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# Goals galore as Bears meet Bisons

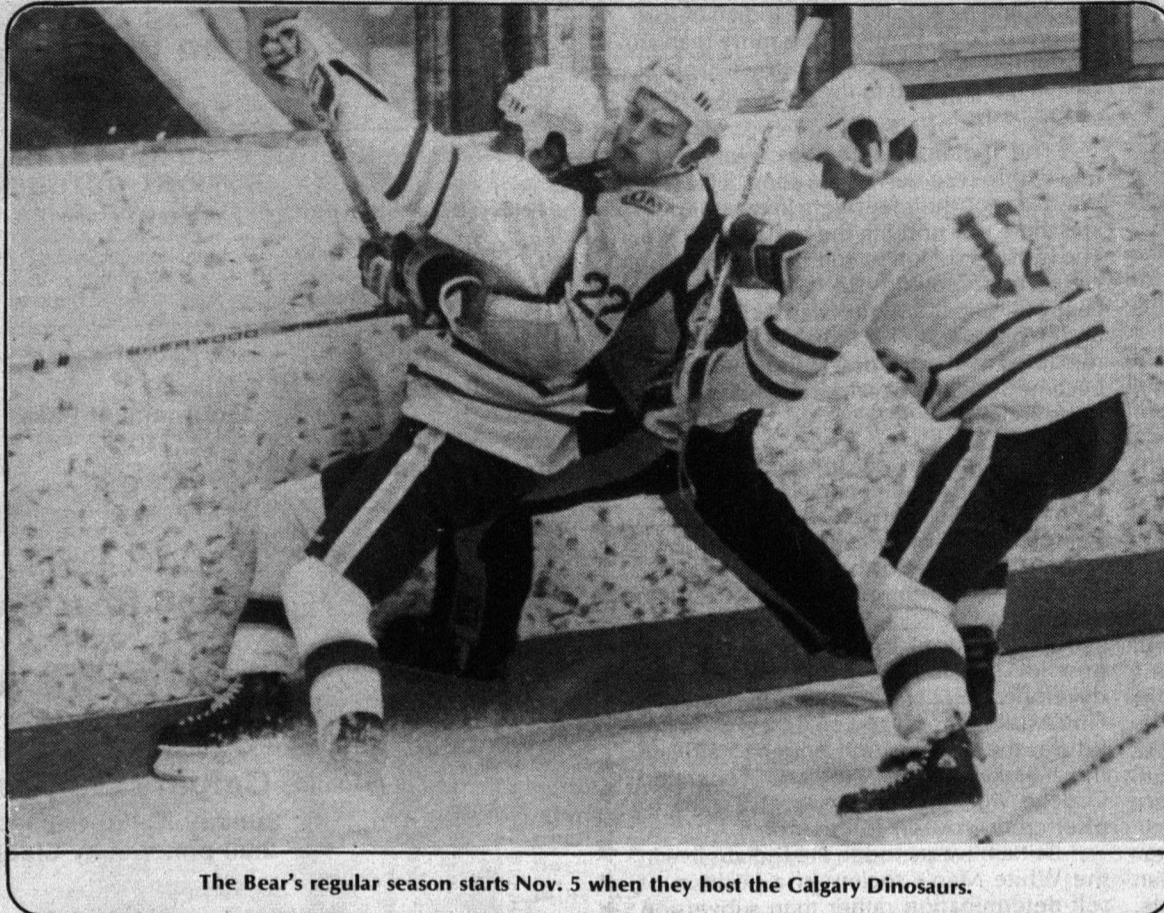
by Bernard Poitras

As the exhibition hockey season draws to a close the Bears and their new organist are tuning up for conference playing. Friday night the organist was fine but the Bears hit a few sour notes as they lost to the Manitoba Bisons 8-5.

The first period saw 4 goals scored, (2 by each team) as Bisons forward Andy Ainley connected on a shorthanded effort at 8:51 to give the Bisons the lead 1-0. Not to be outdone, the Bears roared back and center Rick Swan fired a 20-foot slapshot that trickled past goalie Mike Schamber's pads and into the net. The goal came on the powerplay and only 11 seconds after Ainley's goal. As the period drew to a close, Bisons' Mike Ridley and the Bears' Breen Neeser scored 18 seconds apart to end the first 20 minutes of play in a 2-2 tie. Neeser's goal came a-la Gretzky as he took a perfect, from behind the net pass by John Reid and shot it over the outstretched glove of Bison goalie Mike Schamber.



While completely dominating the second period, the Bisons scored four unanswered goals en route to taking a 6-2 lead. Andy Ainley continued the onslaught as he scored his second of the night, on a spin-around wrist shot, that caught goalie Kelly Brooks out of position. Having no mercy whatsoever on the Bears, the Bisons scored three more times, with Harry Mahood, Andy Meers and Barry Trotz finding the openings, in an 8 minute span. Through the first two periods, a total of 43 penalties were called for a whopping 96 minutes. While it was clear that these two teams did not exactly like each other, that was not the main reason for the calls! The main cause seemed to be that referee Ron Panchyshyn was calling everything from heavy-breathing to glove throwing in order to keep the game from potentially getting out of hand. It



The Bear's regular season starts Nov. 5 when they host the Calgary Dinosaurs.

by Frank Bevacqua

After an 8 - 5 win over the Bears in a penalty marred game on Friday night, Manitoba Bisons coach Wayne Fleming commented that his team "...should have stayed home and practiced." Well, the Golden Bears gave him even further reason to think so in the rematch on Saturday night by routing the Bisons 8 - 3.

The teams were locked at one goal apiece after the first period. However, the second period belonged to the Bears as they scored four unanswered goals to take a commanding lead. The Bisons came out strong in the third with two straight goals but then the Bears burst their bubble by scoring three goals in the next five minutes to finish off the night.

John Reid had two goals for the Bears and Don Peacocke, Tim Krug, Rick Swan, Bill Ansell, Dennis Cranston and Jack Patrick added singles. Ken Hodge faced 27 shots and played a solid game in the nets for the Bears.

photo Bill Inglee

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was a good idea for about the first few calls, but Panchyshyn decided to continue it for the entire 60 minutes. As a result, the No Vacancy sign was kept hanging outside the penalty boxes and at some stages of the match there were as many as seven players crammed into the small enclosure.

The third period began with the Bears staging an impressive but shortened comeback as left winger Bill Ansell and center Rick Swan connected in the first four minutes of the final frame. That closed the gap to 6-4 but, the damage was already done and the Bisons were simply content with running out the clock and picking up their second win of the regular season.

Vaughn Karpan scored twice more for the Bisons (the last one, an empty-netter) and Rick Swan completed a hattrick, for the Bears only bright spot of the match, as the final ended up 8-5 for the Bisons. When the statisticians tallied up the final stats, a total of 63 infractions were summoned to both teams with the Bears taking 31 of them for 73 minutes.

**BEAR FACTS:**

The Bears connected on only 5 out of 32 shots while the Bisons scored 8 times on just 20 shots. Ironically, the Bisons only previous loss (in preseason) came against the Bears, a 4-2 score, two weeks ago, at the U of Sask

Tournament. The three stars were Andy Ainley (Bisons), Rick Swan (Bears), and Mike Ridley (Bisons).

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