

Iditarod Runner

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Their Eighth Iditarod Race

Ken Chase and his lead dog Piper will leave Anchorage March 1 on their eighth trek to Nome together. (Photo by Bill Devine).

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Dear Friends,

1980 opens the decade with the eighth running of the Iditarod Trail International Sled Dog Race, 1,049 miles from Anchorage to Nome.

On March 1, a record number of teams will set out on the Iditarod Trail, carrying with them our thoughts and prayers. On behalf of the Iditarod Trail Committee, our race sponsors, ALASCOM, RAINIER, ALASKA

AIRLINES, ARCO OIL AND GAS, WIEN AIR ALASKA, and WHITNEY FIDALGO SEAFOODS, and the hundreds of Alaskans across the state working to bring you this great race, I would like to wish the mushers the best of luck on their lonely trek to Nome. As Governor Jay Hammond said, "You represent the best of the Alaskan spirit."

Sincerely,
Raine Hall

MUSHERS BANQUET AND DRAWING February 28, 1980 ANCHORAGE WESTWARD HILTON

Welcome

Introductions

Invocation by Col. Norman Vaughan

Dinner

Nome's Frivolous Front Street Follies

Auction:

an original by Jon Van Zyle "Up On High"
Soapstone Dog Team by Larry Owens

Mushers' Drawing with Orville Lake

Governor's Proclamation

Mayor Sullivan

Drawing for Position

Finale with the Follies

Door Prizes

Dinner for two at the Top of the World,
courtesy of the Anchorage Westward Hilton

1980 Commemorative Iditarod Belt Buckle,
courtesy of the Hideout

Magnum of Mum's Champagne,
courtesy of Teeland's Moonshine Shop

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City Hall
Month of Iditarod General Info. 443-5585
Race Headquarters 443-2266



Charlie Harrington kisses his wife goodbye just outside of Knik, 1,049 miles later they will meet again, at the end of the trail. (Rob Stapleton photo)

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Special Fare to Nome

The Iditarod Trail Committee has arranged for a special group fare from Anchorage to Nome on Wien Air Alaska. Plans call for leaving Anchorage 72 hours after the first team hits Kaltag. You may return from Nome at any time. For information and reservations, please call Wanda Garrett at WORLD WIDE TRAVEL, INC. 277-9571.

1980 Race

The 1980 Iditarod Trail Race will leave Anchorage on Saturday, March 1, at 10 a.m. from Mulcahy Park. The teams will follow the Rony Trail out of town and continue on to the first checkpoint at Pippel Field in Eagle River. This will give spectators a grand chance to see the mushers along the highway into Eagle River.

From Eagle River the teams will be trucked to Wasilla and the restart on Lake Lucille, in front of Hallea Lodge. Approximate restart time will be 2:00 p.m.

The trail from Lake Lucille continues on to Knik, the last spectator checkpoint within driving distance from Anchorage, and then out onto the Iditarod Trail. The Knik checkpoint is located on Knik Lake, and the public is invited to view the Race from this vantage point.

“WILD BILL” IS NUMBER ONE

The Iditarod is more than an all out race from Anchorage to Nome. The history and background of the race is the reason for the event. Every year we remember this history and honor it.

In 1925 a diphtheria epidemic threatened the mining town of Nome. There was no serum and no way to get the life saving medicine from the south to Nome. Finally it was decided to move it north to Nenana on the Alaska Railroad. From there a relay of dog teams picked the serum up and moved it across the wilderness. These 20 mushers are Iditarod heroes. These are the mushers the

Iditarod commemorates.

In the past we have held position Number 1 for Leonard Seppala who ran the serum from Shaktoolik to Golovin, 91 miles non-stop. This year it was decided that all of the other serum mushers should be likewise memorialized. This year “Wild Bill” Shannon will hold the Number 1 position when the field leaves the starting line. “Wild Bill” moved the medicine on its first leg from Nenana to Tolovana - 52 miles. There are 4 serum mushers still alive. Patty Nollner, Edgar Kalland, Charlie Evans and Bill McCarthy. We salute you all. This race is in your honor.

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Frivolous Front Street Follies

Performing at the Musher's Banquet in Anchorage and at many events in Nome during the Month of Iditarod Winter Carnival, are Nome's Frivolous Front Street Follies, under the direction of Addison Stacy, assisted on the organ by Larry Lambert. The follies are: Barbara White, Elaine Kaiser, Tammy Rhule, Johannalee Totten, Pattie Smith, and Gary Pitsenberger.

The trip to Anchorage was made possible by the Fort Davis Roadhouse (home of the Follies) and by the Bering Sea Saloon, Nome Liquor Store, Anchor Tavern, Breakers Bar, and the Board of Trade Saloon.

As president of Nome's Chamber of Commerce, may I extend my personal invitation to every Iditarod fan to come to Nome for the Grand Finish of this race. We have planned events that will show you why we are proud of our Gold Rush City and ensure your entertainment. Please make your hotel or housing accommodations before coming. We have everything from full hotel accommodations to \$5.00 per night sleeping bag space. You may call Kitty Scott at 443-2748 or Stevie Sharp at 443-5513 and these ladies will be happy to assist you. The Chamber of Commerce will have an information desk in City Hall along with the Race Headquarters. Here you may find times and places of events, where to eat, directions to your sleeping quarters, or any other information you will need to make your stay in Nome an event in itself.

Come prepared to play a lot and sleep little. SEE YOU IN NOME.

The Nome Chamber of
MARCH 1980

Commerce will be presenting the winner of the 1980 Iditarod Race a check for \$2500.00!

ROSEMARY PHILLIPS
President
Northwestern Alaska
Chamber of Commerce, Nome

BBC Movie

Special thanks to Susan Ruddy of NORTHRIM ASSOCIATES for her contribution to the Iditarod Trail Race. Ms. Ruddy co-produced the "Last Great Race" with the BBC, a 50 minute special on the 1979 race. Mrs. Ruddy has been very generous with this documentary. The Iditarod
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Iditarod Trail 1049 Sweepstakes

**ONLY 1049 TICKETS AVAILABLE!
20 DRAWINGS/AT LEAST 20 CHANCES TO WIN!**

\$50,000 in cash & prizes

Winning tickets will be drawn at the end of the race in Nome at the Awards Ceremony, March, 1980.

Winners need not be present to win.

Purchasers' and winners' names will be published.

Officers and members of the Board of Directors of the Iditarod Trail Committee are not eligible.

Winning Sweepstakes numbers will be determined by the 20 winning mushers' bib numbers.

Example: If the 20th musher to cross the finish line in Nome is bib number 31, 31 Sweepstakes tickets will be drawn. From those 31, one winning ticket will be drawn for 20th prize. The remaining 30 tickets will go back into the barrel for a second chance at prizes 1-19 etc. Your chances of winning are incalculable!

YOUR PURCHASE OF A \$100% TICKET MAY WIN YOU A '80 PIPER SUPER CUB



#1 New 1980 Piper Super Cub from Alaska Piper. Delivered Anchorage complete with an electrical system, night light package and 8" Scott tall wheel.

#5 Round trip tickets for two to the Moscow Summer Olympics, Moscow 1980

#10 1980 Arctic Cat Panther from Arctic Recreational Equipment

#15 Trip for two to Brooks #15

#20 1049 bottles of Rainier Beer courtesy of the Rainier Brewing Company. 1 for every mile to Nome. 1 everyday for the next three years.

20 Prizes Worth \$50,000.00!

1. 1980 Super Cub	11. \$400**
2. \$500**	12. \$700**
3. \$2500**	13. \$400**
4. \$500**	14. \$400**
5. Trip for 2 to the 1980 Moscow Summer Olympics	15. Trip for 2 to Brooks Camp Ironby Fishing July, 1980
6. \$500**	16. \$300**
7. \$1200**	17. \$500**
8. \$500**	18. \$300**
9. \$500**	19. \$300**
10. 1980 Arctic Cat Panther	20. 1049 bottles Rainier Beer

For tickets and information:

Anchorage
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417 West 19th Avenue
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Sled Dog Race

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Attention Iditarod Drivers:

1980 MARATHON 140 SLED DOG RACE

DATE: March 29 and 30,
1980.

ENTRY FEE: \$50.00 before
March 15, \$75 thereafter.

PURSE: Pending — Pay 7
places — 33%, 24%, 16%, 12%,
8%, 5%, 2%.

The drawing for positions
and a drivers meeting will be
held on Saturday, March 29 at
10:00 a.m. at the Nenana Dog
Mushers Clubhouse, Nenana,
Alaska.

The race will start in Nenana
at 12:00 noon and will run 70
miles by overland and river trail
to Manley where there will be a
12 hour mandatory layover
before the return trip to
Nenana.

Racing teams must start with
no less than 7 dogs and finish
with at least 5. Mandatory
equipment to be carried to the
Manley checkpoint will consist
of:

1. Sleeping Bag. 2. Axe. 3.
Parka. 4. 2 lb. of food for each
dog.

Warm water will be supplied
to all mushers at the Manley
checkpoint. Anything else
required by the musher must be
carried by him. This is a
camp-out.

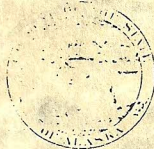
There will be a \$10.00 fee
charged for flying each dropped
dog back to Nenana.

Any musher who scratches
or is disqualified at the
checkpoint will be responsible
for the return of his team and
equipment.

Any team that does not
reach the checkpoint or finish
the race within 1.5 times the
average elapsed time of the first
3 places will be disqualified.

Inquiries and entries will be
received by: Interior Dog
Mushers, Eric Meffley, General
Deliver, Manley, Alaska 99756.
(907) 672-3345.

STATE OF ALASKA



Executive Proclamation

by
Jay Hammond, Governor

The annual Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race has become a tradition in the annals of Alaska sled dog racing. This winter event, held since 1973, pits man, woman, and dog, against the natural environment in what has been called the most grueling of all sled dog races.

The Iditarod Trail is a reminder of Alaska's history and heritage. The trail was first tramped out of the wilderness at the turn of the century by gold seekers disembarking from ships at Seward and traveling to the gold fields at Nome. The race covering 1049 miles of rugged Alaskan terrain in extreme cold, high winds, blizzards and whiteouts, tests the courage, endurance and strength of mushers and dogs.

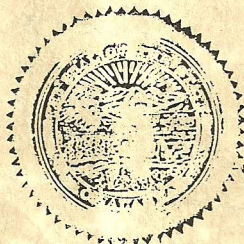
The Iditarod Trail Race represents a major logistical effort with air and ground support, to provide food, medical and veterinary services, communications, and media coverage. It requires a large-scale voluntary effort, not only for the period of the races, but also for the months of planning.

The Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race represents the best of the Alaska spirit. Therefore, I, Jay S. Hammond, Governor of the State of Alaska, do hereby proclaim the month of March as

THE IDITAROD TRAIL SLED DOG RACE MONTH

in honor of all mushers who have driven the trail and all those who will compete in the eighth annual race, and encourage all Alaskans to support this event.

Dated this 7th day of February, 1980, in Juneau, Alaska.



Done by —

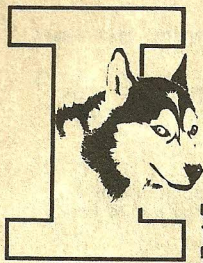
Jay Hammond
Jay Hammond, Governor
who has also authorized
the seal of the State of
Alaska to be affixed to
this proclamation.

BBC MOVIE (Cont'd from Page 7)

Trail Committee has been able
to use the film for many race
presentations, and it has served

as a great tool in promoting the
"last great race." Thanks,
Susan!

IDITAROD RUNNER



IDITAROD TRAIL COMMITTEE, INC

OFFICIAL 1980 RULES IDITAROD TRAIL INTERNATIONAL SLED DOG RACE

1. **RACE START — DATE, TIME, PLACE.** The official starting date and time for the 1980 race will be March 1, 1980 at 10:00 a.m. The starting place will be Anchorage, Alaska, unless otherwise designated by the Iditarod Trail Committee.
2. **WEATHER.** The race will be held as scheduled regardless of weather conditions.
3. **COMMON START, LATE START.** For elapsed time purposes the race will be a common start event. Each musher's elapsed time between Anchorage and Nome will be calculated using 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, March first as the starting time. Any musher who cannot leave the starting line in the order that he or she drew will be started after the musher who drew last place has left. Any team that cannot leave the starting line within 30 minutes of the last team's departure will not be allowed to run the race . . . his entry fee will not be refunded.
4. **ENTRY AND SUPPORT FEES.** The entry and support fee will be \$625 and must be received by the committee, or postmarked no later than midnight, January 15, 1980. Any entry received otherwise will be refunded and the musher will not be permitted to participate. Receipt of the \$625 fees will constitute the musher's intent to enter the race and further acknowledges that the musher agrees to concur with each and every rule as stated.
5. **DOG MINIMUMS.** Mushers must start the race with no less than seven dogs and must finish the race in Nome with no less than five dogs on the towline.
6. **SLED.** Each musher has a choice of his own sled, subject to the condition that some kind of sled or toboggan must be drawn at the option of the driver.
7. **HARNESSES.** All harnesses must be padded.
8. **ONE MUSER PER TEAM.** Only one musher will be permitted per team and that musher must complete the race with that team only.
9. **AGE.** All drivers must be a minimum of 18 years of age.
10. **LITTER.** No litter of any kind may be left on the trail. All camps must be cleaned up before moving. The trail will be kept clean.
11. **PRIZE MONEY.** The prize money for the 1980 race will be as follows:

1. \$12,000	6. \$2,500	11. \$1,000	16. \$750
2. 8,000	7. 2,000	12. 950	17. 700
3. 6,000	8. 1,800	13. 900	18. 650
4. 4,000	9. 1,600	14. 850	19. 600
5. 3,000	10. 1,400	15. 800	20. 500

In the event that less than \$50,000 is raised for prize money, the awards will be paid on a percentage basis of prize money available in relation to \$50,000.

12. **SWITCHING OF DOGS.** No switching of dogs between mushers will be permitted after the team has officially left Anchorage.
13. **TEAMS TIED TOGETHER.** Two or more teams may not, in any way, be tied together except to assist another musher in trouble at some immediate location. Any teams so involved must notify officials at the next checkpoint along the trail.
14. **24 HOUR STOP.** One mandatory 24 hour stop will be required during the running of the race. The stop may be at the discretion of the musher as to when he takes the stop and must be at one of the checkpoints. The checkpoint checker must be notified by the musher that he is taking his 24 hour stop and the checker must so note. Time begins upon notification.

15. **CHECKPOINTS.** Official checkpoints for the 1980 race will be:

1. Anchorage	11. Nikolai	21. Unalakleet
2. Eagle River*	12. McGrath	22. Shaktoolik
3. Wasilla*	13. Takotna*	23. Koyuk
4. Knik*	14. Ophir	24. Elim
5. Susitna Station	15. Cripple	25. Golovin*
6. Skwentna	16. Slatna Crossing*	26. White Mountain
7. Finger Lake	17. Ruby	27. Safety Roadhouse
8. Rainy Pass Lodge	18. Galena	28. Nome
9. Rohn Roadhouse	19. Nulato	
10. Farewell Station	20. Kaltag	

*Eagle River, Wasilla and Knik are dog drops but you will not be permitted to ship feed to these locations. Both Takotna and Golovin are official checkpoints but you will not be permitted to drop dogs or ship feed to these points. Slatna Crossing is a food drop but not a dog drop. All other checkpoints between Anchorage and Nome, you may drop dogs and you are required to ship at least the minimum amount of feed to each.

16. **SHIPMENT OF FOOD AND GEAR.** All mushers' food, supplies and dog food must be located in Anchorage, McGrath, Galena, Kaltag, Unalakleet and Nome 14 days prior to race time. The Iditarod Trail Committee will receive and care for these supplies. A name of the person to send these supplies to will be provided to each musher.
17. **SHIPPING DROPPED DOGS.** Mushers will be responsible to pay for the transportation of their dropped dogs back home. As dogs are dropped at various checkpoints they will be moved to the closest dog lot either at Anchorage, McGrath, Galena, Unalakleet or Nome. The dogs will be shipped home from the dog lots at the discretion of the race marshal or official veterinarians.
18. **MUSHERS MEETING AND DRAWING.** It will be mandatory for all mushers to attend a mushers meeting immediately prior to the mushers' banquet. Failure to attend this meeting will prohibit the musher from entering the race and his entry fee will be refunded. The time and place for this meeting will be announced by the Iditarod Trail Committee. Each musher must draw his or her starting position in person. The order of draw for starting position will be based on the date of receipt of each musher's entry and support fee. The check or cash received on the earliest date draws first, etc. Fees received with the same date will be treated alphabetically, A's first, B's second, etc.
19. **CLAIMS.** Each musher agrees to hold the Iditarod Trail Committee, the race sponsor and other contributors (that is sponsor and contributors to the race committee as distinguished from the sponsors of the individual mushers) harmless from any claim or demand based on any alleged action or inaction by the musher, his dogs, agents, or others acting in his behalf. The musher also agrees to release the Iditarod Trail Committee, Inc., race sponsors, and their agents and employees from any claim or demand resulting from injury to the musher, his dogs, or his property. Further, the Iditarod Trail Committee has the unqualified and unrestricted authority to authorize the race sponsor to photograph and otherwise collect information about the race and all participants therein and to use such photographs and information for advertising, public relations or other publicity purposes. Each musher shall sign any and all documents as may be requested by the Iditarod Trail Committee to evidence the foregoing. These documents will be executed by each musher at the mushers meeting. Any musher who does not sign the documents requested by the Iditarod Trail Committee will not be allowed to participate in the race and his entry fee will be refunded.
20. **PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL.** The Iditarod Trail Committee reserves the right to require that every musher carry not more than ten (10) pounds of promotional material over the trail.

21. **SUBSTITUTES.** Once a musher leaves the starting line no substitute will be permitted to replace him.
22. **RACE MARSHAL AND VETERINARIANS.** The race marshal and official veterinarians will have absolute authority over the dog teams. Their judgement as to withdrawal of a dog or dogs from the race or any other condition relative to dog care on the trail shall be final.
23. **VET CHECK.** All dogs shall undergo a physical examination before the race starts. The examinations will be performed by local members of the Southcentral Veterinarian Medical Association and/or other certified veterinarians. The location and time for the examinations will be announced to all participants by the Iditarod Trail Committee. Any dog who cannot qualify for a certificate of good health may not run the race. Any musher who fails to have his team examined will not be permitted to run the race and his entry fee will be refunded. All examinations must be done within seven days prior to the start of the race. Any musher having his dogs examined other than at the official time and places must submit proof of an examination to the Iditarod Trail Committee prior to the last veterinarian check sponsored by the Iditarod Trail Committee.
24. **DRUGS.** No injectable or oral drugs which may suppress the signs of serious illness or injury to the dogs may be carried or used by the musher. A list of some of the medicines that fall into this category are as follows:
 1. Steroid, cortisone in any form.
 2. Anti-inflammatory drugs other than cortisone.
 3. Antibiotic steroid combinations.
 4. Narcotics in any form.
 5. Pain relievers other than non-prescriptive.
 6. Anesthetics (local or systemic).
 7. Stimulants.

Drugs of this type where needed may be administered by a veterinarian only. Each musher shall be held solely responsible for his team. The race marshal, acting in conjunction with the race veterinarians may conduct random drug testing of dogs at any point during or at the completion of the race in order to insure compliance with this rule. Competing dogs during the race shall be checked by means of freely collected urine samples without physical restraint or manipulation of the animal. Dogs from all money winning teams shall be tested.

25. **ADDITIONAL DOGS.** No dogs may be added to a team after the start of the race.
26. **MANDATORY GEAR (MUSHER).** Every musher must have in his possession at all times the following items:
 1. Proper cold weather sleeping bag.
 2. Hand axe.
 3. One pair of standard snow shoes with bindings.
 4. Any promotional material that the musher has been asked by the Iditarod Trail Committee to carry to Nome.
27. **MANDATORY GEAR (DOGS).** No musher may leave a checkpoint without the following items in addition to the items listed in rule 26:
 1. One day's dog food for each dog with a minimum of two (2) pounds per dog.
 2. One day's food ration for each musher.
 3. Eight booties for each dog either in the sled or in use and in the sled.
28. **TREATMENT OF DOGS.** There shall be no cruel or inhumane treatment of dogs. Decision of the race veterinarians, acting in conjunction with the race marshal, concerning what constitutes cruel or inhumane treatment shall be final.
29. **CLEARING TRAIL.** Mushers setting up camp must clear trail of their dogs and gear.
30. **INJURED, FATIGUED OR SICK DOGS.** All injured, fatigued, or sick dogs must be dropped off at a checkpoint only. In addition, the dog or dogs must be left with two days' food, fastened by a chain or cable that will insure the dog will be unable to get loose. The Iditarod Trail Committee will exercise care, as practicable, to care for a driver's gear, supplies, and dogs, but does not accept responsibility in any way in the event gear, supplies or dogs become damaged, lost, etc.

31. **EXPIRED DOGS.** Any dog who expires on the trail for any reason must be taken to the next checkpoint or checkpoint just passed if musher deems to his advantage timewise. An autopsy shall be performed on all expired dogs by a veterinarian.
32. **TAMPERING.** No musher may, without permission, tamper with another musher's dogs, dog food or gear.
33. **OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE.** No musher may receive any outside assistance between checkpoints unless an emergency is declared by the race marshal, or so ruled.
34. **DEMAND FOR FOOD AND SHELTER.** No musher may make any demand for food or shelter along the trail.
35. **CARE AND FEEDING OF DOGS.** All care and feeding of dogs between checkpoints will be done by the mushers only. Only mushers may assist one another between checkpoints. Additionally, no planned help is allowed throughout the race, including checkpoints. Incidental help at checkpoints is permitted. At non-checkpoints mushers may accept hospitality for himself only.
36. **MOTORIZED VEHICLES.** In no case shall a musher accept assistance from any type of motorized vehicle.
37. **HAULING DOGS.** No musher shall allow any of his dogs to be hauled by another team.
38. **UNMANAGEABLE TEAM.** Outside assistance will be allowed only if a team is unmanageable. Whether a team is unmanageable shall be ruled upon by the race marshal in each separate instance.
39. **PACING.** No pacing will be permitted in front of a team by any vehicle.
40. **LOOSE LEADERS.** There will be no loose leaders and all other dogs will be in the team or in the sled.
41. **LOST TEAM.** In the case of a lost team the team will not be disqualified if the driver regains control of the team, provided that the team and driver completed the entire race trail and complies with the rules including checkpoint requirements. It is the intent of the rule that all teams follow the trail as marked.
42. **SIGN-IN CHECKPOINTS.** Every musher must personally sign in at each checkpoint before going on.
43. **STOMACH-TUBING.** Stomach tubes may be used during the 1980 race only when administered by a race veterinarian. Once a dog has been watered by artificial means, it shall be dropped from the race.
44. **SPORTSMANSHIP.** All mushers must conduct themselves in a civil and sportsmanlike manner during the entire racing event.
45. **MANDATORY STOP AT WHITE MOUNTAIN.** There shall be a mandatory one (1) hour stop for each team at White Mountain, at which time the team shall be checked by a veterinarian with a race official present.
46. **STARTING TIME DIFFERENTIAL.** The starting time differential will be compensated for during each team's mandatory 24 hour layover so that each team has equal trail time.
47. A. **NO MAN'S LAND.** No man's land shall be considered the land between the Ft. Davis Roadhouse and the official finish line.
B. **FINISH.** An official finish shall be determined by the nose of the first dog across the finish line.
48. A. **DISQUALIFICATION.** Failure to adhere to the published rules shall allow the race officials to disqualify the musher. Such driver disqualified shall forfeit all placements and monetary values. The musher so involved may request an informal hearing before the board of directors of the Iditarod Trail Committee, including the race officials. A hearing shall be granted if so requested.
B. **CENSURE.** The board of directors may censure a musher for cause, including prohibiting a musher from entering future races. The musher so involved may request an informal hearing before the board of directors of the Iditarod Trail Committee. Such request shall be granted and the hearing shall be held within 90 days from such request.
C. **PROTEST.** Any infraction of these rules observed by a musher may be protested in writing to the race marshal at the next checkpoint.



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1979 IDITAROD RACE WINNER
RICK SWENSON EUREKA ALASKA
LEAD DOGS ANDY & O.B. Time 15 days, 10 hrs. 37 min. 47 sec.

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The Iditarod Trail Committee is excited to announce the HONORARY IDITAROD MUSHER Plaque for 1980. By Alaskan artist Bill Devine, this second in a series features 1979 Iditarod champion Rick Swenson with his two lead dogs, Old Buddy and Andy. Etched in marble, there will be a limited edition of 500.

On March 1, 1980 the Iditarod mushers will leave Anchorage at 10:00 a.m. for the start of the world's longest and toughest sled dog race. Not just another sporting event, the challenge, romance and spirit of the Iditarod has attracted film crews and journalists from around the world. In 1978, ZDF from Germany captured the race in an hour long documentary. In 1979, the BBC from Great Britain made an hour long film for distribution around the world (48 countries!) and ABC Sports followed the mushers from Anchorage to Nome for the American Sportsman. This year, award winning film maker Felix Rodriguez de Fuentes will be documenting the race for world wide distribution in Spanish, French and English.

Alaskans from Juneau to Barrow run the Iditarod Trail Race. Doctors and trappers. Teachers and fishermen. Gold miners and carpenters. Artists and lawyers. The list goes on and the world has taken notice. What better way to promote our state?

Individuals and firms wishing to support this great Alaskan event may do so through the Honorary Iditarod Musher program. The Iditarod Trail Committee will acknowledge your donation of \$200 or more by presenting you with a beautifully framed plaque, as well as media recognition in the Anchorage Times, the Anchorage Daily News, The Valley Sun, the Frontiersman, the Iditarod Trail Annual and the Iditarod Runner.

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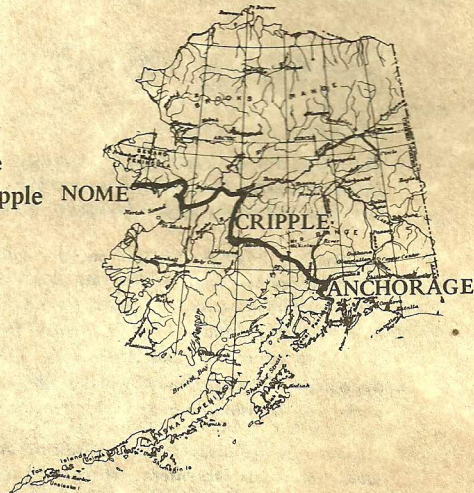
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If you join the Iditarod Trail Committee before the first musher arrives at the Cripple Creek Checkpoint, you may win a free ticket to Nome for the finish of the 1980 Iditarod Trail Race.

Your name will be tossed into the hat of the first musher into Cripple and he will draw. If your number comes up, we'll see you in Nome!

(Airfare to Nome from any place in Alaska, not to exceed \$500)



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March 1, 1980

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