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**JACKSON, WYOMING — JANUARY 28, 2022.**

The Pedigree® Stage Stop Race, now in its 27th year, kicked off from historic Town Square in downtown Jackson, Wyoming tonight as it's done since 1996. An enthusiastic and vocal crowd was treated to the dual starts of 24 powerful teams on this near perfect clear, cold Wyoming winter night. Seventeen Junior mushers got the thrill of their young lives riding on the sleds of their competitors, tucked into bags and helmets. A few of the more adventurous future mushers took to the runners. This year's Jumbotron screened a dazzling video which created a festive atmosphere and a colorful backdrop for this exhibition race and festivities.

**PEDIGREE® STAGE STOP RACE COMPETITORS:**

This year's competitors are Bruce Magnusson, Tim Thiessen, Austin Forney, Thad McCracken, Gwenn Bogart, Ryan Beaver, Chris Adkins, Alix Crittenden, Éric Laforce, Anny Malo, Diane Marquis, Jake Robinson, JR Anderson, Lina Streeper, Laura Bontrager, Christina Gibson, Cathy Rivest, Dave Torgerson, Geneva Lyon, Rachel Courtney, Hans Gatt, Jerry Scdoris, Fernando Ramirez, and Grant Beck. With a total combined payout of \$165,000, the Pedigree Stage Race offers the largest purse in the lower 48 and draws top teams from across the United States and Canada.

**2022 Race schedule:**

**STAGE 1**

**Saturday — January 29th — Teton County, Wyoming**

9:00 am RACE START at Blackrock Ranger Station.

For more information about the Teton County WY Stage visit <https://www.wyomingstagestop.org/stages/201/>

**STAGE 2**

**Sunday — January 30th — Pinedale, Wyoming.**

(Stage Two relocated from the South Pass area of Lander, Wyoming)

9:00 AM RACE STARTS at the Upper Green River Trailhead, Cora at the end of Hwy 352.

Kendall Valley Lodge serves Breakfast & Lunch Specials. Located west of the Upper Green Parking Lot.

4:00 PM PUBLIC MEET & GREET at the Dudley Key Sports Complex. Food and drinks for purchase.

### **STAGE 3**

#### **Monday — January 31st — Pinedale, Wyoming.**

9:00 AM RACE STARTS at the Upper Green River Trailhead, Cora at the end of Hwy 352. Kendall Valley Lodge serves Breakfast & Lunch Specials. Located west of the Upper Green Parking Lot.

For more information about the Pinedale WY Stage  
visit <https://www.wyomingstagestop.org/stages/pinedale-wy/>

#### **Monday — January 31st — Big Piney, Wyoming.**

6:00 PM MEET THE MUSHERS DINNER at the Marbleton Community Center, 429 2nd Street, Big Piney.

### **STAGE 4**

#### **Tuesday — February 1st — Big Piney/Marbleton, Wyoming.**

9:00 AM RACE STARTS at Middle Piney parking lot off road 350, 20 miles from Big Piney.

For more information about the Big Piney/Marbleton WY Stage  
visit <https://www.wyomingstagestop.org/stages/big-piney-marbleton-wy/>

### **STAGE 5**

#### **Wednesday — February 2nd— Kemmerer, Wyoming.**

9:00 AM RACE STARTS at the end of the Hams Fork Road, Hams Fork Trail Head.

For more information about the Kemmerer WY Stage  
visit <https://www.wyomingstagestop.org/stages/kemmerer-wy/>

#### **Thursday — February 3rd— TRAVEL DAY**

### **STAGE 6**

#### **Friday — February 4th — Alpine, Wyoming.**

9:00 AM RACE STARTS at Greys River Trail Head Parking Lot.

For more information about the Alpine WY Stage  
visit <https://www.wyomingstagestop.org/stages/alpine-wy/>

## **STAGE 7**

### **Friday — February 5th — Driggs, Idaho.**

9:00 AM RACE STARTS at new location past Kay Dairy Trail Head. Parking at the Start/Finish is limited. Please Plan to Carpool.

1:00 - 3:00 PM COMMUNITY MEET & GREET behind Driggs Community Center in the Transit Center Park & Ride Lot.

For more information about the Driggs ID Stage  
visit <https://www.wyomingstagesstop.org/stages/driggs-id/>

### **Friday — February 5th — Final Banquet at the Teton County Idaho Fairgrounds**

5:00 PM Doors open. Dinner catered by Captain Ron's BBQ starts at 6:00 PM.

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