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THE RACE IS ON — MALO REGAINS LEAD.

Defending champion Anny Malo won Stage Two of the 2024 Pedigree Stage Stop Sled Dog Race held Sunday January 28, 2024. Stage Two was hosted by the community of Lander, Wyoming and was held at the Louis Lake trailhead at the South Pass area of the Wind River Mountain range.

Malo shaved four and a half minutes off the 00:06:44 lead that current race leader Remy Coste gained on Stage One held the previous day.

Conditions for Stage Two were generally good with a firm fast trail, but rising temperatures as the day progressed were not ideal as the dogs excel in cooler temperatures.

Michael Tetzner from Burg, Germany remains in third place overall with Laura Bontrager from Newberry, Michigan and Cathy Rivest of Quebec, Canada filling out the top five positions. **For complete finishing times:** https://www.wyomingstagestop.org/stage_detail/2024-lander/

All 15 teams race again tomorrow (Monday January, 29) for Stage Three hosted by Pinedale, Wyoming at the Upper Green River trailhead.

Mushing fans worldwide are anxiously awaiting what transpires on the trail tomorrow as five-time defending champion Anny Malo, and French newcomer Remy Coste go head-to-head for Stage Three along the upper Green River.

Video highlights from Day Two: <u>https://www.wyomingstagestop.org/video-of-the-day-gallery/#bwg127/3467</u>

Additional commentary:

https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=10168587190955531&set=a.10152708373440531

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The Pedigree Stage Stop Race consists of seven individual stages on National Forest land trails which wind through the seven mountain ranges of western Wyoming and Idaho. Teams cover 30 to 35 miles per day on out-and-back courses. Extraordinary daily coverage can be found on Facebook, Instagram, You Tube, and all the other usual social media places.

The daily race schedule is as follows:

- January 30 Stage Three Pinedale, Wyoming
- January 31 Stage Four Big Piney / Marbleton, Wyoming
- February 1 Stage Five Kemmerer, Wyoming
- February 2 Travel Day
- February 3 Stage Six Alpine, Wyoming
- February 4 Stage Seven & Final Banquet Driggs, Idaho

Extensive race coverage, video, commentary, and interviews is available on race media platforms including:

Website: www.wyomingstagestop.org Facebook: facebook.com/PedigreeStageStopRace Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/pedigreestagestoprace

YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/@pedigreestagestoprace9249

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