MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR AND PRESIDENT/CEO

55TH ANNUAL ATHLETE OF THE YEAR AWARDS





Welcome from Sport BC

Welcome to the 55th Annual Athlete of the Year Awards founded by Sport BC. We are proud to present the longest-standing sport recognition event in Canada, and more importantly, we feel privileged to celebrate the past two years (2021/2022) of outstanding athletes, dedicated coaches, devoted officials, and committed volunteers who have all seen exceptional success. We congratulate this year's Athlete of the Year Award finalists and Presidents' Award winners on their remarkable achievements.

At Sport BC, we are grateful for the support of the many champions of sport in British Columbia. Thank you to our Minister, the Honourable Lana Popham, and to the Province of British Columbia. We also express our gratitude to our members and the sport sector, who have been significant contributors to the success of amateur sport in British Columbia. We would also like to acknowledge the families, friends, clubs, and communities whose support and encouragement help to foster our athletes' successes.

Thank you to the Athlete of the Year and Presidents' Awards sponsors for their continued contributions. Without these sponsors, Sport BC could not stage what is one of Canada's leading award celebrations year-after-year. Together with our seventy-four members, we are working hard to achieve our goal of enhancing and supporting sport participation in British Columbia, thereby ensuring that everyone has the opportunity to thrive through sport.

We would like to recognize the work of our dedicated staff team who have maintained service levels and support for our members as well as the broader sport sector. We would also like to thank our Board of Directors for their leadership, vision, and counsel as we believe that as a collaborative organization, we are stronger than ever.

On behalf of Sport BC, our member Provincial Sport and Multi-Sport Organizations, and the entire sport community in British Columbia, congratulations to this year's finalists and award recipients. We also thank Scott Russell for emceeing our event. It is an honour and privilege to have Scott's continued support. Finally, thank you all for joining us this evening for a true celebration of the power of sport.



Blair Lowther Sport BC, Chair



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