

Special Olympics lead held by North Battleford athletes

Athletes from North Battleford (district six) held a narrow lead after completion of the swimming and bowling events in the Special Olympics which were held on Friday and Saturday.

Final results from the track and field competitions, which were staged Saturday at Miller Collegiate, had not been tallied by early Monday morning.

Andy Schuck, chairman for the Olympics, expects the winning district and individual awards to be announced later this week.

A total of 240 youngsters from six districts in the province, took part in the two-day affair, designed specifically for the mentally handicapped.

After swimming and bowling action, district six competitors

had collected 17 first-place finishes, one second and two thirds.

Competitors from Regina district one, were in second place with 11 event victories and five second-place finishes.

Both districts one and six athletes managed to collect nine individual wins in the swimming events, with the Regina team of Carol

Schwartz, Debbie Haars, Lincoln Hamann and Lyle Holowka combining to take the 100-metre relay swim event with a time of 1:53.00.

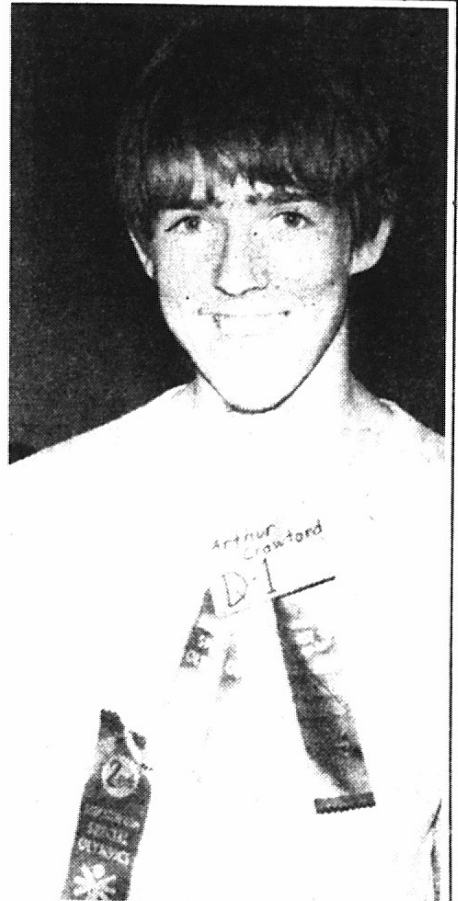
The district eight foursome of Kelly Baker, Ray Lonesinger, Jean Delaire and Debbie Sobwaypinare placed second with a time of 1:59.81.

Holowka recorded the best time in the individual 25-metre swim with a clocking of 18.95 seconds in the level-one race for boys aged 13-15.

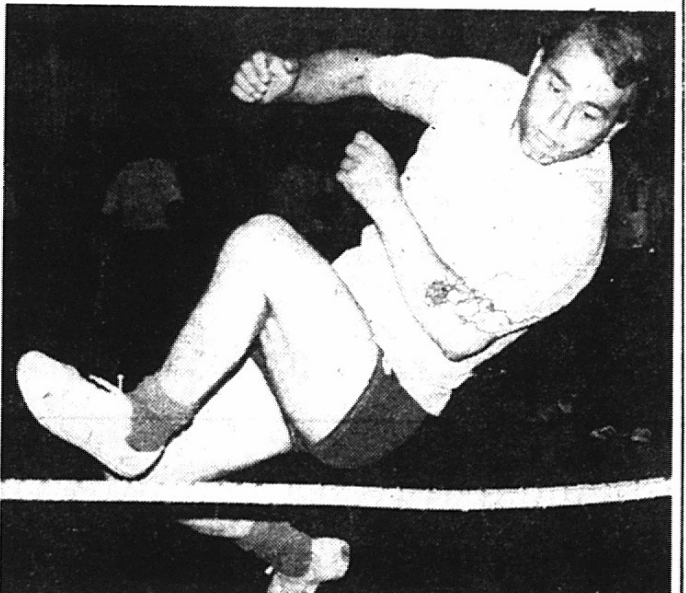
Schwartz set the fastest time in the women's section, covering the 24 metres for girls aged 16-18 in 30.9 seconds.

In bowling, district six took the group B and D team honors and placed second in division.

Third place in the incomplete aggregate standings went to Prince Albert (district five) with seven firsts, two seconds and two thirds. Moose Jaw (district two) followed with five firsts, six seconds and two thirds while Yorkton-Melville (district four) had four firsts and five second-place finishes. Saskatoon (district three) trailed the race a pair of first and three thirds.



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