



MEDIA RELEASE

February 15, 2010; 17:00 PST (Whitehorse, YT) - Hans Gatt is the winner of the 2010 Yukon Quest, arriving at the Whitehorse finish line at 13:35 PM local time. He broke a new record for fastest finish at 9 days 0 hours and 26 minutes, which is approximately 23 hours faster than the previous record made in 2009 by Sebastian Schnuelle.

This is Gatt's fourth win of the Yukon Quest. His previous wins were in 2002, 2003 and 2004. His fastest previous time was 10 days 8 hours and 59 minutes.

Lance Mackey finished second at 14:38 PM, followed by Hugh Neff in third at 16:18 PM. These top three teams were in tight competition throughout the end of the race. Mackey and Neff also surpassed the previous finishing record.

Ken Anderson and Zack Steer are en route to Whitehorse after leaving the Braeburn checkpoint minutes apart at about 14:30 PM this afternoon. They are currently racing for fourth place and expected to arrive during the early hours of Tuesday morning. Sonny Lindner is scheduled to depart from Braeburn tonight at 21:13 PM, while rookie Joshua Cadzow and Brent Sass are scheduled to leave just after 12 midnight.

Twenty-three competitors are still participating in this 27th running of the Yukon Quest.

**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 Site". Plus, follow the race on Twitter at <http://twitter.com/YukonQuest2010> **

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