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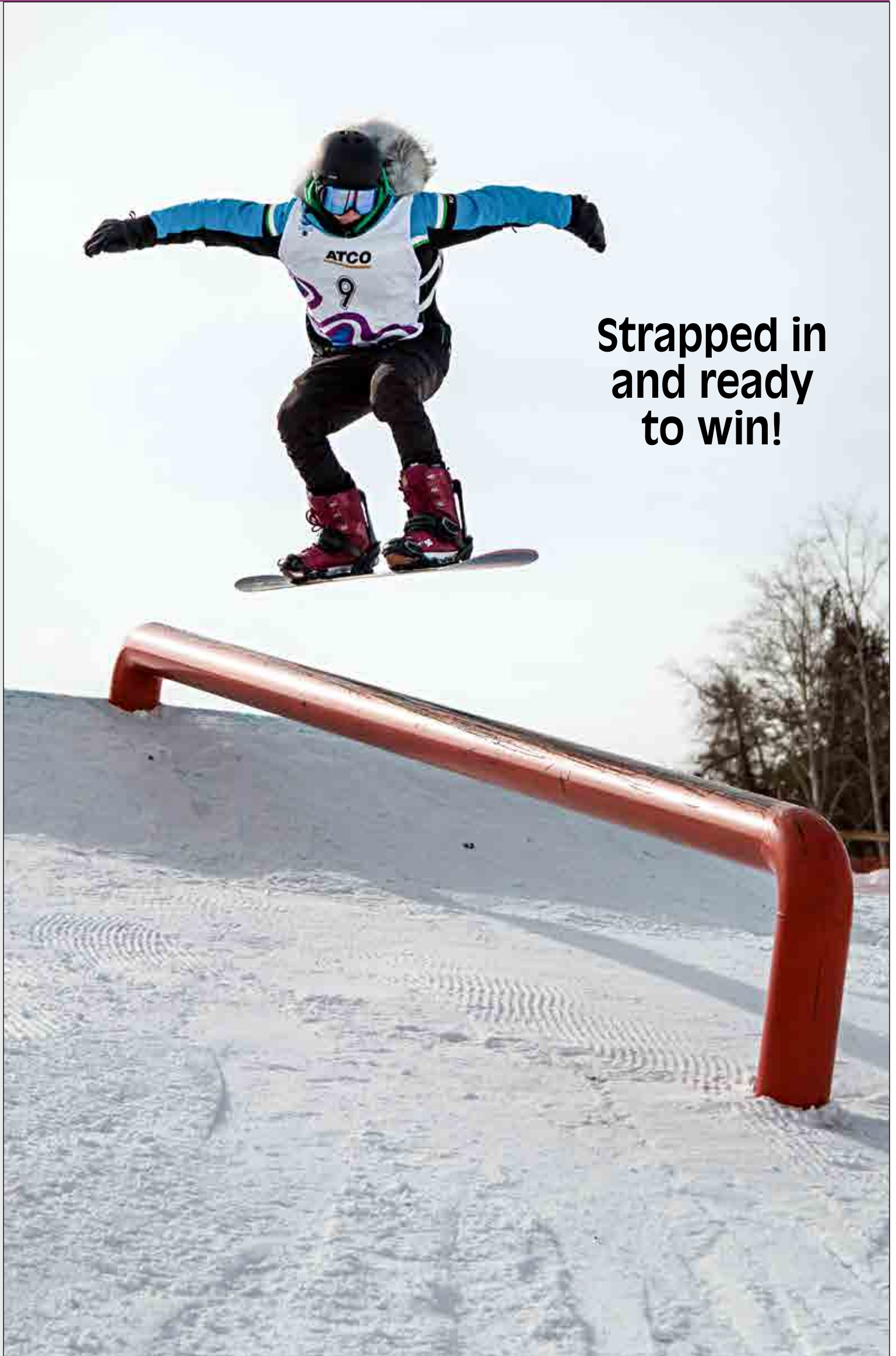
**Arm pull prodigy wins big**



**Yukon team profile**

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Team	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
 Alaska	6	3	3	12
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 Greenland	0	1	1	2
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 Nunavik	0	0	0	0
 Nunavut	1	0	0	1
 Sapmi	2	2	2	6
 Yamal	0	0	3	3
 Yukon	5	6	5	16



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The Northwest Territories' Ben Toner gets some air before hitting a rail at the bottom of his run during the rail jam event on Monday.

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# New arena finally in operation



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**Israel Maktar of Nunavut** tries to snuff out Carter McLeod of Team NT along the boards during bantam boys hockey action at the Hay River Recreation Centre on Monday.

## Bantam boys hockey opens up Hay River Recreation Centre

by James McCarthy  
Northern News Services

It's been a two-year wait but the new Hay River Recreation Centre is officially up and running with hockey.

The first puck dropped on Monday at the 2018 Arctic Winter Games as the Northwest Territories took on Nunavut in the bantam boys division.

The home team prevailed, 6-1.

Logan Cunningham will be the answer to a trivia question for the rest of his life as he scored the first goal in the new arena and said it's nice to know he'll live forever in hockey history.

"It's pretty good," he said. "I wasn't even thinking about it."

Skating in the new facility was a long time coming for the Hay River duo of Declan Munro and Kaden Beck, who both play on the NT's bantam boys team.

**"Seeing what they've made here is really nice."**

Declan Munro

They spent the past two years practising and playing home games outdoors while the arena was getting its face-lift. Munro said Monday brought a mixture of excitement and relief.

"We were happy it got finished in time for the Games but seeing what they've made here is really nice," he said.

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# Last minute prep in Fort Smith



**Alaska's Auna Reed-Lewis, 16,** works on her triple jump at the recreation centre ahead of her first Arctic Winter Games.

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Athletes in Fort Smith were busy doing some last-minute training on Sunday morning before heading off to catch the opening ceremonies in Hay River.

The gym at the recreation centre was particularly bustling as Arctic sports athletes tried to fine tune their techniques ahead of a

week's worth of competition.

The rink was also busy as figure skaters took to the ice right up until the last bus left.

While there were lots of laughs and pointers being shared between team members and competing delegations, it was clear that most athletes had their eye on the prize.

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**Yukon's Chloe van Lankveld, 12,** visualizes her routine while waiting for the ice to be cleaned for a Sunday training session.



**Sixteen-year-old Agnes Elizabeth Krengektak** from Tuktoyaktuk aims for a one-foot high kick during a training session in Fort Smith on Sunday morning.



**Thirteen-year-old Petra Amossen** of Greenland practises the knee hop at the recreation centre in Fort Smith on Sunday.

**Alberta North's Sadie Finnebraaten, 11,** practises her routine during a Sunday training session at the Fort Smith Centennial Arena

## TRAINING Feature

by Cody Punter



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**Bradley Nowdlak-Fraser of Nunavut**, left, takes the opening faceoff against Team NT's James MacCara in bantam boys hockey at the Hay River Recreation Centre on Monday.



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# 'They've been waiting a long time for this'

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For Beck, he was just relieved. "The old arena was way different," he said. "This one is much nicer."

In a nice touch, their coach, Shawn Talbot, let Munro and Beck lead the team out for the warm-ups and they both started the game with Munro on defence and Beck at forward.

"I just thought it would be nice for them especially," said Talbot. "They've been waiting a long time for this and letting them go out first seemed like the right thing to do."

In terms of the ice, everyone agreed it needs a bit of work.

Martin Joy, Nunavut's head coach, said it really began to affect the play in the second period.

"It was really soft and almost unplayable in the second period," he said. "It's a beautiful facility they have here though, and once they work out the bumps, it's going to be a fantastic place."

Beck also noticed how soft the ice was but what really captured his attention was the size of the rink, which is now a regulation 200-foot x 85-foot rink. The old rink surface was a tad shorter.

"It's nice to have that now," he said. "You have to work a bit harder but it's good."

***"Once they work out the bumps, it's going to be a fantastic place."***

*Martin Joy*



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# Medals spread around in speed skating

*Gold for Yukon, Alberta North, Nunavut and NT as 1,000-metre short-track speed skating wraps up*

by **Cody Punter**

Northern News Services

It was a busy Monday morning for short-track speed skating in Fort Smith as the first medals were handed out in four 1,000 metre categories.

The juvenile male final set up a riveting showdown between identical twins from the Yukon. Lucas Taggart-Cox and Caius Taggart-Cox,

who were less than a second apart in preliminary heats, continued to be neck and neck out of the gate in the final.

The two skaters led the pack until halfway through when Caius fell, allowing Lucas to streak ahead along with the rest of the pack.

Lucas wound up taking the gold while Yukon's Anders John-Eric Petersson

grabbed the silver and the Northwest Territories' Luke Dizon got the bronze.

The race for a medal in the juvenile female 1,000 the was just as exciting. Nunavut's Emma Carpenter won the gold medal after finishing a second faster than Yukon's Lisa Megan Freeman, who took the silver, while the Northwest Territories' Seigna Hult-Griffin

won a bronze.

In the junior female 1,000-metre medal race, Alberta North's Teneea Schoorlemmer shot out of the gate and didn't relent as she continued to add to her lead over the course of eight laps.

She ended up cruising to victory, followed by two skaters from the Northwest Territories: Grace Clark and Daphné Cloutier, who took

the silver and the bronze, respectively.

The most exciting final of morning ended up being the last one, with three skaters from the Northwest Territories going up against a lone skater from the Yukon.

Micah Taggart-Cox tried to control the field early by keeping the pace slow. The tempo picked up after a couple of laps as Taggart-

Cox jockeyed for the lead.

The race was tight right up until the end with three skaters coming around the final bend just a few feet apart. Braeden Picek was able to hold on to his lead to take the gold.

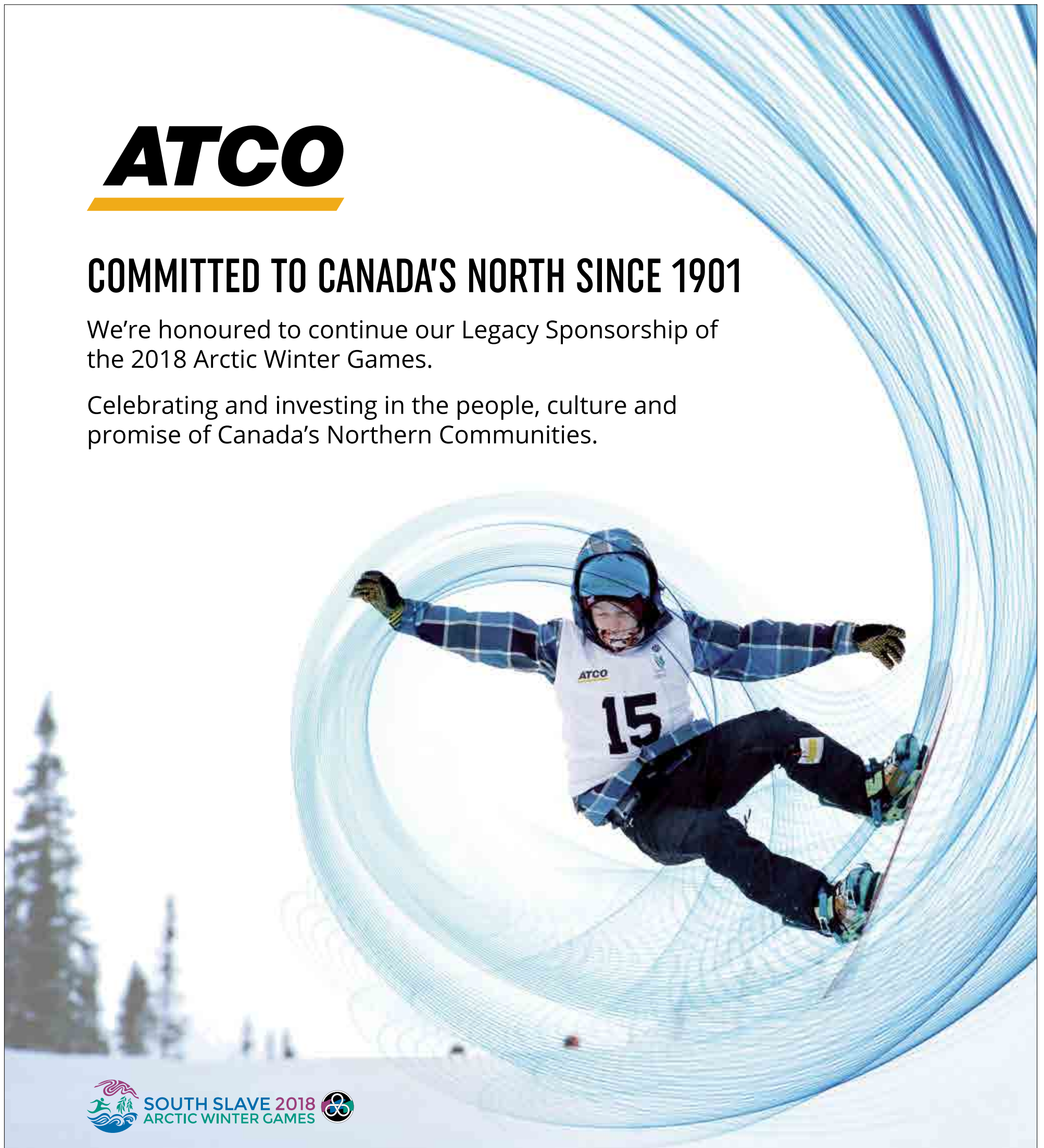
Dalton McLeod claimed silver, finishing 29 hundredths of a second ahead of Taggart-Cox, who earned bronze.

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BIATHLON SNOWSHOE			9:30	11:30*	9:30	11:30*	WEATHER DAY		9:30	11:30*	9:30	11:30*	WEATHER DAY	
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HOCKEY (MALE)			9:00	21:00	9:00	21:00	9:00	21:00	9:00	21:00	11:00	21:00*		
SNOWSHOE			8:30	11:30*	WEATHER DAY		8:30	14:00*	WEATHER DAY		8:30	11:30*	WEATHER DAY	
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WRESTLING			9:00	19:00*					16:00	20:00*			10:00	14:00*
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ARCTIC SPORTS	OPEN PRACTICE		10:00	19:30*	9:30	19:00*	9:30	19:00*	9:30	18:00	9:30	18:00*		
BASKETBALL			10:00	20:00	10:00	20:00	10:00	20:00	10:00	20:00	10:00	21:00*		
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**The Northwest Territories' Braeden Picek leads the pack, followed by teammate Dalton McLeod, right, and the Yukon's Micah Taggart-Cox, heading into the last lap of the junior male 1,000-metre short track final. Picek would go on take the gold in the hotly-contested race.**



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# AWG igloo takes beating from sun

*Teira Arnault protects her creation with white tarp*

by Paul Bickford  
Northern News Services

A Hay River woman had to battle the elements – specifically unseasonably warm temperatures and sunshine – to preserve an igloo she built as a personal project for the Arctic Winter Games.

And as of late last week, it looked like Teira Arnault had won the battle, even though the igloo took a bit of a beating.

However, Arnault warned it may now not be safe to enter because of the damage from the heat.

She finished building the igloo in late February in front of the Welcome to Hay River sign.

Arnault started to get worried about a week into March as the temperatures started to rise, and the ice started to deteriorate on the side of the igloo facing the river which gets the most sun during the daytime.

"That's the side the sun is on all day," she said. "So the ice is actually starting to rot



On March 14, Teira Arnault checks an igloo she built near the Welcome to Hay River sign. She recently covered the igloo with a white tarp to protect it from the sun.

Paul Bickford/NNSL photo

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# Arm pull athlete grabs first gold for Greenland

*'I was so pumped,' Mick Josefsen says after winning hard fought final battle*

by **Cody Punter**  
Northern News Services

Greenland's Mick Josefsen only started training for the Arctic Winter Games five months ago but you wouldn't know it based on his performance in the arm pull.

The 15-year-old athlete won a hard fought battle against the Northwest Territories' Kobe Keevik in the final round of the competition to win the first gold medal for his home country at the 2018 Games.

Josefsen made it though to the finals with no losses, which meant his competitor had to beat him three times in a row in order to win.

Keevik was able to pull

him over once, leading him to leap up in celebration. But when they linked arms again after the mandated three-minute break, Josefsen proved to be too strong for him. Josefsen erupted in joy as his teammates and coach swarmed him on the gym floor.

"I was so pumped," Josefsen said after winning.

The gold is even more impressive considering how little experience Josefsen has. Josefsen said he probably wouldn't have gotten into Arctic Sports if coaches for Greenland's team hadn't showed up at the recreation centre in Nuuk when he was hanging out there one day.



Cody Punter/NNSL photo

**Greenland's Mick Josefsen pulls** down the Northwest Territories' Kobe Keevik in the final round of the arm pull competition to win the first gold medal for his home country at the Arctic Winter Games.

They approached Josefsen and suggested he take part in a challenge to qualify for the Games.

"I won that day so I started training every day for this," he said.

He said he owed his big win to his trainer, Bent Jakobsen, who helped get him ready for the competition.

Josefsen said he has become so good at the arm pull that not even his coach can beat him at this point.

"He can't win against me in arm pull any more and he's my trainer," he said.

Unfortunately due to a knee injury, Jakobsen was unable to travel to Fort Smith for the Games.

However he was live-streaming the event from Greenland.

"It was such a bummer he couldn't be here," said Josefsen.

After he won, Josefsen called his mom first, then his dad, before reaching out to his trainer.

"He was really happy," Josefsen said of Jakobsen. "He knew I was going to get the gold."



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**Greenland's Mick Josefsen celebrates** after winning a gold medal in the arm pull.

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# 'For safety reasons, I don't think people should go in there'

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and crystallize. It's actually vapourizing and eventually there will be nothing left of it."

So Arnault covered the igloo, which is four feet high and eight feet across, with a white tarp.

"I should have actually tarped it sooner, but I didn't," she said. "Just because the temperatures were still cold, but the sun was out so it

was still getting on there."

Arnault explained the white tarp reflects the sunshine from the igloo made of 600 multicoloured ice bricks.

"It's just reflecting the heat," she said. "If the colours were showing to the sun, then it would attract the heat and it would have been gone already I'm sure if I wouldn't have put the tarp on."

Speaking to The Hub on March 14, Arnault said she

was hoping to save the igloo, noting the temperatures were supposed to cool off in a few days.

On that day, the temperature hit a high of 9 Celsius and a low of just -3 Celsius. The average high for March 14 is -9.2 Celsius, while the average low is -21.7 Celsius.

On March 15, Arnault did a few repairs to the igloo and threw some water on it to freeze overnight.

With the damage from the sun, she is not sure if the igloo is now safe to enter.

"I'm thinking not," she said. "I'd worry about it collapsing, for sure."

Arnault has heard some people are climbing on it, and she noted the ice would be heavy if the structure collapsed.

She has a locking wooden door that she may put on the tunnel entrance into the igloo.

Even if people shouldn't enter the igloo, Arnault said it would still make for good pictures.

"The light would still come on at night," she said. "It would still look nice. People could still get pictures around it. But for safety reasons I don't think people should go in there."

Arnault said she had heard from many people worried about whether the igloo would

survive to the Arctic Winter Games.

Mayor Brad Mapes was one of those concerned residents.

"It's a beautiful thing," Mapes said of the igloo. "Obviously she's fighting the weather just like all the other outside sports. So we're hoping it survives. She's been covering it up. It would be great to see it hold up for the winter games."

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# Alberta North's snowboarders clean up



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**Medal winners in the junior male rail jam stand on the podium atop the snowboard park in Fort Smith. From left, Syth Charchun (Yukon), Ben Machtans (Yukon) and Dylan Dachuk (Alberta North).**

## Three of four gold medals go to athletes from the Games' most southern delegation at rail jam

by **Cody Punter**  
Northern News Services

Alberta North's snowboard team almost had a clean sweep of gold medals in all four categories during the rail jam event on Monday.

Alberta North's Ella Kuhn beat a deep field of competitors to grab the gold in the juvenile female category.

"As soon I cleared my run I felt a rush of excitement. I just knew it," she said.

Kuhn, 13, was coming off a gold medal sweep in all the snowboard events at the Alberta Winter Games. She will be competing in all remaining snowboard events this week and she's hoping she can pull off the same feat at her first Arctic Winter Games.

Ajaana Rosing Kleemann from Greenland was awarded the silver and Yukon's Riley Boland took the bronze.

In the juvenile male

division it was the diminutive but charismatic Linden Rakestraw, representing Alberta North, who most impressed the judges. Although other competitors scored more total points over the course of three runs, the winner in the rail jam is determined by whomever has the highest single run. That meant Rakestraw's score of 313 in his second run was good enough for gold.

He was joined on the podium by teammate Becker Olson, who took home the silver, and Inuk Brøns Appelt from Greenland, who was awarded the bronze.

Alberta North's Jamie Pasmore grabbed the junior female gold medal with a top score of 283 in her second run. Pasmore, 14, also earned the fair play award for cheer-

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# Quick start for Alaska on snowshoe course

*Team Alaska takes home 3 of a possible 4 gold ulus on the first day of snowshoe competition*

by **Dylan Short**  
Northern News Services

Team Alaska athletes were the big winners at the Hay River Ski Club on day one of the snowshoe competition as they collected three out of a possible four gold ulus.

Team Yukon was able to stop the American sweep by collecting gold in junior male category. Alaska had a dream start to the day by picking up gold in juvenile male and female, as well as junior female.

"I can't ask for more," said Darren Marcord, an assistant coach with Team Alaska's snowshoe team. "I'm incredibly proud of them, they had awesome races, as far as I'm concerned this is an epic day."

From the beginning of the day it was clear that Team

Alaska would be fielding a strong team as Lindsay McTague and Leah Fallon collected the first two medals of the 2018 games, capturing gold and silver, respectively in the juvenile female 2.5-km race.

"It feels really great," McTague said shortly after the race. "It's amazing."

Alaska quickly followed up their gold medal performance with another one as Finn Morley jumped head first across the finish line of the juvenile boys 2.5-km race, coming in almost a minute before the next competitor, Team NT's Jed Mitchell.

"Since they have bibs with the chip in them, it's when your chest crosses the line," Morley explained as to why he dove over the finish line, "So I just wanted to get



Dylan Short/NNSL photo

**Team Yamal's Polina Fedorova, left, Alaska's Riana Boonstra, centre, Clare Catherine Howard, also of Alaska, smile atop the podium after collecting their ulus in the junior female 5-km snowshoe race Monday.**

the best time possible."

To finish off Alaska's golden day, Riana Boonstra and Clare Catherine Howard took home the gold and silver

in the junior female 5-km race, meaning Alaska was only kept off the podium in the junior male 5-km race. In that event, Team Yukon

collected the gold and silver while Team NT wound up third.

Monday's final tally in the snowshoe competition

saw Team Alaska take home five ulus, Team Yukon, three, Team NT, two, Team Yamal one and Team Alberta North, one.

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The Northwest Territories' Ben Toner gets some air before hitting a rail at the bottom of his run during the rail jam event on Monday.

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ing on other teams. Pasmore said she valued winning that award just as much as her medal.

"I worked pretty hard for both," she said.

Tegan Konge from the Northwest Territories got the silver and there was no bronze awarded because there were only two competitors

in the field.

Ben Machtans from the Yukon won the gold in the junior male event. The 14-year-old, who is competing in his first Arctic Winter Games, said he thinks it was the variety of his runs – especially his switch tricks – that probably most impressed the judges.

"It was amazing, everyone killed it," Machtans said.

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Dominic Devigne of Team Yukon takes aim at a target during the junior male 5-km snowshoe biathlon race.

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## Tough start for snowshoe biathletes

*Nerves and course mix ups make for tumultuous first day*

by Dylan Short  
Northern News Services

A misplaced sign at the Hay River Ski Club caused confusion for snowshoe biathlon athletes on Monday morning.

Bruce Porter of Team Yukon, one of the first runners to cross the finish line, said the errant sign obstructed the race course.

"So we had to go around that, which adds time and confusion," Porter said.

An official at the event stated that before the race began a sign was moved when it shouldn't have been,

causing part of the first loop to be cut off.

The official then stated that an athlete informed the course director and the issue was fixed before the race was over.

A source told Ulu News later Monday evening that a coach from one of the participating teams had moved signs on to the course in order to help with the snowshoe races that took place earlier in the day.

The source added that the coach apparently didn't tell any officials what he had

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# 'In comparison to Yamal this is swimming trunk weather'

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done. This caused confusion among the biathletes, sending some in the wrong direction.

While the mix up caused confusion for a number of racers, officials stated that times would be adjusted

accordingly to ensure the final standings weren't affected. Official times had not been posted by press deadline.

Although the race had a tough start, coaches and athletes continued to praise the course as the event concluded.

"There were some minor issues with the markings, but all in all it was good," said Igor Khrenov of Team Yamal through an interpreter. "In comparison to Yamal this is swimming trunk weather."

On a sunny day that hovered around 3 C during the race, it was

not only misplaced signage that athletes had to battle. For many of the participants, Monday morning marked their first races at the Arctic Winter Games and a level of competition never before experienced.

"In the middle of the race I threw up," said Finnlay Rutherford-Simon of Team Northwest Territories.

"It may have been nerves or it may have been multiple things, but tomorrow is a new day."

Snowshoe biathlon resumes Tuesday morning for the 2-km and 3-km sprints.

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# They 'Kon' do it

Yukon comes to 2018 Arctic Winter Games with full roster

by James McCarthy  
Northern News Services

They are the one of the originals and they always come with a heavily loaded roster. It's Team Yukon and they will be competing in every single sport the 2018 Arctic Winter Games has to offer. "The Arctic Winter Games are an important opportunity for Yukon athletes to

enjoy sport, compete to their highest ability, make friends and experience culture from across the North," stated Trevor Twardochleb in a press release. "I am proud of each athlete representing Yukon and would like to thank everybody - from coaches to officials to families - who has helped make this exciting event possible."

## TEAM YUKON

**ARCTIC SPORTS**  
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Noormohamed  
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Matthew Jacobson  
Payton Fobe  
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Sarah Walz - coach  
**BADMINTON**  
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Ainslie Spence  
Austin Au  
Anton Menzel  
Abigail Cuenza  
Nora Vincent-Braun  
Carl Knickle  
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Krysha Rubio  
Jealyn Minguito  
Heather Munro  
Alyssa Cuenza  
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Claire Abbott - coach

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Josh Rumbaoa  
Chad Williams  
Broden Cull  
David Mindanao  
Ralph Hermosa  
Grayson Turner  
Brandon Barrett  
Mohamed Fellah  
Will Klassen  
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Ava Irving-Staley  
Cole Germain  
Noah Mamik  
Bronwyn Goodwin-Williams  
Emma Mamik  
Aidan Hupe  
Aidan Adel  
Ted Hupe - coach  
Laurie Jacobsen - coach

**BIATHLON SNOW-SHOE**  
Isla Hupe  
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Bruce Porter  
Issac O'Brien  
Ava Milner  
Kynnan Elliott  
Dominic Devigne  
Nick Mamik - coach  
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Jetta Bilsky tries to drive around an NT player during girls basketball action at the 2016 Arctic Winter Games in Greenland.

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Bronwyn Hays  
Mikayla McCain  
Sarah Milton  
Alissa Russell  
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Leneah Timmermans  
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Trish Pettitt – coach

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**Intermediate girls**

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Tyra Jones  
Lara Herry-Saint Onge  
Alice Frost  
Sarah Nyland  
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Georgia Gaw  
Jewel Davies  
Ava Cairns-Locke  
Cali Battersby – chaperone

Tony Gaw – coach

**Junior girls**

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Alyssa Rusnak  
Abby Rich  
Taliya Lindley  
Chelsi Gorrell  
Mikayla Kelly  
Jasmine Sealy

Bayly Scoffin  
Peyton Twardochleb  
Katie Lowey – coach

**Junior boys**

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Ben Kischuk  
Rhys Faragher  
Jason Sealy  
Ashton Bryant  
Kaelen Lewis  
Arya Khodakarmi  
Andreas Lavaderos  
Alvaro Diaz Vega  
Ash Jordan – coach

**Juvenile girls**

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Brooke Shaw  
Danni Wilkie Hobus  
Maddison Cave  
Macy Dewald Rose

Paige Forester  
Beatrix Duncan  
Teagan Ewing  
Sofia Lang  
Stephanie Pike – coach

**Juvenile boys**

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Sebastian Insley  
Jordan Stephens  
Zachary Saplywy  
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WORKSHOPS (Centennial Library)		1:30 - 3:30 Traditional Bracelet		10:30 - 12:00 Fishscale Art		10:30 - 12:00 Fishscale Art	
PERFORMANCES	10:00 Kole Crook Fiddlers (Arena Foyer)	13:00 Lyca Capulso (Whispering Willows)  15:00 Jessica Latour & Bailey Mackie (Whispering Willows)	10:00 Moses Butt (Arena Foyer)	11:00 Mark Lyon (Whispering Willows)  20:00 - 23:00 Brother Inlaw Band (Legion Club Room)	19:00 - 21:00 KFN Drummers, Katlodeeche Family, Linda Duford (KFN Arbor)	20:00 - 23:00 Mark Lyon, Old Skool, Linda Duford and The Sociables, 5/3 Mad (Back Eddy)	11:00 Maxence w/ French Artists (Arena Foyer)
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Our community has been working hard to make everything ready for the games, sharing the responsibility with our co-host community, Fort Smith and the K'at'l'Odeche First Nation, who will be hosting the Dene Games. The entire South Slave has pulled together and we are proud of all that has been accomplished. We are ready to make the 25th Arctic Winter Games a memorable event for everyone involved.

We welcome the Circumpolar World to Hay River and we hope that you have the best week of sport, friendship and fun. Our community will be a hub of activity during the games and we have all hands on deck. Do not hesitate to ask for assistance or direction around our beautiful town. Many cultural events will be taking place throughout the week for all to enjoy. There will be the frenzy of collectable pin trading at the table that you will find at the Community Centre at the Recreation Complex.

A huge Hay River welcome to all our visitors for the games; I look forward to meeting as many as possible.

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