Sports

Canadian athletes won 51 gold, 33 silver and 31 bronze medals at the thirteenth **Commonwealth Games** in Edinburgh, Scotland, July 24 to August 2. It was the most gold and combined total of gold, silver and bronze medals ever won by Canada at major international games.

Sharon Bowes, the first woman shooter to compete in the Commonwealth Games for Canada and team mate **Guy Lorion** won Canada's first gold of the games in the team rifle competition. In individual competition, Guy Lorion was first and Sharon Bowes was second. The shooting team of **Tom Guinn** and **Claude Beaulieu** took the gold in the team pistol competition.

In swimming, Canada and Australia tied for most gold medals with 11 apiece. Canadians also received seven silver and seven bronze. Commonwealth records were set by a number of swimmers including **Jane Kerr** who became the first woman to win six medals — two gold, two silver and two bronze — in Commonwealth games while **Allison Higson** captured two gold and, at 13 years, 135 days, became the youngest gold medal winner
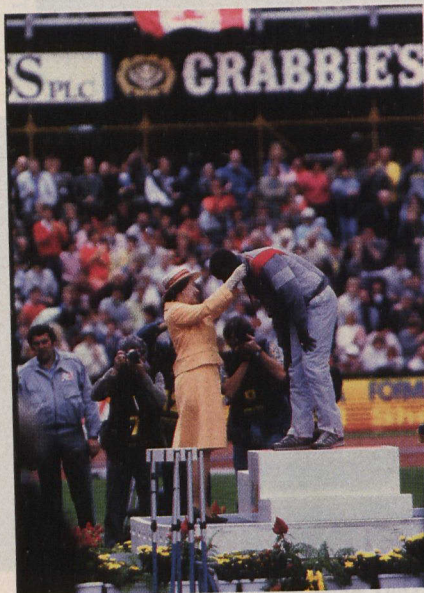

Allison Higson, the youngest person to win a Commonwealth Games gold medal, shows her style.

in the history of the games. **Debbie Fuller** won gold medals in both the three-metre springboard and tower diving events while the Canadian synchronized swimming team won gold medals in all their events — solo, duet and team.

Ben Johnson, who holds the title the fastest man in the world, won two golds. His time of 9.95 seconds in the 100-metre sprint at **Moscow's Goodwill Games** earlier in July was the best ever recorded at sea level and the second fastest time in history. Other track and field gold medalists were **Atlee Mahorn, Angella Issajenko, Milt Ottey, Lynn Williams, Mark McKoy** and **G. Fell.**

Ben Johnson receives one of his gold medals at the Commonwealth Games from Queen Elizabeth.

In Madrid, **Carolyn Waldo** recorded the first 200-point score ever in world championship synchronized swimming on August 15 when she won the gold medal in the solo competition at the fifth **World Aquatic Championships.** She also won the gold with **Michelle Cameron** in the synchronized swimming duet competition.

All 14 gold medals were won by Canadians at the **Commonwealth Gymnastics Championships** in Falkirk, Scotland in August. Canada also won five silver and three bronze to lead the event with 22 over-all. The top winners, **Philippe Chartrand** and **Monica Covacci,** each won four gold medals.

Up and over! Gail Greenough and Mr. T.

Gail Greenough of Edmonton, Alberta became the first Canadian and the first woman ever to win the **World Show Jumping Championships,** held this year in Aachen, West Germany. She rode four faultless rounds on the eight-obtacle course — one on her own horse, Mr. T, and three on the other finalists' horses — to finish with no penalty points. Two other Canadian riders, John Anderson of Calgary and Ian Millar of Perth, Ontario finished eighth and tenth respectively. The Canadian team placed fourth.

Canadian fencers won all the medals in the men's individual épée event at the **Commonwealth Fencing Championships** in Cardiff, Wales. **Michel Dessureault** of Ottawa won the gold while **Daniel Perrault** and **Jean-Marc Chouinard,** both of Montreal, took the silver and bronze respectively. It was the strongest showing ever by a Canadian fencing team and the first medal sweep at the Commonwealth championships since 1958.