

Island Member Services Report 2016

Education - In the spring Carey Anderson provided facilitator training to Grant Renton and Dennis Abbott. In July, Len De Julius and Mike Westman were sent to Victoria in July to provide a high school clinic. Other training sessions were organized locally.

This year there was less community football on the island officiated by BCFOA. The number of officials on the island also declined this year. We had one new official on the field this year. In the last couple of weeks there have been a few queries from potential new officials for next year. We will need them.

Tim Heenan and Dennis Abbott have announced that they are retiring from on field duties. To conclude their time in stripes, they both officiated at the BC Community finals in early December. We can look forward to their continued involvement in training and mentoring officials.

Other reports have touched on items pertaining to the island so I will not repeat those items here. I want to acknowledge island officials Doug Young and Grant Renton for officiating in the Canadian Bowl. I also want to thank Mike Gatto for another year of service as island allocator.

I want to thank the other executive members for welcoming me to the executive and quickly bringing me up to speed on the work of the executive. Thank you Mark Newlove for your leadership as President.

The next season will be upon us quickly and preparations have begun. I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year.

Rod Fehr