



Violence a part of hockey, like it or not

... It wasn't bad enough that the Lethbridge Pronghorns basketball team went to Hawaii this past January, but now the Calgary Dinosaurs have announced that their basketball squad will travel to Israel May 11-31 to participate in Israel's annual University Student's Sports day.

... Speaking of another one that got away, the UBC and U of C hockey teams have announced that they will be playing West Germany's Olympic hockey team, which captured a bronze medal at the recent Winter Olympics in Innsbruck. Their seven game tour started Feb. 27 in Ottawa and ends up in UBC on March 8. Calgary is scheduled to meet the Germans on March 4, the day before the GPAC-CWUAA tournament. It seems unlikely that Calgary would risk injury to any of its top players so close to the important games of the years, so the scheduling seems to be something of a mistake. Is it possible that the people in the Athletic Dept. never expected the Dinos to do as well as they have?

... Volleyball fans who thought they had lost out in catching a glimpse of the Cuban Olympic Men's Volleyball team playing in Edmonton can now look forward to seeing the Cubans, who are one of the top ten ranked teams in the world. They are scheduled to play here at Varsity Gym on March 17.

... Now it seems one of the worst disasters imaginable to the Golden hopeful has befallen the hockey team. The Bears lost two games in Calgary and therefore its chance to finish first and then the following weekend dropped another pair to lose the fight for CWUAA championships and the Hardy Cup that goes along with it. The conference title was the third for Calgary this year, to go along with its basketball and football teams. Calgary? What the hell happened to U of A? Maybe nothing. The Bears have built up such a winning tradition over the years, that the fans actually demand a winner and wonder what's wrong when the Bears fail to end up on top.

... It seems that the hockey team and Mr. Larsen in particular were upset over the picture that appeared in the last edition of *the Gateway*. If that picture has hurt anyone's feelings I'm sorry for any embarrassment it may have caused Mr. Larsen. I in no way wished to imply that Larsen was inept at pugilistics, and certainly Larsen is as versatile and fierce a competitor as any involved in varsity sports at the university. I don't like to glorify the violence side of hockey with pictures of blood streaming down a player's face, but like it or not that's a part of hockey. Players should be able to face up to the good and bad aspects of competition even if that involves seeing a picture of oneself after losing a fight.

Darrell Semenuk

Pandas Can-West shine in Que

After much hard training - 5 nights a week - the Pandas have taken first place in Canada West and the Canada West team has won the Nationals once again for the second consecutive year.

At Canada West, held at the U of C, each of the 6 competitors helped tremendously in placing the U of A Pandas on top, with a score of 136.65. UBC was runner up with 120.00 points, quite a difference. Third and fourth went to U of C, and U of Vic respectively. It must be noted, however, that U of Vic only had *one* competitor.

In the all round placings, U of A took 4 of the top 6 - Yvonne Van Soest third; Barb Rutherford fourth; Peggy Downton fifth; and Wah King NG sixth. Along with Jennifer Diachun (1st) and Lenka Svatek (2nd), these girls made up the Canada West National team. The other two U of A girls - Jayne Welch and Joni Dromisky placed 8th and 9th. Close but not close

enough.

Individually Yvonne placed third on 3 of four events and 4th on the other. Barb placed second on beam and 3, 4, 5 on the remaining events. Peggy placed second on free exercise and 5th on the remaining events.

This past weekend in Quebec, the Canada West team took top honors with 167.92 points. They had a very strong team. Ontario placed second with 156.00 points. Their top competitor being Lise Arsenault, an international competitor. Quebec came third with 77.10 and AIAA came fourth, 40.15.

All of the Canada West team placed very well at this meet - everyone being within the top eight. Jennifer Diachun (UBC) came first overall (37.23) to beat Lise Arsenault who had 36.17 points. Third was Lenka Svatek with 35.00 points. Barb Rutherford led the way for the U of A, placing fourth with 32.32 points. Yvonne was close

Bears attempt to gain touch

by Keith Steinbach

On the bus ride down to Calgary this weekend, the Golden Bear Hockey team will probably be thinking of the last game they played in Calgary. Of how they stayed with the Dinos all the way in a rink they haven't won in for more than a year.

But before they can think of Calgary, they must face the mysterious Manitoba Bisons. The Bisons are mysterious because no one here has heard much about them. Neither Coach Leon Abbott or the Gateway sports department have heard anything outside of a few scant press releases (which are biased) and the fact that the U of M finished first in the GPAC.

The Bears must win all their games in this single elimination tournament for the right to represent the West in the CIAU championships in Toronto March 12, 13, 14.

The physical condition of the U of A squad remains the same with key players Clark Jantzie and Oliver Stewart still on the sidelines. Randy Gregg should also be recovered enough from his charliehorse to see some action.

When asked how his team would do, Coach Abbott said, "Well, I don't know very much about the Manitoba team but, I think we'll be able to beat them." Of his team's chances of going to Toronto he stated, "If we play as well as we did last game I think we could do it."

Their last game was a 3-0 loss to the Dinos, but it was a very close game and the best the Bears have played in a long time. It seems that Bears will

have to hit the Dinos. Joe Horcoff, former player who went with the team last week pointed out that in the second period, the U of A's best team made 24 hits on the Calgary squad. The total number of hits in the other periods was 17.

The Golden Bears play Saturday at 9:00 against U of M. The game will be broadcast on CFRN Radio, with broadcast time at 8:50.

CWUAA SCORING TOP TEN AND TIES

	G	A	PTS	PIM
Jim Ofrim, Alberta	18	26	44	38
Ron Gerlitz, Calgary	23	14	37	54
Bill Ennos, U.B.C.	19	17	36	12
Shane Tarves, Calgary	16	17	33	12
Bob Laycock, Calgary	13	19	32	4
Rick Hindmarch, Calgary	8	20	28	30
Clark Jantzie, Alberta	10	14	24	34
Frank Clarke, Alberta	3	20	23	51
Jim Setters, Calgary	5	17	22	28
Craig Stewart, Calgary	2	20	22	39
Rick Peterson, Alberta	10	12	22	34
Jim Carr, Alberta	5	16	21	2

CWUAA HOCKEY STANDINGS

	W	L	F	A	Pts
Calgary	17	7	112	75	34
Alberta	16	8	106	71	32
British Columbia	12	12	91	86	24
Saskatchewan	3	21	56	134	14

TOP GOALTENDERS

	GPI	MP	GA	SO	ENG	AVG
Jack Cummings, Alberta	6	320	13	2	0	2.44
Craig Gunther, Alberta	9	461	22	0	1	2.80
Dale Henwood, Alberta	13	689	34	1	1	2.96
Bob Galloway, Calgary	20	1220	65	2	2	3.20
Ron Lefebvre, U.B.C.	12	690	37	1	0	3.22
Ian Wilkie, U.B.C.	14	800	49	0	0	3.68

Swimmers capture 4th crown

by D. Duck

The Golden Bear Swim team arrived in Calgary in four separate groups, over two days last weekend, but when they finally got together the team found themselves again Canada West Champions for the fourth year in a row.

The Bear's medley relay team of Mark Polet, Butch Skulsky, Derek Cathro and Bruce Gibson set a new CWUAA record on their way to winning the first event. However UBC finished 1, 2 and 4 in the 1650 yard freestyle event and were leading 35 to 30 after the first day.

Friday, Bears fought to within one point of the determined T-birds (85-84). John Starratt and Ross Nelson placed 1, 2 in the 200 yd freestyle. Butch Skulsky won the 100 breaststroke but missed the record by 28/100 of a second. Derek Cathro fared better as he smashed the 100 yd butterfly mark by almost two seconds to win that event by almost one-half a length. However UBC came back to take the 200 backstroke, 400 IM and the 800 free relay to maintain the lead in the point standings.

Saturday, though, the UBC pretenders were overthrown as the Bears staked their claim on the pool. Four U of A swimmers made the finals in both the 200 individual medley and the 500 freestyle. Ross Nelson won the freestyle while Cathro took top honors in the 200 IM and then

teamed with John Starratt to place 1, 2 in the 200 fly. Butch Skulsky led the rest of the field by 1/2 a length in the 200 breast while Mark Polet posted a personal best in the 100 backstroke. The 400 freestyle relay team finished off by winning that event by a length. When the waves settled, U of A with 167 was 3 points ahead of UBC, with Calgary placing third at 119.

Though the above swimmers stood out by placing high in the finals, the victory was due mainly to the tremendous depth of talent the Bears enjoyed. Swimmers like Ross New, George Robertson, Bruce Gibson, Frank Cosman, Stewart Nelson, Tom de Groot, Rick Moulton and Keith Walker made the finals in at least one event and turned the tide in the Bears favor. "It was their meet," coach Phil Gardiner affirmed.

The most outstanding performance was put in by Kevin Feehan. His times in the 100 and 200 yd. breaststroke were his best by far. His inspired performance earned him the right to represent the University at the CIAU championships this week. He will be joined by Alberta Canadians John Starratt, Ross Nelson, and Butch Skulsky. Pacific Am games star Derek Cathro, Captain Stewart Nelson and "also-ran" Mark Polet. Coach Phil Gardiner will be along to accept the praise as the Bears swimmers again challenge the Eastern teams for the Canadian University crown.