

ISDRA

Dryland Racing

Resources

On the web:

- <http://www.isdra-dryland-racing.info>
- <http://www.skijornow.com>
- <http://www.nooksackracing.com>
- <http://www.blackicedogsledding.com>
- <http://www.adanac.com>
- <http://www.mtnridge.com>
- <http://www.dogscooter.com>
- <http://www.mushing.com>
- <http://www.isdra.org>

Or Call: (218) 765-4297

Carts

Mushers have been training and racing dogs with 3 and 4 wheel carts (or 'gigs') for decades. Initially a means of conditioning and training without snow, cart racing has come into its own in recent years.

Team sizes may range from 3 to 8 for speed category races, more for longer mid-distance races. Distances raced range from 2 to 4 miles for sprint classes and up to 10 miles for mid-distance.

The dogs used are the same dogs seen in front of sleds in snow competitions and the training and racing is very similar.

Competitions

Events are usually 2 or 3 days in length and a competitor's final time will be based upon the accumulated time from each heat.

Competitors must use the same dog in all heats of the event and the rules are similar to those governing sled racing.

Ambient temperatures exceeding certain limits may be cause for cancellation of events as the safety of dogs and humans is of paramount concern.

Rules and Regulations

Competitions are governed by local race giving organizations and the International Sled Dog Racing Association. Standings and a Medals program are available to sanctioned events throughout the world.



Safety and Health of the Dogs The welfare of the dogs is always paramount in a sled dog race. The International Sled Dog Racing Association gives the highest priority to the welfare of the canine athletes that are our partners in the wonderful world of sled dog sports. To underscore that commitment, each sanctioned event is provided with our Animal Welfare policy as an important component of their sanctioning materials.

The Animal Welfare Policy is available at:

http://www.isdra.org/PDFfiles/Policies/animal_welfare_policy.pdf