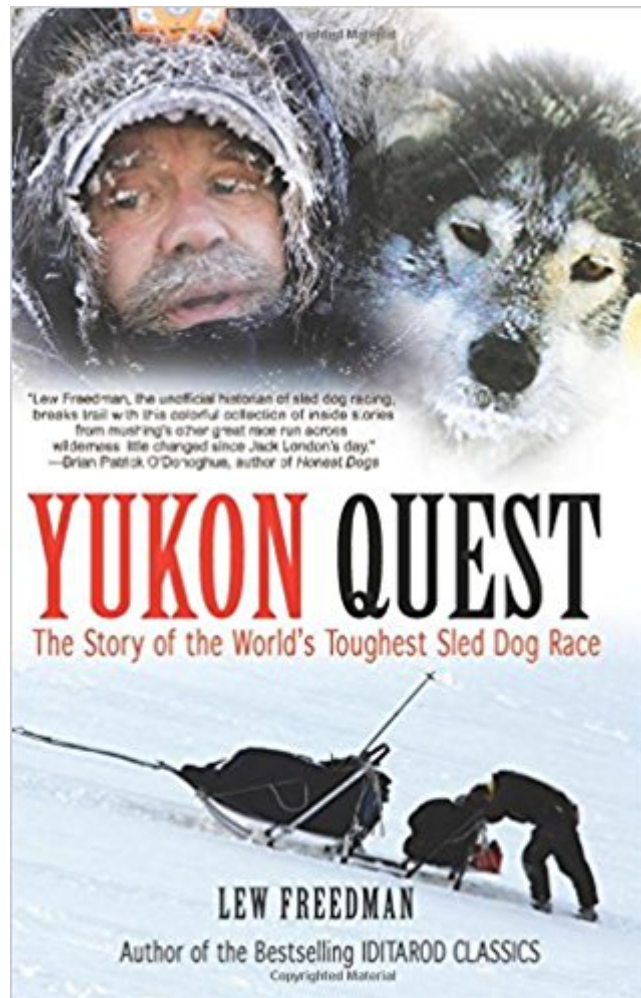




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# Yukon Quest: The Story Of The World's Toughest Sled Dog Race



## Synopsis

Over beer and hamburgers at the Two Rivers Lodge near Fairbanks, Alaska, a small group of mushers conceived a gutsy idea for a new sled dog race that would be more challenging than any other marathon race in the Far North. In 1984, mushers organized the Yukon Quest international Sled Dog Race between Fairbanks and Whitehorse, Yukon Territory. Soon, mushers adopted an unofficial race motto, "Survive first, race second." The Quest trail boasts fewer checkpoints, longer wilderness runs, and more campouts. The trail crosses three mountain passes, including the dreaded 3,685-foot Eagle Summit, a killer of mushers' dreams. Outdoor survival skills and self reliance are on a par with commercial sponsorships and high-tech sleds and mushing gear. Yukon Quest is an exciting, inspirational story full of bigger-than-life characters told by Lew Freedman, best-selling author of eight books about sled-dog racing. Includes a list of race champions, names of all finishers, and 16 pages of photos.

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Lew Freedman, author of numerous books about Alaska, is the former sports editor of the Anchorage Daily News. He lived in Alaska for seventeen years and has visited the Yukon Territory many times. He lives near Chicago with his wife, Debra.

Very good book

Another good book about the Yukon Quest for fans of sled dog racing, extreme sports, life in the far

north and those amazing dogs. The YQ is one tough race. Lew Freedman writes very well about the sport of mushing and those who take part in it. He has authored a number of books about the YQ, Iditarod and various racers.

I am proud owner of purebred Siberian huskies--very interesting book to read,love it---educational and is a wonderful story to share with dog lovers

Just really a great book of cold weather, great men and women who run and race dogs and just a good read. Just nice. . This book puts you there!

We've been musher fans for many years and this is a good book to describe the differences between the Quest and all other races. Sled racing is one of the most dangerous and demanding sports in existence, and too many folk in the outside don't really have a good concept what is involved and the strength and energy expended by mushers as well as the dogs.

I enjoyed reading this book, he takes u into each year of the race. He tells you about each of the bobsled teams and guides. It is an interesting story, well told.

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