



AO Town Hall – September 23rd Written Summary

On today's town hall meeting for coaches, officials and clubs we discussed pertinent updates regarding the outdoor track and field season, the cross country season, National Coaches Week, coaching course opportunities, AO Virtual After School Athletics, upcoming competitions and more.

Other pertinent updates include:

- The Canada Games Council and the 2021 Canada Games Host Society have decided to postpone the 2021 Canada Summer Games until the summer of 2022. ([Read More](#))
- Premier Doug Ford announced last week that Ontario will be lowering social gathering limits to 10 people indoors and 25 people outdoors. However, **the new limits will not apply to events or gatherings held in staffed businesses and facilities, such as recreational sporting events.** ([Read More](#))
- The Toronto Track and Field Centre is now open for permitting of events. However the City of Toronto has placed a facility capacity restriction of a maximum 50 people for outdoor events.

National Coaches Week!

National Coaches Week is a week to celebrate the tremendous positive impact you, as coaches have on your athletes and communities. This week is an opportunity to recognize coaches for the integral role you all play.

A message from Athletics Ontario CEO, Paul Osland:

"On behalf of Athletics Ontario, we thank you for your tremendous effort and hard work that you do to keep our sport running, as well as the great job you do in developing the future leaders of our province through your work with many youth athletes. Thank you very much for that. You are all extremely deserving of this National week of recognition, and without you all, our sport would not be possible."

PPE Kit Distribution

PPE kits will be available for pick-up every Wednesday from 4:00pm-7:00pm for the next four weeks from our office, located at 3701 Danforth Avenue, Toronto (Variety Village). Pick-ups will be by appointment only, please contact **Kolton Kowalchuk** at kolton.kowalchuk@athleticsontario.ca to arrange your time within the designated hours.

If you are located outside of the GTA and are unable to pick up from this location, please also contact [Kolton Kowalchuk](mailto:kolton.kowalchuk@athleticsontario.ca) to set up your shipping arrangements. We are asking that each club covers their own shipping cost.

Hall of Fame Committee Call Out

We are now accepting nominations for the AO Hall of Fame Committee! Learn more about this committee by reading the [Hall of Fame Committee Terms of Reference](#).

If you are interested in joining this committee, please contact HoF committee Chairman, **Ian Anderson**, at office@athleticsontario.ca - no later than **October 10th, 2020**.

Athletics Canada Job Opportunities

Position: Director, Domestic Programs and Safe Sport

The Director, Domestic Programs and Safe Sport will provide leadership of domestic sport and safe sport operations including grassroots programming, domestic programming, coach and official's education, and safe sport initiatives.

To see the full job advertisement and application information please visit: <https://athleticscanada.bamboohr.com/jobs/view.php?id=28>

Position: Para Development Manager position.

The objective of the Para Development Manager (PDM) is to increase the recruitment and retention of new Para athletes into the sport of athletics.

In order to achieve the position goals, the PDM must have the ability to:

- Develop strong relationships with key stakeholders and build trust and credibility in the domestic Para program.
- Collaborate and communicate effectively with all relevant stakeholders to reach positive outcomes and move the program forward.
- Develop and implement plans for Para events from grassroots to the national level.

Follow this link to see the full description and to apply: <https://athleticscanada.bamboohr.com/jobs/view.php?id=30>

AO Community Involvement Award

LAST WEEK TO ENTER!

There are only a few days left to nominate your club, or a club that has been active in their community, for the AO Community Involvement Award!

Has the club been involved in giving back to their community? Examples may include (but are not limited to):

- Volunteering at a local food drive
- Cleaning up in a local park
- Raising money for a local cause/charity
- Helping at an animal shelter
- COVID-19 Relief Efforts
- Anything else that your club may come up with, we will take into consideration

To nominate your club, or a club that has been active in their community, please fill out the [AO Community Involvement Award Nomination Form](#).

Submission Deadline: Wednesday, September 30, 2020
(Only ONE Week Left)

Full Award Guidelines: athleticsontario.ca/ao-community-involvement-award

If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please contact our office at office@athleticsontario.ca