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Yukon athletes return from Canada Summer Games

Team Yukon returned to Whitehorse over the weekend following amazing performances and several personal bests earned during the 50th anniversary of the Canada Games.

Swimmer Alex Petriw earned several personal bests and broke several Whitehorse Glacier Bears club records, and was chosen as the flag bearer for the closing ceremony on Sunday. Both the boys and girls soccer teams placed tenth, the highest-ever finish for both teams at a Canada Games.

Quotes

"I am incredibly proud of Team Yukon and would like to commend all the athletes on their spirit, sportsmanship and hard work shown during the Games. Your drive and determination gave you the amazing opportunity to compete against and alongside some of Canada's best athletes."

-Minister of Community Services John Streicker

"Congratulations to Team Yukon! Each athlete performed to the best of their ability and helped show Canada what our territory is all about. I would also like to thank mission staff and volunteers for dedicating their time and making this event possible. We are now looking forward to Team Yukon's next big competition, the 2018 Arctic Winter Games in Northwest Territories."

-Team Yukon chef de mission Trevor Twardochleb

Quick facts

• Over two weeks, Yukon athletes participated in 9 events, including athletics, cycling, soccer, swimming and volleyball.

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