

**BCA Road Running Committee**  
**MINUTES - Nov 26, 2019 | Q4 Mtg**



**In Person:** Jordan, Frank, Clif, Geoffrey, Jake, Jared  
**By Phone:** Eric, Bob  
**Regrets:** John, Lissa

**Meeting:**

- Review and acceptance of meeting agenda.
  - Motioned: Geoffrey      Seconded: Jake
  - Meeting begin time: 6:34 pm
- Review and acceptance of previous meeting minutes
  - Motioned: Jake              Seconded: Frank
- Road Running Awards
  - Online Process Outlined & Circulated prior to meeting, confirming decision  
Discussion of Senior athlete consideration: in camera.  
Review of last year's selection - a narrowing down to top 4 male/female and voting then conducted by anonymous poll. This year – will set the 3 nominees at this meeting and an email poll will decide the winner by anonymous vote in December  
Top 3 senior male/female will get invites to the awards  
Junior male decided; no junior female this year  
**Action Item:** Clif to email out anonymous poll for the current voting based upon top 3 Senior M/F athletes agreed upon at this meeting
  - Overall Female
  - Overall Male
- Updates – Competition (Off-Season)
  - Regional Series
    - 2019 Competition has concluded - discussion & updates from liaisons to committee on what they think are learnings/ takeaways from 2019 & predictions & opportunities for 2020 organizers & races
    - Lower Mainland Series – (Frank)
      - <http://www.lmrrs.com>
      - Out of the 9 events – 294 fewer participants. Only Icebreaker and Summerfast increased their participation numbers. Qualifiers up (67 qualified out of 124 that ran 5 races – an increase over last year)
      - Shaughnessy 8K is cancelled going forward. Turkey Trot and Seawall Race interested in joining the Series.
    - Interior Series – (Clif)
      - <http://www.interiorrunningassociation.com>
      - Clif has produced a report showing numbers over the last 15 years indicating what Series races were up and which ones were down in numbers.

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- Clif attended AGM 2 weeks ago in Kelowna: all went well, same races from 2019 will be present in 2020. Looking to the future to apply for the 5K Championships once able to qualify (Fast Days of Summer 5000)  
Action Item: Clif to distribute their schedule
- Island Series – (Bob)
  - <http://www.islandseries.org/>
  - 2020 schedule confirmed on VIRA website: every two weeks beginning January 12<sup>th</sup> and concluding April 19<sup>th</sup>.
- BC Super Series – (Clif)
  - <https://www.bcatletics.org/BCSuperSeries/>  
Action Item: Clif to run the numbers and distribute them to the Committee prior to the next meeting.
  - Looking to bring in a Series award wrap up event at the December 11th RunVan Jog and Nog.
  - Calendar for 2020 all set and registration is open for all but one or two events
- BC Championships Update (Clif)
  - 2020-2021 BC Championships
    - Pioneer (Jan 12<sup>th</sup>), St. Pat's 5K (Mar 14<sup>th</sup>), Sun Run (Apr 19<sup>th</sup>), Scotiabank Half Marathon (June 28<sup>th</sup>), GoodLife Fitness Victoria Marathon (Oct 11<sup>th</sup>)
  - 2019 BC Championships
    - 21.1k | GoodLife Fitness Victoria Marathon – Half – Oct 13  
24 competitors
    - Cross Country – Victoria – Oct 26
- National Championships Update (Clif)
  - 2019 National Championships
    - Marathon – Toronto Waterfront – October 20
    - Cross Country – Abbotsford – November 30
  - 2020
    - 5K – no update at this time from Athletics Canada
    - 10K | May 23 – [Tamarack Ottawa Race Weekend](#) (Ottawa)
    - Half Marathon | June 21 – [Manitoba Marathon](#) (Winnipeg)
    - Marathon | Oct 18 – [Scotiabank Toronto Waterfront Marathon](#) (Toronto)
    - X Country | Nov 28 – [ACXC](#) (Abbotsford)
    - Action Item: Clif will post revised BC athlete criteria by December on the website. Considering easing the standards somewhat to increase eligibility and to alter standards to allow for debut's at the marathon.
- AGM & AWARDS
  - Recap of the AGM (Clif, Jake, Jordan)
  - Awards Date & Venue – February 1<sup>st</sup> at the Executive Inn in Richmond
  - 2020 AGM date tentative the weekend prior to Labour Day ( BC Athletics Board to set in January)
- New Business

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- Bob mentioned the upcoming February 29th Pan Am Cross Country Cup (encouraging road runners to do an all-comers event). Also a Can AM Masters Championship (Canada vs. America)
- Race Directors Conference – March 7<sup>th</sup>. Like last year it will be a 1 day conference jointly held with Tri BC; topics TBD and there will be break-out sessions
- January 4<sup>th</sup> Maurice Tarrant turns 90 and Prairie Inn will be getting together to celebrate the event. Recognition of his age group awards in age groups 40 through 90 and countless awards with GoodLife Fitness Victoria 8K and Half Marathon. He plans to continue to participate in a couple of the 2020 Island Series events.
- Future 2019 Meetings
  - 2020 – Q1 & AGM
    - Bob suggested mid-Series meeting dates: week before or after St. Patrick's Day - March 14<sup>th</sup> and also another in June
    - Action Item: A new Chair for the Committee is needed
    - Action Item: John is to transition to the Cross Country Committee but he will look for a replacement from the Interior to join the Road Running Committee
    - Action Item: Looking for athlete representation on the Committee. Jordan or Bob will reach out to Lucy and Natasha.
- End of Meeting
  - Moved: Frank                      Seconded: Jared
  - End of meeting, time: 7:48 pm