

Home Stretch to the Games

Only a matter of weeks to the Games and everything is shifting into high gear! Tickets are on sale for Games week at either Birchwood Gallery, Sutherland Drugs, or online at www.yktix.com, including Opening and Closing Ceremonies, Super Sport passes, Day passes, and Medal Round tickets. The Cultural Galas, which promise a wonderful mosaic of performances from the nine contingents, are now sold out, thanks everyone! Final arrangements for accreditation, sports & volunteer schedules, travel plans, and signs and information for all involved are in process, and we have lots of requests from visitors! If you would like to participate in the **Homestay** program, to either billet a visitor, or book a room as a guest, please call (867) 765-2947, toll free (877) 994-2008, or visit our website at www.awg2008.ca.



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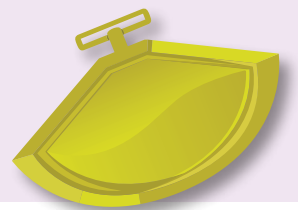
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Volunteers and staff wait for their pictures to be taken at the first round of accreditation.

At the end of January, the Multiplex Lobby was humming with activity, between the wonderful set up from BHP Billiton featuring the Arctic Winter

Games and all of the hopeful athletes competing for positions on the NWT Team for the 2008 Arctic Winter Games.



Foxy gets cozy with a couple of hopeful AWG athletes at the Territorial trials at the Multiplex.



Janet Pacey of CBC shows off her extensive pin sets and collection at the recent BHP Billiton event in the lobby of the Multiplex during Territorials.

If you are a registered volunteer, we are just in the process of accreditation and assigning shifts for all 2500 volunteers, so someone will be in touch with you shortly!

For a complete listing of Board and Staff members, please visit www.awg2008.ca

Have you seen us around?

And we continue to bring the Games to the community! Over the past few months, there were lots of fun events and appearances, including first prize for our Christmas float, our first youth volunteer of the month, and lots of pictures with Foxy helping Santa spread the joy!



Foxy hugs Gerry Thick, AWGIC president, as Premier Floyd Roland and AWG 2008 president Cathie Bolstad look on.



Newly appointed Premier Floyd Roland at his first official speaking engagement as Premier at our last Chefs de Mission & AWGIC meeting in October.



Foxy stands in line to get a flu shot at the Baker Community Centre.



David Gilday poses with Gail Bulger and family with her grand prize winning diamond from our Chance of a Lifetime raffle.



Foxy with his arms around the elusive Elvis at the Snow Show at the YK Ski Club.



Foxy has his picture taken with this beautiful girl in her Christmas dress at the Breakfast with Santa.



Foxy makes a new friend at the BHP Christmas party.



The ATCO Group and Nunasi pose with our president and chair of fundraising in front of the AWG festooned building.



Proudly wearing his first place ribbon, Foxy celebrates with friends and volunteers on the AWG float at the Christmas parade.



Foxy signs up volunteers at the Volunteer Blitz at Centre Square Mall.



The cake says it all!



Dave Hurley, Roland Gagnon, and Wendy Bisaro proudly wave the NWT & AWG flags at the Christmas parade.



A proud volunteer setting up the volunteer registration table at the Breakfast with Santa.



Foxy gets ready to jig with Lee Mandeville at Foxy's Den in the Panda II Mall!

And they're off...and chosen!

In December and January, Inuvik, Fort Smith, Hay River, Fort McPherson and Yellowknife held the Territorial trials that determine the athletes chosen to participate in the 2008 Games. Organized by Sport North, these trials showcased nearly 900 athletes vying for about 350 spots on the various teams for NWT.

As well, **BHP Billiton** showcased their support of the Arctic Winter Games in the Multiplex Lobby, where people shopped for great AWG gear, pin traded with Janet Pacey from CBC North, and registered to be volunteers!

All of the athletes worked very hard to make it to the Territorial trials, and we are so delighted to see the number of talented and developing athletes emerge from the NWT! This means that the Games have been successful in their mandate to provide opportunity and develop young athletes in their chosen sports. From the first Canada Winter Games in 1967, when the three AWG founders witnessed the trials and defeats of the Northern athletes, to where we are today, with NWT athletes going to World Cups and the Olympics!



Awash with culture!

The Arctic Winter Games has always positioned itself as a unique celebration of not only sport, but of culture, reflecting the wonderful mosaic of participating contingents.

The 2008 AWG promises a true celebration of culture, from our photographic arts, visual arts, performing arts and film arts, to our wonderful cultural gala evenings at NACC. A fashion show kicks off the cultural program for the week, showcasing traditional

clothing from across the circumpolar world. These Games also boast the first Spectator Art program, which invites visitors and spectators to contribute to the art and culture of the 2008 Games!

Something for everyone, look for all of the cultural sites identified by 'Home of Culture' all over Yellowknife, and be sure and stop in for a truly unique northern experience.



Games Volunteers are set!

March 9th is just around the corner and our Games volunteers are set! We depend very heavily on our volunteers; with 40 volunteer

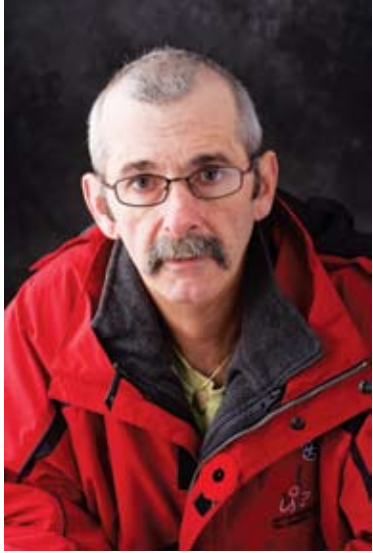
committees, a volunteer board, and people helping us with everything from beds to registration, Yellowknife and beyond has come

to our rescue! We are grateful to the more than 2500 people that have stepped forward to help us put on the Games!

Our Volunteers of the Month

October 2007

**Ray
Oxford**



For about five months, Ray was seen around the city with his homemade sandwich board adorned with Chance of a Lifetime raffle posters, selling tickets for the Arctic Winter Games. Putting in three or more afternoons and evenings a week, Ray could be found at Walmart, Extra Foods and the Yellowknife Liquor Store.

Proud to don his AWG volunteer T-shirt or jacket, Ray was always cheerful and willing to help out the Host Society's fundraising efforts. His dedication is evident by the fact he was our #1 salesman, selling hundreds of tickets.

November 2007

**Fran
Hurcomb**



Fran took an enthusiastic lead role in writing and producing a book to commemorate the history of the Arctic Winter Games. She began writing the book in early 2006, which included countless hours of research and sorting of thousands of pictures. The book was out just before Christmas to great response. On behalf of the Special Projects Committee and 2008 AWG Host Society we congratulate Fran on an excellent job in producing the commemorative book.

December 2007

**Jo-Anne
Hubert**

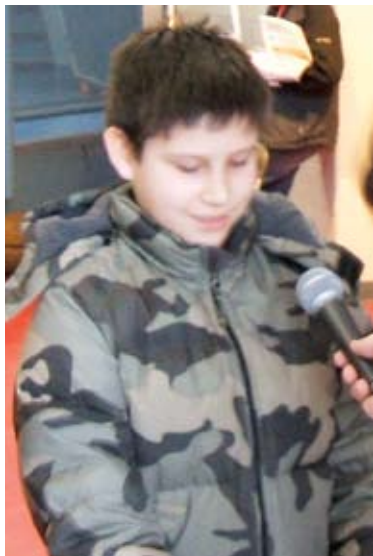


Jo-Anne is responsible for recruiting, scheduling & managing all the nursing staff for the AWG. She will also manage the Polyclinic, including design, equipment & supply coordination, staffing, set up and take down.

Jo-Anne is tireless, pragmatic, efficient, and always willing to help. She is great to work with and gets a great deal done.

Honourable Mention:

**Tyson
Mandeville**



Tyson Mandeville, our first youth volunteer, is 12 years old, and has dedicated numerous hours assisting the marketing committee with the logo launch, acting as a 'runner' for any and all tasks, and decorating the AWG prize winning Christmas float!



Volunteers of the Month

January 2007 –
Gail Cyr

February 2007 –
Gail Daniels

March 2007 –
Ciaran Coates & Andre Thibideau

April 2007 –
Dennis Willacy

May 2007 –
Roland Gagnon

June 2007 –
Manik Duggar

July 2007 –
David Labrie

August 2007 –
Ann Kall

September 2007 –
Sharon Cormier

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