

Elf Frank Myrrh: Hello again from the North Pole News Desk, I'm Elf Frank Myrrh of North Pole Radio News. Reindeer are in the news today as we inch ever closer to the Annual Reindeer Games at the North Pole, scheduled for November 10th. Joining us from the Reindeer Barn with some news about the reindeer competing for the back-up team is Elf Crash Murphy. Crash, it appears we have a lot of competition for the back-up team this year.

Elf Crash Murphy: We do, Frank, but that could be a reflection of how many reindeer we have right now at the North Pole. We've never had a class of reindeer as large as this one. It's very crowded here and I think all the extra work of dealing with the crisis in Santa's workshop is responsible for how many reindeer are working this year.

Elf Frank: How do you think it's going to affect the Reindeer Games this year?

Elf Crash: I think the games are going to be awesome, Frank. We have so many great reindeer, and young one too, that are here and they are all in great shape because they've been working every day since early September. Santa is going to have a hard time selecting his starting teams this year.

Elf Frank: Most people don't realize how important the games are in figuring out Christmas Eve assignments for all the reindeer, Crash. They think it is just about games but this is actually part of something bigger and more important.

Elf Crash: That's true, Frank. Reindeer are important elves and putting them in the right place to do the most good on Christmas Eve is a lot of work. Some are runners, who specialize in speed and agility. It just makes sense to put them in jobs that make the most of those skills, Frank. That's the work that the Reindeer Operations Department does between now and Christmas.

Elf Frank: Are there any particular reindeer to keep an eye on this year?

Elf Crash: There are, but Frank, there are so many it's way too early to speculate on what might happen. We could be surprised this year nearly every day of the games.

Elf Frank: Ok, Crash, informative report as always. Thanks for catching us up. From the North Pole, I'm Elf Frank Myrrh reporting for SantaUpdate.com on the Kringle Radio Network.