



Driving for Speed

This driver spins tires, warming them up and leaving behind a plume of smoke before a 1/4 mile race at the Provost airport. Drag races were held at the Provost airport on August 6 and 7 hosted by the Provost Gear Jammers. Fifty-six contestants raced the 1/8 mile on Saturday while 60 took in competitions on Sunday for the 1/4 mile. A variety of vehicles took in the action, including this rail car driven by Kristen Bakewell (photo bottom) shown zooming along the air landing strip on

Sunday. Gord (Pitchfork) Barnett told *The News* that the drag races were “good.” Bakewell completed her 1/4 mile in 7.83 seconds, with 174 mph recorded which was a top speed for the day. “She had to pull the parachute to slow down quicker.” Barnett adds that she wore a fire retardant race suit, was strapped in with no shoulder room, wore a neck brace and her hands were strapped to the wheel. “She has no fear of speed.” Top speed for Saturday’s 1/8 mile was about 134 mph. More photos in this paper. ©PROVOST NEWS PHOTO.



Piranhas Compete at Regional Swim Meet in Camrose

—At Least Two Swimmers Off to Provincial Finals

Ten swimmers from the Provost Piranhas Swim Club attended the Region C regionals hosted by the Camrose Sea Serpents on August 6 and 7 under guidance from coach Jenna Beier.

Ten clubs competed.

The Piranhas have two swimmers confirmed to participate in provincial finals—Dakota Tizzard for her 100m (metre) breaststroke and Addison Lavigne, 25m breaststroke.

Provincial finals are to take place in Edmonton at the Kinsmen Center on August 12 to 14.

Regionals swimmer results are as follows:

Eric Goulet (boys 8 and under): 25m freestyle (boys 8 and under) 3rd, 51.83 seconds; 50m freestyle, 3rd (boys 8 and under), 3rd 1:44.36; 25m backstroke (boys 6 and under) 3rd 53.25; 50m backstroke (boys 10 and

under), 2nd, 2:14.49.

Bentley Botting (girls 11-12): 50m freestyle (girls 9 and over), 21st, 54.41; 100m freestyle (girls 9 and over) 19th, 2:00.35; 50m backstroke (girls 11 and over), disqualified; 100m backstroke (girls 11 and over), disqualified.

Kailyn Cook (girls 13-14): 200m freestyle (girls 9 and over), 6th 3:28.17; 50m backstroke (girls 11 and over), 13th, 52.89; 50m breaststroke (girls 11 and over) 4th, 51.55; 100m medley (girls 7 and over), 7th, 1:49.61.

Madison Cook (girls 15-17): 50m freestyle (girls 9 and over), 6th 33.97; 100m freestyle (girls 9 and over) 6th 1:19.73; 400m freestyle (girls 9 and over), 5th 6:40.40; 50m breaststroke (girls 11 and over), 6th, 50.81.

Nora Goulet (girls 9-10): 50m freestyle (girls 9 and over), 11th, 29.17; 25m backstroke (girls 10 and over), 31st, 30.26; 25m breaststroke (girls 7-10), 19th, 34.26; 25m butterfly (girls 7-10) 19th, 37.81sec.

Addison Lavigne (girls 7-8): 25m freestyle (girls 8 and under), 11th 29.17; 50m freestyle (girls 8 and under), 15th 1:12.99; 25m backstroke (girls 10 and under) 10th, 32.12.

Lavigne is a provincial qualifier in 25m breaststroke (girls 7-10) after taking 2nd, 37.25.

Calysta Oatway (girls 9-10): 50m freestyle (girls 9 and over), 10th 45.72; 25m backstroke (girls 10 and under), 10th, 23.15; 25m breaststroke (girls 7-10), 12th 28.15; 25m butterfly (girls 7-10), 8th, 23.38.

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