

# 1993 KC Saskatchewan Indoor Games report

By R. (Bob) Barkman, President

The 28th annual Knights of Columbus Saskatchewan Indoor Games were once again a major success. We had approximately 2,600 athletes participating in our meet and among these were some 20 Special Olympic athletes. Numerous Saskatchewan and KC games records were established in the open class events. Each year the athletes attending are bigger, faster and can jump higher and farther. The elementary school relays are always an exciting event to watch and this year's field of athletes provided many thrills and much excitement to the meet. Right from the opening ceremonies with Bishop James Mahoney delivering the invocation on Thursday evening to the Grand Prix program on

Saturday night, spectators were given the opportunity to witness the best track and field meet we have ever staged in the history of the games.

The meet has once again attained the Mobil Grand Prix status which allows us to invite better athletes to our meet. During the Grand Prix portion of the meet two new records were established. This year we were delighted to have the first ever Russian athlete compete in our meet. Indications are that there will be more Russian athletes competing here in 1994. Also present were some Canadian stars including Jillian Richardson, Ian James and Ben Johnson. Unfortunately, Ben Johnson false started twice and was disqualified from the meet. These stars were very visible signing autographs and talking with many

elementary school athletes. Ben Johnson probably spent 40 minutes signing some 300 or more autographs. This has always been a part of the meet that we, the organizers, try to establish so that these young stars of the future can meet these world class athletes.

This year we created some new awards and dedicated events to past directors. The high school relays have now become the William A. Reid Relays and the 4x100 metre elementary school relays have been named the Nick Lucyshyn Relays. Both of these brother Knights spent many years helping to organize the meet. We also created the Ned Helfrick award. This award will be presented to the most worthy Special Olympic athlete of our meet. Brother Ned has been very active in the Special Olympic program as well as a former director of the Knights of Columbus Games.

This past year we had national television coverage by two networks — CBC and TSN. With this coverage now available we may find it easier to attract more national sponsors as well as local sponsors.

I wish to thank all councils who have contributed to our meet. As you can see by the cash and disbursements report, your support is still very much needed. I would urge each council to support our meet in some way. Any and all donations are gratefully accepted.



Brother Randy Dobmeier with Bob Pedde who is a member of the Board of Directors. With them is one of the many Zone 6 athletes who were presented with certificates at the Zone 6 Awards Night in April 1993.



Members of the Special Olympics team, Saskatoon contingent, at a press conference in March 1993, with their coaches and medical team.

Better yet, why not sponsor an athlete to compete in the games? I am certain you can find athletes in your local communities who are more than willing to have the opportunity to compete on the same track as these international Grand Prix athletes.

Next year the meet will be staged on Jan. 5, 6 and 7 in the Saskatoon Field House. Tickets for the meet can be ordered from any member at the games display table.

Costs for the Grand Prix program are \$7.00 each for a reserved seat. Why not come out and witness the best in track and field in Western Canada?

Remember we are the longest continuously running indoor meet in Canada and the only one in Western Canada. This is your meet so please continue to support it and help our young athletes develop into responsible young adults and world class athletes.

## Saskatchewan basketball free throw winners - 1993

Age 9	Boys	Cuyler Syrenne	Swift Current
Age 9	Girls	Tanya Moss	Swift Current
Age 10	Boys	Layne Wolos	Estevan
Age 10	Girls	Trina Delanoy	Weyburn
Age 11	Boys	Chris Wig	Moosomin
Age 11	Girls	Kirsty Tumbach	Maple Creek
Age 12	Boys	Ryan Lang	Regina
Age 12	Girls	Lindsey Leontowich	Ituna
Age 13	Boys	Devin Aspinall	Estevan
Age 13	Girls	Deanna Tessier	Swift Current
Age 14	Boys	Jeremy Herauf	Regina
Age 14	Girls	Kristine Marmai	Melville
Age 15	Boys	Scott Hadley	Regina
Age 15	Girls	Tanya Paxman	Manor
Age 16	Boys	Lawrence Swiderski	Yorkton
Age 16	Girls	Shuana Reimer	Swift Current



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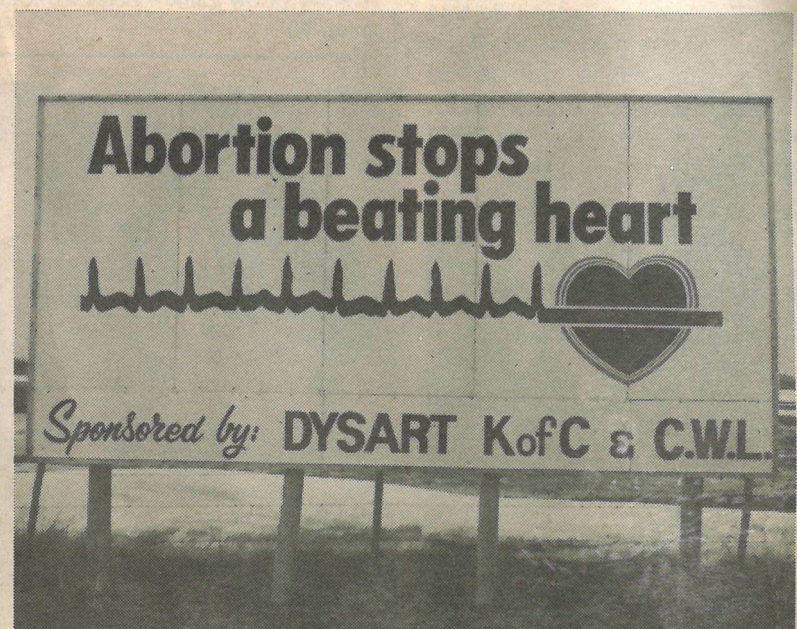
Zone 7 Free Throw winners and Brother Knights organizers. District Deputies present are Steve Horacki, #33, Mike Zaychkowsky, #15, C. Boser, #14, G. Wourms, #19, Grand Knight M. Corbell, Vawn-Edam, and State Deputy Mervyn Welter.



Archbishop O'Neill basketball free throw winners.



District Deputy S. Horacki, District #33, presents a plaque to 15-year-old Misty Turner of Kerrobert.



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