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2026 Iditarod Summer Raffle Winners Announced

PALMER, Alaska — The 2026 Iditarod Summer Raffle drawing was held Monday, September 7, at 5:00 p.m. during the Alaska State Fair in Palmer, Alaska, awarding a total of \$147,050 in cash prizes to 30 lucky raffle participants.

The prize lineup included twenty-seven \$1,000 prizes, two \$10,000 prizes, and a \$100,050 grand prize.

Beyond the excitement of the drawing, the Iditarod Summer Raffle provides important financial support for the continued work of the Iditarod Trail Committee. Proceeds from the Iditarod's Winter and Summer Raffles help support the preservation of the historic Iditarod Trail, the promotion of Alaska's mushing heritage, and the ongoing effort required to stage The Last Great Race on Earth® each year.

Raffle proceeds directly support the many aspects of putting on the Iditarod, from race operations and transportation along the trail to supplies, food for volunteers, and the care and support of the race's canine athletes.

The Iditarod Trail Committee congratulates all 30 Summer Raffle winners and extends its sincere appreciation to everyone who purchased a ticket and supported the Iditarod through this year's raffle. Every ticket purchased helps ensure the race and its traditions continue for generations to come.

The complete list of 2026 Iditarod Summer Raffle winners is available below and at iditarod.com:

Prize Number	Prize Amount	Ticket Number	Winner
1	\$100,050	2248	Michael Sorensen
2	\$1,000	1427	John Linnehan
3	\$1,000	829	Barbara Crawford
4	\$1,000	1640	William Stearns
5	\$1,000	1154	Saundra Noble
6	\$1,000	612	Julia Reader
7	\$1,000	159	Ryan Othersen
8	\$1,000	2383	Megan Rossman

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9	\$1,000	1622	Gary McNeil
10	\$1,000	2446	Elizabeth Deming
11	\$1,000	1706	Cathi Sharp
12	\$1,000	129	Ken Thorson
13	\$1,000	1570	Leroy Oenga
14	\$1,000	1761	Donna Evans
15	\$10,000	1729	Kimberly Griffith
16	\$1,000	815	Nicholai R Evan
17	\$1,000	1359	Melissa Roberts
18	\$1,000	2951	Rodney Jones
19	\$1,000	295	Susan Duval
20	\$1,000	305	Paul Kirsteatter
21	\$1,000	2900	Ed Helinski
22	\$1,000	1849	Joe Meacham
23	\$1,000	1362	Joseph Ryan
24	\$1,000	1017	Paul Bigelow
25	\$1,000	526	ignatius Beans
26	\$1,000	597	Vincent Joseph
27	\$1,000	2579	Kris Jensen
28	\$1,000	437	Allen Beaver
29	\$1,000	322	Robert Biskobing
30	\$10,000	221	Brandon Berdecia

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About the Iditarod

The Iditarod Trail Committee is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization whose mission is to preserve the rich tradition of the Alaska sled dog and the Iditarod Trail. The organization is charged with coordinating the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race, an annual long-distance sled dog race stretching from Anchorage to Nome for an approximate 1,000-mile journey through Alaska over the roughest, most breathtaking terrain in the world. For more information, visit www.iditarod.com.

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