

Ft. Yukon Jr. Mashers Developing

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Fort Yukon

The Fort Yukon Junior Dog Mashers are on the way. This young organization has been in existence for six years and is growing stronger each year.

Its main purpose is to develop a better breed of racing dogs in the Fort Yukon area and to interest young boys and girls in the competitive sport.

Each year, six races are run and the winner in each class gets to enter the North American Championship races held in Fairbanks. In past years, Fort Yukon has been able to win three second places, four third places and numerous others none lower than seventh place.

This is a good record considering the size of the group and who they are competing against. This year, the group of eager young racers are planning on sweeping the field in the North American.

The Fort Yukon Junior Mashers encourage all other villages to try to participate in the development of Junior Dog Musher groups. The group has 25 members and about

55 dogs to help them bring home the wonderful prizes the Fairbanks people put up.

If anyone needs information of Junior groups, contact the following officers: president Mark Williams, vice president Walter Flitt, secretary Franklin Solomon, or advisor Donald E. Young.