COMMUNITY COMES TOGETHER FOR THE DONLIN GOLD CLASSIC BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

The crowd howled and the cheerleaders chanted their routines as high school students from the YK region participated in the 4th Annual Donlin Gold Classic Basketball Tournament that took place at Bethel Regional High School Warrior Dome on the 29th, 30th and 31st of January.

Not only is Donlin Gold a title sponsor for this community event, but also a sponsor of the KYRC coverage of the games, where viewers could watch live streaming or recordings of the Bethel Warriors, Mt. Edzicembe Braves, Nome Nanooks and the Unalakleet Wolfpaw variety girls and boys teams as they competed for the winning title in the basketball tournament.

Additionally, extracurricular activities such as the tournament provide an opportunity for the YK region to come together. The unification of the players and coaches teaches the importance of good sportsmanship, first hand.

As an important sport for youth of the YK region, Donlin Gold’s sponsorship of the basketball tournament allows for many schools struggling with the high cost of travel and board to attend.

Donlin Gold is happy to participate in an event that brings the YK region’s community together and would like to congratulate all athletes that competed in the tournament and offer special congratulations to the Mt. Edzicembe girls team and the Nome boys team on their wins.

Donlin Gold is looking forward to another year of communicating with people of the YK region, with almost 300 visits planned.

Every year dozens of meetings are held throughout the YK region by Donlin Gold to share updated project information and gather stakeholder feedback. As the mining project progresses through the permitting process, Donlin-Gold encourages stakeholders to attend these informational meetings. Meetings also serve as a valuable source of information for upcoming events in the YK region in which Donlin Gold participates.

Donlin Gold is committed to developing a responsible project and to keeping stakeholders informed and updated on the status and progress of the mining project.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH IN THE REGION, 2015

YUKON KUSKOKWIM REGION TO LIVE IN HEALTHY AND PROSPEROUS COMMUNITIES

Donlin Gold is committed to creating a safe and environmentally responsible mining project that provides opportunities for families in the Yukon Kuskokwim region to live in healthy and prosperous communities.

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The K100, the lindor and the Iron Dog are just three great races that help define this time of year in Alaska, bringing an air of excitement to the late winter as our days grow longer. Once again, Donlin Gold was a proud sponsor for these three races, and we are so pleased that the races serve as great examples to all. Through hard work, discipline, planning and commitment, racers were able to reach out to achieve the goals they set for themselves. The takes months of preparation through training and pulling together great teams as well as keeping safety paramount for everyone in their respective teams as everyone makes it home safe and healthy after the race.

The YK region has many great role models, including Pete Kaiser, champion of the K100 this year who carries the message of suicide prevention everywhere he goes. Team Strick from McGrath and the Boney/Dixon team from Bethel, 9th and 11th place finishers in this year’s Iron Dog, also carry the message of suicide prevention. Unfortunately, many of us have likely been touched by suicide, with our journeys in life often very much like these races, we have ups and downs and they may even be times when we get so tough it seems like we cannot finish. Pete’s message is one of perseverance and learning on your team when you need help—when you feel like giving up, instead reach out for help.

As role models and so many other racers and volunteers on the lindor and other events, you can be inspired by their perseverance and dedication to teamwork and safety. To see Pete’s message and his website at https://www.petekaiser.com or on YouTube at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sQCG-ckUxos.

This year’s race winner, Pete Kaiser, is the first winner to be born and raised in Bethel. Kaiser Bailey is honored to win a race that represents and showcases the strength, endurance and teamwork of the YK region. He muses for many reasons, one of which is to bring an end to the number of suicides in the YK region by supporting Donlin’s Foundation. Exemplifying the values of so many supporters in Bethel and along the trail, assist racers and their dogs on one way or another. Whether preparing a meal, marking the trails or opening their home to a musher, the community always comes together to help support the K100.

For eight years, Donlin Gold has supported the Kuskokwim 300 (K300) a 300-mile trail race from Bethel to Nome and back. During the challenging route that can include dodging weather, the competition is fierce. Race participants must rely on a team of dedicated volunteers, volunteers of personal and animal safety and be dedicated to success.

Volunteer involvement is necessary to make the event run smoothly. This year the K300 had almost 550 volunteers directly involved with race preparation, production and assisting the 31 registered mushers. However, as one of the largest winter sport events in Alaska, it is difficult to tally the full level of volunteer participation as so many supporters in Bethel and along the trail assist racers and their dogs on one way or another. Whether preparing a meal, marking the trails or opening their home to a musher, the community always comes together to help support the K300.

This year, K300 region residents came together to improve the conditions of the key Kuskokwim 300 trail, using a bulldozer to clear a blocked path to Bethel. Thanks to this community effort, mushers reported that trail conditions were surprisingly manageable.

We could not execute the K100 on the scale we do without the generous donation of time, resources and funds from families, volunteers and sponsors.” said Kuskokwim 300 Race Manager, Zach Fasler.

Zach believes the most important part of the K100 is not the race itself but the fact it brings communities together as they watch the best that Western Alaska has to offer. The race offers each musher a chance at winning a substantial cash prize, a qualifying race for the lindor and allows

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If developed, the mine is estimated to have a 27+ year life,