

## **PR Race to the Sky #5 February 9, 3:45am**

Everyone into White Tail and 300 mile teams on their way to Seeley Lake Checkpoint. Finish of 100 will be at Morrell Creek (Seeley Creek) Snowmobile Parking Lot just north of Seeley Lake.

First of the 300 teams out was Jesssie Royer at 11:05 with 11 dogs, then Clayton Perry at 11:31 with 12 dogs, Gabe Dunham at 11:51 with 12 dogs.

Damon Ramaker left White Tail Ranch at 12:05 Sunday morning with 11 dogs, followed by Jesse Flory at 12:38 with 12 dogs, Patrick Roy at 12:39 with 12 dogs and Cindy Gallea at 12:05 with 12 dogs. So, within 1 hour, we had 7 out of 9 300 mile teams leaving White Tail Ranch. They will proceed another 50 miles to the Seeley Lake Community Center checkpoint and from there, they will go to Owl Creek. Each team has a 4 hour layover that they must use before the next time they go through White Tail Ranch. Many will use it at Owl Creek and some will use it at Seeley Lake depending on weather.

Kevin Mathis and Jed Stephenson are resting at White Tail Ranch for the time being.

All of the 100 mile teams have a 6 hour mandatory rest. The first team to be able to leave White Tail Ranch will be Josi Thyr shortly after 2:00 a.m. Sunday morning followed Scott White, Charmayne Morrison, Jordan Hillock, Christina Gibson, Roy Etnire, Steven Thomas, Spencer Reiss, Steve Madsen and Jane Devlin. The White Tail Ranch is where the musher's time will be equalized (according to their start times) so the first team across the finish line will be the winner.

Awards ceremony for 100 mile mushers will be at 1:00 p.m. Sunday at the Seeley Lake Community Center (Checkpoint). The public is invited.

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