

RANT N' RAVEN



2010 Arctic Winter Games – Grande Prairie Team Yukon Newsletter

Tuesday March 9, 2010



Off to a great start!

17 Medals in the first official day of competition.

Weather Forecast

Tuesday Morning March 9 th	Tuesday Afternoon March 9 th	Wednesday March 10 th
-15°C	0°C	2°C

Biathlon

In **Snowshoe Biathlon** Junior Female 5km race, Aven Knutson won a bronze ulu and Anna Jacobsen was top shooter for the division and finished fourth.

In the Junior Male division Remy Kuiper finished in 6th place. In the juvenile male 3km race ½ of the contingent had 50% in their shooting including Jakov Rokic who finished fifth and Manuel Kuiper who finished sixth.

In **Ski Biathlon** Junior Female 75km Erin Oliver-Beebe won a silver ulu, Evelyn Kitchen was sixth.

In Ski Biathlon Juvenile Female 5km Anna Janowicz had a good day finishing seventh and set some high heights for tomorrow's race.

Ale Peters and Emile St. Pierre are really enjoying the games and competed well today in a strong field finishing eighth and ninth.

Wind played a factor today, creating issues for the participants in open areas and challenging shooting.

Speed Skating

Opening ceremonies began bright and early Monday morning at 8:00 AM. Races commenced immediately after the ceremonies. Yukoners had a great day at the Coca-Cola Centre with 5 skaters earning places in the A finals. In the Juvenile Ladies 777M event Hanna Wirth and Kathryn Fortune finished just off the podium in 4th and 5th places respectively. Daryn Lovell, our lone Juvenile Male skater also skated in the A final for a 5th place finish. Shea Hoffman had an unfortunate fall in the Junior Male 1000K leaving him in 5th place just ahead of teammate Donald Fortune. The highlight of the day was Heather Clark's Gold Medal finish in the 1000M female event. Heather got off the line into third place and took a few laps to move herself into second position. With just under two laps to go she moved herself into first place and then pulled away to earn a solid first place finish.

Congratulations Heather!



Cross Country Skiing
Morgan Paul **GOLD**
Midget Female 2.5 km classic
Katie Peters **GOLD**
Juvenile Female 5 km classic
Fabian Brook **GOLD**
Juvenile Male 5 km classic



Dog Mushing

While this weather may be a treat for some of us wishing for spring it is presenting nightmarish conditions for the Dog Musers. The host society and the dog mushing contingents have been working feverishly to make the best of the above zero conditions for the dogs.

Our Yukon Dog Musers started out the day by capturing a gold and a silver ulu today. Rachel Kinvig won a gold in the Juvenile Individual and brother Ben proved 2nd with a Silver in the Junior Individual event, missing Gold by a mere 4 seconds.

It is just amazing to see the TLC these dog mushers bestow on their athletes. A lot of care is needed before, after and during the race event to ensure these very eager dogs are not overheating. Once they get in the mood there is no slowing them down.

Medal Count

7

6

4

SCORES

Men's Volleyball

Yukon vs Nunuvut
25 vs 18
25 vs 15

Women's Volleyball

Yukon vs NWT
25 vs 16
25 vs 13
Yukon vs Alaska
22 vs 25
8 vs 25

Men's Basketball

Yukon vs Alaska
64 vs 69

Women's Basketball

Yukon vs Alaska
72 vs 50

Junior Girls Soccer

Yukon vs Alberta North
1 vs 1

Junior Boys Soccer

Yukon vs Alberta North
4 vs 2

Juvenile Girls Soccer

Yukon vs Nunavut
10 vs 0

Juvenile Boys Soccer

Yukon vs Greenland
2 vs 3

Female Hockey

Yukon vs Alaska
1 vs 1

Bantam Hockey

Yukon vs NWT
0 vs 6

Midget Hockey

Yukon vs NWT
2 vs 0

Snowshoeing

Kieran Halliday **GOLD**
Juvenile Male 2.5 Km
Aidan Bradley **BRONZE**
Juvenile Male 2.5 km
Sara Burke Forsyth **GOLD**
Juvenile Female 2.5 km
Galena Roots **BRONZE**
Juvenile Female 2.5 km
Logan Roots **SILVER**
Junior Male 5 km

Snowboarding

Kayla Hallonquist **BRONZE**
Slopestyle Juvenile Female



What's Happening Today

DAY	TIME		EVENT	CATEGORY	SPORT	LOCATION
	START	FINISH				
TUES, MAR 9	8:00	12:00	NWT vs Yukon	All	Badminton	St. Joe's HS
	8:00	21:00	Preliminary Short Program Competition	All	Table Tennis	Mother Teresa CS
	8:30	15:00	Training and Tuning	All	Figure Skating	Crystal Centre
	9:00	14:00	10 Km	Juvenile Individual	Alpine Skiing	Nitehawk
	9:00	16:00	OC/Team Competition	Jr. Female	Dog Mushing	Evergreen Park
	9:00	10:30	Yukon vs Greenland	Female	Gymnastics	Gymnik's Training Centre
	9:30	11:30	Sprint Competition	Jr. 3Km /Juv. 2Km	Volleyball	GPRC - Gym
	10:00	12:00	Yukon vs Alaska	Midget	Snowshoe Biathlon	Wapiti Nordic Ski Trails
	10:00	12:00	Nunavut vs Yukon	Jr. Female	Hockey	Coca Cola Ctr - North Rink
	10:00		Yukon vs Alberta North	Juvenile Male	Hockey	Coca Cola Ctr - South Rink
	10:00	14:00	500 m & 750 m Sprint	All	Soccer	Soccer Centre
	10:30	15:00	Stick Pull	All	X-Country Ski	Wapiti Nordic Ski Trails
	10:30		13 Km	Junior Individual	Dene Games	Muskoseepi Park - Coverall
	10:30		Moguls	All	Dog Mushing	Evergreen Park
	10:30		Banked Slalom	All	Freestyle	Nitehawk
	10:30	12:00	Yukon vs NWT	Male	Snowboarding	Nitehawk
	11:00		Yukon vs Greenland	Junior Female	Volleyball	Maude Clifford
	12:00		Yukon vs NWT	Male	Soccer	Soccer Centre
	12:00	14:00	Yukon vs Alaska	Bantam	Basketball	Maude Clifford
	12:00	14:00	Sprint Competition	Jr. 6Km /Juv. 4Km	Hockey	Coca Cola Ctr - North Rink
	12:00		Greenland vs Yukon	Junior Male	Ski Biathlon	Wapiti Nordic Ski Trails
	12:30		Arm Pull	All female & Jr. male	Soccer	Leisure Centre
	12:30		Sledge Jump	All	Arctic Sports	GPRC - Gym
	13:00	17:00	Nunavik vs Yukon	All	Arctic Sports	GPRC - Gym
	13:00		Yukon vs NWT	Juvenile Female	Badminton	St. Joe's HS
	13:00	14:30	Alberta North vs Yukon	Female	Soccer	Leisure Centre
	14:00	20:00	500m Heats and Finals	All	Volleyball	Maude Clifford
	14:30	17:30	Yukon vs Alberta North	Male	Speedskating	Coca Cola Ctr - South Rink
	14:30	17:30	NWT vs Yukon	Female	Curling	GPCC
	16:00	18:00	Alberta North vs Yukon	Jr. Female	Curling	GPCC
	16:00		Yukon vs Yamal	Juvenile Male	Hockey	Coca Cola Ctr - North Rink
	17:00	18:00	Drum Dance	All	Soccer	Soccer Centre
	17:00	20:00	Feast & Awards	All	Dene Games	Elks Hall
	17:30	19:00	Yukon vs Greenland	Male	Dene Games	Elks Hall
	18:00		Alberta North vs Yukon	Female	Volleyball	Maude Clifford
	18:00	20:00	Alberta North vs Yukon	Midget	Basketball	Maude Clifford
	18:30		Drum Dance	All	Hockey	Coca Cola Ctr - North Rink
	18:30		Feast & Awards	All	Arctic Sports	GPRC - Gym
	20:00	22:00	Alberta North vs Yukon	Bantam	Arctic Sports	GPRC - Gym
					Hockey	Coca Cola Ctr - North Rink

Curling

Curling got underway with both Yukon teams scoring a victory. The Junior Male team defeated Alaska 14 – 6. Andrew Scoffin playing in his first out of territory competition had an excellent game and helped set up a 6 point end in the 2nd.

The Junior Female team came away with a 7 – 6 victory against Alberta North in a game that kept the audience at the edge of their seats.

Badminton

Competition got under way today with all eight team members seeing action on the courts against the team from Nunavut out of a total of 16 matches the team won 9.



Arctic Sports

Anna Rivard got a silver medal in Junior Female Kneel Jump. Anna jumped 361/4 inches. Rivard also brought home a silver medal in the two foot high kick, with a 5'10 kick.



Culture

Not to be out down by the other athletic events at the games, our cultural contingent has started the week on a very busy note. They started the day off by entertaining the masses at the Prairie Mall Centre Court, Worked on fine tuning the technical components of the upcoming performances and are scheduled to do a variety of workshops throughout the week. If you have some free time on Tuesday drop by Grande Prairie Live Theatre at 10130 – 98 Ave to see this fantastic group of entertainers from the Yukon.

Dene Games

The Juvenile Female team, Tayler Vallevand, Natane Primozic, Teeah Dickson and Madison Allen got a silver medal today in Hand games. These girls went through the tourney with great energy and showed great sportsmanship. Great job ladies!

