masters in anthropology in 2009. He fell in love with mushing after moving to Fairbanks. He has been working as a sled builder and archeologist for the last 10 years. Cody says, “I am happiest in the outdoors exploring. Dogs have made the journey even more amazing. Racing to win is not the main goal of Squid Acres race program. Our dogs’ health and happiness is our number one priority. Winning with a happy healthy team is possible and is our goal.”

This will be Cody’s rookie year in the Iditarod, but he has completed the Yukon Quest and other mid distance races in Alaska. He began mushing in 2007 and says, “I first became interested in running the Iditarod when I realized I had an awesome team of dogs. They deserve to show what they are made of.”

Cody is married to Paige Drobny, a veteran of the last two Iditarod races.



Michael Williams, Jr. – Akiak, AK

Website: None

Michael Williams, Jr., 31, was born and raised in Akiak, Alaska. He says, “I have been involved with mushing since birth and have trained and raced dogs ever since I can remember. My dad has been racing the Kusko 300 and the Iditarod for many years and I helped train his team while he was attending meetings.” He graduated from Galena High School and attended AVTEC for one year. He is married to Phyllis Charlie and they are the parents of three, Patton, Daniel and Kohl. Michael says he enjoys hunting and fishing in his spare time.

Total prize money: \$83,900

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2010	26	10:06:44:36	2013	23	10:01:57:30
2011	13	09:11:59:05	2014	11	09:11:50:02

2012	8	09:13:12:18			
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Award

2014Sportsmanship



Monica Zappa – Kasimov, AK

Website: www.teamzappa.com

Monica Zappa, 32, was born and raised in Cumberland, Wisconsin. She holds a bachelor's degree in Meteorology and a master's in Geography from the University of Oklahoma. She has also completed one year of a PhD program in Geography. While attending school she worked at the National Weather Center there. She moved to Kasilof in the spring of 2010, to run dogs and work as a handler for Bruce Linton. Then she says, "Tim Osmar talked me into living and working with him in the fall of 2010 and I haven't left." Her main occupation is commercial fishing, but she does a lot of other things to pay the bills. Her latest venture is making Mending Twine Bracelets. She hopes to sell them this season to help afford Iditarod; they can be purchased on her webpage. Monica grew up in a mushing family. Both her parents competed in and officiated the John Beargrease Sled Dog Marathon. She explained that her dad's dream was to run the Iditarod but he died before it happened. Monica and Tim have been "Mushing to Save Bristol Bay" since 2012 and join their dogs in always standing up for the wild salmon when foreign mining giants threaten them.

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2014	47	13:04:08:15	2015	47	12:03:13:00



Aliy Zirkle – Two Rivers, AK

Website: www.SPKDogLog.com

Aliy Zirkle, 46, was born in New Hampshire. She spent her childhood in New Hampshire, Puerto Rico, and Missouri. She graduated from the University of Pennsylvania with a degree in Biology and Anthropology and came to Alaska in 1990, where she lived in a wall tent on the Alaskan Peninsula and worked for the United States Fish and Wildlife Service. She's lived in Two Rivers for the last 18 years and says she "enjoys the community and the surrounding wild lands." Aliy lists her occupation as "dog musher" and has finished the Iditarod 15 times. "Iditarod is my passion, my job, my life...Alaskan husky sled dogs are the focus of my life. We breed, raise and train the best individual dogs we possibly can at SP Kennel in Two Rivers. I began mushing dogs over 20 years ago because I enjoyed dogs. I still do. We have some of the most talented, fun-loving, dedicated sled dogs in the world so racing them on the largest stage in the world –the Iditarod—seems only fitting!" Aliy has two adult step daughters, Bridgett and Jennifer. When asked what she enjoys, she says "exploring Alaska and drinking good coffee."

Total prize money: \$312,739.11

YEAR	POSITION	TIME	YEAR	POSITION	TIME
2001	33	12:17:53:33	2009	17	11:02:28:45

2002	29	10:28:01:45	2010	16	09:18:05:10
2003	14	10:17:17:38	2011	11	09:10:22:31
2004	34	11:02:04:44	2012	2	09:05:29:10
2005	11	10:01:46:30	2013	2	09:08:93:35
2006	14	10:00:36:50	2014	2	08:13:06:41
2007	28	10:19:57:07	2015	5	09:04:44:25
2008	21	10:07:10:21			

Awards

2005 Alaska Airlines Leonhard Seppala Humanitarian
 2011 Leonhard Seppala Humanitarian
 2012 PenAir Spirit of Alaska
 2012 Wells Fargo Gold Coast
 2014 Bristol Bay Native Corporation First Fish

FAMOUS MUSHERS ASSOCIATED WITH THE IDITAROD

Joe Redington, Sr. – Co-founder and affectionately known as the “Father of the Iditarod.”

Rick Swenson – The only five-time champion, only champion to win in three different decades and the only musher to have completed 30 Iditarods.

Dick Mackey – The 1978 winner in the only photo finish in Iditarod’s history.

Col. Norman D Vaughan – Finished the race for the fourth time in 1988 at the age of 88 and led an expedition to Antarctica in the winter of 1993-’94.

Susan Butcher – The first woman to ever place in the top ten and the first four-time winner.

Libby Riddles – In 1985, the first woman to win the Iditarod.

Emmitt Peters – Set a race record in 1975 that wasn’t broken until 1980, known as the Yukon River Fox.

Rick Mackey – Wearing bib number 13, the same number his father wore in 1978, crossed the finish line first in 1983, making Dick and Rick the only father and son to have won the Iditarod.

Joe Runyan – 1989 champion and the only musher to have won the Alpinrod in Europe, the Yukon Quest and the Iditarod.

Terry Adkins – Retired from the United States Air Force, the only veterinarian on the first Iditarod in 1973 and now one of only eight mushers to have completed at least 18 Iditarods.

Doug Swingley – The first Iditarod winner living outside Alaska and the second four-time winner.

Martin Buser – A four-time winner who holds the record winning time and was the first musher to break the nine-day barrier.

Herbie Nayokpuk – The Eskimo from Shishmaref, the “Shishmaref Cannonball” who raced in eleven Iditarods.

DeeDee Jonrowe, Charlie Boulding, and Lance Mackey – All came back to race again after life-threatening bouts with cancer.

Robert Sørli – First musher from out of the United States (Norway) to win the Iditarod.

Lance Mackey – Won the 2007 Iditarod after winning the Yukon Quest only 10 days earlier. He was the first musher to have won both races in the same year and made Dick Mackey the only father to have won the Iditarod and to have two sons also win the Iditarod, all wearing bib number 13. Lance Mackey repeated his feat of winning both the Yukon Quest and Iditarod in 2008. Lance is the first musher to ever win four consecutive Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Races in a row (2007, 2008, 2009, 2010).

John Baker – First Eskimo to win the Iditarod and also set fastest winning time of eight days, 18

hours, 46 minutes and 39 seconds in 2011.

Dan Seavey – 1973 Inaugural musher who ran again in 2012 to celebrate the 100 anniversary of the Iditarod Trail, he is father of Mitch and grandfather of Dallas.

Dallas Seavey – 2012, 2014 and 2015 champion, the youngest Iditarod winner in all three years.

Mitch Seavey – 2013 champion, the oldest musher to ever win the Iditarod as of 2013.

DICTIONARY OF MUSHING TERMINOLOGY

- **Gee** - Command for right turn
- **Haw** - Command for left turn
- **Come Gee! Come Haw!** - Commands for 180-degree turns in either direction
- **Line Out!** - Command to lead dog to pull the team out straight from the sled. Used mostly while hooking dogs into team or unhooking them
- **Mush! Hike! All Right! Let's Go!** - Commands to start the team
- **Whoa!** - Command used to half the team, accompanied by heavy pressure on the brake

NOTE: Teams are directed through spoken orders. The leader of the team must understand all that is said and guide the others according. An intelligent leader is an absolute necessity. At times it appears that there is E.S.P. between musher and the leader.

Mushing Vocabulary:

- **Alaskan Husky** - "Breed" generally used as sled dog. Not recognized by the American Kennel Club.
- **Booties** - Type of sock made to protect dogs' feet from small cuts and sores. They are usually made out of a light weight pack cloth.
- **Dog in Basket** - Tired or injured dog carried in sled.
- **Double Lead** - Two dogs that lead the team side by side.
- **Indian Dog** - An Alaskan Husky from an Indian village.
- **Lead Dog or Leader** - Dog(s) who run in front of others and are generally must be both intelligent and fast.
- **Swing Dog/Dogs** - Dogs that runs directly behind the leader and help "swing" the team in the turns or curves.
- **Malamute** - A registered breed, larger than most sled dogs Term often used by old timers for any sled dog Breed not often used in mushing teams.
- **Neck Line** - A line that connects a dog's collar to the tow line and between the two collars of a double lead
- **Pedaling** - Pushing the sled with one foot while the other remains on the runner
- **Rigging** - Collection of lines to which dogs are attached and includes towline, tug lines and necklines.
- **Runners** - Two bottom pieces of the sled that come in contact with the snow and extend back to the basket for the driver to stand on. Runners are usually wood, covered with plastic or Teflon, which is usually replaced at least once during the Race.
- **Slats** - Thin strips of wood that make up the bottom of a wooden sled basket.
- **Snow Hook or Ice Hook** - A heavy piece of metal attached to sled by line and embedded in the snow in order to hold the team for short periods of time.
- **Snub Line** - Rope attached to the sled used to tie the sled to a tree or other object.
- **Stove Up** - Injured generally temporarily and applies to both mushers and dogs.
- **Tether Line** - A long chain with shorter pieces of chain extending from it and used to stake out a team when stakes aren't available.

ANIMAL WELFARE

The Iditarod Trail Committee (ITC) takes great pride in its role of providing excellence in canine athlete care, not only during the race but also through an extensive program of pre-race veterinary screening.

- A licensed veterinarian performs a complete pre-race physical examination on each canine athlete within 14 days of the race start. Within 30 days of the race start, each dog receives an ECG evaluation to check for heart abnormalities. Since the implementation of this measure, four canine athletes have not been allowed to race.
- Pre-race blood work (CBC's and Chemistry panels) is performed on each canine athlete.
- All canine athletes are identified with a microchip implant.
- All canine athletes have current vaccinations and are de-wormed within 10 days of the race start.
- Rookie mushers are required to complete qualifying races of considerable distance before entering the Iditarod to ensure that they are experienced in providing the proper care (nutrition, hydration, rest, etc.) for their teams. In addition, the ITC hosts a mandatory two-day rookie seminar in December prior to the race.
- In addition to the high standard of care provided by the mushers themselves, 35 licensed, professional veterinarians, volunteer their time on the trail to perform routine evaluations and administer any necessary treatments.
- During the Race itself, well over 10,000 planned checkpoint examinations take place.
- Canine care diaries are carried by each musher and are utilized by the mushers and veterinarians at each checkpoint to serve as a written medical record for each athlete in the race.
- All mushers competing in the Iditarod are members of P.R.I.D.E., which stands for "Providing Responsible Information on a Dog's Environment" and is an organization whose membership consists of a wide variety of mushers, veterinarians and other interested individuals from around the world. Those familiar with sled dogs will appreciate the guidelines established by P.R.I.D.E. as being sound advice for the care of this special breed of dog.
- The International Sled Dog Veterinary Medical Association (I.S.D.V.M.A.) published The Musher and Veterinary Handbook, a highly regarded resource which provides important information to the musher and veterinarian alike. As an organization consisting primarily of medical professionals with an interest in and/or experience in working with sled dogs, the I.S.D.V.M.A. actively promotes and encourages their welfare and safety. Many members of the organization have served as trail veterinarians during the Iditarod itself. The I.S.D.V.M.A. also supports and

encourages scientific research to further a better understanding of the racing sled dog.

- Race policies and rules are written with the greatest emphasis on the proper care and treatment of the canine athletes. Any musher found guilty of inhumane treatment will be disqualified and banned from competition in future Iditarod's.
- Ongoing, random drug testing is conducted throughout the race. In the 10 years of this program, no drug test has ever been positive.
- The result of these efforts is a level of health care and screening that even an overwhelming majority of the human population will never experience

SPECIAL AWARDS HISTORY

HONORARY MUSER

Leonhard Seppala was honored as the number 1 musher through 1979. In 1980, the Iditarod Committee decided to have "Wild Bill" Shannon share the honor. Since then, the directors have chosen a person or persons, not necessarily mushers, who have made a significant contribution to the sport of sled dog racing. The Honorary Musher is listed as the first one out of the starting chute.

1973	Leonhard Seppala	1996	Bill Vaudrin
1974	Leonhard Seppala	1997	Dorothy G Page
1975	Leonhard Seppala	1998	Joel Kottke & Lolly Medley
1976	Leonhard Seppala	1999	Violet "Vi" Redington & George Rae
1978	Leonhard Seppala	2000	Joe Redington Sr., Edgar Nollner & John Schultz
1979	Leonhard Seppala	2001	Don Bowers & RW Van Pelt, Jr., DVM
1980	Leonard Seppala & "Wild Bill" Shannon	2002	Earl Norris & Isaac Okleasik
1981	Edgar Kalland	2003	Howard & Julie Farley
1982	Billy McCarty	2004	Terry Adkins & Harry Pitka
1983	Charles Evans & Edgar Nollner	2005	Larry Thompson & Jirdes Winther Baxter
1984	Pete MacMannus & Howard Albert	2006	Gene Leonard
1985	William A Egan	2007	Susan Butcher
1986	Fred Machetanz	2008	Max Lowe
1987	Eva Brunell "Short" Seeley	2009	Rod and Carol Udd
1988	Marvin "Muktuk" Marston	2010	Oren Seybert
1989	Otis Delvin "Del" Carter, DVM & John	2011	Tom Busch & KNOM
1990	Victor "Duke" Kotongan & Henry Ivanoff	2012	Dave Olson
1991	Wild Bill Shannon & Dr. Roland Lombard	2013	Jan Newton
1992	Herbie Nayokpuk	2014	Deby Trosper
1993	Leroy Swenson & Pat Curan	2015	Philip Esai
1994	Dick Tozier & Mike Merkling	2016	Joanne Potts
1995	John Komak		

ALASKA AIRLINES LEONHARD SEPPALA HUMANITARIAN AWARD

This highly coveted award is presented to the musher who has best demonstrated outstanding care of his or her team throughout the race, while remaining competitive. Criteria have been determined for the award. Upon arrival in Nome, each of the top 20 teams will be judged based on those criteria. The recipient of this award receives a beautiful engraved lead crystal trophy.

1982	Joe May	1999	Rick Mackey
1983	Rick Mackey	2000	Bruce Lee
1984	Burt Bomhoff	2001	Sonny King
1985	Libby Riddles	2002	Lynda Plettner
1986	Rick Atkinson	2003	Jeff King
1987	Dave Olesen	2004	Rick Swenson
1988	Martin Buser	2005	Aliy Zirkle
1989	Frank Teasley	2006	Paul Gebhardt
1990	Linwood Fiedler	2007	Ed Iten

1991	DeeDee Jonrowe	2008	Jeff King
1992	Rick Swenson	2009	Lance Mackey
1993	Martin Buser	2010	Sebastian Schnuelle
1994	Bill Cotter	2011	Aliy Zirkle
1995	Martin Buser	2012	DeeDee Jonrowe
1996	Dave Sawatzky	2013	Jake Berkowitz
1997	Martin Buser	2014	Martin Buser
1998	Paul Gebhardt	2015	Nicolas Petit

ANCHORAGE CHRYSLER DODGE JEEP RAM OFFICIAL TRUCK AWARD

For the 26th consecutive year, the Iditarod® Champion will be awarded a new 2016 RAM 1500 4x4 pickup truck valued at \$40,000. Owner, Rod Udd, of Anchorage Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram has been the sole sponsor of this award since 2002.

1991	Rick Swenson	2004	Mitch Seavey
1992	Martin Buser	2005	Robert Sørli
1993	Jeff King	2006	Jeff King
1994	Martin Buser	2007	Lance Mackey
1995	Doug Swingley	2008	Lance Mackey
1996	Jeff King	2009	Lance Mackey
1997	Martin Buser	2010	Lance Mackey
1998	Jeff King	2011	John Baker
1999	Doug Swingley	2012	Dallas Seavey
2000	Doug Swingley	2013	Mitch Seavey
2001	Doug Swingley	2014	Dallas Seavey
2002	Martin Buser	2015	Dallas Seavey
2003	Robert Sørli	2016	

GCI DOROTHY G. PAGE HALFWAY AWARD

While there was obviously a “first musher to the halfway point” in every race, there are no records of who that person was prior to 1980 when the first Halfway Award was presented. GCI became the sponsor of this award in 1994. The winning musher receives the award on the spot and then it is symbolically presented in Nome. This award, given in honor of the late “Mother of the Iditarod,” is presented in Iditarod in the odd years when the race follows the southern trail from Ophir to Kaltag, and at Cripple in the even years when the northern trail is followed. The first musher to Iditarod will receive a trophy and \$3,000 in gold nuggets symbolic of the history of this interior area of the Iditarod Mining District. A beautiful perpetual trophy made of Alaskan birch and marble and featuring a photograph of the late Dorothy G. Page remains year round at Iditarod headquarters.

1980	Herbie Nayokpuk	N	06:09:21	1998	John Baker	N	03:10:38
1981	Larry Smith	S	06:05:29	1999	Doug Swingley	S	03:11:35
1982	Emmitt Peters	N	05:10:02	2000	Doug Swingley	N	03:12:22
1983	Eep Anderson	S	05:07:04	2001	Doug Swingley	S	03:12:45
1984	Dean Osmar	N	05:15:08	2002	Martin Buser	N	03:07:45

1985	Burt Bomhoff	S	10:01:20	2003	Robert Sørлие	Changed Route	03:16:41
1986	Jerry Austin	N	05:14:00	2004	Martin Buser	N	04:09:02
1987	Dewey Halverson	S	05:08:14	2005	Robert Sørлие	S	03:10:05
1988	Joe Redington Sr	N	04:19:14	2006	Doug Swingley	N	03:10:09
1989	Susan Butcher	S	05:12:45	2007	Lance Mackey	S	03:10:11
1990	Lavon Barve	N	06:13:57	2008	DeeDee Jonrowe	N	05:12:08
1991	S.Butcher/D. Jonrowe	S	05:16:38	2009	Lance Mackey	S	04:03:20
1992	Doug Swingley	N	04:19:58	2010	Dallas Seavey	N	03:10:08
1993	Jeff King	S	05:04:10	2011	Trent Herbst	S	03:15:29
1994	Dave Olesen	N	05:50:00	2012	Jim Lanier	N	03:53:00
1995	Doug Swingley	S	03:12:50	2013	Lance Mackey	S	03:06:30
1996	Martin Buser	N	04:01:04	2014	Aaron Burmeister	N	03:44:00
1997	Jeff King	S	04:05:06	2015	Aaron Burmeister	Changed Route	02:18:36

BRISTOL BAY NATIVE CORPORATION FISH FIRST AWARD

Bristol Bay Native Corporation traditionally presents this award to the first musher to Galena. The musher will receive a check for \$2,000 and 25 pounds of Bristol Bay salmon. The award will be represented at the awards banquet in Nome.

2014	Aliy Zirkle	2016	
2015	Aaron Burmeister	2017	

WELLS FARGO'S GOLD COAST AWARD

This was first presented in 1987 and again in 1988. After not having a Gold Coast Award for four years, the National Bank of Alaska (now Wells Fargo Bank Alaska) began sponsoring the award in 1993. The first musher into Unalakleet is presented with a beautiful trophy and \$3,500 worth of gold nuggets. The presentation takes place in Unalakleet and again at the banquet in Nome. A beautiful perpetual trophy commemorating this award is on display year-round at the Iditarod headquarters.

1987	Dewey Halverson	2004	Kjetil Backen
1988	Martin Buser	2005	Robert Sørлие
1993	Rick Mackey	2006	Jeff King
1994	Martin Buser	2007	Jeff King
1995	Doug Swingley	2008	Jeff King
1996	Jeff King	2009	Lance Mackey
1997	Martin Buser	2010	Lance Mackey
1998	Jeff King	2011	John Baker
1999	Doug Swingley	2012	Aliy Zirkle
2000	Doug Swingley	2013	Mitch Seavey
2001	Doug Swingley	2014	Aliy Zirkle
2002	Martin Buser	2015	Aaron Burmeister
2003	Robert Sørлие	2016	

RED LANTERN AWARD

The Red Lantern Award goes to the last musher across the finish line. The award is traditionally presented at the Red Lantern Banquet. However, in 1998 Brad Pozarnsky became the first red lantern winner to cross the finish line in time to be recognized at the first banquet in Nome and in 2002 and since then, in 2010 – 2014, the Red Lantern has been awarded at the first banquet.

1973	John Schultz	32:05:09:01	1995	Ben Jacobson	17:06:02:05
1974	Red Olson	29:06:36:19	1996	Andy Sterns	15:23:48:22
1975	Steve Fee	29:08:37:13	1997	Ken Chase	15:09:07:44
1976	Dennis Corrington	26:08:42:51	1998	Brad Pozarnsky	14:05:42:04
1977	Vasily Zamitkyn	22:09:06:06	1999	Jeremy Gebauer	15:03:18:44
1978	Andrew Foxie	22:03:29:44	2000	Fedor Konyukhov	15:05:44:44
1979	Gene Leonard	24:09:02:22	2001	Karen Ramstead	14:23:53:16
1980	Barbara Moore	24:09:25:45	2002	David Straub	14:05:38:12
1981	Jim Strong	18:06:30:30	2003	Russell Bybee	15:05:30:53
1982	Ralph Bradley	26:13:59:59	2004	Perry Solmonson	15:02:50:36
1983	Scott Cameron	21:04:36:41	2005	Phil Morgan	15:06:02:57
1984	Bill Mackey	19:09:43:33	2006	Glenn Lockwood	15:18:08:56
1985	Monique Bene	22:03:45:45	2007	Ellen Halverson	16:11:56:20
1986	Mike Peterson	20:13:42:21	2008	Deborah Bicknell	15:05:36:12
1987	Rhodi Karella	19:09:01:01	2009	Tim Hunt	15:14:06:22
1988	Lesley Monk	19:13:22:55	2010	Celeste Davis	13:05:06:40
1989	Bob Hoyte	17:11:19:19	2011	Ellen Halverson	13:19:45:49
1990	Steve Haver	21:10:26:26	2012	Jan Steves	14:11:57:03
1991	Brian O'Donoghue	22:05:55:55	2013	Christine Roalofs	13:22:36:08
1992	Vern Cherneski	18:13:05:02	2014	Marcelle Fressineau	13:04:42:08
1993	Lloyd Gilbertson	18:04:49:19	2015	Cindy Abbott	13:11:19:51
1994	Mark Chapoton	16:16:17:35	2016		

PENAIR'S SPIRIT OF ALASKA AWARD

PenAir traditionally presents this award to the first musher into McGrath. The award was chosen to reflect the perseverance and hard work of the Iditarod mushers just as it serves as PenAir's slogan and embodies its long history in serving the state of Alaska. The musher receives an original "spirit mask," specifically created for this event by Bristol Bay artist, Orville Lind, and \$500 credit on PenAir towards air travel or freight shipments.

2000	Paul Gebhardt	2008	Lance Mackey
2001	Linwood Fiedler	2009	Aaron Burmeister
2002	Martin Buser	2010	Jeff King
2003	Robert Sørli	2011	Martin Buser
2004	Jeff King	2012	Aliy Zirkle
2005	Robert Sørli	2013	Aaron Burmeister
2006	Doug Swingley	2014	Sonny Lindner
2007	Martin Buser	2015	Mitch Seavey

EXXONMOBIL MUSHERS CHOICE AWARD

Each year, the official finishers make the decision as to who of their number was the most inspirational on the trail. In 2010, ExxonMobil became the sponsor of the award. The winner is presented with an Iditarod Limited Edition Gold Coin, which is valued at \$3,990, surrounded by a gold chain rope.

1986	Terry Adkins	2001	Palmer Sagoonick
1987	Norman D Vaughan	2002	Lance Mackey
1988	Joe Redington Sr. & Herbie Nayokpuk	2003	DeeDee Jonrowe & Charlie Boulding
1989	Joe Redington Sr.	2004	Cim Smyth
1990	Lavon Barve	2005	Martin Buser
1991	Lavon Barve & Joe Garnie	2006	Tove Sorenson
1992	Mike Williams	2007	Lance Mackey
1993	DeeDee Jonrowe	2008	Jennifer Freking
1994	Dave Olesen & Bruce Lee	2009	Trent Herbst
1995	Peryll Kyzer	2010	Jim Lanier
1996	Rick Swenson	2011	Rick Swenson
1997	Joe Redington Sr.	2012	Dan Seavey
1998	Mike Williams	2013	Mike Williams, Sr.
1999	Sonny Lindner	2014	Aaron Burmeister
2000	Emmitt Peters	2015	Jason Mackey

THE LAKEFRONT ANCHORAGE'S FIRST MUSER TO THE YUKON AWARD

This award was originally presented in 1983 and 1984. Three years later, race sponsor Regal Alaskan Hotel (then the Millennium and now The Lakefront Anchorage) began sponsoring this award. The winning musher receives a seven-course dinner at either Ruby or Anvik (depending on whether the race is on the northern or southern route) and \$3,500 in \$1 bills as an "after-dinner mint," served up in a commemorative gold pan. At the banquet in Nome, this is presented again. A commemorative plaque hangs year-round at Iditarod headquarters.

1983	Larry "Cowboy" Smith	2001	Linwood Fiedler
1984	Dean Osmar	2002	Martin Buser
1987	Jerry Austin	2003	Robert Sørli
1988	Joe Redington Sr.	2004	Jeff King
1989	Rick Swenson	2005	Paul Gebhardt
1990	Susan Butcher	2006	Paul Gebhardt
1991	Jeff King	2007	Martin Buser
1992	Joe Runyan	2008	Lance Mackey
1993	Jeff King	2009	Lance Mackey
1994	Rick Mackey	2010	Jeff King
1995	Doug Swingley	2011	Hugh Neff
1996	Martin Buser	2012	Was Not Presented
1997	Martin Buser	2013	Martin Buser
1998	John Baker	2014	Jeff King
1999	Doug Swingley	2015	Jeff King
2000	Doug Swingley	2016	

DONLIN GOLD SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

A sportsmanship award was initiated in 1977 by the Alaska Native Brotherhood to honor Native musher Ken Chase. The ANB continued to present the Ken Chase Sportsmanship Award through 1982. Since then, the award has been presented by the Iditarod Trail Committee, and various other sponsors, to the person chosen by his/her peers as the best sportsman on the trail. In 2015, Donlin Gold began sponsoring the award. The winner will receive a \$3,500 check and a commemorative trophy.

1977	Ken Chase	1997	Don Bowers
1978	James Brandon	1998	Martin Buser
1979	Sonny Lindner	1999	Jim Gallea, Jeremy Gebauer, Matt Hayashida
1980	Marc Boily	2000	Ramy Brooks
1981	DeeDee Jonrowe	2001	John Barron
1982	Dean Osmar	2002	Rick Swenson
1983	Rick Swenson	2003	Jim Lanier & Sonny Lindner
1984	Dave Olson	2004	Cim Smyth
1985	Terry Adkins & Alan Cheshire	2005	Martin Buser
1986	Dave Olesen	2006	Tollef Monson
1987	Jerry Austin	2007	Tollef Monson
1988	Ted English	2008	Ray Redington, Jr.
1989	Linwood Fiedler, Jamie Nelson, Cathy Halverson, Mitch Brazin, Bernie Willis & Jerry Austin	2009	Aaron Burmeister
1990	Joe Redington, Sr.	2010	Ray Redington, Jr.
1991	Terry Adkins	2011	Allen Moore
1992	Bob Hickel	2012	Lance Mackey
1993	Dave Olesen & Jerry Austin	2013	Cim Smyth
1994	Beth Baker & Jamie Nelson	2014	Michael Williams, Jr.
1995	Cliff Roberson	2015	Lance Mackey
1996	Dewey Halverson	2016	

HORIZON LINES MOST IMPROVED MUSER AWARD

The concept for an award for the most improved musher began in 1987 when the mushers honored Ted English. English had finished 18th in his second race and eighth the following year. Horizon Lines has presented this award since 2006. The winner receives a check for \$2,000 and an engraved trophy at the banquet in Nome.

1987	Ted English	18 th in 1986 and 8 th in 1987
1989	Tim Mowry	42 nd in '88 and 27 th in '89
1990	Mike Madden	Scratched due to severe illness in 1989 and finished 13 th in '90
1991	Frank Teasley	31 st in '88, 19 th in '89 and 6 th in '91
1992	Claire Philip	26 th in '87, 13 th in '92, her next Iditarod
1993	Bob Holder	49 th in '92, 33 rd in '93
1994	Charlie Boulding	43 rd in '92 and 7 th in '94
1995	Harry Caldwell	44 th in '94 and 25 th in '95
1996	David Scheer	37 th in 1986 and 12 th in 1996, his next Iditarod
1997	Bill Bass	56 th in 1992 and 38 th in 1997, his next Iditarod
1998	Sonny King	42 nd in 1997 and 25 th in 1998
1999	Max Hall	46 th in 1995 and 37 th in 1999, his next Iditarod
2000	Ramy Brooks	18 th in 1998 and 4 th in 2000, his next Iditarod
2001	Dan Govoni	60 th in 2000 and 28 th in 2001
2002	Lynda Plettner	66 th in 2000 to 20 th in 2002
2003	Clint Warnke	53 rd in 2001 to 26 th in 2003
2004	Jason Barron	42 nd in 2002 to 12 th in 2004
2005	Harmony Barron	68 th in 2004 to 39 th in 2005
2006	Rick Casillo	57 th in 2004 to 34 th in 2006
2007	Tollef Monson	44 th in 2006 to 10 th in 2007
2008	Warren Palfrey	60 th in 2007 to 20 th in 2008
2009	Dallas Seavey	41 st in 2007 to 6 th in 2009
2010	Sam Deltour	60 th in 2008 to 41 st in 2010
2011	Trent Herbst	49 th in 2010 to 27 th in 2011
2012	Rohn Buser	37 th in 2008 to 18 th in 2012, his next Iditarod
2013	Nick Petit	29 th in 2012 to 6 th in 2013
2014	Richie Diehl	36 th in 2013 to 14 th in 2014
2015	Travis Beals	37 th in 2014 to 11 th in 2015

JERRY AUSTIN MEMORIAL ROOKIE OF THE YEAR AWARD

There has obviously been a top finishing rookie in every Iditarod. In fact, rookies won the first three races. It wasn't until 1976 that the top-finishing rookie was not the winner. In 1979, the city of St. Michael instituted an award honoring the top-finishing rookie. When the City elected not to continue the award the following year, Jerry and Clara Austin picked it up and continued to present the award each year. For purposes of this award, a rookie is defined as a musher racing his/her first Iditarod. Since 1981, Jerry and Clara Austin have presented a beautiful trophy to the top-placing rookie, along with a check for \$1,500. Following Jerry's death in 2010, the award was renamed the Jerry Austin Memorial Rookie of the Year Award.

1973	Dick Wilmarth	1	20:00:49:41	1995	David Sawatzky	15	10:12:58:03
1974	Carl Huntington	1	20:15:01:00	1996	Cim Smyth	18	10:08:00:00
1975	Emmitt Peters	1	14:14:43:15	1997	Kris Swanguarin	20	10:19:26:01
1976	Harry Sutherland	3	19:04:02:52	1998	Mark May	20	10:19:44:40
1977	Pete MacManus	13	17:12:17:41	1999	Harald Tunheim	19	11:01:47:36
1978	Sonny Lindner	11	15:12:03:03	2000	Tony Willis	27	10:13:33:52
1979	Gary Hokenan	11	16:16:57:05	2001	Jessica Royer	14	11:23:04:40
1980	Donna Gentry	10	15:16:39:06	2002	Robert Sørli	9	09:13:44:52
1981	Gary Attla	17	13:22:01:37	2003	Jessica Hendricks	19	11:02:40:17
1982	Stan Zuray	9	16:06:44:00	2004	Hugh Neff	22	10:16:21:01
1983	Roger Legaard	10	13:11:33:45	2005	Bjørnar Andersen	4	09:19:50:38
1984	Rusty Miller	13	14:08:44:17	2006	Mike Jayne	25	10:13:07:15
1985	Tim Moerlein	11	18:21:10:56	2007	Sigrid Ekran	20	10:13:21:07
1986	Rune Hesthammer	10	13:04:20:00	2008	William Kleedehn	27	10:12:50:39
1987	Robin Jacobson	18	12:14:35:30	2009	Chad Lindner	30	12:04:21:50
1988	Lucy Nordlum	13	13:23:47:31	2010	Dan Kaduce	21	10:00:50:00
1989	Richard Self	21	13:09:56:57	2011	Nicolas Petit	28	10:15:43:01
1990	Sonny Russell	15	13:09:07:00	2012	Brent Sass	13	09:20:25:05
1991	Kate Persons	13	13:14:20:59	2013	Joar Leifseth Ulsom	7	09:12:34:00
1992	Doug Swingley	9	11:13:47:00	2014	Nathan Schroeder	17	09:17:52:51
1993	Jason Barron & Keizo Funatsu	34 35	14:17:56:00 14:17:56:00	2015	Thomas Waerner	17	09:18:10:20
1994	Ramy Brooks	17	11:15:41:30	2016			

NOME KENNEL CLUB'S FASTEST TIME FROM SAFETY TO NOME

One of the longest-standing awards to an Iditarod musher is presented by the Nome Kennel Club. The club awards \$500 to the musher who finishes in the top 20 and has the fastest time from Safety to Nome.

1973	Bud Smyth	04:42:25 (Soloman to Nome)	1995	Ramey Smyth	02:07:00
1974	Bud Smyth	04:23:11 (Soloman to Nome)	1996	Cim Smyth	02:01:00
1975	Rick Mackey	04:05:39 (Soloman to Nome)	1997	Ramey Smyth	02:08:00
1976	Ken Chase	04:28:00 (Soloman to Nome)	1998	Paul Gebhardt	02:12:40
1977	Rick Swenson	04:15:13 (Soloman to Nome)	1999	Rick Mackey	02:29

1978	Pete MacManus	04:15:53 (Soloman to Nome)	2000	Bruce Lee	02:28:05
1979	Rick Swenson	02:59:47 (Henceforth Safety to Nome)	2001	Jessica Royer & Ramey Smyth	02:42:40
1980	Rick Swenson	02:22:49	2002	Ramey Smyth	02:14
1981	Rick Mackey	02:19:00	2003	Ramey Smyth	02:26
1982	??		2004	Ramey Smyth	02:10
1983	??		2005	Ken Anderson	02:25
1984	John Cooper	01:59:24	2006	Cim Smyth	02:04
1985			2007	Cim Smyth	02:04
1986	Jerry Riley		2008	Cim Smyth	02:57
1987	Rick Swenson	02:20	2009	Ramey Smyth	02:27
1988	Rick Mackey	02:22:29	2010	Paul Gebardt	02:40
1989	Rick Mackey	02:33:00	2011	Lance Mackey	02:25
1990	Susan Butcher	02:17:00	2012	Mike Williams, Jr.	02:57:00
1991	Rick Mackey	02:24:00	2013	Ramey Smyth	02:19
1992	Vern Halter	02:30:40	2014	Jessica Royer & Ray Redington, Jr.	02:24
1993	Jeff King	02:22:00	2015	Wade Marrs	02:30
1994	Vern Halter	02:36:13	2016		

CITY OF NOME LOLLY MEDLEY MEMORIAL GOLDEN HARNESS AWARD

Lolly Medley, Wasilla harness maker and one of only two women to run the second Iditarod in 1974, began presenting a golden harness to an outstanding lead dog, chosen by the mushers, in 1977. Lolly Medley died in August 1996. The award continues in her honor, now presented by the City of Nome.

1976			1996	Blondie	Martin Buser
1977	Pilot	Ken Chase	1997	Blondie/Fearless	Martin Buser
1978	Nuggett/Blackie	Babe Anderson	1998	Red	Jeff King
1979	Digger	Emmitt Peters	1999	Elmer	Doug Swingley
1980	Trooper	Herbie Nayokpuk	2000	Red Dog	Paul Gebhardt
1981	Silver	Larry Smith	2001	Pepi	Doug Swingley
1982	Brandy	Ernie Baumgartner	2002	Bronson	Martin Buser
1983	??		2003	Tip	Robert Sørli
1984	Bullet/Red	Dean Osmar	2004	Tread	Mitch Seavey
1985	Dugan/Axle	Libby Riddles	2005	Whitesock	Robert Sørli
1986	Sister	Joe Garnie	2006	Salem	Jeff King
1987	Blackie	Herbie Nayokpuk	2007	Larry	Lance Mackey
1988	Granite	Susan Butcher	2008	Babe	Ramey Smyth
1989	Ferlin	Joe Runyan	2009	Kuling	Jessie Royer
1990	Tip	Lavon Barve	2010	Maple	Lance Mackey
1991	Major/Goose	Rick Swenson	2011	Velvet & Snickers	John Baker
1992	Dusty	Joe Garnie	2012	Guinness	Dallas Seavey
1993	Herbie/Kitty	Jeff King	2013	Tanner	Mitch Seavey
1994	D-2/Dave	Martin Buser	2014	Beatle	Dallas Seavey
1995	Vic	Doug Swingley	2015	Reef	Dallas Seavey

NORTHERN AIR CARGO HERBIE NAYOKPUK AWARD

This award began in 2007 and is awarded to the individual chosen by the checkers in the checkpoints from Unalakleet to Nome who best epitomizes Herbie Nayokpuk's spirit of mushing the Iditarod. The winner receives \$1,049 in pocket change in a NAC jacket.

2007	Louis Nelson	2012	Michelle Phillips
2008	William Kledehn	2013	Mikhail Telpin
2009	Sonny Lindner	2014	Newton Marshal
2010	William "Middie" Johnson	2015	Aaron Burmeister
2011	Paul Johnson	2016	

GOLDEN CLIPBOARD AWARD

The annual Golden Clipboard Award is presented by the Iditarod Official Finishers to the checkpoint the mushers feel is the most helpful along the trail.

2001	Howard Lincoln at White Mountain	2009	City of Nikolai
2002	Jan Newton & the crew at Takotna	2010	Cripple
2003	Pam Nelson & John Korta & the crew at Galena	2011	Unalakleet
2004	Shaktoolik	2012	Nulato
2005	Palmer Sagoonick & the crew at Shaktoolik	2013	Ophir
2006	Takotna Checkpoint	2014	Galena
2007	Eagle Island	2015	Huslia
2008	Nulato		

DONLIN GOLD SNOWMACHINE DRAWING

Donlin Gold initiated this random drawing for the mushers for a new snow machine at the Anchorage banquet in 2013.

2013	Curt Perano	2015	Nathan Schroeder
2014	Elliot Anderson	2016	

NORTHERN AIR CARGO FOUR WHEELER DRAWING

This award was started in 2008 because Northern Air Cargo wanted there to be something that every musher would have a chance to win. At the banquet in Nome, a key is presented to each musher to try and start the machine. There is only one "right" key and the one who starts the machine wins it.

2008	Sebastian Schnuelle	2012	Peter Kaiser
2009	Robert Nelson	2013	Anna Berington
2010	William "Middie" Johnson	2014	Robert Sørli
2011	Peter Kaiser	2015	Laura Allaway

2016 RACE RULES

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1973 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Dick Wilmarth	20	00	4	41	\$12,000
2	Bobby Vent	20	14	08	46	\$8,000
3	Dan Seavey	20	14	35	16	\$6,000
4	George Attla	21	08	47	53	\$4,000
5	Herbie Nayokpuk	21	11	00	19	\$3,000
6	Issac Okleasik	21	18	21	25	\$2,500
7	Dick Mackey	22	04	03	49	\$2,000
8	John Komak	22	04	36	34	\$1,800
9	John Coffin	24	06	43	29	\$1,600
10	Ron Aldrich	24	09	58	36	\$1,400
11	Bill Arpino	24	12	12	00	\$1,000
12	Jamie "Bud" Smyth	26	11	25	35	\$950
13	Ken Chase	26	11	45	35	\$900
14	Ron Oviak	26	15	54	01	\$850
15	Victor Kotongon	28	23	41	04	\$800
16	Robert/Owen Ivan	29	11	34	25	\$750
17	Rod Perry	30	01	39	21	\$700
18	Tom Mercer	31	40	35	45	\$650
19	Terry Miller	31	04	20	07	\$600
20	Howard Farley	31	11	59	11	\$500
21	Bruce Mitchell	32	05	09	01	
22	John Schultz	32	05	09	01	

Scratched: Hal Bartko, John Schultheis, Darrell Reynolds, Barry MacAlpine, Slim Randles, Raymie Redington, John Luster, AlexTatum, C. Killigrock, David Olson, Herbert Foster, Ford Reeves, Mike Schrieber. Casey Celusnik, one of the mushers in the double team with John Schulz, also scratched. 1973 was the only year that double teams were allowed.

1974 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Carl Huntington (r)	20	15	01	07	\$12,000
2	Warner Vent (r)	21	11	18	42	\$3,255
3	Herbie Nayokpuk	21	18	28	42	\$2,449
4	Rudy Demoski (r)	21	32	21	02	\$1,627
5	Dan Seavey	22	11	43	55	\$1,224
6	Ken Chase	23	01	03	50	\$1,023
7	Raymie Redington (r)	23	01	55	01	\$821
8	Ron Aldrich	23	01	01	10	\$728
9	Joe Redington, Jr. (r)	23	03	25	19	\$651
10	Dick Mackey	23	05	21	20	\$573
11	Joe Redington, Sr. (r)	23	10	15	57	\$465
12	Tom Mercer	24	08	18	22	\$387
13	Jamie "Bud" Smyth	24	09	52	23	\$372
14	Rod Perry	26	18	34	30	\$341
15	Dave Olson (r)	27	04	17	29	\$325
16	Reuben Seetot (r)	27	04	29	22	\$310
17	Robert Ivan	27	07	02	49	\$279
18	Victor Kotongan	27	09	35	26	\$248
19	Terry Adkins (r)	27	13	28	08	\$232
20	Tim White (r)	27	17	35	00	\$196
21	Desi Kameron (r)	27	23	53	30	
22	Clifton Jackson (r)	28	05	09	06	
23	Mary Shields (r)	28	18	56	30	
24	Lolly Medley (r)	28	19	25	30	
25	Joel Kottke (r)	29	06	34	49	
26	Red Olson (r)	29	06	36	19	

Scratched: Carl Topkok (r), Richard Korb (r), John Ace (r), Bernie Willis (r), Ward Olanna (r), John Luster (r), Don Rosevear (r), John Coffin, Wilbur Sapson (r), George Attla, Jack Schultheis (r), Ralph "Babe" Anderson (r), Jerry Riley (r), Bill Vaudrin (r), Warren Coffin (r), Tom Johnson (r), Issac Okleaksik, Steve Murphy (r)

1975 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Emmitt Peters (r)	14	14	43	15	\$15,000
2	Jerry Riley (r)	14	15	09	39	\$10,000
3	Joe Redington, Jr.	14	15	07	02	\$7,500
4	Herbie Nayokpuk	14	20	29	07	\$5,000
5	Joe Redington, Sr.	15	15	23	43	\$3,000
6	Henry Beatus (r)	15	16	20	36	\$2,500
7	Dick Mackey	16	09	41	30	\$2,000
8	Ken Chase	16	09	43	25	\$1,500
9	Rudy Demoski	16	14	10	17	\$750
10	Eep Anderson (r)	06	15	06	09	\$350
11	Alan Perry (r)	17	06	01	33	\$350
12	Ray Jackson (r)	19	09	48	34	\$350
13	Rick Mackey (r)	18	05	55	39	\$350
14	Victor Kotongan	18	07	38	15	\$350
15	Ralph Lee (r)	19	06	55	18	\$350
16	Robert Schlentner (r)	19	07	08	15	\$350
17	Bill Cotter (r)	19	07	27	27	
18	Chris Camping (r)	19	08	12	35	
19	Bill Vaudrin (r)	19	17	01	07	
20	Darrell Reynolds (r)	20	07	14	17	
21	Richard Burnham (r)	22	14	17	17	
22	Jim Kershner (r)	22	13	17	17	
23	John Ace (r)	22	15	15	00	
24	Mike Sherman (r)	23	00	55	55	
25	Steve Fee (r)	29	08	37	13	

Scratched: Norman Vaughan (r), Edward Bosco (r), Hans Algottsen (r), Sandy Hamilton (r), Michael T Holland (r), Ginger Burcham (r), Bobby Vent, Guy Blankenship (r), Terry McMullin (r), Laovn Barve (r), Carl Huntington, Walt Palmer (r), Charlie Fitka (r), Doug Bartko (r), Franklin Paniptchuk (r), John Komak

1976 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings	
1	Jerry Riley		18	22	58	17	\$7,200
2	Warner Vent		19	03	42	00	\$4,200
3	Harry Sutherland (r)		19	04	02	52	\$3,600
4	Jamie "Bud" Smyth		19	04	38	19	\$2,400
5	Emmitt Peters		19	05	10	12	\$1,800
6	Ralph Mann (r)		19	06	35	34	\$1,500
7	William "Sonny" Nelson (r)		19	06	36	07	\$1,200
8	Dick Mackey		19	06	32	06	\$1,080
9	Tom Mercer		19	07	57	31	\$960
10	Rick Swenson (r)		19	07	57	27	\$840
11	Joe May (r)		19	08	08	29	\$600
12	Don Honea, Sr. (r)		19	08	34	38	\$570
13	Alan Perry		19	10	53	05	\$540
14	Ray Jackson		19	10	56	33	\$510
15	Ken Chase		19	10	58	37	\$480
16	Billy Demoski (r)		19	11	07	52	\$450
17	Terry Adkins		19	11	17	04	\$420
18	Rudy Demoski		19	13	27	07	\$390
19	Jack Hooker (r)		19	13	33	33	\$360
20	Ford Reeves (r)		19	14	26	36	\$300
21	Ralph "Babe" Anderson (r)		19	18	02	28	
22	Lavon Barve (r)		20	03	31	58	
23	Jerry Austin (r)		20	04	20	25	
24	Ron Aldrich		20	07	46	31	
25	Richard Burnham		20	08	06	06	
26	Charlie Fitka (r)		10	14	10	58	
27	Steve Jones (r)		20	14	11	31	
28	Clarence Towarak (r)		20	15	55	25	
29	Alex Sheldon (r)		20	16	45	31	
30	William Soloman (r)		21	13	35	25	
31	Allan Marple (r)		21	13	44	48	
32	Peter Nelson (r)		22	05	45	50	
33	Jon Van Zyle (r)		26	08	42	42	
34	Dennis Corrington (r)		26	08	42	51	

Scratched: Joe Redington, Sr., Norman Vaughan (r), Richard Hanks (r), Trent Long (r), Bob Schlentner, Peter Kakaruk (r), John Giannone (r), Lee Chamberlain (r), Oran Knox (r), Mel Fudge (r), Bruce Mitchell (r), Phillip Foxie (r), Steve Fee

1977 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Rick Swenson	16	16	27	13	\$9,600
2	Jerry Riley	16	16	32	05	\$5,600
3	Warner Vent	16	16	44	39	\$4,900
4	Emmitt Peters	16	19	57	02	\$3,200
5	Joe Redington, Sr.	17	01	26	30	\$2,400
6	Dick Mackey	17	01	35	15	\$2,000
7	Don Honea, Sr.	17	03	34	34	\$1,600
8	Robert Schlentner	17	03	44	59	\$1,440
9	Ralph "Babe" Anderson	17	17	51	57	\$1,280
10	Jack Hooker	17	09	05	56	\$1,020
11	Ken Chase	17	11	18	28	\$800
12	Alex Sheldon	17	11	51	18	\$760
13	Pete PacManus (r)	17	12	17	41	\$720
14	Terry Adkins	17	14	41	42	\$680
15	Al Crane (r)	17	16	25	10	\$640
16	Howard Albert (r)	17	17	24	31	\$600
17	William "Sonny" Nelson	17	18	17	33	\$540
18	Roger Nordlum (r)	17	19	25	24	\$520
19	Rod Perry	17	23	18	18	\$480
20	Richard Burnham	18	07	18	30	\$400
21	Stein Havard Fjestad (r)	18	15	23	15	
22	Bill Cotter	18	15	53	46	
23	Rick Mackey	18	16	22	25	
24	Sandy Hamilton (r)	19	02	16	29	
25	Bob Chlupach (r)	19	02	28	06	
26	Charlie Harrington (r)	19	10	51	23	
27	Eep Anderson	20	08	21	33	
28	Jim Smarz (r)	20	08	32	16	
29	Duane Halverson (r)	21	04	45	47	
30	Peter Kakaruk (r)	21	06	00	03	
31	Randy DeKuiper (r)	21	08	35	47	
32	Dale Swartzentruber (r)	21	15	30	50	
33	Jerry Mercer (r)	21	15	31	03	
34	Varona Thompson (r)	21	18	00	00	
35	Jim Tofflemire (r)	22	04	53	20	
36	Vasily Zamitkyn (r)	22	09	06	06	

Scratched: Don Montgomery (r), Tom Mathias (r), Ray Jackson, Rudy Demoski, Rick McConnell (r), Bob Watson (r), Ron Gould (r), Franklin Paniptchuk (r), John Ace, Dinah Knight (r), John Hancock (r), William Solomon

1978 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Dick Mackey	14	18	52	24	\$12,000
2	Rick Swenson	14	18	52	25	\$8,000
3	Emmitt Peters	14	19	28	32	\$6,000
4	Ken Chase	15	00	02	00	\$4,000
5	Joe Redington, Sr.	15	03	14	58	\$3,000
6	Eep Anderson	15	03	01	51	\$2,500
7	Howard Albert	15	03	40	59	\$2,000
8	Robert Schlentner	15	05	57	54	\$1,800
9	Jerry Austin	15	06	33	16	\$1,600
10	Alan Perry	15	10	13	35	\$1,400
11	Sonny Lindner (r)	15	12	03	03	\$1,000
12	Ron Aldrich	15	12	17	11	\$950
13	Pete MacManus	16	01	26	53	\$900
14	Bob Chlupach	16	03	44	54	\$850
15	Ron Tucker (r)	16	04	29	43	\$800
16	Terry Adkins	16	05	11	25	\$750
17	Harry Sutherland	15	05	53	27	\$700
18	Richard Burnham	16	07	10	34	\$650
19	Susan Butcher (r)	16	15	40	30	\$600
20	Varona Thompson	16	16	40	30	\$500
21	Joe Garnie (r)	17	02	01	54	
22	Jerry Mercer	17	02	01	57	
23	Charlie Fitka	17	16	28	38	
24	Ernie Baumgartner (r)	18	05	09	53	
25	Jack Goodwin (r)	18	06	04	00	
26	Rick McConnell (r)	18	07	37	34	
27	William Solomon	18	09	28	01	
28	James Brandon (r)	18	12	12	12	
29	Shelley Vandiver (r)	19	15	07	08	
30	John Wood (r)	19	15	07	27	
31	Ray Gordon (r)	19	15	14	52	
32	Gary Campen (r)	21	02	25	04	
33	Norman Vaughan (r)	22	03	29	41	
34	Andrew Foxie (r)	22	03	29	44	

Scratched: Roger Roberts (r), Duke Bertke (r), Mike Demarco (r), Bill Rose (r), Ralph "Babe" Anderson

1979 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Rick Swenson	15	10	37	47	\$12,000
2	Emmitt Peters	15	11	19	07	\$8,000
3	Sonny Lindner	15	14	17	32	\$6,000
4	Jerry Riley	15	19	29	44	\$4,000
5	Joe May	16	01	09	15	\$3,000
6	Don Honea, Sr.	16	02	21	41	\$2,500
7	Howard Albert	16	07	26	40	\$2,000
8	Rick Mackey	16	11	00	01	\$1,800
9	Susan Butcher	16	11	15	32	\$1,600
10	Joe Redington, Sr.	16	11	34	01	\$1,400
11	Gary Hokkanen (r)	16	16	57	05	\$1,000
12	Terry Adkins	16	19	45	16	\$950
13	Dick Peterson (r)	117	03	37	37	\$900
14	Ken Chase	17	04	43	07	\$850
15	Ernie Baumgartner	17	04	47	48	\$800
16	Melvin Adkins (r)	17	04	54	23	\$750
17	Bob Chlupach	17	06	23	19	\$700
18	Victor Kotongan	17	07	35	06	\$650
19	Keith Jones (r)	17	09	16	08	\$600
20	Patty Friend (r)	17	09	47	16	\$500
21	Brian Blandford (r)	17	16	04	54	
22	John Wood	18	02	20	35	
23	Ron Aldrich	18	08	10	31	
24	Eep Anderson	18	11	33	33	
25	Myron Angstman (r)	18	19	22	32	
26	Walter Kaso (r)	18	22	23	40	
27	Jim Rowe (r)	18	22	29	43	
28	Steve Vollertsen (r)	19	01	25	40	
29	Rick McConnell (r)	19	06	57	57	
30	Rome Gilman (r)	19	13	01	43	
31	Jamie "Bud" Smyth	20	00	42	14	
32	Bill Rose (r)	20	01	02	38	
33	Steve Adkins (r)	20	01	31	48	
34	Cliff Sisson (r)	20	04	36	53	
35	Ron Brinker (r)	20	04	37	09	
36	Del Allison (r)	20	08	23	23	
37	john Barron (r)	20	09	26	06	
38	Karl Clausen (r)	21	12	08	29	
39	Jerry LaVoie (r)	22	08	23	44	
40	Gayle Nienhauser (r)	22	09	14	53	

1979 RESULTS CONTINUED

41	Richard Burmeister (r)	22	12	57	37
42	Jon Van Zyle	22	13	50	50
43	Jim Lanier (r)	24	06	44	18
44	Ron Gould (r)	24	07	25	50
45	Don Montgomery (r)	24	07	27	11
46	Prentice Harris (r)	24	07	37	09
47	Gene Leonard (r)	24	09	02	22

Scratched: Mark Couch (r), Isaac Okleasik, Herbie Nayokpuk, Kelly Wages (r), Terry McMullin (r), Lee Gardino (r), Clarence Towarak (r), Joe Garnie

1980 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Joe May	14	07	11	51	\$12,000
2	Herbie Nayokpuk	14	20	32	12	\$8,000
3	Ernie Baumgartner	15	09	09	59	\$6,000
4	Rick Swenson	15	10	12	29	\$4,000
5	Susan Butcher	15	10	17	06	\$3,000
6	Roger Nordlum	15	10	34	14	\$2,500
7	Jerry Austin	15	13	57	13	\$2,000
8	Walter Kaso	15	15	42	32	\$1,800
9	Emmitt Peters	15	16	14	07	\$1,600
10	Donna Gentry (r)	15	16	39	06	\$1,400
11	Mark Boily (r)	15	17	03	46	\$1,000
12	Joe Garnie	15	17	55	24	\$950
13	Larry Smith (r)	15	18	01	37	\$900
14	Bruce Johnson(r)	15	18	22	07	\$850
15	Rudy Demoski	26	09	35	56	\$800
16	Dave Olson	16	09	52	51	\$750
17	Terry Adkins	16	10	56	16	\$700
18	Libby Riddles (r)	16	13	58	34	\$650
19	Harold Ahmasuk (r)	16	14	44	11	\$600
20	Henry Johnson (r)	16	15	28	27	\$500
21	William Bartlett (r)	16	16	12	46	
22	Martin Buser (r)	17	06	50	05	
23	Jack Goodwin	17	07	07	16	
24	DeeDee Jonrowe (r)	17	07	59	24	
25	Ken Chase	17	13	29	01	
26	Bruce Denton (r)	17	13	29	01	
27	Clarence Shockley (r)	17	13	29	29	
28	John Cooper (r)	17	14	18	06	
29	Michael Harrington (r)	17	14	29	36	
30	Marjorie Ann Moore (r)	20	07	01	17	
31	Eric Poole (r)	20	09	14	20	
32	Douglas Sherrer (r)	20	09	38	22	
33	Ron Cortte (r)	22	03	07	28	
34	John Gartiez (r)	22	18	05	50	
35	Norman Vaughan	24	09	19	25	
36	Barbara Moore (r)	24	09	25	45	

Scratched: Bill Boyko (r), Lee Gardino (r), Jan Masek (r), Don Honea, Sr. , Ed Craver (r), Ralph "Babe" Anderson, Eugene Russell Ivey (r), Don Eckles (r), Larry Cogdill (r), Frank Sampson (r), Robert E Neidig (r), Warner Vent, John Eckles (r), Sonny Lindner, Steven R Conaster (r), Joe Redington, Sr., Duke Bertke (r), Dick Mackey, Varona Thompson, Alton Walluk (r), Fred Jackson (r), Bruce Woods (r), John Barron, Jerry Riley, Dick Peterson

1981 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Rick Swenson	12	08	45	02	\$24,000
2	Sonny Lindner	12	09	33	22	\$16,000
3	Roger Nordlum	12	09	42	13	\$12,000
4	Larry Smith	12	10	22	46	\$8,000
5	Susan Butcher	12	12	45	24	\$6,000
6	Eep Anderson	12	14	08	37	\$5,000
7	Herbie Nayokpuk	12	22	17	45	\$4,000
8	Clarence Towarak	13	01	48	04	\$3,600
9	Rick Mackey	13	03	58	07	\$3,200
10	Terry Adkins	13	07	32	04	\$2,800
11	Duane Halverson	13	13	55	19	\$2,000
12	Emmitt Peters	13	14	14	49	\$1,900
13	Jerry Austin	13	14	40	38	\$1,800
14	Joe Redington, Sr.	13	15	19	02	\$1,700
15	Harry Sutherland	13	18	02	07	\$1,600
16	Joe Garnie	13	18	17	35	\$1,500
17	Gary Attla (r)	13	22	01	37	\$1,400
18	Donna Gentry	13	22	20	20	\$1,300
19	Martin Buser	14	02	47	23	\$1,200
20	Libby Riddles	14	06	27	43	\$1,000
21	David Monson (r)	14	14	44	04	
22	Bruce Denton	14	22	05	13	
23	John Barron	14	23	57	00	
24	Gene Leonard	15	00	32	14	
25	Bob Martin (r)	15	00	45	09	
26	Neil Eklund (r)	15	03	44	00	
27	Mark Freshwaters (r)	15	03	45	37	
28	Jeff King (r)	15	07	02	47	
29	Steve Flodin (r)	16	01	52	14	
30	Gary Whittemore (r)	16	04	13	06	
31	DeeDee Jonrowe	16	05	05	43	
32	Sue Firmin (r)	16	05	05	56	
33	Michael Storto (r)	16	11	37	57	
34	Dan Zobrist (r)	17	03	28	43	
35	Dennis Boyer (r)	17	16	28	00	
36	Jan Masek (r)	18	03	44	44	
37	Burt Bomhoff (r)	18	05	22	58	
38	Jim Strong (r)	18	06	30	30	

Scratched: Frank Sampson (r), Harold Ahmasuk, Ken Chase, William Webb (r), Ernie Baumgartner, Gordon Castanza (r), Douglas Sherrer, Jamie "Bud" Smyth, Ted English (r), Myron Angstman, Wes McIntyre (r), Willie French (r), Clifton Jackson, Bill Thompson (r), Jerry Riley

1982 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Rick Swenson	16	04	40	10	\$24,000
2	Susan Butcher	16	04	43	53	\$16,000
3	Jerry Austin	16	04	52	11	\$12,000
4	Emmitt Peters	16	05	06	42	\$8,000
5	David Monson	16	15	13	24	\$6,000
6	Ernie Baumgartner	16	05	17	03	\$5,000
7	Bob Chlupach	16	05	26	46	\$4,000
8	Don Honea, Sr.	16	06	41	00	\$3,600
9	Stan Zuray(r)	16	06	44	00	\$3,200
10	Bruce Denton	16	13	11	22	\$2,800
11	Rick Mackey	16	13	30	47	\$2,000
12	Herbie Nayokpuk	16	14	08	21	\$1,900
13	Dean Osmar (r)	16	14	54	54	\$1,800
14	Terry Adkins	16	15	37	47	\$1,700
15	Joe May	16	15	43	23	\$1,600
16	Marc Boily	16	17	54	55	\$1,500
17	Joe Redington, Sr.	17	08	25	45	\$1,400
18	Ed Foran (r)	17	09	09	29	\$1,300
19	Guy Blankenship (r)	17	09	13	22	\$1,200
20	John Stam (r)	17	09	18	18	\$1,000
21	Alex Sheldon	17	09	24	46	
22	Mitch Seavey (r)	17	10	27	00	
23	Glenn Findlay (r)	17	11	57	53	
24	John Wood	17	12	39	46	
25	Ralph "Babe" Anderson	17	21	12	02	
26	Jim Strong	18	17	15	36	
27	Ron Cortte	18	17	17	59	
28	Larry Smith	18	23	09	23	
29	Dean Painter (r)	20	03	05	06	
30	Ken Chase	20	04	01	45	
31	Steve Gaber (r)	20	04	23	32	
32	Rose Albert (r)	20	04	54	53	
33	Jan Masek	20	10	13	24	
34	Chris Deverill (r)	20	12	45	00	
35	Leroy Shank (r)	21	12	43	31	
36	Steve Flodin	21	13	00	00	
37	Frank I Brown (r)	21	14	54	59	
38	Mark "Bigfoot" Rosser (r)	21	16	05	27	

1982 RESULTS CONTINUED

43	Eric Buetow (r)	22	14	48	28
44	Rome Gilman	24	00	23	47
45	Jack Studer (r)	24	14	54	54
46	Ralph Bradley (r)	26	13	59	59

Scratched: John Barron, Michael Harrington, Steve Haver (r), Sue Firmin, Smokey Moff (r), Bill Rose (r), Norman Vaughan, Gary Whittemore

1983 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Rick Mackey	12	14	10	44	\$24,000
2	Eep Anderson	12	15	50	36	\$16,000
3	Larry "Cowboy" Smith	12	20	19	56	\$12,000
4	Herbie Nayokpuk	12	22	04	28	\$8,000
5	Rick Swenson	13	02	49	46	\$6,000
6	Lavon Barve	13	03	00	49	\$5,000
7	Duane Halverson	13	04	42	00	\$4,000
8	Sonny Lindner	13	05	28	20	\$3,600
9	Susan Butcher	13	10	25	32	\$3,200
10	Roger Legaard (r)	13	11	33	45	\$2,800
11	Joe Runyan (r)	13	12	39	34	\$2,000
12	Guy Blankenship	13	12	54	59	\$1,900
13	Dave Monson	13	14	08	54	\$1,800
14	Sue Firmin	13	17	28	52	\$1,700
15	DeeDee Jonrowe	13	18	10	25	\$1,600
16	Howard Albert	13	22	11	39	\$1,500
17	Bruce Denton	14	00	37	07	\$1,400
18	Dave Olson	14	93	35	28	\$1,300
19	Emmitt Peters	14	05	44	30	\$1,200
20	John Barron	14	05	44	30	\$1,000
21	Neil Eklund	14	10	32	03	
22	Burt Bomhoff	14	12	23	20	
23	Roxy Woods (r)	14	15	56	16	
24	Walter Kaso	15	05	00	53	
25	Eric Buetow	15	08	06	39	
26	Jim Strong	15	10	07	54	
27	Ken Hamm (r)	15	10	15	15	
28	Vern Halter (r)	15	10	40	17	
29	Shannon Poole (r)	15	13	10	56	
30	William Hayes (r)	15	15	15	15	
31	Waler Williams (r)	15	23	17	34	
32	Christine O'Gar (r)	16	00	19	05	
33	Ted English (r)	16	00	37	29	
34	Jamie "Bud" Smyth	16	09	34	00	
35	Ron Brennan (r)	17	00	42	57	
36	Wes McIntyre (r)	17	10	49	39	
37	Ken Johnson (r)	17	11	12	06	
38	Steve Rieger (r)	17	11	13	01	
39	Connie Frerichs (r)	17	11	16	26	
40	Ray Dronenburg (r)	17	12	31	51	
41	Gary Paulsen (r)	17	12	38	38	
42	Ed Forstner (r)	18	06	52	16	

1983 RESULTS CONTINUED

43	Mark Nordman (r)	18	17	54	34
44	Dick Barnum (r)	18	23	59	59
45	David Wolfe (r)	19	04	28	40
46	Leroy Shank	19	15	07	54
47	Robert Gould (r)	20	00	42	29
48	Fritz Kirsch (r)	20	01	34	24
49	Steve Haver (r)	20	12	55	56
50	Ron Gould	20	13	12	05
51	Pam Flowers (r)	20	13	12	54
52	Norman Vaughan	21	02	21	16
53	Norm MacAlpine (r)	21	02	44	22
54	Scott Cameron (r)	21	04	36	41

Scratched: Terry Adkins, Eugene Russell Ivey (r), Gene Leonard, Beverly Jerue (r), William Cowart (r), Alex Sheldon, Bob Bright (r), Saul Paniptchuk (r), Ken Chase, Clifton Cadzow (r) **Disqualified:** Les Atherton (r), Hal Bartko (r), Doug Bartko (r), Jan Masek

1984 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Dean Osmar	12	15	07	33	\$24,000
2	Susan Butcher	12	16	41	42	\$16,000
3	Joe Garnie	12	17	18	48	\$12,000
4	Marc Boily	13	04	52	51	\$8,000
5	Jerry Austin	13	05	59	53	\$6,000
6	Rick Swenson	13	07	04	21	\$5,000
7	Joe Redington, Sr.	13	08	43	11	\$4,000
8	Terry Adkins	13	13	54	43	\$3,600
9	John Cooper	14	00	22	24	\$3,200
10	Larry "Cowboy" Smith	14	01	57	44	\$2,800
11	Vern Halter	14	03	55	19	\$2,000
12	Burt Bomhoff	14	07	49	18	\$1,900
13	Rusty Miller (r)	14	08	44	17	\$1,800
14	Mark Freshwaters	14	10	31	10	\$1,700
15	Bob Chlupach	14	10	31	12	\$1,600
16	Ed Foran	14	11	27	41	\$1,500
17	Emmitt Peters	14	15	08	00	\$1,400
18	Rick Armstrong (r)	14	16	55	30	\$1,300
19	Ray Gordon	14	18	43	32	\$1,200
20	John Barron	14	22	54	34	\$1,000
21	Jim Strong	15	07	16	07	
22	Bob Toll (r)	15	09	23	23	
23	Eep Anderson	15	11	00	54	
24	Gordon Castanza (r)	15	11	05	55	
25	Ron Cortte	15	13	18	38	
26	Jerry Raychel	15	13	57	29	
27	Diana Dronenbrug (r)	15	15	29	49	
28	Sue Firmin	15	19	09	15	
29	Rick Mackey	15	19	09	23	
30	DeeDee Jonrowe	15	19	18	13	
31	David Olson	15	19	39	00	
32	Gary Whittemore	15	20	44	14	
33	Eric Buetow	16	00	56	29	
34	Frank Bettine (r)	16	08	03	07	
35	Kari Skogen (r)	16	08	03	19	
36	Calvin Lauwers (r)	16	12	50	00	
37	Dan Cowan (r)	16	12	35	02	
38	Francine Bennis (r)	16	13	40	03	
39	Rick Atkinson (r)	17	03	23	19	
40	Jim Lanier	17	05	49	22	

1984 RESULTS CONTINUED

41	David Sheer (r)	17	08	53	05
42	Steve Peek (r)	17	10	58	55
43	Fred Agree (r)	19	07	41	07
44	Ed Borden (r)	19	09	43	17
45	Bill Mackey (r)	19	09	43	33

Scratched: Ted English, James Cole, Jan Masek, Dave Aisenbrey (r), Gene Leonard, Ray Dronenburg, Gordon Brinker (r), Connie Frerichs, Don Honea, Sr., Lolly Medley, Larry Cogdill (r), Brian Johnson (r), Miki Collins (r), Seve Gaber, William Thompson (r), Mel Adkins, Bob Sunder (r), Darrel Reynolds, Vern Cherneski (r), Ron Brennan (r) **Disqualified:** Guy Blankenship, Arman Khatchikian

1985 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Libby Riddles	18	00	20	17	\$50,000
2	Duane Halverson	18	02	45	36	\$30,000
3	John Cooper	18	06	59	33	\$20,000
4	Rick Swenson	18	07	29	24	\$15,000
5	Rick Mackey	18	14	44	54	\$13,000
6	Vern Halter	18	14	55	26	\$11,000
7	Guy Blankenship	18	16	16	39	\$9,500
8	Herbie Nayokpuk	18	17	20	00	\$8,000
9	Sonny Lindner	18	18	33	33	\$6,500
10	Lavon Barve	18	19	25	04	\$5,500
11	Tim Moerlein (r)	18	21	10	56	\$4,500
12	Emmitt Peters	18	23	21	22	\$4,000
13	Tim Osmar(r)	18	23	43	43	\$3,750
14	Jerry Austin	19	03	32	43	\$3,500
15	Terry Adkins	19	21	51	15	\$3,250
16	Roger Nordlum	19	21	51	15	\$3,000
17	Glenn Findlay	20	01	34	33	\$2,750
18	John Barron	20	03	21	22	\$2,500
19	Raymie Redington	20	03	38	19	\$2250
20	Burt Bomhoff	20	03	59	17	\$2,000
21	Jacques Philip(r)	50	05	00	01	
22	Bob Bright (r)	21	02	34	27	
23	Peter Fromm (r)	21	02	34	33	
24	Steve Flodin	21	05	08	04	
25	Warner Vent	21	05	31	54	
26	Ron Robbins (r)	21	05	40	25	
27	Kazuo Kojima (r)	21	06	12	12	
28	Nathan Underwood (r)	21	06	54	00	
29	Betsy McGuire (r)	21	07	07	15	
30	Kevin Saiki (r)	21	08	04	09	
31	Earl Norris (r)	21	09	38	00	
32	Kevin Fulton (r)	21	09	39	00	
33	John Coble (r)	21	10	13	00	
34	Alan Cheshire (r)	21	10	21	00	
35	Victor Jorge (r)	21	10	24	00	
36	Fred Agree	21	11	25	36	
37	Claire Philip (r)	21	11	35	37	
38	John Ace	21	21	01	01	
39	Rick Armstrong	21	21	01	02	
40	Monique Bene (r)	22	03	45	45	

1985 RESULTS CONTINUED

Scratched: David Aisenbrey (r), Terry Hinesly (r), Susan Butcher, Ted English, Jan Masek, Joe Redington, Sr., Fred Jackson (r), Victor Kotongan, Gary Paulsen, Ray Dronenburg, Joseph Maileille, Sr. (r), Terry McMullin (r), Dennis Towarak (r), Ernie Baumgartner, Rudy Demoski, Norman Vaughan, Arman Khachkian (r), Scott Cameron, Chuck Schaeffer (r) **Disqualified:** Bobby Lee (r), Wes McIntyre

1986 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Susan Butcher	11	15	06	00	\$50,000
2	Joe Garnie	11	16	01	11	\$30,000
3	Rick Swenson	11	23	59	43	\$20,000
4	Joe Runyan	12	02	11	31	\$15,000
5	Duane Halverson	12	02	27	51	\$13,000
6	John Cooper	12	03	28	03	\$11,000
7	Lavon Barve	12	04	17	55	\$9,500
8	Jerry Austin	12	10	15	01	\$8,000
9	Terry Adkins	13	00	22	29	\$6,500
10	Rune Hesthammer (r)	13	04	20	00	\$5,500
11	John Barron	13	04	27	45	\$4,500
12	Guy Blankenship	13	07	12	29	\$4,000
13	Tim Moerlein	13	07	40	31	\$3,750
14	Bob Chlupach	13	10	32	13	\$3,500
15	Jerry Riley	13	14	36	49	\$3,250
16	Vern Halter	13	15	29	29	\$3,000
17	Gary Whittimore	13	20	37	23	\$2,750
18	Ted English	13	23	01	26	\$2,500
19	Nina Hotvedt (r)	14	06	20	41	\$2250
20	Rick Atkinson	14	06	21	21	\$2,000
21	Rusty Miller	14	11	04	54	
22	Peter Sapin (r)	14	11	17	42	
23	Frank Torres (r)	14	16	43	15	
24	Paul Johnson (r)	15	00	08	06	
25	Martin Buser	15	00	53	56	
26	John Wood	15	04	29	42	
27	Dan MacEachen (r)	15	05	09	14	
28	Jerry Raychel	15	07	09	14	
29	Raymie Redington	15	07	12	24	
30	Mike Pemberton (r)	15	07	44	37	
31	David Olesen (r)	15	09	44	15	
32	Steve Bush (r)	15	09	55	31	
33	Kari Skogen	15	10	52	49	
34	Gordon Brinker (r)	15	15	20	31	
35	Bobby Lee (r)	16	10	34	03	
36	Ron Robbins	16	15	03	19	
37	Dave Scheer	16	15	03	58	
38	Gordy Hubbard (r)	16	16	44	44	
39	Matt Desalernos (r)	16	19	22	59	
40	Alan Cheshire	16	21	09	57	

1986 RESULTS CONTINUED

41	Ray Lang (r)	16	22	39	02
42	Roger Roberts (r)	16	22	53	02
43	Allen Miller (r)	17	05	41	37
44	Armen Khatchikian (r)	17	08	12	29
45	Don McQuown (r)	17	15	59	49
46	Mike Lawless (r)	18	01	20	52
47	Mark Jackson (r)	18	11	01	34
48	Joe LeFaive (r)	18	18	07	24
49	Peter Thomann (r)	18	18	07	34
50	Pat Danly (r)	19	00	38	21
51	Bill Hall (r)	19	00	38	48
52	Bill Davidson (r)	19	00	55	55
53	Scott Cameron	19	19	51	27
54	Stan Ferguson (r)	19	21	42	58
55	Mike Peterson (r)	20	13	42	21

Scratched: Abel Akpik (r), John Anderson (r), Frank Bettine, Roger Bliss (r), Ron Brennan, Joe Carpenter, Jim Darling (r), William Cowart (r), Ray Dronenbrug, Don Honea, Fred Jackson, Rick Mackey, Jan Masek, Earl Norris, Joe Redington, Sr., Douglas Sheldon (r), John Stamm, Norman Vaughan

1987 RESULTS

	#	Musher		Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1		Susan Butcher	11	02	05	13		\$50,000
2		Rick Swenson	11	06	25	43		\$30,000
3		Duane Halverson	11	08	27	51		\$20,000
4		Tim Osmar	11	11	11	27		\$15,000
5		Jerry Austin	11	12	16	15		\$13,000
6		Joe Runyan	11	13	13	48		\$11,000
7		Lavon Barve	12	04	17	55		\$9,500
8		Ted English	11	11	12	03		\$8,000
9		John Cooper	12	00	14	14		\$6,500
10		Martin Buser	12	02	26	28		\$5,500
11		Joe Garnie	12	03	24	24		\$4,500
12		Guy Blankenship	12	05	11	10		\$4,000
13		Jerry Riley	12	06	59	00		\$3,750
14		Diana Dronenburg	12	09	13	18		\$3,500
15		Steve Adkins	12	09	30	30		\$3,250
16		Matt Desalernos	12	09	31	40		\$3,000
17		Harry Sutherland	12	11	25	11		\$2,750
18		Robin Jacobson (r)	12	14	35	30		\$2,500
19		Bruce Johnson	12	17	15	00		\$2250
20		Jacques Philip	12	18	27	53		\$2,000
21		Sue Firmin	13	02	57	11		
22		DeeDee Jonrowe	13	02	58	15		
23		Terry Adkins	13	04	06	21		
24		Gary Whittemore	13	04	56	24		
25		Herbie Nayokpuk	13	10	27	47		
26		Claire Philip	13	10	33	33		
27		Gary Guy (r)	15	04	35	14		
28		David Olesen	15	04	46	13		
29		Don McEwen (r)	15	08	33	15		
30		Kazuo Kojima	15	08	53	17		
31		Bruce Barton (r)	15	09	24	22		
32		Dick Mackey	15	13	28	22		
33		Joe Redington, Sr.	15	14	13	12		
34		Dennis Lozano (r)	15	15	29	28		
35		John Nels Anderson (r)	15	18	06	46		
36		John Coble	15	18	14	50		
37		Michael Owens (r)	15	18	39	49		
38		Roger Roberts	17	10	32	42		
39		Pat Danly	17	11	02	22		
40		Bill Chisholm (r)	17	11	16	28		

1987 RESULTS CONTINUED

41	Henry Horner (r)	17	11	28	10
42	Caleb Slemmons (r)	17	12	33	39
43	Mike Lawless	17	13	30	00
44	Roy Wade (r)	17	15	21	51
45	John Gourley (r)	18	04	51	49
46	Don McQuown	18	12	34	35
47	Matt Ace (r)	18	12	45	38
48	Brian Johnson (r)	18	23	32	23
49	Andre Monnier (r)	18	23	35	30
50	Rhodi Karella (r)	19	09	01	01

Scratched: Peter Thomann, Rick Mackey, Raymie Redington, John Barron, Burt Bomhoff, Gordy Hubbard, Libby Riddles, Gordon Brinker, David Aisenbrey (r), Joe LeFaive **Withdrawn:** Carolyn Muegge (r), Tony Burch (r), Norman Vaughan

1988 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Susan Bucher	11	11	41	40	\$30,000
2	Rick Swenson	12	02	10	09	\$21,000
3	Martin Buser	12	04	21	46	\$16,500
4	Joe Garnie	12	09	21	39	\$13,200
5	Joe Redington, Sr.	13	03	25	28	\$9,000
6	Herbie Nayokpuk	13	03	26	44	\$7,200
7	Rick Mackey	13	14	43	29	\$6,900
8	Lavon Barve	13	15	22	42	\$6,000
9	DeeDee Jonrowe	13	16	29	06	\$5,400
10	Robin Jacobson	13	17	19	48	\$4,800
11	Jerry Austin	13	19	06	03	\$4,500
12	Jan Masek	13	22	18	03	\$4,200
13	Lucy Nordlum (r)	13	23	47	31	\$3,900
14	Jacques Philip	14	00	02	43	\$3,600
15	Bill Cotter	14	01	33	18	\$3,300
16	Tim Osmar	14	01	49	16	\$3,000
17	Dan MacEachen	14	02	46	11	\$2,700
18	John Patten (r)	14	03	57	06	\$2,400
19	Harry Sutherland	14	04	16	56	\$2,100
20	Matt Desalernos	14	05	01	36	\$1,800
21	Bill Hall	14	05	49	07	
22	Darwin McLeod (r)	14	06	01	06	
23	Horst Maas (r)	14	07	11	11	
24	Ted English	14	08	52	23	
25	Jerry Raychel	14	09	17	09	
26	John Barron	14	09	54	24	
27	Duane Halverson	14	11	19	55	
28	Peter Thomann	14	12	38	45	
29	Conrad Saussele (r)	14	24	21	20	
30	Burt Bomhoff	14	21	46	25	
31	Frank Teasley (r)	15	06	42	51	
32	Peryll Kyzer (r)	15	12	30	48	
33	Ken Chase	15	12	30	48	
34	Ralph "Babe" Anderson	15	13	06	49	
35	Ian MacKenzie (r)	17	06	45	45	
36	Mike Tvenge (r)	17	08	01	59	
37	Mark Merrill (r)	18	01	29	14	
38	John Suter (r)	18	01	50	50	
39	John Gourley	18	06	52	30	
40	Jennifer Gourley (r)	18	06	54	12	

1988 RESULTS CONTINUED

41	Peter Kelly (r)	18	07	06	41
42	Tim Mowry (r)	18	07	21	41
43	Matt Ace	18	07	34	06
44	Gordon Brinker	18	07	44	07
45	Lesley Monk	19	13	22	55

Scratched: Tim Moerlein, Terry Adkins, Joe Runyan, Brain Carver (r), Ray Dronenburg, Norman Vaughan

Disqualified: Stan Ferguson

1989 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Joe Runyan	11	05	24	34	\$50,000
2	Susan Butcher	11	06	28	50	\$35,000
3	Rick Swenson	11	08	50	50	\$27,000
4	DeeDee Jonrowe	11	13	47	16	\$20,000
5	Lavon Barve	11	16	46	53	\$15,000
6	Martin Buser	12	02	06	05	\$12,000
7	Guy Blankenship	12	02	22	24	\$11,000
8	Rick Mackey	12	02	25	00	\$10,000
9	Joe Redington, Sr.	12	02	57	16	\$9,000
10	Tim Osmar	12	03	33	03	\$8,000
11	Jacques Philip	12	04	40	46	\$7,500
12	Matt Desalernos	12	05	33	38	\$7,000
13	Bob Chlupach	12	06	17	41	\$6,500
14	John Barron	12	08	10	08	\$6,000
15	Joe Garnie	12	08	33	28	\$5,500
16	Libby Riddles	12	08	34	44	\$5,000
17	Jerry Riley	12	13	35	21	\$4,500
18	Bill Cotter	12	15	22	59	\$4,000
19	Frank Teasley	12	16	54	19	\$3,500
20	Terry Adkins	13	07	13	57	\$3,000
21	Richard Self (r)	13	09	56	57	
22	Jerry Austin	13	09	57	56	
23	Mitch Brazin (r)	13	10	05	54	
24	Diana Dronenburg	13	10	34	40	
25	Jamie Nelson (r)	13	11	26	35	
26	Linwood Fiedler (r)	13	13	37	37	
27	Tim Mowry	13	21	19	09	
28	Bill Caveny (r)	14	01	30	38	
29	Karin Schmidt (r)	14	09	24	12	
30	Bernie Willis (r)	14	10	06	06	
31	Pat Danly	14	10	16	10	
32	Kathy Halverson (r)	14	10	43	32	
33	Kazuo Kojima	14	13	45	07	
34	Frank Winkler (r)	14	22	35	34	
35	Conner Thomas(r)	14	22	51	20	
36	John Suter	14	22	54	44	
37	Duane Lamberts (r)	16	01	04	04	
38	Bob Hoyte (r)	17	11	19	19	

Scratched: Kevin Saiki, Carolyn Vaughan (r), Joe LeFaive, Michael Madden (r), Bill Chisholm, Gary Whittemore, Mike Ross (r), David Aisenbrey (r), Norman Vaughan, Roger Roberts, Jan Masek

1990 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Susan Butcher	11	01	53	23	\$50,000
2	Joe Runyan	11	04	21	12	\$35,000
3	Lavon Barve	11	07	15	04	\$27,000
4	Tim Osmar	11	14	40	53	\$20,000
5	DeeDee Jonrowe	11	14	41	31	\$15,000
6	Robin Jacobson	11	16	32	02	\$12,000
7	Rick Swenson	11	16	55	45	\$11,000
8	Linwood Fiedler	12	01	19	16	\$10,000
9	Joe Garnie	12	02	05	02	\$9,000
10	Martin Buser	12	02	33	44	\$8,000
11	Bill Cotter	13	03	54	28	\$7,500
12	Rick Mackey	13	97	18	46	\$7,000
13	Michael Madden (r)	13	08	41	06	\$6,500
14	Jacques Philip	13	08	42	50	\$6,000
15	Sonny Russell (r)	13	09	17	26	\$5,500
16	John Barron	13	09	07	41	\$5,000
17	Matt Desalernos	13	09	09	39	\$4,500
18	John Gourley	13	09	11	22	\$4,000
19	Jerry Austin	13	09	17	52	\$3,500
20	Bill Chisholm	13	09	19	19	\$3,000
21	Dan MacEachen	14	09	37	31	\$1,000
22	Norm Stoppenbrink (r)	14	09	56	31	\$1,000
23	Michael Owens	14	11	29	23	\$1,000
24	Terry Adkins	14	12	434	04	\$1,000
25	Joe Redington, Sr.	14	12	59	13	\$1,000
26	Mitch Brazin	14	13	54	13	\$1,000
27	Kevin Saiki	14	14	12	44	\$1,000
28	Diana Dronenburg	14	22	23	27	\$1,000
29	Bob Chlupach	15	02	13	03	\$1,000
30	Harry Sutherland	15	02	13	03	\$1,000
31	Don McEwen	15	05	34	02	\$1,000
32	Raymie Redington	15	05	37	16	\$1,000
33	Frank Winkler	15	08	07	25	\$1,000
34	Bill Hall	15	09	10	00	\$1,000
35	Beverly Masek (r)	15	14	13	21	\$1,000
36	Malcom Vance (r)	15	14	13	22	\$1,000
37	Roy Wade	15	17	05	29	\$1,000
38	Roy Monk (r)	15	18	15	29	\$1,000
39	Dave Breuer (r)	15	18	22	31	\$1,000
40	Duane Lamberts	15	20	50	09	\$1,000

1990 RESULTS CONTINUED

41	Emmitt Peters	15	2	11	39	\$1,000
42	Bob Hickel (r)	15	22	27	19	\$1,000
43	Macgill Adams (r)	15	22	53	12	\$1,000
44	Lynda Plettner (r)	16	00	29	39	\$1,000
45	John Suter	16	00	40	00	\$1,000
46	Larry Harris (r)	16	00	46	00	\$1,000
47	Greg Tibbetts (r)	16	00	49	00	\$1,000
48	Bryan Moline (r)	16	01	42	25	\$1,000
49	Jim Wood (r)	16	01	42	25	\$1,000
50	Bert Hansen(r)	16	04	06	55	\$1,000
51	Peter Kelly	16	09	06	12	\$1,000
52	Pecos Humphries (r)	16	09	19	01	\$1,000
53	Bill Davidson	17	02	16	58	\$1,000
54	Lorren Weaver (r)	18	02	30	00	\$1,000
55	Lars Ekstrand (r)	18	02	30	00	\$1,000
56	Larry Munoz (r)	18	12	38	14	\$1,000
57	John Ace	18	15	41	08	\$1,000
58	Paul Byrd (r)	18	16	39	09	\$1,000
59	Terry Hinesly (r)	18	16	59	19	\$1,000
60	Norman Vaughan	21	10	26	06	\$1,000
61	Steve Haver	21	10	26	26	\$1,000

Scratched: Guy Blankenship, Tim Mundy (r), Chuck Schaeffer (r), Pascal Nicoud (r), Mike Ross (r), Frank Teasley, Lesley Monk, Joe LeFaive **Disqualified:** Jerry Riley

1991 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Rick Swenson	12	13	34	39	\$50,000
2	Martin Buser	12	18	41	49	\$39,000
3	Susan Butcher	12	21	59	03	\$32,000
4	Tim Osmar	12	22	33	33	\$24,000
5	Joe Runyan	12	22	36	30	\$19,000
6	Frank Teasley	13	12	27	57	\$15,000
7	DeeDee Jonrowe	13	13	44	10	\$14,000
8	Matt Desalernos	13	13	44	35	\$13,000
9	Rick Mackey	13	13	54	39	\$12,000
10	Bill Cotter	13	13	57	28	\$11,000
11	Kate Persons (r)	13	14	20	59	\$9,500
12	Jeff King	13	14	24	40	\$9,000
13	Jacques Philip	13	15	07	39	\$8,500
14	Jerry Austin	13	17	10	51	\$8,000
15	Mike Madden	13	20	06	26	\$7,500
16	Ketil Reitan (r)	13	21	54	12	\$6,500
17	Lavon Barve	13	22	20	14	\$6,000
18	Peryll Kaiser	14	16	26	26	\$5,500
19	Terry Adkins	14	16	46	51	\$5,000
20	Bill Jack (r)	14	19	38	14	\$4,500
21	Beverly Masek	15	09	03	51	
22	Laird Barron (r)	15	10	07	15	
23	Joe Garnie	15	11	53	33	
24	Rick Armstrong	15	12	24	07	
25	Linwood Fiedler	15	23	45	15	
26	Burt Bomhoff	16	08	48	36	
27	Dan MacEachen	16	09	08	46	
28	David Olesen	16	10	01	52	
29	Raymie Redington	16	10	02	23	
30	Dave Allen (r)	16	10	25	26	
31	Joe Redington, Sr.	16	11	56	56	
32	Jerry Raychel	16	17	51	17	
33	Mark Nordman	17	17	55	38	
34	Malcom Vance	17	09	30	00	
35	Macgill Adams	17	10	10	13	
36	Nikolai Ettyne (r)	17	10	53	00	
37	Alexander Reznjuk (r)	17	11	54	12	
38	Tony Shoogukwruk (r)	17	12	34	11	
39	Rollin Westrum (r)	17	13	44	00	
40	Brian Stafford (r)	17	15	35	48	

1991 RESULTS CONTINUED

41	John Suter	17	18	23	31
42	Roger Roberts	17	22	08	00
43	Larry Munoz	17	22	59	52
44	Jim Cantor (r)	18	00	02	00
45	Terry Seaman (r)	18	00	08	35
46	Kazuo Kojima	18	00	29	28
47	Rich Bosela (r)	18	00	50	45
48	Pat Danly	18	02	23	36
49	Dave Breuer	18	04	49	29
50	Chris Converse (r)	18	05	09	50
51	Sepp Herrman (r)	21	05	59	26
52	Lynda Plettner	21	21	04	06
53	Jon Terhune (r)	22	00	11	04
54	Gunner Johnson (r)	22	00	57	48
55	Urtha Lenharr (r)	22	01	05	09
56	Tom Daily (r)	22	01	06	50
57	Mark Williams (r)	22	01	06	58
58	Catherine Mormile (r)	22	01	18	28
59	Don Mormile (r)	22	01	35	16
60	Brian O'Donoghue (r)	22	05	55	55

Scratched: David Aisenbrey (r), Steve Fossett (r), John Nels Anderson, Alan Garth (r), Roy Monk, Bill Peele (r), Gary Moore (r), Barry Lee (r), John Ace, Ken Chase, Sonny Russell, John Barron, Robin Jacobson, Gary Whittemore, Bobby Lee **Disqualified:** Joe Carpenter

1992 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Martin Buser	10	19	17	15	\$51,600
2	Susan Butcher	11	05	36	03	\$41,280
3	Tim Osmar	11	05	49	39	\$36,120
4	Rick Swenson	11	07	51	49	\$30,960
5	DeeDee Jonrowe	11	09	05	00	\$25,800
6	Jeff King	11	10	40	35	\$20,640
7	Vern Halter	11	13	08	40	\$18,576
8	Rick Mackey	11	13	20	23	\$17,544
9	Doug Swingley (r)	11	13	47	00	\$16,512
10	Ketil Reitan	11	14	38	00	\$15,480
11	Matt Desalernos	11	15	15	12	\$14,448
12	Bruce Lee (r)	11	15	38	40	\$13,416
13	Claire Philip	11	15	43	20	\$12,384
14	Ed Iten (r)	11	16	01	43	\$11,868
15	Bill Cotter	11	17	00	00	\$11,352
16	Kate Persons	11	20	14	42	\$10,836
17	Lavon Barve	11	21	38	03	\$10,320
18	John Barron	11	23	53	21	\$9,804
19	Dan MacEachen	12	04	05	53	\$9,288
20	Joe Garnie	12	05	46	50	\$8,772
21	Kathy Swenson (r)	12	05	53	50	
22	Sonny Lindner	12	08	06	08	
23	Beverly Masek	12	13	20	55	
24	Jerry Austin	12	13	26	55	
25	Linwood Fiedler	12	21	59	50	
26	David Olesen	12	22	15	30	
27	Bill Jack	13	00	21	22	
28	Frank Teasley	13	03	03	58	
29	Rick Armstrong	13	03	41	59	
30	Terry Adkins	13	07	55	25	
31	Bob Chlupach	13	08	41	45	
32	Burt Bomhoff	13	10	23	25	
33	Bill Hall	13	14	07	10	
34	Gary Whittemonre	13	17	15	18	
35	Thomas Israelsson (r)	13	20	17	00	
36	Kathy Tucker (r)	14	00	55	30	
37	Susan Cantor (r)	14	01	42	42	
38	Roy Monk	14	02	09	06	
39	Lynda Plettner	14	02	46	54	
40	Norm Stoppenbrink	14	02	49	52	

1992 RESULTS CONTINUED

41	Joe Redington, Sr.	14	03	00	00
42	Raymie Redington	14	04	12	13
43	Charlie Boulding (r)	14	04	12	35
44	Mike Williams, Sr. (r)	14	08	46	47
45	John Nels Anderson	14	09	07	45
46	Kim Teasley (r)	14	11	42	47
47	Steve Fossett (r)	14	11	58	18
48	Jon Terhune	14	12	24	10
49	Bob Holder (r)	14	13	34	12
50	Jim Oehlschlaeger (r)	14	14	40	30
51	Cliff Roberson (r)	14	14	56	40
52	Pete Johnson (r)	14	15	01	15
53	Steve Christon (r)	14	17	38	15
54	Skin Wysocki (r)	15	02	58	20
55	Mellan Shea (r)	15	13	45	15
56	Bill Bass (r)	15	13	48	00
57	Bob Hickel	15	14	12	45
58	Debbie Corral (r)	15	14	36	40
59	James Reiter (r)	18	12	03	15
60	Loren Weaver	18	12	12	27
61	Jim Davis (r)	18	13	03	45
62	John Peterson (r)	18	13	04	58
63	Vern Cherneski (r)	18	13	05	02

Scratched: Tim Mundy (r), Carolyn Muegge-Vaughan (r), William Orazietto (r), Pascal Nicoud (r), Sonny Russell, Eep Anderson, Bob Ernisse (r), Norman Vaughan, Catherine Mormile, Emmitt Peters, Robin Jacobson, Krista Maciolek (r), Joe Runyan

1993 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Jeff King	10	15	38	15	\$50,000
2	DeeDee Jonrowe	10	16	10	50	\$43,000
3	Rick Mackey	10	18	07	55	\$37,000
4	Susan Butcher	10	22	02	40	\$32,000
5	Tim Osmar	10	22	07	00	\$27,000
6	Martin Buser	11	00	47	39	\$22,000
7	Matt Desalernos	11	05	47	03	\$19,000
8	Doug Swingley	11	06	38	28	\$18,000
9	Rick Swenson	11	08	14	45	\$17,000
10	Bruce Lee	11	12	00	35	\$16,000
11	Vern Halter	11	13	04	15	\$15,000
12	Joe Runyan	11	13	06	12	\$14,000
13	Claire Phillip	11	13	15	45	\$13,000
14	Kathy Swenson	11	15	10	30	\$12,500
15	John Barron	11	15	59	03	\$12,000
16	Joe Garnie	11	18	42	20	\$11,500
17	Linwood Fiedler	11	21	02	50	\$11,000
18	Sonny Lindner	11	23	49	40	\$10,500
19	Bill Cotter	11	23	49	50	\$10,000
20	Kate Persons	11	23	50	20	\$9,500
21	Dan MacEachen	12	08	02	21	
22	David Olesen	14	17	52	35	
23	Jerry Austin	14	17	52	40	
24	Laird Barron	14	17	53	38	
25	Kathy Tucker	14	17	53	56	
26	Diana Dronenburg	14	17	54	00	
27	Frank Teasley	14	17	54	04	
28	Lynda Pletner	14	17	54	50	
29	Terry Adkins	14	17	55	00	
30	Duane Halverson	14	17	55	30	
31	Mike Williams, Sr.	14	17	55	41	
32	Mark Nordman	14	17	56	02	
33	Bob Holder	14	17	56	12	
34	Jason Barron (r)	14	17	56	20	
35	Keizo Funatsu (r)	14	17	56	30	
36	Ketil Reitan	14	17	57	42	
37	Pecos Humpheys	14	17	58	50	
38	Peryll Kyzer	14	17	59	02	
39	Jim Ohlschlaeger	16	13	56	45	
40	Skin Wysocki	16	13	57	05	
41	Jerry Loudon (r)	16	13	57	45	
42	Pat Danly	17	01	06	04	
43	Stan Smith (r)	17	06	23	13	

1993 RESULTS CONTINUED

44	Roger Haertel (r)	16	06	23	13
45	Jack Goode (r)	17	06	23	44
46	Paul Ruppel (r)	17	08	39	20
47	Joe Carpenter (r)	17	08	53	33
48	Mark Chapoton (r)	17	08	54	17
49	Kirsten Bay (r)	17	08	59	59
50	Bert Hansen	17	09	12	55
51	Harry Caldwell (r)	17	17	27	07
52	John Peterson	17	22	38	38
53	Spencer Thew (r)	17	22	38	38
54	Lloyd Gilbertson (r)	18	04	49	19

Scratched: Julius Burgert (r), David Aisenbrey (r), Robert Morgan (r), Norman Lee (r), Gary Moore (r), Lavon Barve, Terry Hinesly, Robin Jacobson, John Schandelmeier (r), Val Aron (r), Rick Townsend (r)

Disqualified: Dave Branholm (r) **Finisher:** Beverly Masek

1994 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Martin Buser	10	15	28	11	\$50,000
2	Rick Mackey	10	18	18	14	\$39,500
3	Jeff King	10	21	46	09	\$32,000
4	Rick Swenson	10	22	19	41	\$25,820
5	Bill Cotter	10	22	39	39	\$21,516
6	Doug Swingley	11	00	00	31	\$17,213
7	Charlie Boulding	11	01	38	06	\$14,201
8	Tim Osmar	11	03	38	56	\$13,340
9	DeeDee Jonrowe	11	04	25	15	\$12,480
10	Susan Butcher	11	06	07	20	\$11,619
11	Matt Desalernos	11	08	53	34	\$10,758
12	Kate Persons	11	08	57	29	\$9,898
13	Vern Halter	11	11	34	13	\$9,037
14	Peryll Kyzer	11	11	48	02	\$8,607
15	Robin Jacobson	11	13	54	00	\$8,176
16	David Olesen	11	15	39	15	\$7,746
17	Ramy Brooks (r)	11	15	42	30	\$7,316
18	Linwood Fiedler	11	15	57	30	\$6,885
19	Diana Dronenburg	11	17	21	40	\$6,455
20	Kenth Fjelborg (r)	11	17	28	10	\$6,025
21	Ramey Smyth (r)	12	06	46	10	
22	Jerry Austin	12	07	17	07	
23	Ketil Reitan	12	07	48	10	
24	Bruce Lee	12	07	51	11	
25	Laird Barron	12	09	53	46	
26	Frank Teasley	12	09	54	35	
27	Stan Smith	12	12	42	42	
28	Mike Williams, Sr.	12	13	13	25	
29	Lynda Plettner	12	19	54	30	
30	Bill Hall	13	05	55	29	
31	Bob Holder	13	06	06	39	
32	Gus Guenther (r)	13	06	20	55	
33	Terry Adkins	13	06	34	44	
34	Jack Berry (r)	13	08	09	00	
35	Krista Maciolek (r)	13	08	58	03	
36	Robert Somers (r)	13	16	22	00	
37	Aaron Burmeister (r)	14	10	56	32	
38	Cliff Roberson	14	10	56	32	
39	Simon Kinneen (r)	14	60	50	45	
40	Bob Morgan (r)	15	03	53	29	

1994 RESULTS CONTINUED

41	Steven Adkins	15	04	33	22
42	Dave Branholm (r)	15	05	55	00
43	Bob Ernisse (r)	15	06	39	57
44	Harry Caldwell	15	07	25	10
45	Ron Aldrich	15	09	00	00
46	Jon Terhune	15	19	16	00
47	Kazuo Kojima	15	20	11	04
48	Roger Bliss (r)	16	04	04	04
49	Bruce Moroney (r)	16	00	52	53
50	Mark Chapoton	16	16	17	35

Scratched: Rick Townsend (r), Chris Converse, Lisa Moore (r), Beth Baker (r), Jamie Nelson, Lloyd Gilbertson, Mark Nordman **Withdrawn:** Catherine Mormile

1995 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Doug Swingley	09	02	42	19	\$52,500
2	Martin Buser	09	08	47	44	\$38,080
3	Bill Cotter	09	10	52	23	\$30,940
4	DeeDee Jonrowe	09	11	24	07	\$26,775
5	Charlie Boulding	09	14	58	00	\$23,205
6	Rick Mackey	09	18	52	10	\$21,212
7	Jeff King	09	20	05	30	\$19,828
8	Vern Halter	09	20	05	30	\$18,445
9	Tim Osmar	09	21	25	08	\$17,062
10	Rick Swenson	09	22	32	00	\$15,678
11	Peryll Kyzer	10	01	55	40	\$13,150
12	John Barron	10	04	12	40	\$11,127
13	Linwood Fiedler	10	08	27	00	\$9,609
14	Matt Desalernos	10	11	14	10	\$8,598
15	David Sawatzky (r)	10	12	58	03	\$8,092
16	Ramy Brooks	10	14	08	00	\$7,854
17	Jerry Austin	10	33	56	00	\$7,497
18	David Olesen	10	23	51	51	\$7,140
19	Ramey Smyth	11	00	07	07	\$6,783
20	Mitch Seavey	11	00	07	31	\$6,426
21	John Gourley	11	00	33	59	
22	Mark Wildermuth (r)	11	05	14	58	
23	David Milne (r)	11	08	07	34	
24	Randy Adkins (r)	12	05	07	05	
25	Harry Caldwell	12	17	07	00	
26	Jack Berry	12	17	43	00	
27	Art Church (r)	12	23	00	29	
28	Cliff Roberson	13	00	27	19	
29	Dave Branholm	13	00	42	00	
30	Robert Salazar (r)	13	01	07	00	
31	Bob Holder	13	01	36	00	
32	Kazuo Kojima	13	02	13	00	
33	Libby Riddles	13	02	15	00	
34	David Dalton (r)	13	03	20	00	
35	Don Lyrek (r)	13	05	56	00	
36	Nicolas Pattaroni (r)	13	06	32	00	
37	Pat Danly	13	08	14	00	
38	Paula Gmerek (r)	13	08	54	27	
39	Rollin Westrum	13	09	42	00	
40	Robert Bundtzen (r)	13	09	55	09	

1995 RESULTS CONTINUED

41	Wayne Curtis (r)	13	19	39	03
42	Jon Terhune	13	20	05	36
43	Nikolai Ettyne	14	15	45	00
44	Kjell Risung (r)	14	16	05	00
45	Susan Whiton (r)	14	22	54	54
46	Max Hall (r)	15	05	13	39
47	Tim Triumph (r)	16	13	15	00
48	Larry William (r)	16	23	56	26
49	Ben Jacobson (r)	17	06	02	05

Scratched: Keizo Funatsu, Andy Sterns (r), Kathy Swenson, Diana Moroney, Robert Somers, Pecos Humphries, Barrie Raper (r), Lorren Weaver, Don Bowers (r)

1996 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Jeff King	09	05	43	13	\$50,000
2	Doug Swingley	09	08	31	59	\$32,000
3	Martin Buser	09	17	58	15	\$26,000
4	Tim Osmar	09	18	31	30	\$22,500
5	DeeDee Jonrowe	09	20	18	03	\$19,500
6	Bill Cotter	09	21	53	50	\$17,825
7	Charlie Boulding	09	22	00	00	\$16,663
8	David Sawatzky	09	22	29	13	\$15,500
9	Vern Halter	10	00	59	12	\$14,338
10	Peryll Kyzer	10	01	29	53	\$13,175
11	Ramy Brooks	10	02	56	18	\$11,050
12	David Scheer	10	04	00	03	\$9,350
13	Robin Jacobson	10	04	41	53	\$8,075
14	Lavon Barve	10	05	54	43	\$7,225
15	Mitch Seavey	10	06	27	59	\$6,800
16	John Barron	10	06	35	31	\$6,600
17	Linwood Fiedler	10	07	25	18	\$6,300
18	Cim Smyth (r)	10	08	00	00	\$6,000
19	Roger Dahl (r)	10	08	28	00	\$5,700
20	Sven Engholm (r)	10	14	06	00	\$5,400
21	Jerry Austin	10	16	38	40	
22	John Baker (r)	10	23	26	36	
23	Tomas Israelsson	11	07	52	58	
24	Duane Halverson	11	07	55	48	
25	Bruce Lee	11	07	57	30	
26	Paul Gebhardt (r)	11	08	08	49	
27	Diana Moroney	11	08	10	21	
28	Andy Willis (r)	11	12	11	52	
29	David Olesen	11	14	13	50	
30	Nicolas Pattaroni	12	07	04	19	
31	Conner Thomas	12	08	27	11	
32	Steve Adkins	12	09	15	50	
33	Kazuo Kojima	12	09	26	41	
34	Michael Nosko (r)	12	11	56	20	
35	Harry Caldwell	12	13	14	18	
36	Mike Webber (r)	13	04	43	25	
37	Jim Davis	13	05	15	51	
38	Randy Romenesko (r)	13	05	24	15	
39	Susan Whiton	13	05	29	40	
40	Lori Townsend (r)	13	05	36	48	

1996 RESULTS CONTINUED

41	Bill Gallea (r)	13	07	53	37
42	Mark Nordman	13	11	31	26
43	Aaron Burmeister	14	04	48	00
44	Rob Carss (r)	14	05	07	00
45	Ararad Khatchikian (r)	14	06	14	00
46	Dave Branholm	14	06	37	00
47	Lisa Moore (r)	15	14	15	38
48	Don Bowers (r)	15	14	16	04
49	Andy Sterns (r)	15	23	48	22

Scratched: Bill Hall, Roy Monk, Rich Bosela, Stan Zuray, Jack Berry, Kjell Risung, Mark Black (r)

Withdrawn: Rick Swenson (overturned by Appeals Board), Ralph Ray (r), Linda Joy (r), Bob Bright

1997 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Martin Buser	09	08	30	45	\$50,000
2	Doug Swingley	09	11	41	15	\$48,800
3	Jeff King	09	15	35	15	\$36,400
4	DeeDee Jonrowe	09	18	26	10	\$31,500
5	Vern Halter	09	20	58	44	\$27,300
6	Lavon Barve	09	21	06	17	\$24,955
7	Bill Cotter	09	21	37	28	\$23,328
8	Ramy Brooks	09	21	51	09	\$21,700
9	Peryll Kyzer	09	22	20	49	\$20,073
10	Tim Osmar	09	22	59	28	\$18,445
11	John Baker	09	23	09	36	\$15,470
12	Sven Engholm	09	23	24	08	\$13,090
13	Charlie Boulding	09	23	49	25	\$11,305
14	Paul Gebhardt	10	08	59	25	\$10,115
15	Ramey Smyth	10	14	11	20	\$9,520
16	Mitch Seavey	10	14	31	55	\$9,240
17	Linwood Fiedler	10	14	58	20	\$8,820
18	Mike Williams, Sr.	10	15	45	02	\$8,400
19	David Sawatzky	10	17	54	00	\$7,980
20	Kris Swanguarin (r)	10	19	26	01	\$7,560
21	Nicolus Pattaroni	11	01	28	01	\$1,049
22	Michael Nosko	11	01	49	22	\$1,049
23	Jack Berry	11	06	42	22	\$1,049
24	Krista Maciolek	11	17	59	24	\$1,049
25	Raymie Redington	11	18	00	21	\$1,049
26	Harry Caldwell	12	00	48	48	\$1,049
27	Robert Bundtzen	12	01	32	43	\$1,049
28	Jean Lacroix (r)	12	08	46	50	\$1,049
29	Randy Adkins	12	12	59	06	\$1,049
30	Keli Mahoney (r)	12	15	31	52	\$1,049
31	Ross Adam (r)	13	00	24	26	\$1,049
32	Mark Lindstrom (r)	13	00	24	49	\$1,049
33	Al Hardman (r)	13	00	58	40	\$1,049
34	Shawn Sidelinger (r)	13	03	30	30	\$1,049
35	Dan Seavey	13	04	03	10	\$1,049
36	Joe Redington, Jr.	13	04	18	57	\$1,049
37	Wayne Curtis	13	04	23	05	\$1,049
38	Bill Bass	13	10	57	31	\$1,049
39	Bob Hickel	13	10	58	47	\$1,049
40	Don Bowers	14	04	54	03	\$1,049
41	Suzan Amundsen (r)	14	04	55	02	\$1,049
42	Sonny King (r)	14	04	58	05	\$1,049

1997 RESULTS CONTINUED

43	Jerome Longo (r)	14	12	23	11	\$1,049
44	Ken Chase	15	09	07	44	\$1,049

Scratched: Lori Townsend, Jerry Raychel, Dave Branholm, James Ritchie (r), Bob Ernisse, John Barron, Max Hall, Linda Joy (r), Ted English

1998 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Jeff King	09	05	52	26	\$51,000
2	DeeDee Jonrowe	09	08	49	42	\$47,872
3	Charlie Boulding	09	11	41	02	\$38,896
4	Mitch Seavey	09	12	18	00	\$33,660
5	John Baker	09	21	43	09	\$29,172
6	Ramey Smyth	09	21	47	23	\$26,666
7	Martin Buser	09	21	47	58	\$24,927
8	Linwood Fiedler	09	22	29	32	\$23,188
9	Doug Swingley	09	22	34	17	\$21,449
10	Vern Halter	09	22	40	59	\$19,710
11	Rick Swenson	09	23	09	42	\$16,531
12	John Barron	10	00	40	48	\$13,988
13	Paul Gebhardt	10	04	54	40	\$12,080
14	Sven Engholm	10	05	25	39	\$10,809
15	David Sawatzky	10	07	28	58	\$10,173
16	Joe Garnie	10	13	40	02	\$9,874
17	Tim Osmar	10	13	41	04	\$9,425
18	Ramy Brooks	10	14	09	03	\$8,976
19	Bill Cotter	10	14	53	25	\$8,527
20	Mark May (r)	10	14	53	25	\$8,078
21	Christopher Knott (r)	11	00	12	55	\$1,049
22	Zack Steer (r)	11	01	12	39	\$1,049
23	Mike Williams, Sr.	11	01	57	35	\$1,049
24	Juan Alcina (r)	11	08	21	09	\$1,049
25	Sonny King	11	08	44	45	\$1,049
26	Raymie Redington	11	0	31	58	\$1,049
27	Steve Adkins	11	11	54	31	\$1,049
28	Harry Caldwell	11	15	02	20	\$1,049
29	Hans Gatt (r)	11	19	15	28	\$1,049
30	David Milne	11	19	32	11	\$1,049
31	Robin Jacobson	11	19	32	12	\$1,049
32	Ted English	11	20	42	01	\$1,049
33	Lynda Plettner	11	23	53	20	\$1,049
34	Shawn Sidelinger	12	00	08	04	\$1,049
35	Jerome Longo	12	00	51	45	\$1,049
36	Matt Hayashida (r)	12	04	35	54	\$1,049
37	Andy Willis	12	04	40	00	\$1,049
38	Ross Adam	12	05	18	23	\$1,049
39	James Ritchie (r)	12	05	50	58	\$1,049
40	Gus Guenther	12	05	53	39	\$1,049

1998 RESULTS CONTINUED

41	Steve Carrick (r)	12	05	56	52	\$1,049
42	Jim Lanier	12	06	09	35	\$1,049
43	Jeremy Gebauer (r)	12	06	20	15	\$1,049
44	Sam Maxwell (r)	12	10	23	46	\$1,049
45	Kimarie Hanson (r)	12	10	55	59	\$1,049
46	Linda Joy (r)	13	05	20	42	\$1,049
47	Billy Snodgrass (r)	13	23	04	23	\$1,049
48	Cindy Gallea (r)	14	00	48	36	\$1,049
49	Chris Lund (r)	14	01	49	59	\$1,049
50	Matt Giblin (r)	14	01	56	17	\$1,049
51	Brad Porzarnsky (r)	14	05	42	04	\$1,049

Scratched: Suzan Amundsen, Rob Carss, Ken Chase, Roy Monk, Maria Hayashida (r), Kris Swanguarin, Don Bowers, Keli Mahoney, Terry Adkins, Jack Berry, Michael Nosko, Dave Lindquist (r)

1999 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Doug Swingley	09	14	31	07	\$60,000
2	Martin Buser	09	23	10	59	\$56,320
3	Vern Halter	10	06	25	40	\$45,760
4	Rick Swenson	10	08	19	05	\$39,600
5	Charlie Boulding	10	09	19	52	\$34,320
6	Paul Gebardt	10	09	37	10	\$31,372
7	Jeff King	10	10	10	32	\$29,326
8	John Baker	10	10	10	54	\$27,280
9	Sven Engholm	10	13	23	13	\$25,234
10	Ed Iten	10	14	02	30	\$23,188
11	Mitch Seavey	10	14	26	29	\$19,448
12	Ramey Smyth	10	15	37	10	\$16,456
13	Linwood Fiedler	10	18	30	40	\$14,212
14	Bill Cotter	10	21	15	00	\$12,716
15	David Sawatzky	10	21	53	13	\$11,968
16	Rick Mackey	10	23	12	55	\$11,616
17	Joe Garnie	11	00	43	38	\$11,088
18	Tim Osmar	11	01	20	08	\$10,560
19	Harald Tunheim (r)	11	01	47	36	\$10,032
20	Christopher Knott	11	02	09	09	\$9,504
21	Hans Gatt	11	06	39	30	\$1,049
22	Sonny King	11	11	17	49	\$1,049
23	Mike Williams, Sr.	11	12	03	50	\$1,049
24	Sonny Lindner	12	10	01	50	\$1,049
25	Juan Alcina	12	10	03	05	\$1,049
26	Ken Anderson (r)	12	10	43	01	\$1,049
27	Jerome Longo	12	13	44	15	\$1,049
28	Robert Bundtzen	12	15	04	15	\$1,049
29	Peryll Kyzer	12	17	23	53	\$1,049
30	Michael Nosko	12	18	55	55	\$1,049
31	Russell Lane (r)	12	19	14	17	\$1,049
32	Raymie Redington	12	19	25	30	\$1,049
33	Matt Hayashida	12	19	51	30	\$1,049
34	Frank Teasley	12	19	59	29	\$1,049
35	Shawn Sidelinger	12	20	24	50	\$1,049
36	Jon Little (r)	12	20	53	01	\$1,049
37	Max Hall	12	22	48	59	\$1,049
38	Lynda Plettner	13	02	58	00	\$1,049
39	Aaron Burmeister	13	03	26	41	\$1,049
40	Dario Daniels (r)	13	09	04	13	\$1,049

1999 RESULTS CONTINUED

41	Bill Hall	13	10	33	50	\$1,049
42	Jim Lanier	13	13	55	00	\$1,049
43	Jim Gallea (r)	13	13	14	40	\$1,049
44	Don Bowers	13	15	37	15	\$1,049
45	Shane Goosen (r)	15	01	51	41	\$1,049
46	Judy Currier (r)	15	02	40	08	\$1,049
47	Jeremy Gebauer	15	03	18	44	\$1,049

Scratched: Robert Moore (r), Dan Dent (r), Ted English, Steve Crouch (r), Steve Carrick, John Barron, DeeDee Jonrowe, Harry Caldwell, Linda Joy

2000 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Doug Swingley	09	00	58	06	\$60,000
2	Paul Gebhardt	09	06	04	23	\$52,500
3	Jeff King	09	08	44	41	\$45,000
4	Ramy Brooks	09	09	20	30	\$37,500
5	Charlie Boulding	09	11	16	23	\$34,000
6	Rick Mackey	09	13	35	45	\$31,000
7	Martin Buser	09	14	55	15	\$28,500
8	Rick Swenson	09	15	09	00	\$26,000
9	Mitch Seavey	09	19	15	45	\$23,500
10	Bill Cotter	09	20	55	11	\$21,000
11	Ramey Smyth	09	22	08	26	\$18,500
12	Hans Gatt	09	22	57	24	\$16,500
13	Bruce Lee	10	01	23	05	\$14,000
14	Zack Steer	10	01	44	24	\$13,000
15	John Barron	10	01	53	53	\$12,500
16	Tim Osmar	10	02	27	05	\$12,000
17	Juan Alcina	10	02	34	24	\$11,500
18	Sonny King	10	03	58	29	\$10,750
19	Linwood Fiedler	10	04	01	31	\$10,250
20	DeeDee Jonrowe	10	04	24	04	\$9,500
21	Vern Halter	10	05	34	14	\$8,000
22	John Baker	10	05	48	29	\$7,000
23	Jon Little	10	07	44	20	\$6,000
24	Ed Iten	10	08	54	34	\$4,000
25	Harald Tunheim	10	12	04	40	\$3,500
26	David Sawatzky	10	13	14	15	\$2,500
27	Tony Willis (r)	10	13	33	52	\$2,000
28	Mike Williams, Sr.	10	19	29	40	\$1,750
29	Raymie Redington	11	00	22	52	\$1,500
30	Aaron Burmeister	11	03	35	04	\$1,250
31	Diana Moroney	11	05	14	24	\$1,049
32	Joran Freeman (r)	11	05	31	11	\$1,049
33	Bryan Imus (r)	11	05	35	36	\$1,049
34	Nils Hahn (r)	11	07	05	55	\$1,049
35	David Milne	11	09	09	34	\$1,049
36	Russell Lane	11	09	34	34	\$1,049
37	Al Hardman	11	11	32	29	\$1,049
38	James Ritchie	11	19	37	28	\$1,049
39	Michael Nosko	12	00	24	40	\$1,049
40	Emmitt Peters	12	02	42	40	\$1,049

2000 RESULTS CONTINUED

41	Ross Adam	12	03	00	15	\$1,049
42	Jerome Longo	12	04	21	05	\$1,049
43	Shawn Sidelinger	12	04	54	15	\$1,049
44	Jamie Nelson	12	05	32	00	\$1,049
45	Billy Snodgrass	12	06	31	14	\$1,049
46	Blake Freking(r)	12	06	47	26	\$1,049
47	Max Hall	12	06	50	19	\$1,049
48	John Dixon (r)	12	08	38	06	\$1,049
49	Roy Monk	12	0	15	36	\$1,049
50	Steve Adkins	12	13	49	36	\$1,049
51	Aaron Peck (r)	12	17	48	05	\$1,049
52	John Bramante (r)	12	23	57	00	\$1,049
53	Anna Bondarenko (r)	13	00	07	58	\$1,049
54	Paul Ellering (r)	13	00	30	45	\$1,049
55	Kevin Kortuem (r)	13	16	07	20	\$1,049
56	Bob Hempstead (r)	13	17	01	13	\$1,049
57	Caleb Banse (r)	13	20	30	15	\$1,049
58	Vickie Talbot (r)	13	20	49	06	\$1,049
59	Edward de la Billiere (r)	13	21	51	37	\$1,049
60	Dan Govoni (r)	14	04	15	20	\$1,049
61	Trisha Kolegar (r)	14	04	19	10	\$1,049
62	Bill McKee (r)	14	04	48	35	\$1,049
63	Dan Dent (r)	14	05	07	28	\$1,049
64	Melanie Gould (r)	14	07	05	15	\$1,049
65	James Wheeler (r)	14	08	48	10	\$1,049
66	Lynda Plettner	15	01	03	23	\$1,049
67	Dave Tresino (r)	15	05	30	22	\$1,049
68	Fedor Konyukhov (r)	15	05	44	44	\$1,049

Scratched: Ted English, Harry Caldwell, Nelsn Shughart (r), Rich Bosela, David Straub (r), Mike Murphy (r), Shane Goosen, Cindy Gallea, Bill Bass, Rob Greger (r), Karen Ramstead (r), Jerry Riley **Withdrawn:** Neen Bown (r)

2001 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Doug Swingley	09	19	55	50	\$62,857
2	Linwood Fiedler	10	03	58	57	\$55,000
3	Jeff King	10	07	19	43	\$47,143
4	Rick Swenson	10	15	57	28	\$39,286
5	Paul Gebhardt	10	20	37	05	\$35,619
6	John Baker	10	21	00	30	\$32,476
7	Rick Mackey	11	02	00	02	\$29,857
8	Jerry Riley	11	06	43	58	\$27,238
9	Sonny King	11	12	58	46	\$24,619
10	DeeDee Jonrowe	11	14	33	15	\$22,000
11	Vern Halter	11	18	57	00	\$19,381
12	Ramy Brooks	11	20	47	05	\$17,286
13	Ramey Smyth	11	22	16	40	\$14,667
14	Jessie Royer (r)	11	23	04	40	\$13,619
15	Jon Little	11	23	46	15	\$13,095
16	Ed Iten	12	00	22	45	\$12,571
17	Andy Moderow (r)	12	00	44	10	\$12,048
18	Tim Osmar	12	01	15	00	\$11,262
19	Hans Gatt	12	01	46	54	\$10,738
20	Charlie Boulding	12	02	36	48	\$9,952
21	Sonny Lindner	12	06	11	28	\$8,381
22	Nils Hahn	12	06	37	02	\$7,333
23	Juan Alcina	12	06	40	01	\$6,286
24	Martin Buser	12	07	43	59	\$4,190
25	Thomas Tetz (r)	12	07	44	17	\$3,667
26	Bill Cotter	12	08	14	28	\$2,619
27	Russell Lane	12	09	17	57	\$2,095
28	Dan Govoni	12	10	38	00	\$1,833
29	Aaron Burmeister	12	10	39	10	\$1,571
30	Gwen Holdman (r)	12	14	24	15	\$1,310
31	Robert Bundtzen	13	15	38	43	\$1,049
32	Jerome Longo	12	16	42	37	\$1,049
33	Aliy Zirkle (r)	12	17	53	33	\$1,049
34	Raymie Redington	12	18	14	38	\$1,049
35	Ray Redington, Jr. (r)	12	18	14	42	\$1,049
36	Lance Mackey (r)	12	18	35	13	\$1,049
37	Mike Williams, Sr.	12	20	21	05	\$1,049
38	Cindy Gallea	12	21	46	53	\$1,049
39	John Barron	12	22	45	45	\$1,049
40	Wally Robinson (r)	12	23	36	55	\$1,049
41	Bob Chlupach	13	03	07	53	\$1,049
42	Mitch Seavey	13	07	56	06	\$1,049

2001 RESULTS CONTINUED

43	Danny Seavey (r)	13	07	59	34	\$1,049
44	Dan Seavey	13	08	53	35	\$1,049
45	Palmer Sagoonick (r)	13	09	43	08	\$1,049
46	Morton Fonseca (r)	13	12	01	08	\$1,049
47	Ron Koczaja (r)	13	12	55	39	\$1,049
48	Bruce Moroney	13	15	02	43	\$1,049
49	Jim Lanier	13	15	35	40	\$1,049
50	Peryll Kyzer	13	15	53	10	\$1,049
51	Wayne Curtis	13	17	53	40	\$1,049
52	Elizabeth Manning (r)	13	22	59	10	\$1,049
53	Clint Warnke (r)	13	23	00	00	\$1,049
54	Buck Church (r)	13	23	37	27	\$1,049
55	Roy Monk	13	23	52	32	\$1,049
56	Dave Tresino	14	05	00	40	\$1,049
57	Karen Ramstead (r)	14	23	53	16	\$1,049

Scratched: Chuck King (r), Michael Nosko, Bob Morgan, David Straub (r), Art Church, Rob Carss, Devan Currier (r), Ryan Redington (r), Steve Carrick, Pedro Curuchet (r) **Withdrawn:** Jason Halseth (r)

2002 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Martin Buser	08	22	46	02	\$62,857
2	Ramy Brooks	09	00	49	18	\$55,000
3	John Baker	09	05	46	30	\$47,143
4	Jon Little	09	07	22	44	\$39,286
5	Vern Halter	09	07	47	48	\$35,619
6	Jeff King	09	10	42	19	\$32,476
7	Ramey Smyth	09	12	02	29	\$29,857
8	Charlie Boulding	09	13	36	32	\$27,238
9	Robert Sørli(r)	09	13	44	52	\$24,619
10	Kjetil Backen (r)	09	13	47	42	\$22,000
11	Mitch Seavey	09	14	25	10	\$19,381
12	Harald Tunheim	09	15	10	03	\$17,286
13	Sonny Lindner	09	19	08	29	\$14,667
14	Ray Redington, Jr.	09	21	26	18	\$13,619
15	Tim Osmar	09	21	48	19	\$13,095
16	DeeDee Jonrowe	09	22	07	20	\$12,571
17	Jerry Riley	09	22	11	31	\$12,048
18	Ken Anderson	09	22	29	49	\$11,262
19	Rick Swenson	09	23	41	11	\$10,738
20	Lynda Plettner	10	02	34	24	\$9,952
21	Al Hardman	10	04	20	30	\$8,381
22	John Barron	10	06	25	40	\$7,333
23	Hans Gatt	10	08	54	04	\$6,286
24	Bruce Lee	10	11	20	17	\$4,190
25	Jim Lanier	10	12	43	00	\$3,667
26	Peter Bartlett	10	16	13	10	\$2,619
27	Bill Cotter	10	17	20	32	\$2,095
28	Sonny King	10	17	39	02	\$1,833
29	Aliy Zirkle	10	28	01	45	\$1,571
30	Jim Gallea	10	20	38	19	\$1,310
31	Robert Bundtzen	11	00	34	42	\$1,049
32	Keith Aili (r)	11	07	34	37	\$1,049
33	Stan Passananiti (r)	11	07	36	42	\$1,049
34	Nils Hahn	11	14	53	49	\$1,049
35	Gerald Sousa (r)	11	20	35	55	\$1,049
36	Palmer Sagoonick	11	20	50	54	\$1,049
37	Melanie Gould	11	21	33	55	\$1,049
38	Mike Williams, Sr.	11	22	23	46	\$1,049
39	Garth Elsdon (r)	11	23	23	46	\$1,049
40	Doug Swingley	13	05	24	05	\$1,049

2002 RESULTS CONTINUED

41	Harmony Kanavle (r)	13	06	14	26	\$1,049
42	Jason Barron	13	06	14	26	\$1,049
43	Daniel Vetch (r)	13	06	32	34	\$1,049
44	Jim Oehlschlaeger	13	07	02	09	\$1,049
46	Kelly Williams (r)	13	08	20	23	\$1,049
47	Lisa Frederic (r)	13	23	45	55	\$1,049
48	John Bramante	13	23	47	22	\$1,049
49	Karen Land (r)	13	23	55	22	\$1,049
50	Devan Currier	14	00	56	06	\$1,049
51	Lesley Monk	14	01	00	00	\$1,049
52	GB Jones (r)	14	01	11	11	\$1,049
53	Bill Bordon (r)	14	04	10	14	\$1,049
54	Ken Chase	14	04	15	21	\$1,049
55	David Straub (r)	14	05	38	12	\$1,049
56	Dave Tresino	14	05	00	40	\$1,049

Scratched: Perry Solmonson (r), Burt Bomhoff, Judy Merritt (r), Ellen Halverson (r), Lance Mackey, Linwood Fiedler, Rick Horstmann (r), Mark Black (r), Sandy McKee (r)

2003 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Robert Sørllie	09	15	47	36	\$68,571
2	Ramy Brooks	09	17	37	10	\$60,000
3	Jeff King	09	23	17	00	\$51,429
4	Martin Buser	10	03	40	19	\$42,857
5	Ken Anderson	10	06	12	17	\$38,857
6	Linwood Fiedler	10	07	02	55	\$35,429
7	Ramey Smyth	10	07	10	33	\$32,571
8	John Baker	10	07	33	07	\$29,714
9	Ed Iten	10	11	07	05	\$26,857
10	Sonny Lindner	10	12	18	06	\$24,000
11	Rick Swenson	10	12	36	41	\$21,143
12	Mitch Seavey	10	14	12	10	\$18,857
13	Jon Little	10	15	00	26	\$16,000
14	Aliy Zirkle	10	17	17	38	\$14,857
15	Ray Redington, Jr.	10	19	04	08	\$14,286
16	Aaron Burmeister	10	20	20	15	\$13,714
17	Bruce Lee	10	22	07	00	\$13,143
18	DeeDee Jonrowe	10	23	45	39	\$12,286
19	Jessica Hendricks (r)	11	02	40	17	\$11,714
20	Jessie Royer	11	04	09	08	\$10,857
21	Vern Halter	11	05	37	56	\$9,143
22	Tim Osmar	11	05	53	33	\$8,000
23	Paul Gebhardt	11	08	51	32	\$6,857
24	Jim Lanier	11	11	11	10	\$4,571
25	Melanie Gould	11	13	54	18	\$4,000
26	Clint Warnke	11	14	02	03	\$2,857
27	Cim Smyth	11	14	42	44	\$2,286
28	Robert Bundtzen	11	15	18	54	\$2,000
29	Randy Chappel (r)	11	15	22	10	\$1,714
30	Lynda Plettner	11	23	04	25	\$1,429
31	Mike Williams, Sr.	12	01	11	11	\$1,049
32	Cali King (r)	12	07	22	01	\$1,049
33	Cindy Gallea	12	07	48	52	\$1,049
34	Palmer Sagoonick	12	12	25	36	\$1,049
35	Jack Berry	12	12	42	40	\$1,049
36	Tyrell Seavey (r)	12	15	01	01	\$1,049
37	William Pinkham (r)	12	17	35	35	\$1,049
38	Gerald Sousa	13	00	30	15	\$1,049
39	Carla Kelly (r)	13	01	37	31	\$1,049
40	Jim Gallea	13	05	08	31	\$1,049

2003 RESULTS CONTINUED

41	Frank Sihler (r)	14	00	49	19	\$1,049
42	Kelly LaMarre (r)	14	11	05	35	\$1,049
43	Ben Stamm (r)	14	11	06	05	\$1,049
44	Russell Bybee (r)	15	05	30	53	\$1,049

Scratched: Lance Barve (r), Blake Matray (r), Karen Land, Bob Hickel, Peter Bartlett (r), Jason Barron, Ted English, Dean Osmar, GB Jones, Todd Capistrant (r), Perry Solmonson (r), Keih Aili, Charlie Boulding, Dexter Kancer (r), Lachlan Clarke, Adam Scott Gibler (r), Karen Ramstead, Ellen Halverson (r), Debbie Moderow (r), Jerry Riley

2004 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Mitch Seavey	09	12	20	22	\$69,000
2	Jeff King	09	14	40	59	\$63,000
3	Kjetil Backen	09	15	11	02	\$57,000
4	Ramey Smyth	09	16	23	50	\$50,000
5	Ed Iten	09	09	16	25	\$44,000
6	Charlie Boulding	09	17	04	07	\$40,000
7	Rick Swenson	09	18	59	32	\$37,000
8	Ramy Brooks	09	19	58	09	\$34,000
9	John Baker	10	00	43	00	\$31,000
10	Vern Halter	10	01	25	24	\$28,000
11	Martin Buser	10	02	41	24	\$25,000
12	Jason Barron	10	05	11	37	\$22,000
13	Aaron Burmeister	10	05	34	10	\$20,000
14	Tim Osmar	10	08	31	15	\$18,000
15	DeeDee Jonrowe	10	08	40	49	\$17,000
16	Gerald Sousa	10	09	30	20	\$16,000
17	Ken Anderson	10	10	10	26	\$15,000
18	Jim Lanier	10	11	01	10	\$14,000
19	Paul Gebhardt	10	12	26	22	\$13,000
20	Ray Redington, Jr.	10	14	21	31	\$12,000
21	Jessie Royer	10	14	23	32	\$11,000
22	Hugh Neff (r)	10	16	21	01	\$9,000
23	Melanie Gould	10	17	28	30	\$8,000
24	Lance Mackey	10	18	27	37	\$5,300
25	Shannon Brockman (r)	10	18	37	27	\$4,500
26	Jason Mackey (r)	10	18	58	27	\$3,300
27	John Barron	10	20	56	50	\$2,700
28	Fabrizio Lovati (r)	10	22	06	28	\$2,300
29	Dennis Kananowicz (r)	10	23	04	28	\$2,100
30	Bill Cotter	11	00	26	24	\$1,800
31	Nils Hahn	11	00	40	37	\$1,049
32	Joe Garnie	11	00	41	12	\$1,049
33	William Pinkham	11	01	40	47	\$1,049
34	Aliy Zirkle	11	02	04	44	\$1,049
35	Lynda Plettner	11	05	02	06	\$1,049
36	Sam Perrino (r)	11	05	22	05	\$1,049
37	Mike Williams, Sr.	11	06	40	06	\$1,049
38	Robert Bundtzen	11	06	53	00	\$1,049
39	Frank Sihler	11	07	39	27	\$1,049
40	William Hanes (r)	11	07	51	01	\$1,049

2004 RESULTS CONTINUED

41	Cindy Gallea	11	07	58	10	\$1,049
42	Randy Chappel	11	10	38	14	\$1,049
43	Cim Smyth	11	18	58	00	\$1,049
44	Ryan Redington (r)	11	19	10	15	\$1,049
45	Ellie Claus (r)	11	19	24	30	\$1,049
46	Rick Mackey	11	21	01	35	\$1,049
47	Rick Larson (r)	11	21	59	36	\$1,049
48	Scott Smith (r)	11	22	06	09	\$1,049
49	Peryll Kyzer	12	00	15	34	\$1,049
50	Bernhard Schuchert (r)	12	02	04	44	\$1,049
51	Dexter Kancer (r)	12	02	30	35	\$1,049
52	Noah Burmeister (r)	12	02	50	32	\$1,049
53	Doug Grilliot (r)	12	04	52	32	\$1,049
54	Peter Bartlett	12	05	45	52	\$1,049
55	Kelly Williams	12	06	06	12	\$1,049
56	Karen Land	12	06	45	19	\$1,049
57	Rick Casillo (r)	12	06	53	14	\$1,049
58	Karen Ramstead	12	08	00	04	\$1,049
59	Al Hardman	12	08	43	24	\$1,049
60	Ed Stielstra (r)	12	11	48	52	\$1,049
61	Mark Moderow (r)	12	13	34	04	\$1,049
62	Tollef Monson (r)	12	15	18	53	\$1,049
63	Wayne Curtis	12	18	06	45	\$1,049
64	Russell Bybee	13	03	41	40	\$1,049
65	Devan Currier	13	03	43	14	\$1,049
66	Todd Capistrant (r)	13	04	14	34	\$1,049
67	Jim Connor (r)	13	04	14	36	\$1,049
68	Harmony Barron	13	05	58	47	\$1,049
69	Cliff Wang (r)	13	06	06	08	\$1,049
70	Jacob Lysyshyn (r)	13	07	00	58	\$1,049
71	Matt Weik (r)	13	13	50	01	\$1,049
72	Sue Allen (r)	13	18	59	21	\$1,049
73	James Warren (r)	13	19	15	21	\$1,049
74	Ben Stamm	13	19	20	00	\$1,049
75	Steven Madsen (r)	14	11	16	05	\$1,049
76	GB Jones	15	02	38	08	\$1,049
77	Perry Solmonson (r)	15	02	50	36	\$1,049

Scratched: Burt Bomhoff, Jesse Beebe (r), Judy Merritt (r), Melinda Miles (r), Carmen Perzichino (r), Doug Swingley, Todd Denick (r), Ararad Khatchikain, Sonny Lindner, Anny Bondarenko

2005 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Robert Sørлие	09	18	39	31	\$72,066.67
2	Ed Iten	09	19	13	33	\$65,800.00
3	Mitch Seavey	09	19	20	58	\$59,533.33
4	Bjornar Andersen (r)	09	19	50	38	\$52,222.22
5	Ramy Brooks	09	21	30	00	\$45,955.56
6	John Baker	09	21	41	00	\$41,777.78
7	Lance Mackey	10	00	21	00	\$38,644.44
8	Jessie Royer	10	01	03	30	\$35,511.11
9	Paul Gebhardt	10	01	24	20	\$32,377.78
10	DeeDee Jonrowe	10	01	42	55	\$29,244.44
11	Aliy Zirkle	10	01	46	30	\$26,111.11
12	Jeff King	10	02	21	21	\$22,977.78
13	Martin Buser	10	02	32	40	\$20,888.89
14	Doug Swingley	10	02	59	03	\$18,800.00
15	Jessica Hendricks	10	03	20	28	\$17,755.56
16	Tyrell Seavey	10	05	25	52	\$16,711.11
17	Ken Anderson	10	09	25	54	\$15,666.67
18	Hans Gatt	10	12	26	05	\$14,622.22
19	Tim Osmar	10	15	08	25	\$13,577.78
20	Ramey Smyth	10	16	12	59	\$12,533.33
21	Louis Nelson, Sr. (r)	10	16	17	45	\$11,488.89
22	Vern Halter	10	17	20	15	\$9,400.00
23	Melanie Gould	10	19	04	17	\$8,355.56
24	Aaron Burmeister	10	19	09	39	\$5,535.56
25	Ray Redington, Jr.	10	20	17	04	\$4,700.00
26	Hugh Neff	10	22	59	39	\$3,446.67
27	Diana Moroney (Dronenburg)	11	01	07	56	\$2,820.00
28	Peter Bartlett	11	01	37	28	\$2,402.22
29	Harmony Barron (Kanavale)	11	06	04	34	\$2,193.33
30	Jason Barron	11	06	08	56	\$1,880.00
31	John Barron	11	07	23	20	\$1,366.88
32	Gerald Sousa	11	10	31	47	\$1,366.88
33	Mark Stamm (r)	11	12	17	43	\$1,366.88
34	Cim Smyth	11	12	24	50	\$1,366.88
35	Gregg Hickmann (r)	11	13	03	30	\$1,366.88
36	Mike Williams, Sr.	11	13	29	07	\$1,366.88
37	Trine Lyrek (r)	11	13	39	00	\$1,366.88
38	Sebastian Schnuelle (r)	11	16	27	45	\$1,366.88
39	Robert Bundtzen	11	18	45	30	\$1,366.88
40	Jim Lanier	12	00	07	50	\$1,366.88

2005 RESULTS CONTINUED

41	Michael Salvisberg (r)	12	00	20	45	\$1,366.88
42	William Pinkham	12	00	52	49	\$1,366.88
43	Ed Sielstra	12	02	40	51	\$1,366.88
44	Judy Currier	12	02	57	46	\$1,366.88
45	Aaron Peck	12	03	23	36	\$1,366.88
46	Kelley Griffin (r)	12	03	43	48	\$1,366.88
47	Bill Steyer (r)	12	05	00	12	\$1,366.88
48	Eric Butcher (r)	12	10	42	10	\$1,366.88
49	Steve Rasmussen (r)	12	16	55	55	\$1,366.88
50	John T Hessert (r)	12	17	38	15	\$1,366.88
51	Dallas Seavey (r)	12	19	34	48	\$1,366.88
52	Dodo Perri (r)	13	00	35	50	\$1,366.88
53	Bryan Mills (r)	13	05	50	19	\$1,366.88
54	Melanie Shirilla (r)	13	06	39	03	\$1,366.88
55	Andrew Letzring (r)	13	11	25	32	\$1,366.88
56	Debbie Moderow (r)	13	19	10	52	\$1,366.88
57	Greg Parvin (r)	13	20	06	15	\$1,366.88
58	Tom Knolmayer (r)	13	22	13	25	\$1,366.88
59	Jeff Holt (r)	13	22	35	16	\$1,366.88
60	Lachlan Clarke (r)	13	22	53	03	\$1,366.88
61	Shane Goosen	14	01	48	20	\$1,366.88
62	Perry Solmonson	14	04	06	44	\$1,366.88
63	Phil Morgan (r)	15	06	02	57	\$1,366.88

Scratched: Charlie Boulding, Bill Cotter, Paul Ellering, Robert Greger (r), GB Jones, Sonny Lindner, Sandy McKee (r), Gary McKeller (r), Judy Merritt (r), Jacques Philip, Karen Ramstead, Rachael Scdoris (r), Scott Smith, Zack Steer, Rick Swenson, Cliff Wang.

2006 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Jeff King	09	11	11	36	\$69,000
2	Doug Swingley	09	14	18	20	\$64,300
3	Paul Gebhardt	09	15	23	20	\$59,800
4	DeeDee Jonrowe	09	16	25	50	\$55,600
5	John Baker	09	17	37	45	\$51,700
6	Bjornar Anderson	09	18	02	35	\$48,000
7	Ed Iten	09	21	11	00	\$44,400
8	Jason Barron	09	21	20	17	\$41,100
9	Mitch Seavey	09	21	23	03	\$38,000
10	Lance Mackey	09	22	08	38	\$35,100
11	Jessie Royer	09	23	23	04	\$32,300
12	Cim Smyth	09	23	31	50	\$29,700
13	Sonny Lindner	09	23	44	18	\$27,300
14	Aliy Zirkle	10	00	36	50	\$25,000
15	Ken Anderson	10	01	02	30	\$22,800
16	Aaron Burmeister	10	01	21	52	\$20,700
17	Ramey Smyth	10	03	32	40	\$18,800
18	Melanie Gould	10	04	10	54	\$17,000
19	William Hanes	10	04	20	04	\$15,300
20	Louis Nelson, Sr.	10	05	25	17	\$13,600
21	Hugh Neff	10	06	22	39	\$12,100
22	Jacques Philip	10	11	02	02	\$10,700
23	Martin Buser	10	11	47	45	\$9,300
24	Jessica Hendricks	10	12	04	35	\$8,000
25	Mike Jayne (r)	10	13	07	15	\$6,800
26	Rick Swenson	10	13	27	30	\$5,700
27	Gerald Sousa	10	14	07	18	\$4,600
28	Tove Sørensen(r)	10	14	30	30	\$3,600
29	Tore Albrigtsen (r)	10	14	30	30	\$2,700
30	Robert Bundtzen	10	15	25	15	\$1,800
31	Ramy Brooks	10	19	10	26	\$1,049
32	Bryan Mills	10	21	39	56	\$1,049
33	Jamie Nelson	10	22	16	16	\$1,049
34	Rick Casillo	10	23	32	00	\$1,049
35	Sebastian Schnuelle	10	23	59	50	\$1,049
36	Hans Gatt	11	00	22	14	\$1,049
37	Bryan Bearss (r)	11	01	40	10	\$1,049
38	Fabrizio Lovati	11	03	24	25	\$1,049
39	Ryan Redington	11	06	59	18	\$1,049
40	William Pinkham	11	07	39	44	\$1,049
41	Jim Lanier	11	07	59	30	\$1,049
42	David Sawatzky	11	08	56	30	\$1,049

2006 RESULTS CONTINUED

43	Christoph Harisberger (r)	11	12	57	40	\$1,049
44	Tollef Monson	11	16	42	08	\$1,049
45	Dean J Rosiar II (r)	11	17	13	10	\$1,049
46	Ed Stielstra	11	18	02	53	\$1,049
47	Tom Knolmayer	11	23	10	10	\$1,049
48	Lynda Plettner	12	00	06	05	\$1,049
49	Gregg Hickman	12	00	38	12	\$1,049
50	Peter Bartlett	12	02	34	12	\$1,049
51	Paul Ellering	12	03	00	54	\$1,049
52	Danny Seavey	12	07	18	40	\$1,049
53	Judy Currier	12	07	18	53	\$1,049
54	Cindy Gallea	12	07	20	02	\$1,049
55	Noah Burmeister	12	08	09	17	\$1,049
56	Tim Osmar	12	11	42	00	\$1,049
56	Rachael Scdoris (r)	12	11	42	00	\$1,049
58	Clint Warnke	12	19	33	09	\$1,049
59	Katie Davis (r)	12	20	49	15	\$1,049
60	Warren Palfry (r)	12	20	55	59	\$1,049
61	Chad Schouweiler (r)	13	15	22	55	\$1,049
62	Karen Ramstead	13	19	56	52	\$1,049
63	Lachlan Clarke	13	20	26	41	\$1,049
64	Ron Cortte	13	22	04	59	\$1,049
65	Trent Herbst (r)	14	04	13	54	\$1,049
66	Randy Cummins (r)	15	11	46	45	\$1,049
67	Kim Kitredge (r)	15	11	52	57	\$1,049
68	Eric Rogers (r)	15	14	17	50	\$1,049
69	Katrina Pawlaczyk (r)	15	17	37	52	\$1,049
70	Steven Madsen	15	18	07	32	\$1,049
71	Glenn Lockwood (r)	15	18	08	56	\$1,049

Scratched: Terry Adkins, John Barron, Matt Hayashida, Richard Hum (r), Rick Larson, Sandy McKee (r), Gary Paulsen, Sue Morgan (r), Lori Townsend, Dave Tresino, Jim Warren **Withdrawn:** Ben Valks (r)

2007 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Lance Mackey	09	05	08	41	\$69,000
2	Paul Gebhardt	09	07	28	12	\$64,300
3	Zack Steer	09	12	46	07	\$59,800
4	Martin Buser	09	14	07	04	\$55,600
5	Jeff King	09	15	05	17	\$51,700
6	Ed Iten	09	15	05	17	\$48,000
7	Ken Anderson	09	18	28	48	\$44,400
8	John Baker	09	18	36	22	\$41,100
9	Mitch Seavey	09	19	30	23	\$38,000
10	Tollef Monson	09	21	31	40	\$35,100
11	Cim Smyth	10	02	16	40	\$32,300
12	Robert Sørli	10	04	34	34	\$29,700
13	Aaron Burmeister	10	06	12	20	\$27,300
14	Jason Barron	10	07	58	17	\$25,000
15	Hans Gatt	10	01	02	30	\$22,800
16	Ramey Smyth	10	10	20	18	\$20,700
17	Ray Redington, Jr.	10	12	43	10	\$18,800
18	Ryan Redington	10	12	46	00	\$17,000
19	Hugh Neff	10	13	05	15	\$15,300
20	Sigrid Ekran (r)	10	13	21	07	\$13,600
21	Jessie Royer	10	15	25	05	\$12,100
22	Sebastian Schnuelle	10	15	37	45	\$10,700
23	Louis Nelson, Sr.	10	18	23	55	\$9,300
24	Sonny Lindner	10	18	28	05	\$8,000
25	Rick Swenson	10	18	42	49	\$6,800
26	Silvia Willis (r)	10	18	42	51	\$5,700
27	Jim Lanier	10	19	01	56	\$4,600
28	Aliy Zirkle	10	19	57	07	\$3,600
29	Matt Hayashida	11	01	58	46	\$2,700
30	Gerry Willomitzer (r)	11	02	54	08	\$1,800
31	William Pinkham	11	05	35	40	\$1,049
32	Jon Korta (r)	11	13	09	16	\$1,049
33	Tim Osmar	11	16	46	45	\$1,049
34	Clint Warnke	11	19	09	39	\$1,049
35	Scott Smith	11	19	09	49	\$1,049
36	Allen Moore (r)	11	20	45	15	\$1,049
37	Rick Casillo	11	20	48	39	\$1,049
38	Thomas Lesatz (r)	11	21	20	53	\$1,049
39	Mike Williams, Sr.	12	00	32	17	\$1,049
40	Matt Anderson (r)	12	00	45	00	\$1,049
41	Dallas Seavey	12	08	08	11	\$1,049
42	Andrew Angstman (r)	12	13	17	01	\$1,049

2007 RESULTS CONTINUED

43	Robert Bundtzen	12	14	21	17	\$1,049
44	Bryan Mills	12	16	20	10	\$1,049
45	Cindy Gallea	12	18	50	17	\$1,049
46	Matt Calore (r)	13	01	59	40	\$1,049
47	Hernan Maquieria (r)	13	15	23	00	\$1,049
48	Jeff Wells (r)	14	02	14	02	\$1,049
49	Dan Carter (r)	14	03	36	11	\$1,049
50	Kelly Williams	14	09	35	05	\$1,049
51	Matt Rossi (r)	14	18	50	50	\$1,049
52	Kevin Morlock (r)	15	00	48	10	\$1,049
53	Aleksandar Nikolic (r)	15	02	05	30	\$1,049
54	Jeremy Keller (r)	15	15	55	46	\$1,049
55	Bruce Linton (r)	15	23	37	39	\$1,049
56	Heather Siirtola (r)	16	01	35	28	\$1,049
57	Donald Smidt (r)	16	11	42	58	\$1,049
58	Ellen Halverson (r)	16	11	56	20	\$1,049

Scratched: Butch Austin (r), Lachlan Clarke, Randy Cummins, Linwood Fiedler, Melanie Gould, Jeff Holt, Richard Hum (r), Dan Huttunen (r), GB Jones, DeeDee Jonrowe, Bruce Milne (r), Deborah Bicknell (r), Jacques Philip, Karen Ramstead, Eric Rogers, Tom Roig (r), Frank Sihler, Perry Solmonson, Gerald Sousa

2008 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Lance Mackey	09	11	46	48	\$69,000
2	Jeff King	09	13	05	51	\$65,100
3	Ramey Smyth	09	18	52	06	\$61,400
4	Ken Anderson	09	19	11	06	\$57,800
5	Martin Buser	09	19	11	50	\$57,400
6	Hans Gatt	09	18	02	35	\$51,000
7	Mitch Seavey	09	20	42	31	\$48,000
8	Paul Gebhardt	09	21	17	47	\$45,000
9	Kjetil Backen	09	21	25	26	\$42,000
10	Sebastian Schnuelle	09	22	14	35	\$39,200
11	Zack Steer	09	22	15	06	\$36,600
12	Cim Smyth	09	22	24	19	\$34,000
13	Rick Swenson	09	23	43	10	\$31,500
14	Jessie Royer	10	01	00	20	\$29,100
15	DeeDee Jonrowe	10	01	07	46	\$26,900
16	Gerry Willomitzer	10	04	46	08	\$24,700
17	Ed Iten	10	04	59	40	\$22,600
18	Ray Redington, Jr.	10	05	38	16	\$20,600
19	Aaron Burmeister	10	06	05	20	\$18,600
20	Jim Lanier	10	06	35	40	\$16,800
21	Aliy Zirkle	10	07	10	21	\$15,000
22	Silvia Willis	10	09	04	50	\$13,300
23	John Baker	10	10	17	50	\$11,600
24	Sigrid Ekran	10	11	15	20	\$10,000
25	Hugh Neff	10	12	12	20	\$8,500
26	Warren Palfrey	10	12	42	05	\$7,100
27	William Kleedehn (r)	10	12	50	39	\$5,700
28	Matt Hayashida	10	14	07	03	\$4,300
29	Ed Stielstra	10	14	30	30	\$2,700
30	Melissa Owens (r)	10	20	21	14	\$1,800
31	Gerald Sousa	10	22	00	26	\$1,049
32	Rick Casillo	11	02	33	55	\$1,049
33	Jason Mackey	11	03	44	27	\$1,049
34	Scott Smith	11	04	10	36	\$1,049
35	Robert Bundtzen	11	05	58	45	\$1,049
36	Sven Haltmann (r)	11	06	37	50	\$1,049
37	Rohn Buser (r)	11	06	58	25	\$1,049
38	Louis Nelson, Sr.	11	07	36	35	\$1,049
39	Cindy Gallea	11	07	56	20	\$1,049
40	Jon Korta	11	09	17	34	\$1,049
41	Clint Warnke	11	12	23	17	\$1,049
42	Robert Nelson (r)	11	13	52	31	\$1,049

2008 RESULTS CONTINUED

43	Rudi Niggemeier (r)	11	33	55	28	\$1,049
44	Rick Larson	11	17	47	43	\$1,049
45	Kelley Griffin	11	19	19	36	\$1,049
46	Bruce Linton	11	19	36	49	\$1,049
47	Lachlan Clarke	11	20	05	19	\$1,049
48	Fabrizio Lovati	11	20	20	24	\$1,049
49	Benoit Gerard (r)	11	20	51	52	\$1,049
50	Jennifer Freking (r)	11	21	40	27	\$1,049
51	Blake Freking	11	21	40	36	\$1,049
52	William Hanes	11	22	22	19	\$1,049
53	Zoya DeNure (r)	12	01	57	35	\$1,049
54	Benedict Beisch (r)	12	02	04	54	\$1,049
55	Matt Calore	12	02	12	43	\$1,049
56	Karen Ramstead	12	06	52	58	\$1,049
57	Joe Gans (r)	12	08	26	15	\$1,049
58	Rick Holt (r)	12	11	49	38	\$1,049
59	Jeff Deeter (r)	12	13	11	45	\$1,049
60	Sam Deltour (r)	12	17	50	10	\$1,049
61	Joe Runyan	13	00	52	04	\$1,049
62	Dries Jacobs (r)	13	01	57	00	\$1,049
63	Rich Corcoran (r)	13	02	14	45	\$1,049
64	Laura Daugereau (r)	13	02	21	13	\$1,049
65	Jake Berkowitz (r)	13	04	41	32	\$1,049
66	Ann Capistrant (r)	13	09	26	04	\$1,049
67	Kirk Barnum (r)	13	10	19	44	\$1,049
68	Eric Rogers	13	11	57	12	\$1,049
69	Richard Savoyiski (r)	13	21	26	20	\$1,049
70	Sue Allen	13	21	57	40	\$1,049
71	Wayne Curtis	13	23	25	26	\$1,049
72	Sue Morgan (r)	14	00	31	30	\$1,049
73	Trent Herbst	14	00	42	42	\$1,049
74	Heather Siirtola	14	01	49	12	\$1,049
75	Gene Smith (r)	14	03	47	37	\$1,049
76	Martin Koenig (r)	14	16	10	53	\$1,049
77	Liz Parrish (r)	14	19	51	27	\$1,049
78	Deborah Bicknell (r)	15	05	36	12	\$1,049

Scratched: GB Jones, Tom Roig (r), Joe Garnie, Kim Franklin (r), Cliff Roberson, Jessica Hendricks, Jason Barron, Rodney Whaley (r), John Stetson (r), Art Church, Jr., Ryan Redington, Steve Madsen, Darin Nelson (r), Peter Bartlett, Allen Moore, Rachael Scdoris, Michael Suprenant (r), Molly Yazwinski (r)

2009 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Lance Mackey	09	21	38	46	\$69,000
2	Sebastian Schnuelle	10	05	05	04	\$61,600
3	John Baker	10	06	18	51	\$55,000
4	Mitch Seavey	10	14	18	00	\$49,100
5	Cim Smyth	10	14	27	50	\$43,800
6	Dallas Seavey	10	14	49	45	\$39,100
7	Aaron Burmeister	10	14	56	15	\$34,800
8	Jessie Royer	10	15	07	25	\$31,000
9	Ramey Smyth	10	17	52	08	\$27,700
10	Hans Gatt	10	20	07	32	\$24,600
11	Sonny Lindner	10	20	19	24	\$21,900
12	Jeff King	10	21	06	06	\$19,500
13	DeeDee Jonrowe	10	22	56	10	\$17,300
14	Ken Anderson	11	01	34	14	\$15,400
15	Hugh Neff	11	01	42	39	\$13,700
16	Paul Gebhardt	11	02	26	30	\$12,100
17	Aliy Zirkle	11	02	28	45	\$10,800
18	Martin Buser	11	02	43	00	\$9,500
19	Warren Palfrey	11	08	28	37	\$8,400
20	Ray Redington, Jr.	11	09	59	15	\$7,400
21	Matt Hayashida	11	10	18	40	\$6,500
22	Sven Haltmann	11	11	41	59	\$5,800
23	Linwood Fiedler	11	13	44	45	\$5,000
24	Gerry Willomitzer	11	17	12	35	\$4,400
25	Rick Swenson	11	17	12	50	\$3,800
26	Judy Currier	11	20	43	27	\$3,300
27	Gerald Sousa	11	21	52	19	\$2,900
28	Bruce Linton	11	21	55	05	\$2,500
29	Robert Nelson	11	22	15	41	\$2,100
30	Chad Lindner (r)	12	04	21	50	\$1,800
31	Jake Berkowitz	12	06	01	40	\$1,049
32	Ed Stielstra	12	06	35	12	\$1,049
33	Allen Moore	12	10	00	00	\$1,049
34	Robert Bundtzen	12	13	24	30	\$1,049
35	Jim Lanier	12	13	24	35	\$1,049
36	Ryan Redington	12	14	27	45	\$1,049
37	Harry Alexie (r)	12	14	40	00	\$1,049
38	Bill Cotter	12	16	12	03	\$1,049
39	Rick Larson	12	18	30	15	\$1,049
40	Karin Hendrickson (r)	12	18	31	12	\$1,049
41	Cindy Gallea	12	19	15	05	\$1,049
42	Mike Williams, Sr.	13	00	17	30	\$1,049

2009 RESULTS CONTINUED

43	Jen Seavey (r)	14	01	47	50	\$1,049
44	Tom Thurston (r)	14	03	36	22	\$1,049
45	Rachael Scdoris	14	11	08	50	\$1,049
46	Tim Osmar	14	11	09	00	\$1,049
47	Wade Marris (r)	14	11	56	25	\$1,049
48	Trent Herbst	15	02	39	47	\$1,049
49	Michael Suprenant (r)	15	03	10	38	\$1,049
50	Eric Rogers	15	04	18	35	\$1,049
51	Heather Siirtola	15	11	35	00	\$1,049
52	Tim Hunt (r)	15	14	06	22	\$1,049

Scratched: Bjornar Andersen, Kim Darst (r), Laura Daugereau, Bob Hickel, Jeff Holt, Ed Iten, Blake Matray (r), Melissa Owens, Lou Packer (r), Aaron Peck, Alan Peck (r), Kurt Reich (r), David Sawatzky, Nancy Yoshida (r) **Withdrawn:** Rob Loveman (r)

2010 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Lance Mackey	08	23	59	09	\$50,400
2	Hans Gatt	09	01	04	02	\$46,700
3	Jeff King	09	02	22	17	\$43,200
4	Ken Anderson	09	06	25	23	\$40,000
5	John Baker	09	07	07	54	\$36,900
6	Ramey Smyth	09	07	47	50	\$34,100
7	Sebastian Schnuelle	09	08	39	17	\$31,400
8	Dallas Seavey	09	10	04	20	\$28,900
9	Hugh Neff	09	10	52	24	\$26,600
10	Mitch Seavey	09	12	08	54	\$24,400
11	Ray Redington, Jr.	09	12	53	14	\$22,400
12	Zack Steer	09	14	10	33	\$20,500
13	Gerry Willomitzer	09	14	59	41	\$18,800
14	Martin Buser	09	15	33	58	\$17,100
15	Jessie Royer	09	16	04	40	\$15,600
16	Aliy Zirkle	09	18	05	10	\$14,100
17	Sven Haltmann	09	18	50	28	\$12,800
18	Sonny Lindner	09	19	00	00	\$11,500
19	Paul Gebhardt	09	20	31	01	\$10,400
20	Rick Swenson	09	22	53	22	\$9,300
21	Dan Kaduce (r)	10	00	50	00	\$8,200
22	DeeDee Jonrowe	10	02	47	44	\$7,300
23	Cim Smyth	10	05	05	00	\$6,400
24	Jim Lanier	10	05	21	10	\$5,500
25	Bruce Linton	10	06	18	33	\$4,800
26	Michael Williams, Jr. (r)	10	06	44	36	\$4,000
27	Michelle Phillips (r)	10	08	31	12	\$3,400
28	Peter Kaiser (r)	10	11	13	59	\$2,700
29	Thomas Lesatz	10	11	41	30	\$2,100
30	Gerald Sousa	10	13	52	53	\$1,600
31	Robert Nelson	10	16	51	16	\$1,049
32	Jason Barron	10	18	24	49	\$1,049
33	William "Middy" Johnson (r)	10	21	29	49	\$1,049
34	Matt Hayashida	10	21	30	15	\$1,049
35	Allen Moore	10	23	25	04	\$1,049
36	Colleen Robertia (r)	10	23	56	10	\$1,049
37	William Pinkham	11	04	20	05	\$1,049
38	Quinn Iten (r)	11	05	23	34	\$1,049
39	Kristy Berington (r)	11	06	44	02	\$1,049
40	Cindy Gallea	11	08	12	01	\$1,049
41	Sam Deltour	11	16	06	00	\$1,049
42	Blake Freking	11	20	39	11	\$1,049

2010 RESULTS CONTINUED

43	Tamara Rose (r)	12	00	39	29	\$1,049
44	Art Church, Jr.	12	00	47	08	\$1,049
45	Wattie McDonald (r)	12	02	25	25	\$1,049
46	Lachlan Clarke	12	03	13	22	\$1,049
47	Newton Marshal (r)	12	04	27	28	\$1,049
48	Billy Snodgrass	12	05	24	20	\$1,049
49	Trent Herbst	12	13	53	00	\$1,049
50	Chris Adkins (r)	12	17	39	59	\$1,049
51	Dave DeCaro (r)	12	21	19	24	\$1,049
52	Ross Adam	13	00	02	00	\$1,049
53	Jane Faulkner (r)	13	02	51	50	\$1,049
54	Scott White (r)	13	04	21	44	\$1,049
55	Celeste Davis (r)	13	05	06	40	\$1,049

Scratched: Kirk Barnum, Emil Churchin (r), Judy Currier, Hank DeBruin (r), Zoya DeNure, Linwood Fiedler, Kathleen Frederick (r), Karin Hendrickson, Pat Moon (r), Warren Palfrey, Karen Ramstead, Ryan Redington, Justin Savidis (r), John Stewart (r), Michael Suprenant, Tom Thurston

2011 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	John Baker	08	18	46	39	\$50,400
2	Ramey Smyth	08	19	50	59	\$46,300
3	Hans Gatt	09	00	24	23	\$42,500
4	Dallas Seavey	09	02	27	18	\$38,900
5	Hugh Neff	09	03	16	18	\$35,600
6	Sebastian Schnuelle	09	03	55	15	\$32,600
7	Ray Redington, Jr.	09	05	41	05	\$29,800
8	Peter Kaiser	09	07	06	06	\$27,300
9	Ken Anderson	09	09	23	16	\$24,900
10	Jessie Royer	09	09	23	17	\$22,700
11	Aliy Zirkle	09	10	22	31	\$20,600
12	DeeDee Jonrowe	09	10	24	17	\$18,800
13	Michael Williams, Jr.	09	11	59	05	\$17,000
14	Sven Haltmann	09	12	57	19	\$15,400
15	Sonny Lindner	09	13	02	59	\$13,900
16	Lance Mackey	09	17	55	34	\$12,600
17	Michelle Phillips	09	20	22	22	\$11,300
18	Martin Buser	10	01	03	38	\$10,100
19	Robert Nelson	10	02	44	38	\$9,100
20	Rick Swenson	10	04	52	34	\$8,100
21	Cim Smyth	10	05	59	44	\$7,200
22	Matt Hayashida	10	06	34	38	\$6,300
23	Bruce Linton	10	06	34	39	\$5,500
24	Allen Moore	10	07	37	05	\$4,800
25	Trent Herbst	10	12	16	58	\$4,100
26	Kelley Griffin	10	13	03	22	\$3,500
27	Ed Stielstra	10	14	01	30	\$2,900
28	Nicolas Petit (r)	10	15	43	01	\$2,400
29	Kristy Berington	10	20	02	47	\$1,900
30	Kelly Miaxner (r)	10	20	29	31	\$1,500
31	Jodi Bailey (r)	11	00	40	18	\$1,049
32	Lachlan Clarke	11	00	43	29	\$1,049
33	Magnus Kaltenborn (r)	11	11	55	02	\$1,049
34	Paul Johnson	11	18	18	48	\$1,049
35	Cain Carter (r)	11	19	39	39	\$1,049
36	Wattie McDonald	11	23	01	33	\$1,049
37	Billy Snodgrass	12	05	39	20	\$1,049
38	Gerald Sousa	12	06	06	30	\$1,049
39	Justin Savidis (r)	12	06	08	03	\$1,049
40	Matt Giblin	12	07	55	48	\$1,049
41	Tom Thurston	12	16	59	39	\$1,049
42	Scott Janssen (r)	12	20	28	28	\$1,049

2011 RESULTS CONTINUED

43	Angie Taggart (r)	13	01	29	44	\$1,049
44	Kirk Barnum	13	08	52	47	\$1,049
45	GB Jones	13	10	59	42	\$1,049
46	Heather Siirtola	13	19	24	14	\$1,049
47	Ellen Halverson	13	19	45	49	\$1,049

Scratched: James Bardoner (r), Robert Bundtzen, Judy Currier, Zoya DeNure, Paul Gebhardt, Jessica Hendricks, Karin Hendrickson, Kris Hoffman (r), Newton Marshall, Brennan Norden (r), Melissa Owens, Mike Santos (r), Mitch Seavey, Bob Storey (r), Gerry Willomitzer.

2012 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Dallas Seavey	09	04	29	26	\$50,400
2	Aliy Zirkle	09	05	29	10	\$46,500
3	Ramey Smyth	09	06	04	04	\$42,900
4	Aaron Burmeister	09	10	04	07	\$39,600
5	Peter Kaiser	09	11	06	23	\$36,500
6	Ray Redington, Jr.	09	12	19	11	\$33,600
7	Mitch Seavey	09	13	10	58	\$30,900
8	Michael Williams, Jr.	09	13	12	18	\$28,400
9	John Baker	09	13	25	47	\$26,000
10	DeeDee Jonrowe	09	14	43	15	\$23,900
11	Sigrid Ekran	09	15	50	16	\$21,800
12	Ken Anderson	09	18	56	03	\$19,900
13	Brent Sass (r)	09	20	25	25	\$18,200
14	Sonny Lindner	09	21	28	02	\$16,600
15	Paul Gebhardt	10	03	35	48	\$15,000
16	Michelle Phillips	10	08	18	01	\$13,600
17	Hugh Neff	10	08	41	52	\$12,300
18	Rohn Buser	10	18	10	12	\$11,000
19	Martin Buser	10	18	10	13	\$9,900
20	Gerald Sousa	10	19	27	50	\$8,900
21	Colleen Robertia	10	20	04	19	\$7,900
22	Lance Mackey	10	20	17	27	\$6,900
23	Jodi Bailey	10	20	19	53	\$6,100
24	Cim Smyth	10	21	26	59	\$5,300
25	Ed Stielstra	10	21	59	59	\$4,500
26	Anjanette Steer (r)	10	22	02	45	\$3,900
27	Kelley Griffin	10	22	29	06	\$3,200
28	Braxton Peterson (r)	10	22	44	04	\$2,600
29	Nicolas Petit	10	23	24	00	\$2,100
30	Rick Swenson	10	23	44	06	\$1,500
31	Ryne Olson (r)	11	01	33	40	\$1,049
32	Kelly Maixner	11	01	53	02	\$1,049
33	Jim Lanier	11	02	58	18	\$1,049
34	Mike Santos (r)	11	14	20	04	\$1,049
35	Bruce Linton	11	16	27	12	\$1,049
36	Karin Hendrickson	11	18	32	36	\$1,049
37	Trent Herbst	11	20	17	36	\$1,049
38	Scott Janssen	11	21	38	31	\$1,049
39	Curt Perano (r)	11	22	40	45	\$1,049
40	Art Church, Jr.	11	23	57	02	\$1,049
41	William Pinkham	12	01	15	41	\$1,049
42	Anna Berington (r)	12	02	16	30	\$1,049

2012 RESULTS CONTINUED

43	Kristy Berington	12	02	17	13	\$1,049
44	Justin Savidis	12	04	45	53	\$1,049
45	Travis Cooper (r)	12	08	37	14	\$1,049
46	Jaimee Kinzer (r)	12	15	58	30	\$1,049
47	Matt Failor (r)	12	18	10	20	\$1,049
48	Hank Debruin (r)	12	22	13	50	\$1,049
49	Karen Ramstead	13	00	21	30	\$1,049
50	Dan Seavey	13	19	10	30	\$1,049
51	Bob Chlupach	14	11	55	10	\$1,049
52	Jan Steves (r)	14	11	57	03	\$1,049

Scratched: Kirk Barnum, Jake Berkowitz, Josh Cadzow (r), Lachlan Clarke, Zoya DeNure, Silvia Furtwängler (r), Jeff King, Wade Marrs, Pat Moon (r), Ryan Redington, Michael Suprenant, Tom Thurston, Gerry Willomitzer **Disqualified:** Matt Giblin.

2013 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Mitch Seavey	09	07	39	56	\$50,400
2	Aliy Zirkle	09	08	03	35	\$47,100
3	Jeff King	09	09	21	56	\$44,000
4	Dallas Seavey	09	10	20	51	\$41,100
5	Ray Redington, Jr.	09	11	04	54	\$38,300
6	Nicolas Petit	09	11	39	13	\$35,600
7	Joar Leifseth Ulsom (r)	09	12	34	00	\$33,200
8	Jake Berkowitz	09	12	34	16	\$30,800
9	Sonny Lindner	09	13	11	02	\$28,600
10	DeeDee Jonrowe	09	13	24	39	\$26,500
11	Aaron Burmeister	09	14	19	02	\$24,500
12	Ken Anderson	09	16	09	20	\$22,600
13	Peter Kaiser	09	17	36	34	\$20,800
14	Josh Cadzow (r)	09	18	07	37	\$19,100
15	Cim Smyth	09	19	08	22	\$17,500
16	Paul Gebhardt	09	19	09	32	\$16,000
17	Martin Buser	09	20	01	33	\$14,600
18	Jessie Royer	09	20	20	15	\$13,200
19	Lance Mackey	09	20	52	14	\$11,900
20	Ramey Smyth	09	20	54	56	\$10,700
21	John Baker	09	21	49	16	\$9,600
22	Brent Sass	09	23	24	03	\$8,500
23	Michael Williams, Jr.	10	01	57	30	\$7,500
24	Michelle Phillips	10	02	22	09	\$6,500
25	Jessica Hendricks	10	04	57	49	\$5,600
26	Kelley Griffin	10	09	47	34	\$4,700
27	Curt Perano	10	13	21	14	\$3,900
28	Matt Failor	10	13	39	46	\$3,100
29	Linwood Fiedler	10	15	00	52	\$2,400
30	Mike Ellis (r)	10	16	35	13	\$1,700
31	Kelly Maixner	10	16	57	36	\$1,049
32	Wade Marrs	10	17	05	18	\$1,049
33	Allen Moore	10	18	04	21	\$1,049
34	Paige Drobny (r)	10	18	15	54	\$1,049
35	Jim Lanier	10	21	08	46	\$1,049
36	Richie Diehl (r)	10	22	32	06	\$1,049
37	Travis Beals (r)	11	01	10	51	\$1,049
38	Justin Savidis	11	01	12	14	\$1,049
39	Matt Giblin	11	01	20	51	\$1,049
40	Karin Hendrickson	11	01	44	48	\$1,049
41	Aaron Peck	11	02	09	37	\$1,049
42	Kristy Berington	11	07	07	17	\$1,049

2013 RESULTS CONTINUED

43	Anna Berington	11	07	07	55	\$1,049
44	Jodi Bailey	11	07	52	02	\$1,049
45	Mike Williams, Sr.	12	00	35	50	\$1,049
46	Gerald Sousa	12	02	20	14	\$1,049
47	Louie Ambrose (r)	12	05	18	45	\$1,049
48	Angie Taggart	12	08	50	03	\$1,049
49	Luan Ramos Marques (r)	12	17	08	00	\$1,049
50	Mikhail Telpin (r)	12	19	27	39	\$1,049
51	Cindy Gallea	13	02	24	13	\$1,049
52	James Volek (r)	13	09	12	53	\$1,049
53	Bob Chlupach	13	14	18	40	\$1,049
54	Christine Roalofs (r)	13	22	36	08	\$1,049

Scratched: Cindy Abbot (r), Charley Bejna (r), Robert Bundtzen, Rudy Demoski, Sr., Scott Janssen, Jason Mackey, Newton Marshall, David Sawatzky, Jan Steves, Ed Stielstra, Michael Suprenant **Withdrawn:** Gerry Willomitzer

2014 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Dallas Seavey	08	13	04	19	\$50,400
2	Aliy Zirkle	08	13	06	41	\$47,600
3	Mitch Seavey	08	16	39	40	\$44,900
4	Joar Leifseth Ulsom	08	19	01	01	\$42,400
5	Sonny Lindner	08	20	50	49	\$39,900
6	Martin Buser	09	00	58	58	\$37,500
7	Jesse Royer	09	04	03	25	\$35,300
8	Ray Redington, Jr.	09	04	11	10	\$33,100
9	Hans Gatt	09	04	40	25	\$31,000
10	Aaron Burmeister	09	05	46	14	\$29,000
11	Michael Williams, Jr.	09	11	50	02	\$27,000
12	Ken Anderson	09	14	27	08	\$25,200
13	Peter Kaiser	09	15	28	30	\$23,400
14	Richie Diehl	09	16	35	40	\$21,700
15	Matt Failor	09	16	42	30	\$20,000
16	Wade Marrs	09	17	27	35	\$18,400
17	Nathan Schroeder (r)	09	17	52	51	\$16,900
18	Abbie West (r)	09	17	58	25	\$15,500
19	John Baker	09	18	19	15	\$14,100
20	Michelle Phillips	09	18	55	00	\$12,700
21	Robert Sørlie	09	20	23	26	\$11,400
22	Ralph Johannessen (r)	10	03	45	50	\$10,200
23	Curt Perano	10	03	57	40	\$9,000
24	Cim Smyth	10	04	11	22	\$7,900
25	Page Drobny	10	04	42	26	\$6,800
26	Rick Casillo	10	16	53	22	\$5,700
27	Allen Moore	10	17	27	45	\$4,700
28	Paul Gebhardt	10	18	27	32	\$3,700
29	Mats Petterson (r)	10	18	32	05	\$2,800
30	Kristy Berington	10	19	20	26	\$1,900
31	Dan Kaduce	10	20	41	03	\$1,049
32	Katherine Keith (r)	10	20	43	15	\$1,049
33	Justin Savidis	10	21	18	24	\$1,049
34	Jason Mackey	10	21	29	20	\$1,049
35	Danny Seavey	10	22	17	41	\$1,049
36	Karin Hendrickson	10	22	23	10	\$1,049
37	Travis Beals	11	03	18	38	\$1,049
38	Christian Turner (r)	11	04	52	30	\$1,049
39	Anna Berington	11	14	15	22	\$1,049
40	Mike Ellis	11	14	55	02	\$1,049
41	Charley Bejna (r)	11	18	01	10	\$1,049
42	Robert Bundtzen	11	20	23	18	\$1,049

2014 RESULTS CONTINUED

43	Newton Marshal	12	01	05	52	\$1,049
44	Tommy Jordbrudal (r)	12	11	24	38	\$1,049
45	Yvonne Dabaak (r)	12	11	31	12	\$1,049
46	Alex Buetow (r)	12	13	28	10	\$1,049
47	Monica Zappa (r)	13	04	08	15	\$1,049
48	Lisbet Norris (r)	13	04	41	33	\$1,049
49	Marcelle Fressineau (r)	13	04	42	08	\$1,049

Scratched: Jeff King, Hugh Neff, Kelly Maixner, Elliot Anderson (r), Nicolas Petit, Ramey Smyth, John Dixon, DeeDee Jonrowe, Jake Berkowitz, Scott Janssen, Gus Guenther, Mike Santos, Linwood Fiedler, Lev Shvarts (r), Cindy Abbott (r), Ellen Halverson, Jim Lanier, Jan Steves, Cindy Gallea **Withdrawn:** Karen Ramstead

2015 RESULTS

#	Musher	Days	Hrs	Min	Sec	Winnings
1	Dallas Seavey	08	18	13	06	\$70,000
2	Mitch Seavey	08	22	22	56	\$58,600
3	Aaron Burmeister	08	23	47	31	\$53,900
4	Jessie Royer	09	01	51	09	\$48,400
5	Aliy Zirkle	09	04	44	25	\$44,300
6	Joar Leifseth Ulsom	09	05	21	01	\$37,500
7	Jeff King	09	05	47	50	\$35,300
8	Wade Marris	09	08	15	17	\$33,100
9	Ken Anderson	09	10	38	54	\$31,000
10	Nicolas Petit	09	11	19	20	\$29,000
11	Travis Beals	09	13	18	45	\$27,000
12	Paul Gebhardt	09	15	38	20	\$25,200
13	Kelly Maixner	09	15	39	01	\$23,400
14	Peter Kaiser	09	15	44	35	\$21,700
15	Christian Turner	09	16	05	02	\$20,000
16	Ray Redington, Jr.	09	16	27	00	\$18,400
17	Thomas Wærner (r)	09	18	10	20	\$16,900
18	Jason Campeau (r)	09	19	28	11	\$15,500
19	Hugh Neff	09	20	25	44	\$14,100
20	Michelle Phillips	09	21	17	30	\$12,700
21	John Baker	09	22	12	58	\$11,400
22	Martin Buser	09	22	36	40	\$10,200
23	Richie Diehl	09	23	26	59	\$9,000
24	Nathan Schroeder	09	23	44	59	\$7,900
25	Mats Pettersson	10	00	11	21	\$6,800
26	Scott Smith	10	06	12	26	\$5,700
27	Paige Drobny	10	06	15	37	\$4,700
28	Anna Berington	10	11	06	33	\$3,700
29	Kristy Berington	10	11	10	50	\$2,800
30	Jodi Bailey	10	16	07	55	\$1,900
31	DeeDee Jonrowe	10	19	10	23	\$1,049
32	Curt Perano	10	21	11	24	\$1,049
33	Justin Savidis	11	00	35	10	\$1,049
34	Charley Bejna	11	02	07	10	\$1,049
35	Seth Barnes (r)	11	06	05	21	\$1,049
36	Benjamin Harper (r)	11	16	28	15	\$1,049
37	Linwood Fiedler	11	16	28	35	\$1,049
38	Allen Moore	11	16	52	43	\$1,049
39	Mike Santos	11	19	07	23	\$1,049
40	Rohn Buser	11	19	21	21	\$1,049
41	Matt Failor	11	22	42	42	\$1,049
42	Jason Mackey	12	00	32	15	\$1,049
43	Lance Mackey	12	00	32	37	\$1,049
44	Rick Casillo	12	00	37	22	\$1,049

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45	Timothy Hunt	12	00	45	35	\$1,049
46	Laura Allaway (r)	12	03	03	54	\$1,049
47	Monica Zappa	12	03	13	00	\$1,049
48	Heidi Sutter (r)	12	03	39	09	\$1,049
49	Lisbet Norris	12	03	41	12	\$1,049
50	Rob Cooke (r)	12	04	23	45	\$1,049
51	Chuck Schaeffer (r)	12	04	24	50	\$1,049
52	Brian Wilmshurst (r)	12	05	18	10	\$1,049
53	Yvonne Dabakk	12	05	56	51	\$1,049
54	Lev Shvarts (r)	12	06	03	39	\$1,049
55	Yuka Honda (r)	12	08	32	55	\$1,049
56	Alan Stevens (r)	12	08	43	02	\$1,049
57	Becca Moore (r)	12	10	56	26	\$1,049
58	Steve Watkins (r)	12	10	57	36	\$1,049
59	Mark Selland (r)	12	11	22	10	\$1,049
60	Alan Eischens (r)	12	11	56	36	\$1,049
61	Isabelle Travadon (r)	12	26	26	16	\$1,049
62	Marcelle Fressineau	12	28	31	45	\$1,049
63	Lachlan Clarke	12	23	16	31	\$1,049
64	Cindy Gallea	13	00	57	27	\$1,049
65	Trent Herbst	13	01	57	39	\$1,049
66	Cindy Abbott (r)	13	11	19	51	\$1,049

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