

"THE YUKON
GOLD CREW"

WEEK ONE

8 December 2019

Born the 28th of November

We Have Arrived in the Yukon

It has been quite a journey for us. After being bounced around, shaken, squished, crammed together and putting up with Mom snoring, we finally emerged like gleaming gold found in a sluice box. Wow - what an arrival! I guess we didn't know what to expect, but it was kinda underwhelming. No fanfare, bugles, parades or anything. Some creatures, that we learned later from Mom that are called humans and a furry thing we also learned later named Boots the cat were collectively hovering over us. Mom went right to work licking us clean along with putting her smells on us. She nudged us to what we now call the milk wagon. Our first milk is really important and passes along the antibodies from Mom to us for protection.

Life has been really busy for us - eating, sleeping and being cleaned by Mom. It is hard work. The one we enjoy the most though is the milk wagon - yummy. Three of us are also getting some supplemental feeding from those humans we mentioned earlier. That is to increase our weight. We have met the big guys and got sniffed over. Of course, Mom was outside when that happened. Mr Boots is always coming in to visit. He is strange. We missed getting to visit with Grandma Bubs as she crossed the rainbow bridge on the 5th. It was quiet afterwards and sad. While we didn't know Bubs, the humans and the big guys all said that she had a gentle, loving soul.

This coming week we are looking forward to opening our eyes. That will bring a whole new world for us. We can't wait to get out and explore everything. Our humans gave us all names from the days of the Klondike Gold Rush in 1898. These are names from famous people of the time representing the founding prospectors to really influential women who all made their mark in the gold fields around Dawson City. So, until next week we look forward to your visit with us...



MUM AND KIDS



THE FAMILY



Grandma Angie with Grand Kids

- THE BOYS -



George & Charlie

TAGISH "CHARLIE"



Tagish Charlie was a Canadian Tagish/Tlingit First Nation person and one of the co-discoverers of gold at Discovery Claim along with Kate and George.

"GEORGE" WASHINGTON CARMACK



In August 1896, he and his wife Kate were fishing at the mouth of the Klondike River when Skookum Jim, his nephew Tagish Charlie found them. They suggested that they should try out Rabbit Creek, where the gold discovery for the Klondike was made.

- THE GIRLS -



Kate, Belinda & Annie

"ANNIE" HALL



Speaking for the female stamperders, it was boasted that "when our fathers, husbands & brothers decided to go, so did we, and our wills are strong and courage unfailing. Annie became a gold miner beside her husband.

"KATE" CARMACK



Kate, Tagish Charlie and her George discovered gold in Rabbit Creek (later renamed Bonanza Creek), setting in motion the Klondike Gold Rush. Some accounts claim that Kate made the actual discovery.

"BELINDA" MULROONEY



Belinda was born in County Sligo, Ireland. She was an entrepreneur and purportedly the "richest woman in the Klondike".