

Law men, Artym, on top

by Garnet DuGray

As we have come to the close of another intramural season at the U of A we find the Legal Beagles on top of the heap again. In both the Men's 'A' Conference and the Women's overall points, Law was a runaway winner. The male lawyers-to-be took top spot with a grand total of 3185.5 points followed by the Shooters with 2040 points while the Lonestars grabbed third spot with a total of 2660 points.

In the Women's department the Law ladies captured the title with a total of 317 points followed by Recreation with 295 points while Mac Hall finished third overall with 281 points.

In the Men's 'B' Conference, top honors went to the Arts faculty with formidable total of 1300 points followed by the Wrecking Crew with 1269 points for a wide margin over third place Science faculty with 993 points.

While the Co-Rec people don't have any standings as such, they have come up with a Co-Rec team-of-the-year in Geology who supported the program well all year long. Also there is a list outside of the Co-Rec office of these people receiving Co-Rec participation awards and that they can pick up their certificates at the Co-Rec office.

Speaking of participants, the Motor Car Supply Trophy for the top Men's Intramural program participant was presented at the Awards Banquet Friday past. This year's winner, John Artym, one of the Lonestars' unit managers, amassed a total of 575 points for participation and achievement in



The Lonestars, and champion John Artym (top row right). As always the Lonestars are genteel contributors to social life at the U of A.

photo Russ Sampson

22 sports. Finishing second behind Artym was fellow Lonestar unit manager, John Melbourn who had 510 points for 20 sports. Other top finishers in the program were Doug Bosch (Medicine) with 500 points in 16 sports.

Bosch did an excellent job for his unit and the Men's program, as well as Kevin Hamm (Shooters) who had 470 points in 15 total sports.

The Women's 5-5 Basketball wound up last week with the Panda Panties capturing top

spot in the Monday Night Competitive League. In terms of participation the Wednesday Night recreational league was so well attended that many of the teams had their own cheerleading squads. The top participating units were Recreation with 39 points, Phys. Ed. second with 37 points and followed closely in third by the Why Veez with 35 points.

In the Men's Volleyball finals last Thursday all three division titles went to the full

extent of the best 2-out-of-3 matches.

In Division I, the crown went to the Shooters 'A' club with 15-3, 9-15, and 15-11 games over Medicine 'A'. The Division II title was taken by 9th Mac 'C' with games of 9-15, 15-5, and 15-10 over St. Joes. 5th Henday captured the Division III crown with games 7-15, 16-14, and 15-8 over Law 'D' for their win. Top units in the league were Medicine (390 points), Mac Hall (351 points), and the Lonestars (350 points).

The three offices of the intramural programs would also like to thank all those people who participated in the programs throughout the year and came for a good time at the 2nd Annual Awards Banquet and Dance last Friday. Congratulations to all participants and winners for a 'wild and crazy year'. Also, any officials that officiated in the Men's program this year can go up to the main athletic office in the P.E. Building and pick up their cheques.

I can hardly wait for winter

by Karl Wilberg

Although the gymnastic season is over, the Pandas and Bears squads are still busy. Both teams are taking advantage of athlete's high fitness levels by practising new movements.

For example, women's coach Sandy O'Brien says her squad is learning "new tricks" before a summer layoff. O'Brien points out most gymnasts have difficulty practising in the summer because jobs, and a lack of facilities when living out of town, interferes.

In all, the Panda's season contained mixed results. Injury prevented veteran Trish Macmillan from reaching her potential. In addition, the Pandas, 1979-80 CIAU champions, lost many experienced competitors last fall. Consequently, the team

did not place as well as previous teams had.

Still, the season gave new gymnasts a chance to become intercollegiate competitors. Also, the Pandas will be building depth for the next season. Two veterans, Macmillan, placing 11th in CIAU finals, and Carol Brinkhurst, placing 17th, will be back next year too.

On the other hand, the men's team is not taking a summer break. Coach Francis Tally states "you couldn't compete in six events unless you train year-round. Now that competition is over Tally has his men learning new skills.

Tally, like O'Brien believes that with athletes in top competitive shape new skills can be learned without the pressure of practising old routines. Still, Tally will "let that conditioning taper off for the next four weeks" giving the Bears "active rest."

Generally, the Bears, at the CIAU finals, improved over last year's standings. James Hamilton placed 13th, Charlie Mowat, 21st, and Eric Rucenthaller 27th. The U of A team faced tough opposition at the nationals where the top six finishers were national team competitors. In all, the U of A placed sixth out of seven teams.

In spite of the short competitive season, Tally claims he has no trouble keeping gymnasts motivated. However, Tally men-

tions his gymnasts do have problems with perspective. In other words Tally says belief comes slowly that certain things have to be done to make ad-

vances "in the big leagues."

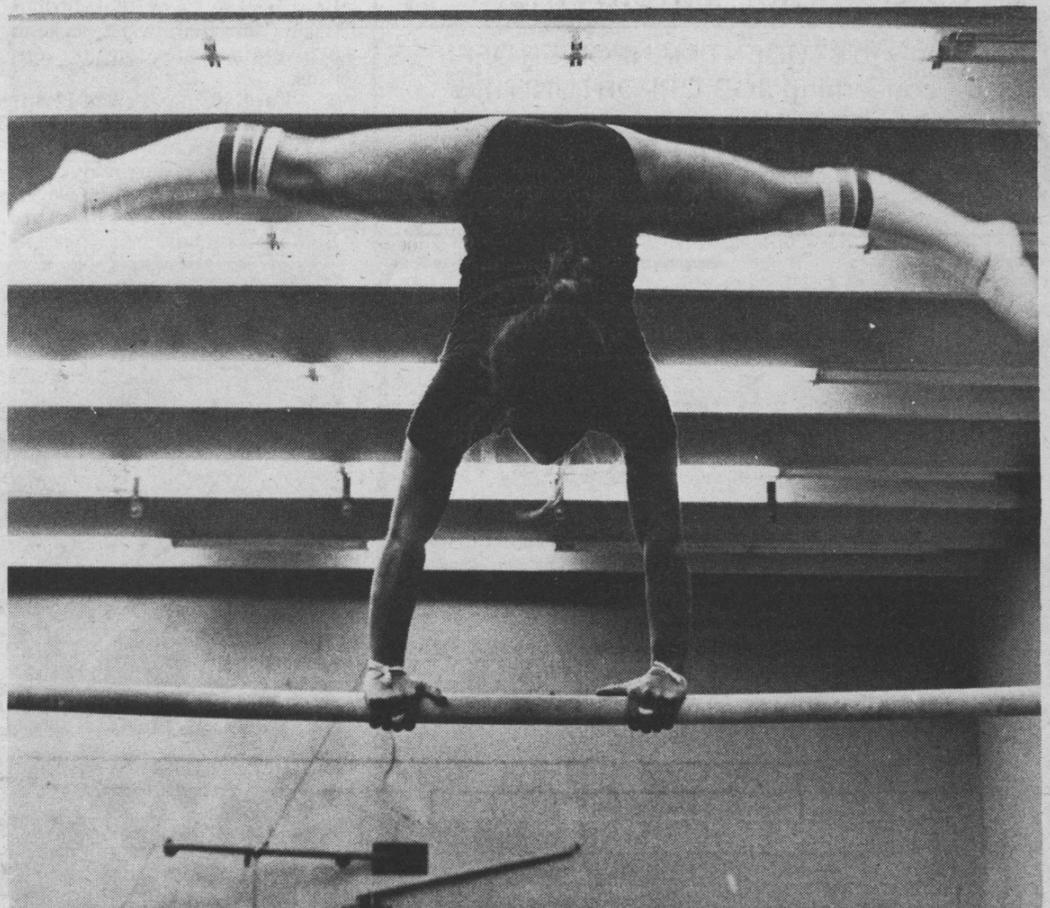
In all both teams are looking to next season. O'Brien says her team warns "Just wait until

next year" and Tally's team is shooting for the National open championships. In any case both have until next January to get ready.

Skinny skins X-C

Attempts are being made to create a U of A Nordic ski racing club. The club is planning dry-land training next fall and on-snow training, struction, and coaching in the winter. However the club will need support from students interested in racing in CSA races and perhaps intercollegiate events.

In addition coaches, with levels, are encouraged to attend the first organizational meeting. The first gathering will be held in rm. 280 SUB from 4 - 6:00 pm March 31.



Pandas continue practice and warn, "Just wait until next year."

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