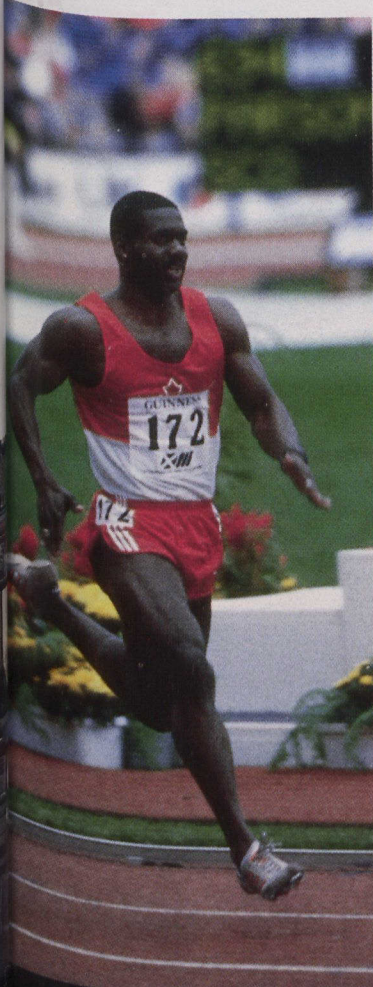


# Gold Rush in Seoul

**T**heir appetites for Olympic medals whetted by the achievements of their compatriots at the Winter Games in Calgary last February, Canada's warm weather athletes hope to do at least as well at the coming Summer Games in Seoul.

Sports experts believe that Canadian competitors are good contenders for medals in five events at the Seoul Games — the men's sprints, swimming, synchronized swimming, gymnastics and the equestrian competition.

**Sprint ace Ben Johnson:** Canada's greatest hope for gold.



**Carolyn Waldo and Michelle Cameron** combine strength and grace in synchronized swimming.

## BEN JOHNSON

While nothing in sport is certain 'til the race is run, Ben Johnson remains Canada's greatest hope for gold in both the 100 m and 60 m sprints. Already solidly established as the "world's fastest human," the 27-year-old Johnson says that since coming to Canada from his native Jamaica in 1976, his single, consuming, overwhelming objective has been Olympic gold. In view of his athletic career to date, there is every reason to believe that Johnson's wish for gold will once again come true.

## VICTOR DAVIS

With the graduation of some of the stars who brought Canada success in international swimming competition in years past, the team's top hope now falls on the broad shoulders of Victor Davis. In his six-year career, Davis, now 24, has already won Olympic gold for the 200 m

backstroke, world championships in the 100 m and 200 m breaststrokes, and numerous medals for his contribution to various relay events.

## CURTIS HIBBERT

In gymnastics, Canada is sending a strong contender in 22-year-old Curtis Hibbert, who has been competing internationally since 1981. Also a Jamaican-born athlete, he was the first Canadian ever to win a medal at the world championships when he placed second in the horizontal bar event last October.

## CAROLYN WALDO and MICHELLE CAMERON

Carolyn Waldo and Michelle Cameron will represent Canada in the synchronized swimming events. Together, they have won numerous international events over the past four years, including the 1987 Pan-Pacific Championships. Waldo, 24, and Cameron, 26, also swim in solo competition.

Equestrian star Ian Millar is ranked No. 1 show jumping rider in the world.

## IAN MILLAR and GAIL GREENOUGH

With veterans Ian Millar and Gail Greenough at the team's helm, Canada's chances in the equestrian competition look very promising. Millar, now 40, is one of the most successful riders ever to compete for Canada. A professional farmer and equestrian consultant, he was a member of Canada's 1980 and 1984 Olympic teams. Since 1971, Millar has won many prestigious world events. His most recent successes include the Grand Prix at the New York International Horse Show and the World Cup preliminary competitions at Edmonton and Spruce Meadows (Alberta). In 1987, he won an individual gold medal and led the team to win the team gold medal at the Pan-American Games.

In 1986, Greenough became the first female and first non-European to win the World Jumping Championship. That same year, she received the Alberta Female Athlete of the Year Award. In 1987, she placed second to Ian Millar in the World Cup qualifiers. Greenough, now 28, began riding at the age of 11.

