

PARTNERS



2016-17 BCSSA ODC Report to BCSSA AGM

Introduction

It is my pleasure to submit the 2016-17 ODC report to the BCSSA AGM. This report (1) identifies the committee members; (2) outlines the responsibility of the committee; (3) reviews the main achievements of the past year; and (4) identifies the goals for 2017-18.

2016-17 Committee Membership

The 2016-17 Committee consisted of Members Bill Kempers and George Moore, Vice-Chair Candace Clouthier and Chair, Wim Kok. The Committee has also been ably assisted by Ted Houghton, BCSSA Executive Director and Lorna Holbech, whose official title at BCSSA does not do any justice to the many contributions she has made. Without their steady hand and guidance the work of ODC would have been infinitely more challenging than it was. Our sincere appreciation. Stuart Gibbs, now as SSC ODC member provides an important link between the National and Branch committees. Needless to note that the work and support of the Board for ODC should not go unnoticed. Thanks everyone.

BCSSA ODC Responsibilities

In broad terms ODC is responsible for the training and development of officials. More specifically this is done through planning, identifying of needs, organizing, hosting and supporting clinics throughout BC, assign specific officials to competitions, evaluate and recommend officials for accreditation and upgrading to just name a few.

2016-17 Achievements

The list of achievements for this past year includes the following:

I) Officials Development

1. Clinics
 - a. Level 1 Intro Clinics (see Appendix I)
 - b. Level 2 Referees Clinic
 - c. Level 2 Timing and Finish Line Judge clinics
 - d. Level 2 Electronic Timing

2. Accreditation and Upgrading
 - a. Level 1 Accreditation (~ 60)
 - b. Level 2 Upgrades (5)
3. SSC upgrading
 - a. Recommended Level 3 Upgrades to SSC. Approved were Mel Chizawsky – Timer 3; Brian Holt – Timer 3; Kim Telizyn – Finish Line Judge 3; Claudette McDowell – Heat Box Steward 3
4. Competition experience
 - a. For 2 officials from NWT and Yukon (at no expense to BCSSA)
 - b. BC starter to go to Quebec to get high level starting experience

II) Financial

While to ODC budget enjoyed a small surplus, funds were spent on:

1. Acquisitions of horn start system;
2. Recognition awards for Level 2 and 3 officials;
3. Travel/per diem for designated chief officials to BC competitions;
4. Financial support for Level 2 starter to attend/work at ST competition in Quebec;
5. Travel subsidy for northern referee to attend Level 2 clinic in Abbotsford;
6. Fees for conductors for Level 1 and level 2 clinics;
7. Expenses for Level 2 Referees clinic;
8. Major funding for Western Elite ST Competition in Richmond

Goals for 2017-18 Skating Season

For the upcoming season the committee is planning the following activities:

1. Clinics
 - a. enable clubs to host Level 1 Clinics: Intro Officiating/Speedskating.
 - b. Plan and execute Level 2 Clinics: Meet Coordinator, Recorder, Referee, and Starter Clinics where needed; Fraser Valley/Lower Mainland; S. and Central Interior
 - c. Identify individuals for these level 2 clinics and encourage them to attend
 - d. See Appendix 2: # officials per club (before upgrading and updating)
2. Mentorship
 - a. Mentor officials across BC, specifically but not limited to Recorders, Referees and Starters.
 - b. Provide opportunities for Recorders, Referees and Starters from other Branches to take advantage of officials' development opportunities in BC and vice-versa.

3. Competitions
 - a. Support clubs to ensure that competition do happen by providing chief officials (Recorders, Referees and Starters)
 - b. Support all officials and volunteers, especially the junior ones, so they will continue to contribute to officials' development.
4. Accreditation and Upgrading
 - a. Work with clubs and officials to ensure accreditation of upgrading occurs in a timely and appropriate manner
 - b. Update Officials' Data Base
 - c. Review linkages BCSA and ODC data bases
 - d. Work on data base issues (as discussed at ODC meeting April 6, 2017)
5. Communication
 - a. Publish ODC Bulletins in a timely manner
 - b. Respond to queries and concerns raised to ODC g-mail account
 - c. Review and address issues identified in Meet Coordinator and Referee Reports submitted to Google Drive under ODC g-mail account

In closing, a word of appreciation for all officials, volunteers and sponsors for all your contributions.

On behalf of BCSSA ODC
E.W. (Wim) Kok
Chair

Appendix I: 2016-2017 Officials Clinics

Date	Location	Clinic-Level	Conductor	Participants
Aug 23/16	Fort St. John	Intro I	E.W. Kok	4
Oct 17 /16	Kelowna	Intro I	C. Acton	?
Nov 18/16	Prince George	Intro I	Ted Houghton	?
Nov 29/16	Salmon Arm	Intro I	R. Hoffman	?
Nov 29/16	Abbotsford	Level II Referee	S. Gibbs and E.W. Kok	4
Jan 13/17	Fort St. John	Intro I	Dee-Ann Stickel	6
Jan 14/17	Fort St. John	Place Judge II	Kim Telizyn	10
Jan 14/17	Fort St. John	Timer II	Tina Henry	10
Jan 15/17	Fort St. John	2E	Dennis Morrison	5
Feb 24/17	Williams Lake	Intro I	Ted Houghton	?
Feb 24/17	Kamloops	Intro I	Carol Dougan	?
Mar 13/17	Kamloops	Place Judge II	Shelley Hewitt	2

Appendix II: Number of officials per club (many hold multiple positions end of 2016)

Club		Club		Club	
Burnaby	38	Mackenzie	1	Richmond	6
Dawson Creek	13	Matsqui	4	Ridge Meadows	15
Esquimalt	5	Mission	2	Salmon Arm	24
Fort St. James	12	Nechako Vanderhoof)	29	Sardis	2
Fort St. John	53	Peninsula	1	Vancouver	1
Kamloops LB	41	Poco	12	Vernon	17
Kamloops RC	1	Williams Lake	0	Unaffiliated	24
Kelowna	21	Prince George	50		
Clubs with no accredited officials have not been listed					