



# THUNDER IN THE VALLEY FACTSHEET

- Alberni Valley Regional Airport successfully hosted the Thunder in the Valley Drag Race for 15 years (2001 - 2015)
- This event created millions of dollars in local economic benefit supporting local businesses, charities and non profits
  - Thousands of spectators benefitted each year with a safe, family-friendly, smoke and alcohol-free summer event that delighted generations of young and old alike
- The Drag Race Association has a history of making volunteer contributions to the publicly funded airport facility including infrastructure like parking lots, site maintenance and more
- The Drag Race Association has donated over \$200,000.00 to charities and service groups
  - This year, the Regional District is budgeting \$1,028,000 to operate the public aerodome. They are estimating to generate \$45,000 in revenue from leases and other sources.
- To afford Airport operations, Taxpayers paid a Tax Requisition of \$50,000 in 2015, \$557,385 in 2018, and \$643,069 in 2019.
  - After months of extensive negotiations with the ACRD, with all conditions fully met, The Drag Race Association was denied use of the Airport for one weekend a year— without any reason given.

Whether you race or not, we can all agree—  
It's better to burn rubber than taxpayer dollars!

**MORE FACTS AVAILABLE AT [SaveAlberniDragRacing.com](http://SaveAlberniDragRacing.com)**

I Support and Endorse The Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District in providing the Alberni Valley Drag Racing Association a 5-year Land Use Agreement (2020-2025) for use of the Alberni Valley Regional Airport to host The Thunder in the Valley Drag Racing event in August each year.

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