



Press Release

2012 ARCTIC WINTER GAMES Regional Trial Results

Inukjuak, Québec, November 18, 2011 – From November 11 to 13, 85 youth athletes from across Nunavik competed at regional trials organized in the disciplines of Arctic Sports, Dene Games, Badminton and Table Tennis. All athletes, coaches and organizers should be congratulated for their hard work. The results achieved over the weekend will help determine who is selected to join Team Nunavik–Québec at the 2012 Arctic Winter Games (AWG).

The selection of Team Nunavik–Québec athletes is based on athletic performance, as well as participants' demonstration of sportsmanship and leadership qualities. Selected athletes must also meet minimum competition requirements set by the AWG. The final roster for Team Nunavik–Québec will be announced before the end of January.

The Northern Village of Inukjuak in cooperation with the Recreation Department of the Kativik Regional Government (KRG) was responsible for hosting the regional trials. Funding was provided under the Ungaluk Program for safer communities, by Air Inuit through discounted participant airfare to and from the three-day event, and by Hydro-Québec.

The AWG is a biennial, international sports competition for athletes from Nunavik, Nunavut, the Northwest Territories, Yukon, northern Alberta, Alaska, Greenland, Yamal (Russia) and Sapmi (Scandinavia). The next AWG will be held in Whitehorse, Yukon, in March 2012.

Team Nunavik–Québec for the 2012 AWG will comprise 48 athletes, six cultural performers, 12 coaches and five mission staff. Québec sent athletes to the AWG in 1972, 1974, 1976 and 1986, and Team Nunavik–Québec has continued this participation every other year since 2000.

The Kativik Regional Government is a non-ethnic public organization created in 1978, under the James Bay and Northern Québec Agreement. The organization has jurisdiction over nearly the entire territory of Québec north of the 55th parallel in areas such as municipal matters, transportation, the environment, policing, employment, labour training, income security, childcare services, renewable resources, land-use planning, civil security and economic development. The KRG Recreation Department is dedicated to the delivery of recreational activities for all Nunavimmiut, promoting healthy and active living, as well as encouraging participation in many different sports and recreation opportunities.

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The results shown below are one of the criterion that will be used to select Team Nunavik–Québec. Inclusion in this list of results does not guarantee an athlete a spot on the Team.

Arctic Sports

One-foot high kick, junior male

1st place: Ned Gordon, 228 cm
2nd place: Aloupa Putugu, 223 cm
3rd place: Ahuya Snowball, 223 cm

One-foot high kick, junior female

1st place: Linda Kowcharlie, 195 cm
2nd place: Allison May, 142 cm
3rd place: Nellie Cain, 142 cm

One-foot high kick, open male

1st place: Aisa Pirti, 268 cm
2nd place: Aibillie Cumberbatch, 263 cm
3rd place: Jamessie Cumberbatch, 248 cm

Two-foot high kick, junior male

1st place: Ahuya Snowball, 187 cm
2nd place: Ned Gordon, 187 cm
3rd place: Aloupa Putugu, 182 cm

Two-foot high kick, junior female

1st place: Linda Kowcharlie, 152 cm
2nd place: Penina Weetaluktuk, 132 cm

Two-foot high kick, open male

1st place: Aisa Pirti, 228 cm
2nd place: Alek Airo, 224 cm
3rd place: Jamessie Cumberbatch, 220 cm

Two-foot high kick, open female

1st place: Deseray Cumberbatch, 177 cm

Alaskan high kick, junior male

1st place: Ned Gordon, 171 cm
2nd place: Ahuya Snowball, 167 cm
3rd place: Aloupa Putugu, 162 cm

Alaskan high kick, junior female

1st place: Linda Kowcharlie, 162 cm
2nd place: Allison May, 122 cm
3rd place: Melinda Gordon, 122 cm

Arctic Sports (continued)

Alaskan high kick, open male

1st place: Aisa Pirti, 228 cm
2nd place: Stevie Qumaluk, 198 cm
3rd place: Alek Airo, 193 cm

Alaskan high kick, open female

1st place: Deseray Cumberbatch, 167 m

Kneel jump, junior male

1st place: Ned Gordon, 118.05 cm
2nd place: Aloupa Putugu, 102.02 cm
3rd place: Ahuya Snowball, 102 cm

Kneel jump, junior female

1st place: Linda Kowcharlie, 87 cm
2nd place: Nellie Cain, 81.2 cm
3rd place: Allison May, 76 cm

Kneel jump, open male

1st place: Aisa Pirti, 139.4 cm
2nd place: Jamessie Cumberbatch, 129 cm
3rd place: Alek Airo, 112.3 cm

Kneel jump, open female

1st place: Deseray Cumberbatch, 96.2 cm

Airplane, open male

1st place: Aibillie Cumberbatch, 184 cm
2nd place: Qalingo Napartuk, 148 cm
3rd place: Jamessie Cumberbatch, 17.6 cm

One-hand reach, open male

1st place: Aisa Pirti, 157 cm
2nd place: Aibillie Cumberbatch, 147 cm
3rd place: Taamusi Sivuaraapik, 147 cm

Head pull, open male

1st place: Alek Airo
2nd place: Aisa Pirti
3rd place: Sammy Gordon

Knuckle hop, open male

1st place: Sammy Gordon, 2180 cm
2nd place: Aibillie Cumberbatch, 1820 cm
3rd place: Taamusi Sivuaraapik, 1543 cm

Arctic Sports (continued)

Sledge jump, junior male

1st place: Ned Gordon, 126 jumps
2nd place: Ahuya Snowball, 64 jumps
3rd place: Aloupa Putugu, 16 jumps

Sledge jump, junior female

1st place: Linda Kowcharlie, 38 jumps
2nd place: Penina Weetaluktuk, 29 jumps
3rd place: Nellie Cain, 18 jumps

Sledge jump, open male

1st place: Sammy Gordon, 154 jumps
2nd place: Johnny Kasudluak, 139 jumps
3rd place: Aisa Pirti, 100 jumps

Sledge jump, open female

1st place: Deseray Cumberbatch, 21 jumps
2nd place: Mary Samsack, 15 jumps

Triple jump, junior male

1st place: Ahuya Snowball, 839.6 cm
2nd place: Ned Gordon, 818.6 cm
3rd place: Aloupa Putugu, 797.4 cm

Triple jump, junior female

1st place: Linda Kowcharlie, 677 cm
2nd place: Penina Weetaluktuk, 668 cm
3rd place: Nellie Cain, 603 cm

Triple jump, open male

1st place: Aisa Pirti, 992.9 cm
2nd place: Jamessie Cumberbatch, 950.3 cm
3rd place: Aibillie Cumberbatch, 936.1 cm

Triple jump, open female

1st place: Deseray Cumberbatch, 727.5 cm
2nd place: Stephanie Kasudluak, 626 cm

Arm pull, junior male

1st place: Ahuya Snowball
2nd place: Tukkaq Amarualik
3rd place: Ned Gordon

Arm pull, junior female

1st place: Linda Kowcharlie
2nd place: Allison May
3rd place: Penina Weetaluktuk

Badminton

Badminton singles, juvenile male

1st place: Jamie Etok

2nd place: Erik Etok

3rd place: Traugott Annanack

Badminton singles, juvenile female

1st place: Andrea Brazeau

2nd place: Joy Aragutak

3rd place: Paasa Audlaluk

Badminton doubles, juvenile male

1st place: Erik Etok and Samuel Brisson

2nd place: Jamie Etok and David Ainalik

3rd place: Johnny Padlayat and Michael Petagumskum

Badminton doubles, juvenile female

1st place: Paasa Audlaluk and Joy Aragutak

2nd place: Andrea Brazeau and Alice Nutarak

Badminton doubles, juvenile mixed

1st place: Andrea Brazeau and Erik Etok

2nd place: Joy Aragutak and Traugott Annanack

3rd place: Paasa Audlaluk and Johnny Padlayat

Dene Games

Finger pull, junior male

1st place: Deon Hughie

2nd place: Paulusie Irniq

3rd place: Travis George

Finger pull, junior female

1st place: Eva Angnatuk

2nd place: Pamela Stevenson

3rd place: Uttuqi Tukkiapik

Finger pull, juvenile female

1st place: Leanna Angnatuk

2nd place: Linda-Rose Ezekiel

3rd place: Suzanne Adams

Finger pull, open male

1st place: Mario Rupert

2nd place: Gregory Rupert

3rd place: Edua Jones

Dene Games (continued)

Hand games

1st place: Leanna Angnatuk, Maakula Tukkiapik, Hannah Tooktoo and Paulusie Irniq

2nd place: Mario Rupert, Gregory Rupert, Christopher Martin and Papituqaq Cain

3rd place: Ned S. Gordon, Junior Lingard, Alec Ezekiel and Justin Lingard

Snow snake, junior male

1st place: Paulusie Angnatuk, 186' 5"

2nd place: Paulusie Irniq, 145' 8"

3rd place: Deon Hughie, 127' 10"

Snow snake, junior female

1st place: Uttuqi Tukkiapik, 100'

2nd place: Sianna Gordon, 95'

3rd place: Pamela Stevenson, 87'6"

Snow snake, juvenile female

1st place: Leanna Angnatuk, 93' 6"

2nd place: Suzanne Adams, 64' 3"

3rd place: Linda-Rose Ezekiel, 53' 8"

Snow snake, open male

1st place: Ned S. Gordon, 164.5 feet

2nd place: Papituqaq Cain, 152 feet

3rd place: Alec Ezekiel, 139 feet

Stick pull, junior male

1st place: Paulusie Irniq

2nd place: Paulusie Angnatuk

3rd place: Travis George

Stick pull, junior female

1st place: Eva Angnatuk

2nd place: Pamela Stevenson

3rd place: Sianna Gordon

Stick pull, juvenile female

1st place: Leanna Angnatuk

2nd place: Linda-Rose Ezekiel

3rd place: Suzanne Adams

Stick pull, open male

1st place: Mario Rupert

2nd place: Papituqaq Cain

3rd place: Junior Lingard

Log push, junior male

1st place: Deon Hughie

2nd place: Justin Lingard

3rd place: Travis George

Dene Games (continued)

Log push, junior female

1st place: Eva Angnatuk
2nd place: Uttuqi Tukkiapik
3rd place: Sianna Gordon

Log push, juvenile female

1st place: Leanna Angnatuk
2nd place: Linda-Rose Ezekiel
3rd place: Suzanne Adams

Log push, open male

1st place: Edua Jones
2nd place: Mario Rupert
3rd place: Christopher Martin

Table Tennis

Table tennis singles, junior male

1st place: Alec Saunders
2nd place: Isara Inukpuk
3rd place: Sacka Tukkiapik

Table tennis singles, juvenile male

1st place: Tamusi Echalook
2nd place: Chris Angiyou
3rd place: Iola Echalook

Table tennis singles, juvenile female

1st place: Phoebe Oweetaltuk
2nd place: Larissa Annahatak
3rd place: Charlotte Aculiak

True Spirit Award

Table tennis

Larissa Annahatak (juvenile and junior female)

Saali Bonabi (juvenile male)

Jackusie Echalook (junior male)

Badminton

Andrea Brazeau (juvenile female)

Erik Etok (juvenile male)

Michael Petagumskum (junior male)

Dene Games

Leanna Angnatuk (juvenile female)

Pamela Stevenson (junior female)

Deon Hughie (junior male)

Ned S. Gordon (open male)

Arctic Sports

Linda Kowcharlie (junior female)

Ahuya Snowball (junior male)

Taamusi Sivuaraapik (open male)

Snowshoeing

Regional trials in the discipline of Snowshoeing are scheduled to be held in mid-January as soon as snow conditions permit.