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# Whitehors Two-year old Louis Kabuitok, of Rankin Inlet, is starting early to get a place on Team Nunavut for the AWG 2000 in Whitehorse.

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## Showdown at dawn

Most of Yellowknife was slumbering peacefully when Alberta and the Yukon faced off for a gold ulu in Junior Women's Hockey early, very early, this morning.

Scheduling a gold ulu game at 7 Ialking about this. It's got to be inexperience, however, will make it difficult for them to upset the undea.m. has raised some eyebrows - especially since it's a women's event "A gold medal game should not be played at 7 a.m. You cannot showcase your top two teams with a game at 7 a.m. - you just can't do it." says Yukon Junior Women's coach Laura Cabott.

Cabott says organizers deserve full marks for their hard work and for a well-run tournament but she believes the decision to schedule the Junior Women's final for 7 a.m. should have been revisited. "It's almost always the women's organizations that get the lousy times," says Cabott. "People are

Scheduling aside, Cabott says her young and relatively inexperienced team must play Alberta's fast-paced game if they're going to win a gold ulu this morning.

"Alberta's players are skilled, fast skaters and quick. We need to play at their speed and get on them early in the game if we're going to win," Cabott said in an interview last night. "And they've got good goaltending so we're going to have to shoot the puck on the net and keep up the pace.

Team Yukon's youth and relative

feated Alberta squad which earned a bye into the finals with six straight wins. "We've got some very good young players and some younger players with no experience, this is their very first big tournament," says Cabott. "Alberta has a strong hockey program that is years ahead of us. It's going to be hard to compete."

Whatever the outcome of this morning's gold ulu game, Cabott says she's been "very pleased" with her team's performance in the AWG. "They've done very well."

Outstanding players include Ruby Ho, a two-way performer who can play defence and forward, netminder Ty Wilkinson and blueliner Krystal

Team Yukon advanced to the gold ulu final by edging the Northwest Ter-ritories 6-5 in yesterday's semi-final. Cabott says her team and the NWT

are evenly matched but the Yukon won the day by putting in a good, solid performance and coming out more quickly than the NWT.

"I'm surprised they were a little sluggish, but they never give up," says Cabott with respect for her NWT

opponents. "We were leading by three or four goals at the beginning of the game was over.

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"The NWT has some very talente young players and some older exper

young players and some older exper enced players. It was a pleasure play ing them," she adds. The Yukon and NWT were fairl close in the standings prior to the semi-finals. The NWT had compile three wins, two losses and a tie in s outings, while the Yukon earned tw wins, three losses and a tie. Tear Alaska rounded out the field with r wins in six outings.

### A game to honor

The Alberta Junior Women's hockey team is going for gold this morning in honor of team-mate Krystal Gillespie who flew home last night to be with her ter-

minally ill father. "We want Krystal to know that our thoughts are with her this morning. We're going for the gold for Krystal and for her dad," Alberta co-coach Heather Stirling told the ULU News. Stirling says Team Alberta is

looking forward to a good game1 with the Yukon.

The Alberta coach rates her team's performance so far as "excellent". Alberta was undefeated in six outings.

"We've got a great group of girls and everything has come together for us this week. We've been getting stronger as the tournament goes along.

Alberta team Captain Sherri Beauchamp deserves special mention for her leadership role in the AWG, says Stirling.



A Yukon player (R) tries unsuccessfully to stuff the puck past the Alaskan goalie in Thursday's women's hockey matchup. Yukon won the game 3-1.



Nunavut's in the house

Iqaluit family loves the Roaring Game When Wade Kingdon was chosen to play third on the NWT's junior curling squad, his Iqaluit family didn't hesitate to book their flights and come to Yellowknife to watch him in action. From left: mother Eliza, sister Fauna and father Allan.

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Seizing the Spirit: The Whitehorse delegation was in Yellowknife all week, planting the seeds for their 2000 AWG. Clockwise from left: General Manager Tom O'Hara; Mayor Kathy Wilson, and directors Gary Hewitt, Anne Grainger and Barb Harris.

# Seize the spirit at the 2000 Games

When the Games torch lights the flame in Whitehorse two years from now, it'll be the start of more than just the 16th Arctic Winter Games. Much more.

"One reason it's exciting is the 50th anniversary of our City incorporation," says Mayor Kathy Wat-son. "It will be the kick-off event for those celebra-

The Yukon capital's colorful heritage as a major staging point in the Klondike Gold Rush of 1897-98, is itself the subject of intense celebration these days. It will also be a major test of the CityIs ability to handle a truly mammoth undertaking, its bid to host the Canada Winter Games in 2007. (See sidebar)

Led by Mayor Watson, Whitehorse has had a delegation of 2000 Games Committee members in Yellowknife for the week.

They've been working the hospitality rooms, media and officials, urging everyone to "Seize the Spirit!" as the theme of their event.

Tom O'Hara and one other staffer have been hired



Yukon's mascot for the 2000 Games is AWGie, a lovable looking little guy... or is that girl?

to set up the office and the big job of co-ordination and planning that lies ahead.

One item yet to be finalized with the International Board is the actual date, likely to be late February or early March 2000.

Organizers are confident Magadan and Tyumen will be back, and there may be a third Russian province knocking at the

And of course, it will be first time for the new territory of Nunavut, making for at least eight contingents.

On the sports side, Whitehorse wants to re-introduce alpine skiing, and add a new event - you guessed it - snowboarding, owing to its explosive popularity.

It all sounds like a great time coming up in the (dare we say it?) start of the millennium in

### Whitehorse bids for Canada Games in 2007

Canada's biggest winter sporting event could be coming North of 60 in

It's more than just a dream or a con-cept, says Whitehorse Mayor Kathy

"There's a very good chance we'll get them.

The City already has first right of refusal on the date with the Canada Games Board, but Mayor Wilson knows a whole lot more has to be done before they can get the green light sometime in

"We have most of the facilities required, but we need to upgrade the swimming pool and add one rink."
On top of that, the city of 25,000 will

have to prove it can muster the 2,000 volunteers needed to run the 13-day

That's why the 2000 Arctic Winter Games are critical, as they'll be the benchmark for Yukon's organizational

'We're excited as this is our opportunity for training and honing our exper-tise," said Mayor Watson, "It's a giant undertaking, but so are the returns: an estimated \$40 million in spending will come, plus enhanced facilities, based on the experience of Brandon, Manitoba and Gander, Newfoundland.

Mayor Watson's confidence comes through as she sizes up her city's

People in the North are anxious, willing and ready to roll up their sleeves do a damn good job."

#### STREETER QUESTION

Have you been following the Arctic Winter Games?



Margaret Lovely Yes. Volleyball. that's it. I've been there all week as a volunteer.



Jann Bolo: "Yes, I have. I've been watching it on CBC. I think its great to see all the countries involved.



Niki Thorn: "I've volleyball and watched some Arctic Sports. It's my first year watching, and it's really interesting and exciting.



Gordon Stewart: "No. I've been out of town, and I've been really busy.



John Beckwith: "No. I've been too busy. I went to watch some figure skating because my partner's daughter was in it, but otherwise, Ive been too busy.

## Golden table manners

After dominating table tennis and cross-country skiing all week, athletes from the Tyumen region of the Russian Federation added more ulus on Friday.

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Grisha Vlasov, 13, contributed an amazing four gold ulus to the Tyumen tally by completely dominating Junior table tennis.

One table-tennis official who watched Grisha play all week said the young Russian was undoubtedly the best player in the tournament. Grisha is described as an intense player who gives 100 per cent each and every

Grisha is a dedicated table tennis player, practising two-and-a-half hours a day, six days a week, says his father and coach, Sergey Vlasov.

He plays a little soccer in the summer, but table ten-nis is his first love. Grisha has been playing the sport since he was seven years old

Speaking through an interpreter, Grisha described his performance yesterday as "okay" which brought hearty laughter from father Sergey. The elder Vlasov had nothing but praise for his son's performance at the

"He did much better than two years ago in Alaska," says Sergey, in large part because Grisha and his team-mates have become close friends and communicate better when competing in doubles and mixed doubles.

These friendships are a double-edged sword, however, because Grisha's toughest competition at the AWG came from doubles teammate Vadim Shamshurin who won two silver and two gold ulus. Grisha won the gold in Junior Men's singles, while Vadim takes home the

Grisha also played off against Shamshurin in mixed doubles. Grisha and Nastja Tsurkan won the gold medal, while Vadim and Anastassia Dolgopolova won the silver ulu. Nastja won the gold ulu in Junior Girls' singles and Anastassia the bronze ulu.

When asked what he liked best about the AWG, Grisha said that he's enjoyed the competition, talking with athletes from the other teams and the community



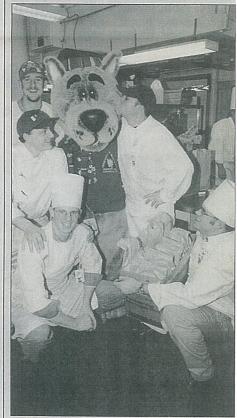
Petrus Bronlund, left, and Nive Bertelsen and of Greenland were unable to defeat Tyumen in their quest for a gold ulu.

of Yellowknife. Sergey says he would like to thank the officials, organizers and volunteers at the table tennis venue for a job well done.

"We would like to say thank you for everything they did. They made the Arctic Winter Games like one big festival for the children. It was great," says Sergey through the translator.

Asked if they had any complaints, Sergey said with a laugh and a pat of his stomach "...the food. There's too much of it!"

The Vlasovs hope to return to Yellowknife someday for the AWG, however, for now Grisha has his sights on competing in Whitehorse, Yukon in the 2000 Games!



Kitchen duty
Games mascot Lupi dropped in to the Akaitcho Hall cafeteria Wednesday night and got the cook's tour. Clockwise from top right: Breck Hawkins, lan "Super Chef" Leitch, Kyle Rousell, Darryl Fischer and Rob Connelly. The catering crews serve up thousands of meals daily to keep hungry athletes in top form.



Grisha Vlasov, right, and Nastja Tsurkan of Tyumen won the gold ulu in table tennis Junior

outdoor games



# It's all teamwork



by Steve McKinisyMMXI.photo
Brent Beck of NWT brings his 7-dog
team across the finish line at the
end of the Junior 13-kilometre team
dogsledding race yesterday on Back
Bay.

Perhaps nothing defines teamwork better than dog mushing. And no Winter Games would be complete without some tough competition between teams

> Krystal Bond of Alaska urges her team toward the finish, with Hanna Boye of the Yukon in hot pursuit during the Junior 13 kilometreteam race yesterday.





Hanna Boye (L) of the Yukon tries to fend off a challenger as they near the finish of the junior 13-kilometre team race yesterday at Back Bay.

Steve McKinley/NNSLphoto



Jubulation filled the Northern Arts and Cultural Centre when Madagan dance group Ener performed traditional northern Russian dances



Fourteen-year-old Tupaarnaq Mathiassen performs along with her band in front of a full house at the Arctic Winter Games Gala.



Greenland's Miki Jacobson sang tuneful folk songs at the Northern Arts and Cultural Centre.

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Through all the glamor, shining lights and intricate costumes, a common thread connected the artists performing at last by Kerry McCluskey Northern News Services night's Arctic Winter Gala.

their past and shared their hopes for the future.

Performers from Greenland, the Yukon, Alaska, Northern Alberta, Russia and the Northwest Territories all shared a part of their heritage with the intention of preserving and promoting the traditions of days gone by.

Six-piece musical ensemble Tupaarnaq, alongside solo act ries Miki Jacobsen sang historic folk songs about their home, Green-

The Yukon contributed the Northern Lights Dancers, a contemporary dance group who dedicated one of their routines to the 100-year anniversary of the Klondike Gold Rush.

The Alaska Northstar Perform-Athabascan indigenous entertainers who had to gain permission from their clans to perform their sacred songs - some of which three-hour show. were so old that their ancestors still moving around.

Northern Alberta were born out capacity crowd.

Each cultural contingent, in its of the need to instill identity and own distinct way, told the story of pride in the indigenous people in the Grand Prairie area.

> Ener, the professional dance troupe from Magadan, performed ancient dances from the steppes of Russia.

> Their costumes showed the influence of European and Asian cultures on their costumes, which are different from the traditional clothes of the Northwest Territo-

> Being on home turf, the NWT was able to stage a variety of different acts that represented the vast range of cultural heritage in Northern Canada.

> The NWT contingent included acts from Taloyoak, Aklavik, Rae-Edzo, Tulita and Yellowknife.

The theme was the importance ers were made up of Tlingit and of passing their knowledge on to the next generation.

The audience of more than 300 people was captivated by the

At the end, the performers and sang them when the glaciers were hosts were rewarded with an explosion of applause, leaving no The Pey Wapun dancers from doubt that they had won over the

photos by Steve McKinley



Dances based on traditional ceremonies were part of the performance staged by Alberta's Pey Wapun Dance group.



The Aklavik Delta Drui



The Madagan dance gr Northern Arts and Cult

### Arche winter gala

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T pound out the beat.



ved a full house at Thursday night's performance of the Arctic Winter Games Gala at the



The dynamic Magadan dance group Ener danced with relentless energy and crowd-pleasing charisma .



Throat singers Mary Ittunga and Bernadette Uttaq (left) gave a display of both traditional dress and music

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Rank Gold Silver Bronze 12 km X-Countr	Last Name Goeppel Storm Green	First Name Tamara Bridget Jaida	Contingent Yukon Alaska NWT	Date Won 19-Mar-1998 19-Mar-1998 19-Mar-1998
Rank Gold Silver Bronze 16 km X-Country	Last Name Dunn Mitchell Pascal	First Name William Wayne Jackie	Contingent Yukon NWT NWT	Date Won 19-Mar-1998 19-Mar-1998 19-Mar-1998
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Up to 43 kg (Fre Ronk Bronze	eestyle) Last Name Boltenko	First Name Anton	Contingent Magadan	Date Won 19-Mar-1998	
Up to 47 kg (Fre Ronk Bronze	estyle) Last Name Funnell	First Name Geordie	Contingent Yukon	Date Won 19-Mar-1998	
Up to 50 kg (Fre Rank Bronze	estyle) Last Name ROSENDAHL	First Name ADAM	Contingent NWT	Date Won 19-Mar-1998	
Up to 51 kg (Fre Rank Bronze	estyle) Last Name WILSON	First Name JAMES	Contingent NWT	Date Won 19-Mar-1998	
Up to 55 kg (Fre Rank Bronze Bronze	estyle) Last Name Terrico Rourke	First Name Isaac Tyler	Contingent Alberta NWT	Date Won 19-Mar-1998 19-Mar-1998	
Up to 60 kg (Fre Ronk Bronze Bronze	estyle) Last Name EETUK Edwards	First Name TONY Jason	Contingent NWT Alberta	Date Won 19-Mar-1998 19-Mar-1998	
Up to 67 kg (Fre Rank Bronze	estyle) Last Name Anderson	First Name Kristopher	Contingent Alberta	Date Won 19-Mar-1998	
Up to 74 kg (Free Rank Bronze	estyle) Last Name Lamoureux	First Name Nathan	Contingent Alberto	Date Won	

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3 Km Classic Rank Gold Gold Silver Silver Bronze	Last Name Horton Boukaleva Nielsen Aschacher Dyck	First Name Stephen Elena Pilutaa j Kimberly Casey	Contingent Yukon Magadan Greenland Yukon Alberta	Date Won 17-Mar-1998 17-Mar-1998 17-Mar-1998 17-Mar-1998 17-Mar-1998

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10 Km Free Ronk Gold Gold Silver Silver Bronze Bronze	Last Name Kolodeznykh Makarava Chekerin Sorokina Vorobieu Poluyanoua	First Name Evguenii Julia Povel Anna Dmitry Ekaterina	Contingent Tyumen Tyumen Tyumen Tyumen Tyumen Tyumen Tyumen	Date Won 19-Mar-1998 19-Mar-1998 19-Mar-1998 19-Mar-1998 19-Mar-1998 19-Mar-1998
5 Km Free Rank Gold Gold Silver Silver Bronze Bronze	Last Name Bonfield Boukaleva Dyck Fison Horton Oraz	First Name Colin Elena Casey Elizabeth Stephen Elena	Contingent Alaska Magadan Alberta Alaska Yukon Magadan	Date Won 19-Mar-1998 19-Mar-1998 19-Mar-1998 19-Mar-1998 19-Mar-1998 19-Mar-1998
7,5 Km Free Ronk Gold Gold Silver Silver Bronze Bronze	Last Name Bourree Shkurko Clark Lyberth Hansen Berry	First Name Michael Tatiana Chris Vivian Aage M. Chelsea	Contingent Alberta Tyumen Alaska Greenland Greenland Alaska	Date Won 19-Mar-1998 19-Mar-1998 19-Mar-1998 19-Mar-1998 19-Mar-1998 19-Mar-1998

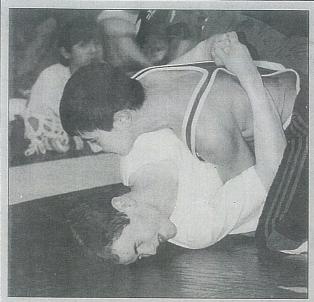


Pipe Major Floyd Adlem and other members of the Northwest Territorial Pipe Band took turns opening competition at the Yellowknife Curl-ing Club every morning by piping curlers onto the ice.

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Inuit wrestling brings people together

Left: Magadan wrestler Djanaev Tchermen takes down Nathan Moore of Alaska in an Inuit wrestling bout yesterday. In Inuit wrestling, wrestlers

Steve McKinley/NINSL photo start off with arms link around each other and try to throw their opponent using only their upper body strength. Right: Frederick Stick of the Yukon grits his teeth as he takes on Tyler Rourke of NWT.

## Yukon's flag wavers







Yukon cross-country skiers had loud and plentiful support at today's Classic Relay events

Brad Heath/NNSL photos

### Learning the ABCs of the **AWG** with Joe Walsh

Even after two years going flat out as AWG 38's general manager, Joe Walsh still doesn't nate his cell phone.

"I actually like it," says Walsh, "There's a fact they worked well together and became ot of decisions that have to be made on a mely basis. The phone helps do this."

It's the kind of no-nonsense answer one light expect from a man with almost 40 ears experience in senior administration, jost of it in the mining industry

After arriving in Yellowknife in 1976, /alsh pursued his love of sports and volun-ering by joining hockey and Winter Games ommittees. When he took on the job as eneral Manager for the '98 Games, he lought he knew the ropes.

"I've learned so much since then," says e soft-spoken Walsh. Things like who his iends are and who he could count on.

"They just go out and work hours and ours and hours, whatever it takes to get the

Walsh says his most daunting task was reparing to accommodate and feed more an 1,600 people who would flood into Yelwknife. A big part of the answer was sev-ral truckloads of beds from the Canada ames, but logistically, the transport and orage - by road, rail and barge - was "very

He's proud of his staffers Joyce Patterson, indy Were and Debbie Lougheed, and that and still are good friends

But what delighted Walsh was the success of his initiative to involve young people, between 12 and 18 years, on all of the 20plus committees. About 100 came on board.

"I said I wanted to get youth in the orga-nizing committee, so they could carry on

In the weeks leading up to opening night, Walsh was getting by on as little as two

"I was coming to work at 4 a.m.," he

That's eased off to about five hours a night during Games week, and it should get a whole lot better by the time he turns in the

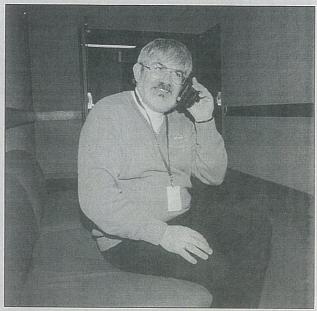
office keys in May.

Then the 57-year old father of three (and expectant grandfather in June) plans to really

He admits he's a bit apprehensive of retirement, but plans more volunteer work, and continuing to live in Yellowknife.

What's the first thing on his retirement

"I'm going to start organizing a garage sale. We've been married for 35 years, and we've never had one. It should be a lulu."



Joe Walsh, AWG manager, wonlt give up his cell phone when he retires later this year

Meika McDonald grunts with the effort of making the grade in the Open Womens' two-foot high kick last night. Her efforts were rewarded with a gold ulu.

### Head to head, toe to toe

Arctic sports provided many great moments at AWG '98. Here are just two of them



Jimmy Merkosak of the NWT is pulled off his feet in a losing effort against Ivan Avtonov of Magadan in the preliminaries of the Head Pull in Arctic Spots at Sissons School yesterday.



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