

Local athletes return from Canada Summer Games

Colton Yee breaks NWT record in 100 metre fly

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Three local swimmers have had overwhelming success on a national level at the Canada Summer Games in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island.

Mason Hachey, and Colton and Lyndon Yee joined 19 other athletes from across the territory in representing the NWT to the rest of Canada.

Kelvin Yee, the Hay River Lions' coach and one of four coaches with Team NWT says the team achieved 95 per cent personal bests at the games last week.

"There were a lot of NWT records," he said over the phone while waiting for the airport bus on Saturday. "The way the swimmers performed against some of the best in Canada was a highlight. There were lots in top 15, and some in top 10. They did well in representing the NWT."

Yee reported that Hachey managed to boost three of his personal bests in the three events he competed in. The 200 metre fly, 200 breast stroke, and 200 individual medley (IM) proved to be excellent events for Hachey. Yee says Hachey shaved 30 seconds off of his best IM time.

Lyndon competed in the 50 metre back stroke and the 200 IM. Yee says he knocked 30 sec-



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» **NWT SWIMMERS** Lyndon Yee, Colton Yee and Mason Hachey pose with coach Kelvin Yee outside the pool in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island during the Canada Summer Games last week.

onds off of his best IM time as well, going from 3:12 to 2:48.

"I was ecstatic," said Yee. "Lyndon jumped out of the pool and was as happy as could be."

Colton competed in five events: the 50 and 100 metre freestyle, the 50 and 100 fly, and the 100 back stroke. In these events, Colton set two age group national times, meaning he is eligible to continue on to the nationals in Montreal in

the spring. Colton also broke the NWT record for the 100 metre fly.

Brett Power and his Team NWT teammates were unlucky on the soccer pitch. After opening the tournament with losses to British Columbia and Alberta, Manitoba knocked off Team NWT 7-0 in the first round of the playoffs. In their final game Team NWT lost 5-1 to Team Yukon to finish in twelfth place.