



AO Coaches & Club Town Hall meeting – Wed Jun 17, 2020

Good afternoon everyone and welcome to the Athletics Ontario Coaches, Club & Officials Town Hall meeting.

Today's agenda is:

- Weekly CEO Update
- Case study on a Best Practice example of a Return to Training program from one of our clubs
- Guest Speaker: Kevin Daley, will continue our conversation on systemic racism in Canada
- Q&A

To date, we have 58 clubs who have signed off the new club waiver and attestation, which is just over half of the AO registered clubs and approximately 1,000 individual members have signed the new waivers.

We know that many groups are still struggling to get the facilities in their area to open the doors for any training. If AO can assist in anyway just reach out to us and we would be happy to speak with any of your facility owners or operators.

The early indications are that we will be able to hold some form of modified competitions this summer, with a potential of mid to late July for holding some events. The officials group is assisting us as we work on developing some Return to Competition guidelines. Much will follow the Return to Training Guidelines with specifics for how to host different events in a safe manner while respecting the Public Health guidelines for social distancing.

The Province has announced that Summer camps will be able to start effective July 1st and they have created guidelines for summer camp operations. The main requirements is for summer camps to operate with groups of 10 individuals including staff and camp participants who must stay together for the duration of the program, which must be a minimum of 7 days. We will list a link to the Provincial Camp guidelines on our website. As a reminder, the AO insurance program will provide coverage to your summer camp participants as long as they are all members of AO, which includes the U12 \$5 recreational and \$20 recreational

memberships. So this could still be a viable opportunity for clubs that run summer camps in July and August.

http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/publichealth/coronavirus/docs/2019_summer_day_camps_guidance.pdf

I would like to now have Sharon Stewart provide a brief overview of what they have put in place to ensure the Niagara Olympic Club is ensuring the safety of their members while adhering to the National & Provincial Back on Track guidelines as well as the Provincial and local Health authority guidelines.

Please see mentioned documents at <https://athleticsontario.ca/ao-town-hall/>

Guest Speaker

To continue our conversation that began a couple weeks ago, I would like to introduce our guest speaker, Kevin Daley, to share his personal insights and experiences as a man of colour who served in the Toronto Police force for 30 years, specializing in death investigations and impaired driving.

Kevin is a second generation Canadian, who's parents immigrated from Jamaica in 1966. He is a Hamilton Native and attended both Humber College and York University. Kevin is the proud father of Myles Misener-Daley, who is the current Canadian 400m U20 Record holder. After 30 years of dedication to the Toronto Police Service, Kevin is now retired, but still works as a small real estate Investor.

Welcome Kevin!

Kevin's full presentation is available on the Town Hall page under Audio/Video summary

As a reminder:

The PSO & NSO recommendations include guidelines that ensure members are still maintaining all of the Provinces social distance rules which currently means groups no larger than 10 and everyone in the groups maintaining at least 2m distance from each other, unless you are from the same household.