



2024 BC Athletics Annual General Meeting
Program Manager – Track & Field Report
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1. Support Participation & Development

a. 2024 Priorities

- Initiate outreach with coaches, athletes as potential event discipline leaders to assess the needs of athletes and coaches in various event disciplines.
- Review current competition calendar and competition formats to provide background for event working group.
- Outreach with member clubs to identify best practices for program deliveries and competition formats.
- Publish selection criteria for all provincial track & field teams.
- Manage team selection and team staging for all provincial track & field teams.

b. 2024 Highlights

- Sanctioned 77 Track & Field Events in 2024 (as of 08/14/24).
- Speaking with clubs and athletes to identify current needs and discuss ideas on how to better serve athletes.
- Outreach to high school coaches at 2024 BC High School Track & Field and Combined Events Championships about potential programs to bolster high school programs and attract potential members.
- BC Athletics held 5 Provincial Championships for Junior Development - Masters age groups. Championships listed below with event statistics in Appendix A:
 1. BCA Junior Development Pentathlon Championships
 2. BCA Junior Development Championships
 3. BCA Masters Indoor Track & Field Championships
 4. BCA Masters Outdoor Track & Field Championships
 5. BCA Track & Field Championships Jamboree

c. 2025 Opportunities

- Create an event working group to identify gaps and improve competitive calendar in BC.
- Implement track & field event hosting framework to support the experience of athletes, event directors, officials, and volunteers.
- Review current competition formats and provide best practices for clubs to host time efficient and member friendly events.

2. High Performance Pathway

[2024 Performance Report \(AAP, Targeted Athlete, BC Team Program\) to be posted here after last Provincial and National Team completed.](#)

a. 2024 Priorities

- Continue and Review 2023-24 BC Athletics High Performance programs.
- Outreach to event discipline leaders to assess needs in various events.
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- Maintain a smooth transition returning to role and limit interruptions in programming.

b. 2024 Highlights

- Strong performances by BC Athletes at National and International Competition. (see: Appendix A).
- Strong representation by BC Athletics athletes in National Teams. (23)
- Increase of medal performances at Canadian National Championship events.

c. 2025 Opportunities

- Identify and activate potential revenue generating opportunities to support high performance programming.
- Re-evaluate and re-orient the High-Performance Program to match strengths and funding available.
- Create better domestic competitive opportunities for BC High Performance athletes.

3. Organizational Excellence

a. 2024 Priorities

- Review and update information as it pertains to Track & Field programs.
- Improve efficiency and streamline workflow for event sanctioning, provincial records program etc.
- Create relevant policies for members to better understand programs (i.e., provincial records program).

b. 2024 Highlights

- Updated provincial records policies (see: Appendix B)
- Updated BC Athletics sanctioning application and post event submission form.
- Collaboration with Summer Students regarding BC Teams and event management.
- Operationalized the Officials Management System for all BC Athletics sanctioned Track & Field events.
- Engaged many alumni who are now parents of current or potential members.

c. 2025 Opportunities

- Create resources and policies for event hosting/sanctioning, high performance program, BC Team Programs.
- Engage and lead an Events Working Group, Athlete Development Working Group etc.
- Identify ways to better engage alumni.

APPENDIX A**Provincial Championship Statistics**

Provincial Championship Event	Able Body		Para	
	Female	Male	Female	Male
Masters Indoor Track & Field Championships	26	34	-	-
Masters Outdoor Track & Field Championships	94	207	-	-
Track & Field Championships Junior Development Pentathlon	80	63		
Track & Field Championships Junior Development	242	233	1	-
Track & Field Championship Jamboree – U16	217	209	-	-
Track & Field Championship Jamboree – U18	204	213	-	-
Track & Field Championship Jamboree – U20	95	134	-	-
Track & Field Championship Jamboree – Senior	53	114	-	-
Track & Field Championship Jamboree – Para	-	-	1	1

Medals by BC Athletes at National Championships

Canadian Championship Event	Able Body		Para	
	Female	Male	Female	Male
Indoor Track & Field Championships – Senior	1	0	-	-
Indoor Track & Field Championships – U18	1	0	-	-
Outdoor Track & Field Championships – U16	5	9	-	-
Outdoor Track & Field Championships – U18	12	11	-	-
Outdoor Track & Field Championships – U20	6	11	-	-
Outdoor Track & Field Championships – Para	-	-	4	6
Outdoor Track & Field Championships – Senior	13	11	-	-

[**LINK TO BC ATHLETES ON NATIONAL TEAMS \(including results\)**](#)

APPENDIX B

UPDATES TO BC ATHLETICS RECORDS (effective January 1, 2025)

Please see below for changes and updates to BC Athletics record program.

1. No longer keep Open/All Comers Records (for Track & Field and Road Running).
2. No longer refer to records by BC Athletics Members as “Native.” Records moving forward will just be referred to as Provincial Records.
3. Recognize U23 records for Track & Field (alignment with Athletics Canada).
4. Recognize Indoor Track & Field Records (alignment with Athletics Canada)
5. Publish a standard eligibility criterion as follows (adjusted from General Criteria for Team Funding):

To be recognized for a provincial record (U16-Master), athletes must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- a. Hold a current BC Athletics Competitive Membership and be a member in good standing. In the case of BC Athletics Masters Provincial Records, the member must hold a BC Athletics Masters Membership and be a member in good standing.
 - b. Must have a Canadian Citizenship, Permanent Resident, or have applied for Permanent Resident status.
 - c. Must be at least fourteen (14) years of age in the year of competition (as of December 31). In the case of Masters Provincial Records, members must be within the 5-year age window on the day of the competition.
 - d. Must not be a current/active member of another Athletics Canada Provincial/Territorial Branch or International Athletics Association.
 - e. If previously affiliated with any other Athletics Association within the previous year, the athlete must be a registered competitive/master member of BC Athletics for 6 months before achieving a provincial record.
6. All record performances set at a World Athletics, Athletics Canada (AC rankings), or other World Athletics Federation sanctioned events (i.e., USATF) will be required to submit an online form. The online form will not require officials’ signatures but will still include the following documentation:
- a. Birth Certificate for U16, U18, U20 and U23 records.
 - b. Link to Meet Information
 - c. Link to Official Results
 - d. Copy of Event Results (including field series for field events)
 - e. Event Director Contact Information to confirm additional information (i.e., implement inspection, use of automatic start etc.)
 - f. Copy of photo finish (for track events)
7. All records at a World Athletics Series Event (i.e., Championship Series, Diamond League, Continental Tour etc.), Multi-Sport Games, Area Championships, Canadian Championship Series, Canada Summer

Games, BC Athletics Championships Series or Major Collegiate event (i.e., NCAA, NAIA, USport Championships) will not be required to submit a form.

8. Provincial Records Process is as follows:
 - a. **Application.** Athlete, Coach or Parent can submit an [online Provincial Record application](#).
 - b. **Verification.** BC Athletics will review the information to verify the result.
 - c. **Pending.** Once verified, BC Athletics will post provincial record as “pending” on BC Athletics website.
 - d. **Ratification.** BC Athletics will ratify all records in the records report from the Program Manager for Track & Field and Non-Stadia programs at BC Athletics Annual General Meeting.
9. Challenges can be made to any records via an online form (to be created) in which anyone can challenge a record, and a re-verification process can be initiated.
10. Program Managers will work with Masters representatives regarding the process for Masters Records. Paper copies will still be made available for a limited time to allow for adjustment to the online process.
11. All information will be stated on the website including printable copy of records policies.