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First Arctic Winter Games off and running



THE COLOUR PARTY

The Parade preceding the Opening Ceremonies of the Arctic Winter Games and which featured 700 Athletes and Participants was viewed and enjoyed by the entire permanent and temporary populace of Yellowknife.

Under the direction of Captain G. Weston, the parade was controlled by his second in charge Lieutenant D. Johnston and was led by their Colour Party made up of Yellowknife Army Cadets, followed by a Colour Guard of Royal Canadian Mounted Police and Alaska State Police.

The colourful display created

by the parading Athletes and Officials resulted in an electrifying atmosphere which continued throughout and was brought to a peak by the presence of the Prime Minister of Canada, the Right Honorable Pierre Elliot Trudeau, in the Opening Ceremonies at which he presided.

The president of the Arctic Winter Games Society, Doug Finlayson introduced the various dignitaries before the Prime Minister lit the torches to officially open the first Arctic Winter Games.



THE P.M. LIGHTS THE GAMES TORCH



Prime Minister Trudeau officially opening the Arctic Winter Games



YUKONERS INCLUDE PRETTY "MISS YUKON"



Dignitaries at the opening ceremonies.

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Ulu news, Ulu awards, hey - what is this Ulu anyway????? The Eskimos competing in the Arctic Games can answer easily enough, but to the uninitiated, an ulu is a hand made crescent shaped knife used by the Eskimos for cutting up whales. The blade is usually made of copper or steel, with a handle of bone. Oh yes -- it is pronounced - oo loo.....Got it???????



Folk Song Special



Folk songs with special meaning to people of the North were sung with heartfelt understanding by the Tundra Folk '70 during a Northern Hootenanny held on Saturday and Sunday nights in the Public School Auditorium.

This folk singing group which first performed when they travelled down the Mackenzie River on the '67 Centennial BARGE brought the hundreds of residents and visitors to laughter and near tears as they sang their stories of living North of 60.

They told of the excitement and anticipation of the people

in Inuvik awaiting the arrival of "The First Barge of the Year", and of humorous and friendly implications in "Hurray for the Priests, Preachers and Teachers, but especially the R.C.M.P."

The appreciation expressed by the audience was rewarding to the performers who were able to communicate in this Arctic atmosphere created by the Games.

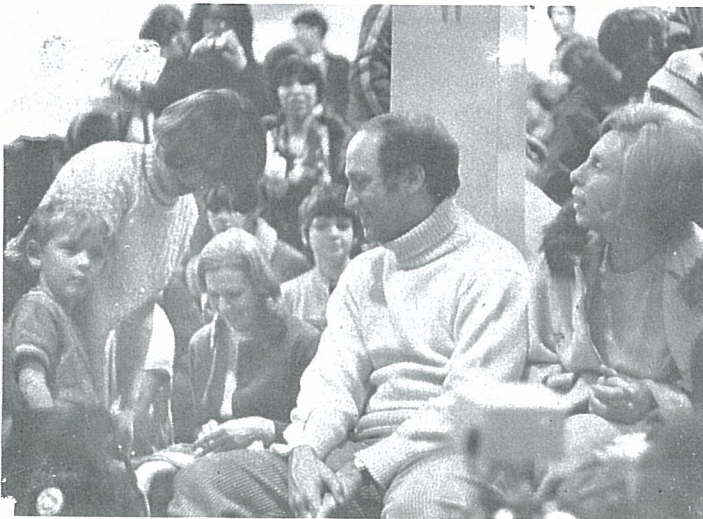
In addition their repertoire included songs from France, Poland, Ireland, Scotland, other parts of Canada, Israel and others.

MONDAY'S SPORTS RESULTS

Hockey: N.W.T. YUKON
4 3

Senior Men's Basketball
ALASKA YUKON
101 81

Junior Boys Basketball
N.W.T. YUKON
58 24



Prime Minister Trudeau and Mrs. Bud Orange, wife of N.W.T. M.P., take in the Yukon-Alaska basketball games.



Alaskan Captain Jimmy Reese meets the Hon. John Munro

Basketball puts Alaskans ahead

The athletics events of the Arctic Winter Games were launched on Monday night at 7:30 when Alaska and the Yukon met in a Senior Basketball game with Alaska coming out on top by a score of 101 to 81.

Alaska put the Yukon under pressure from the beginning with a surge which was apparent from their early move toward ball control.

Their reputation and appearance seemed to force the Yukon coach to improvise his strategy throughout the game and to advise his players to exert their greatest effort.

Even though the Yukon team was able to hold its Alaskan counterpart to a 55 - 45 deficit at half time through the efforts of Ken McKinnon and Melvin Dorey, the players from the North Pacific coast were able to retain and increase their lead during the latter part of the game.

The top scorers for the winning Alaskan team were Jim Dobbler with 28 points and Miller with 15 and although he was working on a losing cause Melvin Dorey of the Yukon scored 30 while his teammate McKinnon had 15.

The losing Yukon team goes on to meet the team from the NWT Tuesday at 2 p.m. while

the Alaskans await the NWT on Wednesday at 10:30 a.m.

The Yukon determination was recognized and reflected in the

performances of McKinnon of 16 points, Chambers 14, and Reas 12.

P.M. leaves a little late

For a time, there was quite a few concerned people at the Yellowknife airport Monday afternoon. Prime Minister Trudeau had been scheduled to arrive at 5 p.m. but as late as 6 p.m. no word had been received as to the PM's whereabouts. It was known that he had flight planned from Cambridge Bay to Arctic Sound, and thence to Yellowknife. Some worried officials contacted DOT Aeradio in Yellowknife when it became evident that the PM was overdue and some of the press media began calling their home offices with a warning of possible bad news.

Fortunately, everything came out OK. The RCMP Twin Otter that the PM was travelling in was delayed in Arctic Sound, and a radio black out prevented the aircraft from contacting ATC controllers in all DOT controlled northern aeradio stations.

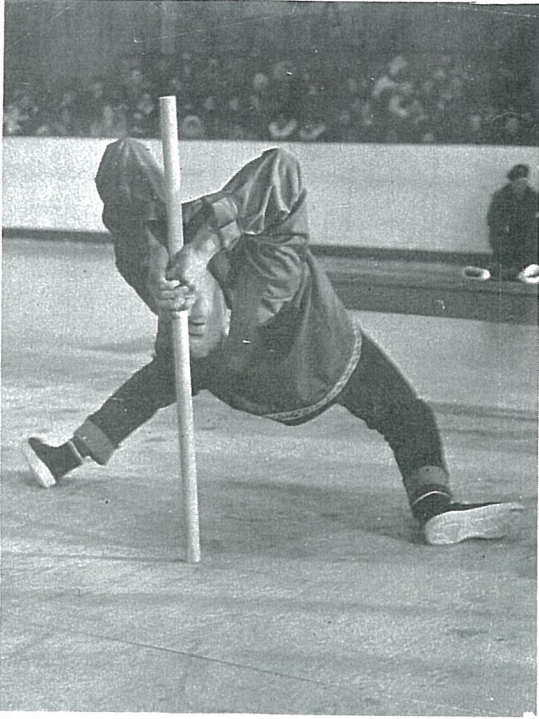
When Prime Minister Trudeau finally arrived in Yellowknife at 6:30 p.m. there were

many signs of relief.....PM Trudeau had proved once again that the Arctic Games and its visitors were subject to ceiling zero, visibility zero and....where can we catch a plane for Yellowknife in a hurry.....

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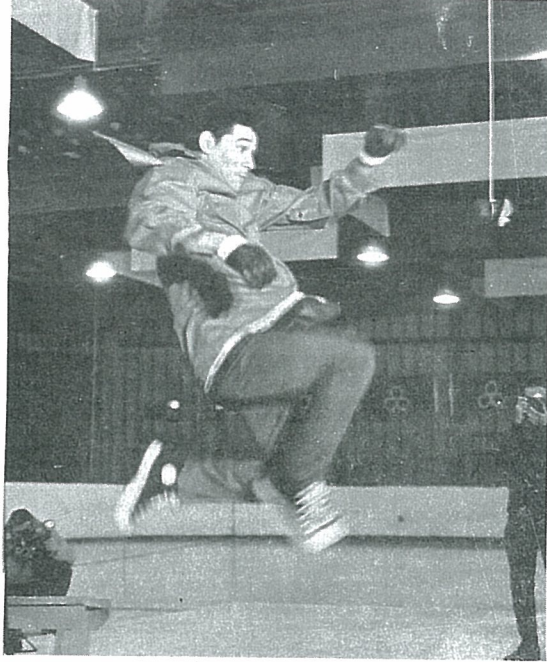
If Northerners are not informed of the activities of the Arctic Winter Games, it certainly is not the fault of the CBC. Live disc jockey shows, play by play broadcasts of hockey and basketball games, and interviews with many games personalities are bringing the Arctic Games to most homes in the north. To ensure the best possible coverage, dozens of extra CBC personnel have been moved into the capital, and non-Yellowknife residents will have up to 14 hours a day of Arctic Games information.

Traditional Native and Eskimo Games



Hey John - Where's your drum???

Monday Arctic Games Opening featuring contestants from the N.w.T. "Keewatin" and MacKenzie districts, and the Inuvik drum dancers.





Just
Between
Us



ESKIMO EVENTS - Commentator Abe Okpik: announcing the events in Eskimo and English added a few colorful anecdotes - Here's one: A Kabloonak (White-man) asked an old man of the Aklavik Innuut (Eskimo) what his age was. The old man did not tell him the number of years, but pointed to the snow capped Richardson Mountains and said, "When I first came here that was just a big hole in the ground."

AT THE HOCKEY GAME - The Chief Referee had just brought back a puck to exchange when a spectator expressed to the Penalty Box Keeper that a lot of pucks would be used in this game, who in return replied, "He just brought us back our best one."

Mickey Gordon and Charlie Kasook of Inuvik took top honours in the Eskimo "high kicking" event Monday.....Mickey topped the list at 77 inches, while Charlie lifted to 74 inches.....Now before you say anything, remember that this is both feet going the distance.....

IN THE LOBBY - Alex and Hope Gordon and Kenneth and Rosie Peelooluk of the Drum Dancers telling us that they enjoyed their visit to Montreal last December, but that they couldn't understand a word of what people were saying.

ON THE PARADE - In the midst of the over one thousand

parading athletes and officials, the voice of Bob Kurtz (badminton) leading the Yukon contingent in the cheer "Hip, Hip, Hooray for Yellowknife." And then louder.

OVER A COFFEE - Alaska's female curlers Rachel Boutet, Johanna Schmidt, Theresa De-Wree, Lael Hagel hoping that the Canadian Curlers relax and enjoy the game. Don't worry girls - they'll work something out.... And Rachel planning to get a Centennial touque for Pierre (her husband, that is).

ON THE REVIEWING STAND - Doug Finlayson, M.C.; Abe Okpik, Eskimo Welcome; Chief Tetlich, Indian Welcome; Yellowknife Mayor Henne, welcoming all and thanking city residents for their part; The Honorable Jean Chretien, expressing the hopes for the North; The Honorable John Munro, representing the Fitness and Amateur Sports Directorate; NWT Commissioner, spoke to "fellow Northerners" and thanked the Government of Canada; Prime Minister Trudeau, spoke of the "determination, courage, and resourcefulness" of the people of the North and hoped "that this tradition will be carried on".

Prime Minister Trudeau was presented with a genuine Ulu made in Coppermine, N. W.T., together with a plaque commemorating the event..... Hez Rae of Alaska, when he

made his presentation stated - "the smallest gift from the largest state", and gave the PM a miniature signpost from the Alcan Highway.

Mayor Fred Henne of Yellowknife on the Games....."The greatest example of the way Northerners can get together and get things done"

Security chairman Scotty Stewart has his problems too. He lost two of his security guards the first day of the Games...One zipped when he should have zapped on a skidoo, while the other became ill because of a northern ailment. The hazards of security?????

Who in the heck is sending flowers to one of our prominent government officials????? Pre-paid too.....

AT A RECEPTION - As well as complimenting the values of the Arctic Winter Games, Prime Minister Trudeau also made another point....."It's a great excuse to get away from the House of Commons"

One of the Arctic Games staunchest supporters was unable to make the trip due to illness. Games Director Bill Barrett of Alaska you can feel proud of your contingent, and we hope you get fit right quick....We sure as hell miss you here.....



Arctic Games basketball action - Yukon and N.W.T.

When you get hungry...



Holy Trinity Anglican Church Women know now to advertise.

They say an army travels on its stomach. To ensure that participants in the Arctic Games will have enough food to do their travelling, the women of Yellowknife will pick up their aprons, & make available plenty of home-cooked meals and snacks to feed the hungry athletes, and take some of the burden off the busier than ever restaurants. And.....man, that's coffee.

UNITED CHURCH WOMEN
Hospitality House - United Church (corner 50th Ave. & 54th St.)

--Sun., March 8 - 2:30 to 10 pm
--Mon. through Fri. - 10 am to 10 pm., sandwiches, soup, pie, doughnuts, hamburgers and hot dogs will be available. Rest relaxation and informal recreation will be provided.

ANGELICAN CHURCH WOMEN
The Anglican Church Women will be serving 'hearty, hot lunches' Mon. through Fri., March 9 to 13, in the basement of the Anglican Church (corner 49th Ave. & 52nd St.)
--Mon. - Chili Con Carne
--Tues. - Hot beef sandwiches

--Wed. - Ham & scalloped potatoes
--Thurs. - Macaroni & cheese
--Fri. - Cold salad and potato salad
Daily dessert - apples and cookies.
Friday, March 13 - stew supper from 5 to 7 pm.

LADIES AUXILIARY - ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION
From Mon., March 9, through Thurs., March 12, the ladies of the Legion will be serving a hot and cold dinner from 6 pm on, in the Legion Hall.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE
On Thurs., March 12, the Catholic Women's League will set up a snack bar in St. Pat's School where light lunches and beverages will be available.

BAPTIST MISSION CIRCLE
On Wed. March 11, from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm the ladies of the Baptist Church will serve lunch -
Chili Con Carne, rolls, coffee, tea, squares - in the Baptist Church (use rear door) one block west of the Public School on Franklin Road.

Hockey lives up to its Reputation



The Hon. John Munro gets the Arctic Games Hockey Tournament underway

The rallbird predicted it - the pre-game analysis forecasted it....and possibly the presence of the Prime Minister enhanced it, but, the biggest spectator sport of the Arctic Winter Games lived up to its reputation Monday night. A jam-packed arena with close to 1000 screaming fans in attendance watched the NWT senior hockey squad eke out a 4 - 3 win over the Yukon Sour doughs in a game that had the fans almost jumping out of their woollies.....

The NWT crew took an early 3 - 0 first period lead on goals by Bob Beaulieu, Pat Deman and Don Plumb.....As CBC Whitehorse sportscaster Terry Delaney put it - in the first period, the NWT scored all the goals.

while the Yukon made all the plays....The Yukoners came back with one goal in the second period, and tied the score at 3 all early in the final period from goals by Paul McLellan, Tim Strand, and Harold Kane.....

Bob Robbins scored the winning goal for the NWT at the 8'13 mark of the final stanza and that was the ball game. With just over one minute left to play, the Yukoners yanked goalie Clarence Russell in favour of an extra forward, but did everything but score the equalizer....

Eleven penalties were called during the game, 6 to the NWT crew and 5 to the men from the Klondike country. Bill Bucyk of Edmonton, referee in chief of the games stated that the

hockey was "good" and complimented both teams.

The opening game was preceded by an official opening ceremony that was probably one of the best ever seen in Yellowknife, as the six minor and senior hockey teams paraded on the ice with a colour party that made every American and Canadian feel proud to be part of the Arctic Winter Games....Health and Welfare Minister John Munro officially opened the hockey series, and Prime Minister Trudeau was a welcome guest during the first period.

Hockey chairman Jim Ecclestone put it well when he stated - "We've got ourselves a real winner here, and I couldn't care less who wins the title."

...Open to all Comers