

# RANT N' RAVEN



## 2010 Arctic Winter Games – Grande Prairie Team Yukon Newsletter

Wednesday March 10, 2010

### Weather Forecast

## Table Tennis discovers GOLD....

After several years of mining!!!

Wednesday Morning March 10 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday Afternoon March 10 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday March 11 <sup>th</sup>
-15°C	1°C	2°C

### Female Hockey

After a hard fought draw with Alaska yesterday the Females faced off against Nunavut this morning. They quickly started off with 2 goals in the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> to lead 5-0 into the intermission. The girls again came out flying in the 3<sup>rd</sup> adding another 6 for an 11-1 victory. Team Yukon starting goal tender Jocelyn Wynnyk was strong in her AWG debut and Chantelle Rivest lead the effort with 5 point with Linsey Eby adding 4. Hannah Woodwalker also scored one of Team Yukon's 3<sup>rd</sup> period goals on a strong wrist shot to the upper part of Nunavut's net for her first ever AWG goal.

Second game

YK 0 Alberta 5

### Bantam Hockey

The boys lost a close game to Alaska yesterday. They came out flying against their much larger opponents and displayed some great defensive play which resulted in a scoreless period with Youje Blackburn making several great saves to keep them off the board until midway through the period. The team didn't let that affect them, and with 40 seconds remaining in the 2nd, Mike Arnold stole a puck at center ice which resulted in a 2 on 1 break with Liam Webster. Arnold beat the defenseman, and while being hooked sent a nice pass over to Webster who found the back of the net for the first goal of the tourney for the team.

The third period saw a lot more great action, and although they were outshot they had a superb effort and only fell behind with a late goal with a little over a minute remaining. Good effort boys. Final score read 3 - 1.

Second game

YK 0 Alberta 10

### Midget Hockey

Yukon came up with a 2-0 victory in its opening matchup on Monday against rivals NWT. Steven Harlow posted the shutout while Lindsay Mickle and Dalton Edzerzza scored the goals for Yukon. On Tuesday Yukon faced a tough Alaska team and ended up on the losing end of a 1-0 score. Brad Gustafson played a strong game in net. Team Yukon has two remaining games in the round robin. Semi-finals will start on Thursday.

### Figure Skating

It was a great day for Yukon figure skaters performing their short programs at the Crystal Centre. Kelcy Armstrong finished just off the podium in the Ladies I division only .50 points behind the bronze medal winner from Alaska. Teneil Caron skated a powerful program in the Ladies IV event demonstrating both skill and athleticism that is characteristic of the sport of figure skating. She was rewarded with a silver medal. Twelve year-old Bryn Hoffman skated a dynamic and entertaining short program to claim gold in the Ladies III category.

### Speedskating

Meanwhile at the Coca-Cola Centre, speedskaters took to the track. 500M races are without a doubt the most exciting events for spectators. The pace is fast, there is much jostling and many spills making the outcomes exciting and sometimes unpredictable. The centre was rocking with both Yukon and Alaska fans exuberantly cheering for their own and each others skaters. Yukon's Hanna Wirth took home her first ever AWG medal, a bronze in the Juvenile Female event and Donald Fortune claimed Yukon's first Silver medal in Speed Skating, with teammate Shea Hoffman close behind in 4<sup>th</sup> place.

### Basketball

Day two of competition saw two extreme battles on the hardwood. Our Yukon boys tipped off against the team from NWT. The game was up and down for the full forty minutes. Unfortunately Team NWT ended up with the win. **69 NWT 65 Yukon**  
Our Yukon girls played the home town Alberta North team. Despite a great effort by our Yukon girls Alberta ended up winning in the first over time seen at Maude Clifford these games.  
**71 Alberta North 60 Yukon**



### SOCCER

#### Juvenile Boys

Yukon vs Alberta North  
1 4

Scorer: Keiran Small - 1

#### Junior Girls

Yukon vs Greenland  
2 1

Scorers: Katie Lowie - 1

Odette Rivard - 1

#### Junior Boys

Yukon vs Greenland  
4 1

Scorers: Caleb Kelly -2

David Ratcliff -1

Logan Donovan -1

#### Juvenile Girls

Yukon vs Greenland  
2 1

Scorers: Megan Lanigan -1

Alexis Mills -1

#### Juvenile Boys

Yukon vs Russia  
1 3

Scorer: Mike Wintemute - 1

### Cross Country Skiing

Yukon skiers definitely learned a lot today about the aggressive nature of the XC sprints. Although we don't practice the sprint (in the Yukon) unless it is less than 10 deg Celsius, the kids all made big steps to improve their time over the three races each had today. It took a bit to get use to the icy (fast) snow conditions, as we are typically skiing on colder, drier snow in Whitehorse. Our climate makes skate skiing hard, as you don't get the same glide. Everyone skied in three different 'heats' today.

#### 500 m sprint -Midget Boys

Marcus Dueling 11<sup>th</sup>  
Caelan Pangman-McLean 13<sup>th</sup>  
Mac Prawdzcic 16<sup>th</sup>  
Tristain Sparks 21<sup>st</sup>

#### 500 M sprint – Midget Girls

Eliza Paul 9<sup>th</sup>  
Morgan Paul 12<sup>th</sup>  
Kassi Wright 13<sup>th</sup>  
Cambria Jane Fuerstener 15<sup>th</sup>

#### Juvenile Boys

Fabian Paul O'Connor Brook 8<sup>th</sup>  
Izak Baril-Blouin 13<sup>th</sup>

#### Juvenile Girls

Nesha Wright 10<sup>th</sup>  
Holly Bull came 14<sup>th</sup>  
Katie Peters 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Adrienne Hynes 28<sup>th</sup>



## What's Happening Today

DAY	TIME		EVENT	CATEGORY	SPORT	LOCATION
	START	FINISH				
WED, MAR 10	10:20		Slalom - First Run	All	Alpine Skiing	Nitehawk
	13:00		Slalom - Second Run	All	Alpine Skiing	Nitehawk
	13:00		Demos / New Games		Arctic Sports	GPRC - Gym
	14:00		Alaskan High Kick - Finals	All	Arctic Sports	GPRC - Gym
	14:00		Triple Jump - Finals	Open male	Arctic Sports	GPRC - Gym
	8:00	12:00	Alberta North vs Yukon	All	Badminton	St. Joe's HS
	13:00	17:00	Greenland vs Yukon	All	Badminton	St. Joe's HS
	10:00		Yukon vs Nunavut	Male	Basketball	Maude Clifford
	16:00		Yukon vs Nunavut	Female	Basketball	Maude Clifford
	9:30	12:20	Alaska vs Yukon	Female	Curling	GPCC
	9:30	12:20	Yukon vs Nunavut	Male	Curling	GPCC
	14:30	17:30	NWT vs Yukon	Male	Curling	GPCC
	10:30	15:30	Snow Snake	All	Dene Games	Muskoseepi Park
	9:00		7.5 Km	Juvenile Team	Dog Mushing	Evergreen Park
	10:30		7.5 Km	Junior Team	Dog Mushing	Evergreen Park
	13:00	20:30	FS Competition	All	Figure Skating	Crystal Centre
	17:30		Half-pipe	All	Freestyle	Nitehawk
	10:00	16:00	Practice	All	Gymnastics	Gymnik's Training Centre
	10:30	12:30	Yukon vs NWT	Jr. Female	Hockey	Coca Cola Ctr - South Rink
	12:00	14:00	Nunavut vs Yukon	Bantam	Hockey	Coca Cola Ctr - North Rink
	14:00	16:00	Nunavut vs Yukon	Midget	Hockey	Coca Cola Ctr - North Rink
	17:30		Half-pipe	All	Snowboarding	Nitehawk
	8:00		100m Sprint	All	Snowshoeing	Evergreen Park
	8:00		400m Sprint	All	Snowshoeing	Evergreen Park
	8:00		800m Sprint	Juvenile - All	Snowshoeing	Evergreen Park
	8:00		1500m Sprint	Junior - All	Snowshoeing	Evergreen Park
	10:45		4 x 400m Relay	All	Snowshoeing	Evergreen Park
	10:00		Yukon vs NWT	Juvenile Male	Soccer	Soccer Centre
	11:00		Alaska vs Yukon	Junior Male	Soccer	Soccer Centre
	12:00		Yukon vs Alaska	Junior Female	Soccer	Soccer Centre
	16:00		Alaska vs Yukon	Juvenile Female	Soccer	Soccer Centre
	8:00	21:00	Preliminary	All	Table Tennis	Mother Teresa CS
	9:00	10:30	Nunavut vs Yukon	Female	Volleyball	GPRC - Gym
	13:00	14:30	Yukon vs Alberta North	Male	Volleyball	Maude Clifford

### Male Volleyball

1<sup>st</sup> set 25-19  
2<sup>nd</sup> set 25-19

### Female Volleyball

The Yukon women defeated Greenland in 2 straight sets by scores of 25-16 and 25-21.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Match:

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> match of the day, nerves took over as the Yukon women found themselves at the wrong end of a 10-1 early set score. With a couple line-up changes the Yukon led early and kept the lead for most of the match. Despite a fantastic defensive performance by Brittini Woodington, Yukon ended up losing 2 straight sets, 25 – 9 and 25 – 23.

### Yukon: Gymnastics

Team competition  
Team Yukon – Bronze  
Great day for team Yukon gymnasts as they earned the bronze medal in the Team competition.

### Snowboard – Banked Slalom

#### Juvenile women

Kayla Halonquist was 5<sup>th</sup>  
Talia Woodland finished 6<sup>th</sup>

#### Juvenile men

Thomas Mills BRONZE  
Max Melvin McNutt arrived 5<sup>th</sup>

#### Junior men

Alexander Chisolme BRONZE  
Geoffroi Bourcier tie 9th place

### Dene Games

Taylor Vallevand  
Gold Stick Pull  
Laura MacKinnon  
Silver Stick Pull

### Freestyle Skiing

#### Women:

Anna Smith SILVER

#### Male:

James Boyle 6<sup>th</sup>  
Anatole Tuzlak 5<sup>th</sup>  
Miguel Rodden 4<sup>th</sup>



### Biathlon

Yukon Biathletes returned to the podium on the second day of competition winning two silver ulu's.

Aven Knutson SILVER

In ski biathlon Erin won another SILVER.



### Dog Mushing

The Kinvig's are at it again. Today they owned the podium at the dog mushing venue. Rachel took her second Gold in as many days in the juvenile individual event.

On his way to a Gold medal, Ben performed a number of acrobatic moves to navigate around one of the more technical corners on the course.

### Badminton

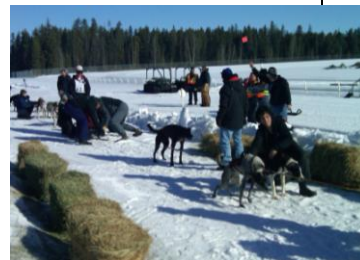
It was a good day on the courts with the team winning 18 out of 25 matches. Morning play was against Team NWT with the team recording 11 wins 5 losses & afternoon play was against Team Nunavik with 7 wins 2 losses.

### Curling

Junior Male  
Yukon vs. Alberta North  
6 – 10  
Junior Female  
Yukon vs. NWT  
10 – 7

### Table Tennis

Yukon Juvenile boys won gold today in the team event. Alex Zheng & Mustafa Syed outplayed Greenland three matches to zero.



### Arctic Sports

Corey Baxter  
Gold Sledge Jump  
Anna Rivard  
Silver in the Arm Pull & Sledge Jump