

Pandas split field hockey tournament

by Philip Preville

Edmonton can claim yet another victory in the never ending Battle of Alberta. The U of A Pandas field hockey team defeated the University of Calgary Dinnies on Sunday by a score of 2-1, evening the Pandas record at two wins and two losses after their first conference tournament.

The game against Calgary was a fast-paced one, with lots of action at both ends of the field. The teams traded goals early in the game, with Maureen Conn scoring for the

Pandas only three minutes into the game. Both sides then took turns applying severe pressure deep in both ends. Both goalies were called upon to make a few big saves, and both delivered. The second half contained lots of midfield action until Jane Lillywhite scored for the Pandas in the 59th minute. That goal proved to be the winner, as Alberta managed to keep the Dinnies at bay for the final 11 minutes.

No matter what the sport, the Edmonton-Calgary rivalry is always

a strong factor. Pandas field hockey coach Dru Marshall noted that her players were very aware of who they were playing, and added, "I think we wanted it a bit more."

It's been a weekend of ups and downs for Marshall, who is in her seventh season of coaching at the U of A. Her Pandas opened with a devastating 5-0 loss to the current

the Pandas.

Coach Marshall's frustration ended early the next morning, however, when the Pandas eked out a 1-0 victory over the University of Manitoba. National team member Liz Czenczek scored for the Pandas in the 19th minute. They then defeated Calgary to finish the round-robin at 2-2. With that record, the Pandas have equalled their win total of last year. The team will play two more identical round robins in conference play and, with an escalating point system, Marshall is optimistic for her team.

"We can definitely finish in the top three in Canada West, and that should even be good enough to earn a berth in the Canadian finals in Toronto," she says in a calm tone that implies that their work is cut out for them.

The Pandas travel down to Calgary next weekend for an invitational tournament. On the first weekend in October they will travel down to Vancouver, where UBC will host the second conference round-robin.

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CIAU champions, the Victoria Vikettes. "We had a bad five minutes against Vic and they scored three times on us," said Marshall, "They have a dynamic front line and if you let them loose, you can get yourself in trouble." Later the same day they lost to the University of British Columbia 1-0, in a game of missed scoring opportunities for

Weekly stats

STANDINGS	W	L	T	F	A	P
B.C.	3	0	0	73	35	6
Alberta	3	1	0	96	68	6
Sask.	1	2	0	37	38	2
Calgary	1	2	0	52	47	2
Manitoba	0	3	0	27	70	0

SCOREBOARD:

Sept. 19: Saskatchewan 10 at Albert 14
British Columbia 11 at Manitoba 9.

FUTURE GAMES:

Sept. 26: Calgary at Manitoba; British Columbia at Saskatchewan.
Oct. 2: British Columbia at Calgary.
Oct. 3: Manitoba at Alberta.

SCORING	TD	C	FG	S	P
Kasowski, S, A	0	10	6	8	36
Bellefontaine, BC	1	8	5	2	31
Matich, Brent, C	0	4	4	3	19
Petros, Mark, BC	2	0	0	0	12
Pearce, Matt, BC	2	0	0	0	12
Keller, Craig, BC	2	0	0	0	12
Funtasz, J., A	2	0	0	0	12
Brus, Mark, A	2	0	0	0	12

RUSHING	R	Yds	Av	Lg	Td
Brus, A	61	386	6.3	27	2
Funtasz, A	54	299	5.5	38	2
Geremia, C	46	280	6.0	30	1
Woytowich, M	44	221	5.0	23	1
Petros, BC	42	159	3.7	15	2
Bleiken, A	21	155	7.3	27	1
Symchuck, S	21	155	7.3	43	1
Pearce, BC	24	148	6.1	22	1
Eisler, S	27	104	3.8	9	0
Houg, A	23	93	4.0	16	0

RECEIVING	R	Yds	Av	Lg	Td
Brown, C	14	135	9.6	14	0
Turner, M	13	175	13.4	31	0
Keller, BC	12	239	19.9	57	2
Rogal, S	11	138	12.5	22	0
Beitel, S	11	124	11.2	20	0
Bellefontaine, BC	10	139	13.9	55	1
Karbonik, C	10	125	12.5	24	2
Kozakovich, A	9	134	14.8	19	1
Eisler, S	9	48	5.3	12	0

PASSING	A	C	Pct	Yds
Gagner, BC	88	42	47.7	651
Calan, S	82	49	59.7	576
McNab, C	81	42	51.8	448
Lynch, M	77	37	48.0	440
Brezden, A	63	25	39.6	416

PUNTING	P	Yds	Avg	Lg	S
Matich, C	26	1226	47.1	65	1
Kasowski, A	42	1784	42.4	68	6
Hoffman, S	24	924	38.5	67	1
Bellefontaine, BC	33	1221	37.0	69	1
Krush, M	29	965	33.9	51	0



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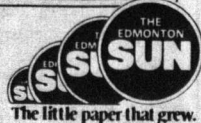
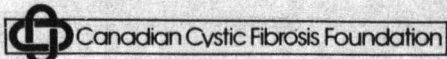
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