

JUST A LITTLE OF VANCOUVER YOUTH SOCCER'S HISTORY

“The More Things Change The More They Remain The Same.”

Excerpts from the 1965-1985 minutes' books.

1965/66 – May 3, 1966 Annual General Meeting of the Vancouver District (Junior and Juvenile Football Association) Juvenile Soccer Association.

Chair: W. Stirling. 37 teams. Meeting held at Metropolitan Hotel.

Members introduced from BC Juvenile Soccer Association: Alex Kemp and Alan Ludbrook. Area Director was Bill Thomas.

Executive: Jim Creelman, Ollie Allison, Morrie Rentmeister. Other directors: Don Tiltness, C. Culling, J. Folan and D. Moyies. W. Stirling retired after four years as he was elected to the BCFAC.

Pee Wee League: Steve King and Bob Wilson

1966/67: Chair: Don Tiltness, Vice-Chair Jim Creelman and Secretary/Treasurer Dave Moyies.

Proposal to form the Vancouver Community League.

Meetings were held the third Monday of each month.

September 1966

“It was agreed that all divisions will play a home and away schedule with the team having the most points at the end of the season being declared the winner.”

November 1966

BC to start a monthly bulletin. “Letter to be written to referee K. Grant after he hurt himself refereeing a game.”

Trophies for league winners to be collected from the teams. Purchase of league medals.

May 1967:

“teams outside of Vancouver who enter our league must put in a bond for not selling raffle tickets for us to provide payment to referees.” “Either sell or donate \$10.00 per book.”

“That we play as many games possible during the early part of the season so that our league does not get fouled up with bad weather.”

June 1967

“It was agreed that this season we have a soccer day for all our league finals to be played on a weekend.”

Outside-the-district players playing in our league will be required to post a \$15.00 bond.”

August 1967

Chair: C. Culling, Vice Chair M. Rentmeister, Tournament Ticket Chair J. Creelman, Secretary/Treasurer: D. Moyies.
40 teams.

Request by Pegasus to enter a Division 1 team in our league, granted only if they play all their games in Vancouver. North Shore took the team into their district.

September 1967

Request to take in two division 3 Richmond teams granted.

November 1967

Cost of South Slope putting on a coaches' clinic \$39.50.

December 13/14, 1967 - First Vancouver Days.

February 1968

Discussion about closing down soccer during the wet/muddy months. Tabled.

April 1968 & 68/69 Annual General Meeting

“A letter from BCJSA recommending a fee increase to \$2.00 per team was to not be favoured by our executive.”

Referee's fees: \$837.50. Medals: \$204.49.

41 teams represented. Election of Norm Duggan.

Delegates to the BC AGM: C. Culling, K. Foster, G. Martin, Ollie Allison, J. Laurie, Norm Duggan, Dave Moyies, Jim Creelman, Ken Grant, Morrie Rentmeister, John Graham, Ron Winkelman, Alternate: Wally Gourlay.

Vancouver Community League starts up.

December 1968

“South Slope asks secretary to try and schedule games at least a month in advance. Secretary spoke of difficulties in doing so, but would make every effort to do so.”

Norm Duggan to look at idea of having a referee’s school of division one juvenile boys in Dunbar Community Centre.

January 1969

Morrie Rentmeister Scheduling Secretary and Norm Duggan Treasurer, J. Graham Secretary due to the passing of Secretary/Treasurer Dave Moyies, January 12, 1969.

“That it be left to the Executive to find a fair and just way of trying to finish the league program after a loss of 7 weeks due to bad weather.”

March, 1969

Letter from referee B. Aspinall re: payment of damage to his car while he was reffing a game. Turned down.

Pee Wee Chair: Bob Wilson

M. Rentmeister to be paid \$100.00 for scheduling for 6 months. Dave Moyies had been paid \$200.00 for the season before.

May, 1969 AGM: Proposal to rent Swangard for next year’s league playoffs. D. Baird and D. Hardie directors.

M. Rentmeister resigns as Scheduling Secretary “due to conflicts between him and a few managers. His wife and family had got some rebuffs also.”

August 1969

Chair: C. Culling. Jean Durham is appointed Scheduling Secretary.

The financial state was outlined by the Chairman affiliation fees for all teams in the “V&D” (Vancouver and District) was to be doubled and Community League fees raised 50%.

Motion to employ the Scheduling Secretary at a fee not to exceed \$50.00 per month plus a separate phone.

January 1970

Letter re Washington Soccer series ordered folded. (BC/Washington Exchange)

It was felt a move to have our district league finals at Swangard would not be appreciated by the BC body.

May 1970 Annual General Meeting

Ollie Allison and Norm Duggan declined nominations. Ivor Williams was elected.

The Executive was instructed to investigate the mechanics of dividing the divisions into an “A” and “B” section.

Motion to recommend disapproval to the BC amendment to reduce the number of registered players per team to 16.

September 1970

Chair: C. Culling, **Secretary** Morrie Rentmeister, **Vice-Chair,** John Graham.

Decision to run the league the same as last year. A *motion* was passed to allow the Executive to schedule games on holidays if necessary. It was agreed that managers are not allowed to reschedule games.

Teams from Richmond accepted in division 1 and 2. – 88 teams entered. Community League will have a 4th division.

November & December, 1970

All teams going to Seattle (BC/Wash Exchange) will have to play their league game or forfeit the points.

A letter will be sent to all team officials informing them that in the future any harassment of referees will not be tolerated.

The Executive feels there should be some way to move a Community League team up into the V&D League.

BC Bulletin is now known as the “Whistle”.

January 1971

An offer accepted for a “Dave Shearer” memorial trophy. Division 3,4,5 & 7 will split into A-B sections. It was decided that first half league winners could not also win the second half of the season.

V&D starts advertising in the Provincial Tournament program.

Request made to Parks Board, Mario Tomsich, for Brockton Oval for Vancouver Day.

May, 1971 Annual General Meeting

Community League wants a separate committee to run their affairs.

Motion to have a predetermined schedule for the season. Defeated. *Motion* to have a knockout competition with the top four teams playing for a cup. Defeated.

Community League proposal withdrawn. Proposed to draw all teams into A-B sections. Defeated.

Brockton Oval was successful for Vancouver Days. A committee to be appointed to approach the Press to have the schedule printed and Parks Board about the condition of the fields.

New members: Jean Durham, John Docherty, Charlie McCullough, Bob Hannah, D.Kent and S. Ruocco.

Request for an Area Director, one who could attend all BCJSA and Vancouver District meetings. Executive to look for a District Registrar. Kerrisdale wanted to know why Division 6 & 7 could not play 60 minutes instead of 50.

Motion to make a resolution to the BCJSA for next season as well as unlimited substitutions.

Motion put forward to increase the referee's fees from \$1.00 to \$2.00. Defeated.

Chair: W. Gourlay, ViceChair: J.Creelman Ticket Chair: D. Baird.

August 1971

Dave Moyies Challenge Cup has been started. It was suggested that the Hudson Bay Company be approached regarding the schedule being published in the Province.

Motion to divide divisions based on the final standings, except for division 7. In the case of new teams it will be left up to the Executive.

Registrar will register at South Slope CC or at the Registrar's home after the set date.

The Press was not agreeable to publishing the schedule.

October & December, 1971

Suggestion to use voting cards at all general meetings.

Vancouver Sun approached about publishing the schedule. Waiting to see if they can run a "special page for all sports schedulers."

Resolution that the League Championship be played on Vancouver Days between the "A and B" section and award a Vancouver Days Trophy. Brockton Oval to be used for Dave Moyies Community League Finals.

Vancouver Days to be held at Swangard.

April 1972 Annual General Meeting

R. Bagan director. The Area Director position has been cancelled by the BCJSA.

Resignation by Norm Duggan. Motion that N.Duggan be made a Life Member of V&D.

New directors: J.Folan, K.Grant, S.Hodge, C.McCullough, R.Hannah, D.Baird, M.Rentmeister.

Chair: Morrie Rentmeister. Vice-Chair: Charlie McCullough.

June, 1973

First time the use of Divisional Coordinators was established.

August, 1973

Vancouver to host the Sun Tournament of Soccer Champions.

There will no longer be a district Registrar in Vancouver. Janet Tyrell will handle all of Vancouver's registration.

October, 1973

Instigation of the J.Folan Memorial Trophy for the Most Sportsmanlike Team in the Vancouver Cup Finals.

Honorary Life Member presented to Norm Duggan.

January & February, 1974

Problem of teams playing on closed City parks.

General discussion of promotion/relegation between the District and Community levels (Silver and Bronze).

March 1974

Rental of Capilano Stadium at \$25.00 per day.

Set of uniforms for the U18 Select Rep team to be purchased from C&T Sports.

April 1974

League standings for District teams presented at this AGM. Starting the '74/75 season the district will use a system of promotion/relegation. The top two Community League teams will enter the District League and the bottom two District League teams will enter the Community League.

Increase district board to nine.

Affiliation fees Div.1-2 \$37.00, Div.3-7 \$25.00, Community League \$11.00.

The V.D.Y.S.A. (VYSA) April 28, 1974 AGM was held at the South Slope Community Center.

A *motion* to increase the board to nine members was passed.

The Executive consisted of Chair, Morrie Rentmeister, Vice-Chair, Charlie McCullagh, and Secretary-Treasurer, Ken Grant. Some other board members were Bill Mitchell, John Docherty, D. Murell, and Jack Betteridge.

Dunbar is using black shirts for their goalkeepers and the board decides to allow team goalies, for the next three years, to wear black for all games except for Provincial Cup Inter-District and finals games.

June 23, 1974

Capilano Stadium is used for cup finals.

Informed by BCJSA of the awarding of the Sun Tournament of Champions to VDJSA.

August 22, 1974

Organizational Meeting. Guests included Ken Lind, Chair of BCJSA and BCJSA, Secretary, Les Wilson. 64 team officials present.

Chairman explained why a preprinted schedule could not be done.

“If any team defaults three games, that team must post a \$10.00 performance Bond with a further default to cost \$10.00.”

Motion by Carl Tomei: “That nets be mandatory for Division 1&2.”

September 11 & 29, 1974

CKWX confirms that they will again provide the service of games cancellations. D. Murrell to telephone radio station prior to 6PM

Friday and check with parks early Saturday for possible cancellations.

Start up of Divisional Coordinators.

Jean Durham to contact Richmond Association re inter-locking schedule; schedule to be started per our policy.

Re: Interlocking schedule with Delta (?) Division 1 and 3, exhibition games only for the bye teams. Jean Durham to contact the Delta School Secretary about Division 2.

November 3, 1974

Jean Durham reports that Division 3 will interlock with Delta in a full schedule.

Motion K Grant/J.Docherty: “That VDJSA host a dance on April 26, 1975 in conjunction with the Sun Tournament.”

January 26, 1975

There was a referee’s meeting held with 25 in attendance.

As of January, 1975 Channel 10 will televise a juvenile soccer game each Saturday, weather permitting and film will be shown on the following Sunday from 6:30-8PM.

Charlie McCullagh presented problems of insufficient insurance coverage regarding adults transporting players. As long as the adult was not being reimbursed for the service then normal coverage would apply.

Meetings were held at Alma YMCA, Grandview Legion Annex, Metropole Hotel and Vancouver General Hospital.

Name Drop:

T. Addison, Roy Bendall, Ed Boldt, Carmelo Boeri, Dave Boyd, John Carr, Ed Carriero, Kam Dhillon, Bill Dickson, Bill Dobie, Norm Duggan, Arnie Evanson, B. Fraser, J. Garoff, Dave Gordon, George Graveson, Bob Hannah, Fraser Hewitt, Dave Howden, Clive Hughes, Alex Kemp, J. Lowrie, Mike Marketic, Fred Messenger, Hughie Miekle, B. Milne, Jacques Moon, Dave Moyies, Dave Murrell, Ed Raposa, Brian Redfern, Wilf Sadler, Gerry Schultz, R. Shearer, Jeff Stark, Jim Taylor, Marcel Travella, Bill Walraven, B. Webber and R. Williams.

Team Name Drop:

ANAF #100, Alen Electric, Dun. Dolphins, Creery’s, Eagles #2075, Eldridge Drugs, Evan Optimists, Grv. Legion #16 & #142, Halversons, Honest Nats, IVEC, Kerr. Gunners & Oaks, Kerhoff Masonary, Larkins, Marp. Sports, Norquay, Our Lady of Sorrows Spitfires, Raymuir, Rob Roy Meats(Div.2), St. Philips, South Hill FC, Tswassen Sportsmen, Utd. Steelworkers, Van City Credit Union and Willamette Rangers.

December 8, 1974

Vancouver Whitecaps advises of a promotional coaching pilot program. The series of clinics will start in March for the Easter week and then resume in the summer. These clinics are designed for the players.

March 2 & April 6, 1975

Motion Jack Betteridge/Bill Mitchell: Any team defaulting a league game will not be allowed to participate in league play until a performance bond is posted.

Morrie Rentmeister to check the price of pressed medals and determine if they would be cheaper than individual Community League plaques.

April 28, 1975 AGM

Present: Norm Duggan, Honorary Life Member and Ken Lind from BCJSA. 53 team officials present.

Elected: B. Milne, B. Hannah, J. Betteridge, M. Rentmeister, and N. Duggan. D. Baird and D. Murrell left the board.

Affiliation fee ‘75-76, Division 1-2 \$37.00, Division 3-7 \$25.00 and Community League teams \$11.00

There was a complaint of lack of upkeep of parks.

Motion A.McClay/ B.Sherlock: Playing season to operate from September to mid-December and resume in February and continue to the end of the season.

There was a complaint of closure of parks and yet the seniors still play.

A. Evanson asked if it was possible to start the Community League in early September.

June 1, 1975 Executive Meeting re: Nominations.

Chair – Morrie Rentmeester, Vice-Chair – Charlie McCullagh, Secretary-Treasurer – Ken Grant.

The position of Scheduling Secretary to be deleted from the executive and become an appointed position.

July 27, 1975

Alex Kemp, BCJSA, thanks the executive and Mary Dancey for their cooperation in the Sun Tournament.

Ken Grant presents an idea of managers being suspended if a large number of discipline cases are reported from one team; to be investigated with BCJSA.

Games are scheduled for every weekend except for December 27 & 28th.

August 25, 1975 – Organizational Meeting

Guests: Les Wilson, BSJSA Secretary and R. Winkelman, BC/Washington coordinator for Vancouver. 54 present.

Janet Tyrell is the BC Registrar. An information meeting will be called for the upcoming Division 7 team officials.

October 5 & November 16, 1975

The Pee Wee League thanked the board for an operational grant in the amount of \$200.00.

24 team officials attended the Division 7 meeting to learn about team lists, registration, reporting scores, etc.

The '74-'75 Vancouver Cup Finals trophy was lost and had to be replaced.

The distribution of managers list to teams was discontinued, as it was no longer serving its intended purpose. It was costing too much and taking too many hours to prepare. Instead team managers would receive a list of the directors and their duties and a list of helpful reminders. Directors would receive a list of managers and 10 copies of same to be sent to Les Wilson to forward to all districts.

January 25, 1976

Motion: N.Duggan/J.Betteridge “As of the '75-'76 season the referee fees will be Div.1-2, \$4.50 and Div.3-7, \$3.00.

BCJSA will present a Merit Certificate to Dave Howden (Pee Wee Scheduler/Registrar) at their AGM in June.

Jean Durham: Reminds all directors to get their scores in, in time and reminds all managers to start their games on time.

February 29, 1976

Estate of E.M. Russell: lawyer petitioning to change the will; asks for our permission to settle our legacy of \$1000.00 at \$460.00.

April 11 & 26th Annual General Meeting, 1976

Motion: K. Grant/N. Duggan: The amount of \$460.00 (from E.M. Russell will) to be put in a separate high interest bearing account.

The money to be used only in an emergency for the greatest majority of juvenile soccer players. The executive to have complete power regarding this money.

Kerrisdale Soccer Club sent a letter of suggested improvements and criticism for soccer in Vancouver.

Jean Durham presented the J. Folan Memorial Trophy to the Division 7, Kerrisdale Roadrunners.

J. Stark questioned why there was no answer forthcoming regarding a computer schedule being produced. R. Green replied that the present equipment could not handle our requirements but that new equipment being installed may do.

Elected to the board: D. Murrell, J. Docherty, Bill Mitchell, C. McCullagh, and A. Fales.

There is a request for more games in the District (Silver) and Community (Bronze) Leagues.

The District is allowed 12 votes at the BCJSA – AGM.

May 25, 1976

Chair: C. McCullagh. Vice-Chair: Bob Hannah. Scheduler: J. Durham, Secretary/Treasurer: D. Murrell.

Motion to increase the Scheduler's honorarium from \$400 to \$500.

Decision that Christmas Season play will end on the weekend of December 18/19 and recommence on Jan.8/9.

August 22 & September 1, 1976

Jim Taylor is elected to fill a one-year term.

Executive asked by chairman to think about a 5 year plan by City, with regards to updating the facilities of parks used by us in the playing season.

October 31 & February 6, 1976

M. DuMoulin asks executive to consider not scheduling games on Thanksgiving weekend.

J. Docherty brought samples of designs for a banner. Board decided on a 21'x5' dark green and sky blue banner with black & white lettering and Vancouver crest in the corner and that the banner read: Vancouver District Juvenile Soccer Assn.

Letter from Dr. Irving re: rough play in soccer and holding VDJSA responsible for injuries.

May 1, 1977 – Annual General Meeting

Guests include Life Member Norm Duggan, BCJSA Chair, Ken Lind, Chair and, Director, BCJSA, Morrie Rentmeester.

Elected for 2-year terms: Bob Baillie, Jim Taylor, Jack Betteridge, and Bob Hannah. Elected for one year: Ian Dalgliesh and John Carr.

Motion to allow unlimited substitutions – *defeated*.

Affiliation fees raised \$5.00 across the board.

Entitled to 13 votes at the BCJSA AGM.

Honorarium for the Scheduler raised to \$60.00.

June 5, 1977

Letter from Killarney Soccer Assn. re: rehabilitation of Lower Killarney and Nanaimo Park as an all-weather pitch with lights.

Chair: Charlie McCullagh, Vice-Chair, John Carr, Sec't-Treasurer, R. Baillie, Scheduler, Jean Durham, Weatherman/Publicity, Jim Taylor.

Moved that R. Baillie be named the manager of the U18 Select team with power to appoint assistants.

As of August 21st there were 5+ clubs not having their team affiliation forms in and they felt it was essential to set a deadline date

August 21 & November 10, 1977

The Chair called for a 2-minute silence in the memory of John Docherty. *Moved* that Jacques Moon would fill this board vacancy.

Moved that the top 10 teams in Div.7 Community be placed in Division "A" and the remainder in Division "B". The winner of Div. A be declared League Champion and winner of Div. B to receive a trophy.

January 8, 1978

Constitution was approved regarding description of a club, which would be recognized one year at a time and recognition could be withdrawn if the club "acted in a manner inimical to the welfare of youth soccer in Vancouver." Protest fee \$10.00.

February 19, 1978

Dave Moyie's Cup and Vancouver Cup Days to be held at Swangard Stadium.

Charlie McCullagh and Bill Mitchell to manage the U16 Select team.

R. Baillie resigns as Sect-Treasurer and announces he will not be completing his second year but stays on until the AGM because no one comes forward.

April 30, 1978 Annual General Meeting

Moved to change bank account to 'Vancouver District Youth Soccer Association' and that the Chair, Vice-Chair and Treasurer or any two of them be signing officers.'

Elected to the board are John Carr, Kam Dhillon and Heinz Heckl. Chair, Charlie McCullagh retires as well as Jack Betteridge and R. Baillie.

Chair: Bob Hannah, Secretary: Allan Beech (Mr. Beech resigned by October and Roy Bendall agreed to fill the position until the end of the 1979-1980 season.)

November 26, 1978

A discussion took place whether an outside person should be given an honorarium to fulfill the position of secretary.

December 10 & January 7, 1978

Jim Taylor reported that 1000 players had been photographed for ID.

Moved that the Chair, Treasurer and Secretary be signing officers for the VDYSA.

April 29 & May 13, 1979 Annual General Meeting

Moved that each registered player shall be issued a photo identification card to be available at every game.

Election of officers – 79/80

Chair: Jim Taylor, Treasurer: Jacques Moon, Vice-Chair: John Carr, Secretary: Roy Bendall, Provincial Cup Ticket Sales Chair: Ian Dalgliesh & Vice-Chair: Heinz Heckl, Referee Coordinator: Jean Durham, Divisional Coordinators: Kam Dhillon, Rob Hannah, Jackie Larson (one yr.term) and Stan Haramincic.

George Dancey recommended for Scheduling Secretary.

June 19, 1979

Letter to President of Kerrisdale – “in addition to Elm, Shannon Lwr & Upr Kerrisdale, possible alternate parks are Pt. Grey and Jamieson School, Montgomery and Oak. Suggest that in view of the number of teams being fielded by Kerrisdale that they examine alternate parks – this is in their best interest.”

August 12, 1979 – Organizational Meeting

Fees for Div.1&2 \$45.00, Div.3-7 \$30.00 and all Community League Divisions \$19.00.

Janet Tyrell, from BCYSA, would hold player registration at Windsor Church on September 6th.

Photos to be taken at the church on the 13th & 14th.

Hugh Meikle put forward a suggestion that the photo ID cards be presented to the referee before the start of the game.

September 18, 1979

Don Dancey present, fields were discussed and method of keeping scores. Refs will phone in the score and the coordinators will keep scores also.

Motion “that Dave Gordon be asked to serve as interim director.”

Motion “that an honorarium of \$200.00 plus a phone will be paid to Don Dancey to be the Scheduler.”

October 2, & November 8, 1979

Letter from Parks Board, Vancouver District now has one rep to the Field Sports Federation, Stan Haramincic.

Divisional Coordinators to collect latest list of team managers for directory and give to secretary.

Coach for U16 Selects, Mike Bernardis, Assistant – Doug Rosenland.

Send letter to Jim McMaster (Parks Board) that we require fields up to 1PM on both Saturday and Sundays.

Referee Coordinator, Don Dancey, was present.

December 13, 1979

Jacques Moon moved a letter be sent to all coaches and managers to have mandatory lining and corner flags starting January 5/6th, 1980 for all games.

January 13, 1980

Lost Camosum Park due to teams practicing when Parks Board closed fields. “Reminder that parks are closed to games **and** practices.”

Jean Durham took ill at beginning of the season and Tema Church, Dave Crnica and Don Dancey (allocation of referees) took over in her absence.

Motion to make them official board members.

April 17 & 27 Annual General Meeting, 1980

Jim Taylor reported that Chevron has committed money for the Photo ID operation for next season.

Discussion tabled as to whether Vancouver District should handle discipline cases before BCYSA.

39 members present.

Motion that finals are not to be played during any spring break.

Motion that we support Select teams in the Under 16 and Under 18 leagues and we will not support any select teams for any age under 16.

Fees Div. 1 & 2 \$65.00, Div. 3-7 \$50.00 and Div.1-7 Community teams \$39.00.

Motion that the Vancouver District board be increased to 12 members.

Elected to board were: Brian North, Don Dancey, Tema Church, Jackie Larson and Don Dunlop.

May 14, 1980

Discussion of dividing into an A & B division, any division registering more than 12 teams.

Motion that the name of the organization be changed to Vancouver Youth Soccer Association.

July 21, 1980

Motion that the ID committee report be accepted meaning the discontinuation of the photo ID's and the use of the BC player registration slips in their place.

Distribution of registration forms and information sheet on general meeting to be handled by the secretary and divisional coordinators.

August 12, 1980

Stan Haramincic resigns. Secretary, Tema Church, to find out if BCYSA will let us keep the third part of the player registration form.

Kam Dhillon suggested spot-checking of teams.

Discipline Committee to be made up of Don Dancey, Tema Church, Jean Durham, Don Dunlop and Kam Dhillon. Referee fees are raised from \$4.50 (Saturdays) and \$5.50 (Sundays) to \$6.00 and \$8.50, linesmen \$6.00.

Motion to leave the payment of the referees in the hands of the Board.

The membership was informed of the passing of Dan Kulai, a senior referee and instructor.

September 16, 1980

BCYSA says that Select players must play for their old team the following year.

Motion that all scores be phone to the Divisional Coordinator by the Home team.

Thank you sent to Standard Oil for supplying photo ID cards.

Motion that an honorarium for a Scheduler and Referee Coordinator be recommended to the Board by a committee consisting of John Carr, Jean Durham and Jacques Moon.

Name Drop

J. Adamson, Mike Bernardis, Jack Betteridge, Harry Christie, S. Climie, Donald Dunlop, Jean & Colin Durham, B. Gazzola, W. Gourlay, Bob & Rob Hannah, Heinz Heckl, B. Kenny, S. King, Dan Kulai, Jim Laurie, Bill Leslie, Charlie McCullagh, Dave McGruer, N. Manzor, G. Martin, T. Mason, Jack Meredith, G. Rose, Doug Roseland, J. Rutledge, S. Scholey, R. Tiegland, R. Ward, R. Winkleman and Lyle Woodley.

Team Name Drop

Academico, Aga Khan, Apollo, Douglas Pk SA, Dunbar Andex, Cablevision, LePage, Mills Paint, Pythons, Spray Kleen and Suns, Grandview. Legion #179, Perma Steel and Scotties, Eddy's Auto, Hillcrest SC, Div.3 Hungarians, Juventus Sports Club, Kensington HS Holdings, Paul's Pen and Teamsters, Kerrisdale Bombers, Cosmos, Hotspurs, Kerries, Roadrunners and Wanderers, Killarney Rovers and Shamrocks, Little Mountain SA, Molisana, Metro Soccer League, No.1 Collision, Renos Shoes, PG MCL Jaguars, South Slope Jets, SW Marine Drive, Trafalgar SC, Vancouver College, Vancouver Italia, Vancouver Redcaps, Vancouver Saints and Wally's Drive-In.

Tournaments

Gorge SA Tournament, Pleasanton California Tournament. Redwood City Tournament, Trojan SC of California

October 14 & November 23, 1980

New Business: The Discipline Committee may invite players or team officials before them.

Kam Dhillon attended a Field Sports Federation meeting and VYSA is now a member.

Don Dancey reported that calls are being charged to his soccer phone and the number may have to be changed.

Don Dunlop reported that the Select teams have no money to go to the Island for games. Discussion whether VYSA can or should give money to Select team if sponsor can not be found.

(**Note:** in these years a Select team was made up of players that tried out from all over Vancouver for a District Select team and these games were played from the end of January through March.)

John Carr to check into the Societies Act. Secretary to be provided with a functional typewriter.

January 25, 1981

The BCYSA board will be reduced from 12-9.

Motion that we support an inquiry into the mechanics of the election procedure to be used at the forthcoming BCYSA – Annual General Meeting.

Motion that we begin the process of finding a Chief Referee.

Motion that minutes of the board meeting be typed and sent to each board member.

John Carr and Don Dancey to meet with Parks Board about closing notification.

February 15, 1981

Discussion of heavy schedule, at times, for Select boys and it was agreed that league responsibilities have priority but boys should fulfill commitment give to Select team.

Jackie Larson to coordinate Dave Moyies days at Swangard and Brian North to coordinate Vancouver Days.

Decision of canceling games shall be made by the Chairman (or Vice-Chair in his absence.)

March 15, 1981

Request that the minutes include the balance of the Treasurer's report. Discussion of creating an Association (Premier, Gold) League in addition to the District (Silver) and Community (Bronze) Leagues.

April 12, 1981

Donation of \$50.00 to be paid to Windsor Church for the use of their facilities.

April 26, 1981 Annual General Meeting

Motion that the Board may authorize amounts up to \$500.00 without referring to the general membership.

Motion that the District will pay to the Scheduler and Referee Coordinator the amount of a telephone.

Dancey reports Discipline: 151 yellows and 53 reds.

Motion to give the league reconstruction proposal a year's try then evaluate.

Motion that any coach of a team entered in the Vancouver Select or Premier league shall be certified to a minimum of CSA Level One.

Elected to Board: J. Moon, K. Dhillon, D. Boyd, J. Betteridge, D. Crnica, B. Hannah, H. Heckl, D. Dancey, D. Dunlop, B. North, J. Larson & T. Church.

Announcement of Dave Boy as Referee-in-Chief.

Chair: Kam Dhillon, Vice-Chr: Bob. Hannah, Secretary: Tema Church.

May 12 & June 16, 1981

Affiliation fees: Div.1&2-\$110, Div.3-7-\$92 and Div.7 Community \$78.

Motion that the Referee Coordinator and Scheduler be one person's job and statistician be another job. Don Dancey Scheduler/Ref Coordinator, Donna Dancey-Statistician.

A committee was struck to write a VYSA Guide.

Motion that the top league be called Premier rather than Association.

August 25 & September 8, 1981

Motion that the Referee-in-Chief position be declared vacant and that Peter Scholfield be offered the position.

Motion that league winner be declared on the basis of the last completed round of play in which each team has played every team in its section once.

Referees and team officials are advised to listen to CKWX for notification of park closures.

Rob Hannah to bring in a budget for the Select teams.

October 15, & November 17, 1981

No action on park closure to be taken before 3PM on Fridays, then the only person to contact the Parks Board will be the Scheduler, Don Dancey.

Letter to Cliff Avenue saying that VYSA is not prepared to accept team but players are welcome to contact Div.1 coaches.

Notify BCYSA of VYSA's intent to participate in the Select (U18 & U16) program.

U18 Coach, G. Zambrano, Asst. Coach, Mike Bernardis, Manager, J. Moon, Manager and Asst. Mgr. Don Dancey.

Use of Killarney lights to be arranged for practices.

U16 Coach Roy Bendall, Asst. Lum, Manager, Heinz Heckl, Asst. Mgr. Dave Boyd.

Prov. Cup games that are tied after over-time and corners are to go into repeated over-time.

Brian Dunlop resigns. Donna Dancey is appointed for a one-year term and Peter Scholfield for a two-year term. Jack Betteridge takes over as Vice-Chair.

December 20, 1981

Letter to be sent to Parks Board, City Aldermen and news media strongly objecting to frequent park closures.

February 9, 1982

New letterhead accepted for VYSA, changing from flower to soccer ball.

March 9, 1982

Motion that the August 25th motion concerning standings being based on completed rounds be retracted and all leagues continue play to last possible date with games to be evened up.

\$120.00 to be donated to Windsor Church for use of facilities.

April 25, 1982 Annual General Meeting

63 present

Most teams played 11 games.

Motion that the Board is authorized to finance a Select program within the limit of \$1500.00.

Motion that the Board be assume responsibility for finding, reserving & scheduling an adequate number of all-weather fields so that no game will be cancelled except for snow.

1982-83 Board Officers

Chair Kam Dhillon, Vice-Chair Jacques Moon, Secretary Jackie Larson, Treasurer Jack Betteridge, Scheduler Don Dancey, Statistician Donna Dancey, Ref-in-Chief Peter Scholfield, Directors: Heinz Heckl, Don MacLean, Lino Bragagnolo, Dave Boyd, Tema Church, John Carr, Dave Crnica & Hugh Meikle.

May 25, 1982

Referee fees, Div.1&2 \$10.00 and Div.3-7 \$7.00, linesmen \$7.00.

Teams going up and down to another league should have the average points of that league.

June 21, 1988 First Club Presidents' Meeting

Kam Dhillon has gone out and measured every school gravel field in Vancouver and we acquired enough fields so that we can play until the end of the season.

Number of teams – 179.

Motion that teams moving up or down – the league points will be divided by the number of teams in the section.

Motion that the Board be increased to 14.

September 1 & October 6 1982

Motion to outlaw the use of bicycle flags for corner flags.

Special meeting with Mario Tomsich of the Parks Board. Strathcona and Oak Lit Fields should be open soon and they expressed hopes of better communication and a longer season.

November 24 & December 13, 1982

Heinz Heckl reports that only 23, players have come out for the U18 Select tryouts and only 8 of them would be chosen, therefore, there may not be a U18 Select team.

Don Dancy attends a Field Sports Federation meeting and it is Parks Board's intention to upgrade and improve fields used extensively.

January 17, 1982

Motion that, along with the already designated Folman District(Silver), Sportsmanlike team trophies be designated with the names: Durham Premier(Gold) and Duggan Community(Bronze).

February 21, 1983 Club Presidents' Meeting

This meeting was held because BC wanted to raise the affiliation fee by \$5.00 due to poor Prov. Cup Ticket sales. When asked "What advantage it is for a Community team to be affiliated?" George Graveson, from BCYSA, answered that they received the benefits of: the Whistle, Sun Tournament ticket availability, McDonald registration cards for free drinks, BC/Wash. Exchange, Whitecaps seasons tickets and the Dairyland Jamboree.

He stressed that non-affiliated teams cannot play against affiliated teams. If VYSA chose to not affiliate their Community teams then BC would have to look seriously whether VYSA was interested in remaining in BCYSA.

Motion to remain with BCYSA. Vancouver registered 2500 divisional players.

Motion that the Whistle be sent out on a subscription basis only. Request denied by BCYSA.

March 21 & April 18, 1983

Motion that the Board meeting be held on the same day and the same week of each month.

Motion that teams must receive 48 hours notice of games.

Reprimand letter issued regarding liquor found in a dressing room after finals at Swangard.

Jacques Moon requests the Secretary to record the number of incoming (494) and outgoing (504) calls between October '82 and March '83. 9,750 sheets of photo-copy paper is used in the season.

April 26, 1983 Annual General Meeting

Chair, Kam Dhillon, reports that the use of school fields has allowed us to play 20 games, compared to 8 if we had only the use of Parks Boards fields.

Motion to accept a three-tier system (Gold, Silver, Bronze.)

May 4, 1983

Chair: Kam Dhillon, Vice-Chr: Peter Scholfield, Secretary: Jackie Larson, Treasurer: Lyle Woodley

Name Drops

Tony Arruda, Lino Bragagnolo, Ray Coffin, Spencer Cotton, Tema Church, Doug Chapman, Ian Craig, Dave Crnica, Ray Dujardin, Alan Hay, Tom Kelly, Joseph Kolnegger, Gene Nagy, Brian North, Angelo Pappas, Shirley Salvail, Penny Santosham, Carl Tomei, Dick Watson, Pat Weatherall and Roy Willey.

Team Name Drop

Adega, Alamania, Columbus, Croatia, Dun. Corky's, Cycles, Falcons, Protects & Stongs, Edleweiss, Fraserview, Kens. Nu-West Video, Ker. Spartans, Kill. Rangers, Marp. Vikings & Warriors, Seagull Realty, Sava & SW Marine Dolphins

Affiliation fees: Div. 1&2 Premier \$275, Div. 1&2 District & Community \$225, Div. 3-7 \$200 & Div.7 Community Only \$175. Registration is based on 15 players; additional charged accordingly.

Lyle Woodley and Jacques Moon looking into the merits of having a computer.

Vancouver Youth Soccer -50 plus years of Soccer

June 7, 14 & July 13, 1983

Peter Scholfield tenders his resignation. Dennis Steeves fills the 14th position. Vice-Chair - Jacques Moon.
Motion to pay the Church rent in the amount of \$500.00 per year. *Motion* to request that BCYSA have the Referee-in-Chief - Glen Docherty , who would like the Jr. referees to attend Sr. meetings.
Resignation of Tema Church due to illness.
Treasurer, Lyle Woodley discusses liability insurance for the Board and the referees: \$2M for \$225.

August 30 & September 21, 1983

Motion that we participate in a U14 Select team.
Len Matthews and Larry Orchison become the 13th & 14th board members.

Discipline Committee: Jacques Moon, Jackie Larson & Heinz Heckl.

October 19 & November 16, 1983

Don Dancey receives letters from the Parks Board requesting an apology for his (almost slanderous) remarks regarding Carnarvon Park at a Sport Field Assn. meeting. The apology is sent and accepted.
Parks Board advises that there will be no permanent goal posts on Killarney but that Killarney has \$3000. for portable posts.

December 14, 1983

Don & Donna Dancey are not happy with the time it takes to hand-deliver the schedules to coordinators and finding out the teams are not getting them within 3 days.

January 18, 1984

It was felt that the sole purpose for supporting a Vancouver Select team is to expose the players to the BC Select team.

February 1, 15 & 26, 1984

All districts are handling their own discipline. BC looks after Inter-District and Provincial Cup discipline.

Norm Duggan passes away on January 28, 1984.

Referee’s meeting held with the intent to form a VYSA Referee’s Assn. and to affiliate with the BCSRA. Objective is to educate, promote and organize youth soccer by providing competent referees throughout Vancouver (will only accept a referee that is certified & has paid his annual fees.)

1st AGM held March 25/84, President: Mark Cheeseman, Vice-Chair: Gene Nagy.

March 29 & April 18 1984

Glen Docherty asks to step-down as Referee-in-Chief due to his personal workload; Peter Scholfield fills his position.
VYSA offers 4x\$250. scholarships to graduating players.
Kam Dhillon, Lino Bragagnolo & Len Matthews not running for next season.

April 30, 1984 Annual General Meeting

Announcement of passing of Tema Church at the age of 37 due to Leukemia. *Motion* that a scholarship be named after her.
A Metro League with district Select teams is formed.
Elected to the Board: Chair: Kam Dhillon, Vice-Chair: Ron Rothwell, Treasurer: Lyle Woodley, Secretary: Jackie Larson
New Directors: Dave Kilbey & Rod Jamieson,

May 9 & 16, 1984

Request by the Church elders that our meetings be Non-Smoking.

The then “Metro” program was run at the tail end of the winter league and players could play for their winter league team and then be chosen for this District-wide team. In 1984 District Chairs desired to have a Metropolitan League. The District would be responsible for selecting the teams either Select, Club or Club-Enriched. The District entered 5 Select teams and stipulated that a VYSA board member was to be appointed as the General Manager.

Motion that we enter 5 teams in the Metro League and that a committee be appointed to select team officials.

Metro League Chair: Ron Rothwell and General Manager: Heinz Heckl.

Affiliation fees: Div.1 Premier	\$275.00	Div. 7 Community only	\$175.00
Div.1 & 2 Prem, Dist & Comm.	\$225.00	Cost of a Club-Enriched Select team -	\$750.00
Div. 3	\$210.00		
Div. 4-7	\$200.00		

May 24, Presidents' Meeting & June 20, 1984

Concern about Prem, Dist & Comm teams having to subsidize the Metro teams. Request for an East and a West team.

Motion that the teams be called Vancouver United and be differentiated between green and white uniforms.

Lyle Woodley to explore accident & liability insurance for the 8 teams for a 5M limit.

That no sponsors' names be part of the team name or strip but can be recognized on auxiliary equipment such as sweat suits, jackets or bags. Sponsorship or patronage must be accepted by the Board.

Motion to use Vancouver Selects as the team name.

July 3, 1985 – 1st 'Select' meeting

VYSA Chair states that BCYSA will not allow the word 'Selects' in the Inter-District League – will now be known as Vancouver City FC.

August 8 & 27, 1984

Dave Crnica quits the Board.

Vancouver Field Users meeting to discuss drainage for Quilchena and Montgomery and an all-weather lit field at Jericho.

Heinz Heckl reports Inter-District League on track and uniforms, equipment coming in on time. Ron Rothwell to order scheduling computer software.

September 19 & 27, 1984

New Board members: Grace Jobse, Julie Upton and Margaret MacPhee. Resignation of Jacques Moon (after 10 yrs.) due to other commitments (Secretary, Pacific Coach League). 1st presentation of the Tema Church Memorial Scholarship.

Motion that Jackie Larson be Discipline Chairman, with Don Dunlop and Ian Dalglish. 152 divisional teams and 8 Van City teams. Vancouver down 31 teams, Delta down 200 players, so an over-all problem not just Vancouver.

October 28, 1984

Abandon 7-substitution rule and replace with unlimited.

April 17 & 28 Annual General Meeting, 1985

Div.1 & 2 refs' fees raised from \$10 to \$12.00.

Dave Kilbey leaving due to moving and Kam Dhillon resigning. Kam was the person responsible for the 3-tier system, 17 games per season due to his measuring all-weather fields and approaching school board.

Motion that VYSA be incorporated as a society with the proposed constitution and bylaws and that there will be an election of 7 members each year for a two-year term.

New members to the board are: Tommy Boyce & Derek Grant.

Motion that each person be entitled only to one vote.

Chair: Ron Rothwell, Vice-Chair: Don Dancey, Treasurer: Rod Jamieson, Secretary: Jackie Larson

May 15 & June 19, 1985

Ron Rothwell reports that Parks Board is calling for a tender on an artificial turf field at Strathcona.

Select teams in div.1-5. Ron Rothwell is also Chairman of the 8-District Inter-lock League (resigned Mar.'86). He will do the computer scheduling. Due to numbers of teams (players) drastically falling, Ron Rothwell is empowered to approach Burnaby and North Shore for a 3-District Inter-lock.

Change meeting night to the 3rd Monday of each month.

Motion to accept new computer schedule program.

The Strathcona & Chinese Community Centers to put in a soccer program; they have 5 teams of 8-12 yr. olds. VYSA donates considerable money in support of this, short-lived, program (see June 16'86 minutes.)

August 12 & September 8, 1985

Motion to accept the 3-District Inter-lock. Vancouver enters 37 Premier teams. There are 113 divisional teams and 9 Metro teams affiliated.

Dave Howden steps down after 23 years of coordinating the BC/Washington Exchange.

The first 16 week dated, printed computer-generated schedule is circulated. Don still filling in alternate fields.

Many districts are planning EXPO tournaments.

October 22, 1985

BC Board in considerable financial trouble and need to raise player registration fees.

Ron wants to work on a 3-District Guide and a contact list.

March 17, 1986

VYSA hold the first casino dates for fund-raising.

New VYSA Constitution approved and incorporation with the Society Act on March 19, 1986, thanks to Lyle Woodley.

Approval of artificial turf at Eric Hamber School.

April 20, 1986 (&May 7) Annual General Meeting

Peter Scholfield resigns from the Board as he has moved.

Donna Dancey stepping down from the Board. Don resigns from the position of Scheduler. Don and Donna Dancey presented with a silver tray for their 7 years on the board.

New Ruling: that Metro team players must reside in the district they play for.

Motion to include Div.6 in the Metro program.

Chair: Ron Rothwell, Vice-Chair: Don Dancey, Secretary: Jackie Larson, Treasurer: Rod Jamieson, Van City FC Gen. Mgr: Heinz Heckl, Directors: Geoff Herring & Don MacLean.

Paul Eberhardt to be Referee-in-Chief.

Motion to purchase a computer for the position of Secretary.

Name Drop

Mike Allina, Derek Banks, Colin Black, Joe Branco, M. Caflan, Pat Cash, Joe Ciresi, Charlie Cullin, Ian Dalgliesh, Tony DeLuca, Joe DeMelo, Marcel Dionne, Ralph DiScianni, Glen Docherty, Paul Eberhardt, Bill Egan, Ed Fraga, Jim Harvey, K. Hirani, Neil Jackson, Rob Jamieson, Christine & Roger Kearnes, Alf Kerr, A. Leakey, L. Matthews, Tony Melo, John Misera, Bob Mitchell, Dominic Mobilio, Dick Mosher, Steve Nicol, Larry Orchison, Joe Passmore, Jerry Poole, Nick Potis, V. Radeka, Rob Ricci, Ron Rothwell, Mo.Scott, Rick Skeats, Zlatko Svorinic, Mario Tomsich, G. Vickers, K. Vlachos, Bill Walraven, Wayne Worrall, George Zambrano and Steve Zibin.

Team Name Drop

Britannia Blizzard, Caffe Italia,,Dairyland Jamboree, Douglas Pk Athletics & Cobras, Dun. Cheshires & Big Bird Sounders, Encore Strikers, False Creek Whitecaps, ICSF Cosmos & Milan, Juventus, Indo-Canadian, Kensington Royals, Shoppers & Machine Works, Ker. Hawks, Rangers, Utd. & Whitecaps, Kil Free Spirits, Stings & Strikers, Ltl. Mtn. Eagles, Red Devils & Stings, Marp. Colourific & Magicians, PG Grey MCL Jaquars & Panthers, Porto, Renfrew Spartans, Tad's Sporting Goods, Trafalgar Dynamos & Jets, Vancouver Saints and W.End Utd.

February 2008

A facilitated meeting was followed by a Special General Meeting – motion passed that VYSA will go from a “*Youth District Registering Boys*” to a “*Youth District Registering Boys and Girls*.”

2009-2010

The Vancouver Youth Select (boys-VYSSA) became a society in 1991. From the mid-70's the Selects was run by the District. The **VYSSA** disbanded at the end of the 08/09 season and amalgamated with the Vancouver girls' teams that play in the Girls' Metro Soccer League (GMSL) and became known as the **Vancouver FC**.

January 2011 High Performance Premier League

District-represented committee meetings were followed by a January 22 '11 BCSA Special General Meeting where the membership accepted a new High Performance League (HPL) - BC Soccer in partnership with the Whitecaps FC. Vancouver/Richmond was chosen as one of the eight founding BC Soccer Premier League franchises. The Vancouver/Richmond Committee members, chaired by Karen Thompson, were David Haber, Jason Jordan, Tom Madden, Steve Kindel, Karen MacDonald, Steve Weston and Doug Long. Samir Gandesha, Bernie Poznanski, Tracie Galbraith, Gordon Johnson, Pat Banks, Marc Bowley and Ed Soltysik were also involved in gathering necessary background information. The Metro-Select league will field Division two teams.

(1949 – 1999) VYSA CELEBRATED ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY IN MAY, 2000. THANKS TO THOSE OF US WHO HAVE PAVED THE WAY AND TO THOSE WHO WILL FOLLOW IN OUR FOOTSTEPS.

If anyone knows the whereabouts of the minutes' books prior to 1965 please contact the VYSA.