Cross Country Committee

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Sanda Turner (Board liaison)
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2015 XC Championships
BC Athletics: Nanaimo
BC High School: Vancouver
Athletics Canada: Kingston, Ont.

2016
BCA: Nanaimo, Oct. 29
BCHS: Kelowna, Nov. 5
AC: Kingston, Nov. 26

At the 2014 AGM the cross country committee had an extended meeting and tackled some pertinent topics.

At your annual BCA championships the schedule was adjusted to have larger fields and the excitement that brings. An example is combining the Junior, Senior and Masters in one female and one male competition. That also allows Universities to run their whole team in one event.

Team scoring at the championships was adjusted so that more teams could participate by reducing the number of runners required.

The cross country awards nomination process was changed in order to narrow the number of nominees to 3 in each of the Youth, Junior and Senior categories. A point scoring system is then used to compare individuals, then the BCA XC committee picks the winner from the 3 nominees. Masters committee coordinates their awards.

We are always conscious of the IAAF possibly adjusting upwards, the distances of their championship events and the effect that has on Canada and the Provinces and Territories.

Mountain and trail running events and participation continues to increase.