## **CWC Report to the CSPA AGM**

The CWC consists of Phil Perry (Past Chair), Monique Andrie (Chair), Jeff Dean (Director of Courses), Daniel Grant (Ratings Processor), Burk Reiman and Dan Whitman.

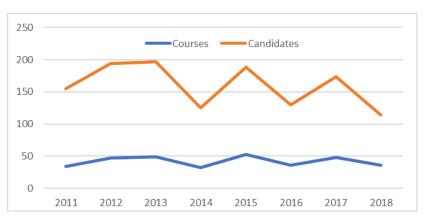
The CWC executed their succession plan in 2018, with Danny Grant taking on the Ratings Processor job from Phil Perry, Monique Andrie taking over the Chair from Phil, and Jeff Dean taking over the Director of Courses tasks from Monique. In addition, Jeff and Danny became members of the CWC. Nicholas Huard resigned from the committee due to work commitments.

In 2018 the following CSPA Coaching and Instructional Courses were run:

- Coach 1 21 Courses 71 Candidates
- Coach 2 8 Courses 24 Candidates
- Jumpmaster 1 Course 3 Candidates
- Skydiving School Instructor 3 Courses 8 Candidates
- Progressive Freefall Instructor 3 Courses 8 Candidates
- Total 36 Courses for 114 Candidates

The long term trend is fairly steady, with course volume on a 2-year cycle for reasons we don't understand. 2018 was a slow year for courses, but we anticipate running more in 2019.

All four of the new Learning
Facilitators who attended and passed
the Coach 1 LF training in 2017
completed their Coach 1 challenge
courses and are now active C1
facilitators. Other LFs continued in



their training, acquiring or working towards new ratings. In 2018, Jeff Dean achieved his PFFI Facilitator rating, and Pierre-Andre Gauthier and Aidan Walters are ready to challenge for PFFI, and Dan Whitman is ready to challenge for C2. We also worked with a number of promising and interested assistants in Coach 1 courses. We believe that increasing the supply of LFs will increase demand for courses, and are diligently working to fill the gaps we see as in the sport. The next Learning Facilitator training will be held in 2020. People who are interested in becoming Learning Facilitators should help evaluate on a few courses in 2019. The prerequisites for LF can be found in PIM 1.

With the "alternate pathway" to PFFI in place, an increasing number of PFFI candidates attend courses via this pathway rather than taking SSI or JM first. The lack of teaching ability (different from coaching) is definitely noticed and we are spending more time in the courses teaching candidates how to teach. Attending an SSI course prior to PFFI is very strongly recommended, even if a PFFI does not intend to teach the whole first jump course.

The FAI Ratings Conversion Process put into place in 2017 had some uptake, with about 8 inquiries and a few conversions.

In 2019 we have added a Freefly Ground Briefing requirement to the B CoP and removed the backfly 360 requirement from the B CoP. We have observed that trying different body positions presents some serious safety issues, and that the training provided to anticipate these is lacking. Our plan is to move towards improving the knowledge and training that novice jumpers receive before first trying non-belly body positions over the next two to three years. The Ground Briefing requirement before attempting to freefly is the first step in that process.

On behalf of the CWC, I would like to thank the BoD for their strong support and look forward to the coming year.

Monique Andrie, Chair – Coach Working Committee