

CHINOOK TEAM PENNING ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

December 9, 2025 6:30 pm

Located at Moore Equine South Clinic 27061 306 Ave W, De Winton, Alberta, T0L 0X0

The Chinook Team Penning Association invites members to attend its AGM.

Agenda:

- Greeting from Chair
- Introduction of Board & Elections
- Adoption of Agenda
- ❖ Approval of 2024 AGM Minutes (attached hereto)
- Approval of 2024 Financial Statements
- ❖ Discussion and non-binding vote on Payouts (Presenters: Laurel Harrison)
- Discussion and Non-Binding Vote on Show Size Management (Presenter: Greg Dunn)
- Motion Dress Code (Greg Dunn)
- Motion Team Awards (Greg Dunn)
- Nomination of New Directors



Discussion and non-binding vote on Payouts

1. Background info: Pay out Places

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- There has been some feedback from members that they would prefer to see Chinook pay more spots.
- The Chinook Team Penning Association currently pays 5 spots per class.
- Before 2019 Chinook paid 1 spot for every 10 teams capped at 10 spots per class
- However, at the 2019 AGM the consensus was members wanted to get paid more winning and not sprinkle out the payout among 10 teams.
- The board believes in the current payout structure however would like to hear from the membership with respect to whether there is a change in membership preference.

Non-binding vote

2. Background info: Increased Payouts during year Background info:

- Chinook currently pays 48% to the open class and 45% to every other class (except the youth) during year end shows (note that the open has higher entry fees, thus creating the higher payout percentage)
- There in no added money from the club during the year
- All added money from Chinook is put into Regional Finals
- Should some of the year end added money be used to increase payouts during the year with the downside of having lower payouts at the Regional Finals?
- Or does the membership like it as is?

Non-binding vote

<u>Discussion and Non-Binding Vote on Show Size Management</u>

Background info:

- As everyone is aware success comes with its downsides big classes mean long days.
- Long days can serve to discourage members, especially lower riders who typically ride at the end of the day and penners who have families and small children.
- Available solutions:
 - a Limit Pick entry by one per class e.g. 10, 7 and 5 class would have 3



pick / 1 draw instead of 4 pick / 1 draw

- b. Progressive elimination of mandatory draws as required depending on time constraints. This was the solution implemented last year where if shows got too long the mandatory draw was eliminated class by class. For example, if the penning day was overly long the mandatory draw was first eliminated in the open class. If the day was still too long after the elimination of the open class mandatory draw then the mandatory draw was eliminated in the 10 class. And so on down the line.
- c. Run the Open class on Friday night.
- d. Run one class Friday night but rotate the class which would be run. So one weekend the open would run on Friday night, the next weekend the 10, and so on.
- e. Run one show over 2 days. For example, you run the open and 7 class on the Saturday and the 10 class and 5 class on the Sunday. Youth can run both days. Entries could be expanded in each class to compensate.
- f. Do nothing. It's great how it is.

Non-binding Vote – pick one option only.

<u>Motion - Addition to Rules : Chinook Team Penning Association Dress Code</u> (Greg Dunn)

Background info:

- Team cattle penning is a western discipline which honors western heritage and culture.
- Western dress during the course of competition should be mandatory.
- The dress code proposed is similar to the rule as found in the CTCPA with a few minor amendments.

Motion:

Dress Code

All contestants must wear a cowboy hat (2 1/2-inch minimum brim; five (5) inch minimum crown) or protective helmet, boots and long-sleeved collared shirt which is tucked in at the waist or jacket with cuffs covering the wrist. Western style long pants (jeans without holes) are required. In the event that a contestant has a mishap during penning and a button or snap is torn off or broken, this is not to be considered an in fraction of the dress code.

The dress code is mandatory. In the case of a dress infraction the director in charge of a member of the CTPA executive will provide the contestant with a verbal warning. The contestant may continue to pen for the remainder of the show day, however must come to the next show day properly attired. If the contestant has a second infraction on a subsequent show day the director in charge or a member of the CTPA executive may levy a fine of \$50.00 against the contestant. The contestant will not be allowed to complete further competition until the fine is paid in full.

At any time the CTPA board or executive may allow exceptions as circumstances dictate (ex. weather, cultural events, supporting sports teams, specialty or themed classes).

Binding Vote to be taken – yes or no

Motion - Team Awards (Greg Dunn)

Background info:

- Yearend team award takes significant time to calculate.
- This causes delays in the posting of results and the keeping track of standings.
- Teams are often changed over the course of the year depending on riders' schedules and as team adjustments are made over the course of the year.
- Strong performing teams will ultimately lead to the members of the teams also performing strongly.
- Chinook Regional Finals team awards would remain the same.
- Some members have not liked this option in the past due to the movement away from team awards to individual awards.

Motion:

The year end cumulative team awards awarded in each class for the most points will be replaced with rewarding the top 5 riders with the most points in each class.

Nomination of New Directors

Luke Simpson Chris Thompson



Chinook Team Penning Association Annual General Meeting Minutes November 12, 2024 – Moore Equine South – 6:30 pm

- 1. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 6:39 pm.
- 2. **Minutes from Last AGM (September 9, 2023) -** please read ahead of time. Holly Farkes motioned to adopt the meetings as read. Luke Simpson seconded. Motion passed.
- 3. Director's Report Handouts Available Not applicable to this meeting.
- **4. President's Report** Greg Dunn gave the presidents address regarding the 2024 year. In 2021 there was four shows, in 2023 there was five, and in 2024 there was five weekends with ten shows, plus Regionals. Chinook hosted a variety of events including a buckle series, and a buckle show for the May long weekend show which was not sanctioned.

Show structure remained the same from 2023 to 2024.

The teams per show were reviewed.

In 2024 on average there was 475 teams per show. In 2024 there was one entry per class reduced on the club.

The smallest show was the OAS show which had the weakest attendance of the season. With removing the OAS show, there was an average of 532 teams.

Regionals was the largest attended it ever has been. There were fewer members in 2024 however this is likely due to the amount of American members not attending Chinook shows.

Sponsorship remained strong with David Ruby and Greg Sokolik continuing to secure great sponsorship with the club.

The mentorship class has been discontinued at the club.

Due to lack of interest, the clinics for the year were cancelled. The club is hopeful next year there will be clinics in 2025.

The USTPA program was changed this year so that you only needed to have 50 qualifying rides to attend the USTPA world finals. Approximately 30 members participated in the program.

Skylar Hansen continued with rating coordinator and Donna O'Reilly continued as the rating chair for the club.

With those stepping down off the board, and the nominees, this is a full quorum of the board if there are no nominations from the floor.

5. Treasurer's Report

Laurel Harrison discussed the financials of the club which were provided to the those attending the meeting in hard copy. At the time of the financials, the casino money has not been restricted. The money from the casino will need to be used for cattle rental as per the policies and procedures for a nonprofit organization.

The spend from the casino is over a three-year period, which aligns with how often the club is able to do a casino.

It was confirmed that the prize money and entries were doubled from 2022.

Cathy Daniels motioned to adopt the financials as read. Liam O'Brien seconded. Motion passed.

6. Nomination & Election of Board of Directors

- a. Directors Stepping Down: Rob Fritz & Dana Cleghorn
- b. Returning Board Members up for re-election: Greg Dunn, Laurel Harrison, Erin Thompson, Laura Antony, Meagan Blyth, Dave Ruby, Donna O'Reilly, Greg Sokolik & Kayley Kearney
- c. Confirmed Nominations: Wes Moberly & Liam O'Brien
- d. 2 Board openings nominations from the floor.
- e. The eleven directors as above will stand for the 2025 year.

7. Adoption of Agenda

a. Agenda adopted as read.

8. Old Business:

9. New Business:

(these are proposals which are submitted by members for the upcoming penning season)

a. Open Class Proposal by Laura Antony -

- Laura presented her proposal for the open class to be moved from the open handicap to an open with a limited incentive. Laura presented that the club used to have a successful limited open.
- The type of cattle affects the times that are happened resulting from the handicap.
- Devin Antony presented that there are many classes where 2's and 3's can ride
 and have opportunities to compete. He would like to see a time where there is a
 class where the fastest time wins. An eleven incentive would require higher
 rated riders to ride down with the 2's and 3's.
- Wendy Wenaas submitted a supplemental letter in favour of the open handicap as an addendum to the motion to remove the open handicap. There was discussion on moving the foul line upwards to be within the smallest threshold within the Canadian Team Cattle Penning Association rules.

Donna reviewed the average times throughout the year on each of the show days. Overall throughout the year, the times were very similar. Okotoks was the slowest show of the year. The fastest time throughout the season was at Silverslate arena.

The average time at Regionals was 34.53, which aligns with what happened throughout the rest of the year.

The vote to remove the Open Handicap and replace with a Limited Open was as follows:

7 votes in favour

75 votes opposed

Motion fails.

b. Team Prizes Proposal by Meagan Blyth

Meagan Blyth presented changes to be made to year end team prizes. The current setup right now is very burdensome to complete the time points. The membership discussed different scenarios of points being awarded and the history of the club and the prizes. It was noted that team prizes were initially brought in to encourage attendance. The following scenarios were voted on:

- 1) Remove Year End Team Awards and replace with Overall Ratings Winner awards which would encourage people of all ratings to accumulate points with their teams in any and all classes they are able and willing to ride in which aligns with community and the association. This encourages people to stay and ride in more classes as well.
- 2) Keep Year End Team Awards and change the format to High Money award which will award those consistently in the money. For instance, partway through the year if a draw team ended up winning and kept the team and kept winning they could have a shot rather than a team that just consistently gets entered and rides.
- 3) Change the format of how team points are calculated i.e. award points to the Top 20 of the class which creates a better award of teams winning / placing highly.
- 4) Make no changes to the format of Year End Awards and continue awarding based off points earned per class from all shows minus two.

The points votes were as follows:

Scenario 1 – 0 votes

Scenario 2 – 7 votes

Scenario 3 – 63 votes

Scenario 4 – 6 votes

Abstain - 6

Team points will be calculated using the Top 20 teams in 2025.



c. Revision of Buy in Requirements by Greg Dunn

Greg Dunn read his proposed changes to sponsorship buy in to align with making it on an individual basis instead of the current rules which are for a sponsor and their immediate family. This will also reduce the buy in if you have attended more shows.

The membership was discussed. The membership would like to make it so that you must attend two shows to buy in.

Adult class riders will be five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per show required. Youth class riders would be fifty dollars \$50.00 per show missed to ride in youth classes, with the upward requirement if adult classes are ridden in.

Vote to revise buy in requirements:

In favour – 82

Opposed – 0

Buy in requirements will be revised for the 2025 year.

10. Adjournment

Willow Boyle motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 pm. Rae Naves seconded. Meeting adjourned.