

British Columbia Eventing Association - BC Young Riders Committee

Terms of Reference 2021

MISSION STATEMENT:

- To identify, encourage and support both Developing and High Performance event riders in BC, 25 years and younger
- To foster an attitude in BC Young Riders of safety, excellence, sportsmanship, and horsemanship within the parameters of the EC Long Term Equestrian Development (LTED) model
- To annually field a team (and/or individuals) of the BC High Performance Young Riders for the North American Young Riders Championships
- To provide specific educational and/or competitive opportunities for our sports younger Developing members, which will promote networking and group activity
- To assist all YR participants (competitors, grooms, coaches, support staff, parents) with the transition from National Horse Trials to the FEI Levels of Eventing

MANDATE:

- Manage and administer all aspects of the BC Young Rider program
- Provide leadership and strategic direction by establishing perpetual policies and annual goals that reflect the mission statement
- BCYR will be accountable to HTBC for operation in a fiscally responsible manner, for building, developing and conducting their provincial, national and international programs
- Maintain productive working relationships with all stakeholders (i.e. coaches, athletes, parents, directors [HTBC, HC, EC], officials, organizers, owners, sponsors), including, but not limited to, support and participation in the National Young Riders Program
- Insure all participants, activities and policies of the BC Young Riders program remain recognizant to the policies of HTBC and EC regarding "Code of Conduct", "Code of Ethics", "Conflict of Interest

YR PROGRAM MANAGEMENT PERSONEL:

BCYR Coach Leader

- Identified by an application/selection process as conducted by the BCYR committee. (The position must be reviewed every 2 years and posted at least every 4 year. Can be reviewed annually at the discretion of the Young Rider Committee)
- The Coach Leader shall be responsible for facilitation of the domestic activities of the BC Young Riders program, as identified in the Program Goals. The on-site coaching and/or preparation of the BC NAYC Team may be carried out by an alternate Coach(es), should the circumstances of the competition that year merit such.
- To manage all aspects of BC YR Team entry logistics and/or assist in selection

BC Young Riders Committee

- To be populated with persons who have a keen interest in fulfilling the goals of the program, are team players, are able to communicate regularly electronically, are cognizant of the EC "Conflict of Interest" Policy
- To ask for assistance from the BCEA Selection Committee when necessary, as it pertains to BCYR team selection for national or international competition

BC Young Riders Youth Representatives

Young Riders from the three geographical areas; the mainland, the Interior and the Island will be named and updated each year for the names to be published in the omnibus

PROGRAM GOALS AND EXPECTATIONS:

- An attitude of cooperation, teamwork, collaboration, volunteerism, and inclusiveness is expected to be fostered throughout the program at both HP and Developmental levels, by all participating members.
- To provide a minimum of 1 Young Rider specific camp/clinic facilitated by the current BCYR coach/leader; to include both mounted and unmounted sessions, educational sessions, and social activities. If possible, group living/stabling facilities
- Organize and publicize course walk opportunities with the current coach leader and other certified coach volunteers at designated Events
- Provide inclusive opportunities for mentoring and/or collaboration with developing coaches through participation in education and training sessions facilitated by the Coach Leader
- Spearhead potential competitive and interactive activities with other Developmental Young Rider Groups; i.e.: other provinces or states
- Update, publish and distribute the NAYC manual as needed
- To maintain communication and encourage contacts amongst the YR group electronically
- To promote volunteerism amongst all our members and their parents for annual participation at NAJYRC. To ensure Coaching and Team support is available to all BC-NAYC participants
- To support the education of competitors, grooms, coaches, support staff, and parents with the transition from National Horse Trials to the FEI levels

Team Development:

- To support riders/teams at the NAYC
- In years when BCYR does not field an individual competitor or team at NAYC, including groom(s), BCYR will consider supporting riders to their first CCI*/** competition
- To increase awareness of National Team Rider activities