



PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE

2014 AGM Agenda – Girls and Youth

April 26, 2014

Attendees: Chair and U12 Commissioner - Beth McLucas, 1st Vice-chair – Chris Comeault, 2nd Vice-chair - Brad Hara, Secretary - Trish Keizer, Treasurer and Head Commissioner - Tracy Dolbec, RIC - Jody Weatherby, Al Schonewille (Adanacs Girls), Randy Radonich (Adanacs Youth), Trevor Webber (Burnaby Girls and Youth, Scott Liebich (Delta), Kellie Ohlmann (Langley Girls), Jason Kump (Langley Youth), Sherie Isbister (New West Girls and Youth), Tim McNulty (North Shore), Roger Terhune (Poco Girls and Youth), Ron Williams (Ridge Meadows Girls and Youth), David Goulet (Valley), and Mike O'Connor (Vancouver)

Absentees: Registrar - Karen Peterson, Head Umpire - Andrea Jones, Mission, Richmond and Surrey

Call to Order: @ 10:07 a.m.

Acceptance of the minutes from the last AGM:

- Motion to accept: Trevor Webber
- Seconded by: Randy Radonich
- Carried

Acceptance of the agenda:

- items added to New Business (see below)
- Motion to accept: Brad Hara
- Seconded by: Tracy Dolbec
- Carried

Business arising from the minutes:

- None

Reports

- suggestion to post the reports before the AGM

Chair: See attached

1st Vice-Chair: See attached

2nd Vice – Chair: See attached

- question regarding the number of re-schedules (Al S.)
 - due to lack of players
 - conflicts with Team BC's schedule
 - this has now been resolved

Treasurer: See attached

- question regarding \$175 to commissioners
 - suggestion (Randy R.) to increase this amount
 - this fee barely covers gas
 - suggestion (Randy R.) to propose something for the executive
 - seconded by David G.)

Registrar: See attached

- Corinne Perriman is the BCLA Registrar for both Box and Field
- will need to look for a new registrar for the PCFLL
 - Karen will stay on until a replacement can be found
- suggestion of some form of compensation for the amount of time spent on this

Secretary: Nothing to report

Head Umpire: See attached

RIC: See attached

- Jody – note recommendations
 - scheduling
 - would like to have some input
 - 3-man system at Provincials
 - especially at U19 and U16
 - Ryan Nose will have to submit a proposal for a 3-man system to the BCLA
 - splitting Provincials
 - U12 and U14
 - U16 and U19
 - would be dependent upon where Provincials are held

Commissioners Reports

Head Commissioner: See attached

Girls: See attached

U8: See attached

U10: See attached

- question regarding the statement, “I could tell off the bat which teams were going to be the strongest...”
 - some ‘weaker’ teams were matched up against ‘stronger’ teams

U12: See attached

- comment regarding “...only 2 Coach Suspensions...”
 - this is not an ‘accomplishment’

U14: See attached

U16: See attached

U19: See attached

- suggestion that the reports follow a template
 - some reports are more detailed than others
 - would like to see some consistency
- for teams that did not declare
 - suggestion to have these teams play against each other
 - not necessarily for medals

Motion to accept the reports

- Motion to accept: Randy Radonich
- Seconded by: David Goulet
- Carried

Operating Policy Amendments:

- See attached

Election of PCFL Executive:

- Vice chairperson
 - Chris Comeault
 - Nominated by Brad Hara
 - no other nominations
 - Secretary casts one vote
- Secretary
 - Trish Keizer
 - Nominated by Jason Kump
 - no other nominations
 - Treasurer casts one vote

New Business

- Bursary – Tracy Dolbec
 - split this year's bursary
 - Cameron McCulloch (Adanacs)
 - Sydney Hara (Burnaby)
 - \$1000.00 each
 - there were 6 applicants
- Special Session – Beth McLucas
 - will find out from Dirk Rachfall if this will be necessary
 - division changes may take place in January
 - proposal to change the divisions this September
 - should know sometime in May
- Tier 3 Committee – Beth McLucas
 - there are some provisions in the Operating Policy regarding Tier 3
 - would like to look at putting a committee together
 - looking for 5 – 6 members
 - will bring forward a proposal to everyone
- Randy Radonich
 - will be applying to the Canadian Foundation for funds
 - score clocks for U19 Worlds
 - suggestion to all associations to apply for projects
 - looking at having a one day tournament with the Island at the beginning of the season
 - proposal of Thanksgiving week-end
 - can evaluate to see whether teams are really Tier 1 or 2

Adjournment: @ 11:53 a.m.

- Motion: Brad Hara
- Seconded by: Tracy Dolbec
- Carried

2013/2014 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – CHAIR’S REPORT

The season is now over. We did not lose games this season, due to weather.

Overall, we have continued to grow in player registration, although we have 2 associations who have seen decline.

Langley hosted the U8 Jamboree in December, as well as the U10 during the U19 provincials and Girls year end tournament. We had some U12 and U15 girls come over from the Island to join our teams, for the year end tournament. We hope these girls had a great time and will come back next year with an Island team to compete.

We were on edge prior to the U19 provincials and year end female tournament, held on the Family day weekend - February 8th to 10th. There were concerns that the fields were frozen due to the extreme cold we had. As it was supposed to warm up just as the tournament was about to start, the Township of Langley allowed us to carry on with the weekend. We started with the extreme cold on Saturday, but by Monday, we had rain. We had 1 field water logged due to the frozen turf and it wouldn't drain, so we had to delay the U19 bronze games by 1 hour.

Both Tier 1 and 2 provincials were held in Burnaby. We got through the round robin games, but the City of Burnaby closed the fields on the Sunday because of the snow. The BCLA and the Field directorate looked at all possibilities of rescheduling, but there were too many different things going on, plus box season would be starting. This was a difficult decision for everyone involved, as it was impossible to find field time for over 40 hours of lacrosse, to suit every team as well as getting volunteers. Needless to say some people feel the need to blame the PCFLL for this on social media. It always seems to be the people who like to complain but never set up to offer their help.

Thank you for another great year of field lacrosse.

Beth McLucas
PCFLL Chair

2013/2014 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – 1st VICE CHAIR’S REPORT

This past season was a successful one excluding the disappointment of not being able to complete the Provincials in Burnaby due to the snowfall closing the fields on the last day of the tournament. The volunteers that dedicated hours of their time to host that weekend were as disappointed as the teams involved that games could not be completed.

With this being my first year on the executive some of my observations were:

- The release and placing of players was a fair process taking into account the team numbers of associations receiving a released player and the travel time for the released player.
- Concerns that may need to be discussed further for the 2014 season besides the possible changing of the dates for the Provincials would be where teams are placed after tiering games and is a 3rd tier needed in some age groups.
- The yearly need for more referees in a number of associations for both Youth and Girls specifically in the older ages.

Regards

Chris Comeault
1st Vice chair

2013/2014 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – 2nd VICE CHAIR'S REPORT

Our field lacrosse season started in July 2013 when we hosted a private school from England, Moreton Hall. The PCFLL team was comprised of girls from all of the PCFLL women's clubs, plus some girls from Prince George. The exhibition game took place at Fridge Field in Coquitlam, followed by a picnic at Rocky Point Park. Before returning home to England the Moreton Hall girls were treated to an Intermediate game in Coquitlam where they were presented with Adanacs game jerseys.

In August, we again hosted Danielle Spencer, assistant coach with Northwestern University. The clinic took place at Cunnings Field in Coquitlam. It was attended by approximately 30 girls from all PCFLL clubs over two days.

Our season began in September. Our numbers were relatively static from the year earlier. There were 4 teams at u12, 6 teams at u15 and 3 teams at u19. In order to increase our numbers we will have to embark on a coordinated recruitment drive with box players from this coming season. I understand that on the girls' box side there may be a record number of girls and teams. To assist with recruitment I have secured the consent of the Junior A teams in the Lower Mainland to allow information tables to be set up during games. The Junior A teams have also agreed to allow a demonstration games during one of their regularly scheduled league games. That represents multiple opportunities to showcase the girls' game.

We had another successful 7 versus 7 tournament hosted by Langley. Our second consecutive year of beautiful weather and good organization meant a successful day. There were 5 u12 teams and 5 u15 teams. Next year's tournament will be held October 11th. There will also be an option to register for the tournament as an individual. The individuals will then be placed on one team.

Our regular season was beset by a record number of rescheduled games. This could turn out to be a significant problem moving forward. The PCFLL took over women's field lacrosse because of problems with rescheduling in the previous league. In previous years the PCFLL was able to bring some stability to scheduled games, but that unravelled this year.

The year ended successfully at the Provincial Invitational tournament in Langley. Although there was a u12 and u15 division, for the second consecutive year there was no u19 division.

Throughout the year our girls have travelled extensively, attending tournaments, largely for the purposes of college recruitment. In July 2013 there was the Cascade Cup. Girls attended via the Revolution Team, as well individually with some of the American teams. Girls also attended Western Cup in Colorado, President's Cup in Orlando, Florida, Sandstorm in Palm Springs, California and the University of Oregon 7 versus 7 Tournament in Eugene, Oregon.

I have communicated with a few college coaches about attending in the Lower Mainland for the purposes of holding clinics. The University of California at Santa Barbara (division 3) and Wingate University (division 2) have indicated a desire to attend. This would be supplemental to the clinic held by Danielle Spencer in the summer. This could be used as an opportunity to expose the girls to schools at different levels of play and commitment.

We had several girls commit this year to American Colleges and Universities on Field Lacrosse scholarships. This has become a very successful area for recruitment and will likely grow in the future.

A couple of things to work on for next year:

1. We continue to have a shortage of umpires. Further recruitment is needed; and
2. Recruitment is needed to boost our numbers.

Brad Hara
PCFLL 2nd Vice chair

2013/2014 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – TREASURER’S REPORT

Please find attached the Financial Statements including a Balance Sheet and Income Statement for the Pacific Coast Field Lacrosse League for the period ending April 20, 2014.

I took over from Brenda Bromley as Treasurer of the PCFLL this season. I would like to commend Brenda on having everything in order for me to take over. Everything was organized which made it very easy for me to step in and carry on!

This year the PCFLL showed a profit of \$5,302.92. The cash on hand at April 20, 2014 was \$29,926.05 which is all sitting in the chequing account. Outstanding items include a cheque for one Commissioner’s Fee of \$175 as well as the 2013/2014 Bursary of \$2,000.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Dolbec
PCFLL Treasurer

PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE***Balance Sheet as at April 20, 2014*****ASSETS**

TD Canada Trust Chequing Account	\$ 29,926.05	
Prepaid Expense	995.98	
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TOTAL ASSETS		\$ 30,922.03

LIABILITIES

2013/2014 Season Bursary	\$ 2,000.00	
Outstanding Cheque	175.00	
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TOTAL LIABILITIES		2,175.00

EQUITY

Retained Earnings		
Retained Earnings - Previous Year	\$ 23,444.11	
Net Income - Current Year	5,302.92	
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TOTAL RETAINED EARNINGS		\$ 28,747.03

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY		<hr/>
		\$ 30,922.03

PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE**Income Statement****For the Period May 01, 2013 to April 20, 2014****REVENUE**

Association Fines	\$ 1,800.00
BCLA Provincials Reimbursement	8,169.17
Interest Income	9.68
Player Registration Fees (boys)	80,629.00
Player Registration Fees (girls)	11,417.00
Team Registration Fees (boys)	1,860.00
Team Registration Fees (girls)	260.00

TOTAL INCOME \$ 104,144.85**EXPENSES**

BCLA AGM	\$ 1,263.80
Bursary	2,000.00
Commissioner Fees	1,400.00
Supplies & Miscellaneous	137.38
Commissioner/Executive Apparel	1,629.60
Player Fees to BCLA (boys)	72,424.00
Player Fees to BCLA (girls)	10,252.00
Provincials Tournament	8,169.17
Web Site Maintenance	995.98
Umpire Mentoring (Girls)	570.00

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 98,841.93**NET INCOME** \$ 5,302.92

2013/2014 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – REGISTRAR’S REPORT**Youth Field Registration Comparison**

Association	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Adanacs	252	269	301	298	289
Burnaby	126	108	119	116	107
Delta	118	154	171	193	168
Langley	137	142	126	138	139
Mission	93	85	74	70	111
New West	202	179	173	184	163
North Shore	46	80	63	47	54
PoCo	109	118	124	125	113
Richmond	87	100	81	58	96
Ridge Meadows	140	188	167	171	195
Surrey	148	113	148	121	114
Valley	71	87	66	71	19
Vancouver	0	18	41	72	75
TOTALS	1483	1641	1654	1664	1628

Womens/Girls Field Registration Comparison

Association	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Adanacs	41	67	50	37	58
Burnaby	24	19	17	57	16
Delta	0	15	0	0	0
Langley	69	38	46	33	33
New West	59	65	60	59	58
PoCo	37	17	21	29	36
Ridge Meadows	0	0	12	46	33
TOTALS	230	221	206	267	234

- Each associations President and Representative responsible for Field Lacrosse administration is 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 2014/15 season. It will be the responsibility of the each Association to ensure their attendance at this session, as it will be mandatory.

	U8	U10	U12			U14			U16			U19			TOTAL	U12 Girls	U15 Girls	U19 Girls	TOTAL	ALL	Notes	Total
			T1	T2	All	T1	T2	All	T1	T2	All	T1	T2	All								
Adanacs	29	40	22	37	59	18	37	55	23	47	70	36	0	36	289	21	20	17	58	347	+1 U19 Team BC + 2 W/D	350
Burnaby	0	16	19	0	19	0	14	14	22	0	22	20	0	20	91	0	16	0	16	107	+1 U19 Team BC	108
Delta	22	29	14	16	30	0	25	25	17	20	37	25	0	25	168	0	0	0	0	168	+2 W/D	170
Langley	12	0	18	19	37	17	20	37	17	19	36	18	0	17	139	0	19	14	33	172	+1 U19 Team BC	173
Mission	18	0	0	18	18	13	17	30	0	24	24	21	0	21	111	0	0	0	0	111		111
New West	28	30	16	18	34	14	15	29	18	0	18	24	0	24	163	16	25	17	58	221	+7 W/D	228
North Shore	0	15	0	0	0	0	19	19	20	0	20	0	0	0	54	0	0	0	0	54	+1 W/D	55
PoCo	18	18	20	0	20	0	18	18	18	21	39	0	0	0	113	22	14	0	36	149	+2 U16 Team BC	151
Richmond	15	15	0	17	17	0	15	15	0	16	16	18	0	18	96	0	0	0	0	96		96
Ridge	29	46	18	17	35	15	16	31	18	16	34	20	0	20	195	14	19	0	33	228		228
Surrey	11	20	18	23	41	0	20	20	0	22	22	0	0	0	114	0	0	0	0	114	+1 W/D	115
Valley	0	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	0	0	0	0	19		19
Vancouver	15	13	0	14	14	0	15	15	0	18	18	0	0	0	75	0	0	0	0	75		75
Total PCFLL	197	261	145	179	324	77	231	308	153	203	356	182	0	182	1628	73	113	48	234	1862		1879

Submitted by,

Karen Peterson
PCFLL Registrar

2013/2014 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – HEAD UMPIRE’S REPORT

The PCFLL held their Level 1 and 2 Umpire Clinic Sept 13, and 14th 2013

- 18 Umpires attended
- 10 new (of which 8 actually umpired)
- 8 recertified

We had 2 more umpires than last season. I was happy to see the numbers increase. That being said, it remains imperative that the associations continue to work on recruitment of umpires, as each year we lose some to school and work commitments. Ideally the goal should be each association providing at least 4 umpires.

The level of umpiring continues to improve. I believe much of that is due to the more experienced umpires mentoring the newbies. I’m really proud of all the umpires and how they work together as a team! Again thank you PCFLL for your continued support of the mentoring program.

In the future I would hope the program will continue as it has proved to be very successful. I also believe the umpires would benefit from some additional learning experiences, maybe umpiring outside of BC or perhaps having more qualified and experienced umpires come here and put on a clinic.

The women’s invitational tournament held in Langley Feb 8th – 10th was a great opportunity for our umps to get more game experience. 13 umpires participated in the tournament. I was there as the UIC and was able to evaluate the umpires and give them feedback and assistance with rules and situations, providing a beneficial learning experience for all the umpires.

I’m extremely happy to report abusive conduct from coaches, parents and players was almost nonexistent this past season.

THANKS to PCFLL for your support this past year and to all the umpires for your dedication!

Andrea Jones
Head Umpire PCFLL

2013/2014 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – RIC'S U12/U14/U16 TIER 1 and 2 PROVINCIAL'S REPORT

The 2014 Tier 1 and 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 21 to the 23. As the Friday is a regular business day and not a statutory holiday, this is always a challenge to get enough referees to fill the games. Friday was 32 games and Saturday was 40 games with it tapering off to 24 games on the Sunday. Unfortunately, Sunday games were cancelled when the City of Burnaby closed the field due to the Saturday night snow fall and arctic frigid temperatures.

The schedule called for a total of 96 games over the 3 days so 212 referee slots had to be assigned. To the quick witted mathematicians reading this would say I was in error as 96×2 referees = 192 assignments.

The reason 212 game assignments were allocated was because this was the first year we used a 3 man system for U16 tier 1. This required an extra 20 referees to be allocated. This was a trial session and I think the field directorate is looking for feedback. I asked many coaches and parents what they thought about a 3 man system in round robin play. The answer was the same from everyone as the common denominator was they all thought it was about time and long overdue. The competition level at U16-1 is so fast now, we absolutely need a 3 man system to keep pace and offer these teams the very best coverage for their games that they deserve for this elite skill level.

Last year we started a referee evaluation team, to perform written evaluations on all the referees in this championship. We have continued this program again this year and it has proven to be an effective tool as the referees have gained huge improvement and now look forward to their evaluation at these championships. The one difference this year from other years for not doing a complete 100 % evaluation, was that the teams only played 2 halves instead of four quarters.

Thanks to Al Sleightholme who was the lead evaluator and all the senior referees who spent all their extra time doing many evaluations.

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. Nice going to all the coaches, players and parents for keeping your opinions to yourself.

Allocating referees this year was a good test of patience and endurance. The games and divisions simply did not have flow to it like it has in the past. Now, throw a 3rd man into the works and it has a different dynamic.

I would like to recommend to the folks that draw up the schedule that they consult with the RIC or Vice Chair for some suggestions as to better schedule the games so referees can be better assigned for maximum benefit. We always get it done but it can be done better if only we had a slightly different format.

I would also like to recommend that the next year's event, to use a 3 man system for the U16-2 division. They are just as deserving of a 3 man system as they have the speed but more importantly we need a third set of eyes on the play ...behind the play.

This provincial was huge compared to the U19s.

Now that the U19 division and U16 division are using a 3 man system, from the referee stand point, maybe in the future the field directorate would consider hosting the U19 and U16 together. This way the most senior referees would be available and they could be used in mentoring the up and comer junior referees. That would leave hosting the U14 and U12 together where the senior referees could spend more time doing effective evaluations on junior referees. This, long term would make the referee program much stronger.

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 team 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 all of us referees to some amazing lacrosse.

I would like to announce that these 3 referees were chosen for the fair play award. They all had an excellent attitude and was noted had they all had a great tournament.

1. U12 Tyson Abbot
2. U14 Cam McCulloch
3. U16 Mark Tymchuk

Thanks

Jody Weatherby

RIC 2014

Tier 1 and Tier 2 Provincial

2013/2014 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – HEAD COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

I want to start by saying that all division commissioners did a great job this year. Commissioning is a difficult job and the PCFLL appreciates all the commissioners for their hard work.

Leah Mackenzie commissioned U8 for the second year. Once again she did very well, working with the new managers and coaches. There was an issue with a U8 player registration that required Leah’s involvement that she handled well. Thanks Leah!

In U10 this year, we had Nadia Olheiser as a new Commissioner. As a new commissioner, Beth assisted her with the U10 schedules as they can be difficult for a new commissioner. Overall, a pretty good job by Nadia. Thanks Nadia!

We had Jodi Johnson as another new Commissioner at U12. Jodi did a very good job as a new commissioner. She had several teams move up and back down within her division and dealt with it all very well. As a new commissioner, I assisted Jodi with the U12 schedules this year. Thanks Jodi!

Beth McLucas commissioner U14 this year and did a great job. I didn’t hear much from Beth because she is very experienced with commissioning and did not require any assistance! Thanks Beth!

Once again Tricia Rachfall commissioned the U16 division. She had a very eventful and difficult season with many suspensions as well as team movement that caused her a lot of grief. Tricia handled everything in this division as well as could be expected. Unfortunately, this season was Tricia’s last season as a commissioner. For those who may not realize it, this is a huge loss for the PCFLL. Thank you Tricia for all of your hard work over the past few years! It was appreciated very much!!

At U19 this season, we had Mary Clare as the Commissioner again. And once again, she did a great job. Mary’s experience with the Men’s Field league makes her the perfect person to handle the U19 division. Thanks Mary!

And lastly, Beth McLucas was also the Commissioner for all the female divisions. And, of course, she did a great job! Thanks again Beth!

More detailed information on each division can be found in the Commissioners’ individual reports submitted.

Again, thank you to all the commissioners for their hard work during the season, and for doing such a great job within your divisions. It made my job at lot easier.

Tracy Dolbec
PCFLL Head Commissioner

2013/2014 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – FEMALE COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

This season we had 3 U19 teams, 6 U15 teams and 4 U12 teams.

We had some issues with Team BC and conflicts with our season.

U12 Ridge team struggled with their numbers this year, but managed to pull off most of their games by playing 7 on 7.

Langley hosted the girls year end tournament, for the U12 and U15 divisions, we saw all types of weather that weekend from extreme cold to extreme rain.

Congrats to all teams who participated, and thank you to the teams who took on some of the girls from the Island.

U15 Gold - Ridge
 Silver - POCO
 Bronze - New west

U12
 Gold - POCO
 Silver - New west
 Bronze - Adanacs

Beth McLucas
Girl’s commissioner

2013/2014 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – U8 COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

The 2013/14 lacrosse season for U8 ended with a Jamboree, hosted by Langley, and included participation from the Vancouver Stealth in the event.

Packages were sent out to managers and coaches at the beginning of the season that included standard instructions for communicating with the commissioner as well as additional items unique to the U8 format. Instructions on how to fill out score sheets were included in the package, and a sample manager’s guide from Mission Minor lacrosse was shared with the group so that there was an understanding of the tasks that a manager might need to perform through the season.

There were some complications with registration this year (issues with called name being on the roster submitted by the manager and legal name being on the registration form). It would assist new managers next year to understand that information received from their local registrar (the names that players have registered with) should be on score sheets AND that they should not put players on score sheets until the registrar has confirmed that the players are registered with the club. There are quite a few processes that the PCFLL and BCLA understand and require that are not clear to new coaches and managers (especially at the U8 level).

An opportunity to attend a new coaches/managers/parent night was offered to U8 parents by the PCFLL through email to managers and coaches, but none of the teams showed interest in the session offered. An opportunity for this to happen in each association may alleviate issues with registration in the future.

Thank you for the opportunity to work with PCFLL as a commissioner.

Leah Mackenzie
PCFLL U8 Commissioner

2013/2014 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – U10 COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

The U10 division of the PCFLL this season started out with 16 teams.

As most of the managers were new to field lacrosse, there were a lot of phone calls, and emails in regards on what had to be done!

In the ‘Tiering’ portion of the season, I could tell off the bat which teams were going to be the strongest. There was one coach suspended for playing an illegible player. (Coach was experienced)

During the fall portion, Mother Nature was against us for sure, and we had numerous games cancelled.

Prior to the end of the fall season, we lost the North Shore team due to lack of players.

The winter session ended off with a great jamboree, with Langley allowing us the use of their fields during the Women’s and U19 provincials.

I have already begun a list of new suggestions I will put forth to managers next season, if I continue my reign as commissioner.

A big thank you to all the guidance and assistance from my other executive members.

It doesn’t matter how long your own kid has played, you always learn new things!

Thanks again for the chance to be part of the greatest game on earth...behind the scenes!

Nadia Olheiser
PCFLL U10 Commissioner

2013/2014 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – U12 COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

The U12 Division of the PCFLL this season consisted of a total of 18 teams. In Tier 1 there were 6 teams and in Tier 2, there were 12 teams. After a 5 game Tiering round, Burnaby and Poco were moved up to Tier 1 where they played 2 games each. Player size and skill level for these two teams was not comparable to the Tier 1 teams, and were both moved back to Tier 2. These two teams played the remainder of the Fall & Winter Schedules in Tier 2.

This season there were only 2 Coach Suspensions. One suspension was for Playing an Ineligible Player and the other for Unsportsmanlike Conduct for Abuse of an Official. There were also 2 player suspensions handed out for fighting, to Burnaby’s Ryan Helliwell and to Adanac 2’s Josh Coupal. Both players received a 2 game suspension. All suspensions for the season were served.

Game sheets proved to be a bit challenging this season. Mid to late season, Game sheets were received outside of the allotted 5 days. Points were removed from team standings in 2 cases. For the most part teams were filling information out correctly. Recommendations to not use clear labels for team rosters on Game sheets was sent out to all U12 teams as they smudge and become unclear.

Game# F1233 was rescheduled without either team notifying Commissioner. Neither team was awarded points for this game.

Final Standings after Tiering, Fall & Winter Schedules are as follows:

U12 Tier 1 Standings - Final

	Team	GP	W	L	T	Pts	Pct	GF	GA
1st	Adanacs 1	16	15	1	0	26	0.813	178	66
2nd	Delta 1	16	9	5	2	20	0.625	134	88
3rd	Ridge Meadows 1	16	9	6	1	19	0.594	147	113
4th	Surrey 1	16	7	8	1	15	0.469	97	144
5th	New West 1	16	5	11	0	10	0.313	121	141
6th	Langley 1	16	3	13	0	6	0.188	86	158

U12 Tier 2 Standings - Final

	Team	GP	W	L	T	Pts	Pct	GF	GA
1st	Adanacs 2	16	14	1	1	29	0.906	174	76
2nd	Adanacs 3	16	12	3	1	25	0.781	163	71
3rd	Richmond	16	11	4	1	23	0.719	137	79
4th	Port Coquitlam	16	10	6	0	20	0.625	156	103
5th	Burnaby	16	9	6	1	19	0.594	139	113
6th	Vancouver	16	9	7	0	18	0.563	116	95
7th	New West 2	16	8	8	0	16	0.5	80	120
8th	Ridge Meadows 2	16	6	10	0	12	0.375	96	121
9th	Delta 2	15	4	11	0	8	0.267	71	137
10th	Mission	14	2	11	1	5	0.179	63	147
11th	Surrey 2	15	2	13	0	4	0.133	51	126
12th	Langley 2	14	1	12	1	3	0.107	37	148

All 6 teams in Tier 1 declared and qualified for Provincials. 10 of 12 teams in Tier 2 declared for Provincials (Langley 2 and Mission did not declare). The top 5 teams in Tier 2 qualified for Provincials.

Jodi Johnson
PCFLL U12 Commissioner

2013/2014 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – U14 COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

The U14 division started with 5 Tier 1 teams and 12 Tier 2 teams. It was disappointing that not one Tier 1 team was an only team out.

After tiering, it was decided that 2 of the Tier 2 teams, only teams out, were stronger than the other Tier 2 teams, so they were moved up to Tier 1.

After tiering, only 2 Tier 2 teams said they would not declare and would go Tier 3. Once they found out that they were the only 2 to declare this, they decided to stay at Tier 2. One of these teams, North Shore, folded. The 2 Tier 2 teams who were moved up, could compete with each other and the 2 lower Tier 1 teams.

Both Tier 1 and 2 provincials were held in Burnaby. We got through the round robin games, but the City of Burnaby closed the fields on the Sunday because of the snow.

Thanks

Beth McLucas
PCFLL U14 commissioner

2013/2014 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – U16 COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

The U-16 division was a challenging season. There were a total of 8 teams that initially identified as being Tier 1 teams and ten Tier 2 teams at the U-16 division. It was very good to see that 3 only out teams positioned themselves as Tier 1 initially.

There are some notable items to mention that arose this season:

- There were some uneven games that occurred in the Tier 2 division which resulted in team movement after Tiering. For the first weeks of the Fall schedule, the team at the bottom of Tier 1 and the team and the top of Tier 2 played some crossover games with each other as well as competitive teams in an attempt to position these two teams correctly. Positioning of teams can be extremely challenging when teams do not want to be moved to or stay in a more competitive tier but would rather move or remain in a tier where they would dominate all other teams. I observed numerous games with the teams in question observing some competitive games but also observing some appalling behavior and sportsmanship that solidified one team’s position. Both of the teams being considered for movement played at Tier 1 for the Fall season.
- After the fall season, and after careful consideration, one team was moved back to Tier 2 however it was quickly evident that this was not the correct move and they were returned to Tier 1 after consultation with the PCFLL executive. This is not an ideal situation and not one that any Commissioner anticipates however it is a Commissioner’s duty to consider what is the best for ALL teams within their division, not just the team in question.
- There continues to be a range in abilities between first out teams, only out teams and second out teams. No teams however chose to go into Tier 3 – non-declared – in the Fall season. 2 teams chose to not declare for Provincials which allowed them to play more games against each other in the Winter season.
- No games were lost this season due to snow except the final day of Provincials.
- There was a significant increase in Tier 1 player suspensions, the majority for fighting and there were a decrease in Tier 2 player suspensions. There were no Coaches suspended.
- 7 of the Tier 1 teams declared for Provincials and 5 qualified during league play with the 6th place team playing a wildcard game in Victoria. They were successful which resulted in the PCFLL having 6 Tier 1 teams in Burnaby.
- Six 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.
- There was a registration problem with one player at the end of the season and we continue to look to eliminate ways that players slip through the cracks.

Overall Thoughts:

Because of the continued issue of where is the correct placement for some associations with only one team, I have submitted a policy idea to be discussed by the Field Directorate and the PCFLL. Currently BCLA does not fund Tier

3 for Field lacrosse. There has to be a better system in place to provide competitive lacrosse for all teams. The decision to move or keep two only out teams in Tier 1 was not incorrect this season. Those teams would have dominated at Tier 2 because teams they were easily beating were having very competitive games at Provincials, with the majority of games being 1-3 goal differentials. However, the strong Tier 1 teams are much too strong for the typical association that has only one team. While there is likely not a perfect option available if teams don't play to their potential in hopes of playing at a lower tier, there are definitely improvements that can be considered.

Tier 1 – 6 teams qualified for Provincials in Burnaby

Team	League Standing	Provincial Placing
Adanacs 1	1	1
New West	2	
Langley 1	3	4
Port Coquitlam 1	4	3
Delta 1	5	
Ridge Meadows 1	6	
North Shore	7	
Burnaby – did not declare		
Surrey – did not declare		

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

Team	League Standing	Provincial Placing
Adanacs 3	1	2
Adanacs 2	2	1
Mission	3	
Vancouver	4	
Langley 2	5	4
Ridge Meadows 2	6	
Port Coquitlam 2 - Did not declare	7	
Delta 2- Did not declare	8	
Richmond - Folded	9	

Respectfully Submitted by:

Tricia Rachfall
PCFLL U16 Commissioner

2013/2014 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – U19 COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

It was an interesting start to the season. We started with 9 teams, had South Fraser fold in the first couple of weeks, and then had Richmond come on board with a team!

After tiering we had a Tier 1 schedule with 5 teams on it and a Tier 2 schedule with 4 teams on it. The season was fairly problem free – a few suspensions, but the coaches and referees have done an amazing job in keeping these athletes under control on the field. I had to send a warning letter to a coach about the behaviour of his team to other players on the field. The chirping still went on, however it wasn’t as loud or as obnoxious as before. The games that I attended were well played and the fans were well behaved. Due to the ‘bye that was created in Tier 1, we managed to keep a couple of the teams playing by matching them up with one of the Men’s teams in the CWFL (Canada West Field Lacrosse League), and the games were a strongly fought contest by both!

Provincials were held in Langley over the family day weekend, and I was in attendance all days except for the Sunday. There was some strong competition from the Island for our lower mainland teams. But the games were close, which indicates the teams were playing where they should be.

Tier 1 Gold went to Victoria

Tier 1 Silver to New Westminster

Tier 1 Bronze to Adanacs 1

Tier 2 Gold went to Delta

Tier 2 Silver to Mission

Tier 2 Bronze to Nanaimo

Congratulations to all the athletes, coaches and managers on a great tournament. And a heartfelt thanks to Langley for a well-run and fun weekend. The weather co-operated, although it was freezing up to and including Saturday and Sunday, but there was only 1 day of rain which was on the Monday. Due to the preceding freezing conditions, there was an accumulation of water on the surface of the fields which caused a couple of issues. Overall though it all went off without a hitch!

Sincerely,

Mary Clare

PCFL U19 Commissioner

2014 PCFLL AGM

Proposed Operating Policy Additions and Amendments

#1

MOTION MADE BY:

Name: David Goulet

Association: Valley Field

Motion to accept: Brad Hara

Seconded by: Trevor Webber

Amend: Change all references from ILF (International Lacrosse Federation) to FIL (Federation of International Lacrosse) on Pages: 13 and 14.

Carried

#2

MOTION MADE BY:

Name: David Goulet

Association: Valley Field

Amend Section O.01a – League Schedule

Motion to accept: Trevor Webber

Seconded by: Brad Hara

The amended regulation reads as follows:

All league schedules will be made up by Commissioners at least one week in advance of the scheduled game date.
All league games will take precedence over exhibition games.

Discussion:

- issue with Tiering Break
- cannot be done with a week's notice because there is no break between Tiering and the Fall Schedule
 - also at the beginning of January

Motion to amend the motion: Brad Hara

Seconded by: Trevor Webber

The amended motion reads as follows:

All league schedules will be made up by Commissioners at least one week in advance of the scheduled game date, whenever possible. All league games will take precedence over exhibition games.

Carried

#3A

MOTION MADE BY:

Name: David Goulet

Association: Valley Field

Amend Regulation Number P.06 as it appears on Page: 13

Motion to accept: Tracy Dolbec

Seconded by: Ron Williams

The amended regulation reads as follows:

In the event of the score being tied at the end of regulation playing time, then overtime shall be played as per the provisions of the FIL (Federation of International Lacrosse) Rule Book.

Motion 3A is withdrawn

#3B

MOTION MADE BY:

Name: David Goulet

Association: Valley Field

Amend Regulation Number: P.06 as it appears on Page: 13

Motion to accept: Tracy Dolbec

Seconded by: Ron Williams

The amended regulation reads as follows:

PCFLL games shall consist only of regulation time regardless of the outcome.

Carried

#4

MOTION MADE BY:

Name: David Goulet

Association: Valley Field

Delete Regulation Number: P.08

Personal Equipment

No jewelry – no player shall wear items of jewelry. All piercings must be removed. The onus is on the coaches and/or managers of the player's team to ensure that the player is not wearing jewelry.

Officials on the field have the discretion of stopping play to send the player off the field to take the jewelry off. Players who have been sent off, but return with the jewelry still on, shall be assessed an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty.

All players participating in sanctioned regular season, exhibition, tournament or provincial play shall be required to wear mouth guards. The mouth guard must be properly worn when on the field of play. The infraction for not having the mouth guard properly worn in the above noted situation shall be a personal foul.

Motion to accept: Brad Hara

Seconded by: Trevor Webber

Carried

#5

MOTION MADE BY:

Name: David Goulet

Association: Valley Field

Add Section P.09

Motion to accept: Randy Radonich

Seconded by: Jason Kump

The new regulation reads as follows:

In Tyke (U8) and Novice (U10), when a game has a difference of 5 goals or greater - when the losing team has been scored on, they will start with possession at centre instead of having a face-off. Normal face-off procedure will resume if the difference in goals becomes less than 5.

Discussion:

- the BCLOA does not like to deviate from the norm
 - does not like modifications of the rules
- there may be a conflict with the BCLOA
- leagues have the right to change/modify the rules if needed

Carried

#6

MOTION MADE BY:

Name: David Goulet

Association: Valley Field

Amend Regulation Number: Q. 01 as it appears on Page: 14

Motion to accept: Brad Hara

Seconded by: Trevor Webber

The amended regulation reads as follows:

A minimum of two certified officials is required for each game in each division.

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 must call off the game.

Discussion:

- propose exception at U8 and U10
 - could run with 1 ref if they are a level 3
- should check with insurance to see if 1 ref is permitted

Carried

#7

MOTION MADE BY:

Name: Michael O'Connor

Association: Vancouver Minor Lacrosse

Amend Regulation Number: R.03 as it appears on Page: 16

Motion to accept: Brad Hara

Seconded by: Trevor Webber

The amended regulation reads as follows:

Playing Up

Subject to the residency rules, and as long as the player plays for his/her registered team as well as playing up, a player can play up unlimited games in a higher division provided his/her club or association, coach or team manager has given permission, subject to the following.

- a) A player may play up one age division to their existing tier calibre or higher, i.e. Tier 1 to Tier 1 only, Tier 2 to Tier 2 or Tier 1, Tier 3 to Tier 3 or Tier 2 or Tier 1.
- b) Players may play up any tier calibre within their age division to a maximum of three (3) games ONLY (i.e. Tier 2 to Tier 1, Tier 3 to Tier 2 or Tier 1).
- c) In circumstances where an Association may not have a Tier 2 team to call from, the team may ask permission from the TWO (2) league commissioners for a Tier 1 player from the division below to be called up prior to the game, both commissioners must discuss and be in agreement. The league chair must be notified from the commissioner of the team who requested the Tier 1 player whether approved or if denied with rationale. Teams will not be allowed more than three (3) of these players.**

Discussion:

- question of 'stacking' teams
- some teams may not have folded if this rule was in place

Amend the motion to read as follows:

- a) A player may play up one age division to their existing tier calibre or higher, i.e. Tier 1 to Tier 1 only, Tier 2 to Tier 2 or Tier 1, Tier 3 to Tier 3 or Tier 2 or Tier 1.
- b) Players may play up any tier calibre within their age division to a maximum of three (3) games ONLY (i.e. Tier 2 to Tier 1, Tier 3 to Tier 2 or Tier 1).
- c) In circumstances where an Association may not have a Tier 2 team to call from, the team may ask permission from the TWO (2) league commissioners for a Tier 1 player from the division below to be called up prior to the game, both commissioners must discuss and be in agreement. The league chair must be notified from the commissioner of the team who requested the Tier 1 player whether approved or if denied with rationale. Teams will not be allowed more than three (3) of these players. **These games would not count towards Provincial qualification.**

Motion to accept the amendment: Trevor Webber

Seconded by: Brad Hara

Discussion:

- change wording in the first sentence from 'may' to 'does'.

Amend the amended motion to read as follows:

- a) A player may play up one age division to their existing tier calibre or higher, i.e. Tier 1 to Tier 1 only, Tier 2 to Tier 2 or Tier 1, Tier 3 to Tier 3 or Tier 2 or Tier 1.
- b) Players may play up any tier calibre within their age division to a maximum of three (3) games ONLY (i.e. Tier 2 to Tier 1, Tier 3 to Tier 2 or Tier 1).

c) In circumstances where an Association **does** not have a Tier 2 team to call from, the team may ask permission from the TWO (2) league commissioners for a Tier 1 player from the division below to be called up prior to the game, both commissioners must discuss and be in agreement. The league chair must be notified from the commissioner of the team who requested the Tier 1 player whether approved or if denied with rationale. Teams will not be allowed more than three (3) of these players. **These games would not count towards Provincial qualification.**

Motion to accept the amended amendment: Trevor Webber

Seconded by: Jason Kump

Carried

This motion also affects the following: R.05 Players Playing Down