

**2022 Minor Directorate Special Session  
October 1, 2022  
BCLA Minor Directorate Chair Report: Gord McIntosh**

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It was a pleasure to see box lacrosse back up and running in 2022. I had naively hoped that with the 2 year absence, coaches and parents would come back a little more relaxed and appreciative. That wasn't the case. It is disappointing to continue to see the embarrassing behaviour of some of the coaches and parents. While mostly directed at officials, it also disturbingly included individual players that were called out and harassed via social media. One of the consistent messages from all zones in BC is that registration was down, volunteers were hard to find and we continue to lose officials. We need to remove the coaches/families that continue to give your associations and lacrosse a bad name. Firm up your policy where you can to deal with these coaches and families.

It was so good to see our provincial championships back. There were 4 provincial championships hosted on 2 consecutive weekends in July. They were a bit earlier than we would like due to it being a BC summer games year and having to get box lacrosse completed prior to the BC summer games. 2023 should allow us an extra week or 2 of games for the regular season. Our provincial championship hosts did a wonderful job of hosting and we thank them very much for stepping up and allowing us to put on the provincials.

We are pushing hard for a return to an in-person AGM to be held in Whistler in 2023. We hear across the province of the challenge in getting and keeping volunteers. We hear from all zones how important it has been in the past and is as important now to recognize and reward our volunteers. Our annual AGM in Whistler is the best way to do this and we want it back.

There are 19 people (17 now, as we have 2 zone rep vacancies) that make up the Minor Directorate and I thank each one of them for their time and dedication to lacrosse in BC. They have been a patient and supportive group to work with and always have a view to what is best for lacrosse in the province, not just their league, zone or commission. We have not met in person since January 2020 and we will be getting back to meeting in person for our November or January meeting. There are quite a few new members of our minor directorate that I haven't met in person. This is not the best way for us to move forward and needs to change.

Thank you to the BCLA staff of Jeff, Dave, Matt and Deb in helping me get through another box lacrosse season as minor directorate chair. You are a treat to work with and we appreciate your efforts.

Regards,  
Gord McIntosh  
BCLA Minor Directorate Chair

**BC Minor Lacrosse Directorate Meeting  
August 18, 2022**

**Zone 2 Report, Thompson Okanagan Box Lacrosse Commission (TOMBLC)**

Zone 2 - TOMBLC consists of 6 active Associations: Kamloops, Kelowna, Logan Lake, Nicola Valley, North Okanagan, Penticton, Princeton, and Shuswap.

Nothing much has happened since the season ended just a few weeks ago. The interior had teams participating in all provincial championships and the zone did well in all of them: Kamloops Peewee A2 got Gold, Kelowna PeeweeB also won gold. North Okanagan Bantam C got Silver, Kelowna 16U got bronze.

Player numbers were down across the zone, which is a concern for the future. We are hopeful that will change, as this year was the first one coming out of Covid restrictions. Another concern is the decreasing number of volunteers across all the associations. The game needs volunteers as they play a crucial role in making games happen. We are also hopeful that the volunteer front will have better numbers in the future, however there is a level of uncertainty in that regard and we can only hope for the best.

This year in particular has been difficult for volunteers due to the level of abuse some of them went through at one point or another during the season. This abuse was across the zone and it reflects directly on the volunteer turnover as the season went along. This can't happen in any sport and it is really disappointing as it happened constantly during the season. This affected new and seasoned volunteers, which is a shame since they give up their time to help in order to have games played. The abuse took place across all roles. Scorekeepers, time keepers, coaches (and their assistants), team managers, schedulers, board members, just to mention a few. In some instances volunteers were physically threatened in addition to being verbally abused (or verbally assaulted). Even though disciplinary measures were taken for these unfortunate incidents, the damage was done and volunteers affected by this kind of aggression didn't come back.

Unfortunately, another pain point was also abuse of officials. This is a topic that keeps coming back every single season and at the same time the number of officials keeps shrinking. This is probably the most pressing issue that will affect the game in the next few years. Abusing officials verbally has been an ongoing issue for quite some time. This year in particular, there was considerable increase in harassment after games were finished (coaches, fans and sometimes even players). That can be a challenge for an experienced referee, not to mention for a young referee that is just starting or that is not that experienced. I would like to thank all the head referees in the different associations as all of them were available to help with those situations, even though this is something that should not happen at all.

Despite all those challenges, two new associations had their first regular season experience. Logan Lake and Princeton are our newest members in the interior and they did their best to provide lacrosse in their communities. The effort that the volunteers did on those associations was remarkable. As any new association, they went through some difficult situations. Nonetheless, they managed to finish the season and they are looking forward to next year already. Our zone executive also recognizes that some situations could have had better support for them, we will try to improve on those for next year.

This year brought back provincial championships to the sport. North Okanagan was the host for Bantam provincials. As the chair of the zone (and as a provincial supervisor) I am proud to say that they put on an outstanding event. It is not often that provincials come to the interior, and having an event so well organized really made a good impression to all people attending it (participants and supervisors).

Last for not least, I would like to thank all volunteers that make the sport happen. Without them and their ***magic powers***, games would not happen. I am looking forward to next season already.

Thank you

Wuilbert Jaramillo  
Zone 2 Chair

## **LMMLC Year – End Report 2022**

This was my first year as chair of LMMLC , taking over for Beth McLucas who stepped down mid term and to whom I would like to extend my sincerest best wishes . I would like to thank Beth for all her many years dedicated to minor box lacrosse . Beth was always just phone call away and I truly appreciated her input and willingness to help me navigate this position .

This was also the first full season of box lacrosse with tournaments and Provincials since covid and it was great to see the teams and players back in the arena.

LMMLC rolled out a new website , with Pam working diligently getting the commissioners and managers up to speed with on line with score sheets , rosters & scheduling . There were hiccups along the way but the long-term advantages will make the hiccups worthwhile .

The season had its ups and downs , the need for several hearings for players receiving 5 game suspensions was disappointing to see and the ref abuse from coaches and parents did not diminish with the lack of previous playing seasons .

The Provincials were hosted this year in Delta for Pee Wee , North Okanagan - Bantam , Port Coquitlam - 16 U , and the Females in Coquitlam and they all did a great job .

I would like to thank Pam Mason and all the LMMLC executives for their support in my new role and their dedication to minor box lacrosse continues to be inspiring .

Thanks also to Gord McIntosh and all the MD executives for their leadership this past season.

It was great to get to know everyone a little more , and in a different capacity .

Thank you

Sandra Margetson

Chair LMMLC

**Zone 3 August/Year End Report 2022**  
**Respectfully submitted by Jeff MacAulay**

I want to thank all the zone three associations for a wonderful year. Other than the early schedule issues there were really no complaints. Congratulations to all zone three teams who qualified for Provincials. At this time, I would like to acknowledge the medallists.

In female, Pee Wee gold Maple Ridge; Bantam B silver Maple Ridge; Bantam A gold Maple Ridge, 16U POCO/POMO/LANGLEY Silver and Maple Ridge gold.

In Boys, Pee Wee C Langley gold, Chilliwack silver and Abbotsford bronze. A1 Ridge gold in Langley bronze. Bantam B Chilliwack gold and Abby bronze. Bantam A to PoCo silver Langley gold

In the summer games, the Valley had a great tournament winning silver. I am looking forward to next year.

Cheers,  
Jeff MacAulay, Zone 3

**Zone 4 August/Year End Report 2022**  
**Respectfully submitted by Michael O'Connor**

Zone 4 - Fraser River Delta is 6 active Associations: Abbotsford, Chilliwack, Langley, New Westminster, Semiahmoo, and Surrey.

Zone 4 BC Summer Games – Burnaby, Coquitlam, New Westminster, Port Coquitlam, Port Moody, Surrey, and Semiahmoo.

Everyone through the season was brushing off the rust and reacquainting themselves with policy and rules after a 2 year minor lacrosse hiatus. The registrar's report will confirm but across Zone 4 the number of registrants was down as well as the number of teams declaring for play. We have been told other team sports have encountered the same issues, hopefully next season we will increase participation.

BC Summer games recruitment of a Head Coach and players was a challenge compared to previous years. The absence of Team BC players this time and the rise of field tournament team commitments contributed to the issue. In the end the 14 players who attended had a good time in Prince George and placed 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Provincial Championship Zone 4 results:

**Pee Wee Mixed:**

Langley A-1 – Bronze

New Westminster A-2 – Bronze

Langley C – Gold

Abbotsford C – Bronze

**16U Mixed:**

New Westminster A1 - Silver

**Bantam Mixed:**

Langley A-1 – Gold

Chilliwack B – Gold

Abbotsford B – Bronze *\*please note this will be the last year the BCLA will be using these division names. It will all be age based next season.*

**Female:**

16U New Westminster – Gold

**Team BC representatives from Zone 4:**

17U Men's Canada Summer Games – 2

Bantam – 8 + 1 alternate

Pee Wee – 4

Female 17U Canada Summer Games: 4

My thanks to the Zone 4 Association Presidents, Board members, referees and volunteers who worked many hours through this past season.

Michael O'Connor

Zone 4 Rep

August 18, 2022

Zone 5 August/Year End Report 2022  
Respectfully submitted by Michael Hagel

Everyone happy and relieved to be playing Lacrosse again.

Feeling across the zone is that Covid drastically affected our Sport. Registration was down, mostly due to the inability to conduct school programs the last 2 years. That aside, teams had fun season and enjoyed competing.

Provincial results:

Vancouver Burrards 16U2 Silver Medal

Delta Islanders Bantam B Silver Medal

Vancouver Burrards PeeWee B Bronze Medal

Some concerns that have filtered back are:

- Volunteer pool has shrunk, and associations are having a tougher time filling Board positions and Coaching/Managing roles.
- Referee situation is at an all-time low. Something needs to be done immediately to rectify or our sport is in serious trouble.

Would like to see the Whistler AGM return so we are able to reward Volunteer service and recruit new.  
Hoping the Vancouver Warriors will be able to assist with a School Program and/or visits this year.

Thank You

Michael Hagel  
Zone 5 Rep

## **Zone 6 (Vancouver Island) August Year End Report 2022**

**Respectfully submitted by**

**Tim Frost, Zone 6 Chair**

It was great to get back to a “normal” season this year. We still had some residual issues due to COVID with impacts of two years away affecting our volunteer base. Our total number of referees were down and we struggled with a significant number of game reschedules due to unforeseen events.

Our volunteer base is decreasing, and I feel strongly that the BCLA should reinstate the Whistler AGM – as it is a great opportunity to thank the volunteers who do all the hard work to run the associations and commissions.

Our development divisions had a lot of fun and it is great to see lots of new participants – particularly in the mini tyke and tyke divisions. Our competitive divisions had a great season and a number of Island teams qualified for Provincials with the following teams winning medals in Provincial play.

### **Pee wee**

Saanich A2 – Silver Medal

JDF A1 – Silver Medal

### **Bantam**

Saanich – A2 – Provincial Champion

JDF – A1 – Bronze Medal

### **16U**

Peninsula B – Provincial Champion

JDF B – Silver Medal

Nanaimo A2 – Provincial Champion

JDF A1 – Provincial Champion

### **Female**

Nanaimo Bantam B – Provincial Champion

At the BC Summer Games, the Zone 6 box team won Gold.

Congratulations to all of the teams for the strong showing.

Tim Frost

Zone 6 Chair



GWNLC Year End Report 2022

Respectfully submitted by John Stevens

### **Zone 8 – Great White North Lacrosse Commission**

Currently we have Prince George, Williams Lake, Quesnel, Fort St John and Mackenzie within our commission. This year Fort St John concentrated on staying more local while increasing tournament play out of province primarily.

The 2022 Lacrosse year has been a success in the North with all associations working together in getting the athletes back into the game since the COVID interruption. It's been a pleasure working and developing in such a positive outgoing environment. All numbers were up in all associations with exception of Prince George where we were just over half the athletes of previous years.

Although short in the executive this year we managed to get through the season and welcome the 2022 BC Summer Games into our city with local lacrosse volunteers stepping up once again and make the event a huge success. Special Thanks to Tammy Brown, and Lisa Scott for being huge contributors in the success of Box and Field Lacrosse at the game and the many volunteers who came to support.

### **U16 A2 Provincials**

Warrior Fairplay Award went to Kael Frederick at Midget Provincials. Logan Halk received an All Star award for Prince George.

### **Bantam Provincials**

Grady Watson from Williams Lake got the Warrior Fairplay award for B division while the All Star award for Williams Lake went to Kassius Ford

Gavin Martin from Prince George received the Warrior Fairplay award for A2 Division while the All Star Award from Prince George went to Dusty Jones.

Combination Teams were a success in the North being able to have smaller communities join up and play as a team in a few tournaments. Special mention to Williams Lake, Fort St John, Quesnel, Mackenzie and 1 athlete from Prince George. U16 combination team won gold in Calgary as well as the Bantam combination team also won gold in Calgary. PeeWee's as well made us proud with a Bronze win at the Calgary tournament.

Opportunities current and moving forward is referee retention, training, and mentorship in the north. Senior referees have left the game leaving our commission in a tough place in rebuilding. We are doing our best to recruit from hockey and other areas but still find ourselves short at levels from senior down.

I appreciate all the great efforts from our many volunteers encompassing all associations and executive. I have no doubt this has been one of the more challenging and rewarding seasons at the same time while we experienced positive growth and change throughout the associations. It's been a pleasure seeing how the associations are so open and happy to work together to find the best solutions.

Looking forward to the 2023 Season.

Best Regards,

John Stevens

GWNLC - Chairperson

## **Female Box Chair Year End Report 2022**

### **Respectfully submitted by John Hamilton**

The 2022 season has been a challenging one for the growth of Female Box lacrosse. Two years of no lacrosse had a significant impact on the number of registered female players in all zones, especially those outside of the Lower Mainland.

To help encourage more Female players to register in the Interior, a development camp was held in Penticton in April. This was very successful, and is planned for next year. On Vancouver Island, Nanaimo Minor Lacrosse was successful in registering a large number of Female players, however in the Greater Victoria region, numbers were very low.

Unfortunately, several of the Vancouver Island “development games” scheduled with Mainland teams did not happen due to communication breakdown, conflicts with Team BC Field and changes in tournament schedules.

On a positive note, Penticton was able to enter a team in both the Adanac Female Challenge Tournament and the Ridgemeanows Reign Storm Tournament and the BCLA held a very successful Female Provincial Championship.

Looking ahead, as Female Chair, I have recommended several changes to The Minor Directorate Operating Policy, to remove some barriers and allow Female players more opportunity to play. I will also be meeting with Female Representatives from the Mainland and from Vancouver Island to find ways to improve communication and put an inter-locking schedule in early to insure that the developmental games between mainland and island teams happen next season. I will also work with all zones to create ways of encouraging more growth of Female box Lacrosse across the province.

John Hamilton  
Female Box Chair  
August 16, 2022

## **2022 Provincial Championships**

### **Pee Wee, Bantam, 16U and Female: Pam Mason**

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With the two year hiatus of the provincials it was great to see everyone back at the arena this year for the 2022 provincials, they were a great success and all hosts did an excellent job putting on the events. This year we had events in divisions for Pee Wee, Bantam 16U and Female (All divisions). We had various formats this year as non provincials had the standard number of teams this year and we were ensuring that there were officials available for each event. All events treated the spectators to some very exciting and excellent lacrosse after the time away with great team work and sportsmanship.

I would like to thank the host convenors who put in tireless hours to make these events a success and a time to remember by all of the participants and parents. This year we saw two events each weekend as we also had the return of the summer games and did not want to have a group play over the July long weekend

Our first was the 16U in the new Port Coquitlam facility led by Heidi Davis. This year we had 19 teams compete in the A1, A2 and B division. The competition in all divisions did not disappoint. With 19 teams we were able to host the event on the two floors giving spectators the opportunity to see a variety of games over the weekend.

The same weekend as the 16U divisions, we hosted the Pee Wee provincials in Delta led by Renee Close with the games held in North Delta, Ladner and Tsawwassen. With the three floors being in various cities at least 20 minutes apart made it harder for the host to manage volunteers during the course of the event. We had all divisions represented with A1 and A2 playing full round robin, B playing the traditional 8 team two pools round robin and C playing cross pool. In total we had 25 teams represented at this event

The second weekend teams were off to the interior for the Bantam provincials hosted by North Okanagan and led by co-convenors Miranda Marchant and Lolly Barr. For A1 division with only 4 teams representing, we had the full round robin, A2 we had 8 teams with the traditional 8 team two pool divisions and B and C division we had the cross pool events. It was very nice to have the event in one location with two floors and being in the heat of the interior the air conditioning in the building made it a great venue to have the event.

The other event on the second weekend was the Females this year were hosted by Coquitlam led by Jodie Kent, with all of the games taking place at the three floors at Poirier Centre The females this year had a tiered bantam division with four teams playing at the A level along with the 5 teams at the B level, all other divisions had between 4 and 6 teams. All divisions were represented with 25 teams at this event.

Overall there were very few issues at the events with minimal suspensions in all divisions. Parents were for the most part controlled and well behaved. We did have a couple of parents that needed to be removed from events for abuse of officials both on and off floor officials this year but for the most part everyone was just happy to be back at the provincials with their players.

It was a pleasure being provincial supervisor again this year and working with all of the hosts to make these events memorable to the players and parents I would like to thank all of the supervisors volunteered who gave up their holidays to ensure that these event were successful for the players, coaches and parents over these two weekends in July, without your support of Minor Lacrosse in BC we would not have provincial events to showcase the best players of our province Thank you to Beth McLucas, Gord McIntosh, Dee Bowley, John Hamilton, Tim Frost, Richard Paciejewski, Mary Clare, Shane Mellish, Michael Hagel, and Wuilbert Jaramillo . I would like to thank the following head RIC's for their support and help at the provincials Dallas Lister, Angie Ried, Jarret Smith, Argun Singh, Vince Burelle, Sean Lehman. To the coaching reps, Jeff MacAulay, Michael O'Connor, Dan Chetner and Rob Arden

None of these events could be held without the support of the BCLA staff: Jeff, Dave, Matt and Deb thank you for being there to help whenever we needed.

Lastly, I would like to thank all of the coaches, volunteers and fans for supporting our great game of lacrosse and helping form the memories for these participants of the 2022 provincial championships.

Pam Mason  
Vice Chair Minor Directorate  
Provincials Playoff Director

## PEEWEE PROVINCIAL TOURNAMENT REPORT JULY 7 – 10 2022

Having been dormant for 2 years, it was really great to see the Provincial tournament back in action!

There were teams playing in A1, A2, B and C divisions.

There were very few issues throughout the tournament.

Delta were an excellent host. The food and snacks were both plentiful and delicious.

The tournament was played in 3 arenas: Ladner Leisure Centre, South Delta Recreation Centre and SunGod in North Delta. Although sungod is a lovely facility the dwindling number of north delta registrants was reflected in the lack of volunteers from that area which had the Delta executive scrambling a little.

A couple of things I noted moving forward for all provincials:

Have someone in the box that is familiar with the use of the time clock. In round robin games where parents are utilized as scorekeeper/timekeepers, only the local parents are familiar with its usage.

Have a 'cheat sheet' ready with stop time rules, OT rules etc. I don't know if these were new people running the score/time but stop time was very inconsistent!

Perhaps we need to redesign the MVP form. There were a lot of instances where the same person got it more than once in the round robin games despite us going down to the box and explaining the protocol. Also some of the younger refs (who had perhaps never done a provincials) also seemed to have a problem deciding who received it.

Perhaps at the PeeWee level we could consider the introduction of an 'Ambassador' award given to the player that most epitomises the spirit of lacrosse? I cannot emphasise the level of great sportsmanship I witnessed during these provincials, but the Chilliwack C goalie stood head and shoulders above the rest. He commiserated with his players when they were down, cheered them when they were up, danced in the crease during stop play and looked as though he was enjoying himself reminding us all that really and truly at the end of the day this is just a game!

One final note, which had nothing to do with Delta, was the lack of medical staff on site. Fortunately LLC and Sungod are aquatic centres and so had lifeguards on duty most of the time. There were a couple of off-duty firefighters available also, and although injuries were few it would have been nice to have the comfort of knowing those bases were covered.

It was an exhausting 4 days but very enjoyable none the less! Thank you for inviting me!

Sincerely  
Mary Clare

## **2022 Bantam Provincials Report**

The 2022 Bantam Provincial Championship was hosted by North Okanagan Minor Lacrosse Association from July 14-17, 2022. The host association's volunteers helped make this event a great success. The event started with the coaches' meeting on July 14 just before the official start and teams' rosters were verified very efficiently. While the days were long, the games ran as scheduled with very few delays. All games were scheduled at the two arenas at Kal-Tire Arena and Kal-tire North. The host did a remarkable job (above and beyond) making sure all expectations were fulfilled (i.e. main office, referees' area, hospitality area for volunteers, security).

I would like to thank Miranda Marchand and Travis Mann from the North Okanagan Minor lacrosse association for their excellent organization of the event. Their amazing group of volunteers made sure that all that was needed (either planned or not) was available. It was an excellent experience for both participants and supervisors. You should be proud of the excellent job North Okanagan Minor lacrosse did as hosts.

I would also like to thank the RICs Vince Burelle and Sean Lehman for their hard work and support. You being always available and willing to clarify/explain is highly appreciated. Your constant drive to support and provide feedback to officials and make them better on what they do was outstanding. I am looking forward to seeing referees use what they learned in this event in future seasons and influence a newer generation to become referees as well.

Thanks to all fellow provincial supervisors Pam Mason and Michael Hagel. Thank you to Rob Arden and Jeff MacAulay for representing the coaches association.

Last but not least, thanks to the BCLA staff for all their hard work in planning and to our sponsors for their continued support.

**Submitted by Wuilbert Jaramillo  
Provincial Supervisor**

## **BC Lacrosse U-16 Provincials**

Port Coquitlam Minor Lacrosse hosted a successful U-16 Provincials from July 7 - July 10, 2022. The host association, led by Heidi Davis, did an outstanding job of organizing and running the tournament. The coaches' meeting was held prior to the first games and teams were verified with no major issues. The host volunteers were very helpful in keeping track of scores, game sheets, game stars etc... Dressing room allocations and supervision went seamlessly. Provincial volunteers were well looked after in respect to refreshments and meals. The hosts ran successful 50/50 and gift draws.

On the floor, there were not too many issues of concern. Some coaches had to be reminded of rules regarding offence - defence. As well, a few players stepped over the line with their behaviour and received appropriate discipline. For the most part, games were very competitive, including quite a few overtime games. The province was well represented with teams from most zones. One game had to be moved to a third arena due to damage to a rink door but this was quickly remedied. I must compliment Port Coquitlam on their facilities including great scoreboards. There were a number of compliments that I witnessed about the level of refereeing - of course, with the token complaints. Thanks to Jeff and Travis Cornwall for helping to hand out medals. Nice to see minor alumni coming back to help out.

Thanks to fellow Minor Directorate members for all their hard work - Gord McIntosh, Pam Mason, Wuilbert Jaramillo, and Shane Mellish. Thanks to Rob Arden and Jeff MacAulay for their vigilance as coaching reps. Thanks to Stacy Hemmerling for being commissioner. And much appreciation to Riley Lo for supervising the refs. Finally, thanks to BCLA staff for all their help.

It was great to be back at the rink!

Submitted by

Richard Paciejewski

## 2022 Female Provincials Report

The female provincials was a success from all aspects. The weather was relatively cool, so the arenas were not uncomfortable during the tournament.

Our hosts from Coquitlam were excellent. My main contact was Jodi Kent and she had a full crew of volunteers throughout the 4 days. There were no lapses in anything relating to volunteers. The security people were visible at all times. We were well fed and taken care of. When I needed something from Jodi, she was always able to get things done. Having the 3 arenas in one location makes the logistics for both the host and the BCLA staff very manageable. Coquitlam gets a 5 star rating from us as host

The games were good with few blowouts. Heidi Lai was our commissioner and was available by phone and also came to the arenas frequently. She dealt with suspensions quickly and efficiently. We ended up with 1 player having a carryover into next season.

Refereeing was good. Dallas and Angie were on top of everything and made sure the referees were well informed on game times and overtime. Their selections for medal games led to noting but compliments for the officials. All medal games were well done by the officials. There was 1 official that had to be sent home. This situation was caught and acted upon quickly.

The coaches had their ups and downs. There were some discussions with the coaching rep as well as us on various situations. Fair play was an ongoing discussion, offence/defense not so much. Fan behaviour was pretty good overall. There are always a few crazies that come out of the woodwork and need to be dealt with.

I want to thank all our BCLA friends for their work. They were a treat to work with and did a great job. Everyone participated fully. Thank you to John Hamilton, Tim Frost, Shane Mellish, Michael O'Connor, Beth McLucas and Dave Showers. Dave was with us throughout and provided everything we needed. It was fun watching John work his first provincials as female chair. He was very interactive with everyone and was an excellent speaker at the medal presentations.

I have heard comments from our BCLA reps that have had to travel for provincials the past 2 weeks that their accommodations were not the best. Sounds like we can do a better job in this for both comfort and location.

Glad we are done with all provincials, but enjoyed working with everyone over the past 2 weeks.

Gord McIntosh



Minor Registrar Year End Report 2022  
Respectfully submitted by Corrine Perriman

The registration process was somewhat bumpy this year. Only 1/3 of Association registration packages were received by the due date of May 15. Up to 3 reminders were required going out both via COP and directly to Registrars and Association Presidents email. This was in addition to advance notice of the deadline send in mid April and at the beginning of May. Some never did submit their required supporting paperwork. Unfortunately the time required to get this information adds up very quickly.

Of enormous benefit again this year were the spreadsheets from the Commission Chairs sent with their approved Player Transfers / Oversized Teams / Playing Down Approvals. This helps to move everything along at a much higher pace. A grateful thank-you to those Commission Chairs that sent theirs in, supporting this process.

Corinne Perriman  
BCLA Minor Registrar  
August 17, 2022

Vice Chair – Minor BCLCG Year End Report 2022  
Respectfully submitted by Rob Arden

I first off would like to thank all the people involved in the Coaches Technical support group and the BCLA office for all the work they do throughout the year

Finally, after our long delay from Covid we finally got to enjoy a full season of lacrosse!!

This season seemed to bring out a lot of craziness with all involved ...Player, Coaches, Officials, Parents. We had coaches threatening to rip officials heads off , parents fighting in the parking lots, players saying sexual remarks to officials , officials searing at players....this list is long from this season! As a sport, we still have a great deal of work to do and it has to happen sooner rather than later or there won't be anyone to play this game.

The Coaches Technical group is always looking for more clinicians especially in all the areas outside the lower mainland. I would ask all clubs to look for someone in your own association that may want to do this so we can have more clinics and be able to train more coaches.

I would like to thank all the host clubs that took on all the provincials this season, and a huge thank you to all the volunteers that spent many hours of their time to make them all successful!

Let's all hope next season is even better and we can enjoy meeting all face to face at our annual AGM that everyone is so missing!!

Yours in Lacrosse

Rob Arden  
Vice Chair – Minor  
BCLCG

Year end Report

Wilson Louie

Vice Chair Minor Box

After two years with limited or no lacrosse it was nice to see lacrosse back in 2022. Special thanks to Jeff, Dave and Deb at the BCLA office for keeping our spirit alive through these tumultuous times, Gord and the Minor Directorate who kept our positive momentum going even as things were looking grim and finally our referee executive lead by Lee, then Andy who stepped to every challenge confronting us and prepared our group to react in the event lacrosse would be started even through 2020.

To all the zone reps for rallying and recruiting referees at the start of this season knowing they were facing an uphill battle as interest in all organized sports had waned over the past two years.

And finally, the Minor Box RICs, Jarret Smith-Pee Wee, Vince Burrell-Bantam, Riley Lo-16U and Angie Reid/Dallas Lister- Female provincials who took the call without hesitation to commit to something they knew would occupy much of their time from May-July on top of their regular volunteer work.

I'm saddened by the fact I was unable to make a dent in the reality of referee abuse, and after two years away we not only experienced more cases but also more intense and directed abuse towards the referees. Our number one reason for losing experienced referees is abuse.

After 6 fabulous years in this role, I will be stepping down and will not pursue another term, in hopes of getting some younger and renewed ideas to support the referee group and the game we love.

Submitted respectfully, Wilson Louie