Honest Dogs: A Story Of Triumph And Regret From The World's Toughest Sled Dog Race

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In Honest Dogs: A Story Of Triumph And Regret From The World's Toughest Sled Dog Race, journalist and family man Brian O'Donoghue shares the story of his experiences upon entering the Yukon Quest Sled Dog Race at the age of 41. Brian writes with wry humor of sharing the trail with his Alaskan huskies Khan, Hobbes, Scrimshaw, and Cyclone, as well as a diverse collection of rival racers and resident bush rats. Honest Dogs is a candid, vivid account of a punishing personal jou Thereâ€™s a sled dog race tougher than the Iditarod, and a 78-year-old crazy enough to try it. Add to list. He is a 78-year-old rookie who began what is often billed as the worldâ€™s toughest sled dog race Feb. 2. He finished in 24th place Feb. And even his injuries had the benefit of giving Lanier cover from having to explain the real story behind the new gap in his teeth. â€œThe truth is I broke my tooth biting on a frozen cookie,â€ he said with a laugh. Lanier said that camping in temperatures of 45 below zero the first night â€” after he and his team of nine dogs began their 90-mile run from the start line to Braeburn, the first checkpoint on the Canada side â€” accelerated his understanding of the situation he put himself in. â€œThat handicapped me right off the bat,â€ he said, â€œbut then it started to warm up.â€ Honest Dogs by Brian Patrick O'Donoghue, October 1, 1999, Epicenter Press edition, Paperback in English. Honest Dogs. A Story of Triumph and Regret from the World's Toughest Sled Dog Race. by Brian Patrick O'Donoghue. Published October 1, 1999 by Epicenter Press.