



Committee Report to 2017 AGM

Committee Name	Athletes' Representative
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Past Year's Work

- As athletes' representative, I was a voting member on Orienteering Canada's (OC) Board of Directors and an active member in the High Performance Committee (HPC).
- Within OC's board meetings, it was my job to bring an athlete's point of view and voice to the discussions.
- Within HPC I filled many different roles working towards supporting our athletes in various ways. Some examples include: speaking with athletes and presenting their point of view in any discussion around discipline, creating and distributing an athlete survey for the 2016 season, as well as compiling information from the survey and bring it back to the HPC. This year we also tried to improve communication between HPC and the athletes by posting an 'athletes' rep summary' after every few HPC meetings on the High Performance Program's Basecamp. Please see HPC report to 2017 AGM for comprehensive list of the HPC accomplishments.
- Attended the 2016 AthletesCAN forum in the fall, representing orienteering. AthletesCAN is the association of Canada's national team athletes. The idea behind the organization is to be an inclusive organization that is the collective voice of Canadian national team athletes. They do this, both by helping create athlete centered sport systems, and to develop athlete leaders who then influence sport policy, act as role models and inspire.

Future Work – Projects and Goals

- Continue to try and improve communication between athletes, HPC and OC.
- Continue to be an active member in HPC and OC board meetings.



Successes and Challenges

- The voice of the athlete is well represented on the HPC with the athletes' representative and two other active HPP athletes as committee members.
- Our athletes were supported in multiple ways throughout the year. Which, as the athletes' representative, I see as a success! The HPC was able to facilitated athletes' attendance to Junior World Orienteering Championships, World Orienteering Championships, World Games and World Cups.
- As has been the case historically, some of our programming was limited due to budget. I think the largest area affected by this is consistent coaching throughout the year.

Finances

No finances related directly to athletes' representative.

Additional Notes

I would like to thank all the members of the HPC, junior and senior selection committees members and board members of OC, as well as all our team leaders and coaches! It takes an unbelievable amount of volunteer time and effort to support our athletes the way they are and it is greatly appreciated!