

IRON DOG PRO CLASS 2024

Team 3

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ANDY GOCKE

Age: 30 **From:** Willow

Riding: Polaris Cross Country

Status: Veteran

Race history: 2018: 11th place

Bio: My name is Andy Gocke. I am a father of soon-to-be four crazy

kids, a husband to my biggest believer and wonderful wife, Charissa, and a son to our Lord and Savior. I was born and have been raised in Willow, Alaska. My wife would say she still is raising me, and I may sometimes agree with her on that. I think that there is no greater gift than the great outdoors, and I'll more likely be found out grooming trails at 0100 then watching TV. I am fortunate to always have a path forward with work, and I've always been grateful for the opportunities that I have been given. I try and set a better example for my kids every day.

Personal sponsors: Charissa and the kids, Frank and Holly, Jim and Kathy, Trophy Tim, Skeeter, Mike Jette, Berne, Chad, Mom and Dad.

Other race history: 2013 Big Lake Calcutta semipro, first place; 2013 Mayor's Cup semipro, first place; 2014 Mayor's Cup pro class, third place; 2015 Willow Carnival Doubles open, first place; 2015 Arctic Man men's ski, seventh place



KENNETH KLEWEIN

Age: 33 **From:** Willow

Riding: Polaris Cross Country

Status: Veteran

Race history: 2018: 13th place,

2019: sixth place, 2020: fourth place; 2021: seventh place

Bio: I am a lifelong Alaskan and grew up in Willow. I watched my dad race the Iron Dog 11 times, and it was a dream to be able to participate in this great race. This will be my sixth Iron Dog, and I am excited and grateful Andy has decided to get back into the race. I can't thank my entire family enough for supporting me, especially my wife, Kirsten, and three children Kenny, Bellamy, and Sterling. I also have to thank my dad for all of his help and support.

Personal sponsors: Special thank-you to my amazing wife, Kirsten, sons Kenny and Sterling, and daughter Bellamy for giving me the opportunity to pursue this dream. Kirsten supports our family during the long nights and weekends preparing for this great race. Also, a special thank-you to my mom and my dad for not only being very supportive but also helping with preparations. I am very grateful for my dad and

his wealth of knowledge of the Iron Dog.

Other race history: 2015 AMMC semipro Triple Crown, first place; 2016 AMMC pro class, champion; 2017 AMMC Big Lake 500, third place; 2018 AMMC Mat-Su Resort 100, second place; 2018 AMMC Larry Heal Memorial Race 500, first place.

Team 5

Sponsors: Three Bears Alaska, Inc., Ski-Doo, Team CC, Crowley Fuels, Prism Design and Construction, Electric Power Constructors (EPC), Taylor Fire Protection, Glenn Marlin- State Farm, IBEW Local 1547, Taylor Designs, 907 Ice, Pollen Environmental, LLC, Klim, Woody's Traction Products, Tri Jet Manufacturing, Lone Pine Fabrication, Plumblin Services



KRUZ KLEWEIN

Age: 28 **From:** Wasilla

Riding: Ski-Doo MXZ-RS

Status: Veteran

Race history: 2018: 13th place,

2019: sixth place, 2020: fourth place, 2021: seventh place

Bio: I am a lifelong Alaskan, currently living in Wasilla with my wife, Amanda, and our dogs. I love riding snowmobiles and dirt bikes and hanging out with my friends and family. I work as a power lineman in the IBEW 1547.

Personal sponsors: Thank you, Mom and Dad for all your support; the whole Taylor family for everything they do and my wife, Amanda, for all her love and support. Also, a big thank-you to the Weisz family and all my friends and family.

Other race history: Big Lake 150 semipro, 2013, first place; AMMC championship, 2016, third overall pro class; Big Lake 500, 2017, third place



ZACK WEISZ

Age: 30 **From:** Wasilla

Riding: Ski-Doo MXZ X-RS

Status: Veteran

Race history: 2018: 11th place,

2019: fourth place, 2020: third place; 2021, fifth place, 2022: fifth place

Bio: Zack is a lifelong Alaskan living in Wasilla. He works for Three Bears Alaska and is a third-generation worker. Zack enjoys the vast outdoors Alaska has to offer. You can find him having fun with friends or enjoying time with family.

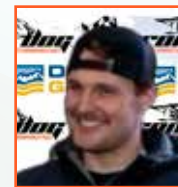
Personal sponsors: Three Bears Alaska, Inc., Ski-Doo, Team CC, 131 Racing, and I would like to give a big thanks to my parents and all my friends and family.

Other race history: 2018 top rookie team; 2017 Big Lake 500, first place; 2015 Arctic Man XC, first place; 2014 Mayor's Cup semipro, first place; 2014 Alyeska Motor Madness XC, first place.

Team 6

Sponsors: Polaris Industries, Klim, Northern Air Cargo, Walker Evans Racing, Eagle River Polaris/AC, Stan Morgan-Cover Pilot, Q-Trucking-Charley Reader, Alaska Industrial X-Ray, Polaris Engineered Lubricants, Bering Air-Nome, CCI Industrial Services, LLC, Jenwar Towing and Recovery, Summit Excavation,

Inc., Reel Illusion Art and Design, Stud Boy Traction Products, Arctic FX Graphics, Baja Designs-The Scientists of Lighting, Nitro Trailers, UA Local 367 Plumbers & Pipefitters Union, PowerMadd, Starting Line Products, Northern Solutions, LLC, Anchorage Sheet Metal, Alaska Wild Project, Fine Line Interiors, Battery Specialists of AK-Rich Beard, Tri Jet Manufacturing, Velocity Sled Performance-Will, Rugged Radios, Penner Construction, Pro Seal Services Group, Alaska Motorsports & Equipment-Brad Helwig, NXT LVL Excavation



BRADLEY KISHBAUGH

Age: 25 **From:** Soldotna

Riding: Polaris Indy Cross Country

Status: Veteran

Race history: 2022: sixth place, 2023: fifth place

Bio: I was born and raised in Soldotna. I enjoy riding sleds, hunting, fishing, mountain biking and spending time with family and friends. I have been riding snowmachines my whole life but started cross-country racing in 2021; I have been hooked since. I look forward to expanding my skill and knowledge during this year's race season.

Personal sponsors: Thank you Mom and Dad, Piper, Taylor, Jake Graves, Grandpa Danny, Grandma Loretta, Grandma Ardie, Grandpa Chick, Jared and Cassi Ewing.

Other race history: 2021 FYK 150 open, eighth place; 2021 Skwentna 200, sixth place; Iron Dog 2022, Valdez semipro, first place.



MIKE MORGAN

Age: 38 **From:** Nome

Riding: Polaris Indy Cross Country

Status: Veteran

Race history: 2009: fifth place, 2012: fourth place, 2013: third place, 2014: third place, 2015: 12th place,

2016: fifth place, 2018: first place, 2019: first place, 2020: second place, 2021: third place, 2022: second place.

Bio: I grew up riding and racing snowmobiles from a young age up in northwest Alaska. Aside from racing snowmobiles, I enjoy hiking, mountain biking, hunting, fishing, traveling and spending time with friends and family.

Personal sponsors: Dad Stan and Ruby Morgan, Mom Ginny and Carl Emmons, Emmons Mechanical, Ice Age Performance, Morgan's Sales & Service, Nome; Evan Booth, Unleashed HP, Eagle River.

Other race history: Five Nome-Golovin race wins; six Kotzebue race wins; 10 Top 5s in Iron Dog, including seven Top 3s with two wins in 14 starts.

Team 7

Sponsors: Team CC, Ski-Doo, MTA, Cruz Construction, Specialty Truck and Auto, Klim, Valley Imaging Center, Tri Jet Manufacturing, Arctic Backcountry Flying Services, Pioneer Peak Orthopedics, Woody's Traction Products, XPS Lubricants, ZRP, SCS Unlimited, Trail Tank, RPM Composites, Fine Line Interiors, PowerMadd, Rigid Industries, Nitro Trailers, McKenna Brothers, Goodwin Performance, HCP, Nova Minerals



TYLER AKLESTAD

Age: 38 **From:** Palmer
Riding: Ski-Doo MXZ X-RS
Status: Veteran
Race history: 2007: Finished, 2009: Finished, 2012: Finished, 2013: Finished, 2016: first place, 2017:

Finished, 2018: Finished, 2019: Finished, 2020: first place, 2022: first place, 2023: first place.

Bio: I'm a lifelong Alaskan, born and raised in Palmer. I've worked at MTA for 19 years. I enjoy hunting, fishing, dirt biking and spending time at our cabin with my family. My wife, Erin, and I have two kids, Liam and Finn.

Personal sponsors: Thank you to Corey and Barb at Team CC, Willie Barickman, Russ Siepert, Joe Rucker, Eric and Chelsea Sieh, Alan Helmueller, and Johnny Dean.

Other race history: Arctic Man: 2008 and 2011-14, first place; seven-time Arctic Man champion; seven-time Valdez Mayor's Cup Pro Class winner; five-time Skwentna 200 winner; 2019 Nome-Golovin 600 winner; 2022 Archie Ferguson Open Class winner; four-time K-150 Pro Class winner; two-time King of Kings Alyeska Hill Climbs; three-time Alyeska cross country winner; fourth place 2012 500-500



NICK OLSTAD

Age: 41 **From:** Wasilla
Riding: Ski-Doo MXZ X-RS
Status: Veteran
Race history: 2005: first place, 2009: first place, 2011: Finished, 2014: first place, 2016: Finished,

2017: Finished, 2018: Finished, 2020: first place, 2022: first place, 2023: first place.

Bio: Nick is a longtime Alaskan who enjoys the outdoors. When not working as a Marathon maintenance supervisor, he's spending time with wife, Brienne, daughter, Kaia, and son, Jackson. Nick loves to be out riding ATVs and hunting in the summer, and snowmachines until the snow is gone.

Personal sponsors: Brienne, Kaia and Jackson Olstad
Other race history: 2019 Kotzebue 220, first place; 2019 Nome-Golovin, third place; Mayor's Cup 2005 and 2006, first place; 2011, third place; K-150 2005 and 2006, first place.

Team 9

Sponsors: Polaris Racing, Delta Powersports, Rady Concrete, Stud Boy Traction Products, TBR, Team Industries, Aurora Drilling and Consulting, Pioneer Peak Orthopedics, 49th State Remodeling, PowerMadd, Speedwerx, Mulcare Lawncare, Tri-Jet Precision Cutting LLC, 139 Designs, Advanced Powder Coating, Klim, Alaska Hose & Fastener Supply, Darby's, Popeys Paving, Summit Coffee Co.



EVAN BARBER

Age: 19 **From:** Willow
Riding: Polaris Cross Country
Status: Veteran
Race history: 2021: Finished, 2023: seventh place

Bio: I work for Parker Wellbore as a roughneck on the North Slope. I enjoy hunting, and spending time with my wife and family. I am into about anything with a motor, whether it be cars, snowmachines, dirt bikes, side-by-sides, or anything else of that nature. I've been

snowmachining since I was in diapers. I turned pro at age 16; this will be my third Iron Dog.

Personal sponsors: Klim, Team Barber Racing, Polaris, Aurora Auto Detailing, Northern Supply, Hatcher Pass Polaris, 139 Designs, Bell Helmets, GoPro, Corks Auto, Mobius Braces, Tork
Other race history: Mayor's Cup: 2019, fifth place semipro; 2020, first place semipro; 2021, third place pro; 2022, fourth place pro; 2021 Hatcher Pass Boulder Dash, third place pro; 2022 Skwentna 200, second place pro.



TROY CONLON

Age: 34 **From:** Fairbanks
Riding: Polaris Cross Country Matryx
Status: Veteran
Race history: 2016: Finished, 2017: Finished, 2020: Finished, 2021: Finished, 2022: Finished, 2023: Finished

Bio: I was born and raised in Fairbanks and grew up riding powersports and playing hockey. I enjoy boating, hunting, fishing and hiking in the summer. I've made some lifelong friends through Iron Dog, and I can't wait to see you all along the trail this year.

Personal sponsors: Chloe, Carver, Hatcher, Harlow Conlon; Jerry Conlon & Shannon Winner; Shane & Tammy Barber; Tanner Conlon; Ben Boswood; Candy Johnson; Brian Lee & Missy Conlon.

Other race history: Kotzebue, first; Mayor's Cup, first, second, third, fifth, 10th; Mayor's Cup semipro, first, third; Tanana 140, first, third; Alyeska Motor Madness XC, third, fifth; Nome-Golovin, eighth, eighth.

Team 10

Sponsors: Polaris Racing, Klim, Eagle River Polaris Arctic Cat, Walker Evans Racing, Big State Mechanical, Cold Creek Extracts, TCM Restoration, Spernak and Son, Finishing Edge Curb and Sidewalk, Knik Sewer, Drain and Excavation, Nitro Trailers, Stud Boy Traction Products, Starting Line Products, Anchorage Sheet Metal, PowerMadd, Fine Line Interiors, Northern Solutions, Eagle River Trustworthy Hardware, Polaris Engineered Lubricants, Funk Services, Glacier Autoworks, Tri Jet Manufacturing, Grip N Rip Racing, Perfect Start Expresso, Rugged Radios, Arctic FX Graphics



CHRIS OLDS

Age: 52 **From:** Eagle River
Riding: Polaris Cross Country
Status: Veteran
Race history: 2000: Finished, 2001: Finished, 2002: Finished, 2006: Finished, 2007: Finished, 2008: Finished, 2009: Finished, 2010: first place, 2011: first place, 2012: Finished, 2013: Finished, 2014: Finished, 2015: Finished, 2016: Finished, 2018: first place, 2019: first place, 2020: Finished, 2021: Finished, 2022: Finished

Bio: I am married to Christine and have two children, Haley and Mya. I have grown up in Alaska and enjoy everything Alaskan, including hunting, fishing and everything outdoors. I enjoy riding dirt bikes, SXS, shooting, camping and hanging out with my friends and family.

Personal sponsors: Mom, Dad, wife, Christine; daughters, Haley and Mya; Micah Straughn; Jeremy Hanson; Rob Ross.
Other race history: K-400, first place; numerous Top-3 finishes in Hillclimb, Hillcross, Cross Country, and Snowcross; 18 Top-10 and 16 Top-5 finishes in the Iron Dog.



RYAN SOTTOSANTI

Age: 46 **From:** Wasilla
Riding: Polaris Cross Country Matryx
Status: Veteran
Race history: 2010: sixth place, 2011: Finished, 2012: third place, 2013: Finished, 2014: Finished, 2015:

Finished, 2017: third place, 2018: Finished, 2023: fifth place

Bio: I am from Wasilla and am the owner of Big State Mechanical Plumbing and Heating in Alaska. I enjoy spending time with my wife, Heather, and daughter, Faith. We also spend a lot of time with friends fishing and hunting in the summer and fall. I also enjoy riding stand-up jet skis, SXS and dirt bikes. Alaska is one of the most beautiful places on earth, and I definitely appreciate everything Alaska has to offer.

Personal sponsors: Heather Sottosanti, Al Sottosanti, Luke Miller, Frankie Harris and everybody who has helped us along the way.

Other race history: 2010 Iron Dog top rookie team, sixth place; 2008 Mayor's Cup, third place; 2009 Mayor's Cup, second place; Trapper Creek 200, second place; K150 second, third & fifth place; Alyeska Cross Country, first & fourth place; Arctic Man, seventh, fifth and third place; Big Lake 500 first place. Finished the Iron Dog in the top 10 eight times

Team 14

Sponsors: Polaris Racing, Fly Racing, Hydrate Alaska, Anchorage Yamaha Polaris, Stud Boy Traction Products, Rox SpeedFX, Speedwerx, Walker Evans Racing, Polaris Engineered Lubricants, IBEW Local 1547, Value Liquor, Fine Line Interiors, Viking Electric, QSI Pile Driving, Tri Jet Manufacturing, Lineworks, Bailey's Rental, Spernak and Sons, Dooley's Athletic Supply, A2D Sledworks, Roger Boylan, Jordan Starr



CASEY BOYLAN

Age: 29 **From:** Palmer
Riding: Polaris Cross Country
Status: Veteran
Race history: 2017: Finished, 2018: Finished, 2019: Finished, 2021: Finished, 2022: DNF, 2023:

second place

Bio: Born and raised in Anchorage, I started racing dirt bikes when I was 9 years old and snowmachines when I was 10. I now live in Palmer and really enjoy everything this state has to offer. My racing career really took off in 2009 when I left the state to race snow cross at the national level up until 2014, later leading in to racing my first Iron Dog in 2017 and haven't missed one since.

Personal sponsors: Polaris Racing, Hydrate Alaska, Fly Racing, Anchorage Yamaha/Polaris, Value Liquor, Big Dream Transport, Bill Bishop, Boylan Boyz Racing, Leslie Racing, C&A Pro Skis, Stud Boy, Bailey's Rental, Rox SpeedFX, Fine Line Interior, Swole City, Tri-Jet, Overland Transport, Lone Pine Fabrication, Unleashed HP.

Other racing history: 2010 ISOC National Sport Super Stock, first, second, and third place; 2011: podiumed at every National; 2012: Pro Lite ISOC regional champion; 2013: Pro Stock ISOC regional champion; 2014: Arctic Man men's snowboard win; 2015: Mayor's Cup Cross Country pro class win; 2017-2019: various Iron Dog placements



BRYAN LESLIE

Age: 30 **From:** Anchorage

Riding: Polaris Cross Country

Status: Veteran

Race history: 2017: sixth place, 2018: fifth place, 2019: third place, 2020: DNF, 2021: second, 2022: DNF, 2023:

second place

Bio: I was born and raised in Alaska and have been racing many different motor sports competitively for 17 years. When I'm not working or training, I enjoy exploring our great state, traveling, fishing, camping and being at the cabin with my wife, son and family.

Personal sponsors: Polaris, Polaris, Anchorage Yamaha and Polaris, AK Frost, Walker Evans Shocks, Fly Racing, Statewide Door and Glass, Carlile, Big State Concrete Coating LLC, Lone Pine Fabrication, New Horizons Telecom, IBEW 1547, Tri Jet, A2D Sledworks, Delta Constructors, Boehmer Services, Boylan Boyz Racing, Leslie Racing, Bill Bishop, Ben Cruz, my wife, Tyler, friends and family

Other race history: 2015 AMMC semipro champ; 2015 Larry Heal, first place; 2015 Arctic Man Ice-X, first place

Team 15

Sponsors: Polaris Racing



KIM BERGERON

Age: 55 **From:** Dublin, N.H.

Riding: Polaris 600 Indy Cross Country

Status: Rookie

Bio: Kim is a small-business owner who volunteers at the

local, state and international levels to promote the sport of snowmobiling. He served 10 years as county director of the New Hampshire Snowmobile Association (NHTSA), is current business director NHTSA Board of Directors; is vice chair, Northeast chapter, International Snowmobile Congress; and is a member of the following clubs: Winchester Trail Riders, Merrimack Valley Trail Riders (MVTR), New England Trail Riders Association (NETRA), and New Hampshire Off-Highway Vehicle Association (NHOHVA). Additionally, Bergeron supports trail riding in Trapper Creek and Petersville, and donates the use of snowmachines for volunteers of the Iron Dog race. He also provides financial support for one of the checkpoints of the race. Kim is passionate about getting people out on the snow. He lives in New Hampshire and has property in Trapper Creek.

Personal sponsors: Kim's personal support team includes his wife of 25 years, Jennifer; son, Jason; and daughter, Amanda. He also thanks family, Alaska friends Randy Bedard and Dan Bembenek, JP Bernier, and various sponsors.

Other race history: Iron Dog Expedition Class finisher in 2015, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022, and 2023.



JEAN-PIERRE BERNIER

Age: 52 **From:** Hancock, N.H.

Riding: Polaris Switchback Assault

Status: Rookie

Bio: Jean-Pierre is a small-business owner who has served on the Hancock Conservation Commission

since 2017, working to protect local New Hampshire trails and trail access. He is also member of the Washington Snow Riders,

Merrimack Valley Trail Riders (MVTR), New England Trail Rider Association (NETRA), and New Hampshire Off-Highway Vehicle Association (NHOHVA). My wilderness adventures began in my early 20s through rock/ice climbing and mountaineering throughout the Lower 48 and the Canadian Rockies and shifted into motorsports in my late 30s. My early years were spent living in the cities of New York, Miami and Fall River, Mass., and it seems like such a long, strange path between life now and then. I have been married to my wonderful wife, Kristen, for 24 years, and her patience and tolerance of me over the years has been endless. I am the man I am because of her. We have two great sons, Oscar and Harrison, who are both in college. I have made three successful Expedition Class runs on Iron Dog and am excited for the challenges of the shift to the Pro Class.

Personal sponsors: Hatcher Pass Polaris, Bergeron Mechanical Systems, Polaris Industries (specifically the Race Department), Task Racing, Grip N Rip Racing, Earth X Batteries, ArcticFX Graphics, LaCrosse Footwear, Klim, DHR Fabrication, Team 30 (Elder/Worley), Mike Morgan, Doug Dixon and many, many others for your support.

Other race history: Iron Dog Expedition Class finisher 2021, 2022, 2023

Team 16

Sponsors: EFW-Estes Forwarding Worldwide, BMP- Bikeman Performance, Hanson Racing Engines, Klim, SLP, Arctic FX, Felegy Racing, Lindor Tool



ERIC CHRISTENSEN

Age: 57 **From:** Centuria, Wis.

Riding: Polaris Polaris Cross Country

Status: Veteran

Race history: 2023: 13th place

Bio: I was born and raised near Centuria and employed 31 years at

Polaris Industries in the Powertrain division. I've been married to my wife, Julie, for 21 years; she just recently retired from Polaris. My hobbies include snowmobile racing and dairy farming.

Personal sponsors: Lube Tech, Midwest Machinery, Julie Christensen, Jared Christensen, Gary Smetana, Randy Sloper, Bunke Racing, 131 Racing

Other race history: 2022, Ambassador Class finisher; 2013, 40+ USXC points champion; 2018, 40+ USXC I-500 first place; competed in 23 I-500 cross country races.



KRIS KALTENBACHER

Age: 51 **From:** Sparks, Nev.

Riding: Polaris XCR 600

Status: Rookie

Bio: I grew up in Dillingham riding sleds, graduating from Dillingham High in 1991. I moved to Reno in

1993 to attend college at UNR. I got married, bought a home, had two boys and made a life here in Nevada. I was a basketball coach for 12 years for my boys in their traveling basketball clubs, along with coaching my youngest son's middle school team for two years. My career is working for Truckee Meadows Water Authority for the last 18 years working my way up to an inspector position. I've been sledding for about 40 years. I got big into the film industry where I become a big part of "Boondockers" movies for the last 15 years, and also a part of

Crazy Canadian films, "509 video," "Thunderstruck," "BraapSki" (2&3), and "Team Summit" for three years. In 2012, I was featured as the cover of SledHeads magazine with a center spread, along with being featured in Sled Worthy magazine. I have a number of great sponsors and family members without whom I couldn't do this race. I now have the opportunity to make some history in the toughest, greatest race the Iron Dog.

Personal sponsors: Vohk, Zbroz, Oxbow, Alpine Motor Sports, Nevada Physical Therapy, Truckboss, Snowbigdeal, Sled Solutions, 2coolairvents, SledSend, Kolby Off Road, SledUSA, Nick Demo, Daurio Auto Trucks. Thanks to my wife, Tracy Kaltenbacher, sons Karson and Kohen, dad Kent Kaltenbacher, stepmom Susie Kaltenbacher; brother Tyree Ryan Newton, and in loving memory of my mom, Debi K. Newton.

Other race history: Iron Dog Expedition Class, 2023

Team 17

Sponsors: Ski-Doo, Dohrn Trucking, Woody's Traction Products, Curve Industries, Team CC, FXR Racing, Shock Tech, Fine Line Interiors, Grip N Rip, 139 Designs, TrailTank



DILLAN DOHRN

Age: 33 **From:** Zumbro Falls, Minn.

Riding: Ski-Doo MXZ XRS

Status: Veteran

Race history: Finished: 2022

Bio: I was born and raised in southern Minnesota. My wife, Danielle,

and I have two daughters who keep us busy. I enjoy racing/riding snowmobiles, riding SXS, Harley, driving our Trans Am and racing autocross. I own and operate a small trucking company in Minnesota with four drivers.

Personal sponsors: My wife, dad, brother and teammate, Dustin Dohrn, and all my drivers who work hard so I can have fun.

Other race history: 2014 USXC semipro stock champion, third place; 2014 USXC semipro stock champion, third place; 2018 I-500, third place



DUSTIN DOHRN

Age: 29 **From:** Elgin, Minn.

Riding: Ski-Doo MXZ

Status: Veteran

Race history: Finished: 2022

Bio: I'm from Elgin, Minn., and I've raced cross-country snowmobiles

in the Lower 48 for 14 years. I also am a heavy equipment operator in the local 49. I have an amazingly supportive wife, Alyssa, and two sons, Layton and Weston. In the offseason I enjoy hunting, fishing, riding dirt bikes and road bikes.

Personal sponsors: Wife, Alyssa Dohrn, Dad Rick Dohrn, and teammate Dillan Dohrn.

Other race history: 2020 USXC semipro stock points champion; 2020 USXC semipro improved points champion; 2017 semipro stock, second place in points championship; 2017 semipro improved points champion; 2017 I-600 semipro, third place

TRIVIA: The first Iron Dog event started in 1984 and followed the Northern Route of the Historic Iditarod Trail to Nome. Today's route is more than twice as long.

Team 18

Sponsors: Delta Powersports, Country Financial, Gunderson Painting, Sourdough Express, Spaulding Chiropractic, Fairbanks Stump Grinders, Deja Vu Detailing, Glacier Garage, Tony's Sports Bar, Imperial Real Estate, Expro, Arctic Technical Services, Northland Property Services, MSR Properties, Parliament Chiropractic, Axhelm Racing, Hollenbeck Painting, TDM Drilling, Klim, Stud Boy Traction Products, Tri Jet Precision Cutting, LLC, Interior Remote Start, C&A Pro Skis, PowerMadd, Rugged Radios, Airport Equipment Rentals, Polaris Factory Racing



AUSTIN CARROLL

Age: 17 **From:** Fairbanks

Riding: Polaris Cross Country

Status: Rookie

Bio: I was born and raised in Alaska. I like to hunt and fish and also go riding with buddies. I race

year-round with Motocross and pretty much all snowmachine racing besides ice racing. This will be my first Iron Dog. I have raced a lot of the other cross-country races. This year I decided to race Iron Dog with my dad.

Personal sponsors: Mom, Dad, Trinity, Nana, Papa, Nancy, Kyler, Sean, Corbin, Keeley.

Other race history: 2023 Arctic Man, second place cross country; Arctic Man Snow X, second place; Mayor's Cup Junior Pro, second place; Valdez Hill Climb, second place; Valdez Hill Cross, second place; Fairbanks Snow Cross, third place.



CHRIS CARROLL

Age: 42 **From:** Fairbanks

Riding: Polaris Cross Country

Status: Veteran

Race history: 2015: Finished
Bio: I have lived in Alaska pretty much my whole life. I enjoy hunting,

fishing, riding snowmachines and pretty much anything outdoors in Alaska. I spend most of my free time prepping sleds or dirt bikes for my kids' races. We travel a lot throughout Alaska attempting to hit as many races as possible. My wife, Trinity, holds the racing together when I am gone working on the slope; she deserves the mother of the year award every year. This year I get the privilege of racing Iron Dog with my oldest son Austin.

Personal sponsors: Trinity Carroll, Kyler Carroll, Troy Conlon, Shane Barber, Chad Moore, Travis Temple, Nancy Rivas, Dean and Marquese Anton

Other race history: Multiple Top-3 finishes in Sno X, Moto X, Hill Cross, Hill Climb. Arctic Man, World European Championship Sno X (Finland); Iron Dog 2014 DNF, Iron Dog 2016 DNF, Arctic Man, first place semipro.

Team 19

Sponsors: Yellow Jacket Oilfield Services, Polaris Racing, Klim, Peninsula Powersports, PowerMadd, Stud Boy Traction Products, 4D Carpet One, Cruz Construction, Tri Jet Manufacturing, Sweeney's, Moose River Dental, River Health and Wellness, Alaska West Air, Bulletfarm Manufacturing, GPS Alaska, QAP, Impakt Athletics



CHAD MOORE

Age: 41 **From:** Sterling

Riding: Polaris Cross Country

Status: Veteran

Race history: 2023: 12th place

Bio: I was born and raised on the Kenai Peninsula. I enjoy spending my

time with my family outdoors hunting and fishing. I started riding sleds with my family when I was young and never quit.

Other race history: 2021 Mayor's Cup, 2021 Skwentna 200, third place; 2022 Mayor's Cup, second place; 2022 Skwentna 200; 2023 Mayor's Cup, second place vets



TOM DAVIS

Age: 31 **From:** Wasilla

Riding: Polaris Cross Country

Status: Veteran

Race history: 2022: fifth place

Bio: Tom was born in Anchorage and grew up playing comp hockey. He

began riding and racing sleds after high school, which quickly became his new focus. Now, as foreman for Quality Asphalt Paving, he works mostly in the summer and not as much in the winter, which allows him plenty of time to ride. This is his second Iron Dog, and he's excited to get back into it.

Personal sponsors: Miranda and my family

Other race history: 2023 Mayor's Cup DNF, 2022 Mayor's Cup DNF, 2019 Mayor's Cup fourth place, semipro

Team 22

Sponsors: Hayward Power Sports, Deviant Ink, CA Pro Skis, Klim Technical Riding Gear, Polaris Racing, PowerMadd, Sno Studs, 131 Racing, Sled Tred, Oxbow, Garmin, Earth X Batteries, Rigid Lights, Rugged Radios, Fly High Firestarters, All American Heros Foundation, Grip -Rip Racing Products, Leatt Protectives, Greatland Laser, Walker Evans Racing, Fine Line Interiors, Tope Transportation



TRENT JOHNSON

Age: 43 **From:** Hayward, Wis.

Riding: Polaris Cross Country

Status: Rookie

Bio: I was born and raised in Wisconsin. I played hockey for 18 years and got the opportunity to

play all over the U.S. and even in Norway! I have been on a snowmachine since the age of 5 and like to ride 3,000 to 5,000 miles a riding season. I also enjoy fishing, hunting and ATV/UTV adventures. I am married to my beautiful wife, April, for 10 years, and we have two sons, Jarrod and Addison. I own a general contracting business and build around 10 homes a year. I also own a snow removal business and dock installation and removal company.

Personal sponsors: Trent Johnson Construction, Route 63 Realty, Sabin Landscaping, Angler's Bar & Grill, Angler's Haven, Stone Lake Pub, Wayside Bar & Grill, Nelson Lumber, Petit's Outdoor Rentals, Hayward Dodge and Chrysler, Retreat Home Furnishings, Steak House and Lodge, Fred Scheer Lumberjack Shows, Fred Scheers @ Alaska State Fair, Up North Retreats, Pull Back & Let Go, Greg's Restorations

Other race history: 2016, 3,200 trail miles; 2017, 3,700 trail miles; 2018, 4,200 trail miles; 2019, 3,700 trail miles; 2020, 3,900 trail miles; 2021, 4,000 trail miles; 2022, 4,300 trail miles.



COLE SABIN

Age: 32 **From:** Hayward, Wis.

Riding: Polaris Cross Country

Status: Rookie

Bio: I was born and raised in Hayward. My dad and I own and operate Sabin Landscaping in Hayward,

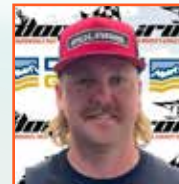
Wis. I have dreamt of racing the Iron Dog ever since I heard of it some 16 years ago. Last season, I completed the Expedition Class in preparation for the Pro Class 2024 race. A typical riding season for me is 2,500 to 5,000 miles. I see the Iron Dog as a challenge, and it has been amazing taking it on. I have a wife, Dani, and three beautiful daughters Ruce (4), Lila (2), and Indy (1). We are a family of hunters, fishers and riders!

Personal sponsors: Anglers Bar and Grill, Tim & Roz Peterson, Diane Sommerfield, April Johnson, Dani Sabin, Pat & Billie Jo Sabin, Bruce & Nancy Knight, Ken & Nicole Vessel, David & Melissa Wagner, Angler's Haven, Trails End Resort, Stone Lake Pub, Wayside Bar & Grill, TNT's Sports Bar, Steakhouse Lodge, Sno Trails Snowmobile Club

Other race history: First-time entrant

Team 24

Sponsors: Eagle River Polaris and Arctic Cat, Alaska Line Builders, IBEW Local 1547, Diamond D Custom Leather, Podium Motorsports, LLC, Palmer Bar, Alaska Custom Containers and Storage, Powertronic Inc., Black Spruce Excavation and Trucking, LLC, Magic Metals, Black Spruce Excavation & Trucking LLC



COLLIN CLAYTON

Age: 31 **From:** Wasilla

Riding: Polaris Cross Country

Status: Rookie

Bio: I am currently an apprentice in the IBEW 1547. Having grown up in the Mat-Su Valley, my passion for

motorsports started at a young age. Over the span of 15 years, I have competed in MotoX, SNOX & XC racing. I have achieved championship titles in Alaka State Motocross & AMMC. Among my list of achievements, adding a finish to the Iron Dog in 2024 is my goal.

Personal sponsors: Eagle River Polaris and Arctic Cat, Alaska Line Builders, IBEW 1547, Alopex Interaction Design, Podium Motorsports, Alaska Custom Containers and Storage, PowerTronic Inc., Palmer Bar, Stergeon Electric, Movement Mortgage



TRIVIA: In 1987, the first woman to enter the race, noncompetitively, was Melinda Lyman who raced alongside her husband, Doug. In 1990, Bill and Doreen Long were the first husband and wife team to race competitively.



TYLER GURLEY

Age: 33 **From:** Chugiak
Riding: Polaris Cross Country
Status: Rookie
Bio: Born and raised in Alaska, I started to ride snowmobiles on a Kitty Cat at 3 years old. With a knack for

powersports and having worked over 15 years in the snowmobile industry, I started racing motocross at the age of 16, from novice to expert and pro class levels. In my free time, I enjoy tinkering in the garage on anything with a motor. I am the father to my 1-year-old son, Myles and husband to my amazing wife, Hayley. I am an IBEW 1547 journeyman power lineman working for Alaska Line Builders. This will be my first time running and pursuing an Iron Dog finish to add to my resume.

Personal sponsors: Steven Dwyer, Greg Strohmeier, Dave Johnson

Other race history: Anchorage Racing Lions Motocross City Series 2010 125 expert, seventh place pro class ninth place 2011 125 expert fifth place Pro Class eighth place 2012 125 expert fifth place; 2019 Larry Heal Memorial Semi Pro third

Team 26

Sponsors: Polaris Racing, Woody's Traction Products, Count-On Accounting Services, Klim, Skwentna Roadhouse, Blackbear Construction, Country Financial, Coho Contractors, LLC, Trail Toys Off-Road, Ridgeline Inspections, Walker and Sons Electric, The Boutet Company, Matanuska Valley Federal Credit Union, Venom Products, Anchorage Autoglass, Bolinder Excavating, Alder Architecture, Dama Industrial, First Rate Financial, Tri Jet Manufacturing, The Perfect Start Espresso, Hydrotactics Water Services, Greater Wasilla Chamber of Commerce, George Jewett, Eddie Ezell, Johnny Mac



TIM GOSSETT

Age: 36 **From:** Wasilla
Riding: Polaris Cross Country
Status: Rookie
Bio: Son of bush pilot mother, commercial fisherman father, I enjoy all things Alaskan. I fly for Talkeetna

Air Taxi transporting climbers and scenic passengers to the glaciers of Denali National Park. My favorite pastime is outdoor adventuring with my family. We access Alaska's backcountry in a number of ways, Polaris snowmobiles being one of our favorites. During the winter racing season, I'm usually found with my daughter (5) marking trails for youth cross-country races and helping my son Grayson (10) train on his Polaris 600 XCR. In 2023 my wife Hillarie started us down this Iron Dog path when she set out to become an Iron Dog veteran on an all-women's team. During Iron Dog 2023 I flew support for her team in my Cessna 185, helping many teams along the way. I'm appreciative for all the support and encouragement we've received in return, especially with sights on an Iron Dog finish as the fastest rookie team. In 2025 I plan to climb Denali and maybe try the Iditarod?

Personal sponsors: There are many people helping me get toward this goal but the most instrumental are: Hillarie, Grayson and Parker; Crosby and Erin; Mimi and Poppy; the Gugel family; Cindi Herman; Todd Palin; Kelly Sommer, Bobby Menne, Kyle Tingstrom

Other race history: Skwentna 200: first in 2022, first in 2023; Valdez Mayor's Cup: fourth in 2023; Hatcher Pass Boulder Dash: 10th in 2022, ninth in 2023



JOSEPH GUGEL

Age: 38 **From:** Wasilla
Riding: Polaris Cross Country
Status: Rookie
Bio: Born and raised in Alaska, I have held many different jobs throughout my life, most notably

commercial fishing and real estate. I am happily married and have four wonderful kids who keep me on my toes. My three boys all race snowmobiles in both cross country and snow cross. I enjoy just about anything outdoors that is an adventure and a challenge.

Other race history: Valdez Mayor's Cup: 2022, seventh; 2023, fifth; Skwentna 200 semipro: 2022, first; Skwentna 200 pro: 2023, first

Team 29

Sponsors: Far North Book Keeping, Spain Excavating, Team Barber Racing, East Crete Concrete, S & L Fosty Farm, Klim, P & H Grain, PowerMadd



MARK FOSTY

Age: 39 **From:** Thalberg, Manitoba, Canada
Riding: Polaris Cross Country
Status: Veteran
Race history: 2020: Finished, 2021: Finished, 2023: DNF

Bio: I love snowmachines and the challenge of the Iron Dog. Thanks to my family for letting me take the time to do this. Also thank you to the Spain family for taking me in. Looking forward to a successful run with David in 2024.



DAVID SPAIN

Age: 40 **From:** Willow
Riding: Polaris XCR
Status: Rookie
Bio: I am a third-generation Alaskan. I have been running heavy equipment almost all my life. After

spending 14 years in the Local 302 Operating Engineers on and off the North Slope, I decided to open my own company and now work locally. By the grace of God, I am home with my family every night and am loving running my own business. I have been an avid snowmachiner since the age of 5 and have been riding most of my life. My family and I are looking forward to this year's race season. I have the support and dedication of my lovely wife of 20 years, Kerrie, and our three children, Brayden, Dawson, and Taylor.

Personal sponsors: Merika Group, All American Oilfield, Northern Oil Solutions, Steelhead Industrial, Pollard Wireline, SLP, Klim, Stud Boy, Peninsula Power Sports, Alaska Sure Seal, Yellow Jacket, Spain Excavating, Far North Bookkeeping, Bright Minds Learning Center

Other race history: Mayor's Cup, K150, K200, K400, Ice Racing. Iron Dog Races: 2007, DNF; 2017, DNF; 2020, DNF.

Team 30

Sponsors: ASRC Energy Services, Palmer Alehouse, RMG Real Estate Network-Keller Williams Realty Alaska Group, Cruz Construction, Team CC, Pioneer Peak Orthopedics, Strata Deep Constructors, Laura Davis - Country Financial, Chepo's Mexican Restaurant - Wasilla, Karis Integrative Medicine,

Ridgeline Inspections, Rock Solid Plumbing & Heating, Master Auto - Wasilla, Tri Jet Manufacturing & Precision Cutting, Klim, VisionX Lighting, Grip N Rip Racing Products, PowerMadd, 139designs, Stud Boy Traction, 131 Racing, Fine Line Interiors, Iron Dog Team 15 Bergeron/Bernier



BLAKE ELDER

Age: 34 **From:** Wasilla
Riding: Ski-Doo MXZ XRS Competition
Status: Veteran
Race history: 2019: Finished, 2021: Finished, 2022 Iron Dog: DNF, 2023

Iron Dog: DNF

Bio: I was born in Colorado and raised in Alaska; I love to race in this beautiful state. My wife, Natalie, and I love to adventure with our three daughters. We love all the adventures that this life and this great state have to offer, and I am very thankful and blessed by the support of my family in this great race! Racing with Kody as my partner is a blast, and we work well together in all the race prep items and the race itself. What a fun adventure!

Personal sponsors: Natalie, Kenna, Kori, Kiley Elder, Amy Elder, Kevin & Janet Goard

Other race history: 2019 Mayor's Cup semipro, third place



KODY WORLEY

Age: 38 **From:** Wasilla
Riding: Ski-Doo MXZ XRS Competition
Status: Rookie
Bio: I am hooked on Iron Dog racing! My wife, Emily, and two children

Abel & Laina continue to push me and keep the dream alive. I grew up in Montana, and I'm thankful for my parents who taught me to ride and rode thousands of miles a year. I've been racing and riding motocross and snowmachines my entire life and look forward to racing another year with Blake! My spare time is spent building shocks, hunting, camping and jeeping with my family.

Personal sponsors: Barb & Mark Worley, Thomas & Sherry Whitstine, my family and friends and dozens of others who have helped me along the way!

Other race history: 2022 Iron Dog: DNF, 2023 Iron Dog: DNF

Team 33

Sponsors: Team CC, Klim, Woody's Traction Products, PowerMadd, Northwest Arctic Borough, Kotzebue Electric Association, Mountain Ridge Construction, The Ivory Plug, Alaskan Grown Cannabis, Maniilaq, Native Village Of Kotzebue, Green Zone, Chris Collins, 131 Racing, Chris Collins, Grain Capitol Corp., 131 Racing, Native Village of Kotzebue, Greenzone, Maniilaq



GEORGE LAMBERT

Age: 35 **From:** Kotzebue
Riding: Ski-Doo MXZ
Status: Rookie
Bio: I love to hunt, fish, and most of all race.

Personal sponsors: Candice Brown and all our kids, Harold Lambert, Paulette Schuerch, Mike & Tina Hensley, Mike Jr., Aya & Steph, Wally Jr., Danny Gucco,

Barnes Sheldon, Andy & Renee, Mickey & Jayme, Mike & Lydia, Joe Barr, Justin & Family, Kathy Uhl, Bobby Norton, Augie Viveiros, Brent Allen, Thor and Shylena Lie
Other race history: 2022 AFWG 600 class, first place; 2022 Nome-Golovin 600 class, first place; 2023 Nome-Golovin open class, first place overall



SKYLER WELLS

Age: 22 **From:** Noorvik
Riding: Ski-Doo MXZ XRS
Status: Rookie
Bio: I'm from Noorvik and love hunting, fishing and being outdoors with my family, I work in construction in

the summer and ride and race sleds in the winter,
Personal sponsors: Leo Sheldon, Carolyn Hailstone & family, Wells family, Lloyd Morris, Joe Barr, Mike & Lydia Scott, Ivory Plug, Mickey & Jayme, Danny Gucco, Justin Hadley, Bobby Norton, Augie Viveiros, Daniel and Jenny Paajanen
Other race history: 2023 Derek Sheldon Memorial, first place, C class; 2023 Derek Sheldon Memorial, third place, B class; 2023 AF/WG Sr. Memorial, fifth place, B-Class; 2023 Selawik Triangle, first place, B class; 2022 Last Chance, third place, B class; 2021 Knight Riders, second place, A class

Team 34

Sponsors: Polaris Racing, Stud Boy Traction Products, Klim, PowerMadd, Tri Jet Manufacturing & Precision Cutting, Northstar Supply, Hatcher Pass Polaris, Bigfoot Pumping and Thawing, Valley Residential Fence, Alaska Safety, Inc., Skwentna Roadhouse, AME



CHAD KANGAS

Age: 20 **From:** Fairbanks
Riding: Polaris Cross Country
Status: Rookie
Bio: I was born and raised in Fairbanks. I enjoy being outdoors, hunting, fishing, boating, riding

sleds, and spending time with friends and family. I'm excited to be running it with Kelly Sommer.

Personal sponsors: Thanks to all the people supporting us.
Other race history: 2023 Fort Yukon Drannjik, first place; 2023 Manley 100, second place; 2023 Valdez Mayor's Cup semipro, sixth place.



KELLY SOMMER

Age: 36 **From:** Fairbanks
Riding: Polaris Cross Country
Status: Veteran
Race history: 2012: 13th, 2018: DNF, 2019: 11th, 2020: DNF, 2021: DNF, 2022: sixth, 2023: seventh

Bio: I like to race snowmachines, work construction, spend time with friends and family, go fishing, train for Iron Dog, and fly. I've been working dirt and gravel construction all over the state for 14 years and most recently have been doing ice road construction. Over the years I've raced the Tanana 140, AF/WG 220 memorial race in Kotzebue, Manley 200, Yukon Draanjik 150 in Fort Yukon, Valdez Mayor's Cup, Hatcher Pass Boulder Dash, and Skwentna 200. I am looking forward to running the Iron Dog this time with Chad Kangas, a rookie who has already proven to be very competitive on the racetrack.

Personal sponsors: DGK Racing, Kyle and Anesha Krause, Earl

and Joyce Sommer, Randy Kangas, Alicia Kangas
Other race history: Various top finishes in Mayor's Cup, Skwentna 200, Fort Yukon, and Hatcher Pass Boulder Dash

Team 39

Sponsors: Polaris Racing, Hatcher Pass Polaris HPAK, Klim, Valley Imaging, Rock Solid Pile Co., Palmer Dental Center, Aurora Drilling and Consulting, Taylor Fire Protection, Alaska Air Balancing, Willow Equipment Rental, Advanced Powder Coating, Corks Automotive, ZRP, PowerMadd, Stud Boy, Tri Jet Manufacturing, Walker Evans Racing



CODY BARBER

Age: 30 **From:** Willow
Riding: Polaris Cross Country
Status: Veteran
Race history: 2015: Finished, 2016: Finished, 2019: Finished, 2021: Finished, 2023: Finished

Bio: I was born and raised in small town Willow, where I now spend my time raising my four kids allowing them to do and have all the freedom I had growing up. I've been racing for 20 years, and I'd say I just love being outdoors, spending time with family, friends and enjoying god's country.

Personal sponsors: My Iron Dog partner, Brett Lapham, for opening his house and shop to my family to build sleds and make this happen. All my kiddos, Bryant, Allie, Eli, Aria, my mom and dad, Shana and Evan, Grandpa Mike, Grandpa Jack, Clint Montague, Brandon Portera, Ricky Castro, my small crew of coworkers at LPC, and the rest of my family as well, I really could not do this without you all.

Other race history: 2011 X-Country semipro state champion; 2011 Valdez Mayor's Cup semipro, first place; 2012 Valdez Mayor's Cup pro class, second place; 2019, Valdez Mayor's Cup pro class, third place; 2022 Valdez Mayor's Cup pro class, second place; 2022 Skwentna 200 (partner Evan Barber), second place in the partner race



BRETT LAPHAM

Age: 31 **From:** Willow
Riding: Polaris Cross Country
Status: Veteran
Race history: 2015: Finished, 2016: Finished, 2019: Finished, 2020: Finished, 2021: Finished, 2023: Finished

Bio: Brett grew up riding snowmobiles as a kid in the mountains with his family and friends. He started cross-country racing after high school with hopes of competing in the Iron Dog one day. With multiple Top-5 finishes now in the Iron Dog it has become more of a lifestyle for him and his family. In the off season, he enjoys spending time with his wife, Shana, and daughter Ruby exploring all the great things Alaska has to offer.

Personal sponsors: My wife, Shana, Barber family and all our other friends and family that supports us.

Other race history: 2012 Mayor's Cup, semipro first place; 2014 Mayor's Cup, pro class, fourth place; 2022 Boulder Dash, pro class, second place

Sponsors: Team CC, Valley Imaging

TRIVIA: Iron Dog wins by brand
17 wins: Polaris 11 wins: Arctic Cat
8 wins: Ski-Doo 3 wins: Yamaha

Team 40



STAN JAMES

Age: 47 **From:** Palmer
Riding: Ski-Doo MXZ Neo
Status: Veteran
Race history: 2013: Finished, 2014: Finished, 2016: Finished, 2018: Finished, 2019: Finished, 2021: Finished, 2023: Finished

Bio: Expressing gratitude for the opportunity to experience Alaska through racing, Stan values his family and sponsors.

Personal sponsors: Klim, Trail Tank, Stud Boy, CC Ski-Doo, Valley Imaging Center, Visa, MasterCard

Other race history: Multiple DNFs and red lanterns in all aspects of life



DANIEL THOMAS

Age: 43 **From:** Salt Lake City, Utah
Riding: Ski-Doo MXZ XRS
Status: Veteran
Race history: 2022: Finished
Bio: I'm an old man chasing dreams with an even older race teammate.

What could possibly go wrong? Iron Dog is an extension of my mid-life adventure crisis. I compete in Expedition Races in the summer to train for Iron Dog. I have been married for 20 years to my bride and am the father of four beautiful daughters.

Personal sponsors: I couldn't ride without the support of the hottest Iron Dog wife and the IV Maidens. I think I ride with the endorsement of the Creator of Alaska, but I guess I'll find out in February who He is backing.

Other race history: Utah Yeti Rally race promoter

Team 41

Sponsors: Stillpoint Lodge, Klim, Northern Asphalt, Fine Line Interiors, Pioneer Peak Asphalt, Sockeye Asphalt, Handyberm, Jolly Roger Fishing Charters, Stud Boy Traction, Team CC



TYLER REESE

Age: 19 **From:** Anchorage
Riding: Ski-Doo MXZ XRS
Status: Rookie
Bio: I was born and raised in Alaska and have been riding snowmachines as far back as I can remember. I

spend most of my weekends with friends and family at the cabin riding anything with a motor.

Other race history: 2023 Skwentna 200 semi pro first; 2021 Big Lake 500 third



HAAKON WOLD

Age: 18 **From:** Wasilla
Riding: Ski-Doo MXZ XRS
Status: Veteran
Race history: 2023: Finished
Bio: I was born and raised in Alaska and love to be outdoors. I enjoy

snowmachining, dirt biking and fishing. I also like to spend time with friends and family.

Personal sponsors: Mom and Dad

Other race history: Mayor's Cup in Valdez; Skwentna 200

Team 44

Sponsors: Team CC



MARC MCKENNA

Age: 49 **From:** Anchorage

Riding: Ski-Doo XRS

Status: Veteran

Race history: Four-time Iron Dog champion; 1999: 13th place, 2000: sixth place, 2001: eighth place,

2002: second place, 2004: DNF, 2005: first place, 2006: DNF, 2007: DNF, 2008: first place, 2009: third place, 2010: DNF, 2011: sixth place, 2012: first place, 2013: first place, 2014: second place, 2015: third place, 2016: DNF

Bio: Marc is a lifelong Alaskan. He is president and co-owner of McKenna Brothers Paving, Inc. Marc and his wife, Chrissy, have two daughters, Ellie and Asa. They enjoy flying and staying at the cabin. This will be Marc's 18th year racing the Iron Dog.

Personal sponsors: Matthew McKenna, Don Jones, Al Palma, Dan Ryznar, Eric Quam, and Brad Helwig



WAYNE WOLD

Age: 49 **From:** Wasilla

Riding: Ski-Doo MXZ

Status: Veteran

Race Hhstory: Raced Iron Dog 2008, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2015, 2018, and 2023

Team 48

Sponsors: Katie Sindorf Lending Team powered by Movement Mortgage, Wilderness Ski-Doo, River City Power Sports, Shockwave Shocks, Alaska Detail, River City Motorsports



KRISTOFER SINDORF

Age: 31 **From:** Wasilla

Riding: Ski-Doo MXZ X-RS

Status: Veteran

Race history: 2016: Finished

Bio: I'm a proud resident of Wasilla, happily married to Katie Sindorf. I

take pride in being a dedicated father to two young adventurers: 3-year-old Everly and 2-year-old Dean. With two decades of competitive motorsports experience, I am thrilled to join forces with my father as we gear up for another exhilarating Iron Dog Journey. Huge thanks to everyone who supports Sindorf Racing.

Personal sponsors: Katie Sindorf, David Harris, Paul Sindorf

Other race history: 2023 Boulder, pro class, fourth place



PAUL SINDORF

Age: 61 **From:** Palmer

Riding: Ski-Doo MXZ XRS

Status: Veteran

Race history: 1998: Finished, 2000: Finished, 2001: Finished, 2002: Finished, 2004: Finished, 2006:

Finished, 2009: Finished, 2015: Finished, 2016: Finished, 2018: Finished, 2020: Finished

Bio: I am a lifelong Alaskan who finds fulfillment in the balance of family, work and adventure. As a husband and

father of four who contributes to Alaska's prosperity through my work in the oil and gas industry, I embrace the spirit of the Last Frontier. Whether casting a line in remote waters, conquering singletrack trails on my mountain bike, or navigating snowy landscapes on skis, I thrive on the challenges of Alaska's wild beauty. This year will be an especially fun and exciting journey as I travel the wilderness with my eldest son.

Personal sponsors: Mary Sindorf, David Harris, Katherine Devine, Paul & Vivian Sindorf, Heather & Josh Morrow, Melanie Sindorf, Kris & Katie Sindorf, Jonathan and Geneva Sindorf, Ed Paulus, and John Bahnke.

Team 49

Sponsors: Team CC Ski-Doo, Klim, Anchorage Well and Pump Service, Alyeska Pipeline Service Co., Alaska Aircraft Cylinders, Stud Boy Traction Products, Tri Jet Manufacturing & Precision Cutting, Special Events Party Store, Shaklee Resource Center, Doug's Machine Shop, IceAge Performance, Starting Line Products, Trail Tank, Ski-Doo Racing, L&M Supplies Dillingham, Dixon Aviation, Hyper Gear Suspension, Zugger Shocks



TODD PALIN

Age: 59 **From:** Big Lake

Riding: Ski-Doo MXZ XRS

Status: Veteran

Race history: 1993: Finished, 1995: first place, 1997: Finished, 1998:

Finished, 2000: first place, 2001: Finished, 2002: first place, 2004: Finished, 2005: Finished, 2006: Finished, 2007: first place, 2008: Finished, 2009: Finished, 2011: Finished, 2012: Finished, 2013: Finished, 2015: Finished, 2018: Finished, 2020: Finished, 2021: Finished, 2023: Finished

Bio: This is Todd's 29th Iron Dog race! He's enjoyed four victories, four runners-up and several Top-10 finishes. Todd is a lifelong Alaskan, a commercial salmon fisherman in Bristol Bay in his hometown of Dillingham, former BP Alaska North Slope production operator, and is Alaska's former first First Gentlemen. Todd is the proud parent of five great kids and 10 grandkids: Track, Bristol, Willow, Piper, Trig, Tripp, Kyla, Sailor, Charlie, Atlee, Blaise, Banks, Anna Pace and Parks.

Personal sponsors: L&M Supplies-Dillingham, StudBoy, IceAge Performance, Wilderness Ski-Doo, Tri-Jet, Dixon Aviation, Tracks USA, Starting Line Products



KLINTON VANWINGERDEN

Age: 43 **From:** Wasilla

Riding: Ski-Doo MXZ RS

Status: Veteran

Race history: 2014: Finished, 2015: Finished, 2016: Finished, 2017:

Finished, 2018: Finished, 2019: Finished, 2020: Finished, 2021: Finished, 2022: Finished, 2023: Finished

Bio: Klint, his wife, Calli, and his two children, Reese and Miles, are part of Team Sons of Thunder, which is made up of family, friends and sponsors that align around a common belief that Jesus Christ is exactly who the Bible says he was: the Savior of the World (John 3:17). God loved you and me so much, that he sent his beloved Son Jesus, to pay the price for our sin so that we can be with him in heaven (John 3:16). It is because of this great Love that we endeavor to proclaim the name of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. It is our hope that Christ will demonstrate and extend grace to others through

our effort and participation in the World's Longest, Toughest, snowmobile race.

Personal sponsors: My beautiful wife and best friend, Calli, for her love and encouragement; my cool kids, Reese and Miles, for their care and enthusiasm; my family and friends, for their continued prayers and support.

Other race history: Second place, Larry Heal Memorial vet class; third place, 2022 Valdez Mayor's Cup

TRIVIA

Over the 40-year history of Iron Dog, 30 different riders have won the event — 17 have multiple titles, 13 have won only once. There are two second-generation family names with a championship title: Scott Faeo won the race with Eric Quam in 2015. In 2017, Cory Davis won with Ryan Simons. Simons is the only non-Alaskan to win. Scott's father, John Faeo, and Cory's father, Scott Davis, are tied with the most victories.

Iron Dog racers with the most wins

Scott Davis	7
John Faeo	7
Nick Olstad	6
Dan Zipay	5
Dusty Van Meter	5
Mark Carr	4
Todd Palin	4
Marc McKenna	4
Chris Olds	4
Tyler Aklestad	4
Bob Gilman	3
Todd Minnick	2
Evan Booth	2
Dwayne Drake	2
Tyler Huntington	2
Eric Quam	2
Mike Morgan	2
Tracey Brassard	1
Gary Eoff	1
Rod Frank	1
Ken Lee	1
Andy George	1
Bill Long	1
Mark Torkelson	1
Scott Faeo	1
Tyson Johnson	1
Cory Davis	1
Ryan Simons	1
Brad George	1
Robby Schachle	1