

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
NOVEMBER 21, 2026



First and foremost, I would like to thank all the of volunteers, officials, coaches, managers, administrators, and players who continue to make lacrosse one of the strongest sports organizations in British Columbia. Every year, BCLA members dedicate countless hours to creating opportunities for participants of all ages and capabilities to develop through the game we all love.

I must recognize and thank the outstanding efforts of our BCLA staff. Thanks to Jill Krop, Debbie Heard, David Showers, Lucas Greene and Brandi Pahl, for the dedication shown in their working and volunteer efforts. The Sport System is very complicated and constantly evolving. Navigating lacrosse through increasing administrative requirements, Safe Sport responsibilities, and national sport system changes, is a daunting task. BCLA members are fortunate to have a staff that consistently puts the interests of lacrosse first.

Throughout the year, your Board of Directors, committee members, and volunteers have worked collaboratively to address challenges and opportunities facing our BCLA.

The 2026 season was another exceptional year for British Columbia Lacrosse Association Teams on the national stage. BCLA teams and representatives earned 12 National Championship medals, including 6 Gold, 5 Silver, and 1 Bronze. Of note, Team BC captured Gold (convincingly) at every field lacrosse national championship.

Championship	Team	Result
Jenny Kyle Cup (U19 Women's Field)	Team BC	Gold
First Nations Trophy (U19 Men's Field)	Team BC	Gold
Alumni Cup (U17 Men's Field)	Team BC	Gold
Tackaberry Trophy (U17 Box)	Team BC	Gold
Rose Engemann Trophy (U15 Female Box)	Team BC	Gold
Championship Cup (U13 Female Box)	Team BC	Gold
Mann Cup (Senior A)	Coquitlam Adanacs	Silver
Minto Cup (Junior A)	Victoria Shamrocks	Silver
Carol Patterson Trophy (U22 Female Box)	Team BC	Silver
Commissioners Trophy (U15 Box)	Team BC	Silver
EG Dopp Trophy (U13 Box)	Team BC	Silver
Presidents Cup (Senior B)	Ladner Pioneers	Bronze
Founders Cup (Junior B)	Port Coquitlam Saints	4th

These accomplishments reflect the commitment of athletes, coaches, managers, officials, volunteers, and families across British Columbia. Whether on the floor, on the field, or behind the scenes, our members continue to demonstrate why BC Lacrosse is widely respected throughout Canada. BCLA officials were represented at national championships across the country, continuing their reputation as some of the finest officials in Canadian lacrosse.



I would also like to congratulate the host committees, volunteers, and associations that successfully organized provincial championships, BC Games competitions, and national championship events throughout the year. Their efforts created memorable experiences for athletes and showcased the strength of lacrosse in British Columbia. These showcases continue to be the primary events that allow athletes opportunities to be recruited for access to exceptional lacrosse opportunities. We are proud that BCLA has prepared athletes, coaches, administrators, officials, and media personalities with growth opportunities to successfully participate in non-BCLA events. Internationally for Canada or other countries, professionally (NLL, PLL, et), post-secondary institutions (NCAA, MCLA, CUFLA, et), international high schools.

BCLA GOVERNANCE MODERNIZATION

A significant focus of your Board's work during 2026 was governance modernization. Working alongside governance professionals and with input from member associations, directorates, and stakeholders, the BCLA undertook one of the most comprehensive governance reviews in its history. The Governance & Ethics Committee, Board of Directors, staff, and volunteers spent countless hours reviewing governance best practices and developing a model designed to serve our members effectively for years to come.

The governance review process generated extensive discussion, consultation, education sessions, and member engagement opportunities. While change can be difficult, it is necessary if we are to remain a leading Provincial Sport Organization. Our goal has always been to improve accountability, transparency, decision-making efficiency, and organizational effectiveness while maintaining strong member input and oversight. I want to thank everyone who participated respectfully and constructively in that process.

BCLA Membership decided that other changes are required to the proposed modernization required for the future of BCLA. Thank you to the members engaging in meaningful discussions about the future of the BCLA. Your comments demonstrate the passion that exists throughout our lacrosse community. Regardless of differing viewpoints, the common objective remains strengthening lacrosse in British Columbia.

LACROSSE CANADA

The past year was one of significant transition within Lacrosse Canada. Leadership changes, Board restructuring, governance reforms, and the hiring of Lori DeGraw as Chief Executive Officer marked an important period for our National Sport Organization. BCLA remained actively involved throughout this process and continued to advocate strongly on behalf of British Columbia members.

Important work also continued regarding governance improvements, steering groups, committee structures, and operational modernization at the national level. Through my involvement with the Member Council and a representative of BCLA to Lacrosse Canada, I appreciated the opportunity to contribute to these discussions and help ensure the perspectives of our members are considered.



The implementation of revised registration fee models and other operational changes highlights the ongoing need for Provincial Sport Organizations and Lacrosse Canada to work collaboratively in addressing challenges while continuing to deliver quality programs and services. As Lacrosse grows on the International stage, support for our National teams will be even more heavily borne by the Member Associations until alternate sources of support for these Athletes is developed.

CHALLENGES FACING OUR SPORT

While 2026 brought many successes, we must also acknowledge the challenges facing our sport. The cost of participation, particularly travel to national championships and high-performance events, continues to increase. Volunteer recruitment and retention remain ongoing concerns for organizations throughout Canada. We also continue to see increasing demands on volunteers and administrators related to Safe Sport, code of conduct issues, governance requirements, and participant welfare.

Changes in athlete participation patterns are also impacting lacrosse. Increasing specialization, expanded travel opportunities, and competition from other activities require us to continually evaluate how we support athlete development and ensure that BCLA programming remains attractive, accessible, and meaningful to participants and families.

Despite these challenges, I remain optimistic about the future of our sport. Lacrosse in British Columbia continues to be supported by passionate volunteers, dedicated staff, strong member associations, and athletes who proudly represent our province at every level of competition.

LOOKING FORWARD

As we look toward 2027, our priorities remain clear. We must continue modernizing governance and regulations, support our volunteers and participants, strengthen athlete development pathways, and maintain British Columbia's position as a leader within the Canadian lacrosse community.

The accomplishments of the past year demonstrate what can be achieved when our members work together. Our success is measured not only in championships. Success is when we have enriching opportunities for life-long participation as player, administrator, coach, official and volunteer. The lifelong friendships created through sport, and the positive impact lacrosse has within communities throughout British Columbia.

I want to thank the BCLA Members for trusting me as President of the BC Lacrosse Association. I hope my actions have held up to the standard expected of the position. My term is complete and I wish the next leaders(s) of BCLA success. I will assist new Board members in transition where required. Thank you for your continued commitment to the Medicine Game.

Yours in Lacrosse,
Gerry Van Beek - President BC Lacrosse Association

VICE PRESIDENT ADMINISTRATION REPORT

– ANDY STUART –

I am pleased to provide my report as Vice President Administration for the 2026 Annual General Meeting. I joined the British Columbia Lacrosse Association Board of Directors in August 2026 and have had the privilege of serving as Vice President Administration.

Since joining the Board, my focus has been on supporting sound governance, financial oversight, and administrative accountability. I would like to thank the Board, Executive Director, staff, and volunteers for their commitment and professionalism in delivering the great sport of lacrosse throughout British Columbia.

The BCLA remains in a strong financial position. For the fiscal year ended August 31, 2026, BCLA reported revenues of approximately $3.3 million and an operating surplus of approximately $335,000, increasing unrestricted fund balances to more than $1.1 million. Cash balances also strengthened significantly during the year, providing a solid foundation for future operations and strategic initiatives.

The 2026 audit was completed by WL & Company, Chartered Professional Accountants. The auditors reported no fraud, no illegal or potentially illegal acts, no material weaknesses in internal controls, and no significant difficulties encountered during the audit process. These results reflect the strength of the Association’s financial management and oversight practices.

As the BCLA continues to evolve, maintaining strong governance practices, financial stewardship, and administrative efficiency will remain key priorities. I look forward to working with the Board, Executive Director, and the membership to support the continued development of lacrosse across British Columbia.

Thank you to the membership for your dedication to our sport and for the opportunity to serve in this role.

Andy Stuart



Current Program Delivery

Provincial Team Programs - 2026/27

The 2026/27 season includes provincial team programs across men's and women's box and field lacrosse, providing athletes with opportunities to develop, compete, and represent British Columbia at the provincial and national levels.

More than **60 volunteer coaches** are supporting this year's programs, reflecting the significant volunteer commitment required to deliver Team BC programming.

Two programs will not operate this season:

- **Men's Field U16:** Cancelled due to insufficient athlete numbers and roster depth to support a sustainable and competitive program.
- **Women's Box U17:** Cancelled due to scheduling conflicts and a growing trend of athletes prioritizing field lacrosse opportunities.

National Competitions - August 2026

BC provincial box lacrosse teams competed at national championships in Nova Scotia in August.

- **Minor Box Lacrosse Nationals (U13/U15/U17): August 9–16.** Provided developing athletes with the opportunity to compete against other provinces and gain valuable national-level experience.
- **U22 Women's – Carol Patterson Cup: August 8–16.** The 2026 competition marked the first time the Carol Patterson Cup was held as a standalone tournament, establishing a dedicated national competition for this age category.

These events also provided opportunities to evaluate BC's competitive standing and support coach development.

Emerging Issues and Considerations

Recent program delivery decisions and participation trends have highlighted several areas requiring further attention:



- **Participation and Program Sustainability:** Declining athlete numbers and roster depth in certain age groups are creating challenges in delivering viable and competitive programs.

- **Competing Sport and Program Demands:** Scheduling conflicts and the increasing prioritization of field lacrosse among some female athletes highlight the need to better understand the relationship between box and field opportunities.

- **Age Group Structure:** Traditional single-year age groups may not be appropriate in all circumstances. Alternative structures, including two-year age groups, warrant consideration where participation is declining.

- **Consistency of Program Delivery:** There is an opportunity to establish greater consistency in program expectations, selection processes, and the overall athlete experience.

- **Coach Capacity:** Continued reliance on volunteer coaches reinforces the importance of recruitment, mentorship, development, and succession planning.

These issues will inform the ongoing evaluation of Team BC programming and future recommendations.

Future Priorities - Team BC Program Review

A key priority this fall has been initiating a broader review of Team BC programming, working with BCLA staff and key stakeholders from the Team BC community.

The objective is to develop a clear framework for provincial team programming, with focus on the following areas:

Program Purpose and Strategic Direction

- Define the purpose and intended outcomes of Team BC programs within the broader BCLA athlete development pathway.
- Establish consistent program expectations, deliverables, and measures of success.
- Clarify the role of provincial teams in athlete development, competitive preparation, and identification of future high-performance talent.

Age Group and Program Structure

- Review participation trends and existing age group structures across men's and women's box and field programs.
- Explore alternative structures, including two-year age groups, where appropriate.
- Identify opportunities to improve continuity between age groups.



Program Delivery and Athlete Development

- Evaluate training duration, competition schedules, selection processes, and overall athlete commitments.
- Ensure delivery models align with long-term athlete development principles.
- Consider the demands of school, club, and other sport commitments when evaluating program expectations and schedules.

Competition Strategy

- Identify competition opportunities that best support the objectives of each program.
- Ensure appropriate levels of challenge relative to athlete age, experience, and program purpose.
- Evaluate domestic and international opportunities that can contribute to athlete development and competitive performance.

Community Engagement and Communication

- Strengthen communication with clubs, coaches, athletes, and families regarding program expectations and opportunities.
- Increase awareness of Team BC programming and opportunities within the broader lacrosse community.

Looking Ahead

The ongoing work with the Team BC Program will help identify opportunities to improve the consistency, structure, and long-term sustainability of provincial team programming. Key deliverables will include recommendations on program purpose, age group structures, delivery models, competition strategy, and coach development.

Ongoing communication with coaches, clubs, and key stakeholders will be important to ensuring the lacrosse community is informed of program developments, understands the direction of Team BC, and has clarity around future opportunities and expectations.

Shannon Winzer

VP Performance



Dear Members,

It has been my pleasure to serve on the BC Lacrosse Executive over the past two years as Vice President of Technical Programs. I am grateful for the opportunity to contribute to our association and to work alongside so many people who are committed to the continued growth and success of lacrosse throughout British Columbia.

My focus over the past year has been two-fold.

First, I have made it a priority to connect with as many of our members as possible, engage in meaningful dialogue, and better understand how we can continue to improve our association and the experience we provide for our players, coaches, officials, and the many volunteers who give their time to our sport. Those conversations have been invaluable and have helped broaden my understanding of both the opportunities and challenges facing lacrosse across in our province.

Second, I have worked alongside my fellow Executive members to help guide our association and membership through the transition to a governance model. This is an important step in strengthening the BC Lacrosse Association, providing greater clarity around governance and accountability, and ensuring the organization continues to evolve in alignment with the BC Societies Act.

I would also like to recognize Travis Gillespie, who led our Coaches Technical Support Group, and Doug Wright, who led our Officials Technical Support Group. Thank you both for your leadership, commitment, and hard work over the past year. The contributions of these groups, and the volunteers who support them, are important to the continued development of lacrosse in British Columbia.

Finally, I would like to thank Jill Krop, Gerry Van Beek, and the entire BCLA Executive for their support and collaboration over the past year. It has been a privilege to serve alongside all of you, and I appreciate the time, energy, and dedication that everyone continues to bring to our association.

I am excited about the work still to come and the opportunity to continue to strengthen our association while ensuring that the decisions we make ultimately support our members and the people who make lacrosse possible across British Columbia.

Sincerely,

Russ Aunger
VP Technical Programs
BC Lacrosse

VICE PRESIDENT OPERATIONS REPORT

– MATT MACGROTTY –

I am pleased to provide my report as Vice President – Operations for the 2026 Annual General Meeting. The start of my term was spent learning how the BCLA works in practice: its structure, its directorates, and the people who keep it running. Alongside formal meetings, I held many calls with members across the province to understand the current structure and where it is under strain.

In addition to the BCLA Board meetings, I served on the Nominations, Governance and Finance Committees. The Board also fielded multiple Code of Conduct complaints. One resulted in the formation of a Code of Conduct Committee, one was referred to a third-party arbitrator, and two Appeal Committees were formed. I used these events to create templates that can be used by the organization in the future. I also took part in the BCLA Town Hall, the Field Directorate special session, the Minor Directorate AGM, and Senior Directorate meetings.

One task of the VP Operations is to form the Operations Committee and it unfortunately was not formed this year. I communicated individually with all members of the committee at various times throughout the year.

Two things stand out from my first year. The first is the tremendous amount of volunteer effort that sustains lacrosse in this province, and I commend all our members for it. The second is that communication is a real challenge, from the Office to the directorates and on into the associations. From an operational viewpoint, there are significant efficiencies to be gained through a unified approach to technology, structure, and more consistent communication.

I enter the second year of my term with a much better understanding of the BCLA, and my goal is to begin acting on these opportunities, with improved communication as the starting point. Thank you to the Office staff, the directorates, and the many volunteers who gave their time to support lacrosse in British Columbia.

Respectfully submitted, Matt MacGrotty Vice President – Operations

MASTER LEARNING FACILITATOR REPORT

– TERRY MOSDELL –

The Box and Field Season for later part of 2025 and 2026 Box Season will be back to a full season with clinics being held for both Level 1 and 2 in both Box and Field Coaching Clinics. The Season itself was very successful with many new coaches coming on board for the Level 1 sessions.

Clinics for the 2026 Box Season were all in person which was great to see. This year we saw a few of the courses become a combo course. This a course where we have both Community Development and Competitive intro classes combined into one course. Of course, some of the material had to be done separately however it worked very well for the areas where we could not have enough participation from both of the levels. Having it combined allowed us to do the on-floor portion with enough participation to cover all the necessary floor elements.

One new thing that was introduced during the Box Season in 2026, which will also filter into the upcoming Field Season, is the updated Community Development Clinic and the Competitive Intro Clinic. Effectively this year any coach who attends either a Field or Box CMD and CPI course will only have to do the Theory portion once. This means that if you attend a full Theory and Technical CMD/CPI Box course and then later would like to attend a CMD/CPI Field course in the Fall you will only have to attend the on-Field portion of the course. This has attracted many coaches to jump at the offer of only having to complete the Technical portion of the course for a different discipline at a later date.

We also had several coaches apply for their certification this year so that they could participate in the National Championships.

The Clinics for Field for the 2026 Season started in September - and again they will be full classroom presentations along with the on-field portion. We will also be starting Competitive Intro courses for Field under the same format.



This year has been about strengthening the foundations of the BC Lacrosse Association while delivering the programs and competitions our athletes and members rely on. We have made progress in governance, financial management, registration and development. That progress reflects considerable work by staff and volunteers across the province.

These efforts support our 2024–2027 Strategic Plan and its commitment to a stronger, more sustainable organization. As we approach the final year of the plan, we must recognize what we have accomplished while remaining focused on the work ahead. We will continue to maximize technology to make volunteer roles less stressful. We will also develop toolkits for member associations to support the work they do in their communities and we'll continue to develop strategies to grow the game, through the Stick to School program with the Vancouver Warriors and a stand along effort to ensure the BCLA is ready for the onslaught of interest in lacrosse that is inevitable in the immediate aftermath of the 2028 Olympics.

Moving toward modern governance remains a central priority. Our goal is to establish clear responsibilities for the Board, staff and volunteers, supported by consistent policies, accountability and meaningful member input. The OEI review, supported by viaSport, helped identify areas where our structure and practices need improvement and continues to inform this work. The proposed bylaws did not receive the support required at the Special Meeting. We respect that outcome, and we have been listening to the concerns raised while continuing to work toward a structure that serves the whole organization.

The need for this work remains. Clear authority, sound oversight and consistent decision-making help protect our organization and the people who give their time to it. We need to make it easier for volunteers to understand their responsibilities and for members to understand how decisions are made. Members have another opportunity to have a say as a revised version of the proposed bylaws is on the agenda for this 2026 AGM.

Throughout the year, many of you have heard me return to the same phrase: "follow policy." I appreciate the directorates, groups, leagues and commissions for listening, asking questions and working through what that means in practice. Consistent application of policy supports fairness and confidence in our decisions. When a policy no longer serves us, we need to improve it through the appropriate process. Thank you for your patience and willingness to work through that with me.

Team BC continues to shine. Our athletes represented British Columbia with skill, determination and pride, supported by dedicated coaches, trainers, team managers and families. Their success includes competitive achievement, individual growth and the experience of learning to perform as part of a provincial team. BC teams won either Gold or Silver at Minor Box Nationals, the U22 women won Silver



at the first ever stand-alone Carol Patterson Championship. On the Field side, both the U17 and U19 men's teams repeated as Gold Medal Champions in the Alumni Cup and First Nation's Cup respectively and the U19 women won Gold at the Jenny Kyle Cup.

Building on this success requires us to adapt. Athletes and families have more choices about where to invest their time and money. Travel costs, busy schedules and expectations about coaching, communication and development all influence those decisions. We are examining what we offer and how we deliver it.

Last year, we identified the need to gather feedback and review the program. We surveyed families, experimented by offering an "unchaperoned" version of Team BC for the U13 co-ed and girls teams for Minor Box Nationals. Our proposed renewed direction will place greater emphasis on athlete development and a more consistent high-performance experience. We will be sharing the proposal in the coming weeks and look forward to continuing to support the lacrosse dreams of BC athletes.

The BC Summer Games also deserve recognition. This event is the provincial government's investment in youth sports in our province, and every event is a wonderful opportunity for our lacrosse athletes to grow. Kelowna was a terrific host city, and the volunteer support was incredible. A special thanks to Jane Boutilier, Dylan Taylor and Dave Showers for ensuring a smooth event for both our box and field teams. Sadly, we have been officially informed that field lacrosse will no longer be part of the BC Summer Games. This is in part due to our inability to put forward a team from each of the 8 zones as required by the BC Games Society, and in part because the games is undergoing a significant transformation into a smaller event. In Maple Ridge in 2024 they hosted 3700 participants, in Kelowna that was down to 3000 and for the 2028 games in Vernon their goal is 2700.

We continued to modernize participant registration through the RAMP platform. Our goal is to have all participants on the system by this time next year. A consistent registration system will improve our information, reduce duplication and better support overall program administration. It will also make reporting the required data to Lacrosse Canada and viaSport less time consuming. Thank you to our registrars and association volunteers for the considerable work involved in managing registration and helping make this transition possible.

inancial discipline has been another shared effort, and I really appreciate everyone who contributed by keeping costs down. We finished the fiscal year with a surplus reflecting the hard work that went into curtailing spending and making careful decisions throughout the year. Our responsibility is to build on that result through careful budgeting, clear financial reporting and decisions that support the long-term sustainability of lacrosse. We are continuing to examine financial practices with regards



to expenses, bringing our reimbursement thresholds in line with other sports in BC. And to provide a better understanding of what participant registration fees provide for each and every person who signs up to play, coach or officiate.

We continue to partner with the Vancouver Warriors and are forever grateful for the financial support they provide. The BCLA is fortunate to be the recipient of a portion of the season's 50/50 proceeds to fund our Lacrosse on the Move fund, supporting Team BC athletes travel. The BCLA also receives funding from the Canucks for Kids fund to support the in school visits made by Warrior players to promote the game! We're looking forward to another successful season for the team!

Our Provincial Championships were successful and delivered on budget. Thank you to the hosts, organizers, volunteers, officials, coaches and staff who made those events possible. It takes a team and as usual these teams outdid themselves!

Thank you as well to the Langley Minor Lacrosse Association for hosting the U17 and U19 Men's Field National Championships and welcoming teams from across the country. Beautiful BC was on display with great fall weather, and it was wonderful to hear positive comments from visiting families. We are looking forward to the Victoria Shamrocks Jr A hosting the Minto Cup and the Port Coquitlam Minor Lacrosse Association hosting Minor Box Nationals next summer!

Our member associations, leagues, commissions and Junior and Senior organizations continue to do the daily work that keeps lacrosse active in communities across British Columbia. From introducing a child to the sport to organizing teams, developing coaches and officials, and hosting competitions, your contribution is essential. Thank you for the time, energy and care you bring to that work.

I want to recognize our staff: Dave Showers, Debbie Heard, Lucas Greene and Brandi Pahl. Your commitment, flexibility, care and passion for lacrosse support an enormous amount of work, much of it behind the scenes. There is always another deadline, event or member needing assistance. Thank you for keeping the organization moving forward.

To our Board, members and volunteers: thank you for your commitment to lacrosse and for working through a year of important conversations and change. Our priorities remain clear: support our athletes, strengthen our organization and make it easier for the people delivering lacrosse to succeed. I look forward to continuing that work together.

Jill Krop
Executive Director
British Columbia Lacrosse Association

BCLA TECHNICAL DIRECTOR REPORT

– DAVE SHOWERS –

2026 has been another great year for lacrosse coaches and officials throughout British Columbia. From the arenas in Enderby, Port Coquitlam, Prince George, and Salmon Arm to the fields in Burnaby and Langley for the Provincial Championships, the BC Summer Games in Kelowna, and countless local arenas and fields across the province, our dedicated coaches and officials have played an essential role in the continued growth, development, and success of lacrosse in British Columbia.

This report highlights the activities of the BC Lacrosse Officials' Technical Support Group (BCLOTSG) and the BC Lacrosse Coaches' Technical Support Group (BCLCTSG) over the past year.

I would also like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to the many individuals who have contributed their time, energy, expertise, and dedication to our sport. The success of lacrosse in British Columbia would not be possible without the tremendous efforts of our coaches, officials, technical support groups, and countless volunteers who work tirelessly behind the scenes

BOX Officials Clinics

The BCLOTG offered **55 In-Person** Box clinics and **9 Online** Sessions across B.C in 2026, with a total of **768** Officials being trained and re-trained.

Entry Level = **202** attended.
Level 1 = **258** attended.
Level 2 = **226** attended.
Level 3-5 = **82** attended.

FIELD Officials Clinics

The BCLOTG offered **10 In-Person** Field clinics and **3 Online** Sessions in 2025/2026; with a total of **211** overall participants being trained and re-trained.

Entry/Level 1 = **146** attended
Level 2 = **39** attended virtually online
Level 3-5 = **26** attended virtually online.

WOMEN'S Officials Clinics

The BCLOTG offered **5 In-Person** Women's Field clinics and **1 Online** Level 2 Session; with a total of **61** participants being trained and re-trained.

Level 1 - NEW/Returning In-Person Clinics – **46** Attended
Level 2 – **15** Attended

BCLA TECHNICAL DIRECTOR REPORT

– DAVE SHOWERS –

Total Number of In-Person Clinics 70 and Total Number on Online Sessions 13 - Total Officials attending these clinics/Online: 1,040

CLINIC ATTENDANCE – Clinic Referee/Official/Umpire attendance from 2007/2008 to current



<u>Coaching Program</u>

Starting in 2024, any coach attending a Community Development Coaching Course will only be required to complete the classroom portion once for all disciplines.

- Example: A new coach attends the Community Development classroom session and then completes the on-floor portion to become trained at the Community Development level in box lacrosse.

- If the same coach wishes to coach field lacrosse, they will only need to complete the on-field portion to be trained at the Field Community Development level, or the women's field on-field portion to be trained at the Women's Field Community Development level.

Starting with Box training in 2027, the same approach will apply to the Competitive Introduction Coaching Course. Coaches will only need to attend the classroom portion once for all disciplines, followed by the discipline-specific on-floor/on-field component to complete their CPI training.

BCLA TECHNICAL DIRECTOR REPORT

– DAVE SHOWERS –

FIELD Coaching Clinics

The BCLCTG offered **17 Coach Training Sessions** from September 2025 to February 2026. There were **11 FCMD** clinics (Field Community Development – Level 1), **2 FCPI** (Field Competitive Introduction – Level 2), **3 WFCMD** clinics (Women's Field Community Development – Level 1), **1 WFCPI** (Women's Field Competitive Introduction – Level 2)

The total number of participants for the full sessions was **172**:

FCMD – 110 attended the full session, 30 needed On-Field only (17 No Shows)
FCPI – 24 attended (6 No Shows)
WFCMD – 27 attended, 2 needed On-Field only (4 No Shows)
WFCPI – 11 attended

Any Coach who attended the Online Classroom only portion during COVID will now need to attend the full clinic to become Trained.

BOX Coaching Clinics

The BCLCTG offered **39 Coach Training Sessions** from February 2026 – June 2026. We ran **25** CMD Clinics (Community Development – Level 1) and **14** CPI Clinics (Competitive Introduction – Level 2). The total number of participants for the full session was **524**, On-Floor Only **21**, Classroom Only **6**:

Full Sessions(Classroom + On-Floor)

- **CMD – 328** attended, **17** On-Floor Only, **6** Classroom Only (52 No Shows).
- **CPI – 196** attended, **4** On-Floor Only (19 No Shows)

Our maximum clinic size is 30 for CMD and 25 for CPI, so we had to have waitlists for over half our clinics. We had 71 coaches sign up for clinics and not attend. So those on the waitlist lost out.

Provincial Championships – The Field Provincial Championships were held in Burnaby and Langley; the Box Provincial Championships were held in Salmon Arm, Enderby, Prince George and Port Coquitlam. I was fortunate to be able to attend three of the five Championships and was amazed by the dedication, long hours and professionalism of all the volunteers I was able to work with. From the hospitality, venues and overall organization, these provincials were top-notch.



A final THANK YOU goes out to the BCLA Executive and great staff.