

Special Olympic games in Estevan

Estevan and area will be the site of the 1981 Special Olympics Provincial Summer Games from June 18 to 21.

This year the provincial games, a track and field meet for mentally handicapped athletes in Saskatchewan, will take on a slightly different format. Still included will be all the track and field events, but preceding this will be a two day camp-out at Kenosee Lake Provincial Park.

Athletes from across the province will begin to arrive at Kenosee Lake on Thursday morning. Upon arrival they will register and then start their weekend of activity.

Activities co-ordinated by the park staff will be taking place on Thursday and Friday. At the same time athletes will be going into Weyburn and Estevan to take part in bowling and swimming competitions.

The Weyburn Super Bowl will be hosting bowling competitions on Thursday, June 18th from noon until 2:00 p.m. and on Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. As the Friday bowlers are heading back to Kenosee Lake, the swimmers will be arriving in Estevan for their competitions at the Woodlawn Swimming Pool from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

All athletes will spend Friday evening at Kenosee Lake.

Saturday morning will see some early risers and a bus trip to Estevan where the track and field competitions will begin at the Comprehensive high school track at 1:00 p.m. Events include 50 and 100 meter sprints, standing and running long jump, soccer kick, high jump, softball throw, and 4x50 and 4x100 meter relays. Approximately 240 athletes are expected to compete.

The closing ceremonies will be held immediately following the games.

On Saturday evening the awards banquet and dance will give everyone a chance to relax. There the friendly inter-zone rivalry arises as the zones wait to see who collects the trophies.

Spectators are welcome at the swimming, bowling, and track and field competitions. Admissions for the games is \$1.