The weather is showing great improvement. Come join us!!!

Pussy cat on the stadium seats in Barcelona, Spain

Training

- And the Workshops continue .....
Upcoming Workshops – please register at https://www.bcathletics.org/Officials/

• A Level 1 and a Level 2 Workshops will be presented in Victoria on the evening of May 10th. Presenters will be Vince Sequeira, Brian Thomson and Ina Wallace.
• A Level 1 Workshop will be presented in conjunction with the Eagle Classic Track and Field Meet being held in Maple Ridge on May 11th (8:30am to 10:am). This workshop will be presented by John and Carol Cull.
• A Level 1 Workshop will be presented in conjunction with the Langley Pacific Invitational Track and Field Meet being held in Langley on June 14th to 16th. The Workshop will be held on Saturday, June 15th (8:30am to 10:am). This workshop will be presented by John and Carol Cull.
• A National Level Walks Workshop will be held in conjunction with the Trevor Craven Track and Field Meet on Friday June 21, (5:00pm to 7:00pm). This workshop will be presented by Peter Fejfar.
• A Level 1 Workshop will be presented in conjunction with the Trevor Craven Track and Field Meet, Saturday, June 22 (8:30am to 10:00am). This will be held at Swangard.
• Please note the change of date for the Level 2 Workshop that is being held in the Lower Mainland. It is now taking place at Fortius on August 17th, 2019. More information will be available here as we get closer to the date, however, details and the registration form are available on the Officials’ Website.

Development

• Don’t forget, if you wish to upgrade your certification this year, contact Cheryl Elke at wcelke@shaw.ca. Planning for those Evaluations has begun. More information can be found on the Officials’ page of the BC Athletics website.
• Not yet registered with BC Athletics? You can do this either as an individual or through your Club. Remember, you can’t be reimbursed for travel or parking expenses if you are not a member.
  Coordinators in the Interior – Greg Nicol (glnicol@telus.net), Alwilda van Ryswyk (alvan50@shaw.ca)
  Coordinator on the Island – Vince Sequeira (vince.sequeira@shaw.ca)
  Coordinators in the Lower Mainland – Carol Cull (carolcull@telus.net), John Cull (johncull@telus.net)

Recognition

• The BC Branch of the Officials’ Committee would like to thank Prince George Track and Field Club for hosting both a Level 2 and a Level 1 Workshop in conjunction with their Sub-Zero Meet. The Meet lived up to its name – here is a pic of Sue and Kevin Kydd wearing all the clothing that they brought with them. Don’t you just love this new, BLUE Track surface???
Mentoring

- The Canada wide National Officials Committee (NOC) mentoring program is gearing up for roll-out this season. Brian Thomson will obtain training from NOC on the new program in early May. The program will then be rolled out in BC. Details are being finalized but it will most likely be a phased approach to a subset of officials in the first year with full implementation in 2020. As soon as the BC Athletics Officials Committee has more information, we will solicit, select and train mentors. Officials selected as the initial mentees will be contacted and provided information on the program. Updates on plans and progress at implementing the mentoring program will be provided in this newsletter.

Technical Corner

- Another great opportunity for learning presented itself very recently. A young athlete in a Shot Put event threw the shot, waited for it to land and then while turning to exit the circle, stumbled putting his hand onto the ground in front of the toe board, regained his balance and exited correctly out of the back of the circle. What was the decision made by the Official who was the Chief of the Event? It was correctly called a fault. Please see Rules #187.17 and #187.17a

In Touch

- Congratulations to Valerie Jerome who celebrated a very special birthday at the end of April. Best Wishes for a wonderful year ahead, Valerie.
- And thanks, Mo, the egg salad sandwich was GREAT!

Officiating Q & A Questions

A few more of these puzzlers.

Here are the new Questions and Answers for this Newsletter. Answers can be found at the end of the Newsletter.

Q 1
In which Events is only one athlete bib required to be worn?
- a) Pole Vault
- b) Hammer
- c) All Jumping Events

Q 2
In a Hammer Event, the implement is thrown and the head touches the sector line but bounces and comes to rest in the area between the sector lines. What is the Call?

Q 3
In a Decathlon Event, one of the Athletes is feeling unwell and decides not to compete in the 1500m Event, the last of the 10 Events. How will this affect his final placement?

Items from the Branch Officials’ Committee

- Calling all BC officials who can speak French! The 2020 Canadian Francophone games have been awarded to Oak Bay (Victoria). The meet will be 1 to 2 days between July 14 and 18. The Officials Committee is working with BC Athletics and the meet organizing committee to review requirements for officials, facilities and equipment. Please reply to Carol Cull if you have a good working knowledge of French and would be interested in helping officiate this meet.
- A reminder about claiming expenses (this is taken from the information provided on the Officials Page of the BCA website under Officials’ Expense Claims).
Member officials are entitled to repayment of authorized expenses for travel to events, and for "expendables" (meet supplies). Expenses for local travel require no specific authorization. Expenses for “out-of-Region travel are only eligible if given prior approval by the Officials Committee. Officials must work at the event for a substantial period (at least 4-6 hours) to be eligible for repayment. Officials cannot claim travel expenses for meets in which they also intend to coach, parent and/or compete. Carpooling or sharing rides is strongly encouraged where feasible. A rationale for travelling as an individual must be provided (if other officials are travelling to the same meet).

With Much Appreciation for Your Help

Event: Fraser Valley High School Invitational Track Meet
Sponsored by: South Fraser Track and Field Club
Date: Saturday, April 20th
Location: Bear Creek Park, Surrey

Many thanks to:
Cathy Carr, Dawn Driver, Chris Eliopoulos, Jacob Emerson, Debbie Foote, Tom Hastie, Kathleen Henderson, Ron Heron, Julie Lees, Jake Madderom, Jason Swan, Harnek Toor, Ajax Shen, John Cull, Carol Cull

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Event: 2019 Vancouver Elementary School Championship
Sponsored by: UBC
Date: Thursday, April 25
Location: Rashpal Dhillon Track and Field Oval
UBC Campus (Wesbrook/16th Ave.)

Thanks to:
Scott Saunders, Jake Madderom, Iain Fisher, Kathleen Henderson, Ted de St. Croix, Maureen de St. Croix

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Event: Ultra Junior Development Throws Festival
Sponsored by: Ultra Throws
Date: Saturday, April 27
Location: McLeod Athletic Park, Langley

Thanks to:
Harnek Toor, Maureen de St. Croix, Rose Hare, Dawn Driver, Betsy Rollins

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Event: Ultra Throws Festival #1
Sponsored by: Ultra Throws
Date: Sunday, April 28
Location: McLeod Athletic Park, Langley

Times:

Thanks to:
Ron Heron, Dawn Driver

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Event: Surrey Track and Field Championships
Sponsored by: Surrey High Schools
Date: Tuesday, April 30th, Wednesday May 1 and Friday May 3
Location: Bear Creek Park and South Surrey Athletic Park

Thanks to:
Ted de St. Croix, Maureen de St. Croix, Nancy Champagne, Rose Hare, Kevin Kydd, Sue Kydd, Vince Gabel, Julie Lees, Betsy Rollins, Jim Rollins, Cathy Carr, Jake Madderom, John Cull, Carol Cull
Event: NorWesters Elementaries Meet  
Sponsored by: NorWesters Track and Field Club  
Date: Saturday, May 4 and Sunday, May 5  
Location: Swangard Stadium, Burnaby  

Thanks to:  
Zach Durand, Dawn Driver, Bill Koch, Kathleen Henderson, Jake Madderom, Abresia Foote, John Cull, Carol Cull  
Special thanks to the many, many enthusiastic and knowledgeable volunteers from NorWesters.

Officiating Opportunities

*Please come lend a hand. Send me a note to let me know if you are available in the Lower Mainland.*  
*We need help for all of the Meets listed below!*

* It is Important that Officials coming to Meets check the Club’s website the night before the Meet as Schedules can Change *

Event: 14th Annual Eagle Classic Track and Field Meet  
Sponsored by: Golden Ears Athletics  
Date: Saturday, May 11  
Location: Maple Ridge Secondary  
21911 122nd Avenue  
Maple Ridge  

Times:  
Track  
First Event – 9:30am  
Last Event – 5:00pm  

Field  
High Jump (two pits) – First Event 9:20, Last Event 3:10  
Long Jump (two pits) – First Event 9:20, Last Event 3:10  
Shot Put (two circles) – First Event 9:20, Last Event 3:30  
Javelin – First Event 10:30, Last Event 3:10  

Officials who have committed to attend:  
Emily Kydd, Steve Martin, Dawn Driver, Iain Fisher, Kathleen Henderson, Bill Koch, Sue Kydd, Jake Madderom, Celina Wong, Chris Eliopoulos, Debbie Foote (until 3:00), John Cull, Carol Cull plus those taking the Level 1 Officials’ workshop that precedes the Meet.

Event: 2019 Fraser Valley Track and Field Championships  
Sponsored by: The High Schools of the Fraser Valley  
Date: Monday May 13, Tuesday May 14, Thursday May 16  
Location: McLeod Park, Langley  

Times:  
Track  
Monday, May 13  
First Event – 3:00pm  
Last Event – 6:45pm  

Tuesday, May 14  
First Event – 3:00pm  
Last Event – 6:45pm  

Thursday, May 16  
First Event – 10:00am  
Last Event – 3:30pm
Field

Monday, May 13

Shot Put – 3:00, 5:00
Javelin – 3:00, 5:00
Discus – 3:00, 5:00, 6:15
Long Jump – 3:00, 5:00
Triple Jump – 3:00, 5:00
High Jump – 3:00, 5:00

Tuesday, May 14

Shot Put – 3:00, 4:30, 6:00
Javelin – 3:00, 4:30, 6:00
Discus – 3:00, 4:30, 6:00
Long Jump – 3:00, 4:30, 6:00
Triple Jump – 3:00, 4:30, 6:00
High Jump – 3:00, 4:30, 6:00

Thursday, May 16

Shot Put – 12:00, 12:30 (Para/Special O)
Javelin – 9:30
Hammer – 9:30, 11:00, 12:00
Long Jump – 9:30
Triple Jump – 9:30
High Jump – 9:30
Pole Vault – 10:00, 12:30

Officials who have committed to attend:
Carol Cull (13, 14, 16), John Cull (14, 16), Sue Kydd (13, 14, 16), Julie Lees (14, 16)

Event:
South Fraser Junior Olympics
Sponsored by:
South Fraser Track and Field Club
Date:
Saturday, May 18 and Sunday, May 19
Location:
Bear Creek Park, Surrey
Times:

Track

Saturday, May 18
First Event – 9:00am
Last Event – 3:30pm

Sunday, May 19
First Event – 9:00am
Last Event – 2:10pm

Field

Saturday, May 18
High Jump – First Event 9:00, Last Event 3:00
Long Jump – First Event 9:00, Last Event 3:00
Triple Jump – 10:05, 11:20
Shot Put – First Event 9:00, Last Event 3:00
Discus – First Event 9:00, Last Event 3:00

Sunday, May 19
High Jump – First Event 9:00, Last Event 12:45
Long Jump – First Event 9:00, Last Event 12:45
Shot Put – First Event 9:00, Last Event 12:45
Discus – 9:00, 10:15

Officials who have committed to attend:
Jason Swan, Jeff Byington, Shirley Byington, Carol Cull, John Cull

Event: Richard Collier Big Kahuna Throwsfest
Sponsored by: Kajaks Track and Field Club
Date: Saturday, May 18
Location: Minoru Athletic Park, Richmond
Times:
Field

Shot Put – 10:00
Javelin – 11:30
1:00 – Discus
2:30 – Hammer

Officials who have committed to attend:

Event: Vancouver Distance Track Series
Sponsored by: Vancouver Falcons Athletics Club
Date: Saturday May 18, Friday May 31 and Saturday August 31
Location: Rashpal Dhillon Track and Field Oval
UBC Campus (Wesbrook/16th Ave.)
Times:
Saturday, May 18
First Event – 5:30pm - 5,000m Races - (remaining Start times dependent on number of entries)

Friday, May 31
First Event – 6:30pm - Mile Races - (remaining Start times dependent on number of entries)

Saturday, August 31
First Event – 3:30pm - 10,000m Races - (remaining Start times dependent on number of entries)

Officials who have committed to attend:
Scott Saunders (all dates)

Event: BC High School Multi Event Championships
Sponsored by: BC High Schools
Date: Friday, May 24 and Saturday, May 25
Location: South Surrey Athletic Park
Times:
Friday, May 24
First Event – 10:00am
Last Event – 6:00pm

Saturday, May 25
First Event – 9:30am
Last Event – 4:30pm

Officials who have committed to attend:
Ted de St. Croix, Maureen de St. Croix, Emily Kydd, John Cull, Carol Cull
Event: BC Elementary Championships  
Sponsored by: Kajaks Track and Field Club  
Date: Friday May 24, Saturday May 25, Sunday, May 26  
Location: Minoru, Richmond  

Times:  
Track  

Friday, May 24  
First Event – 4:00pm  
Last Event – 8:00pm  

Saturday, May 25  
First Event – 10:00am  
Last Event – 6:00pm  

Sunday, May 26  
First Event – 10:15am  
Last Event – 3:00pm  

Field  

Friday, May 24  
The following Field Events will take place beginning at 3:00pm with the last event beginning at 7:00pm:  
High Jump, Long Jump, Shot Put, Discus  

Saturday, May 25  
The following Field Events will take place beginning at 9:00am with the last event beginning at 5:00pm:  
High Jump, Long Jump, Shot Put, Discus  

Sunday, May 26  
The following Field Events will take place beginning at 9:00am with the last event beginning at 1:00pm:  
High Jump, Long Jump, Shot Put, Discus  

Officials who have committed to attend:  

Event: Ultra Throws Festival #2  
Sponsored by: Ultra Throws  
Date: Sunday, May 26  
Location: McLeod Athletic Park, Langley  

Times:  
Super Weight – 8:30am  
Hammer – 9:15, 10:30  
Shot Put – 10:30, 11:45  
Discus – 11:45, 1:30  
Javelin – 1:30, 2:45  
Weight Throw – 2:45, 4:00  

Officials who have committed to attend:  

Upcoming  
ISEA Championships (Independent Elementary Schools) – May 21, South Surrey  
Jesse Bent Memorial Track and Field Meet – June 8 and 9, Percy Perry Stadium, Coquitlam  
Pacific Distance Carnival (Canadian 10,000m Championships) – June 13, Swangard Stadium, Burnaby
Langley Pacific – June 14, 15 and 16, McLeod Park, Langley

AND …. Into the More Distant Future:
Francophone Games (Events to be held in Oak Bay): July 14 to 18, 2020
The Invictus Games (Events to be held in Victoria) A bid has been submitted to host these Games. The awarding of the Games will take place on June 13, 2019.
Canadian Track and Field Championships (Events to be held in Langley): July 19 to 22, 2021, June 23 to 26, 2022 (tentative dates)

Wow – there is a lot happening!!!

Carol

Officiating Q & A Answers

A1
c) All Jumping Events. (Rule #143.7)

A2
It is a fault. (Rule #187.16)

A3
The Athlete will not be given a place. Rule #200.10