

SFC TECHNICAL DIRECTOR REPORT

The Technical Director of the SFC initiated, facilitated and managed the following programs and projects in 2018.

- Completed and submitted Sport Canada, Core Sport Support applications for both Mainstream and AWAD areas of operation that generated **\$392,000** in annual funding to the Federation. Finalized the first stage of the Sport Funding and Accountability Framework (SFAF) VI in 2016 and anticipate the call for Sport Development and High Performance components in the upcoming months that will lead to the designation of 2019-2020 funding levels for the SFC.
- Maintained partnerships (funding and otherwise) with the ISSF, Sport Canada, Canadian Olympic Committee (COC), International Paralympic Committee (IPC), Canadian Paralympic Committee (CPC), Own The Podium, Coaching Association of Canada (CAC), Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport (CCES), Canada Games Council, Commonwealth Games Association of Canada (CGC), Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF), Own The Podium (OTP) and AthletesCAN.
- Revised Sport Canada Athlete Assistance Program (AAP) conditions for carding, solicited athlete applications and completed the paperwork and review process that provided, in 2018, eight (8) SFC athletes with Senior SR and C1 cards valued at approximately **\$150,000**.
- Facilitated applications/submissions to various national and provincial/territorial funding programs that resulted in support of approximately **\$18,000** to SFC athletes and coaches.
- Liaised with Commonwealth Games Canada and the COC to facilitate the participation of athletes, coaches and support staff in the 2018 Commonwealth Games (Gold Coast AUS), 2018 Youth Olympic Games (Buenos Aires ARG), 2019 Pan American and ParaPan American Games (Lima PER) and 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games (Tokyo JPN).

*Congratulations and bravo to Canadian athlete, Gregory Sych, who won a silver medal in the 50m 3P Men's Rifle event at the Gold Coast Commonwealth Games in March.

- Worked with summer student, Joey Hutton, on the further advancement of the SFC Long Term Athlete Development (LTAD) model and documentation to fulfill Sport Canada mandates for Competition Review and Athlete Development Matrix components.
- Provided administrative support to all areas of SFC operations including high performance, coaching, officiating, domestic programs, junior development, budgeting, strategic and operational planning.
- Facilitated and convened meetings, recorded minutes, drafted criteria and documentation to advance Federation objectives and provided support to the Executive Committee, Board of Directors, High Performance Committee, Coaching Committee and National Officials Committee.
- Worked with the Coaching Association of Canada (CAC) and SFC (Volunteer) National Coaching Coordinator, Chantel Spicer, to carry out coaching program development mandates including the delivery of Instructor-Beginner and Competition-Development contexts and the initiation of Comp-Dev Advanced Gradation/High Performance. The Comp-Dev context received CAC final approval for all disciplines in July 2017, and it is anticipated that the CDAG/HP coaching context will be ready for CAC review and approval by 2018 fiscal year-end thanks to the extraordinary efforts of Chantel Spicer.
- Under the direction of Vice President High Performance, Lisa Deneka, drafted and updated 2020 Athlete Selection Criteria, the 2019 Athlete Agreement (and supporting documentation), 2019 Conditions for AAP Carding, 2017-2020 Major Games Criteria and supported the facilitation of numerous High Performance Program initiatives.

- Represented the SFC at semi-annual COC, CPC and CGC sessions and meetings.
- Researched, made and will continue to make application to the Canada Games Council to ensure that target shooting is re-introduced to the Canada Games sport program for and beyond 2025.

Technical Director Portfolio activities in the upcoming months:

- With the VP High Performance, collaborate on the tabulation of athlete information, rankings and scores to name 2019 High Performance Program (HPP) teams, revise HPP documentation, publish, circulate and receive returns to establish and confirm 2019 HPP membership and event participation.
- Facilitate and produce the Athlete Assistance Program (AAP) carding submission and schedule review and other meetings with Sport Canada to secure carding for shooting athletes in 2019.
- Coordinate, draft and submit the annual 2019-2020 Sport Canada, Core Support Funding application on behalf of the SFC (generally due mid-February).
- Respond to calls for information, coordinate and, in collaboration with the Provinces/Territories, draft and submit the Government of Canada, SFAF VI application that will set and determine Sport Canada funding to the Federation for the remaining years of the current quadrennial.
- Facilitate the production of documentation for the website that will educate SFC coaches, officials and members about National Coach Certification Program (NCCP) practices, Officials certification, procedures and pathways.
- Identify stakeholders and continue to work on the improvement of relationships with our provincial and territorial partners to advance Federation best interests.
- Continue to interact on an ongoing basis with SFC funding partners and the external agencies mentioned earlier in this report to promote a positive image of the target shooting sports and to ensure the inclusion of shooting events in upcoming bids and Games.

In conclusion, I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank the members of the Executive Committee, in particular Lisa Deneka, Sandra Honour and Pat Boulay for their time, efforts and considerable support in these undertakings.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Verdier