

Athletes, Officials, Coaches, Volunteers and Club Members

This was my second year of my term as Chair. During the year, I was able to visit most of the Zones in the Province. I was pleased to be able to attend many competition events in British Columbia and to attend the 2012 Olympic & Paralympic Track & Field Trials in Calgary. The highlight of this experience was traveling and staying with the BC Athletics team.

A personal “thank you” to our athletes, officials, coaches, volunteers and club members, I have enjoyed meeting you and I have really appreciated you sharing your ideas, thoughts and suggestion.

Competition & Teams

As 2012 was an Olympic & Paralympic year, it was extremely busy for our athletes, officials, support teams, volunteers and coaches. At the trials in Calgary in June, our B.C. athletes qualified for the Olympic & Paralympic teams in track, field, wheelchair & race walking events.

Our member clubs will be hosting the 2013 & 2014 Canadian Cross Country Championships in Vancouver and the 2014 NACAC Under 23 Track and Field Championships in Kamloops.

Athletics Canada

As a member branch of Athletics Canada, we continue to have a strong voice and try to be a part of future positive changes within Athletics Canada. BC was well represented by staff and the board at Athletics Canada’s 2012 Annual General Meeting in May in Ottawa. Over the past year, there has an implementation of new committees of Athletics Canada with an emphasis on increasing the participation from the branches. Individual members of BC Athletics are now a part of the new committees.

Sport BC / ViaSport

As a Provincial Sport Organization (PSO), BC Athletics is a member of Sport BC and our offices are located in the Sport BC / BCIT campus in Richmond until March 2013. With the closure of the Sport BC campus, BC Athletics will be move to new offices in April 2013.

Sport BC now looks very different than in previous years. Over the last year, Sport BC has implemented significant structural changes as it relates to membership services, communications and events and has decreased their staffing level. Recently, they have appointment a new CEO.

The new BC Sport Agency, recently re-branded as “ViaSport”, now plays a significant role in sport in BC especially in the areas of funding allocation.

BC Athletics Board of Directors

I am very grateful to the volunteer efforts of our board members this past year. The roles of Athlete Representative have been vacant this year and we are reaching out to our athletes of the Junior and National teams to fill these roles for the next term.

Our team at the BC Athletics Office

I was very pleased to have a full and active team in the BC Athletics Office this past year and I am very grateful for their work on a weekly basis.

Brian McC Calder and his team have worked hard this year to successfully support our members and clubs.

Greg White, Chair, Board of Directors, BC Athletics

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