

Queen Cuts Reindeer Hide To Open Fair

ANCHORAGE — Using a traditional Eskimo qullu, Irene Haverkamp, Miss Cook Inlet Native Association, sliced through a reindeer hide to open the Alaska Centennial Native Cultural Exhibit Wednesday at the white geodesic dome near Anchorage International Airport.

The dome is filled with native exhibits and craft demonstrations.

As opening day visitors moved inside, Charles Hobson of Glenallen played his violin of moose horn, birch, Alaska Spruce and German wood.

He was followed by the Russian Orthodox Choir singing a hymn to the Holy Trinity in Aleut.

Dancing and a blanket toss followed outside near model native housing. The Bureau of Indian Affairs traveling exhibit opens June 13 at the Kaloa Building.