

Lane Rileys takes Minto's New Year's race

The Minto Dog Musher's Association held a 10 preliminary race on New Year's Day with Lane Riley capturing first place honors. Riley who competed in several of the major races throughout the State paced his

team around the track in a time of 33:36 outdistancing his nearest competitor by nearly 2 minutes.

Gene David finished second at 2 35:30 and Perry Charlie took third place with a time of

36:50.

Mushers in the Minto race finished with the following times:

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| 1. Lane Riley | 33:36 |
| 2. Gene David | 35:30 |
| 3. Perry Charlie | 36:50 |

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| 4. Jimmie Titus |
| 5. Eric Charlie |
| 6. Lloyd Charlie |
| 7. Butch Riley |
| 8. Lawrence Titus |
| 9. Leo Titus Jr. |
| 10. Bobby Charlie |

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| 38:01 | 11. David Titus | 46:04 |
| 38:44 | 12. Roger Alexander | 48:26 |

A special thanks to Nolan Silas for reporting the race results.



WORKING TEAM — The focus this part of the season is on dog racing mushers and teams, but some folks about Alaska still use dog teams for subsistence living. This photograph is of a team on the Koyukuk River near the Brooks Range.

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