

Rant n' Roar

*Team Newfoundland
and Labrador
Newsletter at the Games*



PHOTOS of the DAY



Skip, Jennifer Cunningham follows her sweepers down for a draw for two



Biathlon athlete, Brandon Dean prepares to shoot in the standing position in yesterday's 9km sprint



Biathletes Shauna Johnston and Kathleen Ring jump together to keep warm in the start area

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Today's Forecast

<i>Temperature</i>	High -20°C Cold Wind Chill -35 RISK OF FROSTBITE
<i>Skies</i>	Cloudy – Chance of light snow
<i>Winds</i>	15km NW

Today's Schedules

Badminton	Team Competition 9am & 7pm
Biathlon	Junior Male Individual 15km 10am Junior Female Individual 12.5km 1pm
Curling (w)	NL vs MB 8:30am NL vs ON 2pm
Hockey (m)	NL vs NWT 1:00pm Takhini
Judo	Male 60kg – Andrew White 66kg - Patrick Walsh 73kg – Ethan Lannon
Shooting	Air Pistol Team Female 9am Male 10:45am
Synchro	Duet 9:25am Team 6pm CGC Lions Aquatic Centre
Speed Skating	Training Day 3:15pm – 4:15pm
National Artist Program	Workshops & Planning Sessions Porters Creek & The Guild Hall

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Badminton

Our badminton team takes on Alberta and Yukon today in the team competition. Coaches, Craig and Crystal expect a strong performance from our players. Let's give them lots of support. Go TEAM!

Biathlon

Biathlon went ahead yesterday despite temperatures of -20 and wind chill of -33! Brrrr. Our athletes performed well under these harsh conditions led by Jon Forward's 19th place finish. Kudos to all for braving the frigid temperatures. Pending weather, the team will compete in the 12.5km individual for men and 10km individual for women.

Curling (f)

Although they went down to the last rock and almost the last minute, the ladies pulled out a solid win in their first game ever as a team. Well done, Girls!!

Hockey (m)

It was a tough night at Takhini Arena for our hockey team. In a spirited affair we fell 8-5 to Team New Brunswick who peppered goalie Evan Mosher with 61 shots. Scoring for us last night was Luke Adam with 3 and single markers coming from John Caul and Steven Brazil. The team appreciates all the fan support that our contingent is providing.

Judo

Practice continued today in the *Shiai jo* (the room where competition takes place); manager Joe Coffey said the team is ready for competition tomorrow, "they're all fired up and ready to go!" Drop by the competition today and hear the team's cheer, the *kiai* (explosive outlet of air during the throw).

Today's Judo Terms:

Tatami – the mats

Gi – Judo suit (one competitor wears blue, the other white)

Hajime! Let Judo begin!

Shooting

Today was the last practice for the entire shooting team. The team had an excellent showing and all members came close to shooting personal bests! Mark Churchill, male pistol shooter, competes on Tuesday in the team event. Good luck Mark!

Synchro

The team performed their Figures today, and both the coaches and athletes were pleased with their performance. Kimberley Burrage placed 35th out of 85 swimmers yesterday setting the best results we've shown in a Canada Games. We're looking forward to shining in the Team and Duet competition today. The girls are sorry fellow Team NL members can't get to watch their performances as the spectator viewing area requires specific passes.

We wish the girls luck today with their Duets and Team competitions.

Speedskating (short track)

Coach Brian Bonnell was pleased to report that all the speedskaters had a great day achieving BP's all around. Matthew Taylor set a new record for NL in the 500m race. Kudos to Matthew for this fine accomplishment and for advancing to the finals in the 500m yesterday.

Rumor Has it...

6 Team NL Jackets were seen dismantling the snow fence between the Canada Games Centre parking lot and the Mount McIntyre Recreation Centre, reprimand to follow.

The *synchro* girls would like the PEI girls to know that THEY SAW ETHAN FIRST!



Hockey Team supports the Speedskaters at yesterday's competitions



Jessica Mouland in the hack, preparing to throw her final rock in the 10th end

COMPETE, HAVE FUN, MAKE FRIENDS.

Larry Smith
Chairman of Canada Games