Coaching Education Coordinator

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Coach Education

1. Increase NCCP training and certification opportunities in all parts of the province
   • **Yearly Course Calendar** – goal is 1 course per region each year (alternate between region 7 & 8)
     ★ We need clubs to host courses
   • North - Applied for Northern Grant (unsuccessful but will apply again)
   • **Road Running NCCP Courses** - 2 complete – 1 more planned for January in Okanagan
   • Comp Dev (Performance Coach) - AC has given branches permission to host (with approval)

2. Provide Para Athletics coach education opportunities
   • All Club Coach Throws courses include a “value added” component of Para Throws
   • Partnered with BC Wheelchair Sports in March – expert Para Throws coach Ken Hall and BC Team Wheelchair Racing Coach James Hustvedt trained current Throws LFs with the Para module
   • Para Grant to provide infrastructure for each new facility that hosts a Club Coach Throws course
     ★ We need more clubs to apply

3. Increase professional development opportunities for teachers and club coaches
   • **Coach Education Survey** highlighted ProD as the strong need across the province
   • **Summer ProD Series** in conjunction with Ocean Athletics Twilight Series received very positive feedback
     ★ Looking for other series across the province
   • Looking to support Pilot High School workshop series in the Fraser Valley
   • PD Points – up and running in the NCCP Locker for all coaching ProD organized by/with BCA
   • Courses now split into modules so that coaches can just sign up for parts of a course

Coach Recruitment

1. Develop and implement a coach recruitment strategy that takes advantage of retiring athletes
   • Currently targeting recruitment and training of Learning Facilitators
   • Informally initiated communication with retiring athletes about coaching opportunities and a number have enrolled in NCCP Courses or Evaluations/Challenges

Coach Development

1. Provide an environment of sharing enabling coaches to grow and improve their expertise
   • **NACAC Mentorship** Project with Athletics Canada – good feedback on the premise of this ProD
   • “Mentoring” initiative is a key priority for spring/summer of 2015

2. Encourage the professionalization of coaching in Athletics through various partnerships and incentives
   • Link on the website for grants and financial support for coach education
   • Partnership with Sport Med BC and local running stores for Road Running Course
   • Looking for partner/key sponsor for Province Wide Professional Development Series

3. Enhance the coach recognition program to support retention and acknowledge achievements
   Website has Learning Facilitator Profiles, and soon profiles of Team Staff Coaches and Personal Coaches of Team BC Athletes; may be adding a List of Certified BC Coaches.