



PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE

2013 AGM Minutes – Girls and Youth

April 27, 2013

Attendees: Chair, Head Commissioner, and U12 Commissioner - Beth McLucas, 2nd Vice-chair and Burnaby Girls - Brad Hara, Secretary - Trish Keizer, Registrar and New West Youth - Karen Peterson, Head Umpire - Andrea Jones, RIC - Jody Weatherby, Randy Radonich (Adanacs Youth), Trevor Webber (Burnaby Youth), Brad Nickle (Coquitlam Girls), Angie Schwan (Delta), Jason Kump (Langley Girls and Youth), Harpreet Grewal (Mission), Carol Soenen (New West Girls), Derek Milani (Poco Girls and Youth), Ceayon Johnston (Richmond), Tim Hawke (Ridge Meadows Girls and Youth), Rob Pearsall (Vancouver), Dirk Rachfall (Field Directorate Chair), Naomi Walser (BCLA Development Coach), and Tricia Rachfall (U16 Commissioner)

Absentees: Treasurer – Brenda Bromley, U8 Commissioner – Leah Mackenzie, U10 Commissioner – Roger Paterson, U14 Commissioner - Tracy Dolbec, U19 Commissioner - Mary Clare, North Shore, and Valley

Call to Order: @ 10:23 a.m.

Acceptance of the minutes from the last AGM:

- Motion: Brad Hara
- Second: Trevor Webber
- Carried

Business arising from the minutes:

- None

Reports

Chair: See attached

2nd Vice – Chair: No report

Treasurer: See attached

Registrar: See attached

Secretary: No report

Head Umpire: See attached

RIC: See attached

Commissioners Reports

Head Commissioner: See attached

Girls: See attached

U8: See attached

U10: See attached

U12: See attached

U14: See attached

U16: See attached

U19: See attached

- Motion to accept reports: Trevor Webber
- Seconded by: Brad Hara
- Carried

Operating Policy Amendments:

- See attached

Election of PCFLL Executive:

- facilitated by Dirk Rachfall
 - Chair
 1. Beth McLucas
 - Nominated by Karen Peterson
 - no other nominations
 - Secretary casts one vote
 - as a result an election was necessary for 1st Vice chair
 - the position will be for one year
 1. Chris Comeault
 - Nominated by Tracy Dolbec
 - no other nominations
 - Secretary casts one vote
 - 2nd Vice chair
 1. Brad Hara
 - Nominated by Beth McLucas
 - no other nominations
 - Secretary casts one vote
 - Treasurer
 1. Tracy Dolbec
 - Nominated by Beth McLucas
 - no other nominations
 - Secretary casts one vote

New Business

- Bursary
 - Awarded to Connor Stroup - Adanacs
- Schools' Program – Naomi Walser
 - The BCLA has a schools' program

- a package has been put together for each association
 - curriculum, inter-crosse ...
- BCLA has a stick loan program
 - 30 day loan
 - contact Darcy
- associations' can contact Naomi
 - 604 353-1152
 - BCLA Directory has an incorrect number
- Strategic Planning for Field – Dirk Rachfall
 - June 22 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
 - all associations are asked to send a rep
 - rsvp; venue TBA
 - Dirk will be meeting with Marilyn Ames (?) on May 8th
 - will need to come up with an agenda
- Girls Field -
 - Clinics with Danielle Spencer going ahead
 - fee \$50.00
 - 2 hours Saturday and Sunday
 - U12, U15, and U19
- AGM concerns – Randy Radonich
 - ask that the AGM be held in a bigger venue
 - suggestion that we have a meeting, prior to the AGM, to discuss issues to be brought up at the AGM
 - devise strategies on how best to develop the league
 - recommend coats/jackets for executive members and commissioners
 - clearly identify when attending games
 - the budget will be set in August
 - could approve Randy's suggestions at the budget meeting
 - see if there are any associations who would like to 'piggy-back' on these purchases
- Special Session
 - 6 associations were not represented at the Special Session
 - fines will be in place

Adjournment: @ 12:34 p.m.

- Motion to adjourn: Karen Peterson
- Seconded by: Brad Hara
- Carried

2012/2013 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – CHAIR’S REPORT

I took over after Dirk had to step down as he became the Field Directorate chair.

The Pacific Coast season ran from September 2012 until February 2013.

We ran out U8 and female division until the middle of December.

We hosted the Tier 2 provincials in Burnaby the weekend of February 22nd to 24th.

This was a great weekend of lacrosse. The weather was good to use, we didn't have to worry about the snow. Congratulations to all teams who competed and to the medal winners. I would also like to thank our RIC Jody Weatherby, and well as our volunteers Brenda Bromley, Mary Clare, Tracy Dolbec, Tricia Rachfall, Trish Keizer, Karen Peterson and our wonderful ball boys as well as our association volunteers who helped set up, take down our fields and helped make our weekend run smoothly

U12 Gold - Mission, Silver – Surrey, Bronze – Adanacs 3

U14 Gold – Burnaby, Silver – Richmond, Bronze – North Shore

U16 Gold – North Island, Silver – Mission, Bronze – Nanaimo

We had Langley host the U19 Provincials along with the female tournament the weekend of Feb 15th to 17th.

This was another great weekend of lacrosse, as well as a great weather weekend. Thank you to Jason Kump and all the Langley volunteers who helped make this weekend run smoothly

U19 Tier 1 Gold – Langley, Silver – Nanaimo, Bronze – New West

U19 Tier 2 Gold – Victoria, Silver – Ridge, Bronze – Pac Rim

The female tournament was excellent for the female program, as the girls got to see all division play their hearts out.

U12 Gold – New West, Silver – Burnaby/Ridge, Bronze – Coquitlam

U15 Gold – Coquitlam, Silver – Ridge, Bronze – New West.

We had our U8 Jamboree held by Richmond with their annually tournament in November, which had another great turn out. Thank you to Pam Mason and all the Richmond volunteers for hosting this Jamboree.

We held 1 U10 Jamboree this year, which was hosted by Langley in October, this helped us to establish the level of competition between the teams, this would create the season schedule to have more equally suited teams play each other.

Beth McLucas
PCFLL Chair

2012/2013 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – TREASURER’S REPORT

Please see attached financial reports which include a 2012/2013 Balance Sheet, Income Statement as well as a current Account Balance Statement.

I apologize for once again not being present at this year’s AGM but I am in the Maritimes with Parker. This season is the first in my tenure where we actually sustained an income loss totaling \$1,525.44. This loss is due to the purchase of portable creases which were an additional cost of just under \$9,000. This purchase was approved by member associations but not taken into account at the time of my 2012/2013 budget. As you can see we still have a sizeable and healthy cash standing as of year-end.

I would also like to announce I am resigning my Treasurer’s position at PCFLL effective April 30, 2013. I have held this position for six years and find myself as an empty nester this September and will no longer have kids involved in community field lacrosse.

I would like to point out a few highlights of the past six years and commend all of those involved in making these milestones a reality.

- 1) Since the 2007/2008 season to the conclusion of this year’s season youth/boy’s registration has increased 21.7%.
- 2) Since the 2010/2011 season when PCFLL took over the management of the girl’s lacrosse program registration has increased 18%.
- 3) On May 1, 2007 PCFLL had a cash balance of \$6,622.81. As of this year’s end statement, we hold a cash balance of \$25,444.11. This while investing \$12,261.96 in equipment and returning \$7,235 to member associations in 2009.
- 4) Finally, we have hosted a successful Provincial Tournament (sometimes two tournaments) each of these years as well as hosting a tremendous National Championship Tournament in 2011 that produced a net profit of over \$6,000 which benefitted many member associations.

It has been my pleasure to work with such a great group of volunteers over these past six years and I would like to make special mention to Beth McLucas and Dirk Rachfall who have both exhibited the highest level of integrity while working tirelessly day in and day out to promote youth and girl’s field lacrosse in the Lower Mainland.

Regards,

Brenda Bromley
PCFLL Treasurer

2012/2013 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – REGISTRAR’S REPORT**Youth Field Registration Comparison**

Association	2010	2011	2012	2013
Adanacs	252	269	301	298
Burnaby	126	108	119	116
Delta	118	154	171	193
Langley	137	142	126	138
Mission	93	85	74	70
New West	202	179	173	184
North Shore	46	80	63	47
PoCo	109	118	124	125
Richmond	87	100	81	58
Ridge Meadows	140	188	167	171
South Fraser	148	113	148	121
Valley	71	87	66	71
Vancouver	0	18	41	72
TOTALS	1483	1641	1654	1664

Womens/Girls Field Registration Comparison

Association	2010	2011	2012	2013
Adanacs	41	67	50	37
Burnaby	24	19	17	57
Delta	0	15	0	0
Langley	69	38	46	33
New West	59	65	60	59
PoCo	37	17	21	29
Ride Meadows	0	0	12	46
TOTALS	230	221	206	267

- Each associations President and Representative responsible for Field Lacrosse administration must be held responsible for providing the necessary resources, training and updates to their clubs Registrar.
- The PCFLL will provide an information training session for all associations at the beginning of the 2013 season. It will be the responsibility of the each Association to ensure their attendance at this session.

Each association must be held accountable to abide by the B.C.L.A Field Directorate Operating Policy and Pacific Coast Field Lacrosse League Operating Policy when preparing and submitting their registration to the PCFLL.

Submitted by: Karen Peterson
PCFLL Registrar

2012/2013 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – HEAD UMPIRE’S REPORT

Another good year, however I remain very concerned about the number of umpires available to the PCFLL. The number of players and teams are growing; however the number of Umpires is not keeping pace. This may mean games will not be able to take place. Of course I will do everything I can to avoid that happening but without a concerted effort on the parts of all associations to recruit new umpires, I'm afraid it will be inevitable. You all may be happy to see the growth in players and teams but without umpires there can be no games. I know I sound like a broken record but I cannot reiterate this enough. I know we are losing a couple of umpires for sure next year. We need to replace them and add more to the ranks.

The Lower Mainland held 2 clinics in 2012: 9 attended; 1 new and 8 re certified

The confidence and skill level for the umpires this past PCFLL season was the best I've seen since the start of the girls' league. I believe this is due, in a large part to the PCFLL's mentoring program for its umpires. I really appreciate the PCFLL's continued support for the umpiring program here in the lower mainland.

During this past PCFLL season, I was very happy to see far less abusive conduct from coaches, parents and players.

I will plan on at least 1 clinic for new and returning umpires to coincide with the start of the 2013 season sometime in early September.

Andrea Jones
Head Umpire

2012/2013 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – RIC'S U12/U14/U16 TIER 2 PROVINCIAL'S REPORT

The 2013 Tier 2 provincials were held in Burnaby this year. The divisions that Pacific Coast hosted were U12, U14, and U16. They were scheduled for three days from February 22 to the 24. The schedule called for a total of 48 games. This is down from the usual 64 games as no U19 were being played at this venue this year. This year, as opposed to past years, all the games were played although the weather was extremely windy, wet and cold.

This year's event was a little different format than we have used in past years. We were heavily loaded on the Friday with 24 games using 4 fields at once. This is always challenging as the Friday is a business day when most of the referees are in school or working. The Saturday drops off to 18 games so now... we have too many referees. The Sunday is the first time we have played the tournament with out any cross over games. We only had the Bronze and Gold games on the Sunday. This meant we had only 6 games played so we needed even less referees.

It was because of this new format of scheduling we needed less and less referees as the tournament progressed. I was reluctant to ask others from the Island or the Interior to assist as there would not be enough games to go around.

In past years, we have always had the senior referees donate their time to evaluate the junior referees, when they were not working the games. This has always been very much appreciated by me, as the less experienced referees learned a lot and showed huge improvement.

This year, for the first time, ever, we had an entire evaluation team put in place to evaluate every referee at every level. This written evaluation was conducted on level two referees all the way to our top senior referees.

These evaluations were very well received by every referee, and it goes to show that even the highest ranked referees in the province of BC, will still get even better because of this assessment program.

I would like to thank Lee Brien Vice-Chair of Officials for putting this evaluation program together. I would like to thank Al Sleightholme, Mark Tymchuk, Wilson Louie, and Rob Cook for taking time away from their families and spending the entire weekend evaluating the referees. I am sure that we all see the benefit of this program in the near future as the referees will be stronger and stronger.

As for our respect and general good behaviour at a provincial championship, I was pleasantly impressed. It was not perfect, but there has been a noticeable improvement over the past few years. Those few coaches that did get very overly excited at least knew it and came to me and apologized after the game. This is all good, because in past years, they were in total denial about their actions and behaviour on the bench.

I would like to thank all of the PCFLL executive and the commissioners for the countless hours they had to put in for the tournament and all season long.

I would like to thank all the association volunteers that helped out with the field set up and take down as well to make this year a success. Nice going!

I would like to thank all the parents who braved the cold and wet championship to cheer on their teams in a positive way.

I would like to thank the players and coaches who treated the referees to some amazing lacrosse.

I would like to announce that referee Paul Foster was chosen for the fair play award. Paul had an excellent attitude and was noted as the most improved over the weekend.

Thanks

Jody Weatherby
Tier 2 Provincial
RIC 2013

2012/2013 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – HEAD COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

All division commissioners did a great job.

U8 –Leah took over U8 this year and as a new commissioner she did well, working with the new managers and coaches. Thank you

U10 – Roger work great with the coaches and manager once again, he does a great job working with this division. Thank you

U12 –This is my division and I sent in a report.

U14 –Tracy once again done a great job even with the challenges she had with this division. Thank you.

U16 –Tricia once again had the U16 division, Once again she did a great job working with the issues she had to deal with. Thank you.

U19 – Mary took on the u19 division, which was a challenging division due to the age level of these players. Mary handled it well and did a great job. Thank you

Female – I have already sent in a report.

Thank you to the entire commissioner for their hard work during the season, and for doing an excellent job within your divisions. It made my job at lot easier.

Beth McLucas
PCFLL Head Commissioner

2012/2013 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – FEMALE COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

This year we had the following

U12 – 6 teams

U15 – 6 teams

U19 – 3 teams

To begin with we played a jamboree format, where all teams in the division showed up at 1 field and played multi games.

After this they started playing league games. Again the u19’s teams played each other on the same day - which worked well for only having 3 teams in this division.

The season ended middle of Dec, which allowed the teams to travel.

We did a year end tournament at the U19 youth provincials, for the U12 and U15 female teams. Which was a great success; this was run the same way as youth provincials.

I would like to thank Brad Hara once again for taking on the female division and running another successful season for all the females.

Beth McLucas

Female Commissioner

2012/2013 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – U8 COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

The U8 teams had a great learning season, both the players and the coaches and managers. Thank you to Richmond for hosting the Jamboree. There was feedback provided by teams to make the following changes for U8 in future years:

- an opportunity for U8 coaches/managers to have an orientation session with PCFLL representation and referees at the beginning of the season
- clarification on field setup for double field game play (score tables back to back in the centre of the field)
- at least one offensive pass before a goal
- a three goal limit per player on the team (to encourage passing)
- hosting the jamboree as close to the end of the season as possible

Leah Mackenzie
U8 Commissioner

2012/2013 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – U10 COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

During the 2012 – 13 Field Lacrosse season the U10 Division had 12 teams from 9 Associations, two teams, Richmond and Mission folded after the first couple of weeks due to having an insufficient number of players to maintain a team on a weekly basis:

- Coquitlam (2)
- New Westminster (2)
- Ridge Meadows (2)
- Burnaby
- Delta
- Langley
- Valley
- Port Coquitlam
- Surrey

As done last year, in order to establish U10 team strengths earlier in the season, so that teams of approximately equal strength could be scheduled to play each other starting earlier in the season, it was decided to hold the U10 Jamboree during the 5th week of game play. The jamboree was again successfully hosted by the Langley Association and all twelve of the U10 teams attended. The jamboree achieved the desired result of providing relative team strength information. The following items were noted:

- The registration fee to be charged each team this year was to be \$150 for a team of 15 players and \$10 for each player after that. (i.e., last year it was a \$125 flat fee). Unlike last year, since it was determined that this year’s fee would result in a surplus it was decided that decided to only charge teams a flat fee of \$150.
- Billing the Associations for the jamboree fees was done by the PCFLL this year, as it was hoped it would result in more expeditious payment of the invoices. It was decided that in the future participating Associations or teams will be billed directly by the Host Association.
- Given that teams are more settled after the 2nd week of game play the jamboree should be held any time after the 2nd week of game play. This year’s jamboree played during the 5th week of game play was not found to be too late.

During the “Tiering Period” and the remainder of the season it became readily evident that there were essentially 2 distinct competitiveness levels within the Division. There were 6 to 7 teams which were clearly more skilled than the others, while the remaining teams were of intermediate skill level which were fairly competitive amongst themselves but could occasionally play competitively against some of the teams in the upper division. There was one team which struggled early in the season, when playing against the intermediate teams, but a notable improvement in competitiveness of this team was observed by the end of the season. As a result of again using an internal tiering structure there were far fewer blow-out games than in past seasons and most teams seemed to be happy with this arrangement even if it meant playing some teams on a more frequent basis.

For the most part the team balancing done by Associations, which had multiple teams was okay, the Ridge Meadows teams seemed to have the largest degree of disparity as the season went on. However team strength

could vary significantly on most teams when some of the higher skilled players were not in attendance, which seemed to account for anomalies in competitiveness.

There was no U10 Jamboree hosted by the PCFLL during the Provincials at the Burnaby Lake West Sports Complex this year, as U10 team interest was found to be low. This appeared to be principally attributable to the longer time period between the end of league games and Provincials (i.e., most players and coaches had moved on to concentrating on the start of Box Lacrosse season).

There were no suspendable infractions to players or coaches during the regular season this year, although one incident of a coach verbally abusing the referee was noted (i.e., while the coach in question was not disciplined he was warned that re-occurrence would result in suspension). Weather and field closures only created a small amount of havoc this year, but nothing significant compared to prior seasons.

There were fewer on-going general issues around refereeing this year, those that were documented most had to do with the training of young inexperienced refs and almost all issues had to do with the level of contact permitted. In general many of the issues were minor and better mentoring programs implemented by some of the Associations at the beginning of the season seemed reduce the number of issues noted this year. The most contentious issue at the U10 level still appears to be the degree of “off the ball hitting” permitted. It’s no surprise that this was less of an issue with the more competitive teams and a bigger issue with the less competitive teams. The clearer definition of permissible “Off the ball” contact hitting provided to the coaches and the referees at the beginning of the season seemed to significantly reduce the number of reported incidents around this issue.

As to the week to week housekeeping issues with this Division the main one was game sheets, there were two items in particular:

- Getting Game Sheets In on a weekly basis

Although for the majority of weeks it was good it clearly got worse toward the end of the season. As you can’t withhold points there isn’t much of a “club” you can hold over the teams. Most teams were better at getting the game sheets across electronically; it was the hardcopy end of things where the issue was more problematic.

- Score Sheets

The quality of the score sheets was better this year but still there were issues, which is to be expected when you are dealing with parents and coaches that are new to field lacrosse. As the field lacrosse game sheet is more foreign looking than a box lacrosse or hockey game sheets it appears to give the parents more of a problem and few people have experience filling them out. As the scorekeepers vary from game to game it falls to the manager and coaches to do a better job of proofreading the score sheet during the game and at the end of the games. Also there should be more direction from the referees as to assist score keepers to fill out the game sheets properly (I am pretty certain that many of the referees didn’t know how to fill it out either). Although a copy of a properly filled out game sheet was sent out to teams and Associations it was likely never available (or used) at the game. Many of the managers were referred as well to the tutorial provided on the PCFLL website; this did help in some cases.

In summary, it is evident that the continued success of the U8 program has, at least in some Associations, raised the skill and knowledge level of field lacrosse, of both the players and coaches, significantly in the U10 Division. I do not however see the day where it will be necessary to take Tier Declarations at the beginning of the U10 season. Using a Fall Jamboree to initially gauge team strength and customizing the schedule to better match teams of similar caliber seemed to again be successful this season. Not posting the game results (or standings) for

this division has resulted in far fewer issues, as teams now just concentrate on playing the game and not worrying so much about where they are in the standings

R. Paterson
U10 Commissioner

2012/2013 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – U12 COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

This season started off with a total of 16 teams.

There was no team movement this season.

At the end of the fall break teams were asked who was declaring and who wasn't.

With this information at the tier 2 levels was split into declared and non-declared divisions.

Tier 1 provincials were held on the Island and the PCFLL teams all did well with Adanacs, New west and Ridge all bring home medals

Tier 2 was held here at Burnaby, PCFLL teams all did well with Mission, surrey and Adanacs 3 all bring home medals.

Thank you to all for another successful year.

Beth McLucas
U12 commissioner

2012/2013 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – U14 COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

The U14 division of the PCFLL this season consisted of 21 teams in total. In Tier 1, 7 teams were declared and in Tier 2, 14 teams declared. After 5 games of tiering, there was no team movement. However, the Burnaby team was moved to Tier 1 after week 4 of the Fall schedule, so after 9 games in total. The Burnaby team did not agree with my decision, appealed, and the Field Directorate sided with Burnaby. They were returned to Tier 2 at the start of the Winter schedule after playing 3 games at Tier 1.

This season saw 11 suspensions in total at U14 during the regular season. Seven were to coaches/assistant coaches, and the other four were to players. One of the player suspensions was for 5 games plus a hearing for a 2nd offence attempt to injure to Jakob DeSousa of Delta 1. The hearing resulted in an additional 5 games, for a total of 10 games. All suspensions for the current season were served with the exception of Jakob DeSousa’s. He served 5 during league play as well as 3 at Provincials. This leaves 2 games to be served next season.

There were no huge issues with receiving gamesheets this season. There were some that were not completed correctly, but they got better as the season went on with reminders from me!

The PoCo 2 team had quite a small roster and had difficulty fielding a team in the latter half of the season, resulting in 3 forfeits due to lack of players. For the rest of the division, there was only 1 other forfeit by Delta 1.

Following are the final U14 standings for the regular season:

Tier 1:

No.	Team Name	GP	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
1.	Adanacs 2	14	13	0	1	27	136	58
2.	Adanacs 1	14	11	3	0	22	122	65
3.	Ridge Meadows 1	14	10	3	1	21	98	69
4.	New West 1	14	5	9	0	10	89	101
5.	Port Coquitlam 1	14	5	9	0	10	82	118
6.	Langley 1	14	4	10	0	8	73	95
7.	Delta 1	15	2	13	0	4	66	130

Tier 2:

No.	Team Name	GP	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
1.	Richmond	16	14	2	0	28	143	66
2.	North Shore	15	12	3	0	24	155	80
3.	Burnaby	15	11	4	0	22	155	84
4.	Valley	16	11	5	0	22	169	103
5.	Vancouver	16	10	4	2	22	94	65
6.	Surrey	16	9	6	1	19	125	82
7.	Adanacs 3	15	8	7	0	16	110	101
8.	Mission	15	7	8	0	14	121	100
9.	Adanacs 4	15	7	8	0	14	72	81
10.	Ridge Meadows 2	15	5	9	1	11	73	108
11.	Delta 3	14	3	11	0	6	79	155
12.	Langley 2	15	3	12	0	6	57	119
13.	Delta 2	15	3	12	0	6	71	170
14.	Port Coquitlam 2	15	0	15	0	0	17	157

Of the 7 Tier 1 teams, 5 teams declared and all qualified for Provincials. In Tier 2, 11 of the 14 teams declared and only the top 4 teams qualified for Provincials. coming out ahead with the greater number of wins.

There were no suspensions at Tier 2 Provincials in the U14 Division.

Tracy Dolbec
PCFLL U14 Commissioner

2012/2013 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – U16 COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

Overall a very successful U-16 season with a total of six Tier 1 teams and twelve Tier 2 teams at the U-16 division. This is down 1 Tier 1 team from the 2011-12 season. There are some notable items to mention:

- There was no movement after tiering or after the Fall schedule between tier 1 and tier 2.
- No games were lost this season due to snow.
- There was a significant decrease in player suspensions this season to a total of 7 suspensions during the season and 3 handed out during Provincials. There were no Tier 1 player suspensions during the season.
- There was 1 Ass’t Coach suspension
- Only 4 of the Tier 1 teams declared for Provincials and all 4 went to Victoria for the Championship.
- Nine Tier 2 teams declared for Provincials with 5 qualifying. The top of Tier 2 were generally close games and allowed for heated competition in the Winter schedule. Teams that declared played each other in the Winter semester.
- Three Tier 2 teams did not declare for Provincials. For the Winter schedule, these teams played each other though one team that did not declare because of lack of players available for Provincials. This team was significantly stronger than the other 2 teams.
- U-16 has enough teams that a 3rd tier could be viable. Unfortunately, most of the teams who did not declare would not automatically declare Tier 3 to start the season. The inclusion of the schedule for non-declared teams after the winter break is a great option and was successful again this year but would be better with more teams not declaring. This year showed that most teams would not automatically declare Tier 3 as they want the possibility to play in the Provincials. Many do not know their strengths and weaknesses until part way through the season.
- There was one major issue regarding verbal abuse when some players from Mission spouted sexual/gender based inappropriate comments to a female player on PoCo 2. This was problematic and taken very seriously. While no officials appeared to be aware of the impact of the comments, this commissioner worked with the President of Mission field and BCLA to come to a reasonable solution. Two Mission players, the Mission Head Coach, and the Mission Field President all wrote letters of apology which were given to the female player, both players received a one game suspension from Mission and a one game suspension from the Commissioner.

Tier 1 – 4 teams qualified for Provincials in Victoria

Team	League standing	Provincial Placing
Port Coquitlam 1	1	2
New West 1	2	1
Adanacs 1	3	3
Surrey	4	
Delta 1 – Did not declare	5	
Langley – Did not declare	6	

Tier 2 – the top 5 teams qualified for Provincials in Victoria

Team	League Standing	Provincial Placing
Richmond	1	
Vancouver	2	
Adanac 3	3	
Mission	4	2
Burnaby	5	4
Adanac 2	6	
Ridge Meadows	7	
Surrey 2	8	
Langley 2	9	
New West 2 – Did not declare	10	
Port Coquitlam 2 - Did not declare	11	
Delta 2- Did not declare	12	

Overall Thoughts:

The PCFLL U-16 teams represented themselves well at the Provincial Championships. Congratulations to all teams for a successful season. Strong Tier 2 teams from other areas of the Province reduced the placings of the PCFLL teams.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Tricia Rachfall
U-16 Commissioner

2012/2013 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – U19 COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

The season was relatively uneventful at the U19 level. There were only 2 suspensions, and no snow which meant that no games were cancelled due to the weather. Unfortunately we had two teams fold part-way through the season, Richmond and Burnaby, but we managed to find places for the players from those two teams that wanted to keep playing.

All teams declared for Provincials, as well as teams from the Island, Interior and Prince George, which made for an exciting weekend in Langley Feb 15/16 and 17 and the weather stayed dry most of the time which was a bonus! In Tier 1, Langley won gold, while Nanaimo came 2nd and New Westminster was third.

In Tier 2, Victoria were the winners of the gold medal, while Ridge Meadows came 2nd and Pac Rim was third.

The Fair Play Coachs’ awards went to Bryan Poole in Tier 1 and Bill Barwise in Tier 2.

The Tournament MVP in Tier 1 was Ryley Brown from Langley and in Tier 2 it was Ryan Lewis from Victoria.

The most sportsmanlike Team of the tournament was North Shore, and the BCLA volunteer award went to Trish Keizer.

My heartfelt thanks go to everyone who made the year easy for me as it was my first year at this level, especially Beth at the PCFLL executive level, and also the referees who did an excellent job all season with this age division, and of course the players and the coaches – we wouldn’t be here without you! – not forgetting all the association volunteers who put in the many hours of hard work so that these players can play.

Thanks everyone, hope to see you all again next year

Mary Clare
U19 Commissioner

2013 PCFLL AGM

Proposed Operating Policy Additions and Amendments

#1

Motion by: Trevor Webber

Seconded by: Randy Radonich

That **Section D Objectives** be amended to read:

D. Objectives

1. To promote, foster and govern the game of Field Lacrosse for the players aged nineteen (19) and under.
2. To provide coaching, instruction, certification and encourage fair play and sportsmanship.
3. **To provide guidance to a player, team or club representative should an appeal become necessary due to a suspension or decisions made by a representative of the PCFLL for which a team or club representative may be in a disagreement with.**

Carried

#2

Motion by: Randy Radonich

Seconded by: Trevor Webber

That **Section E Declarations** be added

The re-establishing of a Tier three (3) league. As present in past years, which was successful.

Defeated

#3

Motion by: Trevor Webber

Seconded by: Brad Hara

That **Section E.03** be deleted.

The regulation current reads as it appears on Page: 4 and 5

Declaring Teams

1 team Tier 1 or Tier 2

2 teams 1 - Tier 1 & 1 - Tier 2

3 teams 2 - Tier 1 & 1 - Tier 2

1 - Tier 1 & 2 - Tier 2

4 teams 3 - Tier 1 & 1 - Tier 2

2 - Tier 1 & 2 - Tier 2

5 teams 4 - Tier 1 & 1 - Tier 2

3 - Tier 1 & 2 - Tier 2

- 2 - Tier 1 & 3 - Tier 2
- 6 teams 5 - Tier 1 & 1 - Tier 2
- 4 - Tier 1 & 2 - Tier 2
- 3 - Tier 1 & 3 - Tier 2

Defeated

#4

Motion by: Brad Hara

Seconded by: Tim Hawke

That **Section E.03 Declaring Teams** be amended to read:

Declaring Teams

- 1 team Tier 1 or Tier 2
- 2 teams 1 - Tier 1 & 1 - Tier 2
- 2 - Tier 2**
- 3 teams 2 - Tier 1 & 1 - Tier 2
- 1 - Tier 1 & 2 - Tier 2
- 4 teams 3 - Tier 1 & 1 - Tier 2
- 2 - Tier 1 & 2 - Tier 2
- 5 teams 4 - Tier 1 & 1 - Tier 2
- 3 - Tier 1 & 2 - Tier 2
- 2 - Tier 1 & 3 - Tier 2
- 6 teams 5 - Tier 1 & 1 - Tier 2
- 4 - Tier 1 & 2 - Tier 2
- 3 - Tier 1 & 3 - Tier 2

Defeated

#5

Add: Section E.03 Declaring Teams

Declaring teams

- 1 team - Tier 1 or Tier 2 or Tier 3
- 2 teams - 1 Tier 1 & 1 Tier 2
- 1 Tier 1 & 1 Tier 3
- 1 Tier 2 & 1 Tier 3
- 3 teams - 2 Tier 1 & 1 Tier 2
- 1 Tier 1 & 2 Tier 2
- 2 Tier 2 & 1 Tier 3
- 1 Tier 1 & 1 Tier 2 & 1 Tier 3
- 4 Teams - 3 Tier 1 & 1 Tier 2
- 2 Tier 1 & 2 Tier 2

- 2 Tier 1 & 1 Tier 2 & 1 Tier 3
- 1 Tier 1 & 2 Tier 2 & 1 Tier 3

- 5 Teams
- 4 Tier 1 & 1 Tier 2
 - 3 Tier 1 & 2 Tier 2
 - 3 Tier 1 & 1 Tier 2 & 1 Tier 3
 - 2 Tier 1 & 3 Tier 2
 - 2 Tier 1 & 2 Tier 2 & 1 Tier 3
 - 1 Tier 1 & 3 Tier 2 & 1 Tier 3

- 6 teams
- 5 Tier 1 & 1 Tier 2
 - 4 Tier 1 & 2 Tier 2
 - 3 Tier 1 & 3 Tier 2
 - 3 Tier 1 & 2 Tier 2 & 1 Tier 3
 - 2 Tier 1 & 3 Tier 2 & 1 Tier 3
 - 1 Tier 1 & 4 Tier 2 & 1 Tier 3

Withdrawn

#6

Motion by: Brad Hara

Seconded by: Harpreet Grewal

That **Section F.01 Playing Season** be amended to:

The amended regulation will reads as follows:

The playing season may start as early as the first (1st) weekend after Labour Day and may continue as late as final weekend of March of the following year. All PCFLL scheduled and rescheduled games between the start of the season and **the first (1st) weekend of November** will be considered tiering games, which count towards league play. Regular fall season begins the **second (2nd) weekend of November** and continues until mid-December. A winter break will run from mid-December until early January of the following year. The regular winter season begins in early January and may continue until the final weekend in March.

At the start of the playing season, the PCFLL executive will place teams in the appropriate tiers best suited to each team's level of play. Clubs may request in writing any changes to their teams starting tier prior to the creation of the fall and winter schedule. The PCFLL Executive will review any requests and place teams in the tier best suited to each team's level of play. **Upon completion of the tiering schedule, teams will remain in the tiered division assigned to them for the remainder of the season.**

Withdrawn

#7

Motion by: Brad Hara

Seconded by: Trevor Webber

That **Section F.05 Re-Tiering** be amended to:

F.05. Re-Tiering

a) Teams can be re-tiered at any time by the PCFLL Executive. Points do not transfer with the team. The team will be given the average of the tier they are entering at that time.

b) Where numbers of teams permit in Tier 2, a need exists and as agreed by member associations (at the monthly meeting of the PCFLL prior to the end of tiering break), a Third Tier (Development) may be established after the Tiering round is complete. This would be comprised of teams that have many new or developing players and may be as little as two teams. The teams would be expected to play each other on an agreed on schedule (ie once every two weeks) by the Commissioner and Associations. These teams would not be allowed to declare for or participate in Provincial Championships.

Carried

#8

Amend: Section F.05 Re-Tiering

Upon completion of an eight (8) game tiering schedule, teams shall remain in the tier for which the divisional Commissioner placed them into for the remainder of the regular season.

Withdrawn

#9

Motion by: Brad Hara

Seconded by: Trevor Webber

That **Section G.02 Quorum** be amended to:

G.02. Quorum

Seven (7) members present shall constitute a quorum at any meeting, general or special, of PCFLL.

Carried

#10

Motion by: Brad Hara

Seconded by: Trevor Webber

That **Section G.04 Voting** be added:

G.04 Voting

There is a limit of two (2) votes per member association for Youth, and one (1) vote for each association with a female team.

Carried

#11

Motion by: Trevor Webber

Seconded by: Brad Hara

That **Section I Executive** be amended to:

The Executive of the organization shall consist of a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, 2nd Vice Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer. All positions shall be filled by election at the AGM. Should positions be left vacant at the AGM, the Chairperson shall be empowered to appoint persons to the positions. Once the Executive is elected, they shall appoint the Registrar, Head Referee, Head Umpire, Head Commissioner, Coaching Coordinator, and a Commissioner for each division, prior to the start of the season. These appointed positions are one (1) year positions.

The Chairperson, 2nd Vice-Chairperson and Treasurer shall be elected for two (2) year terms in odd number years. The Vice-Chairperson and Secretary shall be elected in two (2) year terms in even-numbered years.

No more than 2 executive members from the same association shall hold an executive position.

Withdrawn

#12

Motion by: Trevor Webber

Seconded by: Randy Radonich

Appointed Positions

J.06. REGISTRAR

The Registrar will be responsible for the collection of all PCFLL player registrations and fees, preparation of a team roster of registered players and revenue summary for the Treasurer.

J.07. HEAD REFEREE

The Head Referee must be a certified official and will be responsible for certification of PCFLL referees and overseeing allocation of referees for PCFLL-hosted tournaments and provincial championships games.

The Head Referee is required to observe PCFLL scheduled games, and to evaluate referees, throughout the PCFLL seasons. The Referee-in-Charge must provide the PCFLL Executive a list of officials that will be used for the Provincials seven (7) days prior to the start of Provincials. ***All referees wishing to participate in Provincial Championships must fill out application by date TBA. The Referee-In-Charge will evaluate the referees and select as set out by the PCFLL Executive.***

J.08. HEAD UMPIRE

The Head Umpire will be responsible for certification of PCFLL umpires and shall be responsible for scheduling all umpires for PCFLL Female League games. The Head Umpire is required to observe PCFLL Female games, to evaluate umpires throughout the season.

J.09. COACHING COORDINATOR

The Coaching Coordinator is the liaison between the BCLCA Vice-Chair Men’s Field and the respective Association or Club Coaching Coordinators:

- To forward all coaching requirements and/or problems to the BCLCA.
- To participate in selection of zone coaches for zone “All-Star” teams when required.
- To ensure all deadlines are adhered to by the Association or Club Coaching Coordinators
- To act as a member of the Discipline Committee when required.
- To attend all meetings of the BCLCA.

J.10. HEAD COMMISSIONER

PCFLL Head Commissioner is responsible to help all Commissioners with their divisions, and be available to step in and help the other Commissioners when needed. He/she is required to observe PCFLL scheduled games. The PCFLL Head Commissioner will be the Commissioner for all PCFLL-hosted provincial championships games, will be involved with Commissioners and any disputes, and will have the final say along with the PCFLL Executive about any disputes that might arise.

J.11. COMMISSIONERS

The Commissioners will be responsible for the operation of each of the age divisions. The Commissioners will determine penalties for infractions as per guidelines, prepare league schedules for league play, record team and individual statistics and determine the Provincial Championships qualification requirements for all registered teams in their division.

Carried

#13

Motion by: Rob Pearsall
Seconded by: Brad Hara

That **Section J.03 2nd Vice Chairperson** be amended to:

The 2nd Vice Chairperson will be responsible for the female division of the PCFLL. Also, the 2nd Vice Chairperson shall take over the duties of the Chairperson in his/her absence and the absence of the Vice Chairperson.

Carried

#14

Motion by: Brad Hara
Seconded by: Rob Pearsall

That **Section J.12** be amended to:

That the clubs that have girls teams shall determine who shall represent & chair the Girls meetings

Carried

#15

Motion by: Trevor Webber

Seconded by: Ceayon Johnston

That **Section K.01 c)** be amended to:

- c) Executive as appointed by the PCFLL Executive under Regulation J - Officers and Duties, Appointed Positions. **However, they are not entitled to vote at PCFLL meetings, nor at the PCFLL annual general meeting.**

Carried

#16

Motion by: Brad Hara

Seconded by: Rob Pearsall

That **Section Q.01 Game Officials** be amended to:

A minimum of two officials is required for each game in each division, with the senior official being certified.

An official shall not referee a sibling, parent or immediate relation involved in a game at all levels except in extenuating circumstances, and agreed to by both teams. As per BCLA Regulation 5.03, and the following paragraph is to be followed.

Should only one referee show up for a scheduled game, every effort must be made to locate another referee, certified. If another referee is located and it happens to be a parent or a sibling of one of the players playing in that game it should be noted on the score sheet. Both coaches should also be made aware of the fact and they should initial the score sheet to indicate that they have been notified.

If only one official is present to referee a game, then that official has the right to call off the game if there are concerns about his/her ability to maintain control of that game. The decision to continue must be made in consultation with BOTH coaches AND BOTH coaches must agree to continue with one referee, prior to the start of the game. Both coaches should initial score sheet beside the word "only one referee". As per BCLA Field Directorate Operating Policy, a game cannot be played without at least one certified official.

Carried

#17

Add: Section T01 Residency f)

No player that plays for team BC shall be allowed to play in provincials in the Tier 2 division.

Withdrawn

#18

Motion by: Trevor Webber

Seconded by: Brad Hara

That **Section T.02 Releases a)** be amended to:

a) Where no team is available within the player's age group **or calibre**, the player must register with his/her home association and then obtain a release and with written release from his/her home association for the current playing season only. This release will not count as a grandfathering year. The player will be placed by the League Executive.

Withdrawn

#19

Motion by: Harpreet Grewal

Seconded by: Randy Radonich

That **Section T.03 Release Guidelines g)** be added.

g) Bad debt – Should releases that do not pay the club, for which they are assigned to, the PCFLL Treasurer, shall allow the circumstances to be considered Bad Debt.

Withdrawn

#20

Motion by: Trevor Webber

Seconded by: Rob Pearsall

That **Female Section FF Personal Equipment** be amended to:

In addition to Regulation P.07.1:

- Goggles are mandatory

Carried
