BCA ROAD RUNNING COMMITTEE
Meeting MINUTES – April 10, 2018

By Phone: Bob, Clif, Jake, Eric, Jordan, Frank, Maurice, John, Geoffrey
Regrets: Kim, Grace

Agenda (meeting begin 6:33 pm):

1. Review and acceptance of minutes from prior meeting – There was a brief discussion that the minutes from prior meeting need to be approved at this meeting (were previously done by email vote)
   Motioned, Frank seconded Clif

2. Review and acceptance of meeting agenda.
   Motioned, Bob seconded Geoffrey

3. Next committee meeting, July 18, Wed, 6:30pm
   • Conference Call - Bob unable to attend

4. Updates – State of the Sport (documentation for each has been updated)
   • Regional Series
     i. Lower Mainland Series – (Frank) An increase in average participation (Icebreaker up 27%, St Patrick’s Day up 16%, April Fools down 7%) ... overall up 13% 3 of 9 events completed
        ▪ http://www.lmrrs.com/results.htm
     ii. Interior Series – (Jordan) An increase in average participation
     iii. Island Series – (Bob) The series is now complete. Series is practically even in numbers with last year (492 in 2017 and 481 in 2018). Plans to re-tweak Pioneer start line to get a wider area.
        ▪ http://vira.bc.ca/series/
     iv. Super Series – (Maurice) Both Steveston and St. Patrick’s Day numbers up – however Pioneer was flat due to the weather.
        ▪ http://www.bcathletics.org/BCSuperSeries/

   • BC Championships Update (Maurice commented that championship race numbers are up and this also extends to an increase in BCA membership numbers across all levels.)
     i. 8k | Steveston Icebreaker
     ii. 5k | BMO St. Patrick’s Day - Many competitive times due to start/finish line adjustment. Resulting in a new downhill start. Natasha Wodak ran a course record that is currently under review.
     iii. 10k | TC 10k
     iv. 42.2k | BMO Vancouver Marathon
     v. 21.1k | Goodlife Victoria Marathon
• National Champs & Commonwealth Update
  • General discussion regarding the Commonwealth Games and the 10,000 meter final, 2 athletes from BC placed in the top 10; Natasha Wokak was 5th, Rachel Cliff (a BC Endurance Project Athlete) was 9th.
  • General discussion on nat’l champs & the 10k & Half on the same weekend
  • Update (Jordan) on board vote on BC athlete funding & a rules update. If an athlete had missed the BC Jamboree without a written exemption (nat’l or int’l competition/ injury, etc) the funding consequences were ambiguous. The vote and rule update now explicitly state the funding consequences. This update arose out of a specific case in 2017 in which one of the funded athletes in 2017 did not fulfill their obligations.
    i. Athlete funding
    ii. Athlete Rule Update
    iii. Competition Update
      a. 10k | Ottawa Race Weekend
      b. 21.1k | Calgary Marathon
      c. 5k | Toronto-Yorkville
      d. 42.2k | Toronto Waterfront

5. Race director’s Mtg  | April 15 (a 1 day program April 15th, joint effort: Triathlon BC and BC Athletics)
  • Overview (Jordan & Maurice) the first co-hosted (TriBC & BC Athletics) provincial race director’s conference. This has been an ongoing effort to continue to provide professional development opportunities to the membership and sanctioned events. The joint conference goal is to encourage collaboration and synergies of organizers across BC.
  • (Jordan) There will be 5 topics [3 speakers in the am, 2 speakers in the pm] lunch and sport specific break out sessions in the afternoon. Registration is free for this test event for sanctioned events under TriBC and BC Athletics – Jordan to provide update to members post evnt.

6. New Business/ Action Items
  • Maurice (Technical Manager for Road Running and Cross Country) has given his notice to BC Athletics. Tentatively will continue in his position into the month of June.
  • (Bob) Vancouver Island’s Rob Reid and his team at the FrontRunners store are marking their 30th year.
  • (Bob) Prairie Inn Harriers are celebrating their 40th anniversary in August.
  • (Bob) Victoria Sports News, edited by Christoper Kelsall, is an great source for all sports (road running included) for Vancouver Island.
  • (Frank) Sun Run and TC 10K on same date next year (Jordan has conference call with Joe Dixon and Maurice Wilson) – Maurice updated the following morning with the 2019 dates
    i. Apr 14 – Sun Run
    ii. Apr 21 – Easter
    iii. Apr 28 – TC10K
    iv. May 5 – VIM

7. End of Meeting.
  • Moved, Clif Seconded, Bob
  • End of meeting, time: 7:40 pm