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## Bears Trim In Drink... They Thwim, Don't Think

University of Alberta Golden Bears swim team dunked the Alberta Amateur All-Stars 63-28 at the YMCA Pool in Calgary last weekend.

While displaying their unquestioned superiority, Alberta swimmers set a new provincial record for the 200 yard freestyle relay. Gary Silverman, Ross Norminton, Erik Haites and Tom McCready swam the event in 1:40:6, knocking a full second and two-fifths off the old mark.

Golden Bears now hold 16 provincial records.

In addition, Bears came within 3/10 of a second from establishing a new time for the 200 yard medley relay.

Coach Murray Smith's swimmers are presently prepping for the WCI AA championships slated for Varsity Pool Feb. 28 and 29. Without doubt, the toughest competition will come from the University of British Columbia. UBC and Alberta have battled neck and neck for the past three years with the Bears twice emerging Western Champions.

Alberta copped the crown three years ago only to lose it by one point the following season. In 1963 Bears regained top rung edging the coast squad 128-123.

It appears 1964 will be a little different. UBC have strengthened their squad with two top swimmers and may present an outstanding freshman diver should he recover from an early season injury.

"It should be the last three years all over again," Smith warned, "we will have to be at our best to retain the title."

Next weekend Smith travels to Vancouver with eight of his charges to participate in the Pacific Swimming Championships. The event aimed at increasing swimming interest at Vancouver, is sponsored by Mary Stewart's Canadian Dolphin Club in conjunction with the Vancouver Province.

Several world champions are expected to compete, including Don Chollander, holder of several world records and a member of the United States Olympic team.

## Weekend Series At Calgary

# Bouncin' Bears Lose, Leapin' Lizards Win, Bouncin' Bears Win, Leapin' Lizards Lose

By Dave McLaughlin

The Golden Bears managed only one win against University of Alberta, Calgary Dinosaurs in basketball action last weekend.

Friday night saw the slow moving Bears go down to defeat 80-56. They came back Saturday night, however, to win 63-48.

Coach Jim Munro's greatest fear was realized Friday. The Dinosaurs outran the Bears and were able to use the fast break attack. Munro commented "it was a case of us doing everything wrong while they were doing everything right."

High scorers for Calgary were Tom Sindlinger with 22 points and Skip Morgan with 21. Garry Smith and Nestor Korchinsky grabbed ten points each for the Golden cagers.

Saturday night 180 screaming Golden Bear fans watched their team dominate these same Dinosaurs for 40 fast-paced minutes. The U of A boosters were at the game in conjunction with the UAC Basketball

Weekend and seemed to inspire the Bears to a much better effort than the previous night.

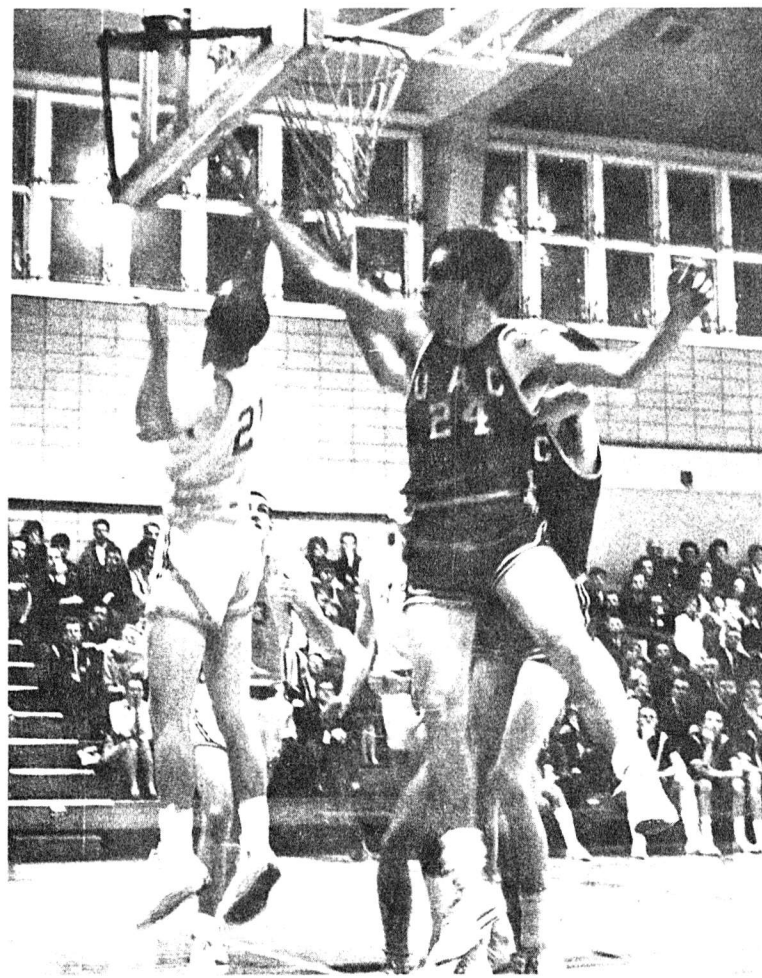
Bears came onto the court running and by half time had run up a score of 28-24 in their favor. They took complete control during the second half and at the end of regulation time had built up a lead of 15 points.

The Edmonton team seemed to be improved on defensive play and held the Calgary squad to a 20 per cent field goal average as compared to their high average of 42 per cent the previous night. The average for the Bears was 33 per cent.

Fred Shandro was the standout of the night, scoring 16 points and playing a solid game at his guard position.

Also high scoring-wise for the Bears were Jim Fisher and Garry Smith, each picking up eight points. Morgan with 13 and Sindlinger with 11 were high men for Calgary.

The weekend's action did not change the standings in the WCIAA league—Alberta remains in third place behind Saskatchewan and British Columbia while Calgary is in fourth place. Manitoba occupies the basement.



**I'M OVER HERE**—Garry Smith outmanouevres a Calgary Dinosaur and contributes two points to the 63-48 Bear win. (Pretty easy for a Bear to slip away from a dinosaur, metaphorically speaking.)

## Pucksters... Lucksters... Mucksters... Or Hucksters?

Golden Bears have taken dead aim on this year's WCIAA hockey crown and a pair of wins over the visiting UBC Thunderbirds this weekend will put them one game away from the coveted honors.

Bears are currently leading the league with 12 points on six wins and two losses while UBC and Saskatchewan are deadlocked in second place, each having 4-4 records.

Bears and Thunderbirds tangled earlier this season and Bears emerged with two very decisive victories. 'Birds have been hot of late however, and their last two drubbings of Manitoba Bisons indicates they are a power to be reckoned with.

### FEW LINEUP CHANGES

Golden Bears plan no major lineup changes for the series with the possible exception of a return to action by winger Leigh McMillan. Although a number of minor cuts and bruises were incurred in the Denver series all of the regulars will be in action.

Coach Clare Drake has been concentrating on the Golden Bear offense in hopes of strengthening an erratic attack. Although the defence suffered momentary lapses against Denver, it has been one of the Bear strong points and Drake is confident that it will return to its former steady style of play.

Players to watch on the UBC roster include Pete Kelly, Don Rogers, and Bob Merlow. All of these players have impressive amateur records and they are certain to keep Bears honest.

This is the final meeting of the two clubs this season and ranks as a must series for both. The games are slated for Varsity Arena at 8 p.m. both Friday and Saturday.

## Curling Meet Weekend

# Dick Desert Leaves Beach Dry

Dick Sandilands and his curling mates struggled home to bed at 3:30 a.m. last Monday.

But they had some consolation, at least more than the Jack Beach foursome who also saw the new week dawn.

Sandilands had just dumped Beach 8-5 for the right to represent Alberta at the WCIAA curling championships in Winnipeg Feb. 27, 28, and 29.

Earlier, Beach had emerged from "B" event to edge "A" section winner Sandilands 9-7 and force a second and all-deciding contest. For a while it appeared as though Beach was going to trip Sandilands a second time, but the comeback finally ran out of gas.

Trailing 4-3 going into the eighth end, Sandilands with Jerry Wiebe skipping the shots, dropped a five ender to pull the contest out of the fire. Beach, who had Harvey Allister on the tee head, managed one in the ninth but simply ran out of rocks coming home.

In the first game the teams were tied coming home, but Wiebe was last rock and facing two twelve foot counters, failed to draw the house.

Besides skip Wiebe, the winning rink features veteran Bill Mitchell at third, Sandiland tossing second stones and Ed McIntyre leading off.

Beach entered the final by disposing of Jack Rouse, who decked former Alberta champion Bob Esdale 12-3 in the "B" semi-finals. Rouse earned distinction of being the giant killer as he had previously shown another veteran, Richard Price, the way out. Price ran into Sandilands early in the playdowns.

Esdale, who along with Ron Anton finished runner-up in the WCIAA finals last year, had his biggest problems before play ever got underway. He was forced to go without two original members of his squad, Anton and Johnny Williams. Anton and Williams were both engaged in British Consols play. They were ruled ineligible.

A total of 28 rinks went after the coveted honors.

Sandilands now awaits the winners from other sections of the WCIAA.

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