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Nicolas Petit wins The Lakefront Anchorage First Musher to the Yukon Award

Anchorage, Alaska - Veteran Iditarod XLVI musher Nicolas Petit (bib #46), of Girdwood, Alaska, is the first to arrive at the Anvik checkpoint at 5:21 a.m. with 14 dogs in harness. In doing so, Petit claimed The Lakefront Anchorage First Musher to the Yukon Award.

The Lakefront Anchorage First Musher to the Yukon Award consists of a five-course meal prepared by The Lakefront Anchorage executive chef Roberto Sidro and features:

- Coconut and curry pork tenderloin soup served in a bread bowl;
- A mandarin salad made of toasted sliced almonds, mandarin orange, roma crunch lettuce, onion and bacon served with an orange balsamic vinaigrette;
- Stuffed jumbo shrimp wrapped in prosciutto;
- Pan-seared and flambéed bison tenderloin served with pear and cherry chutney, a sweet potato cake and sautéed baby carrots;
- A warm citrus dessert medley, sautéed in butter and flambéed, topped with a dollop of whipped cream.

Red and white wine to accompany each course.

Petit's "After Dinner Mint" of \$3,500 in one-dollar bills was presented on a commemorative Alaska gold pan - along with a bottle of Dom Pérignon - by The Lakefront Anchorage food and beverage director Andrew Adlesperger.

The Lakefront Anchorage First Musher to the Yukon Award will be re-presented to Petit in Nome on Sunday, March 18, during the Iditarod awards banquet at the Nome Recreation Center.

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