



2023 BC Diving AGM

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November 19, 2023  
12 noon  
AGENDA

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1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Confirmation of Voting Credentials/Determination of Quorum
3. Adoption of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes from 2022 AGM
  - Business Arising
5. Financial Statements/Auditors Report 2022-23 Fiscal Year
  - a. Approval of Accountants review
6. BC Diving Directors' Reports
7. BC Diving Staff Reports
8. Approval of BC Diving Membership Fees
10. Election of Directors:  
Please see attached Nominating Committee Report
  - a) Acclamation
  - b) Election President/Treasurer
11. Appointment of Auditors
12. New Business
  - a. Club reports
13. Adjournment

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**Of the**  
**CANADIAN AMATEUR DIVING ASSOCIATION; BRITISH COLUMBIA SECTION**  
**(commonly known and operating as BC Diving)**  
Sunday, November 20, 2022  
Virtual AGM

**ATTENDEES:** Al Hungerschafer, Bev Boys, Brad Tone, Igor Kopecky, Lawrence & Zoe Lu, Lisa Breure, Lisette Anonby, Marie Pierre Lavoie, Moira Fong, Cliff Congdon, Sven Batalla, Kim Batalla, Tommy McLeod, Tori McInnes, Yan Yang, Tiffany Congdon, Ann McDowall, Shady Goubran, Jayne McDonald, Eryn Barrett, Lisa Boog, Jennifer Wood, Kara MacWilliam, Derek Moore, Nick Hastie, Christina Unger, Lois Wood, Catalina O’Byrne, Keira Lu, Mackenzie Lu, Jackson Congdon, Celina Toth, Dave Mathews, Nick Williams

President addressed the meeting with a welcome and a territories recognition.

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER: 11:04 am.**

Confirmation of Voting Credentials

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:** Celina Toth/Lisa Boog CARRIED.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM 2021 AGM:** Lisette Anonby/Eryn Barrett  
CARRIED.

**BUSINESS ARISING:** none.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS/ACCOUNTANT REVIEW:**

- Financial report - submitted.
- Jayne McDonald reviewed the notes to the financials that were written by Robyn McDonald.

**MOTION TO APPROVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:** Cliff Congdon/Brad Tone  
CARRIED

**PRESIDENT’S REPORT :** President - Marie Pierre Lavoie  
Report Submitted -

**STAFF REPORTS:**

Communications/Events coordinator report: Lisa Breure - as submitted

Executive Director Report: Jayne McDonald - as submitted

HPTD report: Igor Kopecky - as submitted

**MOTION TO ACCEPT BOARD/STAFF REPORTS AS SUBMITTED.**

Eryn Barrett/Brad Tone  
CARRIED.

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE 2023-26 STRATEGIC PLAN AS PRESENTED:** Cliff Congdon/Celina Toth  
CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF BC DIVING MEMBERSHIP FEES 2023/2024**

**MOTION TO APPROVE BC DIVING 2023-2024 MEMBERSHIP FEES:** Tommy McLeod/Cliff Congdon;  
CARRIED

Question as to whether the process that Diving Canada is proposing with the Insurance fees will run smoothly and as stressless as possible.(Brad Tone)

Question about Masters category. If a Learn to Dive master group - they should be paying the Learn to Dive fee. Masters who are competing at a provincial level pay the Masters category - Christina Unger

**ELECTION OF DIRECTORS:**

Jayne McDonald reviewed the Nominating committee report.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE NOMINATION COMMITTEE REPORT FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AS SUBMITTED BY ACCLAMATION.**

Celina Toth/Lisa Boog; CARRIED.

**MOVE TO ACCEPT THE ELECTION CHAIR (Marie Pierre Lavoie) and ELECTION SECRETARY (Jayne McDonald)**

Brad Tone/Cliff Congdon  
CARRIED

All in attendance who were not eligible to vote in the Athletes Representative vote were asked to move to the Outbreak room. Athlete's representative is for Athletes only. Master divers qualify for the vote.

**VOTE for the Athletes Representative**

Keira Lu, Oliver Mebs and Derek Moore spoke on the position for Athlete's Representative.

**VOTE:**

Derek Moore - won the vote by 50% of the vote.

**MOTION TO DESTROY THE BALLOTS:**

Lisa Boog/Lisette Anonby

CARRIED

The board of directors for 2022/2023 year is:

President: Marie Pierre Lavoie  
Treasurer: Cliff Congdon  
Secretary: Shannon Sullivan  
Director: Moira Fong  
Director: Christine Frohloff  
Director: Eryn Barrett  
Director: Sven Batalla  
Director: Jennifer McLean Wood  
Athlete's Rep: Derek Moore

**APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS:**

MOTION TO APPOINT KPMG TO PERFORM ACCOUNTANTS REVIEW FOR 2022-23 FINANCIAL YEAR.

Tommy McLeod/Eryn Barrett:

CARRIED

## NEW BUSINESS:

### 1. Masters Report -

Derek Moore was representing the Masters Divers.

Masters Divers collaborated to put the report together.

Kara MacWilliam and Derek Moore travelled to Croatia for the World Masters and had a great event. Brought home 9 medals altogether. Athletes from 20-80 years old. Team events were combined coach and athletes. Streaming athletes from Competitive age group programs to masters programs who were not in the stream for FINA competitions.

Would like to host a Masters event - invite international as well as National Master divers. Masters would also like to do a training camp, and have more access to dryland facilities. In pool programs are growing, but dryland training is minimal.

### 2. Club reports: Submitted -Fraser Valley Diving Club, Kelowna Springboard Diving, iDive, White Rock South Surrey Divers, North Shore Dolphins,

Boardworks - added that they wanted to congratulate Coach Christina from Kelowna for the outstanding social media presence.

KGTC - verbal report from Kamloops.

Business as usual with partnership with the gymnastics club. Access to dryland and trampoline help to complete the program.

There are 24 Learn to train for advance athletes and 16 learn to dive athletes. There will be 22 athletes to the Candy Cane.

There is also one D diver who will be competing at the Provincials and Sting.

Looking forward to completing the Competition Introduction course.

Thank you to everyone for all their amazing work in the clubs.

MOTION TO ADJOURN THE 2022 BC DIVING AGM: 12:34 pm

Celina Toth

Thank you to Moira Fong for all the work and support to the Board of Directors. It was a pleasure to work with her. Amazing work with policies and the ED evaluation. Thank you so much for all the work. We will miss you. All the best to Veronica and Moira.

Moira thanked the Board. It was a pleasure to work with the Board and best the luck for the future.

**CANADIAN AMATEUR DIVING ASSOC. INC. B.C. SECTION**  
**Statement of Financial Position**

March 31, 2023, with comparative information for 2022 (Unaudited)

	General Fund	Gaming Fund	AAP/Canada Games Fund	Provincial Centre Fund	2023 Total	2022 Total
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## Assets

Current assets:

Cash and cash equivalents:

Unrestricted cash	\$ 179,534	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 179,534	\$ 160,981
Restricted cash	-	40,725	-	-	40,725	61,058
Term deposits (note 3)	34,212	-	-	-	34,212	33,878
Accounts receivable	18,451	-	-	-	18,451	1,137
Deposit paid	6,000	-	-	-	6,000	6,833

	\$ 238,197	\$ 40,725	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 278,922	\$ 263,054
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## Liabilities and Net Assets

Current liabilities:

Accounts payable and

accrued liabilities	\$ 17,245	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 17,245	\$ 5,660
Deferred income	22,394	-	-	-	22,394	-
	39,639	-	-	-	39,639	5,660

Intefund balances	76,454	(116,165)	52,917	(13,206)	-	-
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Net assets:

Unrestricted	122,104	-	-	-	122,104	146,729
Externally restricted	-	156,890	(52,917)	13,206	117,179	111,115
	122,104	156,890	(52,917)	13,206	239,283	257,394

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**CANADIAN AMATEUR DIVING ASSOC. INC.B.C. SECTION**  
**Statement of Operations and Changes in Net Assets**

Year ended March 31, 2023, with comparative information for 2022(Unaudited)

		Restricted Funds				
	General Fund	Gaming Fund	AAP/Canada Games Func	Provincia Centre Func	2023 Total	2022 Total
Revenue:						
Gaming grant Integrated Performance	\$ -	\$ 95,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 95,000	\$ 95,000
System (IPS) and National Training Centre	139,409	-	-	-	139,409	151,774
Athlete development	47,764	-	-	-	47,764	36,712
Other income	48,652	-	-	-	48,652	7,539
Interest income	4,848	2,425	-	-	7,273	702
	240,673	97,425	-	-	338,098	291,727
Expenses:						
Integrated Performance						
System (IPS) and National Training Centre	37,931	-	-	-	37,931	49,984
Athlete development	49,977	69,036	-	-	119,013	93,934
Office and administration	148,199	22,325	-	-	170,524	113,511
Regional Centre	5,670	-	-	-	5,670	-
Insurance	4,705	-	-	-	4,705	9,540
Annual general meeting	442	-	-	-	442	225
Professional fees	16,761	-	-	-	16,761	8,301
Interest and bank charges	1,163	-	-	-	1,163	963
	264,848	91,361	-	-	356,209	276,458
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(24,175)	6,064	-	-	(18,111)	15,269
Net assets (deficiency), beginning of year	146,279	150,826	(52,917)	13,206	257,394	242,125
Fund transfers						-
Net assets (deficiency), end of year	\$ 122,104	\$ 156,890	\$ ( 52,917)	\$ 13,206	\$ 239,283	\$ 257,394



## CANADIAN AMATEUR DIVING ASSOC. INC. B.C. SECTION

### Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended March 31, 2023, with comparative information for 2022

	2023	2022
Cash provided by (used in):		
Operations:		
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures	\$ ( 18,111)	\$ 15,269
Changes in non-cash operating working capital:		
Accounts receivable	(17,314)	61
Accounts payable	11,585	1,266
Deposits	-	833
Deferred revenue	22,394	(1,850)
	(1,446)	15,579
Investments and financing:		
Decrease in restricted cash	20,333	1,930
Increase in unrestricted term deposit	(334)	-
Decrease in loan payable	-	(30,000)
	19,999	(28,070)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	18,553	(12,491)
Cash and cash equivalents (unrestricted), beginning of year	160,981	173,472
Cash and cash equivalents (unrestricted), end of year	\$ 179,534	\$ 160,981

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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Report on the Year End Financial Statements of Canadian Amateur Diving Association Inc., B.C. Section, prepared for the Annual General Meeting, for the year ended March 31, 2023

Submitted by Robyn McDonald

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For the 2023 year end, KPMG performed a review engagement of the financial statements (Independent Practitioner's Review Engagement Report). A review does not express assurance on whether the financial statements have been fairly presented, but rather that nothing has come to their attention that would indicate that the financial statements are not presented fairly in accordance with Canadian generally-accepted accounting principles. A review is less expensive to perform than an audit, and for most organizations with income levels such as BC Diving, it is sufficient to provide stakeholders with merits of the financial statements. These annual reviews by KPMG have become much more comprehensive over time, with much of the variances from 2022 to 2023 centered once again around pandemic protocols, as fiscal year 2023 was a return to pre-pandemic operations.

Please see the **Statement of Financial Position** (noted by page 1):

- This statement reports the financial position of the organization, should it have ceased operations as at March 31, 2023;
- Total **cash** is \$220,259; of which \$40,725 is reported as "restricted cash" - this constraint represents the gaming funds, which is only able to be used against the BC Government and ViaSport-specified expenses, and thus is marked as "restricted".
- **Accounts receivable** represent charges to the various regional diving associations for charges such as banquet fees, coaching training, materials, meets and other fees. Total for 2023 was \$18,451, a greater increase from 2022 balance of \$1,137, due mainly to additional unpaid receivables from June/July 2022 and March 2023 for reimbursement of coaching expenses from South Surrey White Rock Divers.
- The **GIC term deposit** principal amount increased slightly by \$334 to \$34,212 for reinvested interest. Interest at 3% for the term deposit maturing March 19, 2024 is reflected in revenue on the Statement of Operations and is based on the best rate available at the time.
- **Accounts payable** balance of \$17,245 includes mainly amounts for prior year multiple tax returns preparation due to KPMG of \$8,426, KPMG current audit fees of \$5,512, Regional Centre rent \$3,159. (2022: \$5,660).
- **Deferred income** represents grant revenues from Rally Together (\$20,000) and rental income (\$2,394) that were PAID to the Association in the current year, but are to be disbursed/expensed in the NEXT fiscal year (ending March 31, 2024).
- The "**Net assets**" of \$239,283 is the difference between the assets of \$278,922 and the liabilities balance owing of \$39,639 and is the value of the organization on this date. Unrestricted net assets represent net funds that have no specifications on how they can be spent, while externally restricted net assets are those that

have specifications imposed on their use - for example, gaming funds and provincial centre funds can only be spent on permitted activities as stated by the government's and ViaSport's regulations.

- Note that at the year end March 31, 2021 through to the present day, the **AAP/Canada Games Fund and Provincial Centre Fund** related bank accounts have been closed out; only the general and gaming accounts remain active. Because of the nature of fund reporting and interfund balances between accounts, these remain on the books and records of the association indefinitely.

Please see the **Statement of Operations** (page 2)

- The **Gaming grant** was the same as the 2022 year, and total overall revenues exceed 2022 due to funds received toward athlete development and **Other Income**, which includes reimbursements from South Surrey White Rock Divers for coaching fees (which must be stated as income). Overall, including these reimbursements, the increase in total income is 15.9%. When the coaching fees/reimbursements are removed for comparison purposes, total income for 2023 is \$294,109 (vs 2022: \$291,727). ViaSport funding was down by \$12,365 in 2023 (2023: \$139,409 vs 2022: \$151,774).
- Expenditures were higher overall as athletes returned to pre-pandemic activities. **IPS and Athlete Development expenses** increased \$13,026 over 2022 totals, and **Office/Admin** and **Audit/Professional Fees** increased significantly over 2022 due to the costs of coaching billed to South Surrey White Rock Divers, which is recovered in **Other Income**, noted above. For reference, office and admin includes Executive Director wages (Jayne), management wages (Lisa), as well as rent, travel costs, stationery, postage, telephone, meetings outside the AGM.
- **Interest income** increased significantly due to Bank of Canada rates. The general and gaming accounts benefitted greatly from the increase in investment rates.
- Total deficiency (expenditures greater than revenues) for the year was \$18,111. For context, there was a surplus of \$15,269 in 2022 and \$66,515 in 2021 which left funds to be able to be spent in 2023 and beyond.

**Statement of Cash Flows**, page 3, indicates movement of cash over the year, and is a combination of the previous 2 statements, showing the opening and ending cash balances for the year once revenues are added, and expenditures are subtracted. It is the balance sheet and statement of operations which are more relevant for the Board's purposes.

Pages 4-7 are the **notes to the financial statements** as prepared by KPMG, and state the financial principles and policies used and any estimates considered. Significant for 2023's year end is notation 4 reporting the lease agreement commitments to the practice facility in South Surrey. There are no other items of note that differ from the previous year notes to the financial statements.

# PRESIDENTS' REPORT

## Presidents Report

Dear members,

Welcome to our 2023 AGM. My last AGM after 3 years as president of BC Diving. What a time I've had in your company. I never thought I find myself writing the president's reports when I became a board member at the 2014 AGM. Because it is my last report, it was suggested to me to report on BC Diving's highlights during the past 3 years. So here I go.

We went through something we never expected, and we could have never planned for. Yes, the pandemic that lasted too long for everyone. We had to adjust, follow protocols that sometimes felt strange, but we pulled through. We remained strong, divers kept competing and we pulled through. We are now back at normal training and competition. What a relief. We'll never forget those times and we will forever remember to stay vigilant.

We updated and changed our Safe Sport policy. It was time. Athletes, coaches, volunteers, everyone has the right to evolve in an environment free of any abuse. That's the goal of the policy and that is a must for BC Diving.

It was also time to change our Strategic Plan, which we adopted last year. A strategic plan is the tool that reminds us of our vision and goals as an organization. The Board of Directors does refer to it to make sure that every decision we make aligns with the plan.

We welcomed an athlete's director to the Board of Directors. It is something we should be proud of as an organization. We work to guide and steer how diving programs are offered in BC, and having an athlete gives us a new perspective.

We changed our registration system and served as a great example for Diving Plongeon Canada who decided to follow suit and use the same system as us. We were pioneers.

As usual we got great results in competitions. I so enjoy attending them and seeing how well our divers are performing, at all levels, grassroots to internationally. During my time on the board, I personally had the pleasure to be Sport Mission staff for diving at two editions of the Canada Games: Winnipeg in 2017 and Niagara in 2022. What an amazing experience it was and how proud we were of BC divers. They sure represented us well. I also attended a few BC Games and those were equally amazing experiences. I want to express my sincere congratulations to all divers. You should all be very proud. We are privileged to have you dive with us.

I would like to thank parents for entrusting your athletes of all ages to our sport. To coaches and staff, thank you for teaching the athletes. To club volunteers, thanks for managing the clubs and for organizing competitions. Thank you to our amazing BC Diving's staff, Lisa, Igor and Jayne, for all your hard work throughout the year. We are very fortunate to have you. To our board members: Christine, Cliff, Derek, Eryn, Jennifer, Shannon and Sven, thank you for your tremendous leadership and consistency and for embarking on some of my suggestions. You are a fantastic team to work with. We greatly appreciate your volunteer efforts.

Finally, and for a last time, congratulations and thank you to every athlete for your dedication and passion. It was a privilege and an honour to serve as BC Diving president for the past three years. I will cherish those years dearly.

Keep staying safe and have fun at the pool!

Respectfully submitted on November 19, 2023



Marie-Pierre Lavoie  
BC Diving President

## Summary of VAC Renewal

Jennifer Wood

October 2023

### Why BC Diving is interested:

The Vancouver Aquatic Centre (VAC) is slated for removal and rebuilding on its current site. It is the only facility in Vancouver with a 10m board, and one of few in the greater region at which it is possible to train competitive divers. It is BC Diving's goal to be involved in the planning stages of the VAC renewal so that not only will facilities appropriate for training be included in the design, but also features that will make it possible to host larger scale competitions (which are not currently available).

To that end, I've been following the Park Board meeting agendas and minutes, and have contacted all the Commissioners and some staff, to try to determine where they are up to in the planning process and how BC Diving can get involved. I have also passed on a list of suggestions and lessons learned from the Grandview Heights Aquatic Centre which was completed in 2016. In my communication with the Park Board, I have stressed the importance of our early input in the planning process.

### History of the planning process and current situation:

The Park Board has been looking into replacing the VAC for several years. In 2017, a report was generated based on input from all user group and the community ("VanSplash"). This report included suggestions from the diving community. In 2018 a further report was generated and "referred back to staff." In October 2019, the Park Board approved the replacement of the VAC with no details. The Vancouver Park Board allocated a budget of \$140 million to the rebuilding of the VAC in their 2023-2026 budget. In January 2023, the procurement process for the consulting team started. All available information on the Park Board website, and from communication with their Commissioners and staff, suggests that the Park Board will be making the decisions about everything to do with the VAC renewal.

In the summer of 2023, the City Council approved an architect to design the new facility.

The good news from this decision is that their stated list of priorities includes a dive tank, dryland facilities and "competition needs." These items are all at the top of the list.

The bad news is that the City Council appears to be making the decisions (at least this one) which makes it much more difficult to determine what is being done and who the correct people to talk to are.

### What's next and how our members can help:

The Park Board says that there will be community consultation as a first step in the renewal process. It is BC Diving's hope to be involved in this consultation. I have already passed on suggestions from Grandview's experience to the Park Board and the VAC renewal team. I am also open to suggestions from other coaches and facilities, so please contact me with pertinent information.

I am on the email list to be contacted when the renewal team is ready for public consultation. If you would also like to be on this list, please let me know and I will forward you the information.

I am keeping an eye on Park Board agendas and will attend any meetings at which the VAC renewal will be discussed. City Council is a little trickier as they often have *in camera* meetings. If anyone else is interested in attending a meeting, please let me know.

I am in contact with other VAC user groups, in particular the Dolphins swim team. They have many similar requirements for hosting larger competitions. We're sharing information that we receive from the Park Board and their president is also interested in attending a Park Board meeting.

I am currently looking for anyone with Park Board or City Council contacts which would streamline information gathering and perhaps have our voice heard more clearly.

## COMMUNICATION & EVENT MANAGER

1. I started the 2022-2023 year helping to organize the 2022 AGM and events. This was our third year conducting an online meeting. Although it's always nice to meet in person, online meetings have proven to be cost effective and have a greater attendance record.

2. Events: BC Winter Provincials was back at the pool after 2 years of virtual Winter Provincials. A note for club volunteers was made. Expecting the smaller clubs to volunteer in the same capacity as the larger clubs is unreasonable. BC Diving will partner with the host club to support them, but they will predominantly run the event for volunteers. BC Diving will run the computers, send out the competition package, organize registration, secure the pool rental, apply for grants, purchase ribbons, and organize the officials. The host club will arrange table volunteers, food for the hospitality room, announcers, and set up/clean up. The profits will be shared with the host club from BC Diving. Irene MacDonald was hosted by iDive and supported by BC Diving. iDive did a fantastic job, there was a great turnout from all the clubs.

3. Awards night and Provincial team announcement: We held our BC Diving awards and Banquet again at the Ocean Promenade hotel. The venue was tight. Maybe having the sign up open to provincial team athletes a week prior to everyone else so that we ensure they get first sign up. The food was good as per usual. Simple and something everyone will eat. BC Diving gifted the Provincial team with bucket hats and long-sleeved shirts. The top athletes were awarded water bottles and gift cards. All swag was a success and much appreciated by the athletes and coaches.

4. The social media networks and our website are up to date and maintained on a regular basis. Our Facebook page is created as a business, so it looks more professional. We can add our events to our page and special invites. It is very noticeable and great that the clubs are posting more to their Facebook and Instagram sites. Please don't forget to tag BC Diving so we can promote your divers and clubs. At the start of the 2023-2024 season, we revamped our social media pages. Look for the club highlights on Instagram. During the 2023 summer we redid our website. I worked with Longhouse Media to create a new user-friendly site that is fully updated. Some highlights are the current photos (a big thank you to Lawrence @evem\_photo), the map of the clubs and contact info, our apparel page, and the ability to navigate the site with ease.

5. Apparel: We had a record year for apparel orders. It's great to see everyone excited to wear our swag. If you're interested in ordering throughout the year, you can follow the link off our website. Just a note that it may take up to a month to receive orders. We did a new design for the Prospect Camp t-shirts that were a success with the athletes and coaches.

6. Currently, I am working on information pages for our website. Examples of what will be available to our clubs: Running a Competition (including all jobs with full descriptions), running a club, board member roles at a club level and at a provincial level, how to navigate H2O... these info sheets will help new volunteers and board members. I am also working on our provincial photo log so that we have photos of our Provincial divers and coaches.

I'm looking forward to a productive 2023-2024 season!

Lisa Breure  
Communication and Events Manager



# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The year was a very busy one for our athletes, coaches, and officials. Congratulations to everyone on a very successful season. It was so nice to be able to get back to normal and compete in person at our events.

Our clubs are seeing membership growth again with many clubs having wait lists for Learn to Dive. If our fall numbers indicate anything, it looks positive for the upcoming season.

With the growth in participants, clubs are feeling the need for more coaches/instructors. We were able to host a few in-person clinics to help with the training of coaches and instructors. This fall we have already hosted 2 clinics with the intention of hosting more clinics to help with the shortage of coaches.

## Registration - H2O

We are now in our third year of using the H2O registration system. I know that there is still some difficulty in the Registration program for some clubs but hopefully the more we use it, the more it will become a very useful tool for everyone in the registration process. BC Diving successfully registers events and clinics through the program, as well as our club registration. It has become a very valuable tool.

Diving Canada came on board with H2O registration this fall, and like us they had struggles with clubs accepting the program. We had to change our registration fees to account for the fees that Diving Canada is applying to every registration.

With online registration, members can instantly be updated on the database to be included in the national insurance program. All waivers are also taken care of in one process. This is also very important for Diving Canada. Diving Canada must report to Sport Canada our numbers throughout the country. Sport Canada will be auditing the numbers through the provinces reporting systems. This all ties in with our reporting program and demonstrates the importance of having accurate records of all our participants.

## Strategic Plan

After undertaking the task of completing our Strategic Plan last year, the Staff and Board of BC Diving have been working on the goals set out in the plan. Lisa Breure has been working hard on creating a succession plan for key board positions and staff.

BC Diving has made Safe Sport a top priority. We are hoping that all clubs have also created policies for their clubs and made Safe sport a priority at the club level.

## Competitions/Hosting

Hosting events was back to normal this year. Congratulations to all our clubs for hosting their own competitions, as well as assisting in the hosting of Provincial events.

BC was well represented at the Jr. Festival in Montreal July 8-16, 2023. The results of our divers were so impressive and very exciting for the future of BC Diving. We had 5 divers representing BC in Lima, Peru at the Pan Am Junior championships. Renee Batalla, Jackson Congdon, Nikos Tzanetakis, Maia Jane, as well as our coaches Lisa Boog and Yan Yang.

We also had tremendous results in Fukoka, Japan at the World Aquatic Championships. Our own Eryn Barrett travelled with the team. Derek Moore also travelled to Japan for the World Masters and came back with hardware!

BC Diving was able to host a Prospect Camp in Vancouver July 21-22. The camp was for those divers just approaching the National qualification standard, those who medaled at the Novice nationals and special invitees. 21 athletes attended along with 7 coaches.

I attended the BCSSA Summer Provincials in Nanaimo recently. I was pleasantly surprised at the calibre of the divers and coaches who attended the event. The coaches have done a tremendous job this summer with the athletes. It is so great to see that many of them will be continuing to Winter diving this fall as well.

Congratulations to Shannon Sullivan as well. She works so hard to keep this program running. Her passion for the program is very evident, and BC Diving will continue to do what we can for the program.

A big thank you to all our volunteers and committees who have continuously supported us at all BC diving functions. There would be no events without you.

### Clinics

With the increase in participants in our club programs, it has been necessary to host a few Instructor Beginner clinics this year. Thank you to our Course Conductors for working hard with the coach/instructors and getting them up to standard to teach the Learn to Dive courses throughout the province. Unfortunately, our officials' clinics have not returned as we had hoped. Thanks to the Diving Canada Officials Committee, Officials clinics will be hosted Nationally two times per year starting this November. Diving Canada will host a level 1 in November and a level 2 in April. This came about due to several provinces not having the manpower to host clinics within the province.

### Gaming/Funding

BC Diving receives funding from our Provincial government via Viasport and Gaming. We were extremely fortunate to have received the same amount of funding through the government this year. We went through an evaluation and maintained our status of funding for another few years.

The gaming funds are never guaranteed. After several years during the pandemic, BC Diving had funds remaining in the gaming account, and unfortunately, we did not receive the same amount of funding for the upcoming season. We hope to demonstrate the need for the funding in the coming year, and return to full funding in 2024, but in the meantime, we must tighten up our budget this year, and be mindful of our spending.

I want to take this time to thank our Board of Directors for really stepping up these past few years. It is such a pleasure to work with this group of people who are truly committed to making a difference in our sport. I thank you for your dedication and passion for the sport as we work together for a better sport association.

I really want to thank Marie-Pierre Lavoie for her outstanding contribution to BC Diving. She came on to the Board of Directors in 2014 and has shown constant leadership and passion for the sport long after her son retired from the sport. We will miss her professional management on the Board, and truly wish her well in her future endeavours. I am sure we will see her on the pool deck. She is a fan for life.

Thank you to my staff - Igor and Lisa. As always, I couldn't do this without you, and I truly appreciate your professional approach to making BC Diving a fantastic place to work.

Good luck to all the clubs and coaches for the New Year. It really looks like we will be able to plan a normal year and I am really looking forward to seeing everyone on deck!

Respectfully submitted.  
Jayne McDonald

# BC Diving Technical Director Report

November 19, 2023

This report highlights some of the diving activities in BC diving last season.

## Camps

We conducted 2 provincial camps last season. The provincial team camp was held in Victoria in February. Divers on the provincial team were invited as well as coaches from around the province. Additionally, each club was allowed to send one diver if they didn't have one already selected. 25 divers attended the 2 day provincial team camp and participated in station training and testing.

## Prospect Camp

The prospect camp was held in July. 20 divers participated in this camp. Divers invited were those divers that were not on provincial team, but the next in ranking based on provincial participation and novice event results. We had divers and coaches from iDive, WRD, FVD, NSD, Kamloops and Kelowna.

## Results-

This is a look at BC results at the provincial and national level. BC had some notable results:

## Candy Cane-

We had 62 divers in the novice category at the candy cane in December 2021. This was up 11 from the last pre pandemic event in 2019 that had 51. A good sign of the breadth of diving in BC came through the pandemic with an increase in numbers at the novice level. It could also be that with 2 years of virtual events everyone eligible was dying to get to an in person event. This was also the qualifier for the BC Winter Games which unfortunately was cancelled.

## Provincials

BC had 39 athletes participate in the winter provincials. 2022 had 23 divers. (Divers competing in DPC plus E events)

## Jr nationals

34 Divers participated in the junior nationals this year. Up from the 21 divers that participated in 2022. BC divers from 3 different clubs won 15 medals at the junior nationals.

### Gold

- Renee Batalla in girls A platform
- Yolanda Xie in girls D 1m and 3m
- Maia Jane Girls D 3m
- Nikos Boys C 1m, 3m AND PLT
- Alexandra Wood in Girls C 1m

### Silver

- Jackson Congdon Boys B plt

### Bronze



- Alexandra Wood in Girls C 3m
- Yolanda Xie in Girls D plt
- Blair Yan in girls D plt
- Keira Lu in Girls A 3m
- Kayden Hayes in Girls A plt
- Elliot Grange in Boys D 1m

#### **Senior nationals-**

**Gold-**Bryden Hattie WSN 1m & 3m SSN 1m & 3m

**Silver-**Renee Batalla WSN 10m, Celina Toth SSN 10m

**Bronze-** Carson Paul WSN 10m, Celina Toth WSN 10m

#### **World Cups**

Bryden Hattie, Celina Toth and Renee Batalla all participated in this season's world cups

#### **World Masters**

Derek Moore Bronze medal!

#### **Pan Am Games-2 divers**

Celina Toth and Bryden Hattie both made finals at the Santiago Games in Chile.

#### **Great Britain JR Nationals**

-Nikos Tzanetakis and Amelia Semple went with Lisa Boog as coach

**Pan Am Junior** - Maia Jane, Nikos Tzanetakis, Renee Batalla and Jackson Congdon were at the Pan Am juniors with their coaches Yan Yang and Lisa Boog.

#### **High Performance Athlete Development**

7 divers were invited to the assessment camp this year.

Below is a table tracking our data from year to year.

Criteria	2019 (Dec 2018)	2020 (Dec 2019)	2021 (Dec 2020)	2022 (Dec 2021)	2023 (Dec 2022)
Candy Cane (novice/rec/masters)	Info not available	106 (51/42/13)	41(41/0/0) Virtual*	62 ()	
Provincial camp participants	27 (+3 invites)	22 (+1 invite)	No camp	No camp	25
Winter Provincial participants	45	42	21	23	39
JR National participants	14 elite 12 development	NA	13 elite 9 development	12 elite 9 develop	34
SR National participants	6	5	1	8	11
Jr national medals	6(4 silver, 2 bronze)	NA	12	7 (2 gold, 3 silver, 2 bronze)	15 (8 gold, 1 silver, 6 bronze)
Sr National medals	5(3 bronze 2 silver)	2 bronze	1	5- (4 gold 1 bronze)	8 (4 gold, 1 silver 3 bronze)

Assessment Camp invites	8	6	Not done	6	7
HPAD	4	4 (+1 in phase 2)	5 (unconfirmed)	2 so far	NA
Provincial carding 10 <sup>th</sup> place %	42.05/22 divers	41.56/15 divers	32.37 *(13 divers)(*standard was raised so would have been 33.22 under the old standards)	41.81	43.21

I would like to acknowledge the support from the coaches, parents, athletes and BC diving who support not only myself but each other making this such a great diving province.

Respectfully,

Igor Kopecky

High Performance and Technical Director

# MEMBERSHIP FEES 2024

## CANADIAN AMATEUR DIVING ASSOC. INC (BC SECTION)

### Registration Fees to be effective September 1, 2024

(These figures represent the fee from BC Diving, and do not include the fees by DPC)

Membership Category	2023 Fee	Proposed Fee 2024
Learn to Dive	\$ 5	5
Learn to Dive Trial	5	5
Learn to Dive Group Trial	2	2
Recreational	20	22
Masters	20	22
Competitive Provincial Jr./Sr.	60	62
Competitive National Jr./Sr.	90	92
Unattached	115	115
Associate	8	8
Officials	8	8
Coaches (National standard)	50	52
Coaches/Instructors	25	26
*Club Fee (as per registration policy)	250	255

For information purposes only the following fees are collected by DPC for the following categories: Learn to Dive \$27, Recreational \$27, Masters \$27, Competitive Jr./Sr. Provincial & National \$42, Officials \$42, Unattached \$42, Coaches \$42, Instructors \$27

# NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

## CANADIAN AMATEUR DIVING ASSOCIATION, BRITISH COLUMBIA SECTION

### Report of the Nominating Committee to the Members

The current Board of Directors is comprised of the following:

Marie Pierre Lavoie, (President)  
Shannon Sullivan, (Secretary)  
Sven Batalla (Director)  
Christine Frohloff (Director)

Cliff Congdon, (Treasurer)  
Jennifer McLean Wood, (Director)  
Eryn Barrett (Director)  
Derek Moore (Athlete Director)

Elections for the position of President and Treasurer are held in a year ending in an odd numeral.  
The nominating committee for the 2023 AGM was Jayne McDonald, Lisa Breure and Marie-Pierre Lavoie.

### Retiring Directors

Marie-Pierre Lavoie has indicated that she will step down from her position as President. BC Diving and all members of the board and Staff want to thank Marie-Pierre for her outstanding contributions while serving on the Board of Directors as a Director and then President.

### Continuing Directors

All other Directors have indicated they will finish their term.

### The following members have put their name forward for the President and Treasurer:

Cliff Congdon has stepped forward to take on the role of President. Christine Frohloff has indicated her interest in taking on the role of Treasurer.

### The following members have put their name forward for a nomination on to the Board of Directors:

#### Lara Gilchrist

It's been my pleasure to work with BC Diving as a volunteer over the years and my children have benefited greatly from diving. I too have joined our adult diving program and believe there is great value to having adults learn new skills. I'm looking to give back and would be happy to participate on the BC Diving board.

### Nominating Committee Recommendations:

The nominating committee has solicited for the past two months and recommends the following:

- 1) That Sven Batalla, Shannon Sullivan, Eryn Barrett, Jennifer McLean-Wood and Derek Moore have agreed to stay on the Board for the



remainder of their term.

- 2) That Cliff Congdon be elected as President and Christine Frohloff be elected the Treasurer.
- 3) That Lara Gilchrist be elected as director.

**Bylaw 8.2 provides that:**

*Any member may make additional nominations for Director provided that each such nomination is in writing signed by the member, seconded in writing by five members in good standing, and consented to in writing by the nominee. Each such nomination must be delivered to the President by 5 pm on the 7<sup>th</sup> day preceding the date fixed for the Annual General Meeting. (Sunday, Nov. 13 at 5 pm.)*

# Club Reports



KGTC is building off of a great 2022/23 season that brought medals at Novice Nationals and had a group E diver attend the Festival who placed first in the D1 1m preliminary and also made the D final on 3m.

Coach Bonnie attended the Comp Intro course and Elizabeth McDonald formerly of the Forest City Diving Club has joined our coaching team.

We continue to offer learn to dive lessons and learn to train, train to train and competitive training groups. We cater primarily to novice level athletes and have 5 divers across groups D and C that are actively in pursuit of their NQ dive lists.

Conversations are also underway with the City of Kamloops for a diving board upgrade and the feasibility of the installation of a bubbler system in 2024/25.

Thank you,

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## Fraser Valley Diving

### Report on the 2022-2023 Season

Fraser Valley Diving had a very successful year of both growth and stability. We hosted a 1-day Candy Cane event that was extremely successful but a bit too much for one day. We learnt a couple of valuable lessons in terms of notifying our own divers of the start time of the events. We had divers compete at Bev Boys, Kelowna, and Irene MacDonald all in LTD events. Our divers did amazing, and the parents were all very happy with the overall team spirit. Our regular program ended at the end of June, and we ran a free summer program thanks to a grant from Viasport that was extremely popular and was filled 3 x a week for both July and August. Thanks to this summer program our fall registration is full, and we were able to hand pick several of our divers to move into our “competitive” stream with hopes of going to Novice Nationals in 2024.

Coaching: This past year we started with a few coaches including Julia, Tanya, Paige and Cam. Kelly came onboard in the spring, which brought new energy and structure to the program. Kelly both mentored coaches and handpicked the divers for the competitive program. Paige and Cam both left for university in the fall and William on boarded as an additional coach. Our club has undergone major changes, but this past year has brought structure and new vitality to the club.

Board: We have a great board, which has truly come together to build and support the club.

All areas within FVD are functioning well and everything is running smoothly. Follow us on Instagram @fvdiving and Facebook fvdiving

~Tanya

President

## North Shore Dolphins Dive Club

### *BC Diving 2023 Annual General Meeting Update*



November 2023

The 2022/2023 season can only be described as a roller coaster ride!

We welcomed our new head coach Jerry in April 2022 and families immediately embraced Jerry and his efforts to grow our club. For the first time in many years, we doubled the size of our younger development team and rebranded our pre-comp program to be called Novice and targeted divers ages 10-14 who loved diving but could only commit to a twice a week program. Our programming numbers returned to pre-Covid registration level.

In February, we received word that Jerry's work visa extension was denied due to an administrative error. Jerry was required to return to Colombia and wait for his new visa application to process. During that time, parents and our junior coaches carried the programs but we saw a decline in registration and lost out on our summer revenue as we did not have a coach to run camps.

The small but mighty board kept the Dolphins going and financially secure.

In August 2023, we finally received word of Jerry's new work visa approval. The senior competitive team traveled to Medellin to train with the Colombia team for a week and returned back to the North Shore with Jerry. It was a highlight of what was a difficult 5 month period for them and our club.

Another notable highlight for the club was the commitment from North Vancouver Recreation to include a 2 metre platform in the new Harry Jerome Community Centre. This new facility will be constructed over the coming two years and our hope is to be able to support more diving programming on the North Shore in the coming years.

The primary focus on the Dolphins has been to secure coaching resources and grow our club membership. We are optimistic that 2023/2024 will be that year for us as we welcome the addition of Juan Campuzano as our second coach.

Many thanks to Jayne and the BC Diving team for their ongoing support of the North Shore Dolphins.



## 2023-2024 Head Coach Report

### Recap of 2022-2023

- The year started with its challenges as we started our programs late due to pool closures and had to fight with the YMCA management to be able to do dryland training on deck again
- Programs:
  - o We were able to fill all of our programs and expand our programs as well. The limiting factor for more growth in the club was coaching and pool time.
  - o The new classes were:
    - Multiple days a week of Adult dive
    - Two coaches for the Developing program instead of one
    - Two days a week of UBCO Staff and Students
    - Private lessons

### Looking at this year and beyond

- 2023-2024 is the strongest year the club has had to date with the most athletes in our programs we have ever had. We have both the largest number of athletes and coaches KSDC has ever seen.
- The biggest challenge we are facing so far is being down a one-meter diving board. I learnt about the one-meter diving board being broken over the summer and after a trip to the pool and an email to the city and new base was ordered. I am disappointed that required my presence for action to happen.
- The end of the 2023 season to the start of the 2024 season is the smoothest the club has run in many years. This is thanks to Nicole our Administrative Assistant, our active board members, our coaches, and supportive parents and divers.
- Programs:
  - o We expanded our programs and all of our classes still filled with students on the waitlist. The number one barrier to our program expansion is pool time.
  - o This year we introduced a Parent/Adult Dive mini program on Tuesdays which was successful. This is something we can look into running again in the future. Additionally, we added a second Learn to Dive class on Thursdays.
  - o We are continuing to run our programs with UBCO Recreation.
- Coaching:
  - o We have so many great coaches working with KSDC this year.

- Here is a quick breakdown:
  - **Nyah Hedstrom**, a former KSDC diver is teaching our Developing program.
  - **Anna Ruckstuhl** and **Rachel Allen**, both former divers, are coaching our Learn to Dive & Adult programs.
  - **Amanda Willems**, who comes from gymnastic, is assisting with Learn to Dive.
  - **Avery Ringer** and **Elieen Appel**, former KSDC divers are junior coaches to gain confidence before moving into larger roles.
  - **Kaelen O'Rourke** and **Norah Bellerose**, former KSDC diver are sub-coach.

#### Events:

- This year for our Fall Session we held a training camp. We had Lisa and Jorge from Boardworks in Victoria and Neil from KGTC in Kamloops. This camp was extremely well received from all our athletes and parents and will look at hosting something like this again. A huge thanks to them for helping me make this camp happen.

#### Dive Meets:

- KSDC is taking a step back from dive meets as I find they hurt the morale of students and this outweighs what they learn from the experience. I would like to see a shift in the attitude of diving in BC. I would like BC Diving as a whole to remember that athletes have emotions and low scores can severely impact their well-being and mental health; it is really hard to be a kid these days. I would like five-judge panels to be the standard again and consider "rolling" scores higher. Rolling the scores higher will not affect the overall placement. There is still a place for high-level judging at the national qualifier events but the average club meets need to be fun again.
- KSDC has seen a direct relationship with athletes dropping out of our programs after a bad experience at a dive meet or training camp. Being an interior club with small numbers, this result is detrimental to the success of our club and causes high turnover in our upper-level programs. Our athletes feel they cannot compete with their mainland competitors and don't see the future diving can give them.
- I think it is important to remember that for the majority of athletes in diving in BC, diving is just another sport for them and the purpose of that sport is to have fun, make friends, and be active. Additionally, it is really challenging for me as Head Coach to tell families to take their athletes to a dive meet and spend a minimum of \$1000 on the weekend, only for their children to leave the event disappointed or even in tears.

I hope we can take some time at the BC Coaches meeting to discuss this matter further and remove some of the ambiguity that is present in judging. I look forward to what this year has for KSDC and I thank you all for your support and dedication to this club. I started as a diver in this club 15 years ago and it has been amazing to watch it grow over the years. I am very proud of what the club is today.



## **iDive Diving Academy Association 2023 Annual Report**

iDive submits this report to BC Diving as part of our 2022 reporting. This report outlines our program, registration, community promotion and events.

### **iDive Programs**

iDive offers the following programs in 2022 - 2023 season.

1. LTD & Recreational Program - children learn to dive and advanced diving classes (Hillcrest and VAC);
2. Developmental competitive team for age group divers (VAC);
3. High Performance competitive team for age group divers(VAC);
4. Adult diving (VAC).

### **Registration Process**

The High Performance & Competitive teams train year-round and iDive had approximately 25 divers in the program at VAC. Divers for the HP & Competitive team is invited by the head coach after competitive potential identification.

LTD / recreational classes are registered for fall, winter, spring, summer terms. The past year saw approximately 155 new registration and over 350 participants in the program.

### **iDive Coaching Staff**

In the 2022-2023 season, iDive had one Head Coach, one High-Performance Team coach, 10-15 assistant part-time coaches with regularly scheduled hours in both competitive program & recreational program.

Our senior competitive team divers have also received LTD instructor certification in order that they can help the club by coaching in LTD lessons.

### Competition host

iDive co-hosted the 2023 Irene MacDonald Competition with BC Diving in June. There were over 100 athletes participant in the event. iDive organized the volunteers and the food table for the events.

### Fundraising

In the fall of 2022, our head coach has been working very hard organizing the annual fundraising event to secure funding required.

We have a special fundraising goal this Christmas. Our iDive fundraiser will be targeting funds to be used for new dryland mats and new springboards. The current springboards and the dryland gymnastic mats are wearing out after having been used by multiple clubs members for the past 11 years.

### The Highlights of Competition 2022 Sep - 2023 Aug 2023 Pan Am Junior Championships (August, Lima, Peru)

Maia: 1m - 6th; 3m - 6th; platform - 6th.

### 2023 Canadian Junior Nationals (July, Montreal)

We had 9 athletes competed in the events with a total of 6 medals!

#### Group D

Yolanda: 1m - gold; 3m - gold; 1m - bronze.

Maia: 1m - 7th (prelim); : 3m - gold; platform - 6th (prelim). Mandy: 1m - 6th (prelim); 3m - 8th (prelim); platform - 7th (prelim).

#### Group C

Jayden: 1m - 8th; 3m - 8th; platform - 8th. Alexandra: 1m - gold; 3m - bronze; platform - 9th.

Age Group B Connie: 1m - ; 3m - .

Age Group A Madeline: 1m - ; 3m -

Lucia: 1m - 12th; 3m - 12th. Mathias: 1m - ; 3m - .

### 2023 BC Summer Provincials (June, Victoria)

We had 9 athletes competed in the events with 19 medals. 9 divers had qualified for the Junior Nationals standards.



### **2023 The Sting Championship (March, Victoria)**

We had 9 athletes competed in the events with 12 medals. 7 divers had qualified for the Junior Nationals standards.

**Yolanda** earned *Top Female Athlete Award*, Yolanda also achieved *2 new Pool records*, as well as *3 new Sting records*. **Alexandra** achieved *a new Pool record*, and *a new Sting record*. **Maia** achieved *2 new Sting records*. **Mandy** achieved *1 new Sting record*.

### **2023 BC Winter Provincials (February, Surrey)**

iDive had 8 athletes competed in 22 events with 15 medals overall. 6 divers had qualified for the Junior Nationals standards and Senior Nationals standards.

Alexandra, Connie, Jayden, Veronica and Sadie and coach Yan were named to the *BC Provincial Team*. **Alexandra** also earned the BC Diving award for *Female Diver of the Year* for Group C.

### **2023 Novice National Diving Championship (April, Regina)**

Our 9 competitive team divers and 2 coaches travelled to Regina in April, competed in 21 events with 12 medals and 7 of top 8 finishes.

### **2023 Irene McDonald Dive Meet (June, Vancouver)**

iDive had 26 athletes compete in the LTD, Novice and Master events.

Our divers won 18 gold medals, 7 silver medals, 5 bronze medals, and 7 of top 6 finishes.

### **2023 Bev Boys Invitational (April, Surrey)**

iDive had 19 athletes compete in the LTD, Novice and Master events. Our divers won 13 gold medals, 1 silver medals, 6 bronze medals, and 6 of top 6 finishes.

### **2022 Candy Cane Dive Meet (December, Walnut Grove)**

iDive had 28 athletes compete in this event. Our divers won 11 gold medals, 8 silver medals, 7 bronze medals.





























