

TEAM NUNAVIK-QUÉBEC 2012

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Today's Weather



Tomorrow's Weather



Dene Games: TNQ is competing for two ulus in the hand games finals today!



Chris Martin
Inukjuaq
Coach – Dene Games

Chris started competing in Dene Games in 2001 and attended the 2002 Iqaluit/Nuuk AWG. This is

his first year coaching. He feels the Dene Games help to build confidence in your own abilities as an athlete and as a person as well as feeling comfortable on a team.



Edua Jones
Kuujuuaq
Open Male – Dene Games

Edua was a gold medalist at the Fort McMurray, Alberta AWG in 2004 and an Official at the 2010

AWG in Grande Prairie, Alberta. "I like the AWG because I get to represent Nunavik, and compete against other athletes from all across the Arctic."



Leanna Angnatuk
Kuujuuaq
Juvenile Female – Dene Games

Leanna has represented Team Nunavik well during the 2012 games by winning one of our two Gold Ulus during the first three days of competition in Snow Snake.



Pamela Stevenson
Kuujuuaq
Jr Female – Dene Games

Pamela went to the AWG in Grand Prairie, Alberta in 2010 as part of the cultural contingent. This winter, she went to

Antarctica with Students on Ice. "I am looking forward to Whitehorse because this is my first competition in Dene, I want to meet new youth that are interested in the same things as me."

Special Thanks for Stunning Quilts

This year, TNQ commissioned special quilts for the Dene Hand Games made by Sharon Stirling of Puvirnituk. Each hand-painted quilt has designs that symbolize the category of athletes. TNQ appreciates all her hard work and creativity. Thank you, Sharon. Nakurmiikmarialuk!



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Hodgson Trophy



At each Arctic Winter Games, the AWG International Committee presents the Hodgson Trophy during the Closing Ceremonies to the contingent whose athletes best exemplify the ideals of fair play and team spirit. Team members also receive a distinctive pin in recognition of their accomplishment

The trophy is a piece of Inuit artwork, which was donated to the Arctic Winter Games Corporation in 1978, by Commissioner S.M. Hodgson of the Northwest Territories. It is permanently on display at Sport

Yukon's Hall of Fame here in Whitehorse. A framed photograph of the trophy is presented to the winning contingent at each AWG.

The following individuals are eligible to vote:

- All mission staff members from each participating Unit
- All registered coaches
- All major officials in each sport
- All AWG International Committee members
- All registered media
- All Board Members and senior staff for the Host Society.



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Messages from TNQ's Facebook page

Liz Emak: It is awesome when we get to see our fellow Inuit get to be at a very special event, thank you very much for sharing the pictures....Nakurmik...makes me think of our future for the children to come.....♥

William Tagoona : A Gold Bearer can't be taken away. Great achievement Ahuya.



Coming up today: Thursday, March 8



Arctic Sports – Warm Up 9-10 a.m.
Competition – 10 a.m.-6 p.m. One-foot High Kick
7 p.m.-8 p.m. Airplane, Awards 8 p.m.
Vanier Catholic Secondary School



Badminton – TNQ vs NWT 8 a.m.; TNQ vs Alberta North
11 a.m.; TNQ vs Nunavut 2 p.m.; TNQ vs Yukon 3 p.m.;
TNQ vs Greenland 5 p.m., TNQ vs Alaska 6 p.m.
Porter Creek Secondary School - Gym



Dene Games – Hand Games Finals 8 a.m.
Finger Pull – 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Awards 5:30 p.m.
Kwanlin Dunn Cultural Centre



Snowshoeing – Day Off



Table Tennis – Singles 9 a.m.-8 p.m.
Selkirk Elementary School



Cultural – Dress Rehearsal 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.
Gala Show 8-10 p.m. (Doors – 7 p.m.)
Yukon Arts Centre

Our Cultural Team

Along with sport, the AWG helps promote unique aspects of circumpolar culture. Our cultural team is (left to right): Sophie Tukulak, Kuujuaq, Louisa Naluiyuk, Salluit, Louisa Papigatuk Argun, Salluit, Villisie Pinguartuq, Salluit, Steven Alayco, Akulivik (featured at right, but not pictured). Cultural galas featuring youth artists are happening at the Yukon Arts Centre on Thursday and Friday at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$35/\$30.

TNQ Ulu Count: 12
3 Gold, 3 Silver, 6 Bronze

As of Wednesday at 6 p.m.

For complete competition results, visit www.awg2012.org.



Karin Kettler
Kuujuaq
Manager, Cultural

Karin first performed at the 1997 National Aboriginal Achievement Awards,

where she shared the stage with Susan Aglukark. She has also internationally performed songs rooted in the Inuit culture. She wants the TNQ athletes to know that "You can accomplish anything – believe in yourself!"



Steven Alayco
Akulivik
Cultural Team

Steven has been involved with hip-hop dancing and theatre since 2011.

He travelled to Paris for two weeks to learn more about the French language. He is also excited to meet new people and learn more about the other talent participating in the Arctic Winter Games.

