

Adam Dunlop will swim at provincial Special Olympics

Teen placed first and second in all his races

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Adam Dunlop, of Kincardine, is on his way to the Provincial Spring Special Olympic Games in Cornwall May 2-5.

The 13-year-old, grade seven student swam his way to a berth on the provincial swim team by winning two races in the Special Olympics Region 4 swim meet last Tuesday, March 26, in Port Elgin.

He won two races in the 13-and-under boys category, placing first in the 25 metre freestyle in 24.84 and the 50 metre backstroke in 1:24.77. He had seconds in the 25 metre backstroke in 31.38 and in the 50 metre freestyle in 1:14.00.

When he was told he could compete individually in freestyle and backstroke, Dunlop said "my face was one big smile."

When he goes to Cornwall, Dunlop will have a large cheering section. His parents, Dave and Donna, as well as brothers Brandon and Dane, and sister Bailey, will all be there to cheer Adam on. His good friends Joanne, Kevin and Cuyler Hedley of Cobourg, formerly of Kincardine, may also be there, Dunlop said.



Adam Dunlop swam his way to a berth on the provincial swim team to compete at the Spring Special Olympic. (Fry photo)



In the starting line-up...

Jay Bell, the son of Ann and Jim Bell, of Kincardine, is the starting pitcher for the University of Missouri Tigers, part of the Big Eight Conference League. Bell, 17, pitched five scoreless innings against Oklahoma State in his first start on March 17, only to have the relief lose in the later innings. Bell will be eligible for the major league draft in a year.

Recreation programs follow Bicentennial theme

Ontario is celebrating its Bicentennial in 1984 and communities across the province are getting involved, organizing theatre performances, live shows and other activities. The Kincardine Recreation Department is also getting in on the act.

For young and old alike, the recreation department offers a little of everything for summer enjoyment and 1984 isn't any different. Summer recreation co-ordinator Alison McBurney, playground supervisor Kim Towner and director of recreation Keith Davidson have been busy assembling an agenda that will dispel any doubts that there isn't anything to in Kincardine over the summer.

Bicentennial celebrations
In conjunction with Ontario's Bicentennial, the recreation department is sponsoring

ing a couple of programs in July and August. A "Music in the Park" evening at Lansdowne Park will be held every Wednesday during the two months featuring local talent, including Jack's Band, Southline, the KINGS Concert Band and the Community Concert Band. A hat will be passed around at these performances with the proceeds going to the Connaught Park Improvement Plan.

A tentative date of Aug. 22 has been set for a jog/walk clinic, held in cooperation with the Ministry of Tourism and Recreation. Kincardine is one of 180 spots for three teams of specialists who will teach the fundamentals of jogging and walking, including such themes as footwear, warm-ups, equipment, clothing, training programs and injury prevention. Each clinic will be followed by a walk or run with the

course selected for its historic significance, keeping with the Bicentennial flavor.

Lansdowne Park (Kincardine Hall or Town Hall in case of inclement weather) will also be the site this summer for four Children and Families Performing Arts Shows. The famous Polka Dot Door show will be presented on July 10 followed by singer Jerry Brindle's appearance on stage July 19. "Proud Beginnings", a theatrical production by Parks Canada will be performed on Aug. 13 and magician Andrew Fargrave will also be in Kincardine for an August show.

Playground programs are available for boys and girls from ages three and a half to 13 with pre-school, junior, kids adventure and teen programs. A Thursday night

Teen Night will be held at the Community Centre during July and August with roller skating, dances, swimming, videos and other recreational activities offered.

Just as been added to the recreation programs' lineup with classes for children on Monday and Thursday mornings and for adults on Monday (advanced) and Tuesday (beginners) evenings under the instruction of Donna Welch.

Other programs include the mobile sailing and board sailing schools, golf lessons, girls gymnastics, and fitness appraisals and exercise counselling. Registration for the summer activities take place June 21, 22 and 23 at the Community Centre. For more information phone the recreation department at 396-2421.

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