

Northern Games

TUKTOYAKTUK, N.W.T. — The Organizing Committee of the Northern Games Association has announced that the fifth annual Northern Games will be held at Cape Dorset and Tuktoyaktuk in 1974.

It is the first time in the five-year history of this popular native festival for it to be held at two separate locations. Staging the games at an eastern Arctic settlement is also a new step. The special emphasis at the Cape Dorset Games will be on Inuit musical traditions.

Previous games have been at Inuvik in 1970, 1971 and 1972, and at Fort Good Hope in 1973.

Organizers expect participation from more communities than ever before. In addition to people from the Northwest Territories, indications are that the Yukon, Arctic Quebec and Alaska will send representatives.

Two Greenlanders are also planning to attend. Once again people will come together to share and demonstrate their traditional skills, crafts, games, songs, dances and legends.

The Northern Games Association was formed early in 1970 to promote cultural development among the original inhabitants of Canada's far North.

Its aim is to encourage the preservation, practice and teaching of the traditions of the Indian and Inuit people.