BC Athletics Technical Event Year End Report
Jumps
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Category	Comments
Marquis Events for the Season • Organisation • Officials • Outstanding Results	The major events for the year were the NACAAC Championships, the World Junior Championships and the Commonwealth Games. Unfortunately, there was only one qualifier for these events. Congratulations to Stephanie McCann (Valley Royals) for the qualifying for the Commonwealth Games. She won a bronze medal with a vault of 4.25 meters. She also set a meet record at the Canadian Championships with 4.35 m
Athlete Performances • BC Team Members • Up and Coming Athletes	National medal winners as part of Team BC were as follows: Juvenile: Gabrielle Payne (Kajaks) - high jump – Gold-1.73m Shawn Swartz (CC)-high jump-Gold-2.00m Stacey Irvine (5440)-pole vault-Gold-3.70m* - Legion Meet record - 100 m. hurdles - Gold Geoffrey Law (TBIR)-pole vault-Gold-3.50m Tiffany Sprenkels (Norwesters)-triple jump-Silver-11.31m Tiffany Sprenkels (Norwesters)-long jump-Bronze-5.28m Stacey Irvine (5450) - B.C. Juvenile Record - 3.80 m. Erica Rutley (5450) - B.C. Junior Champ as a juvenile and new junior record of 3.75 m. Junior: Paul Little (Nanaimo)-high jump-Bronze-2.00m Camille Richard (West Van)-triple jump-Gold-12.03m Katie Gallagher (Comox Valley)-triple jump-Silver-12.00m Senior: Stephanie McCann (VR)-pole vault-Gold-4.35m Carly Dockendorf (unattached)-pole vault-Bronze-4.15m Mike Mason (VR)-high jump-2.23m *Ruky Abdulai (VR) is not yet a Canadian citizen. Therefore, she is ineligible for national medals and teams. However, she did place 3rd in both the long jump (6.23m) and high jump (1.82m) at the Senior National Championships. Ruky holds the national record for Ghana in the long jump and high jump (as well as the 400 meter hurdles). She also had a wind-aided long jump of 6.79 meters this year, exceeding the Olympic standard. She should be outstanding asset to the provincial and national teams in the years to come.
Coaching Performances • Coaching Performers • Developing Performers	Larry Blashuck was named Jumps coach for the B.C. Senior team competing in Ottawa. Greg Peters was named coach for the Junior Team competing in Sherbrooke. Elena Voloshin was the Jumps coach for the B.C. Legion Team
Coaching Education • Courses this Year • Clinics this Year	NCCP Level II Jumps course was offered in Abbotsford in October. No couses have been scheduled at this time for 2007.
Development Opportunities (general or event specific) • Trips • Camps	A Pole Vault Training Camp has been organized for Phoenix, Ariz. for April 3-11 by TRACK 54.50
Direction from National Event Group Coordinators	NA
Trends in Performances over the past three years: • Champs. Meet Results • Males • Females	Top performances for all male and female jump events remains strong on a national level but the depth of top performances is a concern.
Recommendations for the coming season. How do we improve: • Performances • Coaching • Communication • Opportunities	Providing opportunities for juvenile aged athletes must continue to be on the top of our agenda. Many of our High School athletes, most of whom are Juvenile age, are limited to Provincial Championships due to the lack of an open National Championship. Many potential top performers are lost to the sport after the high school season and between the ages of 17 and 18. Witness the few athletes entered in our Juvenile Championship but in particular the Junior Championship. The lack of certified jumps coaches is also a concern. There appears to be a lack of turn-over in team coaches in general.