

Figure Skating On Top of the Podium Three Times on Wednesday!



Team Ontario figure skaters had outstanding performances that resulted in three gold medals yesterday at the Canada Games Centre. Pictured above from left to right are the Pre-Novice Pair Mix of Zoey Brown and Ian Beharry, Pre-Novice Single champion Alexandra Najaaro and the Pre-Novice Dance Mix of Lisa Casselman and Ryan Behnia. Congratulations to all skaters! Figure skating continues today at the Canada Games Centre where more Team Ontario skaters will be in the hunt for gold.

Team Ontario fencing clinches three team bronzes today - but the best is yet to come!

Fencing won three bronze medals Wednesday in Men's Team Foil, Women's Team Sabre and Women's Team Epee, qualifying five athletes for Individual Finals to be held Thursday and Friday. Men's Sabre qualified two athletes for the final but missed the bronze medal by a hair. The Men's Sabre team, Chris Brimacombe, Dakota Wotton and Alex Edmunds gave personal best performances but lagged too far behind after a loss to Alberta earlier in the week.



The strongest teams, Men's Epee and Women's Foil will compete today, with more medal performances expected in both the team and individual. It should be a very exciting two days.

Team Ontario "Cleans Up"



After two days of intense competition Team Ontario's Cross Country Ski Team enjoyed a well deserved day off on Wednesday.

Before getting some R & R the men decided to help out the volunteers that have worked so hard for us during our stay at Yukon College. Shown from left to right are Len Valjas, Mark Doble, John Rennie & Gavin Hamilton of Team Ontario with Andrew Casey from Team Newfoundland. The five athletes gave the volunteers a well deserved rest as they worked in the "Environmental Services" area of the cafeteria.

Chef's Corner

The Games are into their final few days of competition and Team Ontario continues to make our mark in Whitehorse. The weather is almost balmy compared to last weeks deep freeze so it is now a perfect opportunity to get out to other venues to cheer on your Team Ontario friends.



Blair McIntosh
Chef de Mission

Although you may not be aware of the media coverage the Games is enjoying right now, I can assure you that your performances and stories are being heard back in Ontario. Of particular interest is a feature that TSN did on Special Olympian, Tim Goodacre which can be viewed online at TSN.CA. Watch for other coverage on TSN, APTN and CBC Sports. Who knows, maybe you will see yourself on the front page of the newspaper or on the TV?

Best of luck over these next couple days and we are all looking forward to one of the best performances every as the Games come to a close on Saturday.

Ontario Squash a Family Affair

Team Ontario Squash is definitely a family affair. Men's Coach Mark Sachvie has his 2 sons, Nick and Chris, as members of his men's team while brother and sister Carly and Brian Hong are also members of the team.



This team has been training together in preparation for the Games for two years, but their history together goes further back than that. All of the members of this team have grown up together playing with and against each other. There is a closeness on this team that you do not find on most teams. The sense of family resonates throughout the whole team.

Coach Sachvie says it is not difficult to be both dad and the coach. "The boys react well to me as their coach and the only pressure I feel is as a parent in that all parents want to see their children do well".

The closeness of this team is definitely one of their strengths and is a major corner stone of their success.



Sport Shorts - Tuesday's Results

Alpine Skiing

Bronze - Giant Slalom Female
Krystyn Peterson
Gold - Giant Slalom Male
Christopher Barber



Artistic Gymnastics

Bronze - Men's Team
Competition



Boxing

Semi Finals - the following advanced to gold medal fights - Jerome Gabriel, Josh Cameron and Steve Wilcox
Bronze - Jermaine Badchkam and Kyle Matuk



Curling (Men)

ON 7 YK 5
ON 11 NU 2

Fencing

Bronze Team Foil Male
Bronze Team Sabre Female
Bronze Team Epee Female
4th Team Sabre Male



Hockey (Women)

ON 13 PEI 0

Squash

ON 4 PEI 0
ON 4 BC 0
ON MN



Wheelchair Basketball

ON 43 NL 33

Messages From Home (email and message board)

Women's Hockey

Good Luck Bri and all your teammates! We wish you all great success at the winter games!
Love Aunt Ruth and Uncle Ed

Keep up the great work team! We are all proud of you.
Mary Lou MacLaughlan

Team ONTARIO owns W/C Basketball

Great job everyone! Marshy, Caitlin and Corey keep representing Ottawa! I'm so proud of you guys and everyone is so excited for you back here at home. Keep up the good work!
Annie Goodchild

Team Ontario W/C Basketball

Congratulations Team Ontario. Village boys - you make us proud. Continued success!
Veronica K.

CONGRATS!!!!

Hey Guys! CONGRATS - we are so proud of you! Keep up the great work and good luck in your upcoming games. I see a gold coming home. GOOD LUCK – Cathy Price

We're rooting for you Team Ontario Wheelchair Basketball Team!!
Susan and Wolfen

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What's On Today

Alpine Skiing - Slalom

Mt Sima
Female 1st run at 10:00 a.m., 2nd run at 13:30 p.m.
Male 1st run at 11:00 a.m., 2nd run at 2:30 p.m.



Artistic Gymnastics

Canada Games Centre
All around female – 11:30 a.m.
All around male – 5:00 p.m.



Boxing

FH Collins Secondary School
7:00 p.m. – semi finals



Cross Country Skiing

Mt McIntyre
Male - 15k freestyle with mass start – 11:30 a.m.
Female – 10k freestyle with mass start – 1:00 p.m.



Fencing

Vanier Catholic School
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. – finals



Figure Skating

Canada Games Centre
12:00 noon novice dance mix
12:45 p.m. novice single female
3:00 p.m. special Olympics Level 2 and 3 female
6:00 p.m. novice pair mix
6:45 p.m. novice single males



Hockey

Tahkini
12:30 p.m. ON vs NL



Squash

Better Bodies and Ecole Emilie Trembley
9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Male and female



Table Tennis

Canada Games Centre
9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



Wheelchair Basketball

Porter Creek School
4:00 p.m. Semi Final - ON vs SK



Team Ontario Medal Count



20



23



27

Today's Weather Report

Thursday:

Chance of flurries, high of -2, low of -11.

Friday:

Chance of flurries, high of -4, low of -12

Sunrise: 7:39 am

Sunset: 6:44 pm

