

Junior Development 2014 Annual General Meeting
Saturday, October 25, 2014 – ABC Restaurant, Abbotsford
4pm – 7:30pm

Present: Graeme Fell, Dawn Copping, Maureen de St. Croix, Florence Dingle, Tom Dingle, Tyler Heisterman, Dan Horan, Lina Horan, Sue Kydd, Kim Longmuir, Randy Longmuir, Dave Short, Roberta Smith, Alwilda van Ryswyk, Birgit Weaver, Ron Wichmann

1. Election of Board Members: Zones 5,6,7 & 8 were up for re-election plus 2 at Large Members
 - Zone 5 – 2013, 2014 represented by Dawn Copping, Nominated Dawn Copping – acclaimed
 - Zone 6 – 2013, 2014 represented by Tyler Heisterman, Nominated Tyler Heisterman – acclaimed
 - Zone 7 – 2013, 2014 – not represented, no nominations, remains unrepresented
 - Zone 8 – 2013, 2014 – represented by Bill Masich, no Nominations, Graeme will check with Bill to see if Bill will continue to represent Zone 8 for 2015, 2016
 - At Large Members 2013, 2014 Graeme Fell, Birgit Weaver agreed to continue for 2015, 2016

 - Zone 3 vacated by James Meehan, Ron Wichmann nominated to represent Zone 3 2015 - acclaimed
 - Zone 4 not filled in 2014, Sean Dixon nominated to represent Zone 4 2015 – acclaimed
 - At Large -2013, 2014 not represented, Bernie Katzberg nominated – acclaimed –

Alwilda van Ryswyk moved acceptance of above board members. Seconded by Dawn Copping. Motion carried.

2. Election of Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary
 - a) Graeme Fell accepted a nomination for 2015 JD Committee Chair, no further nominations. Dawn Copping moved that Graeme Fell be accepted as 2015 Chair. Birgit Weaver seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion carried.
 - b) Birgit Weaver accepted a nomination for 2015 JD Committee Vice-Chair, no further nominations. Dawn Copping moved that Birgit Weaver be accepted as 2015 Vice-Chair. Alwilda van Ryswyk seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion carried.
 - c) Maureen de St. Croix accepted a nomination for Secretary, no further nominations. Alwilda moved that Maureen de St. Croix be accepted as 2015 JD Committee Secretary. Dawn Copping seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion carried.

Discussion: in order to encourage the acceptance of committee Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary, the duties of each position should be defined. General agreement. No Action item as this time.

3. Reports from JD Championship events
 - a. 2014 JD Track & Field Championships – hosted by Universal Track & Field Club, highlights of report given verbally by Sue Kydd in addition to submission of written report. Written report attached.
Report highlights:
 - i) Championship package needs revision to make it more useful.
 - ii) Discussion re 2 vs 3 day championship – majority wished to continue with 3 day event due to being able to start early Saturday morning and allow athletes to compete in multiple events more easilyDiscussion & Recommendations
 - i) Hosting club should set schedule as far in advance as possible, and not change schedule within 4 weeks of start of meet.. Report recommends trying to develop a set schedule that only has minor adjustments due to hosting restrictions.
 - ii) Previous year's package should go automatically to next host
 - iii) Friday night start good for out of Lower Mainland participants. Most participants will travel Friday so good to get some events done Friday night.
 - iv) Graeme Fell noted that some items in Universal Athletics summary report of 2014 JD Championships made need more time to be adopted. Best protocol would be to make a motion for each of the

- points put forward by Universal Athletics and carry forward. Some points can be dealt with directly the JD Committee; others are under the jurisdiction of the BC Athletics AGM
- v) Graeme Fell suggested that at the beginning of the track and field season, the JD Committee send out a reminder of the various protocols involved for competition to officials, clubs, parents and athletes

Graeme Fell moved that the 2014 BCJD Championships report from Universal Track & Field Club be accepted.
Dave Short seconded the motion. Motion accepted.

- b. 2014 BCJD/Midget Pentathlon – hosted by Golden Ears Club – Andrew Lenton unable to attend – brief overview given by Graeme Fell. Meet went well. Participant numbers down slightly in some age groups. Andrew will submit a report at a later date.
- c. 2014 BCJD Cross Country Championships – hosted by Valley Royals at Clearbrook Park, Saturday October 25. Overview of event given by Maureen de St. Croix. Well run event. Numbers were down. Suggested that decline in participation may have been due partly to the decrease in school programs for the 2014 Fall. Report will be submitted by Valley Royals at a later date.
4. AGM report – Graeme Fell has report in draft form and will circulate final report for a vote.
- a. Combining of 14,15 year olds for competition was passed at 2013 AGM. Other unintended consequences may have been added in post vote.

Motion: A motion stating that the 14 and 15 year old athletes should be awarded separately at the BC Awards Banquet with awards being based on the criteria developed for the 14 and 15 year old standards will be submitted to the BCA AGM for discussion.

Dan moved, Ron Wichmann seconded. Motion carried

Action Item: Graeme will submit the motion to the BCA AGM.

5. Awarding of 2015 Championships

a. 2015 JD/Midget Pentathlon:

i. Chilliwack submitted a formal application to host the 2015 JD/Midget Pentathlon. Ron Wichmann presented his proposal:

- Brand new upgraded facility
- Good ½ way point between Lower Mainland & Island and the Interior
- 3 High Jump areas are feasible
- 2 shot put areas are feasible

ii) Golden Ears Track and Field Club, the 2014 host, is interested in hosting the event in 2015.

Formal bid not submitted. Andrew Lenton not present to present bid.

Chilliwack voted as 2015 host for the BCJD/Midget Pentathlon

b. 2015 JD Track and Field Championships:

i. Application bids received from Universal Athletics and Ocean Athletics. Alwilda van Ryswyk asked that Kamloops also be considered for the championship as Judy Armstrong had apparently put in a bid. Kamloops bid accepted. Brief presentations by Sue Kydd for Universal Athletics, Maureen de St. Croix for Ocean Athletics and Alwilda van Ryswyk for Kamloops Track & Field Club were presented.

Kamloops voted as 2015 host for the BCJD Track and Field Championships to be held July 17-19.

c. 2015 BCJD Cross Country Championships

i. 2015 BCJD Cross Country Championships will be held as part of the 2015 BC Athletics Cross Country Championships in Victoria

6. 2014 BCJD Banquet

- 179 lunch tickets, 60 Awards only tickets
- Rachel Cliff and Chris Winter are invited guest speakers
- Byron Jack – front door ticket collection
- Lina Horan and Birgit Weaver – front door stamping of entrants
- Birgit Weaver – distribute Lower Mainland XC series awards and JD graduation certificates
- Maureen de St. Croix – raffle draw prize table, table centerpieces
- Tyler Heisterman – MC
- Tom Dingle & Dawn Copping – power point
- Dan Horan - athlete organize
- Alwilda van Ryswyk– photographs of award winner
- Dave Short – 50/50 ticket sales

7. BCJD Manual update

Discussion: JD Manual continues to need updating to make JD Manual simpler by removing items that are found elsewhere on BC Athletics site - for example technical specifications.

Action Item – Graeme Fell and Dawn Copping will also take a look at JD Manual with objective to have in place by the end of December changes to make manual more useable. Birgit will look at changes once they are done. Tyler Heisterman will ask Bernie Katzberg to also look at JD Manual content.

8. Hammer wire length for JD's

Motion: the wire length for JD hammer events be shortened to allow for greater success in introducing the event to young athletes.

BC Athletics board has requested more information from provincial hammer coaches in order to make a qualified decision on the motion. No information has been received from provincial hammer coaches. Motion will be submitted to BC Athletics for discussion at the 2014 BCA AGM.

9. Travel expense reimbursement

Motion: The JD committee reimburse JD committee members as per BC Athletics Board members policy of \$0.43/km when more than 80 km are logged for a round trip. Ferry transportation is considered a reimbursable expense.

Moved by Dan Horan

Seconded by Dave Short

Discussion: Dawn Copping felt that the \$0.43/km was too high and would serious impact the BCA budget. Discussion resulted in agreement that there be a division between reimbursement for committee activities and club activities. Randy Longmuir stated that there should be no difference between policy for JD Committee members and BC Athletics Board policy.

Motion passed: 1 abstention, 7 in favour

10. Technical Manual: discussion on rewording the instructions for athletes in Track and Field time conflicts. It is suggested that the wording ' track events take precedence over field events' be reworded to encompass the idea that neither will field events be delayed to allow for the completion of a track event, nor will a track event be delayed to allow for the completion of a field event.

- Both athletes and parents need to be made aware of this protocol. Suggested that a mini manual be developed for parents to disseminate track and field meet protocol. Tyler Heisterman will make available the manual developed by Nanaimo Track and Field Club to educate both athletes and parents on the protocols of Track and Field.

- Meet directors need to develop meet schedules with as few conflicts as possible, and perhaps delegate volunteers to help direct athletes accordingly in conflict situations
- Ron Wichmann noted that there were not a large number of these conflicts so likely well managed with better education

11. Jane Swan award: email Graeme with nominations by Tuesday, October 28, 2014

12. New Meeting Dates:

December 5, 2014 – 5-7pm – as part of the BC Athletics 2014 AGM

February 22, 2015

April 12, 2015

September 13 , 2015

13. Motion to adjourn: Birgit Weaver

Seconded: Dave Short

2014 JD AGM adjourned at 7:20pm, Sunday, October 26, 2014