

# Rant n' Roar

Team Newfoundland  
and Labrador  
Newsletter at the Games



## Finding Bronze in the Yukon!!!

Congratulations to our first medalists of the games!

Matthew and Alexandra Young of Corner Brook earned Newfoundland and Labrador's first medal of the Games, a BRONZE in Pairs figure skating.

This is a family affair! Matthew and Alexandra train in Corner Brook with the Silver Blades Skating Club and are coached by their mother Lisa. Their dad, Todd was also on hand to capture this great moment.

Kaetlyn Osmond of Marystown also won a bronze medal in the pre-novice ladies event. She was in fourth place after her short program and skated a great long program.

### Way to go Matthew, Alexandra and Kaetlyn!

George Kalunga-Lokas had an action packed bout against Nova Scotia's Brodie Blair in the 64 kilogram boxing semi final. Kalunga-Loksa assured himself a silver medal in the finals with a 32-20 win over Nova Scotia.

### Good luck in the final bout, George!!!



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### Today's Forecast

Temperature High -4°C

Skies A Few Flurries



Winds Calm

## Photos of the Day



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## Rumour has it...

Gymnast Keely has found a husband in Jade from Saskatchewan.

Apparently some Team Toba men have been struck by the beautiful smiles of our cross-country skiers.

The Boxing Boys have a message for the Hockey Girls: there is plenty to go around.

Amanda from Squash, heard to say "so many men, so little time!" Coach John has a twinkle in his eye lately – what is behind that smile John? HmMMM

Coco – what's under your pillow?

Table tennis would like to "play" Pierre. It would be a good match!

Coach Jamie (Hockey) saw the Big One!

Squash had the hot and cold treatment yesterday at the hot springs.

## Daily Round-Up

### Alpine Skiing

Downhill competition drew to a close today slalom event. The tough course meant several DNF results, but Team NL posted finish times in both the mens and ladies races. Robyn Huxter was our top female, and Joel Ryan posted an impressive top 25 finish!

### Boxing

Johnny faced a very aggressive (and mean looking) opponent from SK and did his best to score points with great support from our contingent (big thanks)! We personally thought he did great!

### Cross Country Skiing

It was great day at Mt. Mac. NL skiers were in the hunt for both races and performed admirably. Stephanie (17<sup>th</sup>) and Kayla (24<sup>th</sup>) finished in the top half, while Renee, Brittany, and Danielle skied hard the entire race. Michael (24<sup>th</sup>) and Kyle (25<sup>th</sup>) were also top half, while Alex and Mitchell (who was battling frostbite) left it all on the course. Andrew started the race and competed hard but could not finish as a result of a stomach bug. The mass start was fun to watch; our skiers did Team NL proud!

### Curling

Our boys won a very exciting and well played game against BC with a score of 8-7 to bring their record to 2-3. A great draw with last super sweeping was the winner!!

### Fencing

The men's foil team wrapped up their competition with six fights each against MB and PE. Congratulations Issac, Joel and Dmitri on a good effort and some personal victories against NS. The female epee team concluded their competition fighting QC, NB and MB. Congratulations Amy and Tara on the individual victories against NS QC. The Ladies foil team (Coco, Sarah and Ruth) started their games action this afternoon against SK and MB. They are back in action again in the morning.

### Figure Skating

Our Novice ladies skated today, as well as our female Special Olympics athletes. Natasha Osmond posted a close 4<sup>th</sup> place finish, and her teammate Stephanie Nevin secured 15<sup>th</sup> spot. Courtney Hunt snagged 8<sup>th</sup> place, and Sarah Connell placed 11<sup>th</sup>.

### Gymnastics

The male and female gymnasts competed in their final round of competition today and achieved numerous personal bests. They had a great competition and gained a lot of experience participating in this level of competition.

### Hockey

The girls played a spirited game against Ontario and created scoring opportunities. Goalies Jenelle Hulan & Nancy Caines both had strong outings. The Boxing boys showed their support and then some.

### Squash

Great play but unfortunately a loss to Manitoba. The boys played aggressively and with heart – well done!

### Table Tennis

Team NL continues to have strong encounters with all their opponents. As usual, they have a full day of competition today.

### Wheelchair Basketball

A tough loss against Alberta yesterday, with a final score of 51 – 26. Josh Prim led the way with 12 points, backed up by teammate Neil Jackson, who added 10.

## Today's Schedules

Boxing	7:00pm Finals <i>F.H. Collins Secondary School</i>
Cross-Country Skiing (f)	11:30am 4 X 3.75 km Relay – Finals 1:30pm 4 X 5 km Relay – Finals <i>Mt. McIntyre Recreational Centre</i>
Curling (m)	2:00pm NL vs YU 10 <sup>th</sup> or 11 <sup>th</sup> <i>Mt. McIntyre Recreational Centre</i>
Fencing (f)	10:30am Team Foil NL vs AB 11:40am Team Foil NL vs ON 12:50pm Team Foil NL vs PE 14:15pm – 16:50pm Foil & Epee Quarter, Semi and Finals <i>Vanier Catholic School</i>
Hockey (w)	3:00pm NL vs BC <i>Takhini Arena</i>
Squash	9:00am NL vs NS (Male) 12:00pm NL vs NS (Female) <i>Better Bodies Centre</i>
Table Tennis	9:00am U-15 Single Junior Male 9:30am U-15 Single Junior Female 10:00am – 8:00pm Relegation Rounds, Semi-Finals, Finals <i>Canada Games Centre</i>
Wheelchair Basketball	1:00pm NL vs PE Relegation Round <i>Porter Creek Secondary School</i>