

# Alberta Association of Harness Dog Sports

## **DIRECTORS REPORT 2025**

#### 2024

- Supported the hosting of The Canadian Dryland National Championship 2024 held in Sundre, AB on Oct 4-6, 2024, 65 Athletes in attendance from BC, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. This represents the most diverse Dryland National Championship attendance since CAHDS formation in 2017
- Additional Event Sanctioning in Fall 2024
  - o Central Alberta Dog Runners Pre-season opener
  - Dopamine Dogs Sports National Trail Test Run
  - o Mush for Fun 8th Annual Runaway Dryland Derby
  - o Central Alberta Dog Runners Fall Classic

#### 2025

- Supported Sanctioning for Winter 2025
  - o Dopamine Winter Dash 2025
- Upcoming Fall events
  - Mush for Fun Musher's campout and clinic
  - o Dopamine Dash 2025 IFSS World Cup Event
  - Mush for Fun 9th Annual Runaway Dryland Derby
- Sanctioned events allowed 7 Alberta Athletes to qualify to represent Team Canada at this years IFSS Dryland World Championships and Masters Championships
- Rework of AAHDS Website to include most up to date documents for Rules and Code of Conduct, AGM Minutes and Directors Reports.
- Addition of Alberta Hosted Event Results page for ease of historical lookup, particularly when applying for World Championship teams
- Addition of 2 new Board Members Trish Ives and Bill Morin

### Goals for 2025/2026

- Continued support Alberta Athletes who wish to travel and compete at future Dryland and On Snow National Championships, Continental Championships, and World Championships
- Carrying on Sponsorship partnerships with local dog based businesses
- Continue to work on membership benefits to build Membership numbers in Alberta. Current Membership Stands at 12
- Affiliate more Clubs
  - Particularly looking for growth in and around Edmonton/ Northern Alberta
- Add AAHDS members to the CAHDS committees
  - o Upcoming committees include officials committee and rules committee
- Form an AAHDS Volunteer committee to help manage larger tasks such as fundraising, membership drives, events volunteers and more as needed
- Seek not for profit status to allow our organization and host clubs and athletes to seek funding grants
- Continue the growth of our sport in Alberta