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Baseball BC High-Performance Program 2023 Pathway Document

Introduction

The purpose of this document is to provide athletes, parents & guardians, and associations with a comprehensive summary of the Baseball BC high-performance program for the 2023 season. This includes explaining the high-performance pathways for each age division, event dates, selection processes, and camp locations.

The Baseball BC staff contacts for high-performance are:

Male Program – Kyle Williams (kyle@baseball.bc.ca)

Female Program – Scott MacKenzie (scottm@baseball.bc.ca)

Age Divisions

The following table shows the birth and traditional grad year associated with each age division.

| <u>Division</u> | <u>Birth Year</u> | <u>Traditional Grad Year</u> |
|-----------------|-------------------|------------------------------|
| U21* | 2002 | 2020 |
| 17U | 2006 | 2024 |
| 16U | 2007 | 2025 |
| 15U | 2008 | 2026 |
| 14U | 2009 | 2027 |

* Only applies to the female high-performance program.



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Minimum Playing Time

The following minimum playing time standards shall apply to all athletes.

| <u>Male Events</u> | <u>Minimum Playing Time</u> |
|---------------------------|--|
| Development Tournaments | Pitchers – One outing Position players – 25% of the defensive innings |
| Summer Games & Canada Cup | Pitchers – One outing Position players – One start. |

| <u>Female Events</u> | <u>Minimum Playing Time</u> |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Westerns & Nationals | Pitchers – One outing. Position players – One Start |

An athlete who is both a pitcher and a position player, need only receive the minimum playing time requirements in one of those capacities, not both.

An outing is defined as 40 pitches.

Unfortunately, a pitcher scheduled to start a medal round game, may not get an opportunity to pitch if the team does not qualify. This would not constitute a violation of this rule.

A position player start is defined as starting the game in a defensive position and being substituted no earlier than the 5th inning.

Players who are injured or being disciplined may not receive their minimum playing time.



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Required Events on the High-Performance Pathway

Regional or Zone Identification Camps are an athlete's entry point for high-performance programming. Unless exempted (as set out below), attendance at these camps is mandatory and athletes cannot receive an invitation to the Provincial Camp (Prospects or Selects) if they do not attend.

The Prospects Camp (14U/15U), Selects Camp (16U/17U), and Female Provincial Camp, are also mandatory events for athletes interested in being selected to Team BC. Unless exempted (as set out below), athletes who do not attend these events in their entirety, are not eligible for provincial team selection.

Athletes who played on the 2022 Baseball BC 15U or 16U male provincial teams are not required to attend the Regional Identification Camp and will receive an automatic invitation to the 2023 Select Camp.

Camp Exemptions

An athlete who is injured or has another special circumstance may receive an exemption from attending all or part of a required camp.

Athletes currently participating in a Baseball Canada National Team program are eligible to receive camp exemptions.

Special Circumstances: Examples of special circumstances may include, but are not limited to, bereavement, school exams, and previously scheduled/committed college events. Special circumstances do not include, without limitation, scheduling conflicts with other sports, family holidays, and social engagements.

When an athlete is exempted, their evaluation will be based on feedback from coaches and past performance within the high-performance program. Being exempted allows the athlete to progress to the next stage in the high-performance program, but such progression is not guaranteed.

Requests for camp exemptions, outside of emergencies during a camp, must be made prior to the beginning of the camp, by email to the staff contact for high performance (Kyle Williams for male teams & Scott MacKenzie for female teams). Requests cannot be approved by coaches. A doctor's note or other supporting documentation may be required.



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Provincial Team Coaching Staffs

| <u>Team</u> | <u>Head Coach</u> | <u>Assistant Coaches</u> |
|---------------------|---|--|
| Male Selects 17U | Cav Whitely | Brooks McNiven Jordan Broatch Sammie Starr |
| Male 16U | Anthony Pluta & Cav Whitely | Devery Van De Keere Orville Germaine |
| Male 15U | To be announced after the Baseball BC Summer Games in June. | |
| Male 14U | | |
| Female 21U | Emily Fournier | TBD |
| Female 16U | Stacy Fournier | TBD |
| Female 14U #1 | Kristy Watson | TBD |
| Female 14U #2 | Liz Gilder | TBD |

Zone Coordinators – Male 14U/15U

| <u>Zone</u> | <u>Zone Coordinator</u> |
|---|-------------------------|
| 1 – Kootenays 2 – Thomson Okanagan 7 – Northwest 8 – Cariboo Northeast | Kyle Williams |
| 3 – Fraser Valley | Joe Germaine |
| 4 – Fraser River | Matt Paculan |
| 5 – Vancouver Coastal | Cam Frick |
| 6 – Vancouver Island | Brandon Dornan |



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Male Pathway (14U & 15U)

Step One – Attend a Zone Identification Camp

Baseball BC will hold Zone Identification Camps throughout the province. Athletes must attend one evening camp within their zone, based on where they reside. There will be a minimum of three Zone Identification Camps within each zone.

Use this link below to find your zone: <https://staging.bcgames.org/games/zones/>

The purpose of the Zone Identification Camps is to select athletes for the Baseball BC Summer Games (June 23-25) and Prospects Camp (September 2-4).

For 2023, zones 1, 2, 7, and 8 will be combined into a single zone.

Step Two – Attend the Baseball BC Summer Games

Baseball BC is introducing a new Summer Games event for 2023. Every two years (even years 2022, 2024, etc.), the British Columbia Summer Games Society organizes a multi-sport Summer Games event. One of the challenges with this event for baseball is that athletes who are in the 14U age bracket in the year the event is held, have a limited opportunity to participate because they are competing for roster spots against players who are a year older. Therefore, Baseball BC is creating their own version of the Summer Games in the years (odd years) between the official BC Summer Games events. The Baseball BC version of the Summer Games will look different from the event organized by the BC Summer Games Society in even years. It will be a single sport event, without the non-sports related aspects of the Summer Games. Athletes will be responsible for their own travel, meals, and accommodations.

From a competition standpoint, the Lower Mainland will be split into three zones (Fraser Valley, Fraser River, Vancouver-Coastal). Vancouver Island will be a zone, while the Kootenays, Thompson-Okanagan, North-West, and Cariboo-Northeast will be combined into one zone. Each Zone will select a sixteen player 14U team and a sixteen player 15U team, which will create a five-team tournament in each age division. Each team will play four round robin games and the top two teams will play in the finals. The 14U event will be played on an 80-foot diamond, while the 15U event will be played on a 90-foot diamond.

The Baseball BC Summer Games will be used to select athletes for the Prospects Camp. While it is not a required event on the high-performance pathway, participation is strongly recommended. Both the PBL and BC Minor have committed to support this event by not scheduling league games on the June 23-25 weekend.



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Step Three – Attend the Prospects Camp

The Prospects Camp is an intensive three-day event used to select athletes for Team BC 14U and 15U. Thirty-five athletes in each age category will be invited to the Prospects Camp.

Step Four – Play on Team BC 14U or 15U

Team BC 14U and 15U will each be comprised of 18 athletes. These teams will attend at least one event in September or October.

14U/15U - Event Dates & Locations

| | | |
|--------------------------|---------------|------------------------------------|
| Zone ID Camps | April & May | (See table below) |
| Baseball BC Summer Games | June 23-25 | Blundell Park, Richmond |
| Prospects Camp | September 2-4 | South Surrey Athletic Park, Surrey |

14U/15U - Event Selection Dates

| | |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| Baseball BC Summer Games | June 1 |
| Prospects Camp | July 31 |
| Team BC 14U/15U | September 5 |

14U/15U - Event Costs

| | |
|--------------------------|-------|
| Zone ID Camp | \$50 |
| Baseball BC Summer Games | \$200 |
| Prospects Camp | \$350 |
| Team BC 14U/15U | TBD |



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14U/15U - Zone Identification Camp Schedule

Athletes must pre-register for these camps using the following link:

<https://baseball.bc.ca/highperformance>

Athletes must register for a camp within the zone in which they reside. Athletes only attend one camp.

Registration will open on **April 1, 2023** and will be limited to 30 athletes per camp.

| <u>Zone</u> | <u>Dates</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Location</u> |
|---|--------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| 1 – Kootenays 2 – Thomson Okanagan 7 – Northwest 8 – Cariboo Northeast | Saturday April 22 | 1:00-4:00 | Confederation Park, Cranbrook |
| | Sunday April 23 | 10:00-1:00 | Butler Park, Trail |
| | Wednesday April 26 | 5:00-8:00 | McNicholl Field, Penticton |
| | Wednesday May 10 | 5:00-8:00 | Elks Stadium, Kelowna |
| | Saturday May 27 | 12:00-3:00 | Rotary Field, Prince George |
| 3 – Fraser Valley | Tuesday April 18 | 5:00-8:00 | McLeod Park, Langley |
| | Thursday April 27 | 5:00-8:00 | Larry Walker, Maple Ridge |
| | Tuesday May 9 | 5:00-8:00 | Fairfield Island, Chilliwack |
| 4 – Fraser River | Tuesday April 18 | 5:00-8:00 | Hillcrest Park, Cloverdale |
| | Thursday April 27 | 5:00-8:00 | Mundy Park, Coquitlam |
| | Tuesday May 9 | 5:00-8:00 | South Surrey Athletic, Surrey |
| 5 – Vancouver Coastal | Tuesday April 18 | 5:00-8:00 | Winskill Park, Delta |
| | Thursday April 27 | 5:00-8:00 | Latrace Park, Richmond |
| | Tuesday May 9 | 5:00-8:00 | Parkgate, North Vancouver |
| 6 – Vancouver Island | Tuesday April 11 | 5:00-8:00 | Serauxmen Stadium, Nanaimo |
| | Thursday April 27 | 5:00-8:00 | Evans Park, Duncan |
| | Tuesday May 9 | 5:00-8:00 | Henderson Park, Victoria |

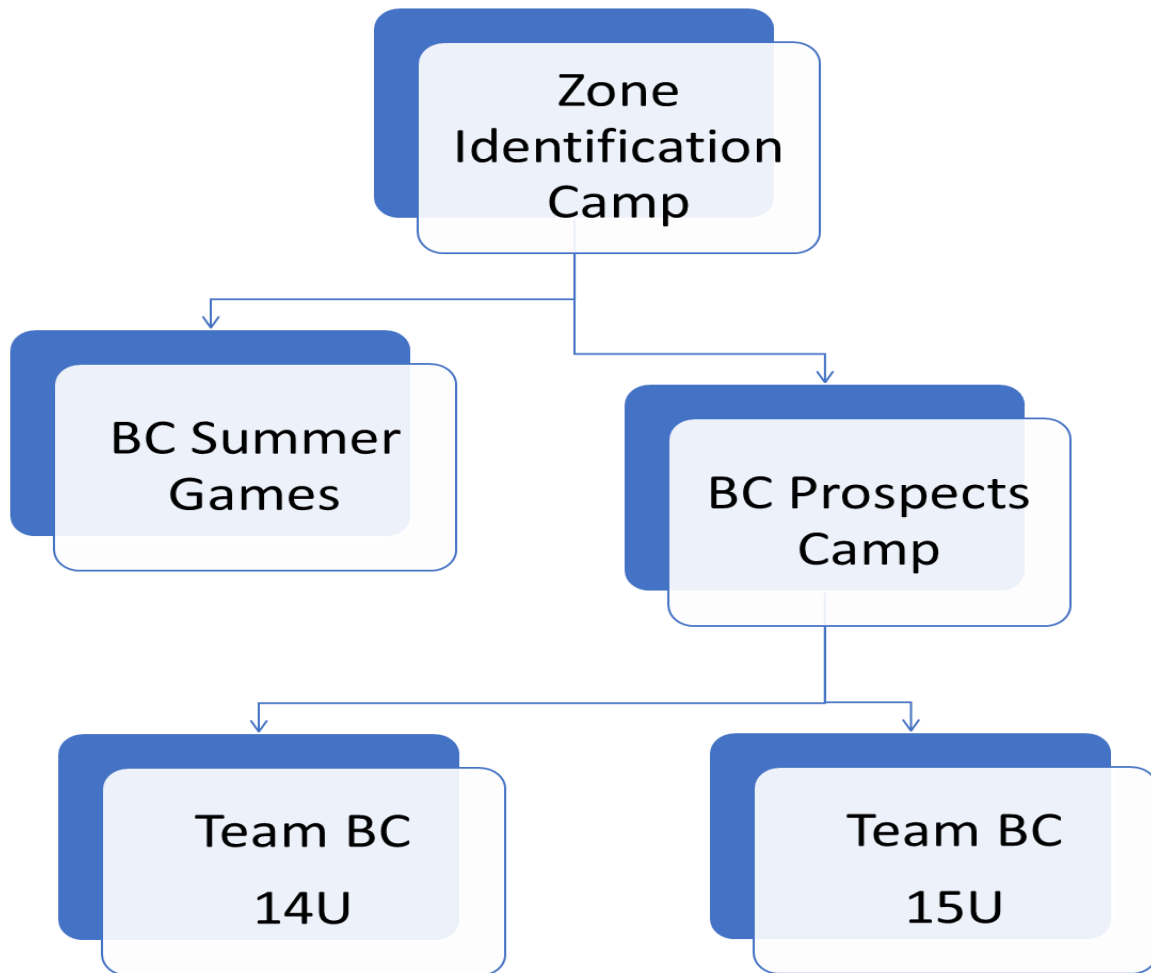


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Male High-Performance Pathway 14U & 15U





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Male Pathway (16U & 17U)

Step One – Attend a Regional Identification Camp

Baseball BC will hold eight Regional Identification Camps throughout the province. Athletes must attend one of these camps. The purpose of the Regional Identification Camps is to select athletes for the Select Camp.

Athletes who played on the 2022 Baseball BC 15U or 16U male provincial teams do not attend Regional Identification Camps and progress directly to the Selects Camp.

Step Two – Attend the Selects Camp

The Select Camp is an intensive four-day event used to select athletes for Team BC 16U and 17U. Thirty-five athletes in each age category will be invited to the Select Camp.

Step Three – Play on Team BC 16U or 17U

Team BC 16U and 17U will each be comprised of 20 athletes. The 17U Select team plays in the Baseball Canada Cup, while the 16U team plays in an event on the Labour Day weekend in Alberta.

16U/17U - Event Dates & Locations

| | | |
|-------------------|---------------|-------------------------|
| Regional ID Camps | April & May | (See table below) |
| Selects Camp | July 4-7 | Whalley Stadium, Surrey |
| Canada Cup (17U) | August 9-13 | Regina, Saskatchewan |
| Tournament | September 1-4 | TBD, Alberta |

16U/17U - Event Selection Dates

| | |
|-------------------|---------|
| Select Camp | June 15 |
| Select Team (17U) | July 10 |
| Team BC (16U) | July 10 |

16U/17U - Event Costs

| | |
|------------------|-------|
| Regional ID Camp | \$50 |
| Select Camp | \$400 |
| Team BC 16U/17U | TBD |



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16U/17U - Regional Identification Camp Schedule

Athletes must pre-register for these camps using the following link:

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Athletes may register for any camp. Residence does not matter. Athletes only attend one camp.

Registration will open on **April 1, 2023** and will be limited to 30 athletes per camp.

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Location</u> |
|-------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|
| Thursday April 20 | 5:00-8:00 | South Surrey Athletic, Surrey |
| Tuesday May 2 | 5:00-8:00 | Henderson Park, Victoria |
| Tuesday May 2 | 5:00-8:00 | McLeod Park, Langley |
| Wednesday May 3 | 5:00-8:00 | Elks Stadium, Kelowna |
| Thursday May 11 | 5:00-8:00 | Larry Walker Park, Maple Ridge |
| Thursday May 11 | 5:00-8:00 | Serauxmen Stadium, Nanaimo |
| Tuesday May 16 | 5:00-8:00 | Parkgate Park, North Vancouver |
| Tuesday May 30 | 5:00-8:00 | Mundy Park, Coquitlam |



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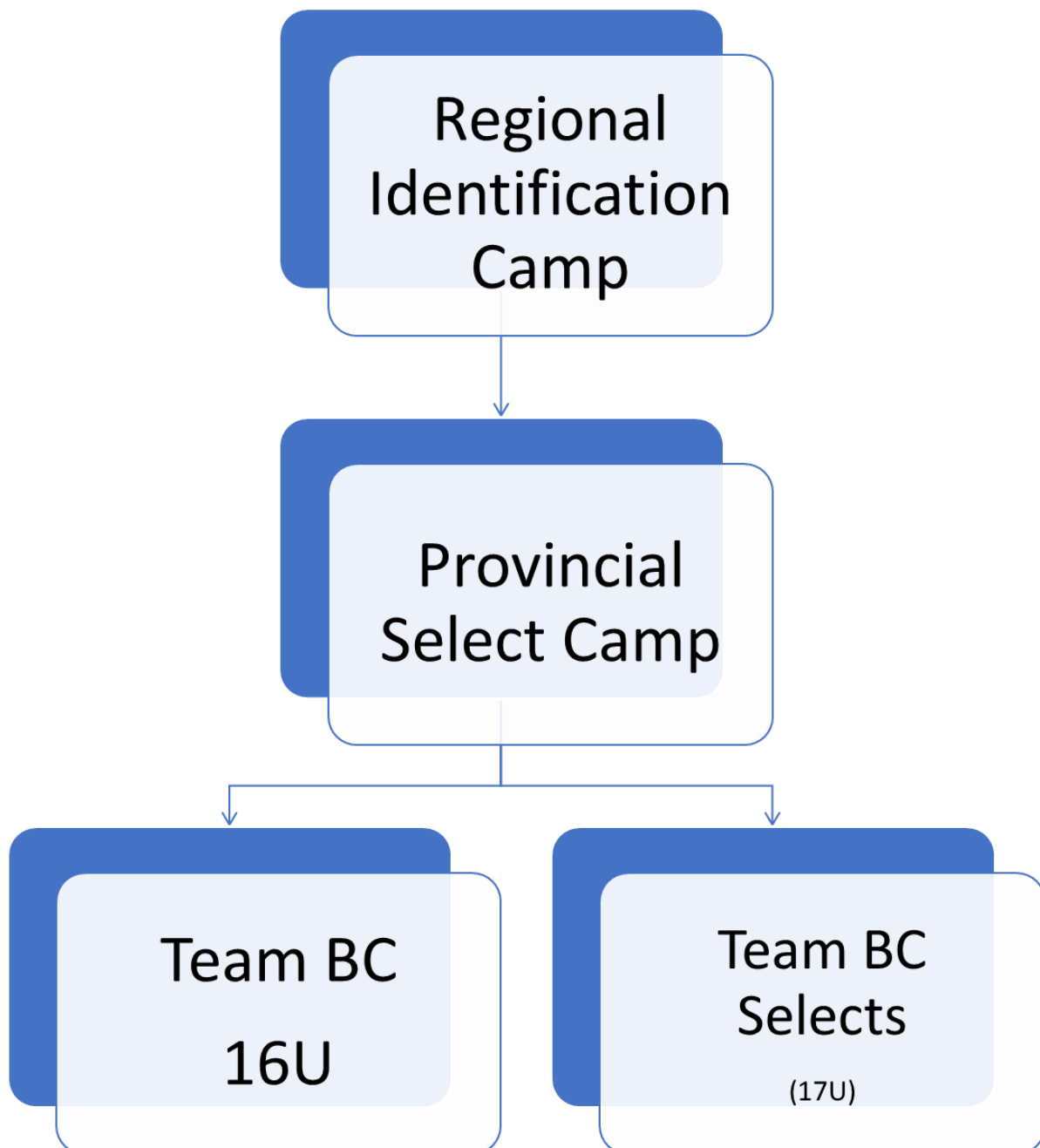
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Male High-Performance Pathway 16U & 17U





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Female Pathway (14U & 16U & 21U)

Step One – Attend a Regional Identification Camp

Baseball BC will hold Regional Identification Camps throughout the province. Athletes must attend one of these camps. The purpose of the Regional Identification Camps is to select athletes for the Provincial Camp.

Step Two – Attend the Provincial Camp

The Provincial Camp is an intensive four-day event used to select athletes for Team BC 14U, 16U, and 21U.

Step Three – Play on the Provincial Team

The 14U Provincial team attends the Western Canada Championships. Two teams will be formed in 2023. The 16U and 21U Provincial teams attend the National Championships.

Event Dates & Locations

| | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| Provincial Camp | July 10-13 | Whalley Stadium |
| Western Canada Championships (14U) | August 18-20 | Richmond, British Columbia |
| National Championships (16U) | August 24-27 | Summerside, PEI |
| National Championships (21U) | August 10-13 | Saint John's, Nfld |
| National Championships (Open) | July 27-30 | Hammonds Plains, NS |

Selection Dates

| | |
|-----------------|---------|
| Provincial Camp | June 20 |
| Team BC 14U | July 14 |
| Team BC 16U | July 14 |
| Team BC 21U | July 14 |

14U/16U/21U - Event Costs

| | |
|---------------------|-------|
| Regional ID Camp | \$50 |
| Provincial Camp | \$400 |
| Team BC 14U/16U/21U | TBD |



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Female Regional Identification Camp Schedule

Athletes must pre-register for these camps using the following link:

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Registration will open on **April 1, 2023** and will be limited to 30 athletes per camp.

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Location</u> |
|--------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|
| Wednesday April 19 | 7:00-8:30 | Island Training Center, Victoria |
| Saturday April 22 | 1:00-4:00 | Confederation Park, Cranbrook |
| Sunday April 23 | 10:00-1:00 | Butler Park, Trail |
| Sunday May 7 | TBD | Mt. Boucherie Main, W Kelowna |
| Tuesday May 9 | 5:30-8:00 | Kensington Park, Burnaby |
| Saturday May 13 | 12:30-2:30 | MacArthur Island, Kamloops |
| Saturday May 13 | 12:00-4:00 | Walker/Hammond, Maple Ridge |
| Tuesday May 16 | 5:30-8:00 | Kensington, Burnaby |
| Saturday May 20 | TBD | Evans, Duncan |
| Saturday May 27 | 12:00-3:00 | Rotary Field, Prince George |



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Female High-Performance Pathway

