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Team Alberta Tuesday Media Round Up from the Canada Winter Games

Daily Medal Count:	Gold 1	Silver 3	Bronze 1
Total Medal Count	Gold 11	Silver 19	Bronze 18

Leon Wujastyk Wins First Gold of Week 2

Alberta's first gold medal in the second week of the 2023 Canada Winter Games came at the fencing venue.

Edmonton's Leon Wujastyk captured the victory in the men's foil competition after knocking off Adam Wong (British Columbia) 15-11.

"It was one of my best days of fencing. I've had my team supporting me throughout the day so I am really excited," said Wujastyk, who hid one of Team Alberta's specially-designed loonies under the competition floor for a little extra luck.

It sure paid off for the 15 year old. Wujastyk topped Nova Scotia 15-1 in his quarter-final match before earning a trip to the finals with a 15-12 win over Quebec.

Mingxuan Shen (Quebec) and Spencer Orr (Ontario) won bronze.

Nordic Skiers Celebrate Triple Medal Opener

Alberta's cross-country ski athletes racked up two silvers and a bronze medal in their Canada Winter Games opener.

Two Edmonton athletes, who were part of Canada's World Junior Championship Team this year – Alison Mackie and Noah Weir-Chaba – skied to silver medals while Sabine Comeau (Canmore, Alta.) grabbed a bronze.

The 17-year-old Mackie posted a second-place time of 22:46.9 in the women's 7.5-kilometre interval start classic-skiing event.

"It was a lot of fun. It was really cool to race in P.E.I. The tracks were in amazing condition and the volunteers did an amazing job snow farming," said Mackie, who has enjoyed a breakthrough season this year. "I had amazing skis with great grip, great glide so a huge thank you to the techs for that. It was a great day."

Mackie's Alberta teammate, Sabine Comeau, snagged the final spot on the women's podium. The Canmore, Alta. skier clocked-in at 23:07.4.

Quebec's Tory Audet won the gold with a time of 22:25.3.

Alberta's Noah Weir-Chaba also enjoyed a silver-medal start to the Canada Games. The Edmonton resident stopped the clock at 27:19.0.

"That first race was amazing and the course is definitely a fun one," said Weir-Chaba. "The course doesn't have a lot of long hills, but it is all up from the bottom. I think I paced it pretty well today. I stayed ahead of Garrett for most of it but the last bit he got me. It was a great race."

British Columbia's Garrett Siever won the gold in the 10-kilometre trek through the hills of the Mark Arendz Provincial Ski Park at Brookvale. Siever completed the course in a time of 26:48.6.

Ry Prior, of Chelsea, Que., captured the final spot on the men's podium with a time of 27:22.2.

Rebecca Peley Wins Super G Silver

Alberta's alpine skier, Rebecca Peley, soared to the silver medal on Crabbe Mountain in New Brunswick on Tuesday.

The 15-year-old from Bragg Creek posted a second-place time of 45.93 in the women's Super G.

Quebec's Charlie Houde matched the Albertan's score.

Roxy Coatesworth, of British Columbia, won the gold with a time of 45.08.

Mixed Curling Team Opens with a "W"

Alberta's mixed curling duo of Evan Crough and Kaylee Raniseth opened round robin play with an easy 10-2 win over the Yukon.

The 20-year-old Crough and 19-year-old Raniseth scored three in the opening end and continued to apply pressure, keeping Yukon scoreless until the seventh end.

The duo will now play on Wednesday at 10 a.m. against Newfoundland.

Quote of the Day

"Having the opportunity to compete in the Canada Winter Games has been life changing for me. I was introduced to Para Nordic as a sport just over a year ago and it has completely changed the way I view myself, the way I view my disability. Honestly, for the longest time, my disability is something I would hide from people. I would always put my hand in my pocket. Now, having an opportunity like this, has allowed me to embrace that and see it as a strength rather than something to hide."

... Denyse Dawe, Edmonton – Para Nordic Skier

Results and Medal Standings

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