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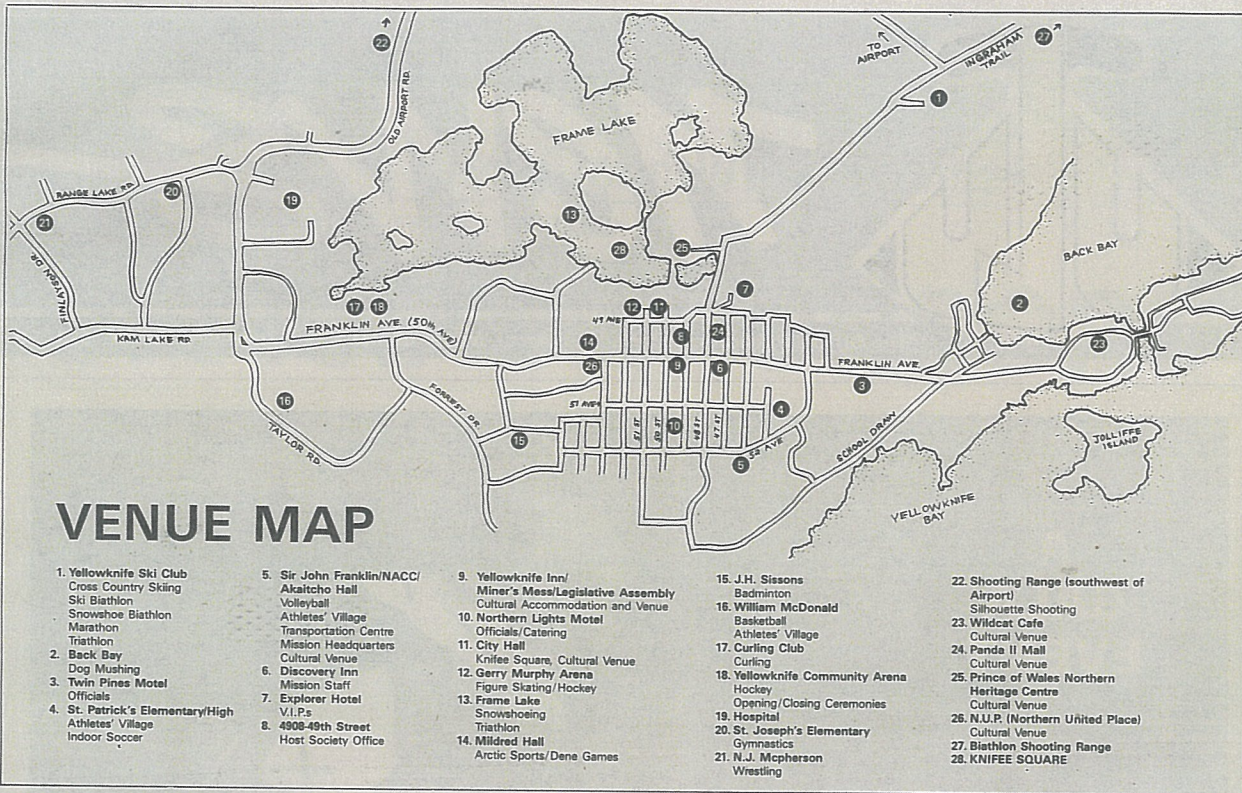
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Thursday, March 15

ARCTIC SPORTS & DENE GAMES

- Venue: NACC
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|----------|--|
| 11:00 am | Warm-Up Practice Open |
| 1:00 pm | Alaskan High Kick (Prelim) |
| | Open Men, Open Women, Jr Men, Jr Women |
| 2:00 pm | Head Pull (Prelim) |
| | Open Men |
| 3:00 pm | Arm Pull |
| | Open Women, Jr Men, Jr Women |
| 7:00 pm | Kneel Jump |
| | Open Men, Open Women, Jr Men, Jr Women |
| 8:00 pm | Head Pull (Finals) |
| | Open Men |
| 9:00 pm | Alaskan High Kick (Finals) |
| | Open Men, Open Women, Jr Men, Jr Women |
| 10:00 am | Medal Presentations - at venue |

BADMINTON

- Venue: J. H. Sissons Elementary School
- | | |
|----------|-------------------------|
| 8:30 am- | Round Robin Competition |
| 11:30 am | |
| 4:30 pm | Semi Final Matches |

BASKETBALL

- Venue: William McDonald Junior High
- | | |
|----------|----------------------------------|
| 8:00 am | Women AB vs NWT |
| 9:45 am | Men AB vs AK |
| 11:30 am | Women AK vs YT |
| 1:15 pm | Men NWT vs AK |
| 3:00 pm | Women AB vs YT |
| 4:45 pm | Men AB vs YT |
| 6:30 pm | Women AB vs NWT |
| 8:15 pm | Player Development Clinic |

CROSS COUNTRY SKIING

- Venue: YK Ski Club
- | | |
|----------|---|
| 8:00 am | Closed |
| 10:00 am | Open |
| 11:00 am | Free Technique |
| | Open Men 20 km |
| | Open Women 10 km |
| | Jr Men 10 km |
| | Jr Women 10 km |
| | Jv Boys 7.5 km |
| | Jv Girls 7.5 km |
| | Mdg Boys 5 km |
| | Mdg Girls 5 km |
| 1:00 pm | (Pr) Athletes only |
| 3:00 pm | Sport Corporation Meeting |
| 5:30 pm | Medal Presentations - Knife Square |
| 7:00 pm | Coaches Meeting |

CURLING

- Venue: Yellowknife Curling Rink
- | | |
|---------|---------------------------|
| 9:00 am | Team Warm-ups |
| 9:30 am | Open Mixed AK vs NWT |
| | Open Women AB vs NWT |
| | Jr Men AK vs AB |
| | YT vs NWT |
| 1:00 pm | Sport Corporation Meeting |
| 2:00 pm | Team Warm-ups |
| 2:30 pm | Jr Men AK vs NWT |
| | AB vs YT |
| | Jr Women AK vs AB |
| | YT vs NWT |

DOG MUSHING

- Venue: Back Bay
- | | |
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| 12:00 pm | Mushers Preparation Time |
| 1:00 pm | 5 km Race Open Jr |
| 2:00 pm | Closing Ceremonies |
| 5:30 pm | Medal Presentations - Knife Square |

FIGURE SKATING

- Venue: Gerry Murphy Arena
- | | |
|----------|---------------------------|
| 9:00 am | Sport Corporation Meeting |
| 10:00 am | Free Skate (Pr) |
| 7:00 pm | Free Skate Competition |

GYMNASTICS

- Venue: St. Joseph's Elementary School
- | | |
|----------|---------------------------------------|
| 9:00 am | Clinic |
| 1:00 pm | Team (Pr) |
| 5:30 pm | Warm-ups |
| 7:00 pm | Individual Competition |
| 10:00 pm | Medal Presentations - at venue |
| | Closing Ceremonies |

HOCKEY

- Venue: YK Arena and Gerry Murphy Arena (YK,GM)
- | | | |
|----------|---------------------------|----|
| 9:00 am | Sport Corporation Meeting | |
| 10:00 am | Pw AK vs NWT | YK |
| 12:00 pm | Women AK vs NWT | YK |
| 2:00 pm | Mdg NWT vs YT | YK |
| 4:00 pm | Mdg AB vs AK | YK |
| 6:00 pm | Men AK vs NWT | YK |

INDOOR SOCCER

- Venue: St. Patrick's High School
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|----------|---------------------------|
| 9:00 am | Jr Men GR vs YT |
| 10:00 am | Jr Women YT vs AK |
| 11:00 am | Jr Women NWT vs AB |
| 1:00 pm | Sport Corporation Meeting |
| 2:00 pm | Jr Men (A) Semi-Final |
| 3:00 pm | Jr Men (B) Semi-Final |
| 4:00 pm | Jr Women (A) Semi-Final |
| 5:00 pm | Jr Women (B) Semi-Final |

SILHOUETTE SHOOTING

- Venue: Yellowknife Shooting Club
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| 9:00 am | Individual Rifle Competition |
| 1:00 pm | Individual Handgun Competition |
| 5:00 pm | Medal Presentations - Knife Square |

SKI MARATHON

- Venue: YK Ski Club
- | | |
|---------|---|
| 9:00 am | Sport Corporation Meeting |
| 5:30 pm | Medal Presentations - Knife Square |

SKI/SNOWSHOE BIATHLON

- Venue: YK Ski Club Biathlon Range
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| 10:00 am | Sport Corporation Meeting |
| 2:00 pm | Ski Biathlon - Mixed Relays (Mass Start) |
| | Open Men/Women 3 x 7.5 km |
| | Jr Boys/Girls 3 x 6 km |
| 4:30 pm | Coaches Meeting |
| 5:30 pm | Medal Presentations - Knife Square |

SNOWSHOEING

- Venue: Frame Lake
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| 10:30 am | 10 km Women |
| 1:30 pm | 16 km Men |
| 5:30 pm | Medal Presentations - Knife Square |

TRIATHLON

- Venue: YK Ski Club, streets of Yellowknife, Skating Oval (Frame Lake)
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| 11:00 am | Sport Corporation Meeting |
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VOLLEYBALL Semi-Finals

- Venue: Sir John Franklin Territorial High School
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| 8:30 am | Jr Women 1st vs 4th |
| 10:30 am | Jr Women 2nd vs 3rd |
| 12:30 pm | Jr Men 1st vs 4th |
| 2:30 pm | Jr Men 2nd vs 3rd |
| 4:30 pm | Open Women 2nd vs 3rd |
| 6:30 pm | Open Men 1st vs 4th |
| 8:30 pm | Open Men 2nd vs 3rd |

WRESTLING

- Venue: N.J. Macpherson Elementary School
- | | |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| Round 2 (continued) | |
| 9:00 am | 74 kg 12 Matches Individual |
| 10:00 am | 82 kg 6 Matches Individual |
| 11:00 am | 90 kg 6 Matches Individual |
| Round 3 | |
| 1:30 pm | 57 kg 3rd vs 4th |
| 1:45 pm | 62 kg 3rd vs 4th |
| 2:00 pm | 68 kg 3rd vs 4th |
| 2:15 pm | 74 kg 3rd vs 4th |
| 2:30 pm | 82 kg 3rd vs 4th |
| 2:45 pm | 90 kg 3rd vs 4th |
| 4:00 pm | Sport Corporation Meeting |
| Round 4 | |
| 8:00 pm | 57 kg 1st vs 2nd |
| 8:15 pm | 62 kg 1st vs 2nd |
| 8:30 pm | 68 kg 1st vs 2nd |
| 8:45 pm | 74 kg 1st vs 2nd |
| 9:00 pm | 82 kg 1st vs 2nd |
| 9:15 pm | 90 kg 1st vs 2nd |
| 10:00 pm | Closing Ceremonies |

Cultural Festival

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| 12:00 pm | CBC Noonshow - Panda II (P) |
| 1:00 pm | Carving Exhibit opens - Wildcat (V) |
| 8:00 pm | Storytelling at the Mess - Miner's Mess (P) |

(Cover photo by Anya Heyck. Inset by Heather Raithby.)



Good marksmanship, as displayed by this member of the N.W.T. team, can make all the difference in biathlon. Photo by Michael Sharpe

Good shooting makes difference in biathlon

by Heather Raitby
Good shooting can make all the difference in the biathlon — even against faster skiers.

Alaskan Zack Steer, winner of the Junior Men's races on Tuesday and Wednesday, discovered this firsthand.

Superior shooting allowed him to narrowly

defeat his faster teammate Joshua Gillespie.

In long-distance biathlons, competitors normally have an extra minute added to their time for each missed target.

In yesterday's 10-kilometre race, however, competitors did penalty laps on a 150-metre track.

Competitors shoot at

targets about the size of a Canadian loonie from 50 metres away or at grapefruit-sized targets from 100 metres away.

Steer says he starts to mentally prepare for the shooting section about half a kilometre away from the targets.

At about 150 metres he slows down in order to lower his heart rate. This allows a steady hold on the rifle.

As a Junior he can only shoot from the prone position.

Steer has been a competitive skier for about three years but began training for the biathlon this year.

He hopes to make the American Junior national team next year.

precipitation.
Morning low of -10, high of -1.
Forecast for Friday, March 16:

Clearing towards afternoon and turning colder.
Morning low of -15, high of -10.

Twenty per cent chance of precipitation.

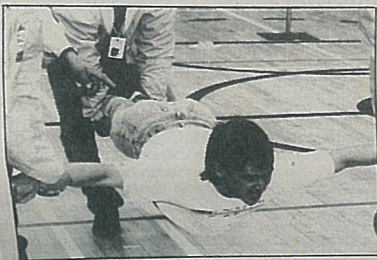
AWG Weather Watch

Forecast for Thursday, March 15:

Mainly cloudy with chances of light snow. Forty per cent chance of



Liz Brewster of Alaska (above) packs up her rifle in ski biathlon yesterday. A member of the N.W.T. snowshoe biathlon team leaves the gate Tuesday. Top photo by Heather Raitby, bottom by Michael Sharpe



Just a little bit further...

One of the most difficult events in the Arctic Sports competition is the air-plane, where athletes must hold their body rigid while being carried along a set track. Photos by Michael Sharpe



AWG Day 3 results (As reported at 6 p.m.)

Ulu Standings

TEAM	GOLD	SILV	BRON	TOTAL
ALASKA	20	16	12	48
NWT	9	13	17	39
YUKON	8	10	8	26
GREENLAND	3	1	1	5
N. ALBERTA	1	0	0	1

BADMINTON - OPEN

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#237	WIN	C1 MIXED A2 VS N2	ALASKA	OPEN MIXED DOU	15 15
	LOSS				
	WIN				

BADMINTON - JUNIOR

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#246	LOSS	C1 MIXED A1 VS Y2	ALASKA	JUNIOR MIXED DOU	6 0
	WIN				
	WIN				

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#247	LOSS	C2 MIXED Y1 VS A2	NWT	JUNIOR MIXED DOU	10 11
	WIN				
	WIN				

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#255	WIN	C1 MIXED G1 VS Y2	GREENLAND	JUNIOR MIXED DOU	15 15
	LOSS				
	LOSS				

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#263	WIN	C3 MIXED G1 VS G2	GREENLAND	JUNIOR MIXED DOU	11 15 10
	LOSS				
	LOSS				

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#264	LOSS	C2 MIXED N1 VS N2	NWT	JUNIOR MIXED DOU	11 5
	WIN				
	WIN				

BADMINTON - JUVENILE

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#267	LOSS	C3 MIXED A2 VS N1	ALASKA	JUV MIXED DOU	2 4
	WIN				
	WIN				

BADMINTON - JUVENILE

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#268	LOSS	C2 MIXED Y1 VS N2	NWT	JUV MIXED DOU	5 7
	WIN				
	WIN				

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#269	LOSS	C1 MIXED A1 VS Y2	ALASKA	JUV MIXED DOU	6 11
	WIN				
	WIN				

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#270	WIN	C3 MIXED Y1 VS Y2	YUKON	JUV MIXED DOU	15 15
	LOSS				
	LOSS				

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#271	WIN	C2 MIXED N1 VS N2	NWT	JUV MIXED DOU	15 15
	LOSS				
	LOSS				

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#272	LOSS	C1 MIXED A1 VS A2	ALASKA	JUV MIXED DOU	16 2
	WIN				
	WIN				

BASKETBALL - JUNIOR MEN

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#290	WIN	NWT VS ALBERTA	ALBERTA	JUNIOR MEN	117
	LOSS				
	LOSS				

BASKETBALL - JUNIOR WOMEN

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#306	LOSS	ALBERTA VS ALASKA	ALASKA	JUNIOR WOMEN	48
	WIN				
	WIN				

CURLING - OPEN WOMEN

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#343	LOSS	S3 YUKON VS NWT	NWT	OPEN WOMEN	5
	WIN				
	WIN				

CURLING - JUNIOR MEN

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#353	LOSS	S6 NWT VS ALBERTA	ALBERTA	JUNIOR MEN	9
	WIN				
	WIN				

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#354	LOSS	S4 ALASKA VS YUKON	ALASKA	JUNIOR MEN	6
	WIN				
	WIN				

CURLING - OPEN

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#373	LOSS	S5 YUKON VS NWT MXD	NWT	OPEN MIXED	3
	WIN				
	WIN				

HOCKEY - SENIOR MEN

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#414	WIN	(YK) YUKON VS ALASKA	ALASKA	SENIOR MEN	7
	LOSS				
	LOSS				

HOCKEY - MIDGET

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#426	WIN	(YK) ALBERTA VS YUKO	ALASKA	MIDGET	6
	LOSS				
	LOSS				

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#427	WIN	(YK) NWT VS ALASKA	ALBERTA	MIDGET	5
	LOSS				
	LOSS				

INDOOR SOCCER - JUNIOR MEN

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#449	WIN	YUKON VS ALBERTA	ALASKA	JUNIOR MEN	5
	LOSS				
	LOSS				

INDOOR SOCCER - JUNIOR WOMEN

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#459	WIN	ALBERTA VS YUKON	ALASKA	JUNIOR WOMEN	2
	LOSS				
	LOSS				

INDOOR SOCCER - JUVENILE MEN

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#470	WIN	ALASKA VS YUKON	ALASKA	JUVENILE MEN	3
	LOSS				
	LOSS				

INDOOR SOCCER - JUVENILE WOMEN

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#477	WIN	ALASKA VS YUKON	ALASKA	JUVENILE WOMEN	6
	LOSS				
	LOSS				

VOLLEYBALL - JUNIOR MEN

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#556	WIN	C1 NWT VS ALBERTA	ALBERTA	JUNIOR MEN	15 15
	LOSS				
	LOSS				

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#557	LOSS	C1 ALASKA VS YUKON	ALASKA	JUNIOR MEN	4 7
	WIN				
	WIN				

VOLLEYBALL - JUNIOR WOMEN

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#570	WIN	C2 ALASKA VS ALBERTA	ALASKA	JUNIOR WOMEN	15 15
	LOSS				
	LOSS				

Game #	Result	Team	Contingent	Team/Athlete	Points/Goals
#571	WIN	C2 NWT VS YUKON	NWT	JUNIOR WOMEN	15 10 17
	LOSS				
	LOSS				

DOG MUSHING - OPEN JUNIOR

Game #	Rank	Athlete or Team Name	No.	Contingent	Time/Pts/Dist
#378	4	O'CONNOR, KATHLEEN (KAT)	1131	NWT	:19:38
	5	KNUTSON, TAMMY	2143	YUKON	:20:28
	6	KNUTSON, SARAH	2144	YUKON	:21:17
	BROH	BECK, HEATHER	1130	NWT	:18:58
	GOLD	CONN, PAUL	3118	ALASKA	:17:11
	SILV	WHITE, KELLY	3119	ALASKA	:17:56

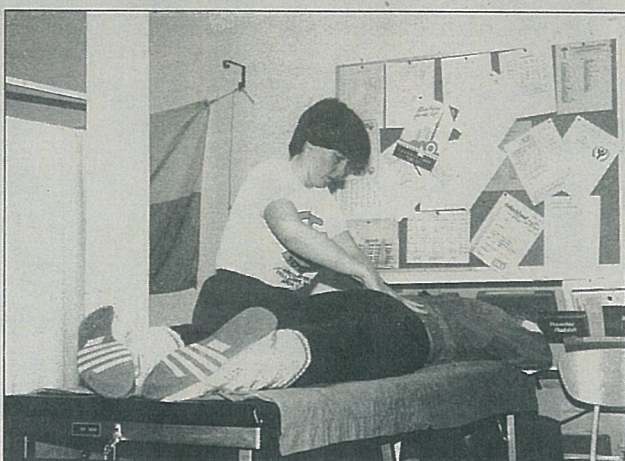
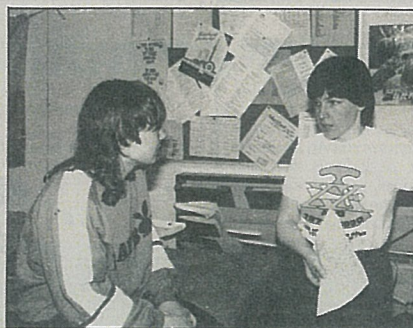
GRENADE SHOOTING

Game #	Rank	Athlete or Team Name	No.	Contingent	Time/Pts/Dist
#482	1	BICKISH, DAVID	1248	NWT	---40
	2	SARAJANJAT, ELIAS	1252	NWT	---39
	3	SOUCEK, TOM	3246	ALASKA	---36
	4	BUNCH, KEN	3248	ALASKA	---33
	5	MIDGETT, A.K. (BUTCH)	2223	YUKON	---33
	6	GORDON, ANDREW	3247	ALASKA	---32
	7	WOLSKY, DENNIS	2228	YUKON	---30
	8	INCROCCI, CLAUDIO	1249	NWT	---24
	9	DAVIS, MICHAEL	2227	YUKON	---23

SNOWSHOEING - OPEN

Game #	Rank	Athlete or Team Name	No.	Contingent	Time/Pts/Dist
#508	BROH	MIXED TEAM SHUTTLE 4X	1940	NWT	6:58-91
	GOLD	MIXED TEAM SHUTTLE 4X	3940	ALASKA	6:28-81
	SILV	MIXED TEAM SHUTTLE 4X	2940	YUKON	6:54-94

Massage therapists ease aches and pains of AWG competition



by Heather Rathby

For the first time, massage therapists are at the Arctic Winter Games to

help ease away the aches and pains of strenuous competition.

The response has been overwhelming, says massage therapist Darlene Robertson.

"I think the numbers tell the story. We can hardly keep up," she says.

On the first day about 38 people showed up at the clinic in St. Pat's School. By the second day of competition numbers swelled to 54 and show no sign of letting up, she says.

There are six therapists working at the Games. Two were brought in from Saskatchewan, three from Alberta and one is a local Yellowknife massage therapist.

They are volunteering their time, but major expenses have been covered, says Robertson.

For those with athletic injuries, a team of physiotherapists and an athletic trainer are also on duty.

"We're seeing lots of ankle sprains and some hand injuries," says physiotherapist Brenda McNair.

The physiotherapists assess the injury and have a variety of treatments including ice-packs, electrotherapy and taping injuries.



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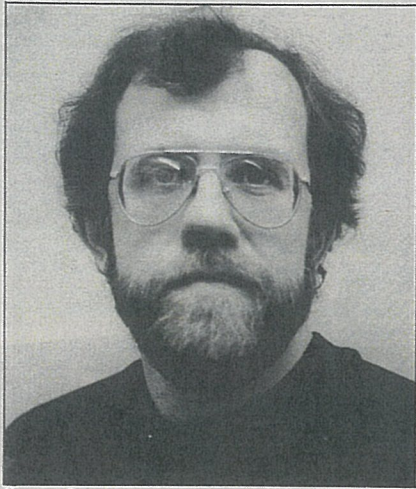
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CULTURAL FESTIVAL



Conrad Boyce

There are strange things done under the midnight sun...

by Anya Heyck

Conrad Boyce has been wearing two hats for a number of years.

A journalist by trade, Boyce left southern life in 1978 when he successfully auditioned for a part in the tourist-oriented vaudeville show "Frantic Follies" in Whitehorse, Yukon.

Boyce made a full-time living from vaudeville in the summer. His acting and singing abilities kept him working at a variety of conventions in the winter.

Boyce says he got his first real exposure to writer Robert Service's poems and lyrics in 1978.

"He's so much fun to recite," he says, adding Service really captures the spirit of the Yukon with his characters and the language he uses. "That's why

people really relate to his poems."

This week during the Arctic Winter Games, Boyce has been reciting Robert Service's works to audiences who are alternately captivated then chortling with laughter.

Everyone has their favorites, he says. When he's asked to recite Service's poems at the Yukon Sourdough Festival, he rarely receives requests for the same poem twice in one evening.

Top three favorites

The top three favorites for Yukon audiences, according to Boyce, are Service's two best known poems, "The Cremation of Sam McGee" and "The Shooting of Dan McGrew" and the lyrical "The Spell of the Yukon."



"Good God, it's heavy!" Conrad Boyce says of the buffalo hide coat he wears when performing. The coat, made in 1912, was worn by the RCMP as part of their uniform. Photos by Anya Heyck

In 1980 Boyce put together a one-man show of poems, from a book published by Service in 1919, set to music.

Boyce further immersed himself in Service lore in the summers of 1984 and 1985 when he took on the contract for looking after the original cabin Service lived in and reciting his works twice a day for tourists.

During the summers of 1987, 1988 and 1989, Boyce ran his own tourist show; a historical play —

which he wrote — about the time of the Klondike gold rush called "Eldorado."

Historical play

Boyce says although the play is historical, it does have a plot, character development, turn of the century "music hall" music and of course some choice words by Robert Service.

Service's poems and lyrics help describe the north — travelling over land, northern lights.

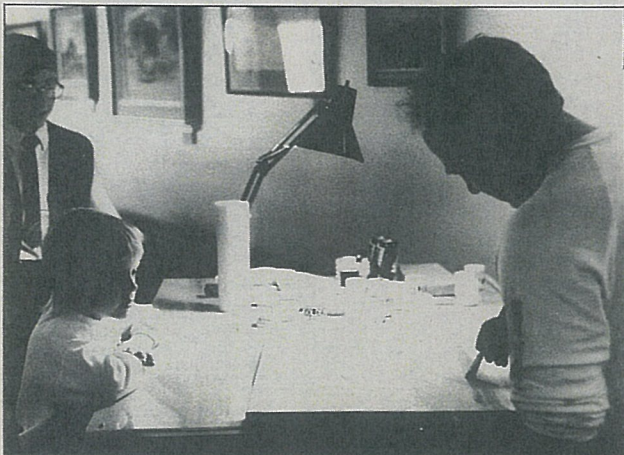
Boyce says the material

in the play changes from year to year.

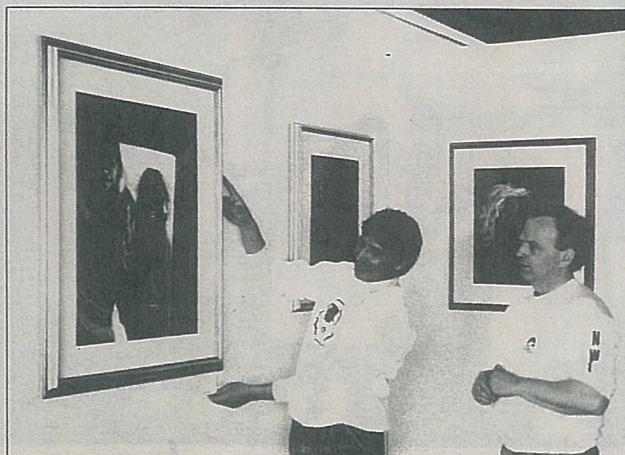
This summer would have been the fourth for the play but Boyce says he is taking a long-deserved vacation. It will be his first summer off since 1982.

Boyce plans to explore Alaska and travel the full length of the Dempster Highway. So far he says he's only been able to make it half way up!

In addition to his acting career, Boyce is also the coordinator of the Yukon Science Institute.



Brian MacDonald demonstrates painting techniques at the art exhibit of N.W.T. Arts Council grant recipients. Looking on is Kirk Johnson. Photo by Anya Heyck

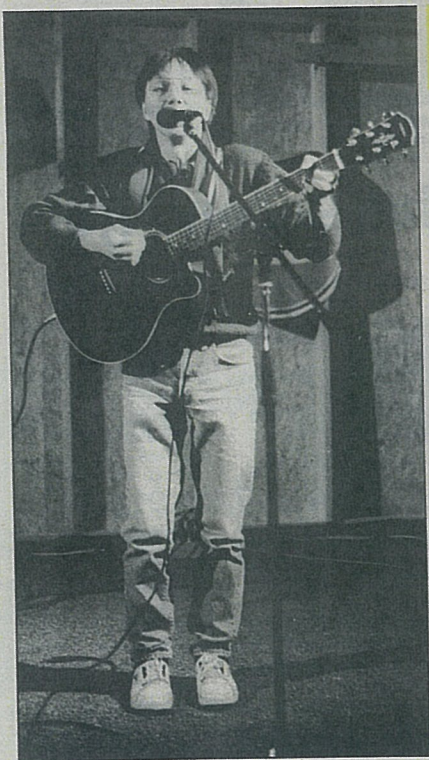


Artists Dolphus Cadieux and Brian MacDonald helped set up the 27 pieces in the exhibit by N.W.T. Arts Council grant recipients. Photo by Anya Heyck

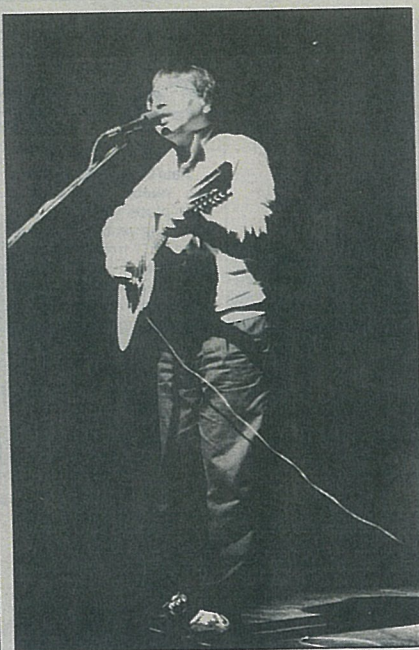


The AWG's Gala Evening of Performing Arts features (clockwise from above) drummers from the Soviet Union's "Imlya", James Ukpaga of the Baker Lake Traditional Performers from the N.W.T., Randy Irwin of Alaska, and the Ross River Drummers from the Yukon. Photos by Anya Heyck



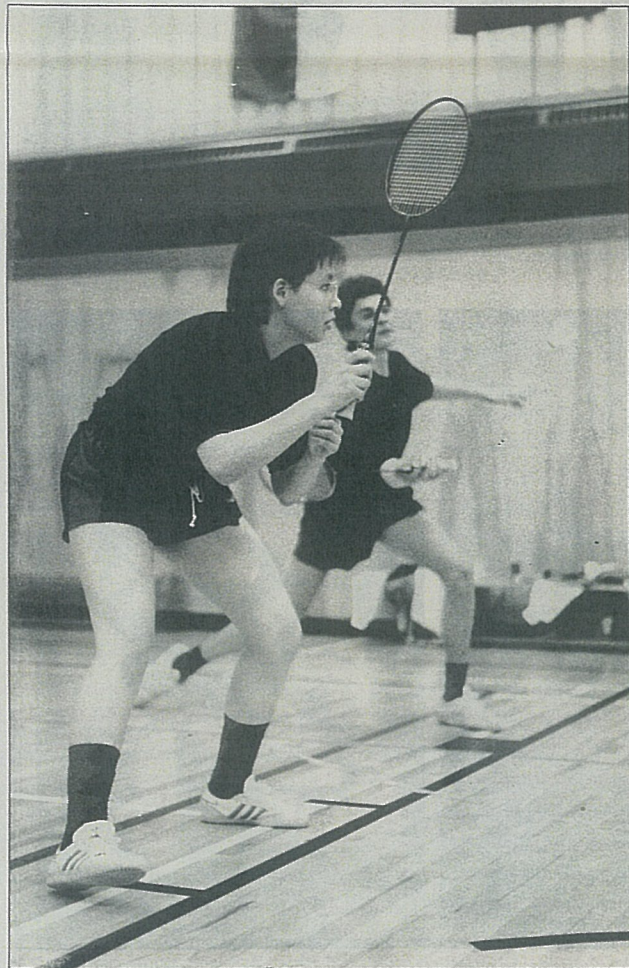


Shown here are "Imlya" (upper left, lower right), the Ross River Drummers (above), Juaaka Lyberth of Greenland (bottom centre), UIF Fliasher of Greenland (bottom left), and the Metis Reelers of the N.W.T. (middle left). Photos by Anya Heyck





Bhaskar Neogi competes for Alaska in Mixed Jr. Doubles. Photo by Heather Raithby



A Greenland team in action. Photo by Heather Raithby

195 games in a week

by Heather Raithby
Badminton players are being kept busy with a hectic schedule that sees them playing up to seven games a day.
"It gets you into playing," says Yukon athlete Lesley Gardner. "You're constantly warm and ready to play."
But by the end of the day, Gardner says she's tired.
"Lots of games keep your game sharp," says Jung Lee, of Alaska. Badminton has three

courts at Sissons School on the go almost constantly.
There are 195 games scheduled to determine the first three places in each category, says Dennis Crane, sport chairperson and head official.
Each player is in singles, mixed doubles and doubles matches.
"We follow a set round-robin where everyone has a chance to play everyone else," says Crane. "We try to avoid back-to-back

matches."
Badminton has teams from Alaska, Yukon, Greenland and the N.W.T. As one of the original sports of the Arctic Winter Games, it's also an equal opportunity sport for both sexes and all ages," says Crane.
He predicts "good white-knuckle" badminton between the Yukon and N.W.T. men's teams and a strong showing from the N.W.T. women.



Anja Blicher, above, and Minik Kleist of Greenland compete in mixed doubles. Photo by Heather Raithby

Comeback player of the AWG

by Cam Lockerbie
Matt Porter from Trapper Creek, Alaska, is in the running for the best comeback player of the 1990 Games.
Porter went from being passed out on the floor of an Athletes Village cafeteria to winning a gold ulu in Migdet Boys cross-county skiing.
According to coach Eric Menck, Porter hadn't slept or eaten for more than 24 hours when he apparently passed out in line at the cafeteria.
"I guess it was a case of the excitement getting to him," says Menck.
The 12-year-old skier was taken to Stanton Yellowknife Hospital, checked over and then released in the care of his father.
Porter's father had accompanied the youth on the trip from Alaska and was staying in a private residence in Yellowknife, where the young skier spent several hours resting before heading to the trails for gold.

Conn wins second gold

by Page Burt
Paul Conn of Ester, Alaska, swept to a second first-place finish in dog mushing yesterday with a time of 17 minutes and 14 seconds.
Yesterday's 7.5-kilometre race saw the mushers competing on a

fast trail on the ice of Yellowknife's Back Bay.
Kelly White of Alaska finished second with a time of 17 minutes and 56 seconds.
In third place was Heather Beck of Yellowknife, N.W.T., with a time of 18:58.

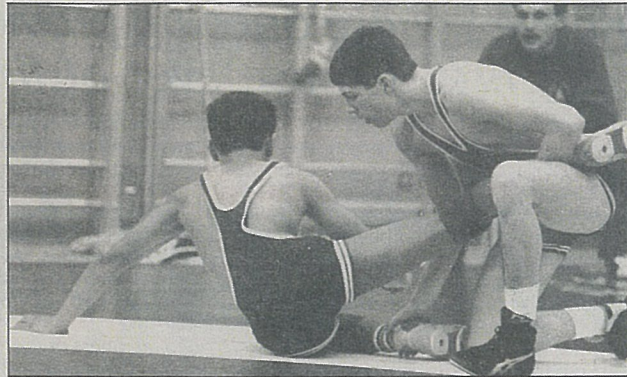
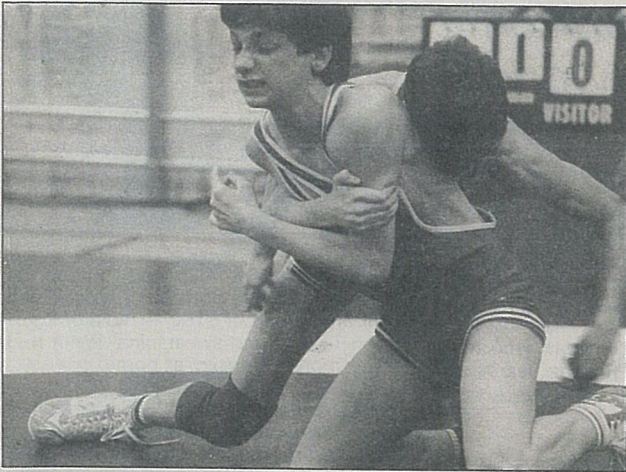
Katie O'Connor, also of Yellowknife, placed fourth with a time of 19:38.
Tammy Knutson of Whitehorse, Yukon, came in fifth at 20:28, while her sister Sarah was sixth with a time of 21:17.
The Arctic Winter Games dog mushing events are run at the Junior level with competitors aged 12 through 16.

N.W.T. women end three-year drought

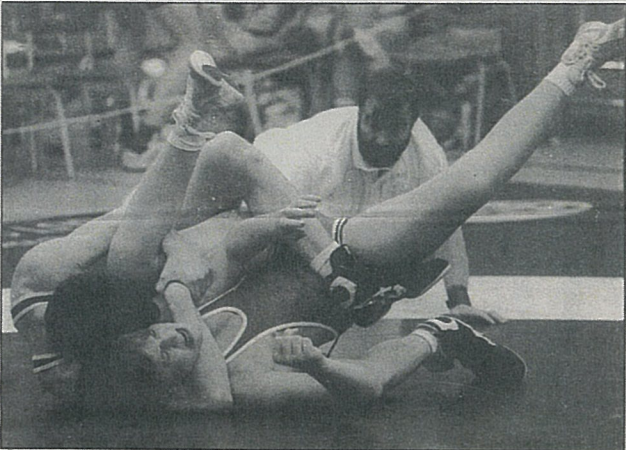
by Heather Raithby
The N.W.T. women's hockey team won its first game after three years of competing at the Arctic Winter Games.
The N.W.T. all-star team beat the Yukon 6-2 two nights ago.
The team had lost to the Yukon and Alaska in previous games.

"We finally came together and played well," says player Michelle Phillip.
Teammate Martha Cook says this is the first time the N.W.T. has been represented by an all-star team.
"When the team came from a small community, we never stood a chance."

These young mushers, as sled dog drivers are called, often have full care of their teams. They handle the care, breeding, training and conditioning of their dogs.
These races are an exciting and colorful event.
You only have one more chance to catch them — today at 1 p.m. — when they run the five-kilometre race!
Medals will be awarded today at 5:30 p.m. at Kniffee Square.



Wrestling action Wednesday saw matches between Ron Gonzales of the N.W.T. and Alaska's Justin Jackson (above and bottom left), Alaska's Ryan Webb and N.W.T.'s Darrow Andrew (bottom right), Alberta's Bob Buchan and Alaska's Jason Steadman (middle left) and Yukon's Desmond Harris and Alaska's Ravel Holmquist. Photos by Cam Lockerbie



No heavyweights, please

by Cam Lockerbie
Team Yukon's wrestlers are sure to get a lift after every match, win or lose, in the 1990 Arctic Winter Games.

When an athlete comes off the mat, he is mobbed by his teammates and coach. They grab his arms, legs and back, and hurl him into the air.

Coach Dave Langill says the move is part of the program at the Whitehorse Crusaders Wrestling Club.

"Wrestling is a tough game. It's very difficult

when you lose. This lets the athletes know that, win or lose, they're part of the team and they've made a contribution," he says.

Langill draws the line with the heavyweight wrestlers though. They throw him in the air.

The Alaskan team is dominating the competition, winning the vast majority of its matches.

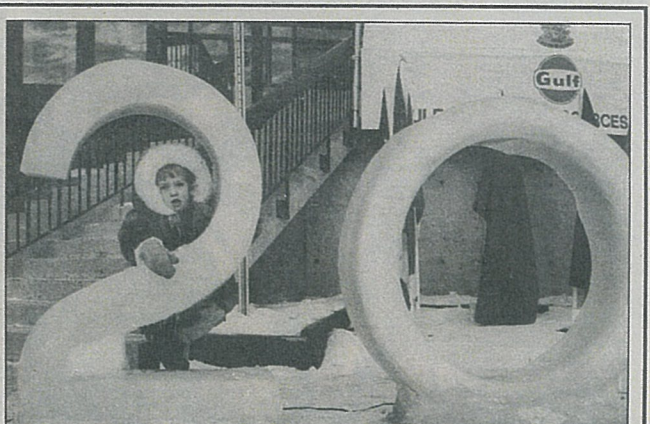
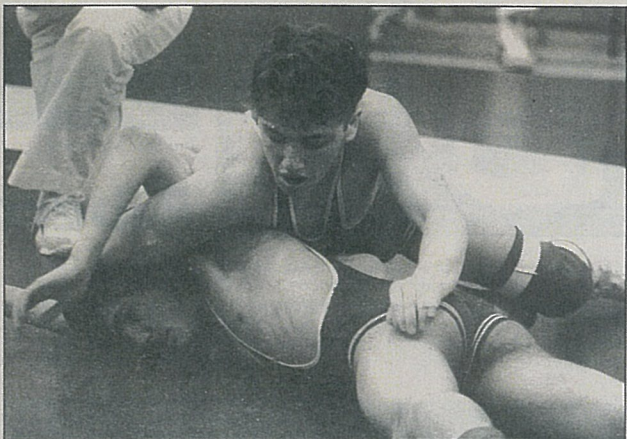
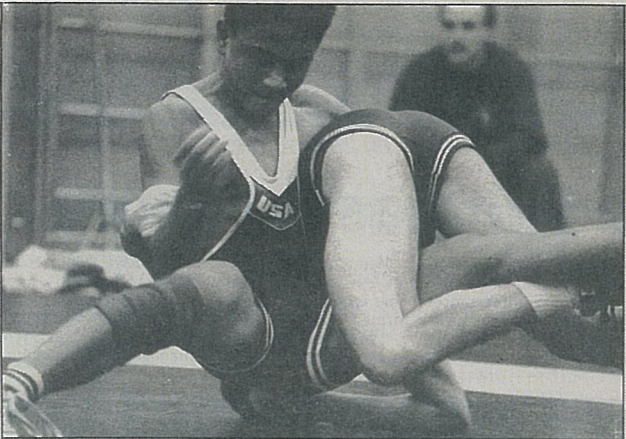
"Wrestling was dropped from the Games in '78, so our guys have only been wrestling for a couple of years. In Alaska, they didn't stop," says Langill. Alaskan Coach Doug

Jackson is pleased with his team's performance so far.

"We really didn't know what to expect. Yes, we're winning a lot of our matches but there are a lot of good athletes here. Our guys are having to work for their points."

The final round action is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. today at N.J. McPherson school.

Organizers changed the times for the final rounds to give the athletes a full day off. If they hadn't, the wrestlers would have had five matches in three days.



The 20th anniversary of the AWG doesn't really mean much to Travis Wood of Yellowknife — other than a neat place to play. Photos by Cam Lockerbie

Kniffee Square opening provides some with first glimpse ever of fireworks...

Providing security for 1,147 Arctic Winter Games participants billeted in the three Games' villages has been much easier than anticipated.

Harold Cruickshank, who heads the 65-volunteer security contingent, states it's simply because of the great cooperation of almost everyone involved.

"The athletes are very cheerful and helpful and it's a pleasure working with them."

Other than five very minor incidents, only two other infractions have been reported — both involving team officials. One was an overzealous person who was spray painting skates in a dorm, the other an unhappy person who broke a plexiglass panel in a door.

Great news for the cooks. We asked 12

athletes how they liked the food. Six replied "great" and four answered "good." The only criticism: those darn food lines are too long.

Kniffee Square has been a booming success. Sports and culture make for a great Arctic Winter Games. We heard from some of the spectators last night that it was the first time they had seen fireworks.

Two members of the Yukon team who arrived in Yellowknife with flowing beards can now make commercials for Gillette razor blades.

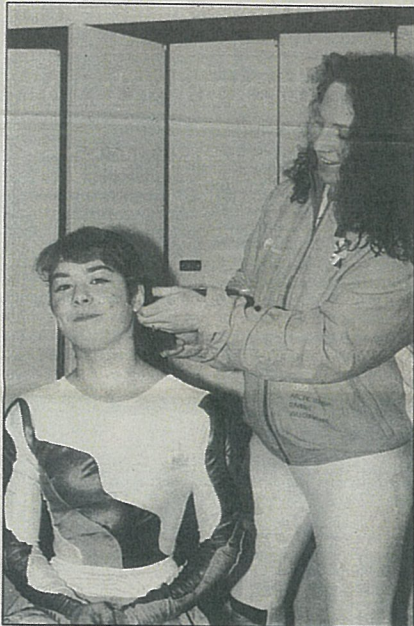
Many Alaskans tell us there's a big difference between our water and theirs...

JACK'S POT



With the Games half over, our survey shows the average participant has already spent an average of \$100 — most of it going on T-shirts and sweatshirts. We're told they're more expensive at home...

Coach Kevin Jenkins of the Alaskan Junior soccer team has an all-weather travelling club. Last June, they did a tournament in San Francisco where it was so hot they played their games at 7:30 a.m. Look at them now...



Claire Strauss (above) gets her hair braided and jelled by coach Andrea Rodger. Team Yukon (below) took time out from practice Wednesday for a group photo. Team Yukon members include (bottom right) Mollie Lang and Tracey Champman. Photos by Heather Raithby



The host Northwest Territories gymnastic team poses for the Ulu News. Photo by Heather Raithby

Alberta gymnasts favored

by Heather Raithby
Alberta is the favorite for the gold medal when it comes to gymnastics if they can make their difficult moves work.

Although several of Alberta's competitors also have 'C' level moves, most of the other gymnasts have only 'A' and 'B' moves.

Marks are awarded both for level of difficulty and how well a move is performed.

"We're just going to try to be real neat on our

skills," says Yukon coach Andrea Rodger.

"Sometimes it's better to do a simpler move and make it stick," adds floor manager Ed Bennington.



Controlled chaos in kitchen

by Heather Rathby
It's "controlled chaos" in the makeshift trailer kitchen at St. Pat's High School, says catering contractor Glen Leitch.

About 1,250 hungry athletes come in for every breakfast, lunch and dinner.

The staff prepares meals from about 4:30 a.m. to midnight.

"We believe feeding the kids is Number One no matter what the hours," says Leitch.

There's lots of meat and potatoes, vegetables, fruit and juice (no pop) available. The caterers brought 45,000 pounds of food with them from Edmonton when they came.

Leitch says the first day was the most hectic when they served 2,000 lunches, then 4,000 main course dinners.

"I'm not sure we've recovered yet," says Leitch.

Shown here in the AWG cafeteria are (clockwise from upper left): Alberta soccer player Rudy Peters; the "crazy" kitchen staff; Wendy Stevenson of the N.W.T. ski team and caterer Ian Leitch; N.W.T. athletes; Alberta's Junior Women's volleyball team, and Mollie Lang of the Yukon gymnastics team. Photos by Heather Rathby



Top Ten Pins

- 1) Alaska gold.
- 2) CBC pin with yellow handle.
- 3) Gold AWG host pin.
- 4) Greenland pin.
- 5) Smooth Alberta gold.
- 6) "Our Spirit" button.
- 7) Yukon dog mushing.
- 8) Gold N.W.T. host pin.
- 9) Russian pin.
- 10) Yukon snowshoe pin.

N.W.T., Y.T. join forces to win ulu

Team N.W.T. and Team Yukon combined in an unusual way to win the silver ulu in the women's team triathlon event.

The N.W.T. team had only two women competitors, while the Yukon had a single women athlete.

All were competing in the individual events but in the true spirit of the games, Marian LaPalme Sue Lucas and Carolyn Heathcott joined forces to take the silver ulu.

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