



MEDIA RELEASE

February 7, 2010; 0800 AKST (Mile 101, AK) - Zack Steer was the first musher into the Mile 101 checkpoint for the 2010 Yukon Quest. Steer arrived this morning at 2:08 AM to rest his dogs after a stop previously at the Two Rivers checkpoint. Steer has been the first to arrive at the checkpoints so far this race.

A small pack of mushers followed Steer, with Lance Mackey coming in to Mile 101 at 3:11 AM, then Gerry Willomitzer at 3:14 AM, Hans Gatt at 3:16 AM, Hugh Neff at 3:32 and Brent Sass at 3:47 AM.

As of the writing of this release, Steer prepared his 14 dogs and was the first back out on the trail to Central at 7:34 AM. Hans Gatt left shortly after at 8:00 AM, but dropped a dog first and is now traveling with 13 in his team. Gerry Willomitzer also left close behind at 8:01 AM with 14 dogs.

The next section of the race will take mushers into Central.

** For the most up-to-date results from the Yukon quest, please visit <http://yukonquest.com/site/race-updates/>. You can also access mini-updates of the race through our Facebook page - just search facebook for "Yukon Quest - Official". And follow the race on Twitter at <http://twitter.com/YukonQuest2010> **

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