



**ESKIMO-INDIAN OLYMPICS CHAIRMAN** — The board of directors of the Tundra Times recently picked Chris Anderson, center, to head the ever popular Native Olympics held in Fairbanks annually. Chris is having a pleasant chat in the Tundra Times Office with the paper's reporter Jacqueline Glasgow, left, and Daphne

Gustafson, right. Daphne is a former Miss Eskimo Olympics queen, having been elected in the early 1960's. The three-day performance of the Eskimo-Indian Olympics will be held on July 26-27-28 this year.

— Photo by FRANK MURPHY

## Eskimo-Indian Olympics Scrambling for Nalukatuk

You can't have a blanket-toss without a blanket and the 1973 Committee for the World Eskimo-Indian Olympics is desperately searching for a new walrus or oogruk skin blanket for the spectacular nalukatuk or blanket-toss.

Nalukatuk is the exciting event where many hands hold a circular "blanket" of skins and the contestant soars skyward in a wave-like motion, as the blanket is moved up and down.

At last year's Olympics, the large skin blanket ripped apart as one hapless contestant landed to a chorus of gasps from the audience. Experts say the blanket must be kept oiled between uses to retain its flexibility and strength.

The Committee has written to Gambell and Savoonga for

information on obtaining a new blanket but no answer has been forthcoming. Anyone knowing of where the Tundra Times can obtain a new blanket, please contact Daphne Gustafson, 452-

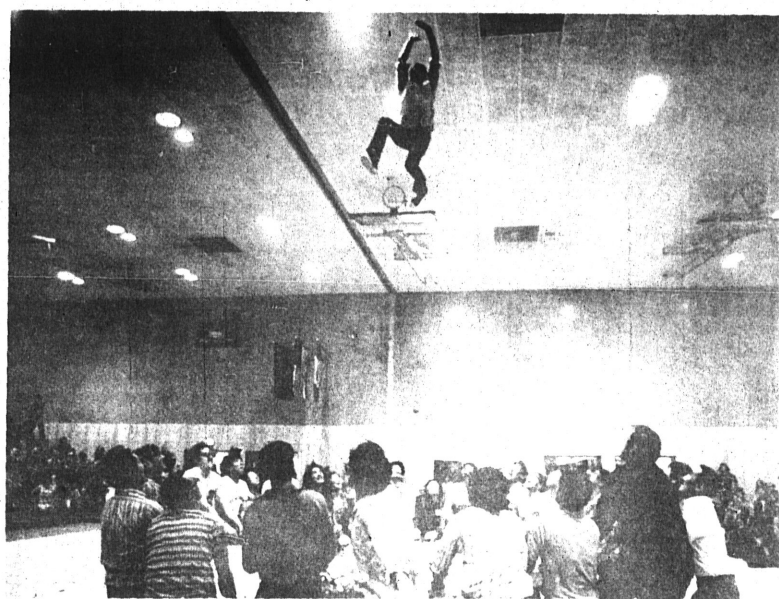
5594, or the Tundra Times offices, 452-2244.

This year's Olympics will be held at the Patty Gymnasium on the University of Alaska

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**NATIVE BABY CONTEST** — will be held at the World Eskimo Indian Olympics, July 26, 27, and 28. Villages and individuals are asked to enter babies of at least one-quarter native blood, dressed in authentic costumes. — Photo by LAEL MORGAN



**WORLD ESKIMO-INDIAN OLYMPICS NEEDS NEW NALUKATUK BLANKET** — Committee for the 1973 Native Olympics is searching for a

new walrus or oogruk skin blanket for the popular blanket-toss.

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campus July 26, 27, and 28.

Although lacking a blanket, a new level of technology has been added to the games. The Fairbanks Alpine Ski Racing association has made a move to improve communications during the performance.

The FASRA is lending walkie-talkies so a coordinator and another person can communicate while the games are in progress. They are also furnishing a radio for the judges to listen to the results of contestants.

The association will also lend stopwatches for the referees. President of the FASRA is Bill Kneeland.