

BC Athletics Officials' Newsletter

September 19, 2018

Hello Officials,

Our BC Athletics' Officials' AGM will go ahead with the October 20th date. It will again be held at the Fortius Athlete Development Centre, Forum Room (2nd floor beside the elevators). Coffee and Registration begin at 9:30 with the Meeting beginning at 10:00am. If you will be attending, please send a note to Sue Kydd (kskydd@shaw.ca) to let her know so that we are prepared to welcome you with refreshments and to offer you Lunch.

I know that we are all looking forward, with much anticipation, to Dale Loewen's always-fabulous Officials' Year-In-Review. Sue will also have Recognition Gifts available to distribute to those Officials who have made their claim.

We will, of course, present the business end of things; the financial report, accomplishments over the year as well as plans for the coming year. As at every AGM, we will be having elections to positions on the Committee, 5 of which terms are coming due this Fall. If you have other items, concerns or issues that you would like addressed, please let us know by sending a mail to me and I will make sure to have it added to the agenda of our upcoming Committee Meeting which takes place this coming Saturday, September 22, 2018

Sue promises a number of Special-Give-Away items at the AGM (we believe that everyone will go away with something) – always fun. We will also be providing a copy of the Events & Technical Specifications Manual for Athletics to all attending Officials.

If you are representing a Club or Organization and would like to provide an item for our always popular Draw Prize Packages, please let Sue know that you will be bringing something to contribute.

We look forward to seeing as many of our wonderful BC Officials as possible at the AGM.

Saturday, October 20, 2018
Fortius Athlete Development Centre
Forum Room
3713 Kensington Avenue
Burnaby, BC
9:30am until 2:00pm

Outstanding Officials

The deadline for nominating Officials for these yearly awards is October 31st. The categories, their descriptions and the awards nomination form can be found at:

<https://www.cognitofrms.com/BCAthletics1/OutstandingOfficialsOfTheYearAwards>

Please help us by nominating Officials for these awards. There are so many deserving individuals and we want to recognize their valuable contributions.

Webinar planned by NOC on changes in Para Rules

The National Officials committee (NOC) is planning a teleconference on September 21st at 8:00am (PDT) on changes in the WPA Para Rules. This update will be provided by David Weicker who is Canada's representative on the WPA.

If you wish to register to participate in this Webinar, please go to the link below:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/852721138732668427>

Condolences

It is with great sadness that we tell you of the passing on September 3rd of our long-time friend and huge supporter of Athletics, Marion Crowley. I know that many, many of you will have fond memories of this wonderful lady and her tireless efforts over the last 50 plus years on behalf of this sport. Our sincere condolences to Maureen and Ted de St. Croix.

Workshops

Now is the time when we start to plan for future Workshops. These include Levels 1 through National Level Clinics. If you or your Club would like to have input into when and where these Workshops might be held, please send me a note and we will address your requests at the next Officials' Committee Meeting.

Upgrading

If you are interested in upgrading your certification next competition year, please remember to look at the information on the website under **Upgrading and Certification**. Here you will find the information, forms and contact information required to advance to your next Level in your chosen event discipline(s). We strongly encourage Officials to advance their certification. Having Officials at the Levels 3 and above is of great benefit to athletes who are striving to qualify for standards or need their performance records recognized and approved. And, of course, we are ALWAYS in need of more Officials. We can never have too much help!

Don't forget: After meeting all of the requirements, you need to apply to upgrade your certification. This is not done automatically for you. Please go to <http://www.bcathletics.org/Officials/> and click on the heading **Upgrading and Certification**. There you will find information on the steps you must take. The Regional Development Coordinator for your area can help you with this process if you have any difficulties.

Provincial Regional Development Coordinators

	Region	Email	Phone
John & Carol Cull	Lower Mainland (Zones 3,4,5)	johncull@telus.net	(604) 599-6638
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Cindy King	Northern BC (Zones 7,8)	cking@pgonline.com	(250) 613-7672

Many Thanks to our hardworking Officials

Event: BC 55+ Games
Sponsored by: The Senior's Games Society
Date: Wednesday, September 12 to Saturday, September 15
Location: Cranbrook, BC

Thanks to:

Keith Newell, Brian Thomson, Nancy Champagne, Karen Hatch, Jason Swan, Iain Fisher, Jake Madderom, Marie Madderom, Ron Heron, Dave Short, Betsy Rollins, Rose Hare, Marnie Benz, Al McLeod, John Cull, Carol Cull

We would also like to thank the good folks from Cranbrook who worked so hard to bring about this competition and the many volunteers who willingly gave their time to make these Games a success.

Officiating Opportunities

Please come lend a hand

Event: South Fraser Track and Field Club Cross Country Competition
Sponsored by: South Fraser Track and Field Club
Date: Saturday, September 22, 2018
Location: Bear Creek Park
Schedule:

First Event: start at 10:30am (walk-through at 10:00)

Last Event: begins at 1:45

Committed to attending:

Sanda Turner

Event: 2018 Ultra Throw Festival #4
Sponsored by: Ultra Throw Club
Date: Sunday, September 30, 2018
Location: McLeod Park, Langley
Schedule:

First Event: 8:30am

Last Event: 4:00pm

Committed to attending:

Ron Heron

Event: BC Cross Country Championships
Sponsored by: BC Athletics and the Valley Royals Track and Field Club
Date: Saturday, October 27, 2018
Location: Clearbrook Park, Abbotsford
North of Highway 1, off Clearbrook Road, past Maclure Road

Schedule:

First Event: 11:30am

Last Event: 3:05pm

Committed to attending:

Sanda Turner, John Cull, Carol Cull

Don't forget to send me a note if you are able to help at any of the above Competitions.
Looking forward to seeing you at the AGM.

Carol