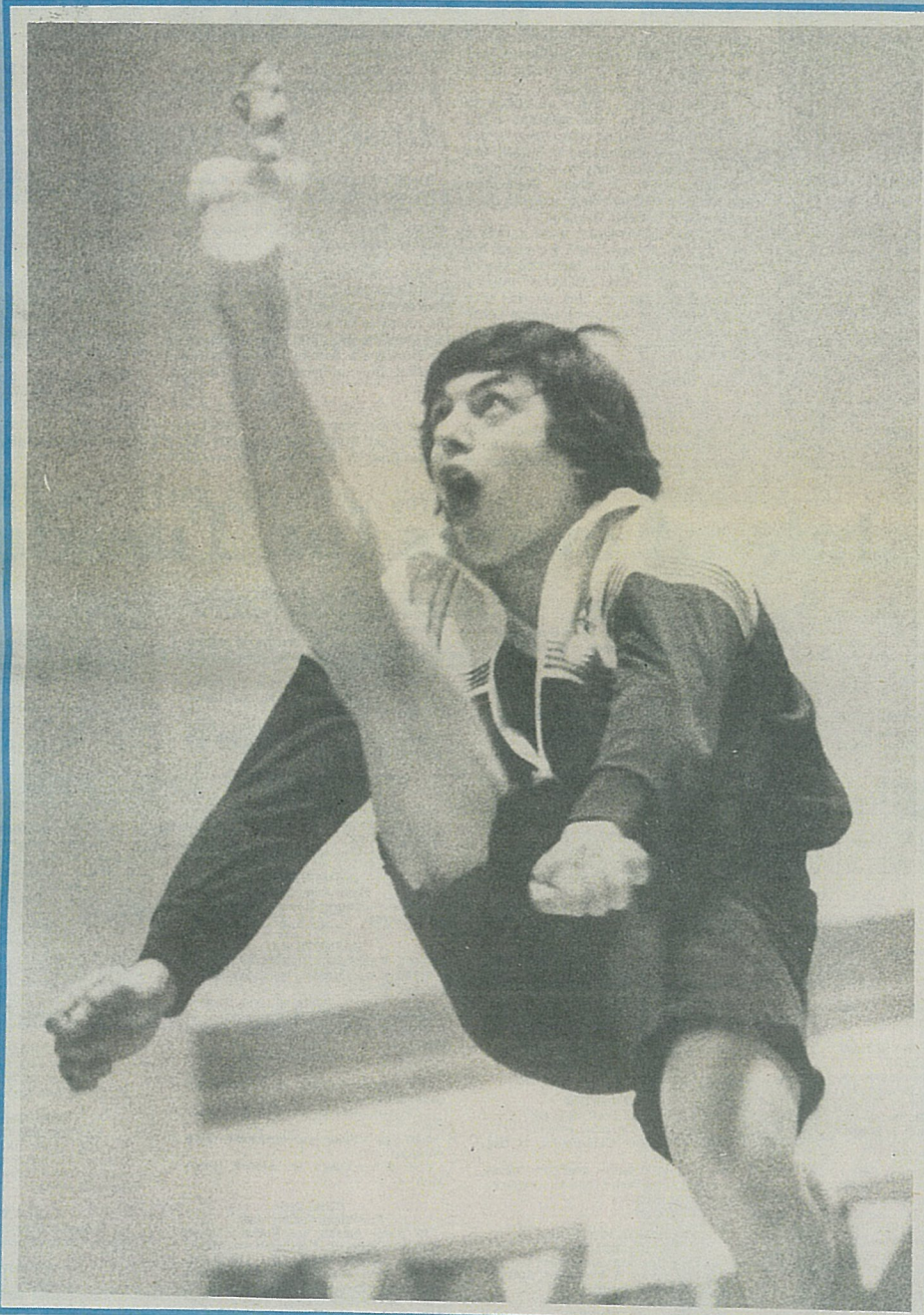




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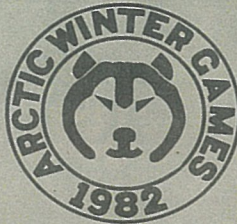
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Reggie Joule kicks for the mark in the one-foot high kick.

(Staff photo by Joe Correia)

High kick highlights Monday night's games



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There's more to games than competing

J.K. "Ken" McKinnon was a guard on the Yukon basketball team at the first Canadian Winter Games in Quebec in the late 1960s.

The basketball players and the other athletes from the Yukon Territory and the Northwest Territories fared so poorly at those games that the idea of creating the Arctic Winter Games caught on.

"We just got wiped out, just absolutely totally humiliated by the provincial teams. Obviously we just couldn't compete," McKinnon recalls.

McKinnon, who was also a member of the Yukon legislative assembly, and several other government and business leaders from the Northwest Territories and the Yukon came up with the idea of an international competition involving the Yukon, Northwest Territories and Alaska—the forum which was to become the Arctic Winter Games.

McKinnon participated in the first games in 1970 at Yellowknife and the second one in Whitehorse. He was also president of the first Arctic Winter Games.

In an interview Monday, he said the games—which are now being held for the seventh time—have fulfilled a goal for Yukon residents of giving their athletes a chance to compete.

"It allows the athletes in Yukon to look forward to international competition in a situation where they're not going to be embarrassed or humiliated in a setting that they're totally comfortable with. It gives them the challenge and the drive to excel in their chosen sports field," he said.

He also said the spirit of the games is not to win at any cost. He cited the decision to drop senior men's hockey as an example. The Alaska's hockey players had grown out of the true amateur stage and were almost semi-pro teams, so adult hockey was dropped from the games.

"It didn't fit into the spirit and style of the Arctic Winter Games," he said.

"There's no doubt in anybody's mind that in basketball, Alaska, if they fielded their absolutely top team, could wipe out either the Northwest Territories or the Yukon, which they do



KEN MCKINNON
Games fulfill a goal

anyway pretty badly, but doubly as bad as they do. So Alaska, in the spirit of the games, sends a representative team of people from all over."

At the first games, McKinnon said one of the really poignant moments was

when the people from Alaska showed their dances to people in the Northwest Territories.

The people in the Northwest Territories interpreted the same legend with a different dance and language.

"Watching this communication was another moment when you said, regardless of the frustration in putting the the thing together, it was worth every moment of it," he said.

On another subject, McKinnon said the increasing sophistication of the games should not come about at the expense of the reason the games were created—the athletes themselves. He said that "watching platforms sink with the weight of dignitaries and politicians climbing on board, I say 'My God, what kind of monster have we created here.'"

"I'd be extremely disappointed if we ever forgot the reason for which the games were created. I don't think we've gone that far yet and I guess the athletes have a good time on one level and the dignitaries have a good time at another level, but I'm worried they're not just meeting at the same level, as they did during the first two games."

McKinnon now works as the Yukon administrator for the Northern Pipeline Agency.

Alaska captures gold in judo

Alaska got off to a fast start in the judo competition, capturing two gold and one bronze medal in the three weight classes contested Monday night at Barnette School.

Billy Joe Travis and Larry Lee won the two gold ulus for Alaska by finishing first in their weight classes. Travis won the under-60 kilos class, Larry Lee won 65-71 weight class and Dennis Savore of the Northwest Territories won the third gold ulu for capturing the 78-86 weight class.

The judo competition concludes today starting at 2 p.m. with medals to be determined in the four other weights.

On Thursday the judo entrants will take part in an unofficial team competition from 2-5 p.m.

Fighters from the Yukon Territory came through with an equally strong showing Monday by taking all three silver ulus. Pete Lecheiminant finished second in the under-60 class, Robert Carieau finished second in the 65-71 class and Ronald Hair finished second in the 78-86 class.

Bronze ulus for third place were won by Northwest's Wilbert Cook in the under-60 class, Northwest's Joe Thrashoer in the 65-71 class and Alaska's Brian Fitzpatrick in the 78-86 class.

Schedule of events for Tuesday

Today's Events
ARCTIC SPORTS
 Monroe Catholic High School
 2 p.m.—Kneel Jump and One Hand Reach

BADMINTON
 Ryan Junior High
 9 a.m.—Round-Robin Qualifying Matches (60)

BASKETBALL
 West Valley High School
 8:30 a.m.—Yukon vs. Northwest (Junior Women)
 10:15 a.m.—Alaska vs. Yukon, (Junior Men)
 Noon—Yukon vs. Northwest (Open Women)
 1:45 p.m.—Yukon vs. Alaska (Open Men)
 3:30 p.m.—Alaska vs. Yukon (Junior Women)
 5:15 p.m.—Northwest vs. Alaska (Junior Men)
 7:00 p.m.—Alaska vs. Yukon (Open Women)
 8:45 p.m.—Northwest vs. Yukon (Open Men)

CROSS COUNTRY SKIING
 At Birch Hill
 9:30 a.m.—Opening Ceremonies
 10 a.m.—Juvenile Boys 2.5k Sprint; Juvenile Girls 2.5k Sprint; Junior Boys 5k Sprint; Junior Girls 5k Sprint; Open Men 10k Sprint; Open Women 5k Sprint.

CURLING
 Fairbanks Curling Club
 10 a.m.—Northwest vs. Alaska (Open Women); Shee II; Northwest vs. Yukon (Open Men), Sheet III; Northwest vs. Yukon (Junior Women), Sheet IV; Yukon vs. Alaska (Junior Men), Sheet V.
 2 p.m.—Northwest vs. Yukon (Junior Men), Sheet II; Yukon vs. Northwest (Open Women), Sheet III; Alaska vs. Northwest (Open Men), Sheet IV; Alaska vs. Northwest (Junior Women), Sheet V.

FIGURE SKATING
 UAF Ice Arena
 1:30 p.m.—Juvenile Ladies Figures
 3:25—Pre-Novice Ladies Figures
 3:55—Preliminary Mens Figures
 4:55—Juvenile Mens Figures
 5:20—Pre-Juvenile Mens Figures
 6:05—Open Dance Initial Round

GYMNASTICS
 Ryan Junior High
 5:30 p.m.—Individual all-around competition, and rounds 6-11 in team tumbling.

ICE HOCKEY
 Big Dipper Ice Arena
 9 a.m.—Alaska vs. Yukon (PeeWee)
 11:30 a.m.—Northwest vs. Yukon (Midget)
 5 p.m.—Northwest vs. Alaska (PeeWee)
 7:30 p.m.—Alaska vs. Northwest (Midget)

INDOOR SOCCER
 Joy Elementary School
 2 p.m.—Northwest vs. Alaska (Girls)
 3 p.m.—Yukon vs. Northwest (Boys)
 4 p.m.—Yukon vs. Alaska (Girls)
 5 p.m.—Alaska vs. Northwest (Boys)
 6 p.m.—Northwest vs. Yukon (Girls)
 7 p.m.—Yukon vs. Alaska (Girls)

JUDO
 Barnette Elementary School
 2 p.m.—Competition
 4 p.m.—Closing Ceremonies

SHOOTING
 Rifle, UAF Rifle Range
 Pistol, TVSA Clubhouse
 9 a.m.—Rifle and Pistol Competition

SHOWSHOEING
 UAF Biathlon Trail (5k event)
 Big Dipper (all other events)
 2 p.m.—Opening Ceremonies at Big Dipper
 2:30 p.m.—100 meter qualifying heats by category; 100 meter final by category; 800 meter by category

SNOWSHOE BIATHLON
 UAF Biathlon Range
 9:30 a.m.—Opening Ceremonies
 10 a.m.—Junior 5 kilometer Sprint; Senior 5 kilometer Sprint

TABLE TENNIS
 Hunter Elementary School
 2 p.m.—Tournament Rounds 17-34

VOLLEYBALL
 Lathrop High School
 2 p.m.—Alaska vs. Northwest (Open Men), Court I; Northwest vs. Yukon (Open Women), Court II.

3:30 p.m.—Yukon vs. Northwest (Junior Women), Court I; Alaska vs. Yukon (Junior Men), Court II
 5 p.m.—Alaska vs. Northwest (Open Women), Court I; Yukon vs. Alaska (Open Men), Court II.
 6:30 p.m.—Yukon vs. Alaska (Junior Women), Court I; Alaska vs. Northwest (Junior Men), Court II.
 8 p.m.—Alaska vs. Yukon (Open Women), Court I; Yukon vs. Northwest (Open Men), Court II.

WEDNESDAY'S EVENTS
ARCTIC SPORTS
 Monroe Catholic High School
 5 p.m.—Rope Gymnastics and Two Foot High Kick
 9:30 p.m.—Closing Ceremonies.

BADMINTON
 Ryan Junior High
 9 a.m.—Round-Robin Qualifying Matches (60)

BASKETBALL
 West Valley High School
 8:30 a.m.—Alaska vs. Northwest (Junior Women)
 10:15 a.m.—Northwest vs. Yukon (Junior Men)
 Noon—Alaska vs. Northwest (Open Women)
 1:45 p.m.—Northwest vs. Alaska (Open Men)
 3:30 p.m.—Yukon vs. Northwest (Junior Women)
 5:15 p.m.—Alaska vs. Yukon (Junior Men)
 7:00 p.m.—Yukon vs. Northwest (Open Women)
 8:45 p.m.—Yukon vs. Alaska (Open Men)

CURLING
 Fairbanks Curling Club
 10 a.m.—Alaska vs. Yukon (Junior Women), Sheet II; Northwest vs. Alaska (Junior Men), Sheet III; Yukon vs. Alaska (Open Women), Sheet IV; Alaska vs. Yukon (Open Men), Sheet V.
 2 p.m.—Northwest vs. Yukon (Open Men), Sheet II; Northwest vs. Yukon (Junior Women), Sheet III; Yukon vs. Alaska (Junior Men), Sheet IV; Northwest vs. Alaska (Open Women), Sheet V.

FIGURE SKATING
 UAF Ice Arena
 4 p.m.—Preliminary Dance Initial

Round
 4:25 p.m.—Preliminary Ladies Free

Skate
 5:20 p.m.—Preliminary Mens Free

Skate
 6 p.m.—Open Pairs
 6:25 p.m.—Pre-Juvenile Ladies Free

Skate
 7:35—Juvenile Ladies Free Skate
 8:10—Pre-Novice Ladies Free Skate

GYMNASTICS
 Ryan Junior High
 5:30 p.m.—Team competition, and rounds 12-14 in the team tumbling event.
 8:30 p.m.—Closing Ceremonies.

ICE HOCKEY
 Big Dipper Ice Arena
 9 a.m.—Northwest vs. Yukon (PeeWee)
 11:30 a.m.—Alaska vs. Yukon (Midget)
 5 p.m.—Alaska vs. Yukon (PeeWee)
 7:30 p.m.—Northwest vs. Yukon (Midget)

INDOOR SOCCER
 Joy Elementary School
 2 p.m.—Alaska vs. Northwest (Boys)
 3 p.m.—Yukon vs. Alaska (Girls)
 4 p.m.—Yukon vs. Alaska (Boys)
 5 p.m.—Northwest vs. Yukon (Girls)
 6 p.m.—Yukon vs. Northwest (Boys)
 7 p.m.—Northwest vs. Alaska (Girls)

SHOOTING
 Rifle, UAF Rifle Range
 Pistol, TVSA Clubhouse
 9 a.m.—Rifle Competition Only

SHOWSHOEING
 UAF Biathlon Trail (5k event)
 Big Dipper (all other events)
 2 p.m.—200 meter qualifying heats by category; 200 meter finals by category; 4x400 meter relay.

TABLE TENNIS
 Hunter Elementary School
 2 p.m.—Tournament Rounds 35-52

VOLLEYBALL
 Lathrop High School
 2 p.m.—Yukon vs. Northwest (Junior Men), Court I; Northwest vs. Alaska (Junior Women), Court II.
 3:30 p.m.—Alaska vs. Northwest (Open Men), Court I; Northwest vs. Yukon (Open Women), Court II.
 6 p.m.—Junior Women Semifinal, Court I; Junior Men Semifinal, Court II.
 8 p.m.—Open Women Semifinal, Court I; Open Men Semifinal, Court II.

Games competition in high gear; Alaska takes first-day team lead

By KEITH OLSON
Sports Editor

The 1982 Arctic Winter Games swing into high gear today with competition in all 15 sports at various locations around the city.

Snowshoeing, snowshoe biathlon, cross country skiing and the two shooting events all start today after having Monday off for practice. The other 12 events all began Monday and the first medals of the games were won in arctic sports, judo and gymnastics.

Team Alaska got off to roaring start claiming eight of the 10 gold ulus up for grabs on the first day of competition. Alaska won all four gold ulus and all but one of the 12 total medals determined in gymnastics, two of the three golds determined in arctic sports and two of the three golds determined judo.

The Northwest Territories won the other two gold ulus, picking up one in arctic sports and one in judo.

Alaska gymnast Gayle Holsapple became the first double winner of the games by capturing both the vault and uneven bars events in gymnastics. Teammate Katie Ballow also won the floor exercises and Heidi Moore captured the balance beam to give Alaska a sweep of the gold medals in the individual gymnastics competition.

Record setters Ike Towarak and Lady Laroux captured the men's and women's one-foot high kick events in arctic sports, while Northwest's Jerry Cackwey took the airplane event.

In judo, Northwest's Dennis Savore joined Alaska's Billy Joe Travis and Larry Lee as gold ulu winners in the first weight classes contested. That competition will end today with competition in the final four weights.

Elsewhere on Monday:

Alaska took the lead in all three figure skating divisions following Monday's figures competition.

Northwest rinks moved to the forefront in curling by winning four out of five games, and Northwest remained unbeaten in three of the four divisions heading into today's schedule of round-robin play. The Yukon is tied with Northwest in the junior women's division, while Alaska holds first place only in the open men's division.

Alaska won all six of its basketball games to take an early lead in round-robin play for all four divisions in that sport. Alaska also won all seven of its volleyball games, all four of its indoor soccer

games and two of its three hockey games. The Yukon Midgets handed Alaska a 4-2 setback to grab the early lead in that division.

All together, well over 100 games were played Monday in table tennis and badminton as those sports began their elimination rounds leading up to the medal rounds Thursday and Friday. Badminton was particularly competitive as each of the three teams won roughly half their games.

The day was not all taken up with competitions, however, as games participants enjoyed a Western roundup dance—complete with live music, cowboy hats and Arctic Winter Games bandanas—Monday evening at the Northern Lights Roller Rink.

Tonight both games participants and the general public are invited to a "Cultures of Alaska Night" at Hering Auditorium. Performers will represent Indian, Eskimo, Asian, Russian, Hispanic, Scottish, Scandinavian and American cultures. A food bazaar and art exhibit will also be featured.

Perhaps the most tired man after Monday's first day of competition was media center director Hess Ragins, who worked from 8 a.m. until close to midnight pulling together first-day results from each of the events. While reporters from all over Alaska and the Canadian territories hounded him for early-breaking results to meet deadlines, Ragins remained undaunted and patiently assured the media types that his all-volunteer crew would come through in due time, and sure enough they did with minor complications.

Team medal totals

	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
Alaska	8	5	4	17
Northwest	2	1	4	7
Yukon	0	4	2	6

Night of cultural festivities planned

To gather together the traditions of the northland and to help entertain athletes while in Fairbanks, the Arctic Winter Games cultural committee has planned a night of cultural festivities at Hering Auditorium.

The Dena Celebration, which means People's Celebration, is scheduled to begin at 7 tonight in the Lathrop High School auditorium at 901 Airport Road. Admission is \$3.

Mary Looe Baker, head of the cultural committee, explained that dances will be performed by Alaskan Natives and such ethnic groups as Russians, Hispanic, Scottish, Scandinavian and other American cultures. An art exhibit and food common to those groups also will be featured in a potluck-style atmosphere.

As part of the celebration, Alaskan Natives participating in the Festival of Native Arts will join other ethnic groups at Hering. They include groups from Hydaburg and Yakutat in southeast Alaska; Athabaskan groups from Arctic Village, Copper Center, Fort Yukon, Kaltag, Minto, Northway, Nulato and Nenana; Yupik groups from Chevak, Emmonak, Koliganek, Nunumta and Saint Mary's; and Inupiaq groups from Barrow, King Island, Kotzebue, Saint Lawrence Island and Wainwright.

The total number of Natives traveling to Fairbanks for the event is about 260.



WATCHING THE GAMES—Googie Glazier, Miss World Eskimo Indian Olympics for 1981-82, watches the high-kick competition at the Arctic Winter Games Monday night.

(Staff photo by Joe Correia)



ICE ACTION—Kevin Small (8) of the Northwest Territories competes with captain Boyd Sutton (10) of

Alaska during midget division action at the Big Dipper ice arena Monday.

(Staff photo by Eric Muehling)

Youthful ice hockey players give Big Dipper its inaugural workout

The Big Dipper got its first test as the Arctic Winter Games ice hockey competition swung into high gear Monday with a pair of PeeWee and Midget games.

Both teams that played twice—the Northwest PeeWees and the Alaska Midgets—wound up splitting their games during the first day round-robin action.

The Northwest PeeWees dropped their opener 10-7 to Alaska and then came storming back to whip Yukon 6-1. The Alaska Midgets opened the tournament with a 5-2 win over Northwest, but they couldn't maintain the momentum as they dropped a 4-2 decision to Yukon Monday night.

Curtis Jennings scored three goals and Wayne Bailey added a pair to lead Alaska over Northwest in the PeeWee opener, which was the first official game ever played in the renovated Dipper. Travis Powell, Marcel King, Judd Sturgeon, Corey Fields and Todd Srala added single tallies for the winners.

Alaska jumped out to a 2-1 lead in the first period and increased the margin to 6-3 at the end of the second period. Each team scored four times in the final stanza.

Sean Barr had a pair of goals in a losing cause for Northwest. Darron Newell, John Manderville, Dennis Reid, Joseph Dragon and Dean Halifax a so scored for Northwest.

Northwest bounced back strong in its second game of the day as Newell scored twice to pace the 6-1 win over Yukon. Dragon, Manderville, Reid and Barr added single tallies to the winning effort. Jamie Fowler scored Yukon's lone goal.

Northwest scored two goals in each period while Yukon's only score came

in the initial period. Newell's goal with 48 seconds left in the first period turned out to be the game winner.

Chris Schneider and Boyd Sutton each scored twice as the Alaskan Midgets to off to a fast start by downing Northwest. Gordy Kito picked up the fifth goal. Kevin Small and Frazer Pike turned on the red light for Northwest.

Alaska took a 5-2 lead in the second period of the penalty-filled contest and protected it the rest of the way. Referees whistled 21 penalties during the game.

Yukon got goals from Frank Aucoin, Brian Fedoriak, Kelly Eby and Gerald Aucoin and that proved to be too much for the Alaskans to handle in their second game of the day. Schneider and Todd Morgan had the Alaskan goals.

Fedoriak's second period goal snapped a 1-1 tie and put Yukon ahead for good. Yukon increased its lead to 4-1 before Morgan scored with just under two minutes left in the game.

Round-robin action continues through Wednesday at the Dipper with the

semifinals slated Thursday and the finals set for Friday.

AWG Ice Hockey Monday's Results

PeeWee Division
Northwest 6, Yukon 1. Goal Scorers—(N) Dagon, Newell 2, Manderville, Reid, Barr, (Y) Fowler.
Alaska 10, Northwest 7. Goal Scorers—(A) Bailey 2, Powell, King, Jennings 3, Sturgeon, Fields, Srala; (N) Newell, Manderville, Reid, Barr 2, Dragon, Halifax.

Midget Division
Yukon 4, Alaska 2. Goal Scorers—(Y) F. Aucoin, Fedoriak, Eby, G. Aucoin.
Alaska 5, Northwest 2. Goal Scorers—(A) Schneider 2, Sutton 2, Kito; (N) Small, Pike.

Radio network beaming games to Canada

Canadians who weren't able to travel to Fairbanks for this week's Arctic Winter Games are following the progress of their favorite teams and athletes from the Northwest Territories and Yukon Territory on the Northern Service of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation network.

CBC's production studios are located at Alaskaland and they have several reporters in the field collecting information to be broadcast back to Canada in English, Inuktitut and Slavey.

Reporters are gathering interviews with athletes, officials and spectators as well as providing on-location commentaries and up-to-the-minute results and nightly wrapups for various radio stations throughout Canada.

The CBC television network is also providing coverage of the games to be broadcast across Canada.

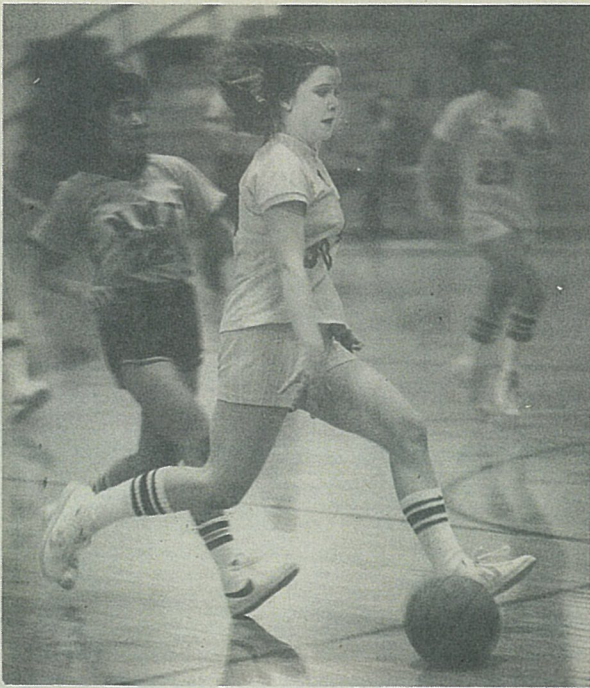
The five- to 15-minute radio items are fed from Alaskaland by land line to Whitehorse for airing on CBC's Yukon morning, noon and afternoon programs.

Northwest sports fans are kept up to date with the action of the Games in a different manner. The radio items are being sent from Whitehorse via satellite to Yellowknife, Inuvik and Frobisher Bay.

For example, Inuktitut language interviews, commentaries and news items are for Frobisher Bay's morning, noon and afternoon programs. They will be heard by the Inuit and non-native audiences in the Baffin, Eastern and Central Arctic, and the Keewatin.

Slavey-language Games coverage is for Yellowknife's morning, noon and afternoon programs. They will be heard by Dene, Metis and non-native audiences of the Mackenzie and Western Arctic.

There are other languages spoken in the Canadian North—Loucheux, Inuvialuktum, Hareskin, Chipewyan and Dogrib—so the Northern Service coverage team is sending written sports copy, by telex, to all stations with native language broadcasters doing translations.



COURT ACTION—Action was hot and heavy on the West Valley basketball court Monday with eight games played during the day. The Alaska junior women's team won two of them with the aid of Diane Spitler, shown with the ball against Northwest's Dede Tucker in photo at left and with Val Conrad of Northwest at right. Spitler scored 20 points against Yukon and 23 against Northwest.

(Staff photos by Joe Correia)

Alaska clips Northwest in 'barnburner'

They saved the best for last on the opening day of the Arctic Winter Games basketball competition Monday at West Valley High School.

The final game on the eight-game slate was a real barnburner as the Alaska Senior men's team pulled out a 95-88 victory over Northwest in the most competitive game of the day.

Roger Speer poured in 26 points with Mitch Demientief chipping in 20 and Thomas Lucas registering 17. The Alaskan victory overshadowed a brilliant 32-point performance of Northwest's Frank Moskel, which was the highest point total of the day.

In the Senior Men's opener played in the afternoon Yukon had its game in high gear racing to a 77-56 win over Northwest. Murray Williamson paced a balanced Yukon scoring attack with 20 points while Moskel countered with 19 for Northwest.

Alaska opened the Junior men's competition by romping past Northwest 82-53 as Matt Nelson led the way with a 31-point effort. Greg Peers topped Northwest with 14 tallies. Northwest bounced back to beat Yukon 71-48 later in the day as Jeff Burns authored a 20-point performance. Dean White led Yukon with 14.

The Alaska junior women's team cruised to a pair of victories as they defeated Yukon 73-40 and Northwest 89-42. Caroline Grys paced Alaska in the first game with 20 points and Diane Spitler poured in 23 to lead the way

against Northwest. Michelle Emson had a team-high 17 points for Yukon and Val Conrad led Northwest with a 12-point effort.

Yukon gave Alaska all it could handle before the host team claimed a 60-48 win to open the Senior women's competition and Alaska made it two in a row by whipping Northwest 80-38 later in the day. Carol Pigg and Kelsey Kuehn tallied 12 points apiece in the win over Yukon and Jerri Denman registered 25 against Northwest. Sally Bellchambers led Yukon with a 23-point effort and Marilyn Mackenzie had 14 for Northwest.

Round-robin play continues through Wednesday with eight games a day with the semifinals set for Thursday and the finals slated Friday.

AWG Basketball Monday's Results
Open Women

ALASKA (60)—Denman 4 2-2 10, Mann 2 0-0 4, Pigg 6 0-0 12, Wiles 4 0-0 8, Phillips 3 1-1 7, Bjornstad 0 1-3 1, Kuehn 6 0-1 12, Welch 2 2-2 8. Totals 27 6-9 60.

YUKON (48)—Holt 1 0-3 2, Sjogren 3 0-0 6, Kehler 1 1-6 3, Olson 0 0-0, Alexanderwich 0, Robert 1 1-3 3, Bellchambers 9 5-9 23, Gallan 5 1-3 11. Totals 20 8-24 22.

Halftime Score—Alaska 31, Yukon 20. Total Fouls—Alaska 13, Yukon 11.

ALASKA (89)—Denman 12 1-7 25, Mann 1 0-0 2, Pigg 5 2-3 12, Wiles 8 0-0 16, Phillips 3 0-3 6, Bjornstad 4 2-3 10, Kuehn 1 0-2, Welch 2 2-9 7, Totals 36 8-25 80.

NORTHWEST (38)—Makin 2 0-0 4, Dobson 0 0-0 0, Taggart 2 0-0 4, Ashby 2 0-0 4, Bissel 1 0-0 2, Mackenzie 6 5-3 14, Bisaro 0 0-3 0, Nason 5 0-0 10. Totals 18 2-8 34.

Halftime Score—Alaska 38, Northwest 8. Total Fouls—Alaska 12, Northwest 11.

AWG Gymnastics Monday's Results
Team Tumbling

1. Ballow (A), 8.2; 2. Boyk (Y), 7.9; 3. Patka (A), 7.8; 4. Deforest (Y), 7.5; 5. Darling (Y), 7.4; 6. White (Y), 7.0; 7. Jackson (Y), 6.5; 8. (tie) Queller-Roy (NWT) and Hache (NWT), 6.3; 9. Shearing (NWT), 6.0.

Vaulting

1. Holsapple (A), 7.90; 2. Patka (A), 7.45; 3. Moore (A), 7.45; 4. Boyle (Y), 7.35; 5. White (Y), 7.3; 6. Jackson (Y), 7.25; 7. Ballow (A), 7.2; 8. Darling (Y), 7.05; 9. Deforest (Y), 6.65; 10. Hache (NWT), 6.55.

Uneven Bars

1. Holsapple (A), 6.85; 2. Moore (A), 6.4; 3. Patka (A), 6.35; 4. Ballow (A), 6.35; 5. Boyle (Y), 6.35; 6. Jackson (Y), 4.2; 7. White (Y), 8. Queller-Roy (NWT), 9. Benwell (NWT), 3.65; 10. Darling (Y), 3.5.

Floor Exercise

1. Ballow (A), 6.7; 2. Patka (A), 6.55; 3. Deforest (Y), 6.35; 4. (tie) Moore (A) and Darling (Y), 6.00; 5. Boyle (Y), 5.8; 6. White (Y), 5.50; 7. Jackson (Y), 4.75; 8. Hache (NWT), 4.60; 9. Queller-Roy (NWT), 4.30; 10. Shearing (NWT), 4.25.

Balance Beam

1. Moore (A), 7.9; 2. Holsapple (A), 7.75; 3. Patka (A), 7.7; 4. Ballow (A), 7.35; 5. Boyle (Y), 6.95; 6. Jackson (Y), 5.8; 7. Queller-Roy (NWT), 5.0; 8. Benwell (NWT), 4.9; 9. White (Y), 4.7; 10. Shearing (NWT), 4.35.

Junior Women

ALASKA (73)—Grys 8 4-7 20, Roach 2 0-0 4, Tucker 1 0-0 2, Edwards, 4 4-8 12, Tegeler 4 3-9 11, Boone, 4 0-0 8, Spiller 5 2-4 12, Twigg 2 0-0 4. Totals 30 13-28 73.

YUKON (40)—2 0-0 4, Chalfoux 0 0-0 0, Sudeyko 0 1-3 1, Roske, 3 2-2 12, Grasholm 2 0-0 4, Wheelon, 1 0-0 2, Schiffkorn 0 0-0 0, Emson 8 1-6 17. Totals 18 4-11 40.

Halftime Score—Alaska 44, Yukon 21. Fouled Out—Wheelon. Total Fouls—Alaska 14, Yukon 16.

NORTHWEST (42)—Sproule 5 0-0 10, Cumming 1 0-0 2, Tucktoo 0 1-6 1, Conrad 6 0-0 12, Evalik 1 0-0 2, Babluk 2 3-6 7, Adams 3 0-6 6, Baert 1 0-0 2. Totals 19 4-12 42.

ALASKA (89)—Boone 3 0-0 6, Tegeler 1 0-0 2, Spiller 11 1-1 23, Roach 9 0-1 18, Tucker 3 0-0 6, Edwards 6 0-0 12, Twigg 1 0-0 2, Grys 10 0-1 20. Totals 44 1-3 89.

Halftime Score—Alaska 40, Northwest 23. Total Fouls—Northwest 9, Alaska 11.

Open Men

NORTHWEST (56)—Luznar 1 2-2 4, Wall 0 0-0 0, MacLellan, 4 0-0 8, DeBruyn, 1 0-0 2, Vermillion 4 2-2 10, MacDonald 1 1-3 3, Bourke 2 0-0 4, Moskal 7 5-8 19, Jones 1 4-6 6. Totals 21 14-21 56.

YUKON (77)—Williamson 8 4-5 20, Hebink 6 0-0 12, Bellchambers 0 0-0 0, Morrell, 6 1-1 13, McGowan 1 0-3 2, Dumas 4 0-0 8, Anderson 2 0-0 4, Blackburn 3 0-0 6, Vickerman 6 0-0 12. Totals 36 5-17 77.

Halftime Score—Yukon 37, Northwest 24. Total Fouls—Northwest 11, Yukon 14.

NORTHWEST (88)—Luznar 2 0-0 4, Wall 2 2-2 6, MacLellan 1 0-0 2, DeBruyn 6 0-1 12, Vermillion 5 0-0 10, MacDonald 4 2-3 10, Bourke 2 2-3 6, Moskel 13 6-9 32, Jones 3 0-0 6. Totals 38 12-18 88.

ALASKA (95)—Lord 5 0-0 10, Speer 10 6-8 26, Swett 3 0-3 6, Ramert 4 0-0 8, Sweetser 2 2-3 6, Joslin 1 0-0 2, Demientief, 10 0-0 20, Lucas 6 5-10 17.

Halftime Score—Alaska 54, Northwest 45. Fouled Out—Lucas, DeBruyn, Moskel. Total Fouls—Northwest 22, Alaska 18.

Junior Men

NORTHWEST (71)—Peers 5 5-10 15, Pameolik 1 0-0 2, Burns 7 6-8 20, Maduke 0 0-0 0, Moran 4 2-2 10, Smith 2 1-2 5, Bais 1 0-0 2, Sas 6 4-9 16. Totals 26 19-36 71.

YUKON (48)—White 6 2-3 14, Knorr 0 0-0 0, Bredy 3 0-0 6, LaRose 0 0-0 0, Tall 3 4-9 10, Mooney 1 0-0 2.

Heebink 6 0-0 12, Germain 2 0-0 4. Totals 21 6-12 48.
Halftime Score—Northwest 39, Yukon 30. Fouled out—LaRose. Total Fouls—Northwest 13, Yukon 29.

NORTHWEST (53)—Peers 6 2-3 14, Pameolik 1 0-0 2, Burns 2 0-0 4, Maduke 0 0-0 0, Moran 5 2-2 12, Smith 4 5-11 13, Bais 0 0-0 0, Sas 4 2-2 10. Totals 22 11-21 53.

ALASKA (82)—Erhart 4 2-2 10, Usibelli 2 1-1 5, Green 2 0-0 4, Boone 5 0-0 10, Cockrell 4 1-3 9, Nelson 14 3-10 31, Irwin 3 2-5 8, Anderson 2 1-3 5. Totals 36 10-24 82.

Halftime Score—Alaska 45, Northwest 25. Fouled Out—Anderson. Total Fouls—Northwest 13, Alaska 15.

Athletes can call home free during games

The Arctic Amateur Radio Club has provided free telephone patch service for Arctic Winter Games participants wishing to call home during the games week.

The service, which started Sunday, will still be available tonight and Wednesday from 7-9 p.m. in the basement lounge of Building 1040, North Post, Fort Wainwright. Athletes and staff who wish to call any number outside of Fairbanks may arrange for the service by calling 456-2104 before 6 p.m. either night.

Club member Bert Curwen has set up a special station at his home to transmit the calls. Those wishing to call home will be linked to Curwen's ham radio and receiver. His station will then send the conversation over the airwaves to a ham station in the caller's home town, and the operator at the distant station will similarly link his equipment to the local phone lines.

The hookup is subject to atmospheric conditions which could make calls impossible at times. But the hams are hoping for good conditions.

Other local ham operators providing the service are Russ Amerson, Dan Bishop, Mike Drury, Pat Moore, Dave Rohwer, Francis Randolph, Ed Stich, Joe Voelkel, Al Weber and Win Wigger.

The local radio club has been in existence since the 1930s and has long record of public service. The club provides safety communications for such events as the Yukon 800 riverboat race and the Equinox Marathon running race.

This week the club will provide communications during the five-kilometer snowshoe race Friday afternoon over the University of Alaska-Fairbanks biathlon ski trail. Three club members will ski to sites along the trail with handheld radios and can keep track of the contestants as they pass.

Holsapple's 3 ulus lead gymnasts

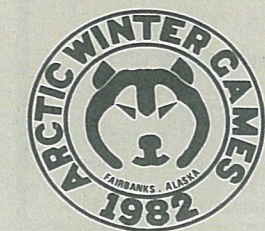
Gayle Holsapple won two gold and one silver ulu to lead Alaskan gymnasts to a near clean sweep in the Arctic Winter Games individual gymnastics competition held Monday night at Ryan Junior High.

Holsapple won the vault with a score of 7.90 and she picked up her second gold ulu with a 6.95 score on the uneven bars. Holsapple also took second on the balance beam with a 7.75.

Heidi Moore captured the gold ulu on the balance beam with a 7.9 performance and Katie Ballow was the winner in the floor exercise competition with a 6.7 rating.

Yukon's Patricia Deforest was the lone Canadian to win an ulu during Monday night's competition as she finished in third place in the floor exercise.

Others winning silver ulus for Alaska were Kirsten Patka in vaulting and floor exercise and Heidi Moore on the uneven bars. Moore won a bronze ulu in



Getting a kick out of the games

By DERMOT COLE
Staff Writer

Ike Towarak set an Arctic Winter Games record in the one-foot high kick competition at the Monroe High School Gym Monday night, while Lady Laroux tied a women's world record.

Towarak, 26, managed to kick 8 foot, 10 inches—two feet nine inches over his head—to win the men's one-foot competition.

Towarak actually reached 9 feet on his last jump, but he was unable to keep his balance when he came to the ground. Although the final kick did not count, the 6-foot-1 Unalakleet man was jubilant.

"I've been dreaming about it," he said. "Next I'll try to get the rim."

Although the 10-foot rim on the basketball court is a bit beyond his reach at the moment, Towarak's foot reached heights equivalent to the center of the average basketball net on his best jump Monday. His winning kick was 1 3/4 inches higher than the previous winter games record.

Towarak keeps in shape by playing center on his basketball team in Unalakleet, but he said he doesn't practice the high kick.

Lady Laroux, first place winner in the women's event, seems to follow a more structured training routine. She said she does 120 situps a day and a lot of stretching exercises in addition to the daily workout she gets lifting freight in the Bethel offices of Wien Air Alaska as a customer service agent.

Laroux, 22, kicked to a height of 6-foot-9—20 inches over her head—to win the women's competition.

Laroux competed in the 1980 Arctic Winter Games in Whitehorse, a move which led the way to full fledged participation by a women's team in traditional arctic sports for the first time in this year's games.

Laroux tied the one-foot high kick women's record held by Carol Pickett, 18, of Anchorage, who finished second in the event. Third place went to Jocelyn McIntyre of the Yukon Territory for her kick of 6-foot-6.

Pickett, a senior at West Anchorage High School, reached 6-foot-9 last summer at the World Eskimo-Indian Olympics, but she was only able to kick 6-foot-8 Monday.

Pickett performed barefoot, as did many of the other 27 men and women in the one-foot high kick competition. She said shoes are too heavy and that by landing on her toes and then her heels, her feet don't get injured.

The barefooted athletes jumped for the target stationed near the top of the key on the basketball court. Before each of the higher kicks, many did stretching exercises to keep their muscles loose for the explosive leap required in the event.

At its best, the high kick is a kind of aerial gymnastic exhibition which requires exceptional flexibility and strength.

A crowd of 200 to 300 people attended the opening night of the arctic sports competition, watching the high kick and a second game called "airplane."

In that contest, the participant lies on the floor, extends his arms and legs in an iron cross and stays rigid for as long as possible while being carried around the gym.

Competition in the arctic sports continues today until 7 p.m. at Monroe and from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Wednesday.

In the one-foot high kick Monday, each athlete had to kick a target suspended by a string, land on his kicking foot and maintain his balance. Each contestant had three tries at each height and the field gradually dwindled as the target was raised two inches on every go-round.

Except for the use of two feet, the rules in the two-foot high kick scheduled for this afternoon are about the same. Other arctic sports include: the kneel jump, which is kind of like a standing broad jump starting on your knees; the one hand reach and rope gymnastics.

Except for an occasional crying baby, the crowd remained silent during the more difficult men's and women's kicks and the couple of dozen photographers seated cross-legged on the gym floor were asked not to use flash cameras for fear it would break the athletes' concentration.

The audience applauded the athletes after the successful and unsuccessful kicks. Those knocked out of the competition shook the hands of their competitors before bowing out.

Reggie Joule, master of ceremonies for the evening, coach of the Alaska Team and a fourth-place finisher in the high kick, said any new records should be placed in the history books with an asterisk because they've only been keeping track of them for 20 or 25 years.

He said the skills needed to compete in these games were passed from generation to generation and that they are the skills needed for survival in a tough environment.

Joule, a Kotzebue resident and former high kick champion who reached 8 foot 6 Monday night, told the story of a man in his hometown who took off his mukluks at the age of 56 and planted both feet on an eight-foot ceiling without getting a running jump.

"Today, many of us who haven't even reached 30 yet are having a hard time getting over 7 feet," Joule said.

Second place in the men's competition went to Tim Angotlingora of Repulse Bay in the Northwest Territories for his kick of 8-foot-8, while Tony Klengenber of the Northwest Territories took third place with a kick of 8-foot-4.



AWG Arctic Sports Monday's Results

Women's One-Foot High Kick
1. Lady Laroux (A), 6-9 (new world's record); 2. Carol Pickett (A), 6-8; 3. Jocelyn McIntyre (Y), 6-6; 4. Sera Ballespiroz (A), 6-0; 5. Deborah Kalengenber (NWT), 5-10; 6. Sheila Komeak (NWT), 5-6; 7. Helen Hala (NWT), 4-10; 8. Tracie Albisser (Y), 4-8.

Men's One-Foot High Kick

1. Ike Towarak (A), 8-10 (new Arctic Winter Games record); 2. Tim Angotlingora (NWT), 8-8; 3. Tony Klengenber (NWT), 8-4; 4. Reggie Joule (A), 8-4; 5. Greg Nohstine (A), 8-2; 6. Jerry Cockney (NWT), 8-2; 7. Nuna Michael (NWT), 7-10; 8. Charles Komik

(NWT), 7-8; 9. Ted James (Y), 7-6; 10. Mark James (Y), 7-6; 11. Danny Andrews (Y), 7-6; 12. Forrest Ahkivina (A), 7-6; 13. Simon Adam (NWT), 7-6; 14. Laurie Brown (Y), 7-2; 15. Danny Hatogha (NWT), 7-2; 16. Eddie Ardy (Y), 7-0; 17. Steve Heim (Y), 7-9; 18. Danny Casselman (Y), 6-6; 19. Darryl James (Y), 6-6.

Airplane

1. Jerry Cockney (NWT), 13:17; 2. Steve Heim (Y), 10:11; 3. Alan Analiok (NWT), 10:02; 4. Nuna Michael (NWT), 9:43; 5. William Rowland (A), 7:00; 6. Reggie Joule (A), 6:39; 7. Simon Adam (NWT), 49:43; 8. Tony Kalengenber (NWT), 49:25; 9. Danny Hatogha (NWT), 39:5; 10. Tim Angotlingora (NWT), 22:4.

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LINING UP—Yukon Skip Kathy Chapman from the Yukon Territory lines up a shot on sheet four during senior women's curling competition Monday afternoon. Behind her stands skip Gertie Pick of the Northwest Territories.

(Staff photo by Eric Muehling)

NWT curlers one shy of cleansweep

Curlers from the Northwest Territories won four out of five games to grab the spotlight on Monday's opening day of competition at the Fairbanks Curling Club.

Of the four Northwest rinks, the junior men posted two wins beating the Yukon Territories 9-1 and then edging Alaska 8-7 in one extra end. In the latter game, the Alaska juniors battled back from a 6-3 deficit by stealing two consecutive ends. The two rinks swapped single points in the ninth and tenth ends before Northwest won it with last rock in the 11th end.

Alaska's open men's rink was the only other team to win twice Monday defeating Northwest 6-3 and Yukon 7-5.

Northwest and Yukon each posted wins over Alaska in the junior women's division as Northwest posted a 23-4 triumph and Yukon registered a 16-3 decision. In the open women's division, Yukon rebounded from a 9-4 loss to Northwest by trimming Alaska 10-1.

The double round-robin competition continues today and Wednesday leading up to Thursday's semifinals. The first-place rinks in each division after the round-robin competition automatically qualify for Friday's finals, while the second- and third-place rinks will meet in the semifinals to determine which of the two will advance to the finals.

AWG Curling Monday's Results				Open Women					
Junior Women				Yukon	100	000	210	X-4	
Alaska	000	010	010	2-4	Northwest	012	211	002	X-9
Northwest	135	036	005	0-23	Yukon	202	030	030	X-10
Alaska	000	010	110	X-3	Alaska	010	201	101	X-6
Yukon	221	304	004	X-16					
Junior Men				Open Men					
Northwest	011	011	031	1-9	Alaska	010	112	010	X-6
Yukon	200	100	200	0-5	Northwest	100	000	101	X-3
Northwest	040	020	001	01-9	Alaska	040	100	101	X-7
Alaska	001	101	120	10-7	Yukon	101	020	001	0-5

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Alaskans undefeated in volleyball play

Alaskan volleyball teams opened the Arctic Winter Games with a bang Monday winning all seven of the matches they participated in and six of those victories were in straight sets.

The Junior men's and women's teams and the Open women's team from Alaska each claimed two wins on the first day of round-robin play which continues today at Lathrop High School. The Open men's team won its only match over Yukon.

The Yukon junior men's team prevented Alaskans from scoring a complete sweep of every match when they took the opening game 15-12, but the Alaskans bounced back to snare the second 16-14 and they won by taking the third game 15-10.

Yukon is in second place in the early going having topped Northwest in straight sets.

After losing in straight sets to Alaska, the Yukon Open men's team bounced back to take an 8-15, 15-0, 15-10 decision from Northwest.

The round-robin competition concludes Wednesday afternoon with the semifinals slated for Wednesday night. The Junior finals are Thursday night and the Senior finals take place Friday afternoon.

AWG Volleyball Monday's Results

Junior Women
Yukon def. Northwest 15-11, 15-7
Alaska def. Yukon 15-10, 15-6
Alaska def. Northwest 15-8, 15-10

Junior Men
Alaska def. Yukon 15-13, 16-14, 15-10
Alaska def. Northwest 15-10, 15-12
Northwest def. Yukon 15-9, 15-9

Open Women
Alaska def. Northwest 15-4, 15-11
Alaska def. Yukon 15-9, 15-5

Open Men
Alaska def. Yukon 15-3, 15-7
Yukon def. Northwest 8-15, 15-9, 15-10

Three Alaskans hold lead in women figure skating

Alaskans stepped to the forefront by taking the lead in all three divisions as the women's figure skating competition got under way Monday at the University of Alaska-Fairbanks ice arena.

Monday the skaters competed in the figures competition and Laura Ford moved into the Preliminary Ladies division ahead of Nicole Lamoureux of Yukon and Alaska's Kirsten Homme. There are thirteen skaters competing in the division.

Alaska's Beth McConkey took the lead over a field of seven skaters in the Pre-Juvenile Ladies competition with Yukon's Tracy Wright in second and Northwest's Leah Sheck third.

Birgitta Kyttle is the leader in the

Open Ladies division with Yukon's Michelle Phillips second.

Figure skating competition continues today with individual events in school figures and preliminary dance. Freestyle competition in singles, pairs and dance start Wednesday and the competition concludes Thursday.

AWG Figure Skating Preliminary Ladies Figures

1. Ford (A); 2. Lamoureux (Y); 3. Homme (A); 4. Pearson (A); 5. Warner (Y); 6. Halvorson (A); 7. Barstow (A); 8. Zapanuk (NWT); 9. MacPherson (Y); 10. Byram (Y); 11. Meison (NWT); 12. Makarewicz (Y); 13. Summerfelt (NWT).

Pre-Juvenile Ladies Figures

1. McConkey (A); 2. Wright (Y); 3. Sheck (NWT); 4. Bolton (NWT); 5. Babuk (NWT); 6. Vendress (Y); 7. Tenney (Y).

Open Ladies Figures

1. Kyttle (A); 2. Phillips (Y).

Indoor soccer competition close

Close competition and action-packed games marked the opening of the Arctic Winter Games indoor soccer competition at Joy School Monday.

Only two of the six games played on the opening day of the round-robin portion of the tournament were decided by more than two goals and three of the contests were won by just one goal.

The Alaska boys and girls teams moved into the early lead as both teams ended the first day of play with two wins, but none of the victories came easily.

The Alaskan boys team opened play with a 5-2 victory over Yukon thanks to a three-goal performance by Bruce Miller. Heath McKay had both Yukon scores.

The second game was a high-scoring affair as Alaska trimmed Northwest 6-5 with Sean Peck scoring three times and Cristian Marin adding two goals to lead the way. Harry Golchert and Michael Winter had two goals apiece for Northwest.

Yukon claimed its first win in the

boys competition by racing past Northwest 6-1 as Cito Ariza scored three goals and Frank Grandy added a pair.

Girls play got under way with Northwest capturing a hard-fought 2-1 decision over Yukon. Alaska claimed its first victory by edging past Northwest 2-0 and they continued their winning ways by downing Northwest 2-1.

Round-robin play continues through Wednesday with the semifinals slated Thursday and finals set for Friday afternoon.

AWG Indoor Soccer Monday's Results

Boys Games
Alaska 5, Yukon 2. Goal Scorers—(A) Miller 3, Marin, Peck; (Y) McKay 2.
Yukon 6, Northwest 1. Goal Scorers—(Y) Ariza 3, Grandy 2, Staruk; (N) Winter.
Alaska 6, Northwest 5. Goal Scorers—(A) Peck 3, Marin 2, Spillane; (N) Winter 2, Golchert 2, Swihart.

Girls Games
Northwest 2, Yukon 1. Goal Scorers—(N) Greenland, Cardinal; (Y) Fraser.
Alaska 2, Northwest 0. Goal Scorers—(A) Smith, Wheeler.
Alaska 2, Yukon 1. Goal Scorers—(A) Barrett, Blackford; (Y) Raab.

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Round-robin table tennis action begins

Round-robin competition in table tennis began Monday with the first 16 rounds of play at Hunter Elementary School.

Another 18 rounds are scheduled today and the competition continues the day through Friday afternoon when the final rounds are scheduled from 12-3:20 p.m. in the singles, doubles and mixed doubles classes.

AWG Table Tennis Monday's Results

Junior Mixed Doubles
Olson-Hammer (Y) def. Rinkle-Bundschuh (A) 21-19, 23-21; Jones-Vargas (A) def. Kawasa-Alainga (NWT) 24-22, 21-13; Kazak-James (Y) def. Darling-Bell (NWT) 21-14, 21-13; Jones-Vargas (A) def. Rinkle-Bundschuh (A) 21-11, 22-20; Katai-Bennett (A) def. Stalker-Taylor (A) 21-18, 21-18; Kazak-James (Y) def. Yamada-Lee 21-14, 19-21, 28-24; Mat-Lee (Y) def. Olson-Hammer (Y) 21-8, 21-10; Stalker-Taylor (A) def. Darling-Bell (NWT) 21-14, 18-21, 21-12; Jones-Vargas (A) def. Yamada-Lee (Y) 21-19, 21-18; Katai-Bennett (A) def. Olson-Hammer (Y) 21-17, 21-9; Kawasa-Alainga (NWT) def. Kazak-James (Y) 20-22, 21-14, 21-18.

Open Mixed Doubles

Boeger-Baldwin (A) def. Smimizu-Steele (Y) 21-15, 21-15; Augestad-Holle (A) def. Lewis-Kerr (Y) 21-15, 21-15; Camden-Horne (A) def. Lewis-Kerr (Y) 21-12, 23-21; Resek-Hinatsu (A) def. Shimizu-Steele (Y) 21-5, 19-21, 21-10; Boeger-Baldwin (A) def. Camden-Horne (A) 23-21, 21-14; Resek-Hinatsu (A) def. Augestad-Holle (A) 21-17, 22-20; Lewis-Kerr (Y) def. Wati-Craig (Y) 18-21, 21-16, 21-17; Murphy-Knight (Y) def. Schmitz-Steele (Y) 21-19, 19-13.

Open Mixed Singles

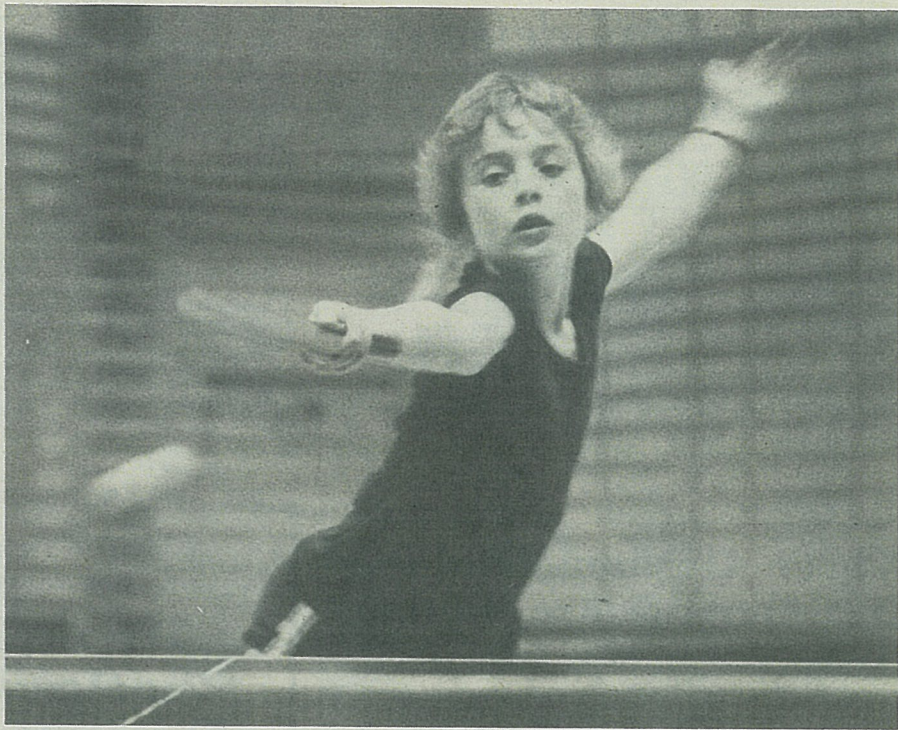
A-2 def. Y-4 21-11, 21-13; A-E def. Y-2 18-21, 21-8, 21-10; A-3 def. A-2 21-12, 24-22; A-1 def. A-4 21-12, 21-18; Y-3 def. Y-2 21-14, 21-16; Y-1 def. Y-4 21-11, 21-8.

Open Men's Singles

Resek (A) def. Wrigglesworth (NWT) 21-9, 21-3; Lewis (Y) def. Dee (NWT) 21-15, 21-12, 21-17; Boeger (A) def. Schmitz (Y) 21-13, 21-4; Camden (A) def. Ng (NWT) 21-13, 21-18; Gan (NWT) def. Wati (Y) 13-21, 21-13, 21-18; Murphy (Y) def. Augestad (A) 21-16, 15-21, 21-16; Camden (A) def. Boeger (A) 14-21, 21-11, 21-8; Resek (A) def. Augestad (A) 21-8, 21-13; Murphy (Y) def. Wati (Y) 21-13, 21-15; Lewis (Y) def. Schmitz (Y) 21-11, 21-15; Ng (NWT) def. Dee (NWT) 21-13, 21-14; Gan (NWT) def. Wrigglesworth (NWT) 21-14, 21-15.

Junior Men's Singles

Katai (A) def. Wrigglesworth (NWT) 21-5, 21-9; Ma (Y) def. Dee (NWT) 21-8, 21-13; Rinkle (A) def. Olson (Y) 21-12, 21-14; Jones (A) def. Ng (NWT) 21-10, 21-14; Kazak (Y) def. Gan (NWT) 22-20, 21-15; Stalker (A) def. Yamada (Y) 14-21, 21-9, 21-14; Rinkle (A) def. Jones (A) 22-20, 12-18, 21-16; Katai (A) def. Augestad (A) 21-17, 21-18; Yamada (Y) def. Kazak (Y) 21-17, 21-11; Ma (Y) def. Olson (Y) 21-12, 21-12; Dee (NWT) def. Ng (NWT) 21-8, 21-21, 21-9.



FAST ACTION—Becci James, 12, moves quickly during a table tennis match Monday at Hunter Elementary School. She

is the shortest on the team Yukon Territory but, "She makes up for it with her quickness," said a teammate.

(Staff photo by Eric Muehling)

Wigglesworth (NWT) def. Gan (NWT) 21-13, 21-23, 21-18.

Junior Women's Singles

Vargas (A) def. Hammer (Y) 21-18, 14-21, 21-15; Alainga (NWT) def. Taylor (A) 13-21, 21-19, 21-15; Lee (Y) def. Darling (NWT) 21-8, 21-7; James (Y) def. Bundschuh (A) 21-11, 21-17; Vargas (A) def. Taylor (A) 22-20, 21-11; Bennett (A) def. Bundschuh (A) 19-21, 21-6, 21-19; Lee (Y) def. James (Y) 21-17, 21-12; Jene Lee (Y) def. Hammer (Y) 21-8, 21-10.

Open Women's Doubles

Horne-Baldwin (A) def. Craig Steele (Y) 21-7, 21-12.

Open Men's Doubles

Resek-Goeger (A) def. Ng-Gan (NWT) 21-10, 21-19; Wati-Lewis (Y) def. Dee-Wrigglesworth (NWT) 21-12, 21-16; Camden-Augestad (A) def. Murphy-Schmitz (Y) 16-21, 22-21, 21-19.

Junior Women's Doubles

Bennett-Vargas (A) def. Alainga-Darling (NWT) 21-10, 21-10; Lee-Lee (Y) def. Darling-Alainga (NWT) by forfeit; James-Hammer (Y) def. Taylor-Bundschuh (A) 21-17, 21-5.

Junior Men's Doubles

Katai-Renke (A) def. Mitchner-Bell (NWT) 21-8, 22-20; Ma-Olson (Y) def. Higgins-Resber (NWT) 21-11, 21-13; Jones-Stalker (A) def. Kazak-Yamada (Y) 21-18, 19-21, 21-10.

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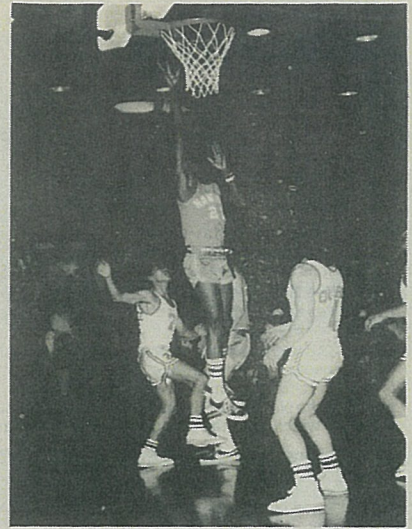
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Badminton play anyone's game

If the opening day of play is any indication, badminton could be the most evenly matched of all 15 Arctic Winter Games competitions as all three teams won roughly one-third of their matches.

The Northwest Territories led the way Monday with 11 victories in 21 games, while Alaska won 10 of 20 games and the Yukon won nine of 19 games.

The round-robin portion of the competition continues through Wednesday at Ryan Junior High. The top-ranked players after the round-robin matches advances to Friday's championship finals, while the No. 2 and No. 3 players in each division will play Thursday to see which joins the round-robin winner in the finals.



SWIFT ACTION—Eric Staniscia of the Yukon Territory Senior Men's division prepares to return the serve during badminton competition in the Ryan Jr High School gym Monday.

(Staff photo by Eric Muehling)

AWG Badminton Monday's Results

Junior Doubles
Huycke-Williams (A) def. Bluschke-Gabor (NWT); Dowler-Hodgkins (NWT) def. Lienhart-Riley (A); Olsen-Peters (Y) def. Oberst-Fyten (NWT).

Junior Women's Singles
McKechnie (A) def. Bonar (Y); Comerford (NWT) def. Lincoln (A); Casselman (Y) def. Vegso (NWT).

Open Doubles
Valesko-Lindquist (A) def. Harris-Robson (Y); Stirling-Foreman (NWT) def. Henry-Henry (A); Callas-Rennie (NWT) def. Russell-Frankish (Y).

Junior Men's Singles
Tullis (A) def. Phillips (Y); Brown (NWT) def. Powell (A); Cormier (Y) def. Dube (NWT).

Open Men's Singles
Neyhart (A) def. Staniscia (Y); Canha (A) def. Tietz (NWT); Perkin (Y) def. Richardson (NWT).

Open Women's Singles

Luick (A) def. Finton (Y); Stroeder (NWT) def. Bue (A); Carter (Y) def. Lovell (NWT).

Junior Men's Doubles

Phillips-Gabor (Y) def. Tullis-Powell (A); Brown-Dowler (NWT) def. Riley-Williams (A); Peters-Cormier (Y) def. Dube-Oberst (NWT).

Junior Women's Doubles

Lincoln-McKechnie (A) def. Bluschke-Bonar (Y); Comerford-Hodgkins (NWT) def. Huycke-Lienhart (A); Olsen-Casselman (Y) def. Fyten-Vegso (NWT).

Open Men's Doubles

Valesko-Neyhart (A) def. Frankish-Staniscia (Y); Callas-Stirling (NWT) def. Canha-Henry (A); Harris-Perkin (Y) def. Tietz-Richardson (NWT).

Open Women's Doubles

Beu-Luick (A) def. Carter-Filton (Y); Foreman-Lovell (NWT) def. Henry-Lundquist (A); Stroeder-Rennie (NWT) def. Russell-Robson (Y).

Games 'granddad' hasn't slowed down

By TRICIA OLSEN

Don Valesko became a record holder the moment he stepped onto the badminton court this week at Ryan Junior High School.

He's been a member of Alaska's Arctic Winter Games badminton team every year since the biennial games were founded in 1970. And in those 12 years, the self-proclaimed "Granddad of the Games" has collected a pile of patches, pins, game jackets and ulus as remembrances of wins and losses gone by.

Valesko, a trim youthful man in his 40's, is by no means a granddad. Weekly badminton club games and exercise have kept him in good shape, and he encourages sports participation among his three children who are active in soccer and competitive gymnastics.

Valesko and his sport go way back. He competed on the intramural team at Sheldon Jackson High School in Sitka and continued playing during two years of schooling at the University of Alaska-Fairbanks.

"In 1966 I started with the Fairbanks Badminton Club," he said. "We met



DON VALESKO
'Granddad of the Games'

every Friday at the Barnette School gym." Valesko grinned and interrupted himself. "Yes, we still meet in the same place."

In Fairbanks anyone who knows the difference between a shuttlecock and a birdie is probably a member of the club and familiar with Valesko's record.

The games' style of badminton should not be confused with those friendly matches played during family picnics. According to Valesko, it is a tough sport requiring good hand and eye coordination, physical endurance, quick reflexes and consistency in the shots.

The players try for the best two out of three games, playing to 15 points. Like volleyball or table tennis, a side must be serving to earn a point.

To make the team this year, Valesko faced tough statewide competition. The top four singles from the Fairbanks and Anchorage areas competed in a round-robin tournament with the winners selected to represent Alaska in the men's and women's singles division. This year Valesko and his partner, Stoy Neyhart, are playing in doubles competition.

If Valesko makes it to the top of this

round-robin, he will take home yet another ulu medal. Asked how many ulus are in his collection, he smiled and replied, "Not enough, but quite a few... They're better than trophies because they don't collect dust."

Regardless whether Valesko takes home an armload of golds this year, he'll be competing for a spot on the 1984 team that a rookie could just as easily snatch. With seven seasons under his belt, he doesn't intend to slow down. The only thing that could stop him now, he says, is uh... age.



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