Board Report

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Thursday, April 30, 2020

Period of January 15 to April 30

Events Attended (since last board meeting)

- BC Athletics Annual Awards
- Sport BC Meeting
- Pan Am Cross Country Championships
- BC Race Directors Conference

Strategic Plan Activities

Technical Leadership – Event Directors

- Forty eight Event Directors attended. Representation from large and small events, from the island, interior, sunshine coast, and the lower mainland. Slight increase from 43 in 2019.
- Topics were –
  - Event Sponsorship
  - Developing Community Engagement
  - Event Basics
  - Event Risk Management
  - Social and Traditional Media
- Thank you to board member Jordan Myers, for help with planning and moderating the day.
- Presentations and summary are available online.

Competition

- **BC Athletics Road Championships**
  - 5k – St Patrick’s Day 5k, was to hold the championship on March 14. The event was cancelled week of.
  - 10k – Vancouver Sun Run, April 19 was canceled early March.
  - Half Marathon – Scotiabank Vancouver Half Marathon, June 28, cancelled April 17
  - Marathon – is scheduled for the Goodlife Fitness Victoria Marathon on Oct 11

- **BC Super Series**
  - Cancellations so far include (of the 12 events):
    - St. Patrick’s Day 5k, March 14
    - Vancouver Sun Run, April 19
    - Times Colonist 10k (TC10k), April 26
    - BMO Vancouver Half Marathon, May 3
    - Scotiabank Vancouver Half Marathon, June 28
- Postponed Series Events
  - Longest Day Road Race, June 19
  - Working with Event Directors on status. The series is likely to be carried over into 2021, including both the 2020 & 2021 results in the athlete’s totals. Still TBD.

- BC Team National Championships – Team Criteria
  - National Team Criteria for the Road Championships were published.
  - National Road Championships are –
    - Ottawa Marathon Weekend 10k – May 23 - cancelled
    - Manitoba Marathon Half Marathon – June 14 – possibly postponed, will not take place in June
    - Scotiabank Toronto Waterfront Marathon – October 18
    - Moncton Running Festival 5k – Sept 11 - cancelled

- Pan Am Cross Country Cup
  - Taking place in Victoria on February 29, at the Westin Bear Mountain Golf Resort & Spa. 8 countries took part in the Pan Am Championship.
  - Attendance was well received in the masters, youth, and child events.
  - Day of role managing results with officials, timer, announcers and broadcast teams.

- Pacific Distance Carnival
  - 2020 has been cancelled, the event will host the 10,000m Championship in 2021.

- National Cross Country Championships
  - Working with LOC & AC to renew MOU for 2020.
  - Hosting letters of support for funding grants, for AC XC and BC XC.

Organizational Capacity – Communications & Capacity

- Event Calendar – is continually being updated with event status updates
- Event Directors – managing communication and advice of cancellations, postponements, and resources.
  - Gathering and posting resources for event directors.
  - Attending webinars for best practices. Sharing with Event Directors.
  - Working through insurance questions and policy.