



Coach Chronicle AUGUST 2007

Welcome to the BCWBS Coach Chronicle. You are receiving this publication because you are a valued member of the BC Wheelchair Basketball Society. To submit information to the Coach Chronicle please email by the 15th of the month.



2008 BC Winter Games Coaches & Managers Needed

BCWBS is gearing up for the 2008 BC Winter Games in Kimberley-Cranbrook February 21-24 and is currently looking for Zone Coaches and Managers for our wheelchair basketball teams.

Since 1978, the BC Games Society has been staging the BC Summer and Winter Games. The purpose of these Games is, "To provide an opportunity for the development of athletes, coaches and officials in preparation for higher levels of competition in a multi-sport event which promotes interest and participation in sport and sporting activities, individual achievement and community development."

BCWBS requires coaches and managers for the following zones:

Zone 2: Thompson/Okanagan

Zone 3: Fraser Valley

Zone 4: Fraser River/Delta

Zone 5: Vancouver/Squamish

Zone 6: Vancouver Island/Central Coast

Zone 8: Cariboo/North East

All coaches for the 2008 Games must have or be working towards NCCP Level 2 certification. Coaches and managers are required to travel with the zone team and act in a supervisory role at the games from February 20 - 24th (Wednesday to Sunday). Contact BCWBS for a job description and application form. Interested individuals should contact BCWBS by August 17th, 2007 to be considered for these positions.



British Columbia Coaches Week - September 22 to 29, 2007

The focus of BC Coaches Week is to recruit, develop and celebrate BC's coaches of all levels, in all sports, province wide. It will foster recognition of those coaches who often go unrecognized and under appreciated - the volunteers, parents, community coaches, etc.

Events include National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP) courses, workshops and other professional development opportunities, as well as recognition events. Some have been subsidized with SportsFunder lottery funds.

The inaugural British Columbia Coaches Week will feature activities across the province, with five communities specifically targeted: Kamloops, Kelowna, Lower Mainland/Fraser Valley, Nanaimo, Prince George. Additional communities will be added in successive years. Stay tuned to the Coaches Association of BC website for more information: www.coaches.bc.ca



International Coaching School

August 18 – 26, 2007; Elliott Building – University of Victoria

Tasks #1, #2, #4, #6, #7/8, #10, #12, #16 are two full days in duration. Task #17 is four days in duration. Level 3 theory will be held August 18 & 19, 25 & 26.

Contact National Coaching Institute-BC: 250-721-7589; coach@uvic.ca



2007 SPIN Summit - September 24-26, 2007

The SPort INnovation (SPIN) Summit is a sport technology and sport performance conference featuring presentations by renowned international experts, poster presentations, presented papers, exhibits, and special guest presentations by high performance athletes and coaches.



COACHES OF CANADA Annual Awards Call for Nominations

Coaches of Canada, the governing body in Canada that is responsible for advancing the profession of coaching — announces its call for nominations for the Jack Donohue 'Coach of the Year' Award and the Sheila Robertson Award.

The Jack Donohue Award is presented annually in recognition of a coach's dedication to the profession of coaching and the outstanding performance of their athletes during the past competitive season.

The Sheila Robertson Award is presented to the National Sport Organization (NSO) that demonstrates a consistent approach in valuing and recognizing the role a coach makes within their organization—with the media and the public

The deadline for nominations for both awards is August 31, 2007. The recipients of these awards will be notified in advance and will be honored at the Sport Leadership Awards Dinner, as part of the Petro-Canada Sport Leadership sportif 2007 in Halifax, Nova Scotia, October 12, 2007. For more information and details on the nomination process please visit:
www.coachesofcanada.com/media/awards.



Call for Nominations for the Coaches of Canada Board of Directors

The following 6 positions are open on the Coaches of Canada Board of Directors: Director at Large (from membership), Sport-specific constituency representative, Provincial Coaches Association representative, Provincial Coaches Association representative, Director at Large (non-coaching functional role) and Olympic/Paralympic representative .Further details on the Coaches of Canada website. The application deadline is August 31, 2007 - please forward to any Paralympic coaches you feel might be interested.



Tip of the Month – Turnovers as Performance Indicators for Game Analysis in Team Sports

by Veronica Planella, Performance Analyst, PacificSport

One purpose of performance analysis in a coaching context is to provide precise feedback to athletes. In team sports, performance is a result of many factors interacting in dynamic and ever-changing situations. Computer-based systems can help to integrate quantitative performance data with video data. These systems can be tailored for use with any sport using specific performance indicators that are of significance to the coaches and athletes in their respective sport.

Performance indicators are often investigated and developed in order to identify fundamental elements and factors for enhancement of performance in sports. In order to identify valid performance indicators it is important that the indicators used within a performance analysis system differentiate between the successful and unsuccessful events within a game (Hughes and Bartlett, 2002).

Last summer, PacificSport worked with the Canadian Wheelchair Rugby Team in preparation for the 2006 World Championships. The focus was to study successful and unsuccessful teams in major tournaments, and turnovers proved to be a major performance indicator. Through examining how turnovers occurred, coaches were able to design the most effective ways to create and retain possession, which in turn, increased goal opportunities. With team sports, in order to classify the actions observed, PacificSport has developed a Model for Turnover Analysis. Turnovers are analysed as a factor of space definition (where did it happen?), time definition (when did it happen?) and personnel identification (who was involved?).

The identification of relevant performance indicators that distinguish between successful and unsuccessful performance should be the first stage in the

development of a team sport performance analysis system. The statistical information and video data provided by performance analysis systems such as Dartfish, can identify areas that require attention; i.e. possession losses. Observation of the relevant sequences as to how events occur allows the coaches to identify exactly why possessions are being lost, and this can be properly addressed in practice sessions and/or in timely feedback interventions during competition.

For more “PacificSport Performance Points check out their website at www.pacificsport.com



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