

Technical Director's Report

August 2018

1. Highlights

- A. BCA Team athletes continue to have strong performances nationally and internationally. Para-athletes were eligible for selection to the BC Team for first time. Very positive feedback from the para community. Able bodied funding was also maintained.
- B. AAP Funding – Discussions regarding BCA Championships participation were conducted and changes have been made for 2018/2019 Funding cycle
- C. BC Athletics Targeted Athlete Program (CSI) – Criteria has been updated for 2018/2019 nomination cycle to include Para athletes.
- D. BC Endurance Project – First BC Endurance Project XC Camp offered for High school athletes in Whistler this past August. Camp sold out (40 athletes) and feedback from attending athletes was excellent. BC Endurance Project athletes continue to achieve excellent results at national and international levels.
- E. Sprint/Hurdle Project Warm Weather Training Camp was held in March in Las Vegas for the first time. 20 athletes and 6 personal coaches attended. BC Athletics sent Derek Evely as an expert coach to work with athletes and coaches. Looking at combining additional throws camp for 2019 in order to improve athletes experience and share resources.

2. Challenges

- A. IAAF World Ranking System is going to start phasing in next year. There are many concerns with regards to how this will affect athletes attempting to qualify for 2019 World Championships and 2020 Olympic Games. BC Athletics is monitoring the process and requesting additional information from AC.
- B. BCA is continuing improve para athlete access to teams and funding. Challenges include working with funding partners to secure additional funding for these programs

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