



2018 ANNUAL REPORT
LIFESAVING SOCIETY
BC & YUKON BRANCH



BC & Yukon Branch Vision Statement

The BC & Yukon Branch of the Lifesaving Society is an active member of the community dedicated to preventing death and injury in, on, or near the water. We search out opportunities to include everyone as driven by the needs of our community. We endeavour to collaborate with all groups and individuals with like aims. We are a dynamic organization that celebrates growth, flexibility, innovation, excellence and proactive leadership.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



It is my pleasure to present the 2018 Annual Report and an honour to serve as your President for the past year.

Many thanks to our Governor, Nicole Liddell and my fellow Board Executive Committee members; Heidi Ogilvie, Anita Chevalier, Tony Toriglia, Jeff Holland, John MacRitchie and Graham Esplen for the time and commitment you have given to your pivotal roles in the governance of the Branch.

My thanks to our Executive Director, Dale Miller and his hard working and talented Branch staff, who have delivered another great year of results, while maintaining the loyalty and allegiance of our Affiliates, volunteers, provincial, territorial and corporate partners, and financial supporters. Further, our continued efforts and activities of the Branch would not happen without all the volunteers and their service through the year – to you all, our thanks.

Being a Board charged with policy and direction-setting, the Executive Committee along with key stakeholders, undertook a review in March 2018 to develop new Strategic Directions to guide the Branch's activities for the next five years. These now form a regular aspect of our quarterly analysis as we move forward meeting new challenges and opportunities for the 2018 – 2022 period.

Highlights throughout the year include the 2018 Swim to Survive program at Government House along with Her Honour, Janet Austin, Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, Member-at-Large Chris Cordova and a number of new Canadian families.

The 106th Honour and Rescue Awards in March with former Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, Her Honour Judith Guichon, recognized exemplary service of volunteers and members of our community who have selflessly acted to assist their fellow men and women in distress through significant achievements and efforts.

It should come as no surprise that when an experience creates a long duration of effort, and for many, a project that presented both professional and personal challenges, there will be influences that cause us to reassess how that high level of energy has impacted our operations. Following the 2017 World Conference on Drowning Prevention, expectations remained high and the Branch experienced elevated status and recognition, and I wish to express my personal appreciation to Dale and his team of staff and volunteers for managing the operations and continuing program services throughout.

In closing, I wish to convey the Society's tremendous appreciation to Doug Perks for his 25 years of support in contributing scholarships to support so many young people entering our industry. He not only makes a difference through the scholarship program, but adds great character and a history of support to the significance of what we do – that is priceless.

Peter Fox, Branch President

BRANCH PRESIDENTS

Frederick William Burrows	1923 - 1925	Margaret Jean Lathwell	1972 - 1976
William Reid Owen	1925 - 1926	Nestor Nick Korchinsky	1976 - 1980
Frederick William Burrows	1926 - 1930	Dan E. Moon	1980 - 1982
Alfred H. J. Swencisky	1930 - 1932	Doreen Drysdale	1982 - 1987
Lestock Charles Reid	1932 - 1933	Ellen Lloyd	1987 - 1992
George Alexander Burrows	1933 - 1934	Julia Oulton	1992 - 1994
Gordon Vance	1934 - 1937	Ron Aubrey	1994 - 1996
Thomas M. Galloway	1937 - 1938	Tony Toriglia	1996 - 1998
Lestock Charles Reid	1938 - 1940	Heather Straight	1998 - 2000
John Lawrence Lugin	1940 - 1942	Nicole Liddell	2000 - 2002
Rollie S. Henderson	1942 - 1945	Ian Robertson	2002 - 2004
Gordon Vance	1945 - 1946	Dan Galazka	2004 - 2006
Edward Frank Forsyth	1946 - 1947	Sean Healy	2006 - 2008
George Alexander Burrows	1947 - 1948	Craig Amundsen	2008 - 2010
John Thomas Kelly	1948 - 1957	Len Manuel	2010 - 2012
H. Douglas Whittle	1957 - 1966	Dalyce Brandt	2012 - 2014
George Alexander Burrows	1966 - 1968	Michael Lawless	2014 - 2016
R. Gordon Edmonds	1968 - 1969	Heidi Ogilvie	2016 - 2018
James Bertram Snelgrove	1969 - 1970	Peter Fox	2018 - present
Maxwell E. Gordon	1970 - 1972		

BRANCH GOVERNORS



Nicole Liddell, Branch Governor

Alfred H.J. Swencisky	Dates unconfirmed
Major-General John M. Rockingham	1980 - 1983
George A. Brown	1988 - 1994
Peter Legge	1995 - 1997
Jon MacKinnon	1997 - 2008
Ian Robertson	2008 - 2017
Nicole Liddell	2017 - present



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

After a collective sigh of relief from successfully hosting the World Conference on Drowning Prevention in late 2017, the year of 2018 was a building year in many respects. In March, a group of 15 stakeholders came together to meet with the Board to provide their knowledgeable input to producing objectives for the next five years.

The Annual General Meeting in early March saw the induction of President Peter Fox to provide leadership for the Branch and Board of Directors. The next day, he welcomed an audience of over 200 people to our annual Honour and Rescue Award Ceremony along with outgoing Lieutenant Governor, Judith Guichon, a strong supporter of the Society's work.

As always, the ceremony was a moving experience with a highlight being the presentation of Silver Medals for Bravery to three young girls from Crescent Beach --- Lily Cox, Kate Hunter and Georgia Springate. They saved the lives of two swimmers in trouble near the pier and learned their lifesaving skills through the Junior Lifeguard Club at the Crescent Beach outdoor pool. They received the coveted George A. Brown medal and scholarship for their heroics.

Through the summer, Swim to Survive Days continued to grow with another great event being held for new Canadians at the home of the our new Lieutenant Governor of BC, Her Honour Janet Austin, former CEO of YWCA Metro Vancouver.

In the program area, the year saw the recruitment and approval of 15 senior leaders into the new position of National Trainer. They will be teaching Trainer courses, identifying and mentoring potential trainers and instructors, assisting with program quality assurance and providing regional program-related Affiliate support. They promise to be a great team of aquatic training experts who will help ensure high quality programs throughout the Branch.

Another new initiative in the program area was the culmination of a lot of work performed by Education Director, Brooke Cherfils and ably assisted by Education Assistant, Riley Huntley, in securing Occupational First Aid Level 1 equivalency for many of our Lifesaving First Aid programs. This area of growth will provide lifesaving skills training for many more people as well as recognizing the occupational value of our programs for lifeguards and many other occupations.

From a volunteer perspective, we were very pleased to welcome Dr. Adam Lund back into the role of Medical Advisor. Being a former lifeguard/instructor, trainer and Society committee member, Adam combines his knowledge of the Society with his vast medical expertise to provide the Branch with guidance in an important component of our work.

As in past years, 2018 was again a great example of the synergy of volunteers and staff to help further the drowning prevention work of the Lifesaving Society. I thank them all and look forward to the outcomes from a year of dedication and building.

Dale Miller, Executive Director



EDUCATION DIRECTOR REPORT

The year of 2018 was another full year in the program streams that can be remembered for 4 primary wins: Successful transition of Program Committees into a joint pilot Program Advisory Group, WorkSafeBC's recognition of Lifesaving First Aid Programs as Occupational Level 1 equivalent, successful launch of the National Leadership Training System and finalizing the new Bronze Programs.

Transition into the Program Advisory Group

We successfully transitioned the NL and Leadership Committees to a joint Program Advisory Group to provide consistency across program portfolios. This change meant that group members now have the flexibility to commit to short term projects that interest them in a variety of streams rather than just one.

Co-chairs, Kyle Kronebusch and Krista (Sabatino) Muller, have done a fantastic job of keeping us on track and meeting important project timelines.

Occupational First Aid Level 1 Equivalency

Although the process of equivalency recognition required much patience from our Affiliates, the waiting paid off with a very positive result. After successful completion of the second pilot course, the Branch was pleased to announce that all Emergency First Aid, Emergency First Aid Child Care, Standard First Aid and Standard First Aid Recertifications will now be recognized by WorkSafeBC as equivalent to Occupational First Aid Level 1. This process has caused us to overhaul our program to provide more resources to instructors with a new professional look and feel. We are excited to launch our new First Aid Programs July 1, 2019.

Launch of the New National Leadership Training System

Over the course of 2018, the work continued on the Branch delivery model of the new National Leadership Training system. We worked closely with other Branches to learn of the successes and challenges of their roll-out and have modified our launch accordingly. In addition to finalizing how an instructor will grow and be mentored from a competency level 1 through a competency level 5, we successfully selected and trained 15 National Trainers around the province and territory. The teamwork, collaboration and innovation around the table during their training sessions was nothing less than exhilarating. They are truly a team that will take us forward into this next several years with excellence.

Finalizing the Bronze Programs

January to April marked the season of piloting the new Bronze materials. June to August marked the review and clarification of evaluation criteria based on Affiliate, Instructor and candidate feedback from across the country. September to December saw finalization of the Bronze Medal Award Guide and the national program policies. We anticipate a release of the new content in new manuals in mid-2109.

In closing, we recognize that none of these wins would have been possible without the support and hospitality of our Affiliates, or the hard work of our instructors, volunteers and branch colleagues. We appreciate each one of you and thank you for helping make this year another winner!

Brooke Cherfils, Education Director

PROGRAM MANAGER REPORT



Our Branch is fortunate to have dedicated volunteers who provide their time, expertise and support. It is because of their contributions to new initiatives in Aquatic Safety Management that we have had an incredible year of growth. The expertise and excitement from our volunteers has given rise to new Lifesaving Clubs and new participants in this exciting Sport.

Aquatic Safety Management

Aquatic Safety Management services contribute to the mission of the Society by establishing aquatic safety standards and consulting on aquatic safety issues for pool and waterfront owners, managers and operators to prevent drowning and maximize public safety.

In addition to the well-received 2017 introduction of the Supervision Evaluation & Enhancement (SEE) course, in 2018 the Aquatic Supervisor Training (AST) program was added to the lineup. SEE and AST candidate workbooks, instructor guides and instructional Powerpoint presentations are now available. With both programs now having a good number of

instructors available, we are confident that will sustain strong aquatic safety leadership throughout the Branch.

The year also saw safety audits completed for 18 swimming pools, 13 waterfronts as well as completing 1 Aquatic Safety Inspection. Our thanks to all Auditors and Inspectors who worked so hard to complete those projects.

The Branch also contributes to the National Aquatic Safety Standards Commission by participating in the development of several new national standards each year. These are available on the Lifesaving Society national website at lifesaving.ca. Our thanks to Sean Healy for his contribution to this important work.

My thanks also go to the Aquatic Safety Management Advisory Group for their assistance with the development of ASM standards, training and consultation and to our Chair Len Manuel for his leadership and direction along with contributors Denise Yoreff (vice-chair), Melina Sweezey and Tony Toriglia.

Lifesaving Sport and Lifeguard Competitions

The registration of Lifesaving Clubs is an essential vehicle for the Branch to provide support to Affiliates in Lifesaving Sport, Junior Lifeguard programs and with TeleGames.

As a result of the work and promotion by the Lifesaving Sport Advisory Group (SAG), the Branch has registered 14 Lifesaving Clubs for the 2018/19 season and we look forward to more Lifesaving Club registrations in 2019. Special thanks to Anita Chevalier (Chair) and the SAG team for their leadership on this initiative!

In 2018 the Junior Lifeguard Telegames were re-introduced. We are looking forward to increased participation from Junior Lifeguard Club members across the Branch in the upcoming year. A special congratulations to UBC Junior Lifeguards for being the first team to enter the refreshed TeleGames.

For the first time in many years, the BC & Yukon Branch was pleased to support an entry into the National Lifesaving Sport Championship held in June at the Pan Am Pool in Markham. They were led by team captain, Oliver Nugent, who with teammates Mohammed Abbas, Martin Henderson and Ryan Howe, won medals and represented the Branch exceedingly well. Congratulations!

Under the leadership of Anita Chevalier (Chair), Chris Cordova, Oliver Nugent, Laurel White, Tia Town-Schon, Claire Nicol, Gail Findlay-Shirras, Martin Henderson, Rachel McMillan, and Paula Thulin, Sport Advisory Group work continues on several initiatives to develop Lifesaving Sport opportunities and support competitive lifeguard events.

Cheryl Sibany, Program Manager

COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER REPORT



While there were many significant projects taken on by the Branch in 2018, one of the largest in scale was the redevelopment of our website. Not only will this website elevate the service provided to our members and Affiliates, but we have incorporated many elements to help us reach the public with the ultimate goal of delivering our drowning prevention mission to the masses.

As the website project continues, I am very excited for its launch in spring 2019 and to see it continue to grow with the Branch for years to come. A special thank you to David Bhimji and Alexandra Service from Digital Hospitality for their passion and support along this journey.

This fall, alongside my work as the Communications lead on the National Public Education Commission, I began to manage the Public Education portfolio at the Branch. I am pleased to share with you some of the amazing drowning prevention initiatives that took place across British Columbia and Yukon in 2018.

In January, the Branch hosted the National Public Education Commission meetings where the first national campaign for National Drowning Prevention Week (NDPW) was developed. The campaign focused on unified themes, images and messages delivered through social media channels across the country in French and English. For the first time, every Branch in Canada participated and the campaign was shared by national organizations such as Transport Canada, the Canadian Coast Guard and Parks Canada extending the reach of our messages exponentially.

In the Branch, we kicked off NDPW with the lighting of BC Place in support of drowning prevention and we were privileged to have The Honourable Janet Austin, Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia proclaiming July 15 - 21, 2018 as National Drowning Prevention Week.

NDPW events and activities took place across BC & Yukon. Some highlights of the week included Yukon's first territory-wide NDPW with community events, lifejacket fittings and 155 Yukoners taking the Swim to Survive Challenge. Swim to Survive Days were delivered for the 3rd year in Vancouver and the 2nd year at Government House as well as many facilities launching their first Swim to Survive Day. Thank you to everyone who got involved and to the countless volunteers and Affiliates for their incredible enthusiasm and support.

This year in partnership with the Vancouver Park Board, the Branch hosted a very special Swim to Survive Day for families new to Canada. With the vision of adapting the program for newcomers, volunteers Deb Panesar, Stefanie Panesar and Craig Amundsen invited families new to Canada from Syria, Egypt and Congo to Kits Beach and Pool to take Family Swim to Survive. With the support of a translator and volunteer instructors, participants learned lifesaving skills together as a family, some of whom had never visited a waterfront or pool in Canada. We look forward to reaching more new Canadians with this valuable lifesaving education.

Swim to Survive continues to be the cornerstone of drowning prevention education in the Branch. In December, thanks to volunteer Andrea Campbell, the first Swim to Survive program was delivered to Scouts Canada in BC, proving yet again the adaptability and potential reach of the program. If you are interested in delivering Swim to Survive in your community, please contact the Branch for more information.

We had a very exciting development for drowning research in 2018 with the introduction of a digital database for drowning data collection which will shape the process from this point forward. Many thanks to Lifesaving Chair Sheila Polard as she continues to lead the charge on this important work for the Canadian Drowning Research Centre.

Thank you again to all of the wonderful volunteers and members in our Branch. This important work couldn't be done without you.

Krystyna Domes, Communications Manager

ASM SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP REPORT



Committee Members: Sean Healy, Len Manuel (chair), Melina Sweezey, Tony Toriglia and Denise Yoreff (vice-chair).

Staff Representative: Cheryl Sibany, Program Manager

The Aquatic Safety Management Services Advisory Group has completed a very successful year in preventing water related incidents through advanced training programs, facility audits, public and staff education, and strategic networking. The Advisory Group has initiated and advanced five streams:

Aquatic Safety Management Training:

The Aquatic Safety Management (ASM) Training program completed nine Aquatic Supervisor Training (AST) and Supervision Evaluation and Enhancement (SEE) courses. These courses allowed aquatic staff to advance their skills in the evaluation of aquatic procedures and lifeguarding performances. An additional ten instructors and auditors were certified to expand ASM training in the coming year.

Audit Program:

Affiliates contact the Branch to conduct independent facility audits for pools and/or waterfronts. The Branch completed a record number of 31 audits in 2018 and are receiving requests for more in the coming year. The Audit Program has incorporated the I-Audit program to electronically document audit findings and recommendations.

Public Access Liferings and Safety Signage Programs:

Public Access Lifering (PAL) stations can be purchased for installation adjacent to open water locations providing members of the public with a lifering to throw to a person in distress. In 2018, 14 units were purchased and installed in 4 separate communities.

Safety Signage has been designed using consistent layout, colours and symbol signage for all sites as well as displaying the Lifesaving Society logo and name. The signage is meant to provide warning of potential dangers and is often posted on the backside of the PAL. In 2018, signs were purchased and installed along with each PAL unit.

Standards and Regulations:

The Advisory Group monitors, provides input and has taken a leadership role to work with the National Society and the other Branches to develop and advance national standards. These provide consistent and empirically researched aquatic safety standards and guidelines. The Advisory Group also monitors BC and Yukon regulations and guidelines to help Affiliates remain current with any changes.

Major Incident Management:

The Advisory Group is researching systems to provide efficient communication channels to assist aquatic organizations to locate needed resources in the event of an emergency and/or major incident. The Branch also provides expert witness services to help evaluate major incident investigations and provide recommendations to prevent reoccurrences.

I would like to thank the committee members and Cheryl, with the support of the Branch Office, for their dedication, leadership and diligent work. I look forward working with them in the coming year.

Len Manuel, Aquatic Safety Management Advisory Group Chair

PROGRAM ADVISORY GROUP REPORT



Committee Members: Judi Ambrozaitis-Torrao, Daniel Burgi, Pete Chen, Alyson Dewey, Jaime Fennell, Veronica Grusnick, Karen Hillmann, Riley Huntley, Jacob Hutton, Emma Jacobson, Kyle Kronebusch (co-chair), Sasha Maleki, Afshin Kasir Moaellem, Krista Mueller (co-chair), Megan Pilla, Craig Short, Trevor Sproule and Bethany Worthington.

Staff Representative: Brooke Cherfils, Education Director



Spring/Summer 2018 was the start of the pilot Program Advisory Group, an amalgamation of the Leadership Committee and the National Lifeguard Committee. New members joined on with the existing Leadership Committee members to create a larger group that included two new co-chairs. Together, the Program Advisory Group would focus on all program streams, First Aid, National Lifeguard & Lifesaving.

Our new group began with focusing on the new Leadership Competency Model and looking at how this will be incorporated into the upcoming recert cycles for 2019 for NLI and LSI.

With the Branch's decision to postpone the upcoming LSI Recertification until 2020, our main focus became the First Aid and National Lifeguard streams. The members that focused on the NL stream have been working on the content for the new NL Precert/Recert guides and candidate information sheets for the upcoming recert cycle. We surveyed current NLIs to determine what topics they would like to see included in the Precert to help candidates succeed in their recertifications. Our instructor trainers within the NL stream have been working on incorporating the new competency-based model into the peer teaching topics for the 2019-2021 NLI Recertification.

November 2018 brought the announcement of the new WorkSafeBC equivalency for Occupational First Aid Level 1. First Aid Instructors will begin their transition courses this Spring that will allow them to teach and evaluate the new Occupational First Aid Equivalent programs. Our group members are currently working on creating instructor resources, including new recommended time guidelines, long term outlines, PowerPoint presentations, and evaluation checklists.

We would like to thank each member for their dedication and patience during this pilot term of the Program Advisory Group. We are lucky to have such a diverse group of instructors with different levels of teaching experience that contribute to the success and completion of our projects. As well as a huge thank you to Brooke Cherfils, our Branch representative who has kept us on track throughout the year. We are excited to welcome the new members that will be joining us in March and we look forward to the exciting projects that 2019 will bring!

[Krista Mueller & Kyle Kronebusch](#), Program Advisory Group Co-Chairs

SPORT ADVISORY GROUP REPORT



Committee Members: Anita Chevalier (chair), Chris Cordova, Gail Findlay-Shirras, Martin Henderson, Claire Nicol, Oliver Nugent, Rachel McMillan, Paula Thulin, Tia Town-Schon and Laurel White.

Staff Representative: Cheryl Sibany, Program Manager

We can all agree that lifeguarding has a special place in our hearts. We love the job, we love the people we've met and work with and we love the skills it has taught us. Why is it then, that there seems to be a dwindling pool of lifeguards to employ? How can we create a larger interest group and keep those people invested for more than just a few years? The answer is simple: Sport.

Lifesaving Sport is a sport recognized by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and is well established in many parts of Canada. Several athletes from BC have represented Canada in the World Championships, Commonwealth Championships and the World Games. These athletes have primarily had a competitive swimming background and transferred

their strong swimming abilities to the sport of Lifesaving. Being a strong swimmer definitely helps, but it is not the only skill required to become a national team athlete.

Traditionally, Team Canada has medaled in the Simulated Emergency Response Competition (SERC) at the World Championships for both the senior and junior competitions; we have the National Lifeguard (NL) program to thank for those strong recognition, priority action approach and rescue skills. Additionally, it is through competition and the camaraderie of a team that help build confidence in young athletes and future lifeguards. Through sport, we should be able to strengthen our water skills and draw from a greater pool of NL candidates to work at our facilities.

Currently, the Lifesaving Sport Advisory Group is trying to establish junior programs across the province and Yukon territory. These programs are meant to target young athletes 8-15 years to establish swimming and water-related skills beyond classic swim lessons, and to develop interest in lifeguarding at a young age. We would like to see more Junior Lifeguard Clubs participating in the Lifesaving Sport Fundamentals program, as well as the Junior Telegames—a dial-it-in competition that you can do from your very own pool, then results get tallied and sent out by the Branch office – How easy is that?

Currently, we have had one successful coaching clinic in the Lower Mainland, with several others offered but ultimately canceled. We need you to let others know about the programs offered, to help create awareness and to join as well! Sport is a proven way to improve on health and fitness. How many lifeguards out there dread their NL skills testing? The 400m swim, the head up 50m free, picking the brick up off the bottom of the pool... When you are a sport lifesaver, these things become easy. What are you waiting for?

Anita Chevalier, Sport Advisory Group Chair

COMPETITION COMMITTEE REPORT



Committee Members: Taylor Arkles, Willow Brewster, Chris Cordova, Veronica Grusnick, Nicholas Hylkema, Rosie Sammet, Kim TownSchon (chair), Tia Town-Schon, Craig Short and Quinn Yu.

Staff Representative: Dale Miller, Executive Director

2018 was another busy year for the Competition Committee.

The Committee grew this year, bringing in regional members from most areas of the Branch. This not only ensured better representation from all the areas of our Branch, but it also allows the Committee to better manage its current and future workload.

The Committee was able to put on another successful Barnsley event, although the event was still smaller than what we would like or are used to. Nicola Valley Aquatic Centre in Merritt is one of the smallest facilities we have been to in a number of years, but they did a great job hosting us. Despite smoky conditions from the nearby wildfires, everyone seemed to

have a good time and enjoyed the weekend. Merritt was even able to put on a bowling social night for everyone, something that hasn't been done in a number of years.

We were pleased to see great results from a number of seasoned competition veterans as well as many rookies at this year's Barnsley! The winners of the Barnley Shield were Lauren McKimm, Albert Kho, Paul Wechselberger and Timofey Zinin of Seek Slip Slap Slop. We were pleased to present the Rookie Team of the Year to Andrew Smythe, Caelen Middleton, Sarah Warsh and Linda Scott-Jolly of Life Gods.

The Circuit Cup is awarded to the team that obtained the most points earned during the competition season. Teams earn these points based on the number of competitions they attend and their placing within those competitions. Travelling more than 2 hours to a competition or having rookies on a team can earn bonus points. This year's Circuit Cup was presented to Sheena Fulop, Keenan Fast, Grant Phillips-Hing and Keenan Beavis of Lickable Distance.

In individual results the winner of this year's Stewart Schon Sportsmanship Award was Jamie Neill and the Individual First Aid award winner was Shayne Fulton.

The Committee remains committed to updating the judging system in our Branch. This will elevate the quality of our Judges as well as providing support to those same volunteers. It will also recognize our highly skilled evaluators as they provide feedback at the Regional, Branch, National and International levels. It also contributes to Lifesaving Sport, helping to further its recognition and acceptance as a sport.

As always, the Committee continues to welcome keen, interested volunteers to serve or help with projects. Please feel free to contact your local Committee member or the Office if this is something you would like to be involved in.

[Kim TownSchon](#), Competition Committee Chair

LIFESAVING SOCIETY CORE PROGRAM STATS

		2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
LIFESAVING	Canadian Swim Patrol	1,222	1,890	1,287	1,640	1,683	1,173	1,211
	Bronze Star	1,013	875	894	1,010	937	818	1,151
	Bronze Medallion	4,107	3,708	3,686	3,877	3,818	3,704	4,224
	Bronze Cross	3,385	3,065	3,182	3,275	3,265	3,014	3,376
	Total Lifesaving	9,727	9,538	9,049	9,802	9,703	8,709	9,962
FIRST AID	AED	531	539	633	809	895	955	1,359
	CPR	2,671	2,597	2,132	2,723	2,757	3,301	3,347
	Aquatic Emergency Care	126	132	97	167	160	152	273
	Health Care Provider	1,233	1,252	687	656	707	770	987
	Emergency First Aid	3,812	3,257	2,412	1,657	2,201	1,730	1,812
	Standard First Aid	4,063	4,021	2,923	2,486	3,211	2,693	3,230
	Worksite First Aid	21	7	23	73	119	169	147
	Total First Aid	12,457	11,805	8,907	8,571	10,050	9,770	11,155
NATIONAL LIFEGUARD	National Lifeguard	1,645	1,525	1,675	1,568	1,631	1,683	1,796
	National Lifeguard Recert	2,644	2,287	2,474	2,309	2,405	2,200	2,472
	National Lifeguard Waterpark	388	333	370	382	361	331	416
	National Lifeguard Waterpark Recert	416	357	390	354	389	350	356
	National Lifeguard Waterfront	79	86	110	60	69	60	43
	National Lifeguard Waterfront Recert	118	92	99	100	92	96	91
	National Lifeguard Surf	6	7	10	0	0	0	0
	Total National Lifeguard	5,296	4,687	5,128	4,773	4,947	4,720	5,174
LEADERSHIP	Lifesaving Instructor	543	408	510	438	470	479	534
	Lifesaving Instructor Recert	589	870	565	942	510	922	517
	National Lifeguard Instructor Course	34	14	36	6	39	16	29
	First Aid Instructor Course	53	20	53	31	9	63	31
	Lifesaving Instructor Trainer	28	0	10	11	8	6	12
	Total Leadership	1,247	1,312	1,174	1,497	1,027	1,423	1,092
SAFETY MANAGEMENT	SEE (Supervision Evaluation Enhancement)	142	27	---	---	---	---	---
	AST (Aquatic Supervisor Training)	22	---	---	---	---	---	---
	Aquatic Safety Inspector	14	19	---	---	---	---	---
	Aquatic Safety Auditor	8	---	---	---	---	---	---
	Total Safety Management	186	46	---	---	---	---	---
CORE	Total Core Programs	28,913	27,388	24,258	24,643	25,727	24,622	27,383

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

		2018	2017
CURRENT ASSETS	Cash & equivalents	83,423	---
	Accounts receivable	185,090	172,913
	Interfund receivables	---	13,623
	Inventory	59,748	78,731
	Prepaid expenses	4,061	4,839
	Total Assets	332,322	270,106
CURRENT LIABILITIES	Bank indebtedness	---	54,929
	Accounts payable	3,818	66,273
	Interfund payable	16,362	8,891
	Deferred revenue	84,425	83,163
	Total Current Liabilities	104,605	213,256
FUNDS BALANCE	Balance at beginning of year	83,014	126,193
	Excess of receipts over (under) disbursements	(52,380)	(43,179)
	Inter fund transfers	197,083	(26,164)
	Balance at end of year	227,717	56,850
	Total Liabilities & Funds Balance	332,322	270,106
RECEIPTS	Administration	157,059	129,601
	Awards	578,435	603,167
	Donations	---	---
	Literature Sales	293,059	337,040
	Merchandise sales	95,934	92,957
	Outreach funding	459,938	396,826
	Total Receipts	1,584,425	1,559,591
DISBURSEMENTS	Accounting and legal	21,183	10,800
	AdventureSmart expenses	382,457	353,751
	Advertising and promotion	13,308	8,458
	Bad debts	0	0
	Bank charges and interest	12,617	10,315
	Committees and events	97,115	96,042
	Cost of sales and awards	318,703	328,019
	Equipment and repairs	7,084	11,245
	Insurance	16,712	14,135
	Office and miscellaneous	54,382	55,614
	Postage and shipping	26,918	29,859
	Premises	27,668	26,206
	Salaries and benefits	571,008	553,454
	Supplies	7,695	7,655
	Technology upgrades	24,922	25,363
	Telephone	8,384	9,704
	Travel and accommodation	46,649	26,394
	WCDP	---	35,763
	Total Disbursements	1,636,805	1,602,770
	Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements		(52,380)

AFFILIATE RECOGNITION AWARDS

Each year the Lifesaving Society recognizes facilities that provide our programs. Certificates are issued to facilities certifying the most candidates in each program stream based on population.

2018 AFFILIATE AWARD RECIPIENTS

Bronze Programs

Over 175,000	Jewish Community Centre, Vancouver (LIT Aquatics)
100,000 – 175,000	Sungod Recreation Centre, Delta
50,000 – 100,000	Oak Bay Recreation Centre, Victoria
20,000 – 50,000	West Vancouver Aquatic Centre, West Vancouver
Less than 20,000	Sam Lindsay Aquatic Centre, Kitimat

Lifesaving Instructor Courses & Recerts

Over 175,000	CG Brown Pool, Burnaby
100,000 – 175,000	Sungod Recreation Centre, Delta
50,000 – 100,000	Canada Games Aquatic Centre, Kamloops
20,000 – 50,000	West Vancouver Aquatic Centre, West Vancouver
Less than 20,000	Kimberley Aquatic Centre, Kimberley

National Lifeguard Courses and Recerts

Over 175,000	Jewish Community Centre, Vancouver (LIT Aquatics)
100,000 – 175,000	City Centre Aquatic Complex, Coquitlam
50,000 – 100,000	Oak Bay Recreation Centre, Victoria
20,000 – 50,000	West Vancouver Aquatic Centre, West Vancouver
Less than 20,000	Cranbrook Aquatic Centre, Cranbrook

First Aid Courses & Recerts

Over 175,000	Link2Life, Vancouver
100,000 – 175,000	Life Preservers First Aid, North Vancouver
50,000 – 100,000	Four Seasons Leisure Pool, Prince George
20,000 – 50,000	West Vancouver Aquatic Centre, West Vancouver
Less than 20,000	Pacific Alpine Institute, Whistler

Seasonal Pools

Lower Mainland	Eagle Ridge Pool, Coquitlam
Outside LM	Golden & District Pool, Golden
Camp	Camp Hatikvah, Oyama

Individual Affiliates

All courses	Karen Hillmann
First Aid	Karen Hillmann
Lifesaving	Shandy Kariatsumari

INSTRUCTOR RECOGNITION AWARDS

A new instructor is defined as an individual who was certified in the last two calendar years in one of the 3 program streams; Lifesaving Instructor, NL Instructor and First Aid Instructor. We recognize new instructors in each region of the Branch.

2018 INSTRUCTOR RECOGNITION AWARD RECIPIENTS

New Lifesaving Instructor Recognition Award

Katie Bowers, Vancouver Island
Jessica Challand, Metro Vancouver
Ariel Gilbert, North
Robyn Desautels, Thompson/Okanagan
Emma Christie, Kootenays

New National Lifeguard Instructor Award

Scott Bonneteau, Metro Vancouver
Trevor Sproule, Thompson/Okanagan

New First Aid Instructor Recognition Award

Hanif Khendri, Vancouver Island
Victoria Heffelfinger, Metro Vancouver
Elizabeth Squires, North
Stephen McCaugherty, Thompson/Okanagan
Jaslyn Uppal, Kootenays



The NEW Otter Co-op Outdoor Experience at the Aldergrove Credit Union Community Centre in Langley opened June 2018.

DB PERKS SCHOLARSHIP



After enjoying his days as a lifeguard in Burnaby and a national level competitive swimmer at SFU, Doug Perks continues to give back to the aquatics field through scholarships to support aquatic staff in pursuing post-secondary education. The three awards of \$1,000 in 2019 mark the 25th year of the scholarship through which Doug has contributed nearly \$50,000 to 86 recipients.

His generosity is evident not only through the Lifesaving Society scholarships, but also through many other initiatives Doug supports with several other organizations. He often expresses his appreciation for what the aquatics field has given him as his motivation to give back to others.

2019 Recipients

Katie Bowers, Victoria
Michelle Jun, Port Coquitlam
Rachel Way, New Westminster

2018

Riley Huntley, Surrey
Jamie Magrill, Richmond
Sarah Schlatter, Victoria

2017

Martin Chan, Richmond
Anthony Lee, Burnaby
Lindsay Munroe, Coquitlam
Sarah Schlatter, Victoria
Becky Tomlin, Whitehorse

2016

Timothy Bientjes, Kamloops
Matteo Ferraresso, Burnaby
Wyatt Henry, Kamloops
Sienna Joyce, Port Moody
Ryan Wilmink, Vancouver

2015

Rachel Hennig, Langley
Julie Kaufman, Vancouver
Anna Legault, Victoria
Michelle Lukas, Vancouver
Rebecca Roy, Kamloops

2014

Claire Bruce, Prince George
Marc Lacroix, Surrey
Cameron Meldrum, Chilliwack
Julia Sharma, Burnaby
Amanda Tuey, Burnaby

2013

Vanessa Butler, Surrey
Sheena Fulop, Pender Island
Melissa Gillespie, Saanichton
Colin Pistawka, Kelowna

2012

Noel Lai, Vancouver
Sasha Maleki, Coquitlam
Amanda Penny, Williams Lake
David Slade, Delta

2011

Veronica Grusnick, Surrey
Emily Hails, Coldstream
Cailey Hume, Sparwood
Ben Tettamanti, Vancouver

2010

Leo Chan, Coquitlam
Christian Gotengco, Vancouver
Brittany Hollett, Kamloops
Brittany Williams, Surrey

2009

Natasha Corewyn, Vancouver
Eric Iadarola, Kamloops
Jerry Michael, Victoria
Quinn Yu, Surrey

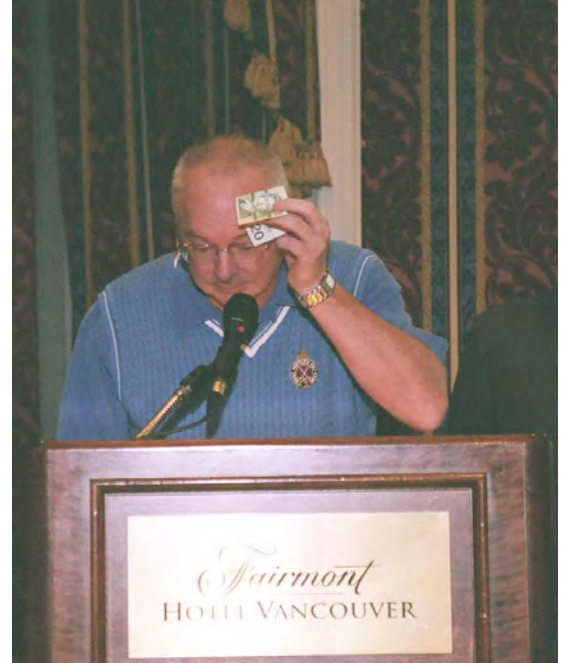
2008

Lisa Flegel, Bella Coola
Jamie Lee McSweeney
John-Jose Nunez
Adam Pospisil

2007

Sarah Glenn, Ladysmith
Yvonne Gomez, Victoria
Jessamyn Logan, Saanich
Amanda Lust, Penticton

DB PERKS SCHOLARSHIP



2006

Janet Maxsted, Kelowna
Ashley Rota, Vancouver
Christina Smirl, Sooke

2005

Sven Bellamy, Burnaby
Jen Brett, Savona
Lois Moore, Whitehorse

2004

Natasha Files, Surrey
Janice Newkirk, Hagensborg
Ryan Radford, Vancouver

2003

Candace Brown, New Westminster
Brian Campbell, West Vancouver
Trevor Roy, Kelowna

2002

Sarah Canning, North Vancouver
Nicholas Crump, Surrey
Kaitlin Pasqualotto, Trail

2001

Christine Anderson, 150 Mile House
Robert Cousins, Port Alice
Kim Town-Schon, Crescent Beach

2000

Kelly Holman, Victoria
April Lacheur, Delta
Ryan Radford, Kelowna

1999

Jason Blood, Nanaimo
Stephanie Eby, Victoria
James Helliwell, Vancouver

1998

Michael Lawless, Victoria
Heather Marshall, Coombs

1997

Carmen De Menech, Abbotsford
Carmen Jackson, Victoria

1996

Gene Benoit, North Vancouver
Rob Evans, Vancouver

1995

Nicole Liddell, Vancouver
Dave Lyon, Burnaby

106TH ANNUAL COMMONWEALTH AWARDS

The Honour and Rescue Awards celebrate the human spirit of giving. The Honour awards praise the dedicated efforts of the Lifesaving Society's volunteers. The Rescue Awards continue the celebration by rewarding people for unselfishness in putting their lives on the line during a water rescue. The selections are made from rescues reported in the news, from individual recommendations and from police reports.

Awards presented at the 106th Honour and Rescue Awards Ceremony on March 10, 2018:

HONOUR AWARDS

Certificate of Thanks

Louise Bishoff
Melissa Gillespie
Veronica Grusnick
Emma Jacobsen
Julie Kaufman
Kyle Kronebusch
Andrew Mudiappu
Stefanie Panesar
Rebecca Tomlin

Service Medal

Elaine Leong
Gordon Macdonnell
Krista Sabatino

Bar to Service Medal

Lauralee March
Michael Miller
Dan Minster

Bar to Service Cross

Karen Hillmann

President's Plaque

Stefanie Panesar

Lifesaving Society Canada National President's Award

Brooke Cherfils
Betty Chuck
Krystyna Domes
Dale Miller
Stephanie Joh
Áine Plunkett
Cheryl Sibany
Emily Witter

Retirement Award

Glenn Schultz





As special recognition of the incredible efforts and excellent delivery of the World Conference on Drowning Prevention 2017, National President Rob Campbell presented the BC & Yukon Branch with the Lifesaving Society Canada's National President's Award.



The Lifesaving Society is proud to count Glenn Schultz among our long-term volunteers. Glenn retired in 2018 after a 58 career with the Vancouver Park Board, most recently as Supervisor of Outdoor Pools and Beaches. For many years, Glenn served on the Branch's National Lifeguard Committee and continued as the waterfront safety expert on the committee. In looking to make good use of Glenn's vast experience, he has recently joined the ranks of aquatic safety auditors with the Branch and also serves on the DB Perks Scholarship Committee. Glenn's contribution to the Lifesaving Society and the aquatics industry is very much appreciated!

106TH ANNUAL COMMONWEALTH AWARDS

RESCUE AWARDS

Silver Medal for Merit

Mike Attard
Doney Gibson
John Gilmour
Billy McGinnis
Greg McKay
Kade Pilton
Damien Corson
Thyren Garde-Jacobs
Simon Pidcock
Gary Sutton
Sam Schacke

MG Griffiths Award

Neil Boyle
Lily Cox
Jeannene Crosby
Alexis Edall
Graham Esplen
John Gilmour
Ian Greenwood
Kate Hunter
Georgia Springate

Silver Medal for Bravery

Cameron Black
Matt Sroka
Neil Boyle
Lily Cox
Kate Hunter
Georgia Springate
Jeannene Crosby
Alexis Edall
Graham Esplen
Michelle Dixi Zhao
Katrina Fowler
Ian Greenwood
Ashley Yarrow
Laura Ralph

GA Brown Memorial Medal

Lily Cox
Kate Hunter
Georgia Springate

Governor's Gold Award

Thyren Garde-Jacobs
Simon Pidcock
Gary Sutton



Deputy Mayor Tim Stevenson and Her Honour, Lieutenant Governor, Judith Guichon present Graham Esplen and Michelle Dixi Zhao with a Silver Medal for Bravery.



Deputy Mayor Tim Stevenson and Her Honour, Lieutenant Governor, Judith Guichon presents Damien Corson with a Silver Medal for Merit.



Deputy Mayor and Her Honour, Lieutenant Governor, Judith Guichon present Lily Cox, Kate Hunter and Georgia Springate with a Silver Medal for Bravery.



WATERWISE TEAM

The WaterWise Team's 19th season was a huge success with the Team setting a new record in reaching over 12,000 middle school and elementary students through WaterWise Wisdom presentations in May and June. Comprised of Brock Sampson, Riley Huntley and Sheila Allenbach, the Team travelled far and wide to spread information on drowning prevention and water safety to the public through school presentations and events.

The WaterWise Wisdom presentation is a free educational and interactive presentation on boating safety, water safety and drowning prevention. It is designed for students aged 5-15 years of age and addresses age-appropriate drowning risks. Presentation topics include 4 key topics: Prepare it, Wear it, Know it and Share it.

- PREPARE IT** Preparation is the key to prevention. Ensure you have the 3 T's before you head out on the water: Training, Trip Plan, and Take the Essentials.
- WEAR IT** 90% of boating-related drownings are caused by not wearing a lifejacket or PFD. The simple act of wearing a lifejacket can save your life.
- KNOW IT** Learning water safety and water rescue skills can dramatically increase your odds of surviving an emergency.
- SHARE IT** Promote WaterWise in your community. Visit www.waterwiseteam.ca to find out how you can share it!

Once again, the demand for WaterWise Wisdom presentations was very high with schools already wanting to pre-book for 2019! The Team received a lot of positive feedback from parents, teachers, schools, and camp leaders. Children enjoyed the humour and engaging tone of the presentations, and leaders recognized the importance of the water safety topics covered.

The Team worked closely with other organizations including Vancouver Police Department's Marine Unit, Transport Canada, the Canadian Safe Boating Council, the AdventureSmart Team, and the Vancouver Lifeguard Association raising awareness regarding the importance of boat and water safety.

The WaterWise Team participated in outreach across BC this summer, conducting two trips to the Okanagan region, as well as two trips to Vancouver Island reaching camp groups, aquatic centres, boaters, swimmers and adventurers at boat launches as well as hundreds of kids and families at Swim to Survive events.

National Drowning Prevention Week (NDPW) 2018 was a great success for the Team. From July 15th to July 21st, the WaterWise Team participated in social media blasts about boating safety, the importance of wearing a lifejacket or PFD, and keeping young children within arm's reach. The Team also presented at Government House in Victoria, BC, and at Swim to Survive events at both New Brighton Pool and at Kits Beach for New Canadians.

Thousands of Canadian individuals were reached this year with this important outreach supporting the prevention of drowning in Canada. The 19th season for the WaterWise Team was very active and productive with a record number of people educated on being safe around the water and we hope it leads to a decrease in tragic stories for many years to come.



AdventureSmart



Get informed & go outdoors!

ADVENTURESMART TEAMS

BC AdventureSmart maintained its momentum throughout 2018 since the Search and Rescue prevention organization's reinstatement. A third year of funding from the BC Search and Rescue Association and Emergency Management BC allowed BC Executive Director Sandra Riches and four seasonal staff to continue influencing behaviour by encouraging the 3 Ts: Trip Planning, Training and Taking Essentials. The goal is to reduce the number and severity of Search and Rescue incidents across BC and Canada, and 2018 saw a slight reduction of BCSARA call outs.

Consistent with seasons past, the AdventureSmart teams travelled far and wide to spread the message of outdoor safety. A main initiative for the teams was to reach as many communities, and to connect with and strengthen relationships with as many BCSARA groups as possible. In addition to traveling for presentations, the teams participated in community events and festivals, and hosted their informative booth at trailheads, ski hills, conferences, trade shows and farmer's markets.

In 2018, AdventureSmart staff and volunteers held 620 presentations with 29,965 participants in BC, an increase of 8800 people from 2017. The Vancouver Team and Kelowna Team hosted 7 Train the Presenter Workshops, bringing the network of volunteer presenters around the province close to 300. New volunteers include Search and Rescue, Scouts Canada, Parks Canada, BC Destination Marketing Organizations, as well as non-profit outdoor groups and local outfitting businesses.

BC AdventureSmart networks with a variety of organizations to deliver consistent messaging through partnerships, social and traditional media and word of mouth. New and continuing connections include the North Shore Multicultural Society, BC Parks, Parkbus, Whistler Blackcomb, Recreation Sites and Trails BC, North Shore Mountain Bike Association, RCM-SAR, Yervana, Municipality of Whistler, WildSafe BC, Backcountry Access, BC's Destination Marketing Organizations, Canucks Autism Network and Power to Be.

CoastSmart began its inaugural season on the West Coast of Vancouver Island to reduce public risk and enhance coastal safety, near-water and in the surf zone. The pilot project partners with Parks Canada, AdventureSmart, the Districts of Tofino and Ucluelet and the Canadian Government to highlight hazards at beaches and, like AdventureSmart, uses communication and education to keep people safe as they enjoy coastal recreation, from surfing to storm watching.

"AdventureSmart...provided simple and straightforward advice in how to better prepare yourself and what to do if anything goes wrong. We had a group of nearly 60 employees, and they found the presentation engaging and informative...I have seen an extreme growth in popularity of many local trails. I find it highly concerning just how many unprepared hikers I pass by. The work AdventureSmart does to keep both locals and visitors safe in the outdoors is invaluable, and their messaging needs to continue to be spread throughout this community." Julia MacKenzie, District of North Vancouver Engineering Services

BC AdventureSmart would not be possible without the continued support of British Columbia Search & Rescue Association, Emergency Management BC, and the Lifesaving Society BC & Yukon.





INTRODUCING NATIONAL TRAINERS

Please Welcome our National Trainers!

We are pleased to introduce to you our National Trainers and Trainers in Training.

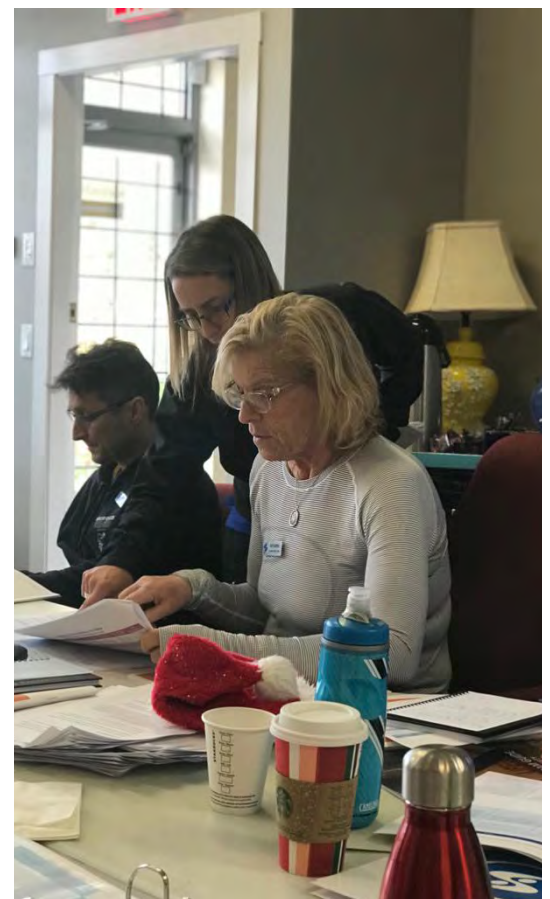
The role of a National Trainer has three key components:

1. Preparing candidates to assume a leadership role as Lifesaving Society Trainers
2. Assisting with program quality assurance
3. Program-related Affiliate support

We believe each member of our team has a lot to bring to the Branch, Affiliates, Instructors and Trainers from the depth and breadth of their experience in aquatics.

The formal training weekend for National Trainers took place December 14-16, 2018 in Burnaby.

Please join us in welcoming National Trainers to our team!





North & Yukon

Karen Zaidan, Kyle Kronebusch and Melina Sweezey



Thompson-Okanagan

Gary Lefebvre and Elisabeth Tanner



Island

Denise Yoreff, Danny Burgi and Ruth Depew



Kootenays

Brooke Cherfils (Education Director) and Megan Pilla



Lower Mainland

Michelle Wilcox, Craig Short, Louise Bishoff, Karen Hillmann, Jim Davies and Veronica Grusnick (not pictured, Cheryl Sibany (Program Manager) and Danny Burgi)

SWIM TO SURVIVE DAY

Swim to Survive Day is an innovative and barrier-free way to offer the Lifesaving Society's Swim to Survive program to the public in a single session. No community is too big or small to host an event of this kind. In its third year, we saw Swim to Survive Days run across the Branch during National Drowning Prevention Week and beyond!





FAMILY SWIM TO SURVIVE FOR NEW CANADIANS

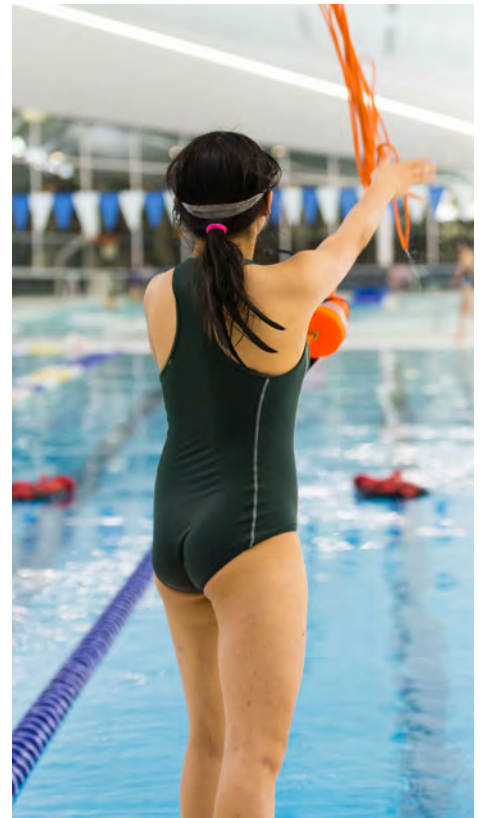
In partnership with the Vancouver Park Board, the Lifesaving Society delivered a special Family Swim to Survive program for New Canadians at Kits Pool and Kits Beach during National Drowning Prevention Week. Family Swim to Survive uses the same skills and principles as Swim to Survive but is designed for adults as well as children, allowing family members to participate together.





JUNIOR LIFEGUARD TELEGAMES

A special congratulations to the UBC Junior Lifeguards, for diving into Telegames. The Junior Lifeguards and parent volunteers were well prepared by their coach Tayler Roorda. The Lifesaving Society's Junior Lifeguard TeleGames are inter-club level competitions held at aquatic facilities throughout the year. In TeleGames, competitors have the opportunity to experience lifesaving sport events in a fun and encouraging competitive environment at their own pool.



BARNSLEY BRANCH CHAMPIONSHIP

Hosted by the team at the Nicola Valley Aquatic Centre in Merritt the Barnsley Branch Championship featured a great performance by winning team Seek Slip Slap Slop. Congratulations to Team Captain Lauren McKimm and her team; Paul Wechselberger, Albert Kho, and Timofey Zinin. Rookie team of the year went to Life Gods led by team Captain Andrew Smythe, Caelen Middleton, Sarah Warsh and Linda Scott-Jolly. Congratulations to Jamie Neill who was awarded the Stewart Schon Sportmanship Award.



OCCUPATIONAL FIRST AID EQUIVALENCY

The Lifesaving Society is excited to announce that our equivalency pilot course for Occupational First Aid Level 1 went very well resulting in WorkSafeBC's approval of our program as equivalent. We are grateful to the City of Surrey and EP Industries for the generous donation of their facilities for pilot execution and instructional resource development. We could not have done this without their support.



2018 HIGHLIGHTS

What an exciting year it was! Here are a few additional highlights from 2018.



Sean Healy, Krystyna Domes, Tony Toriglia and Cheryl Sibany at the Surf Canada National Championships in Tofino, May 2018.



Martin Henderson, Ollie Nugent, Cheryl Sibany Mohammed Abbas and Ryan Howe representing BC and Yukon at the Canadian Pool Lifesaving Championships in Markham, June 2018.



Karen Zaidan, Cheryl Sibany, Melina Sweezey and Greg Sanderson at the Whitehorse Aquatic Centre in Whitehorse, February 2018.



Cheryl Sibany and the Honourable Janet Austin, OBC Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia at Government House, July 2018.



Andrea Campbell, Krystyna Domes and Cub Scouts at West Vancouver Aquatic Centre, December 2018.

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LIFESAVING SOCIETY

The Lifeguarding Experts

THE LIFESAVING SOCIETY IS

The national, non-profit, voluntary organization that has been training swimmers to be Lifesavers, Lifeguards and Instructors in Canada since 1908 and in BC since 1911.

Dedicated to the prevention of incidents and the saving of life in aquatic environments across Canada. A member of the Royal Life Saving Society Commonwealth organization and the Canadian representative in the International Life Saving Federation.

LIFESAVING SOCIETY AIMS

- Promote public awareness and understanding of the responsibility every Canadian assumes when working or playing in an aquatic environment.
- Provide educational opportunities for preparing swimmers to be lifesavers and for training highly skilled lifeguards.
- Pursue research to enhance and support the continuing development of its programs and to maintain technical excellence.
- Provide consultation services for education, recreation and health agencies in communities throughout the country.

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