

WORLD CHAMP

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Rody wins gold

Rody Jansen of Melfort was proudly sporting a gold medal won in international alpine skiing competition at school Monday, March 29th.

Rody received the gold for his performance in the 1993 Special Olympics Winter Games, held this past

week in Austria.

The congratulations of the community go out to Rody, who has shown the dedication and perseverance necessary to become a champion world class athlete.

Area skier is world champion

Melfort's world class skier has returned home with gold.

Rody Jansen, 20 and a student at Melfort Collegiate, won his gold medal in the slalom event of the International Special Olympics alpine ski competition held last week in Schladming, Austria.

Rody, who has enjoyed alpine skiing for about ten years, was one of approximately 1600 athletes from nearly 60 countries participating in the Special Olympics World Games

for 1993. Close to 300 of these athletes were registered in alpine skiing competition.

This is his second international gold medal, as Rody won top honours four years ago at the World Games in the United States.

During the downhill portion of the competitions in Austria, he finished 8th overall, just behind Saskatchewan's Danny Cole of Regina and Tyler Gilbert of Saskatoon.

Gerry Anderson of Nipawin, a great friend of Rody's, came second in his 300 metre event in the speed skating at Salzburg, Austria.

Bobbie Bomboir of Regina was 3rd and John Wickett of Saskatoon, 5th, in their respective speed skating 300 metre events.