

SFC TECHNICAL DIRECTOR REPORT

The Technical Director of the SFC has initiated, facilitated and managed the following programs and projects in 2016:

- Completed and submitted Sport Canada, Core Sport Support applications for both Mainstream and AWAD areas of operation that generated over \$392,000 in annual funding to the Federation.
- Liaised, provided written submissions for, negotiated and maintained partnerships (funding and otherwise) with Sport Canada, the Canadian Olympic Committee (COC), Canadian Paralympic Committee (CPC), 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) carding criteria, solicited athlete applications and completed the paperwork and review process that provided five SFC athletes with Senior SR cards valued at \$90,000.
- Facilitated participation of athletes and coaches/support staff in the Rio Olympic and Paralympic Games; the culmination of a two year plus process with both the COC and CPC.
- 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, High Performance Committee, Junior Development group, and the National Officials Development Committee.
- Worked with technical writer Kathleen Millar and SFC Coaching Context Development Writing Groups to carry out coaching program development mandates including the delivery of the Instructor-Beginner and Competition-Development contexts. The Comp-Dev context for rifle was conditionally approved by the CAC in March 2016 and final approval of the context in all disciplines is expected by March 2017.

The SFC would not have achieved the inroads made to date without the outstanding contributions of Pat Landals, Ray Fisher and Richard Lanning (Comp-Dev rifle), and Rick Ward (Comp-Dev pistol and AWAD).

- Provided updates and facilitated translations on an ongoing basis to coaching materials in compliance with Coaching Association of Canada directives.
- Facilitated applications/submissions to various provincial/territorial and national level funding programs that resulted in over \$25,000 in support to SFC athletes and coaches.
- Member of the COC's "Women and Sport Committee" (as of 2014) and participant in semi-annual COC, CPC and CGC sessions and meetings on behalf of the SFC.
- Researched, made and will continue to make application to the Canada Games Council to have target shooting included on the Canada Games sport program for and beyond 2023.

Technical Director Portfolio activities in the upcoming months:

- Solicit and review athlete information and scores, calculate rankings, revise high performance program (HPP) documentation (Athlete Agreement, information sheets etc.), publish, circulate and receive returns to establish and confirm 2017 HPP membership.
- Draft 2018 Athlete Selection Criteria for High Performance Committee review, and revise Major Games and other criteria on an as-and-when-needed basis.
- Circulate a call for 2017 Athlete Assistance Program applications and schedule review and other meetings with Sport Canada to secure carding for shooting athletes in the upcoming competitive year.
- Respond to calls for information, coordinate and, in collaboration with the Provinces/Territories, draft and submit the Government of Canada, Sport Funding and Accountability Framework (SFAF) VI application that will set and determine Sport Canada funding to the Federation for the upcoming four-year period.
- Coordinate, draft and submit the two-year 2017-19 Sport Canada, Core Support Funding application on behalf of the SFC (due mid-February).
- Facilitate and produce documentation for the website that will educate SFC coaches and members about NCCP context practices, procedures and pathways.
- Identify stakeholders and continue to work on the improvement of relationships with our provincial partners to advance Federation best interests.
- Continue to interact on an ongoing basis with the SFC funding partners and 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 for their time, substantial efforts and support.

Special thanks are also due Chantel Spicer, SFC Volunteer Coaching Coordinator, for the countless hours she has dedicated to the improvement and delivery of coaching programs to the Canadian shooting community.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Verdier