

New and dropped events for BCJD athletes

Dropped: 200m and 400m for 9 and 10 year olds - 200mH for 11 year olds, medley Relay for 9 and 10 year olds.

Added: 60m for 9,10, and 11 year olds, Pole vault for 13 year olds, and 2000m SC for 15 year olds instead of 1500m.

Revised Relay age groups.

The 15 years are now Youth 15 category to be managed by Juvenile, Junior and Senior Committee.

Hi Tom,

I just read the minutes of the VIAA meeting. I was away at an indoor meet in Seattle and unable to attend. I was present at the AGM when the Youth 15 resolution was passed and at the subsequent Senior Committee Meeting when the implications of the resolution were discussed.

To clear up the Youth 15 confusion - the Youth 15 age group will compete in the Championships in Nanaimo with the Juvenile and the U23 (WCG) age groups. This will be their championship meet except for the boys octathlon and girls heptathlon which will be contested in Kamloops on June 23/24 with all the other CE Championship events.

The Youth 15 age group will not be competing in either the JD Championships or the JD Pentathlon Championships. Al Johnson is aware of the requirements for hosting the Youth 15 Championships as the Nanaimo club is hosting the meet (hurdles, implements).

BC Athletics will list the age 15 performances on the web site as it always has. Youth 15 records will be kept and they will not be included in the JD Top Ten lists. The Youth 15 age group awards will be presented at the BC Athletics AGM in all events (similar to the JD Awards) but only one performance at a sanctioned meet will be required to qualify for the awards. I would expect that selection to the Legion team will also be a factor in the award winner selections. The precise regulations regarding the Youth 15 awards will be decided at the next Senior Committee meeting with the object of continuing the "integrity" of the 15 year old awards.

Hope this helps clear up any confusion.

Cheers,
Ron Parker