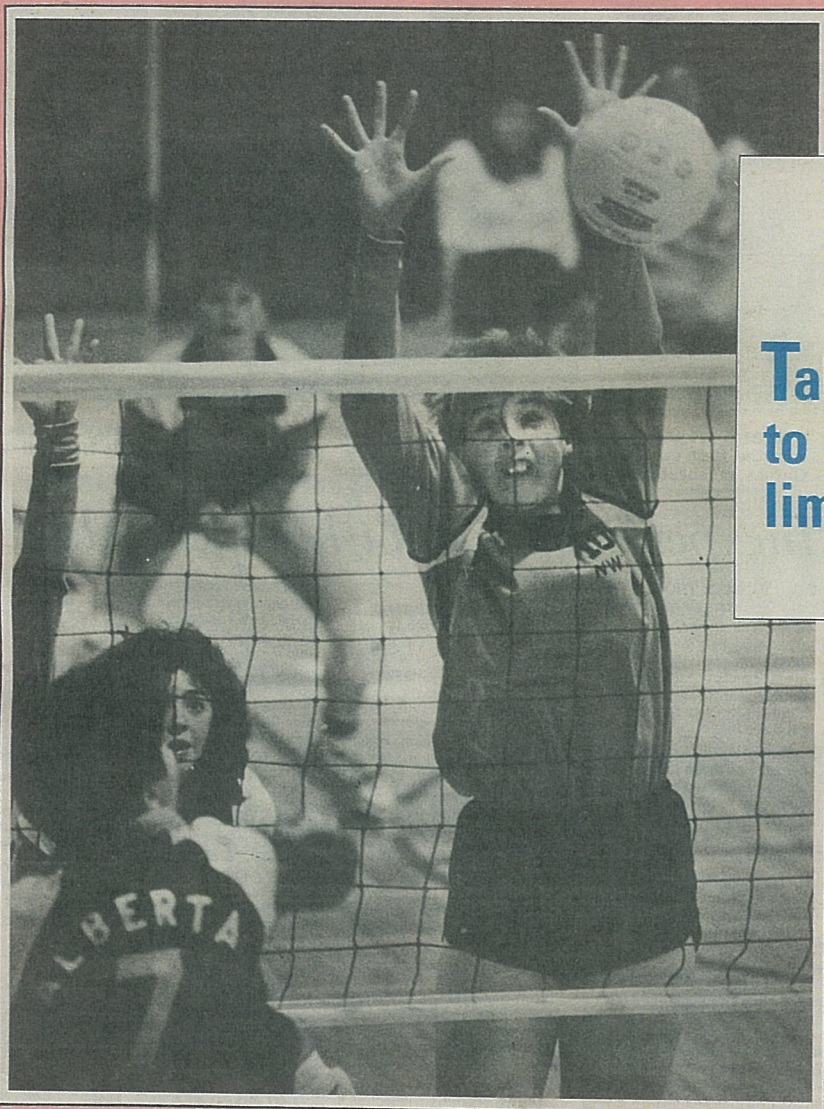


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**Taking it  
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Robyn Head of Yellowknife, Northwest Territories, blocks a shot in a Junior women's volleyball match against Team Alberta Monday afternoon at Lathrop High School.

Mike Belrose/Ulu News



## Snowshoeing

# Team Yukon races to nine ulu-medals

By DAVE THOMAS  
Staff Writer

The Yukon Territory team has always excelled at snowshoeing in the Arctic Winter Games, and thanks to a combination of experience and youth, that trend continued Monday.

Individual snowshoeing was the first sport at this year's games to award medals. Team Yukon didn't waste any time getting a jump on the rest of the teams in collecting ulu—especially gold ones.

Team Yukon won five of the eight gold ulu up for grabs in the 100- and 400-meter races and collected nine of the 12 total awards given out at the University of Alaska Fairbanks course.

Yukon can add to its medal count today with the 1,500-meter individual race today. The 400-meter team relay is Wednesday and sprint competition concludes Thursday with the 800-meter individual race. Long-distance races are Friday.

Leading the way for Team Yukon was double-gold ulu winner Mike Stack of Whitehorse. Ann Nason of Dawson City and Natalie Oles and John Jansen, both of Whitehorse, each won two ulus.

Nason won a gold in the Senior women's 100 meters and a bronze in the 400 meters. Jansen picked up a gold in the Senior men's 400 and a silver in the 100.

Oles took a pair of silvers in Junior women, while Allan Sudeyko of Faro won Team Yukon's fifth gold ulu in the Senior men's 100.

Team Alaska's Kristina McInnes of Seldovia was a double gold-ulu winner in Junior women, while her teammate, Georgia Gustafson of Anchorage, won the other gold in the Senior women's 400.

But the Yukon team stole the show Monday.

"We've got a strong team," said Stack. "We have a lot of people with experience and they have helped teach the technique to the others."

Monday's sprint races were much like dashes in track and field, with competitors running on a straight, flat course.

According to Yukon team members, the key to racing is using a flat-footed running style. At a length of about 3 feet and weight of at least 2½ pounds, the snowshoes are smaller than those used in backcountry hiking.

The racer needs to keep the snowshoe parallel with the ground as much as possible. If a conventional running style is used, the front of the shoe has a tendency to dip down and jam into the ground, causing the racer to trip.

"People think running on snowshoes is just like running on the street but it takes a lot of concentration and technique," Jansen said.

"You have to concentrate to keep the tips up," said Sudeyko.

The key to the success of the Yukon snowshoe team is Jansen, competing in his sixth games. He has won 15 ulus.

Jansen started snowshoeing in the mid-'70s when he worked on the then-McKenzie Highway in the Northwest Territories. Since there were no roads there, snowshoeing was the only way to get around.

Over the years, Jansen perfected the flat-footed technique and passed that knowledge to younger Yukoners.

"I like helping the Junior guys,"



**DOUBLE WINNERS**—Kristina McInnes, right, who won the first gold medal in the 1988 Arctic Winter Games, celebrates with teammate Phadra Newport,

left. McInnes ended Monday's first day of snowshoeing with two gold ulus, while Newport won two bronzes.

Polly Walter photo

## Inexperience doesn't hamper Seldovia girl

By DAVE THOMAS  
Staff Writer

The Yukon Territory snowshoe team may have grabbed most of the spotlight in the first medal events of the 1988 Arctic Winter Games, but it was a ninth-grader from Seldovia who got there first.

Team Alaska's Kristina McInnes became the first medal winner of the games when she raced to victory in the Junior women 100-meter snowshoe race Monday at University of Alaska Fairbanks.

"It's an honor. It's nice," she said after winning the race in a time of 18.81 seconds.

That was slightly quicker than

Team	G	S	B	T
Team Alaska	3	4	5	12
Yukon Territory	5	3	1	9
Northwest Territories	0	1	2	3

Natalie Oles of Team Yukon, who finished in 19.14 seconds. Team Alaska's Phaydra Newport of Sitka was third in 20.34.

"I didn't know a lot about these games until I got here," McInnes said.

It wasn't too long prior to the games that McInnes didn't know anything about the sport she competed in, either.

McInnes, who won the Alaska

small schools cross-country running championship last fall, said she had never snowshoed before being asked last December whether she was interested in joining the team.

"I got the call in December, but then I didn't practice much after that," she said. "It's only been about the last three weeks that I have been training on snowshoes."

That inexperience may have helped her Monday.

"I figured since I had never done this before, I wouldn't worry about it," McInnes said. "You just run regularly and be careful not to trip."

McInnes also said snow conditions were better than what

she's used to in Seldovia, a coastal community at the entrance of Cook Inlet.

"This was great. It was the best snow I've ever run in," she said. "I have practiced mainly in slush."

After achieving that first milestone, McInnes went out and made it a perfect morning by winning the 400-meter race.

She covered that distance in 1 minute, 30 seconds, seven seconds better than runner-up Oles. Newport again took third with a 1:42 clocking.

"I'm pretty tired, that one was hard," McInnes said after the 400. "It's hard to pick up your feet when you're tired."

### Monday's Snowshoeing Results 100 Meters

Junior Women—1. Kristina McInnes, Alaska, 18.81 seconds; 2. Natalie Oles, Yukon, 19.14; 3. Phaydra Newport, Alaska, 20.34; 4. Lisa Jansen, Yukon, 21.38; 5. Bernadette Wellin, Northwest Territories, 23.82.

Junior Men—1. Mike Stack, Yukon, 16.68; 2. Dennis Drygees, NWT, 17.00; 3. Gerry Enzoe, NWT, 17.06; 4. Trevor Dobbs, Yukon, 18.80; 5. Raleigh Cook, Alaska, 18.89; 6. Chris Gilbert, Alaska, 21.52.

Senior Women—1. Ann Nason, Yukon, 19.80; 2. Georgia Gustafson, Alaska, 21.61; 3. Donna Rice, Alaska, 22.21; 4. Susan Smith, Yukon, 22.73; 5. Doreen Washie, NWT, 24.00.

Senior Men—1. Allan Sudeyko, Yukon, 15.21; 2. John Jansen, Yukon, 15.27; 3. John

Lyle, Alaska, 16.49; 4. Floyd Abel, NWT, 17.87; 5. Charlie Simpson, NWT, 17.87; 6. Frederic Wilson, Alaska, 18.00.

### 400 Meters

Junior Women—1. McInnes, Alaska, 1 minute, 30 seconds; 2. Oles, Yukon, 1:37; 3. Newport, Alaska, 1:42; 4. Jansen, Yukon, 1:54.

Junior Men—1. Stack, Yukon, 1:15; 2. Chris Gilbert, Alaska, 1:16; 3. Drygees, NWT, 1:23; 4. Enzoe, NWT, 1:24.21; 5. Cook, Alaska, 1:24.32; 6. Dobbs, Yukon, 1:32.02.

Senior Women—1. Gustafson, Alaska, 1:33; 2. Rice, Alaska, 1:36; 3. Nason, Yukon, 1:40; 4. Smith, Yukon, 2:15.

Senior Men—1. Jansen, Yukon, 1:15; 2. Lyle, Alaska, 1:17; 3. Wilson, Alaska, 1:18; 4. Abel, NWT, 1:19.97; 5. Simpson, NWT, 1:19.99.



## Overview

## Yukoners make tracks to the winner's circle

By BOB ELEY  
Staff Writer

Snowshoe competition took center stage on the opening day of the Arctic Winter Games Monday, awarding medals to athletes in eight races.

Anchorage's Kristina McInnes was the first athlete to win an ulu in the 1988 Games when she won the Junior women's 100-meter snowshoe race. McInnes added the gold in the 400-meter race.

Although McInnes picked up two ulus, the day belonged to snowshoers from the Yukon Territory, who captured five of the eight gold ulus awarded.

Yukon's Mike Stack was a double-winner in the Junior men's 100 and 400 events. Other Yukoners winning gold were Ann Nason in the Senior women's 100, Allan Sudeyko in the Senior men's 100, and John Jansen in the Senior men's 400.

Alaska's Georgia Gustafson won the Senior women's 400.

Today's snowshoe action features the 1,500-meter race in all divisions at the University of Alaska Fairbanks snowshoe field off Tanana Drive beyond the Patty Center Gymnasium.

In addition to snowshoeing, eight other sports began Monday: badminton, basketball, broomball, curling, ice hockey, indoor soccer, team triathlon and volleyball.

Badminton began with singles competition in all divisions. Twelve players—five from NWT, four from Yukon and three from Alaska—advanced unbeaten after two afternoon matches. Singles and doubles matches are scheduled from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. today at Ryan Middle School, 951 Airport Way.

The basketball tournament began with the Alaska Junior men winning twice. Alberta and Alaska Junior women each won once.

Alaska's Junior men beat Yukon, 83-42, and NWT, 93-60. The Alberta Junior women rolled to a 108-19 win over NWT. Alaska downed Yukon, 91-33.

Basketball resumes today at 12:30 p.m. at Monroe Catholic High School, 415 Monroe St. Boys clinics with UAF men's coach George Roderick are set for this morning.

Broomball made its debut at the UAF Patty Center Ice Arena as the Yukon Territory downed Alaska, 7-0, but dropped a 2-1 decision to NWT.

In today's broomball action, Alaska takes on Northwest Territories at 9 a.m. and the Yukon Territory at 4 p.m.

Teams representing the NWT posted victories in Junior curling for both men and women. The Alberta Junior women and the Yukon Junior men also registered wins. Alaska came up the winner in the Open women's game.

The second and third draws of the curling tournament are slated for 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. today at the Fairbanks Curling Club, 962 Second Ave.

Competition began in all three divisions of the hockey tournament, which figures to be one of the most competitive events in the games.

In the Pee Wee division, NWT edged Yukon, 3-2, and Yukon beat Alaska, 4-3.

In Midget division play, Alberta topped Alaska, 3-2; NWT downed Yukon, 4-2; Alberta tied Yukon, 5-

5; and Alaska upended NWT, 5-4.

In Senior men's division action, the Yukon Territory whipped Alaska, 5-1, then lost a 4-2 decisions to NWT.

The first hockey game today is at 6:30 a.m. when the Yukon meets Alberta in a Midget division contest. The final game is a clash between two-time defending champion Northwest Territories and Alaska. All games are played at the Big Dipper Ice Arena, 19th Avenue and Lathrop Street.

Indoor soccer kicked off its tournament with 13 games Monday at the UAF Patty Center Gymnasium.

Five teams—NWT Juvenile men, Alaska Juvenile women, Alberta Junior men, and Alaska and NWT women—emerged from the day's play with 2-0 records.

The tournament resumes today with 13 more games, starting at 9 a.m. and continuing hourly until 9 p.m.

Teams from Alaska and the Northwest Territories got the jump in the team triathlon competition by winning their respective 4x-10-kilometer running races at UAF Monday afternoon.

Today's team triathlon action includes the women's 4x2,500-meter and the men's 4x3,000-meter speed skating relays at the UAF Patty Center Ice Arena. The women begin at 8:15 p.m. and the men start at 9 p.m.

In addition, former U.S. Olympians Beth Heiden and Craig Kressler will give a clinic on long-track speed skating at 10 a.m. at the Big Dipper Ice Oval.

Action in the volleyball tournament also got started on Monday. Complete results were not available at press time.

The volleyball tournament resumes at 11 a.m. today at Lathrop High School, 901 Airport Way. The last games of the day start at 8 p.m.

Bill Neville, coach of the 1984 U.S. men's Olympic team, will put on a clinic from 8:30-10:30 a.m.

Sports starting today include the traditional arctic sports, cross-country skiing, silhouette shooting, ski biathlon, snowshoe biathlon and speed skating.

Gymnastics makes its debut Wednesday and figure skating will begin its two-day competition Thursday.

Arctic Sports start at noon at West Valley High School, 3800 Geist Road. Today's competition includes the kneel jump, airplane and two-foot high kick.

Silhouette shooting starts at 8 a.m. with the individual Open handgun competition at the UAF outdoor rifle range. The individual Junior rifle event starts at noon and the individual Open rifle competition begins at 3 p.m.

The cross-country skiing, snowshoe biathlon and ski biathlon take place at the Birch Hill Recreation Area, two miles off the Steese Highway east of Fairbanks.

The cross-country races get started at 11 a.m. with the Open men skiing 10-kilometers, the Open women and Junior men and women skiing 7.5 kilometers and the Juvenile men and women skiing three kilometers.

The ski biathlon begins with a 10-kilometer individual race set for 10 a.m.



ANKLE AID—Dr. Cary Keller, head of the Arctic Winter Games medical committee, tapes the sprained ankle of Jeremy Anderson. *Cal White Ulu News*

## Medical corps works to get injured players back in game

By DAVE THOMAS  
Staff Writer

One team at the Arctic Winter Games won't be wearing colorful uniforms or collecting ulus, but it will be at every venue as an integral part of the on-going success of the games.

Dr. Cary Keller heads a 70-member medical team of volunteers that, judging by the first day of competition, will be kept busy.

Late Monday afternoon, Keller said the main medical treatment facility at Lathrop High already had handled about 85 ailments of varying severity. He expected the total to reach 100 by Monday night.

That should be about the norm for each of the games' remaining days, he said.

"We're busy, we're swamped," smiled trainer Laura Catalano, as she delivered an ice bag to the ankle of a Team Alaska Junior Women's volleyball player.

Keller said most ailments were minor, but major injuries had sidelined two hockey players earlier in the day and that he had just treated a badminton player for a severe hamstring pull that threatened to put him out of the games.

"Most of the injuries are acute soft tissue injuries (bruises, muscle pulls) or those caused by

overuse," he said. "The practice level is now intensified, they are charged up, and that is when they have overuse injuries."

"Compared to six years ago (at the last games in Fairbanks) . . . the athlete is working closer to the edge of high performance and injury. It is not unusual to see a high number of overuse injuries in these circumstances."

Another reason Keller cites for the increase in patients is an improvement in sports medicine and a greater awareness by the athletes of those improvements.

"Their expectations of sports medicine have changed," Keller said. "The changes made are now designed to get them back playing sooner. They are less hesitant to come see the doctor."

The athletes won't have to look too far to find a doctor at the games.

Keller said there are trained medical personnel at each of the 17 venues and a rotating corps of doctors working at the main facility, as well as the infirmary in the Athletes Village.

"It's an amazing collaborative effort," he said of the medical volunteers.

There are 15 physician volunteers, plus local family doctors working at the infirmary, emergency medical technicians, nurses and a host of train-

ers and physical therapists.

Also, medical teams from each of the Canadian teams are assisting.

"It looks like it is working out well," Keller said.

He said the system is based on one he worked on at the 1984 Summer Olympics in Los Angeles.

Keller singled out several volunteers instrumental in getting the medical teams organized. Among them were nursing coordinator Laura Rima, Larry Briand, organizer of the medical volunteers, family physicians head Dr. Charles Steiner and Team Alaska medical officer Dr. Sam McConkey. He also said Catalano, Bob Carpenter and Briand have been working with visiting therapists to run the central facility.

While the medical team will always be ready, Keller said, the athletes can help reduce the possibility of injuries by following proper, careful warm-up and cooling-down exercises.

He said athletes will be more susceptible to injuries related to improper pre- and post-event stretching later in the week when fatigue starts to set in.

Based on their first-day demand, Keller and his staff will understand the fatigue factor first hand by the end of the week

smiled and said they make you dizzy to look at them.

After thinking about it for a moment, she said it may be part of the teams' strategy, because opponents have to look at them while playing on the other side of the net.

"Maybe that's why we are winning," she laughed, referring to her team's 2-0 record after Monday's games.

Tracy Stewart had his Arctic Winter Games identification card Sunday evening, but he couldn't find it Monday morning. With his Team Alberta Midget-division hockey team slated to play a game at 8:30 a.m., Stewart had to do without breakfast because he couldn't find his ID to get in the cafeteria. "He's playing on heart, not energy," Coach Randy Aubie said.

## Ulu notes...

One could not help but notice the Team Alaska volleyball teams' uniforms—at least the bottom halves.

The pattern of the shorts—the origin of which is not known—is something like a low-grade psychedelic pattern with rings of bright colors intertwined on a black base.

Junior Women volleyball player Tracie Hajdukovich of Fairbanks



## Badminton/Soccer



**FOLLOWING THROUGH**—Serge LaCasse of Yellowknife, Northwest Territories, bend low for a backhand shot in Junior men's badminton tourney play Monday morning at Ryan Middle School. *Mike Belrose/Ulu News*

### NWT make a racket in opening rounds

Northwest Territories had the most unbeaten badminton players after the first two rounds of competition Monday at the Ryan Middle School gymnasium.

Unbeaten NWT players include Mike Mathison, Juvenile men's division; Roberta Crawford, Juvenile women; Brooke Harker, Junior men; Tavsia Lal, Open women; and Bernie Bennett, Open men.

Yukon players with 2-0 records are Mark Koepke, Juvenile men; Steve McHugh, Junior men; Shari Thompson, Junior women; and Kathie Casselman, Open women.

Undefeated Alaskans are In-young Lee, Juvenile women; Jung Lee, Junior men; and Terrence Procyshyn, Open men.

Badminton action resumes at 9 a.m. today with matches scheduled through 6 p.m.

#### Monday's Badminton Results

**Juvenile Men Singles**—Gregerson, Yukon Territory, def. Lacasse, Northwest Territories, 15-3, 15-8; Koepke, Yukon, def. Seese, Alaska, 11-5, 15-0; Mathison, NWT, def. Barnes, A, 15-13, 15-6; Koepke, Yukon, def. Gregerson, Yukon, 15-7, 15-0; Mathi-

son, NWT, def. Lacasse, NWT, 15-1, 15-3; Barnes, A, def. Seese, A, 15-13, 7-15, 15-10.

**Juvenile Women Singles**—Crawford, NWT, def. Stokes, Yukon, 11-2, 3-11, 12-10; Gardiner, Yukon, def. Bosch, A, 11-2, 11-7; Lee A, def. Herrilees, NWT, 1-11, 11-8, 11-9; Stokes, Yukon, def. Gardiner, Yukon, 11-5, 11-9, 11-6; Lee, A, def. Bosch, A, 11-4, 12-10.

**Junior Men Singles**—Harker, NWT, def. Warden, Yukon, 7-15, 15-6, 15-11; McHugh, Yukon, def. Webb, A, 15-8, 3-15, 17-14; Lee, A, def. Granlich, NWT, 15-8, 15-7; McHugh, Yukon, def. Warden, Yukon, 15-9, 15-3; Harker, NWT, def. Granlich, NWT, 15-9, 15-5; Lee, A, def. Webb, A, 7-15, 15-11, 15-8.

**Junior Women Singles**—Thompson, Yukon, def. Green, NWT, 11-4, 11-7; Cairns, Yukon, def. Slisz, A, 11-5, 11-6; Miller, A, def. Adia, NWT, 12-10, 12-9; Cairns, Yukon, def. Thompson, Yukon, 11-3, 11-4; Green, NWT, def. Adia, NWT, 11-5, 11-5; Slisz, A, def. Miller, A, 11-9, 6-11, 11-5.

**Open Men Singles**—Bennett, NWT, def. Armstrong, Yukon, 15-1, forfeit; Procyshyn, A, def. Cafferata, Yukon, 15-5, 15-10; Canha, A, def. Markgraf, NWT, 15-5, 15-9; Cafferata, Yukon, def. Armstrong, Yukon, 15-1, forfeit; Bennett, NWT, def. Margraf, NWT, 15-13, 15-9; Procyshyn, A, def. Canha, A, 15-13, 15-10.

**Open Women Singles**—Williams, NWT, def. Fitton, Yukon, 11-2, 11-2; Casselman, Yukon, def. McNally, A, 11-6, 11-8; Lal, NWT, def. Webb, A, 11-9, 11-9; Casselman, Yukon, def. Fitton, Yukon, 11-1, 11-7; Lal, NWT, def. Williams, NWT, 11-7, 8-11, 11-7; McNally, A, def. Webb, A, 11-0, 11-1.

### Four teams kick off with wins

Two teams from Alaska and the Northwest Territories, plus each from Alberta and the Yukon Territory, remained unbeaten after the opening round of indoor soccer Monday at the UAF Patty Center Gymnasium.

Round-robin play continues today at 9 a.m.

Leading the way for the Junior men is Alberta with a 2-0 record. The team posted a 4-1 win over NWT and then beat Alaska, 3-1. Yukon won its lone game, 4-1, over Alaska.

In Junior women's action, the Alaska and NWT teams won their games Monday. Alaska beat Yukon, 3-1, and Alberta, 5-1. Anne Hoge scored four times in the Alberta win.

NWT posted wins over Alberta,

8-3, and Yukon, 6-5. Valerie Archie scored eight goals in the two games, including a five-goal outburst against Alberta.

NWT leads the Juvenile men's pack with a 2-0 mark. NWT blitzed Alaska, 12-3, Monday. Richard Ross scored seven goals and Dave McLeod added four in the rout.

#### Monday's Soccer Results

##### Junior Men

Yukon 4, Alaska 1. Goals—Not available. Alberta 4, Northwest Territories 1. Goals—(A) Brad Cromwell, Jim Nelson, Jamie Wagner 2. (NWT) Francis Gruber. Alberta 3, Alaska 1. Goals—Not available.

##### Junior Women

Alaska 3, Yukon 1. Goals—Not available. Northwest Territories 8, Alberta 3. Goals—(NWT) Stella Cockney, Yvonne Doolittle, Valerie Archie 5, Norma Glanik. (A) Sylvia Christianson, Melinda Udson, Debbie Ramsay. Alaska 5, Alberta 1. Goals—(AK) Char-

lene Wortman, Anne Hoge 4. (A) Sylvia Christianson.

Northwest Territories 6, Yukon Territory 5. Goals—(NWT) Val Furlong, Val Archie 3, Norma Glanelle 2. (YT) Lisa Cohen 2, Tanya Taylor, Mariene Smith 2.

##### Juvenile Men

Northwest Territories 12, Alaska 3. Goals—(NWT) Dave McLeod 4, Richard Ross 7, Philip Edwards. (A) Joe Graham, Adam Demientieff, Jeremy Johnson.

Northwest Territories 8, Yukon 6. Goals—Not available.

Yukon Territory 9, Alaska 6. Goals—(YT) Dylan MacGregor, Travis Davies, Jonathon Stockdale 3, Odentin Miller 3, Jimmy Chapman. (A) Joseph Graham, Adam Demientieff 2, Jeremy Johnson, Chad Staiger 2.

##### Juvenile Women

Alaska 3, Northwest Territories 1. Goals—(A) Becky Hagdon, Lisa Webber, Dee Beadreaive. (NWT) Sandi Hicks.

Yukon 4, Northwest Territories 2. Goals—Not available.

Alaska 6, Yukon Territory 1. Goals—Not Available.

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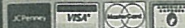
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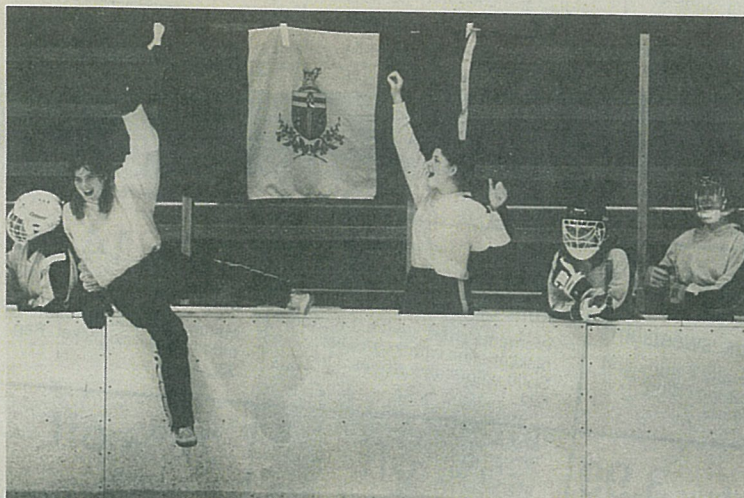
Broomball

# Having a ball on ice



**HOT PURSUIT**—Yukon's Sean Malcolm is close on the heels of Alaska's Vicki Nesvick.

Mike Belrose/Ulu News



**CELEBRATION**—The Yukon bench, right, waves a team banner after defeating the Alaska squad, 7-0, Monday at the University of Alaska Fairbanks Ice Arena.

Mike Belrose/Ulu News

By **JOHN FRIDRICH**  
Staff Writer

On the surface, the sport of broomball, the newest addition to the Arctic Winter Games, closely resembles ice hockey.

It's played on a regulation surface with many of the same rules, including penalties for tripping, slashing and other unpleasantries that officials notice.

But with special shoes that provide added traction replacing skates, and a round, relatively soft ball to hit instead of a hard rubber puck, the pace of the game is decidedly slower, making the

strategy similar to basketball, a distant sporting cousin.

The "broom" is made of hard plastic and is a little larger than the open hand of an average-sized man. The ball is roughly the size of a softball.

"The concept is just like basketball, the rules are like hockey's," said Hoss MacKenzie, who with his brother, Bob, coaches the Yukon Territory's women's broomball team.

The Yukon has had organized co-ed broomball since 1983. Except for pick up games around Fairbanks, and a fledging league in Anchor-

age, the sport isn't as popular in the 49th State as it is among Alaska's neighbors to the east.

Yukon's experience showed Monday in the debut game as Alaska lost 7-0. Marie Angel had three goals and three assists. Nicole Grimard added three goals, Diane Scott contributed three assists and goalie Jodi-Rae Hutter recorded the shutout.

"We're trying to play the game too much like hockey and you get too tired out," Nancy Winford said of advice Northwest Territories coach Mike Burns gave the Alaska team after the game. "He's been

real nice."

Winford, 22, is a University of Alaska Fairbanks physical education student and the only Fairbanksan on the team.

Most the game was played in Alaska's end of the ice. The more experienced Canadians used a combination of crisp passing, stick handling and proper positioning to open up lanes to the goal.

"Passing is the biggest asset you have," Hoss MacKenzie explained. "With precision passing, you get your shot away quickly."

Instead of running, which would reduce the amount of shoe surface

making contact on the ice, shuffle their feet, crouching never lifting their knees to

"A lot of times when you lose your footing," said Vicki Nesvick, who played a semester of broomball at the UAF women's club. "Aggressiveness, hustle and work is required, all that attracted Winford to the game."

When she played intrabroomball at UAF several years ago, no special shoes were which made for interesting. "That was half the fun of out of control and sliding at





## Selection of teams criticized

By JOHN FRIDRICH  
Staff Writer

Alaska's size and a lack of money to hold tryouts across the state made it difficult to put together a contingent for the Arctic Winter Games that offered everyone from Point Hope to Ketchikan a chance to make the team.

John Miles, Alaska's ski biathlon coordinator, built his team with an inexpensive approach that relied heavily on the U.S. Postal Service.

He set up certain criteria, such as a race distance, then sent that information and targets to interested parties around Alaska. Athletes got two people to certify their results and sent them back to Miles. He chose a team based on the results. That team has members from Koyuk, Golovin, Anchorage and Homer.

The majority of Team Alaska, however, is from Anchorage and Fairbanks.

Snowshoe biathlon used a process similar to Miles's to pick a team.

"At least it afforded people in the state a chance to try out for those two teams," said Carolyn Hudnall, chef-de-mission of Team Alaska.

The Canadians, through government support, are able to hold a number of tryouts in various locations, Hudnall said. Such is not the case in the 49th State.

"We're working with a zero budget account to begin with (for tryouts)," Hudnall said.

The state appropriated \$560,000 last year for the games. Most of that, \$500,000, went to hosting the event. The remaining \$60,000 went to Team Alaska, which spends the funds on administration, travel and other costs, she said.

Hudnall worked with sporting groups across Alaska in selecting coordinators for each of the 17 sports. Coordinators selected coaches, whose responsibility it was to pick team members for their sport, she said.

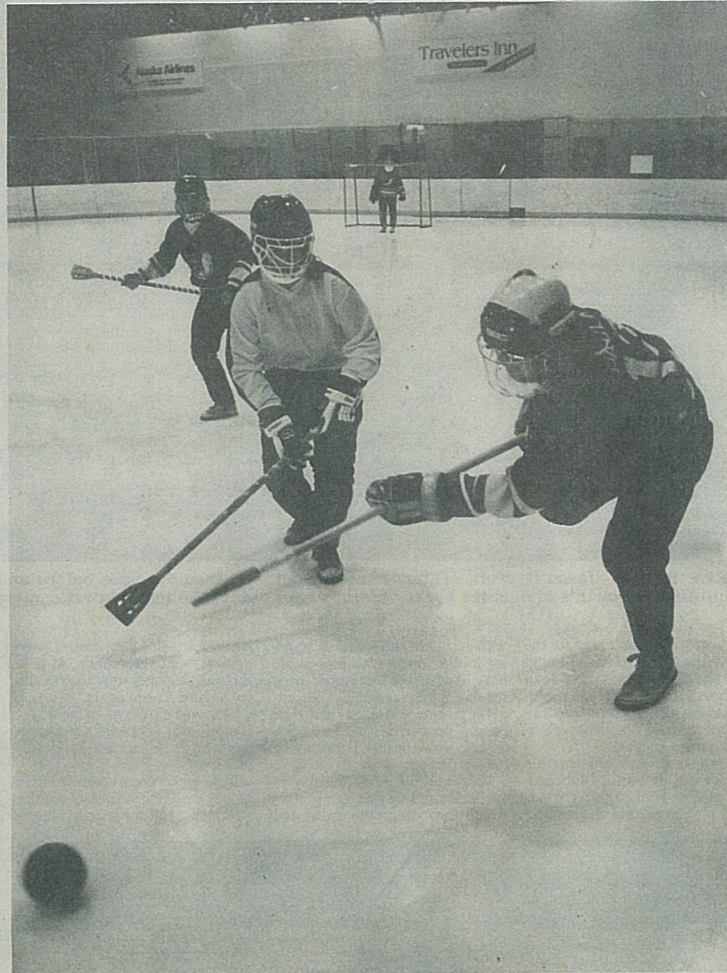
The AWG Host Society, which stages the event but has nothing to do with team selections, received numerous calls asking for information about tryouts.

Complaints were frequent. In choosing a Nordic skiing team, for example, the results of the Tang Cup series of races—held in Fairbanks, Anchorage and Homer over several months—were used to select a team.

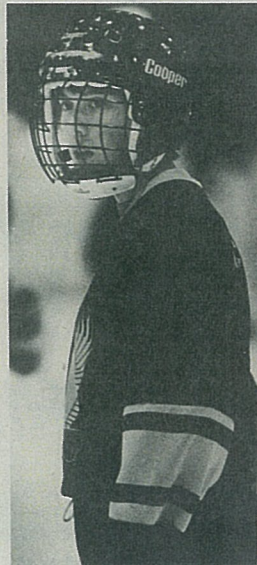
The Senior men's ice hockey team held a single tryout in Fairbanks. The team consists mostly of members of the Alaska Gold Kings, a Fairbanks hockey team.

One avenue Team Alaska tried was to send information about the games to all 55 school districts in the state. There was no response, Hudnall said.

Fairbanksan Bob Murphy was a member of Team Alaska's snowshoeing entry at the 1986 AWG in Whitehorse, Yukon Territory. He wanted to try out again for the 1988 team, but when a notice appeared in the paper during early January, the tryout was scheduled for the next week, leaving little time for training. He contacted the coordinator, and the date was changed, to that person's credit, he said.



**PASSING**—At left, Christy Ingram of Alaska bats the ball to a teammate during Monday's women's broomball game against Yukon Territory.



**CHECKING IN**—Above, Yukon's Tracy Bouchard attempts to intercept a forehand pass from Team Alaska's Paula Nicklie of Anchorage.

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**STUDIOUS**—Nancy Winford, left, a physical education major at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, ponders the action on the ice.

Mike Belrose/Ulu News

ers said Svirlyng Tong, who organized the AWG broomball competition and played the game during the early 1980s at the University of Illinois.

"It's a lot of fun," Winford said. "There are a lot of good people. . . . Broomball is a fun game. If enough people were exposed to it, it could be real popular."

Women's hockey made its appearance at the 1986 AWG in Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, but members of the AWG Corp., which oversees the event, believed the sport hadn't been successful and decided not to include it in 1988.

In order to maintain a balance in the number of women competing in the games, women's broomball was added to the lineup this year.

**Monday's Broomball Results**

Yukon 7, Alaska 0. Goals—(Y) Angel 3, Grimard 3, Scott; Assists—(Y) Scott 5, Angel 3, Grimard, Malcolm; Saves—(Y) Huttler 5. (A)—Hegg 19. Northwest Territories 2, Yukon 1. Statistics not available.



## Hockey

# Alberta teen-ager bound for good time

By JOHN FRIDRICH  
Staff Writer

The Fairbanks Jason Rycroft has met so far speak English, the same language the northern Alberta resident uses. He was mildly surprised that with Alaska's proximity to his homeland, the locals don't have a Canadian lilt to their speech.

"We figured it would be more of a Canadian influence," Rycroft said Monday, a little more than 24 hours after he arrived in Fairbanks. "They speak mainly like a southerner."

As a member of Team Alberta North's Midget ice hockey team squad competing in the 10th Arctic Winter Games, this is Rycroft's first visit to Alaska and the first time he's participated in the biennial event that fosters athletic competition, cultural exchange and international goodwill.

Home for Rycroft, who has played hockey for 13 of his 16 years, is Beaverlodge, Alberta, a farming community of 1,800 people. The town is about 40 miles from the British Columbia border and at roughly the same latitude as the southern tip of Alaska.

All 15 of his teammates come from small towns and half had never flown before their five-hour plane ride to the Golden Heart City. Only three had been to the United States.

"That in itself is an experience for our kids," noted coach Randy Aubie.

The biggest city in the area is Grand Prairie, 30 miles to the southeast of Beaverlodge. It boasts about 23,000 residents.

Fairbanks is colder than home, but less windy, Rycroft mentioned as he walked from the Athletes Village at Lathrop High to the Big Dip-



**EARLY RISER**—Jason Rycroft, center, a member of Team Alberta North's Midget ice hockey team, straps

on shoulder pads before an early morning game Monday, the team's first contest.

John Fridrich/Ulu News

per early Monday morning for the team's first game. He said the mall in Grand Prairie is larger than Shoppers Forum, a shopping center across the street from the athletes quarters that draws participants like a magnet.

Members of Alberta North's Midget team hit town at 4 a.m. Sunday, checked into their rooms, slept, practiced, got acquainted

with dorm life and ended up standing a little longer than they would have liked on the Big Dipper ice at the opening ceremonies.

Team members spent some time Sunday wondering what their competition would be like. It didn't take long to find out.

They were up early Monday to eat before an 8:30 a.m. game, after which they ate some more and

rested for their 5 p.m. contest later against Yukon Territory. At 6:30 this morning, they were back on the ice against Yukon again.

"Provincials are the same way," Rycroft said of playing frequently during the Alberta-wide championships.

In the locker room before the first game, the team talked about the loud rock 'n roll music in the village

the previous night and kidded each other.

The horsing around died down as game time approached, replaced by efforts to psyche each up for the contest.

"We didn't get up this early in the morning for nothing," one of Rycroft's teammates said.

Team Alaska scored first, but with five seconds left in the first period, playing short-handed, Rycroft pulled the puck out of the corner, skated across the face of the goal and slipped it past the goalie to tie it up.

"Keep hitting in there. You're doing good," Aubie told the squad during the break.

Alaska took the lead again during the second 20-minute period, and again Alberta North tied it up. This time, Tracy Stewart scored with an assist from Rycroft.

With 8:06 to play, Brent Beebe put Alberta North on top for good with a goal, getting help from Stewart and Birk Bablitz. "Eight minutes of hard work out there," Vic Tardif, a coach, told the players.

Stewart, Beebe, Bablitz, their teammates and goalie Tony Schuller, who had several fine saves, survived a two-minute penalty at the 3:35 mark, and Rycroft had his own rebound shot bounce off the post before the game ended.

Not all the discussion was about hockey, of course. A pretty young woman who manned the Alberta penalty box had caught the team's attention. "Checking, tripping, high-sticking. I couldn't get a penalty," one player lamented afterwards.

Rycroft was as even-tempered after the game as he had been before. Aubie acknowledged beforehand that he was a little nervous. The team has played several exhibition games, but had no idea what to expect from Team Alaska. Rycroft said he hadn't felt nervous.

"We're just up here for the fun," he said before the game. "Winning the medal is just an option."



**GOOD GAME**—No. 18 Jason Rycroft takes a shot during first-round action in Arctic Winter Games Midget hockey

competition. A member of Team Alberta North, Rycroft is making his first visit to Alaska.

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## Clinic/Hockey

## Beth Heiden enjoys life in slower track

By BOB ELEY  
Staff Writer

For Beth Heiden Reid, accepting an invitation to be guest of honor for the 1988 Arctic Winter Games was easy.

The former U.S. Olympic bronze medalist attended the University of Vermont, and some of her colleges coaches and teammates live in the Fairbanks area.

Most of all, the invitation gave Heiden the chance to rekindle her fondest memories of competing in the 1976 and 1980 Olympic Games.

"The opening ceremonies at both Olympics are very memorable," Heiden recalled in an interview Monday morning. "It was such a thrill walking into the stadium, hearing all the cheering and knowing you were representing your country."

"I hope the athletes felt like that when they marched in last night," she added, referring to the parade of athletes during Sunday night's opening ceremonies at the Big Dipper Ice Arena. "I hope they were real proud to be representing their state or province."

In 1980, Heiden was regarded as the top female speed skater in the United States. These days, she doesn't take skating so seriously.



**PUSHING ON**—Olympic-medalist Beth Heiden demonstrates good technique during a speedskating clinic at the Patty Center Ice Arena Monday.

Mike Belrose/Ulu News

"I speedskate when I can, but it's mostly recreational," Heiden said. "Sometime I'll do clinics for the Special Olympics."

Instead of the high-pressure lifestyle of the competitive athlete, Heiden lives a more relaxed lifestyle on Michigan's Upper Peninsula, where she and her husband are building a house and raising their 8-month-old son, Garrett. The infant also made the trip to Fairbanks.

"I still follow it (speedskating), but mostly in the newspaper because we're so isolated," she said.

Heiden also coaches cross-country skiing at a junior college in Hancock, Mich.

Like many speedskaters in the U.S. and Canada, Heiden got her start on short indoor tracks similar to the one set up at the UAF Ice Arena for the start of competition at 6:30 p.m. tonight.

"We used to start on a short track in the hockey rink in the fall and then go outdoors and come back inside in the spring," Heiden said. "My father made us quit when we were 12 because it was too dangerous."

Short-track speedskating was a demonstration sport at the recent 1988 Winter Olympics in Calgary.

"It's still hard to control your speed, but today there's better

padding on the boards and it's reasonably safe," Heiden said. "I just love skating short track."

Heiden left speedskating at an early age, 20. She said there is now more opportunity for athletes to stay in the sport.

"I wanted to go on to college and there really wasn't any financial support to stay in speedskating," Heiden said. "Now, thanks to the surplus (of funds) from the 1984 Olympics, there's more incentive to stay with it longer."

Heiden and Craig Kressler, a former Olympian who now hails from Fairbanks, gave a clinic Monday night at the UAF Ice Arena for the games' speed skaters and competitors in team and individual triathlons.

While Kressler did most of the instructing on basic rules, passing, tagging and pushing off on relays and starts, Heiden mingled with the athletes, offering advice.

Heiden and Kressler are scheduled to give another clinic today at 10 a.m. on the outdoor oval at the Big Dipper Ice Arena, 19th and Lathrop.

Heiden also will speak during opening ceremonies for the arctic sports competition at 11:30 a.m. today at West Valley High School.

"It's a real treat coming back to this city," Heiden added.

## Undermanned Yukon blasts local champs

By BOB ELEY  
Staff Writer

The Alaska Senior men's team learned a lesson in its first game of the Arctic Winter Games hockey tournament: Reputation doesn't mean a thing in these biennial games.

Alaska is a team comprised of 14 players from the Alaska Gold Kings of Fairbanks—a senior men's team that beat Olympic teams from Norway and Switzerland earlier this season—and three former Gold King players.

But Alaska got little respect from Yukon Territory opponents, who skated to a 5-1 victory over Alaska Monday afternoon at the Big Dipper Ice Arena.

"We had nothing to lose and played it kind of loose," said Yukon Coach Ben Sheardown. "Our goalie was just tremendous and everyone else played extremely hard."

Only nine skaters and two goal-tenders suited up for Team Yukon.

"I think they (Alaska) may have underestimated us," Sheardown said. "We've got five guys who are still on their way, and hopefully, they'll be here tonight."

Two-time defending champion Northwest Territories opened defense of its title by skating to a 4-2 victory over Yukon later Monday night.

In Midget division action Monday, Alberta topped Alaska, 3-2; NWT defeated Yukon, 4-2; Alberta tied the Yukon, 5-5; and Alaska edged NWT, 5-4.

Pee Wee division play saw NWT

edge Yukon, 3-2. Yukon bounced back to beat Alaska, 4-3.

Eight more games are scheduled starting at 6:30 a.m. today at the Big Dipper, 19th and Lathrop. The Alaska Senior men get a rematch with the Yukon Territory at 12:30 p.m. and face Northwest Territories at 9 p.m.

#### Senior Division

Goalie Scott Howell stopped 35 out of 36 shots, including 19 in the third period, to foil Alaska's bid for a come-from-behind victory.

Alaska had trouble adjusting to the no-checking rules of the Arctic Winter Games.

"Our defensemen are used to stepping up at the blue line and nailing someone," said Alaska goalie Alba Brice. "We had a difficult time adjusting to the fact that we couldn't do that."

Darrell Sturko had a goal and four assists to lead the Yukon offense. Glen Slonski scored a pair of goals while Wayne Peace and Terry Slonski scored once.

Jimmy Barton accounted for the lone Alaska tally.

Yukon scored two power play goals in the final 30 seconds of the first period to take a 2-0 lead. Two more goals in the second period af-

ter Barton had scored gave Yukon a 4-1 lead. Slonski iced the decision with a breakaway goal with 56 seconds left in the game.

"We just weren't as hungry as they were," Brice said. "Tomorrow we'll have to bring our lunch box and go to work."

Details on the late game between Yukon and NWT were not available at press time.

#### Midget Division

Brent Beebe's goal with 6:54 left in the third period enabled Alberta to beat Alaska. Jason Rycroft and Tracy Stewart also scored for the winners. Jason Moncrieff and Donald Pohland accounted for Alaska's goals.

NWT used a three-goal outburst in the third period to down Yukon. Mark Harris tallied twice for the winners while Chris Jones and Nils Thompson had a goal apiece. Robert Pitzel tallied both Yukon goals.

Details of the two late games were not available at press time.

#### Pee Wee Division

Northwest Territories scored two goals early in the third period and defeated Yukon in the opening game of the day.

Jay Bran, Brett Harris and Kelly

Owljoot scored once for NWT. Jarret Duelling and Tyler Duelling accounted for the Yukon's goals.

Details of the late game were not available at press time.

#### Monday Hockey Results

##### Senior Division

Yukon Territory 5, Alaska 1. Goals—(YT) G. Slonski 2, T. Slonski, Peace, Sturko (A) J. Barton. Assists—(YT) D. Sturko 4, Ulloek, Tottenham (Gleason). (A) B. Barton. Saves—(YT) Howell 35. (A) Brice 25.

Northwest Territories 4, Yukon Territory 2. Statistics not available.

##### Midget Division

Alberta 3, Alaska 2. Goals—(Alb) Rycroft, Stewart, Beebe. (Ak) Moncrieff, Pohland. Assists—(Alb) Rycroft, Stewart, Babilz. Saves—(Alb) Schuller 25. (Ak) Moulton 22.

Northwest Territories 4, Yukon 2. Goals—(NWT) Harris 2, Jones, Thompson.

(Y) Pitzel 2. Assists—(NWT) McClelland, Walsh, Maher, Colville. (Y) King, Kuster. Saves—(NWT) Donahue 23. (FY) Sidhu 22.

Alberta 5, Yukon Territory 5, tie. Statistics not available.

Alaska 5, Northwest Territories 4. Statistics not available.

##### Pee Wee Division

Northwest Territories 3, Yukon 2. Goals—(NWT) Bran, Harris, Owljoot. (Y) T. Duelling, J. Duelling. Assists—(NWT) Dean, Strain. (Y) J. Duelling, McKay. Saves—(NWT) Holtorf 23. (Y) Ash 22.

Yukon Territory 4, Alaska 3. Statistics not available.

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## Volleyball

# Yellowknifers sharpen up for Canada Cup

By DAVE THOMAS  
Staff Writer

The coach of the Northwest Territories Junior women's volleyball team may not have her sights set on winning a gold ulu at this year's Arctic Winter Games, but she has set lofty goals for her team.

The NWT team, which dropped both its contests in the opening day of round-robin competition Monday at Lathrop High School, is using the games as a stepping stone towards qualifying for the Canada Cup Games next year.

The Canada Cup Games are conducted every four years and are that country's equivalent to the Olympic Games.

"The average age of the team is 16 and we have practiced hard since last summer," Coach Debbie Waldon said Monday afternoon. "We hope to gear up for the Canada Cup in the summer of 1989."

The AWG are an important step in that direction for several reasons, Waldon said. The most important is competition.

"We have no one to play," said the Yellowknife resident. "It is a small town and everyone is friendly. The players know each other and it is not the same competitive atmosphere we get here."

Given Yellowknife's northern location, Waldon said, it is also difficult to arrange outside trips to find competition. Cost is a prohibitive factor.

"We have to go over 1,000 miles and go to Calgary or Edmonton," she said. "It's like a 21-hour drive or flying, and either way, big bucks are involved."

Waldon said the minimum cost for a trip would be about \$5,000. The tab usually extends into five figures. The team has to do its own fund-raising and it's not easy to compete with all the other sports teams wanting to take trips in the town.

Since flying is the best travel route, it doesn't save them any money to travel with other teams, Waldon said. That's another reason the trip to Fairbanks was important.

"The Arctic Winter Games doesn't cost us anything," she said. Her team's expenses are picked up by the Northwest Territories.

The team's performance in the first two matches Monday pleased Waldon.

The team lost both, but played the top two teams at the games.

In the first match, Alberta swept NWT, 15-8, 15-13. Later in the day, NWT took Team Alaska to three games before losing, 14-16, 15-5, 15-2.

"We had one good game and then fell apart," Waldon said. "Alaska came out at us with a strong offense (in the second game) and we never seemed to get it back."

Staying mentally sharp and becoming more consistent are two things Waldon hopes the team develops while playing here this week.

### Monday's Volleyball Results

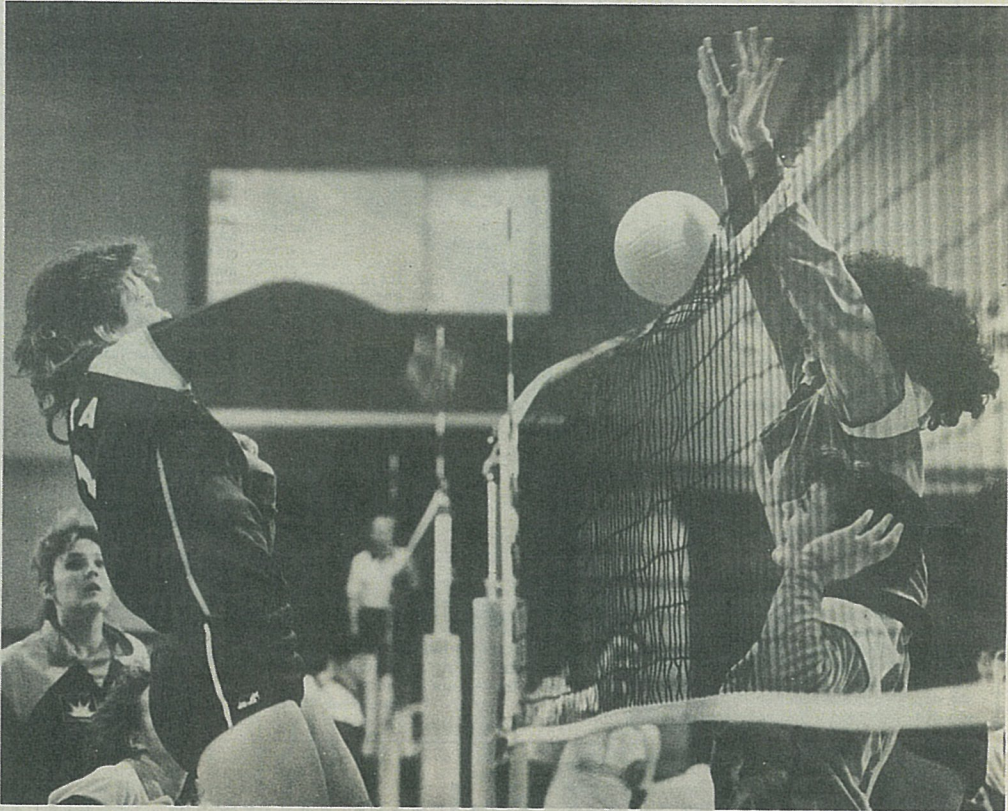
Junior Women—Alaska def. Yukon Territory, 15-0, 15-1; Alberta def. Northwest Territories, 15-8, 15-13; Alaska def. NWT, 14-16, 15-5, 15-2.

Junior Men—Alaska def. Yukon, 8-15, 15-13, 15-10; Alberta def. NWT, 15-6, 13-15, 15-5.

Open Women—Alaska def. Yukon, 15-5, 15-0.

Open Men—Alaska def. Yukon, 15-11, 15-3.

Note: Results of Monday's late afternoon and evening games were not available at press time.



**NET ACTION**—Team Alberta's Kelli Boyko spikes the ball past Northwest Territories players Jory Gibeault

and Nicki Vanderlinde in Junior women's play Monday at Lathrop High School.

Mike Belrose/Ulu News



**TRAUMA**—Robert Meckling, coach of a Northwest Territories volleyball team, reacts to his team's efforts during a game against Alberta

Mike Belrose/Ulu News

### Volleyball fans invited to clinic

Bill Neville, coach of the 1984 U.S. men's Olympic volleyball team, will put on a volleyball clinic today from 8:30-10:30 a.m. at the gym of Lathrop High School, 901 Airport Way.

The clinic is open to the public as well as all Arctic Winter Games participants.

Players on many of the AWG Senior teams will help with instruction, said volleyball coordinator Steve Lackey, who encouraged everyone interested in the sport to attend.

**HIGH FIVE**—Darrell Blow celebrates with his Alberta teammates after his side scores a point against Northwest Territories.

Mike Belrose/Ulu News



## Other Results



**CROSS-ICE DASH**—Participants in Monday's short-track speedskating clinic sprint across the ice at the UAF Patty Center Ice Arena. Speedskating events begin tonight at 6:30 at the UAF arena.  
*Mike Belrose Ulu News*

## Alaska, NWT triathletes win big

Teams representing Alaska and the Northwest Territories got the jump in Arctic Winter Games team triathlon competition Monday in the 4x10-kilometer running relay at the University of Alaska Fairbanks.

The Alaska men's team of Gary Whiteley, Dexter Itner, Kent Karns and Andy Johnson combined for a time of two hours, 40 minutes, and 51 seconds. Their time gives Alaska a lead of more than two minutes going into today's 4x3,000-meter speed skating competition, which starts at 8:15 p.m. at the UAF Patty Center Ice Arena.

The Northwest Territories team is in second place with a time of 2:43:22 and the Yukon Territory skated to a total time of 3:04:26.

Johnson, of Anchorage, posted the fastest individual time of the day, covering his 10-kilometer leg of the race in 38:35.

Johnson's teammates are all from Fairbanks.

In the women's competition, the NWT team of Carol Roberts, Mary Wasylia, Penny Johnson and Wendy Stephenson posted a time of 2:58:03. Team Alaska clocked in at 3:26:46.

The fastest women's time of the

day was Stephenson's 43:06.

Monday's event was held under cloudy skies with a temperature of 15 degrees (-9°C) and a chilling wind of about 10 mph (16 kph).

### Team Triathlon Monday Results

**Ten-Kilometer Relay**  
Women's Division—1. Northwest Territories (Roberts, 43:58; Wasylia, 45:12; Johnson, 45:40; Stephenson, 43:06), 2:58:03; 2. Alaska (Hannema, 46:36; Stieniers, 55:20; Mabry, 58:36; Hajdukovich, 47:34), 3:26:46

Men's Division—1. Alaska (Whiteley, 42:49; Johnson, 38:35; Itner, 39:18; Karns, 41:35), 2:40:57; 2. Northwest Territories (Braun, 41:01; McCann, 40:11; Spaulding, 42:58; Nickols, 39:10), 2:43:22; 3. Yukon (McFayden, 48:32; Davies, 43:15; Sudrich, 48:05; Daniels, 45:14), 3:04:26

## Cagers pound boards in high-scoring contests

The Alaska Junior men's team rolled up a pair of victories and the Alberta Junior women went over the century mark to highlight opening day games in the Arctic Winter Games basketball tournament Monday at Monroe Catholic High School.

Alaska opened the Junior men's tournament with an 83-42 win over Yukon Territory, then beat Northwest Territories, 93-60.

Stefan Falke poured in 21 points and Richie Knowles added 14 to lead the Alaska Junior men past Yukon. Shane Renner and Marcus Spencer added 11 and 10, respectively, to the winning effort.

Dave Lucas had a game-high 22 points for the Yukon.

Falke had 24 and Renner 17 in Alaska's win over NWT. Knowles and Terrel White chipped in 13 apiece and Spencer tallied 12. Aaron France had 17 and Shane Roman tallied 16 for NWT.

Meanwhile, the Alberta Junior women rolled to a 108-19 win over NWT. In the other Junior women's game, Alaska toppled Yukon, 91-33.

Six players scored in double figures in the Alberta Junior

women's win. Michelle Johnson led the way with 24 while Brenda Arsenault and Shelly Comadina had 18 apiece.

Karn Mercer poured in 26 points and Cricket Burleson tallied 18 to lead the Alaska Junior women past Yukon.

### Monday's Basketball Results

**Junior Men**  
Alaska 83, Yukon Territory 42. A—Richie Knowles 14, Marcus Spencer 10, Terrel White 8, Wesley Wendell 5, Marco Gilmartin 6, Stefan Falke 21, Shane Renner 11, Jason Awe 8. Y—Bryan Hayes 7, Mike Gervais 1, Chris Lucas 6, Dave Lucas 22, Rick Sward 6.

Alaska 93, Northwest Territories 60. A—Richie Knowles 13, Marcus Spencer 12, Terrel White 13, Wesley Wendell 6, Marco Gilmartin 4, Stefan Falke 24, Shane Renner 17, Jason Awe 4. NWT—Darryl Field 6, Shane Roman 16, Don Edl 17, Aaron France 7, Tom Okoak 3, Quentin Whilite 2, Ted Kingsland 9.

**Junior Women**  
Alaska 91, Yukon Territory 33. A—Diana Denny 13, Yolanda Waters 6, Cricket Burleson 18, Monique Alex 14, Jeannie Hebert 4, Charita Wesley 4, Karn Mercer 26, Jeanie Wetkins 4. Y—Sharlaina Bain 2, Alexis Hill 4, Jenny Pope 15, Katie Swales 5, Caria Harvold, Annette Diegenmare 2, Marie Byrne 4.

Alberta 108, Northwest Territories 19. A—Peggy McCargo 13, Kim Pomeroy 8, Brenda Arsenault 18, Michelle Johnson 24, Jessie Davies 7, Shelly Comadina 18, Sandra Hill 8, Vivian Lilje 12. NWT—Patti King 13, Anna Arabaki 2, Shannon Young 2, Ellen King 2.

## NWT curlers make clean sweep

Junior teams from the Northwest Territories turned in impressive performances Monday in the opening round of the curling competition at the Fairbanks Curling Club.

The NWT Junior women rolled to a 12-2 victory over Alaska while the Junior men compiled a 9-4 victory over Alaska.

In other first-round contests, the Alberta Junior women breezed to a 10-0 victory over the Yukon. The Yukon Junior men beat Alberta, 8-3.

Alaska got into the winning column by posting a 7-3 victory over Yukon in the Open women's competition.

Curling competition continues with the second and third draws at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. today at the curling club, 962 Second Ave.

**Monday Curling Results**  
Open Women—Alaska 7, Yukon 3.  
Junior Women—Northwest Territories 12, Alaska 2; Alberta 10, Yukon 0.  
Junior Men—Northwest Territories 9, Alaska 4; Yukon 8, Alberta 3.



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### ARCTIC SPORTS

**West Valley High School Gym**  
 8:10 a.m.—Practices.  
 11:30 a.m.—Opening ceremonies.  
 Noon-4 p.m.—Knee jump, Junior men and women, Open men and women, airplane, Open men.  
 7:10-30 p.m.—Two-foot high kick, Junior men and women, Open men and women.  
 10:30-11 p.m.—Medal presentations.

### BADMINTON

**Ryan Middle School Gym**  
 9:45 a.m.—Juvenile and Junior mixed doubles.  
 9:45-10:30 a.m.—Open mix doubles and Juvenile men singles.  
 10:30-11:15 a.m.—Juvenile women and Junior men singles.  
 11:15 a.m.—noon—Junior women and Open men singles.  
 Noon-12:45 p.m.—Open women singles and Juvenile and Junior men doubles.  
 1-1:45 p.m.—Junior women doubles, Open men and women doubles, Juvenile mix doubles.  
 1:45-2:30 p.m.—Junior mix doubles, Open mix doubles.  
 2:30-3:15 p.m.—Junior men and women singles.  
 3:15-4 p.m.—Open men and women singles.  
 4:45 p.m.—Juvenile men and women singles.  
 4:45-5:30 p.m.—Junior men and women doubles, Open men doubles.

### BASKETBALL

**Monroe Catholic High School Gym**  
 7:10 a.m.—Practices.  
 10 a.m.—Junior men's clinic with George Roderick.  
 11 a.m.—Junior women's clinic with George Roderick.  
 12:30 p.m.—Junior men, Yukon vs. NWT.

2:15 p.m.—Junior women, Alaska vs. Alberta.  
 4 p.m.—Junior women, Yukon vs. NWT.  
 5:45 p.m.—Junior men, Yukon vs. Alaska.  
 7:30 p.m.—Junior women, Yukon vs. Alberta.  
 9:15 p.m.—Junior women, Alaska vs. NWT.

### BROOMBALL

**UAF Patty Center Ice Arena**  
 9:10-30 a.m.—Alaska vs. NWT.  
 4:5-30 p.m.—Alaska vs. Yukon.

### CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING

**Birch Hill Ski Trails**  
 10:30-11 a.m.—Opening ceremonies.  
 11 a.m.-1 p.m.—Open men, 10K; Open women, Junior men and Junior women, 7.5K; Juvenile men and women, 5K.  
 2:2-30 p.m.—Medal presentations.

### CURLING

**Fairbanks Curling Club**  
 9:30-9:50—Practices.  
 10 a.m.—noon—Eight ends, Junior men, Yukon vs. NWT, and Alberta vs. Alaska; Junior women, Yukon vs. NWT and Alberta vs. Alaska; Open women, Alaska vs. NWT.  
 2:2-20 p.m.—Practices.  
 2:30-4:30 p.m.—Eight ends, Junior men, Alberta vs. NWT, Yukon vs. Alaska; Junior women, Alberta vs. NWT, Yukon vs. Alaska; Open women, Yukon vs. NWT.

### FIGURE SKATING

**UAF Patty Center Ice Arena**  
 10:45 a.m.—Alaska practice.  
 12:30-2 p.m.—NWT practice.  
 2:15-3:45 p.m.—NWT practice.

### GYMNASTICS

**Lathrop High School**  
 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.—NWT practice.  
 Noon—Clinic with Linda Logan, instructor at UAF.  
 2:30-4:30 p.m.—Yukon practice.  
 4:30-6:30 p.m.—Alaska practice.  
 7:30-8:30 p.m.—Coaches-officials meeting, gymnastics room.

### HOCKEY

**Big Dipper Ice Arena**  
 6:30 a.m.—Midget, Yukon vs. Alberta.  
 8:30 a.m.—Pee Wee, NWT vs. Yukon.

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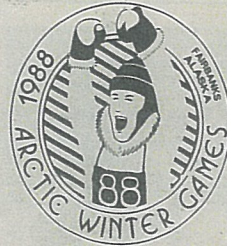
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10:30 a.m.—Midget, NWT vs. Alaska.  
 12:30 p.m.—Senior men, Alaska vs. Yukon.  
 3 p.m.—Pee Wee, NWT vs. Alaska.  
 5 p.m.—Midget, Alaska vs. Yukon.  
 7 p.m.—Midget, Alberta vs. NWT.  
 9 p.m.—Senior men, Alaska vs. NWT.

### INDOOR SOCCER

**UAF Patty Center Gym**  
 7-9 a.m.—Practices.  
 9 a.m.—Junior men, Yukon vs. NWT.  
 10 a.m.—Juvenile women, Alaska vs. NWT.

11 a.m.—Juvenile men, Alaska vs. NWT.  
 Noon—Junior women, Alaska vs. NWT.  
 1 p.m.—Junior men, Alaska vs. NWT.  
 2 p.m.—Juvenile women, NWT vs. Yukon.  
 3 p.m.—Juvenile men, NWT vs. Alberta.  
 4 p.m.—Junior women, Yukon vs. Alberta.  
 5 p.m.—Junior men, Yukon vs. Alberta.  
 6 p.m.—Juvenile women, Alaska vs. Yukon.  
 7 p.m.—Juvenile men, Alaska vs. Yukon.  
 8 p.m.—Junior women, Alaska vs. Yukon.  
 9 p.m.—Junior men, Alaska vs. Yukon.

**SILHOUETTE SHOOTING**  
**UAF Outdoor Shooting Range**  
 7:30-8 a.m.—Opening ceremonies.  
 8-11 a.m.—Individual Open handgun.  
 Noon-3 p.m.—Individual Junior rifle.  
 3-6 p.m.—Individual Open rifle.

**SKI BIATHLON**  
**Birch Hill Biathlon Range**  
 8-9:30 a.m.—Practices.  
 9:30-10 a.m.—Opening ceremonies.  
 10-11:30 a.m.—10K race.  
 11:30 a.m.—noon—Medal presentations.

**SNOWSHOE BIATHLON**  
**Birch Hill Biathlon Range**  
 Noon—Practices.  
 1:30-2 p.m.—Opening ceremonies.  
 2-4 p.m.—Three-kilometer race.  
 4-4:30 p.m.—Medal presentations.

**SNOWSHOEING**  
**UAF Snowshoe Field**  
 10-11:30 a.m.—1500-meter races.  
 11:30 a.m.—Medal presentations.

**SPEEDSKATING**  
**UAF Patty Center Ice Arena**  
 10-11 a.m.—Clinic on long-track speedskating with Beth Heiden and Craig Kressler, at Big Dipper outdoor oval.  
 6-6:30 p.m.—Opening ceremonies.  
 6:30-8 p.m.—Junior women and men, 800-meter semifinals; Junior women and men, 1,500-meter semifinals; Junior women and men, 800-meter finals.

**TRIATHLON**  
**UAF Patty Center Ice Arena**  
 11 a.m.—noon—Clinic on long-track speedskating, with Beth Heiden and Craig Kressler, at Big Dipper outdoor oval.  
 8:15 p.m.—Open women, 2,500-meter

power skate.  
 9:30 p.m.—Open men, 3,000-meter power skate.

### VOLLEYBALL

**Lathrop High School Gym**  
 7-8:30 a.m.—Practices.  
 8:30-10:30 a.m.—Clinic with Bill Neville.  
 11 a.m.—Junior women and men, NWT vs. Yukon.  
 5 p.m.—Junior women and men, Alaska vs. Alberta.  
 2 p.m.—Open women and men, Yukon vs. Alaska.  
 3:30 p.m.—Junior women and men, Yukon vs. Alaska.  
 5 p.m.—Open women and men, Alaska vs. NWT.  
 6:30 p.m.—Junior women and men, Alaska vs. NWT.  
 8 p.m.—Junior women and men, NWT vs. Alberta.

## WEDNESDAY

### ARCTIC SPORTS

**West Valley High School Gym**  
 8-9 a.m.—Practice.  
 9 a.m.—noon—One-hand reach, head pull, Open Men.  
 1 p.m.—Alaskan high kick, Junior men and women, Open men and women.  
 4:30-5 p.m.—Medal presentations.  
 6:30-8 p.m.—Banquet, Pump House.

### BADMINTON

**Ryan Middle School Gym**  
 9 a.m.—Open women doubles, Juvenile men and women doubles.  
 9:45 a.m.—Junior mix and Open mix doubles.  
 10:15 a.m.—Juvenile mix doubles.  
 11 a.m.—Junior men and women singles.  
 11:45 a.m.—Juvenile men and women singles.  
 1 p.m.—Open men and women singles.  
 1:45 p.m.—Juvenile men and women doubles; Junior men and women doubles; Open men and women doubles.  
 2:30 p.m.—Juvenile and Junior mix doubles.  
 3:15 p.m.—Open and Juvenile mix doubles.  
 4 p.m.—Junior and Open mix doubles.  
 6:30-8 p.m.—Banquet, Fox Roadhouse.

**BASKETBALL**  
**Monroe Catholic High School Gym**  
 8 a.m.—Junior women, Alberta vs. Yukon.  
 9:45 a.m.—Junior women, Alberta vs. NWT.  
 11:30 a.m.—Junior men, Alaska vs. NWT.  
 1:15 p.m.—Junior women, Alaska vs. Alberta.  
 3 p.m.—Junior women, Yukon vs. NWT.  
 6:30-8 p.m.—Banquet, Regency Fairbanks.

### BROOMBALL

**UAF Patty Center Ice Arena**  
 10:15 a.m.—Yukon vs. NWT.  
 3:15 p.m.—Alaska vs. NWT.  
 6:30-8 p.m.—Banquet, Regency Hotel.

### CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING

**Birch Hill Ski Trails**  
 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.—Open men, 20K; Open women, Junior men and Junior women, 10K; Juvenile men and Juvenile women, 7.5K.  
 2:30-3 p.m.—Medal presentations.  
 6:30-8:30 p.m.—Banquet, Westmark Fairbanks Gold Room.

### CURLING

**Fairbanks Curling Club**  
 9:30 a.m.—Practice.  
 10 a.m.—noon—Eight ends, Junior men, Yukon vs. Alberta; NWT vs. Alaska; Junior women, Yukon vs. Alberta; NWT vs. Alaska; Open women, Yukon vs. Alaska.  
 2 p.m.—Practice.  
 2:30-4:30 p.m.—Junior men, Yukon vs. NWT, Alberta vs. Alaska; Junior women, Yukon vs. NWT, Alberta vs. Alaska; Open women, Alaska vs. NWT. Eight ends.  
 6:30-8 p.m.—Banquet, Sophie Station.

### FIGURE SKATING

**UAF Patty Center Ice Arena**  
 5-6:30 a.m.—NWT practice.  
 6:45-8:15 a.m.—Yukon practice.  
 8:30-10 a.m.—Alaska practice.  
 6:30-8 p.m.—Banquet, UAF Wood Center, Room 128.

### GYMNASTICS

**Lathrop High School Gym**  
 12:30-1:30 p.m.—Opening ceremonies.  
 1:2-30 p.m.—Warmups.  
 2:30-5 p.m.—Team competition.  
 6:30-8 p.m.—Banquet, Clinkerdagger's restaurant.

### HOCKEY

**Big Dipper Ice Arena**  
 6:30 a.m.—Pee Wee, Alaska vs. Yukon.  
 8:30 a.m.—Midget, Yukon vs. NWT.  
 10:30 a.m.—Senior men, NWT vs. Yukon.  
 1 p.m.—Midget, Alaska vs. Alberta.  
 2:30-4 p.m.—Sport corporation meeting, Mary Siah Center basement.  
 3 p.m.—Pee Wee, Alaska vs. NWT.  
 6:30-8 p.m.—Banquet, The Center, Odyssey Room.

### INDOOR SOCCER

**UAF Patty Center Gym**  
 7-9 a.m.—Practice.  
 9 a.m.—Junior men, Alberta vs. NWT.  
 10 a.m.—Junior women, Alberta vs. NWT.  
 11 a.m.—Junior men, Alaska vs. Alberta.  
 Noon—Junior women, Alaska vs. Alberta.  
 1 p.m.—Junior men, Yukon vs. NWT.  
 2 p.m.—Junior women, Yukon vs. NWT.  
 3 p.m.—Junior men, Alaska vs. NWT.  
 4 p.m.—Junior women, Alaska vs. NWT.  
 6:30 p.m.—Banquet, North Country Inn.

### SILHOUETTE SHOOTING

**UAF Outdoor Shooting Range**  
 8-11 a.m.—Individual Open handgun.  
 Noon-3 p.m.—Individual Junior rifle.  
 3-6 p.m.—Individual Open rifle.  
 6:30-8 p.m.—Banquet, UAF Wood Center Ballroom.

### SKI BIATHLON

**Birch Hill Biathlon Range**  
 8 a.m.—Practice.  
 10 a.m.—noon—3KT 5K relay.  
 Noon-12:30 p.m.—Medal presentations.  
 6:30-8 p.m.—Banquet, Wood Center Ballroom.

### SNOWSHOEING

**UAF Snowshoe Field**  
 10 a.m.—400-meter relay.  
 11 a.m.—Medal presentations.  
 6:30-8 p.m.—Banquet, Wood Center Ballroom.

### SNOWSHOE BIATHLON

**Birch Hill Biathlon Range**  
 Noon—Practice.  
 2 p.m.—5K race.  
 4-4:30 p.m.—Medal presentations.  
 6:30 p.m.—Banquet, Wood Center ballroom.

### SPEEDSKATING

**UAF Patty Center Ice Arena**  
 12:15-2:45 p.m.—Junior women and men 1,000-meter semifinals, Junior women and men 400-meter semifinals, Junior women and men 1,000-meter finals.  
 5:30 p.m.—Banquet, Captain Bartlett Hotel.

### TRIATHLON

1 p.m.—Sport corporation meeting, Mary Siah Center basement.  
 6:30-8 p.m.—Banquet, Westmark Fairbanks Rampart Room.

### VOLLEYBALL

**Lathrop High School Gym**  
 7 a.m.—Practice.  
 8:30-10 a.m.—Sport corporation meeting, Mary Siah Center basement.  
 11 a.m.—Junior women and men, Yukon vs. NWT.  
 12:30 p.m.—Junior women and men, Alberta vs. Alaska.  
 2 p.m.—Open women and men; NWT vs. Yukon.  
 3:30 p.m.—Junior women and men, Alberta vs. Yukon.  
 6:30-8 p.m.—Banquet, Captain Bartlett Hotel.

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