

# Birds fly into town for weekend puck series



**DANCING DON FALKENBERG (16)**  
... Bear smoothie in action this weekend

—photo by Don Young

## Drake's Bruins can cinch title

By BOB ANDERSON

The UBC Thunderbirds are in town this weekend to do battle with the Golden Bears in a key series for both clubs.

Clare Drake's Bears find themselves on top of the six team Western Canada Intercollegiate Hockey League with 11 wins in 14 starts. The T'Birds, coached by Bob Hindmarch, are currently in third place with 16 points, made up of 8 wins and 4 losses.

It was just about this time last year when the UBC'ers invaded Varsity Arena with hopes of a league pennant. The two clubs split and the Bears went on to win the title the next weekend at Vancouver, sweeping both games.

The locals have a chance to virtually wrap things up this weekend by sweeping both games. They would then be 13-3, the Thunderbirds 8-6, and would necessitate the Bears winning only two of their last four games. The Winnipeg Wesmen, whom the Bears handled easily last weekend, and the T'Birds are the opponents in those last four games.

The coast club has nine players from last year's squad, including all-stars Mickey McDowell and Jack Moores. McDowell finished third in league scoring with 11 goals and 12 assists, while Moores, an ex-Edmonton Oil King, was the hardest hitting defenceman in the circuit.

Other veterans with the T'Birds include Rick Bardal, their fine goaltender, Glen Richards, a four year veteran defenceman, Lawrie Vanzella, Tom Korchuk and Mike Darnbrough. Exciting newcomers Brian Jones, Cam Kerr and Wayne Schaab add depth to a roster which was hit by some untimely injuries late in the year. Jones toiled with the U of T Varsity Blues for the past four years, Kerr was with Brigham Young University for two years, while Schaab played his hockey last season with Penticton Broncos of the BC Junior Hockey League.



**CLARE DRAKE**  
... worried optimist

On the other side of the ledger, the Bears will be at full strength with the exception of Don Darling who is still out with a leg injury suffered three weeks ago. The leg hasn't been responding well to treatment, and Don will likely be out for at least another week.

Some of the lesser lights on the club have finally started to show their stuff. Tom Devaney, who struggled along with only one goal in his first eight games, has finally found the range, picking up five in the last six games. Don Falkenberg, like Devaney a bit of a disappointment in the early going, has looked good in the last two series. And Harvey Poon has done a great job of filling in for the injured Darling, picking up three goals in the process.

An added attraction at Friday's game will be a between period broomball match featuring the Royal Alex Naughty-Nities and The Varsity Virgins. It promises to be quite a show.

### BEARS INDIVIDUAL SCORING

	GP	G	A	Pts.
M. Hohol	12	13	15	28
G. Braunberger	14	7	20	27
J. Gibson	14	8	19	27
W. Wiste	14	9	17	26
O. Morris	14	10	5	15
B. Clarke	14	4	9	13
G. Hornby	14	6	7	13
T. Devaney	14	6	6	12
D. Falkenberg	14	5	4	9

## When it comes to hockey, commerce profs should stick to punching adding machines

Well folks, it's that time of the year again.

Those puck dandies, the commerce faculty demons are hitting the ice lanes again.

Saturday, Feb. 1 at 8 p.m. at Varsity Arena you will see that annual struggle to top all struggles. Yes, it's the Commerce students versus faculty hockey ball game.

Admission is a modest 50 cents with all the proceeds going to the Bursary Fund.

To give you a better idea of the composition of the faculty team here are a few excerpts from the profs propoganda blerb.

"... Other management personnel this year include Charlie "Likeable" Lee, assistant coach and puck holder, "Jolting" Joe Perroni (he lines up dates for the professors after the game. No figs this time, huh Joe—just dates), "Dainty" Don Thompson (he's the guy that sticks white tape on the toes of the professors' skates so they'll look like big leaguers), Dick "Hockey Is My Bag" Beard (he puts the felt inserts under the laces and over the toes so the students won't

be able to distinguish the professors from NHL stars), Boyd "Hockey" Harnden, in charge of physical fitness, and last, but not least, our old friend, team physician, Lovable Lance Boyle, M.D.

"So that none of the professor stars would miss the big game due to an unwanted pregnancy, Lance has prescribed the pill for each and every player. That Lance sure knows his birds and bees.

"... In this year of discontent at our universities, the professor's

club is not without its problems. There are five veterans who may not be playing in the big game. We do hope that all of them will be suited up, since each and every one of the five has something significant to contribute to our annual fiasco. The majority of the five who haven't decided whether or not to play are accountants. We wonder if their bookkeeping instincts are still so strong that it is difficult for them to make a decision."

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