

Jamie Rennie was the President of the RFABC from 2006-2008. He also served on the Executive of the Association for a period of time as the Lower Mainland Zone Director and also the Education Chairman. In addition to these duties, in 2003 Jamie co-chaired the annual RFABC Conference in Surrey with Louie Labbe, welcoming the attending delegates, spouses and Associate Members to the City. For his dedicated service to the Association Jamie was awarded the Bob Muir Memorial Trophy in 2005.



included the building of a staff team that were eventually selected to remain on duty during the duration of the games themselves. A second highlight was the fact that three Olympic long track speed skating records were set during these games. There were some concerns that the ice at the facility would be slow. This was due to it being located so close to sea level along with the associated higher air pressures to contend with versus other venues built at higher elevations.

Jamie provided some youthful and energetic leadership for the Association. During his Presidency the RFABC dealt with a couple of notable items. One such issue was working with the Canadian Recreation Facilities Council (CRFC) to build on the creation of a national certification process for facility operators. The second major project was working on expanding the scope and continuity of the Association's educational offerings.

Jamie is a 1992 diploma graduate of the two-year Recreation Facilities Management Program that was based at Vancouver Community College-Langara Campus (now known as Langara College). He then completed his online Bachelor of Commerce in Entrepreneurial Management degree through Royal Roads University in Victoria in 2003.

He started his recreation career in the summer of 1989 as a Slide Attendant at the Newton Wave Pool for the City of Surrey. As he progressed with the City, he took on more responsibilities and by 2004 he was the Manager, Arena Operations.

During the 2010 Olympic Winter Games Jamie was the Manager, Oval Operations for the Richmond Olympic Oval. One of his highlights in being part of this world class event



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Jamie is currently the Senior Manager, Facility and Operations-Arena for the Doug Mitchell Thunderbird Sports Centre at the University of British Columbia.

For his own personal recreation he keeps himself busy with camping, boating, spending time with his family, international travel and working in his family's New Westminster home yard.

When asked about his reasons for being part of the RFABC, Jamie indicated that it was the camaraderie, networking and relationships that are built with people that have similar interests in

working in recreation facilities. ■