

# SPORTS

## Winnipeg Wesmen win Invitational

# Bears place fourth

Winnipeg: a city of winners. Last weekend the Winnipeg Blue Bombers won the Grey Cup and this weekend the Winnipeg Wesmen were victorious in the Golden Bear Invitational Basketball Tournament.

Going into the tournament the Wesmen had a feeling they would do well.

"Coach Cal Murphy told me that Edmonton is a good place to win in," said Bruce Enns, Wesmen's head coach.

And that is exactly what the Wesmen did Saturday night. They defeated the Saskatchewan Huskies 80-67 in the championship game.

In their first game of the tournament, the Wesmen beat the McMaster Marauders 76-61. The win set up an exciting semi-final match-up between the Wesmen and UBC Thunderbirds. The game was full of suspense. There was exciting end-to-end court action from start to finish. The Wesmen and the T-Birds were tied at 39 going into halftime, however, in the end the Wesmen managed to sneak by the T-Birds, holding on for an 81-71 win.

The T-Birds were the ones to personally destroy any hopes the Golden Bears had of winning their own tournament. They defeated the Bears 72-68. This win allowed them to meet the Wesmen and pushed the Bears over to the consolation round.

Despite their initial setback, the Bears managed to bounce back. They won their next two games (over the Marauders and the York Yeomen) to finish fourth in the

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Against the T-Birds, the Bears played a sloppy first half. It seemed like there were more personal fouls than good shots. By the half, the Bears managed to obtain a respectable 31 points to the T-Birds 39. In the second half, the Bears improved their overall play and kept the game close before finally succumbing to the T-Birds.

Guard Chris Toutant and forward Mike Kornak were the high scorers of the game with 13 and 15 points respectively. Toutant was named the Bears' Most Valuable Player of the game.

In the Bears confrontation against the Marauders, the Bears played a good game winning 77-71. Kornak stuffed the ball twice to spark the team on. He was very impressive against the Marauders as he whizzed up and down the court capping off fast breaks and creating turnovers. Kornak had a game total of 19 points.

Forward Mike Suderman, a smart player who is great on inside play, and Toutant were the high scorers of the game with 23 points apiece. Suderman was named the game's M.V.P..

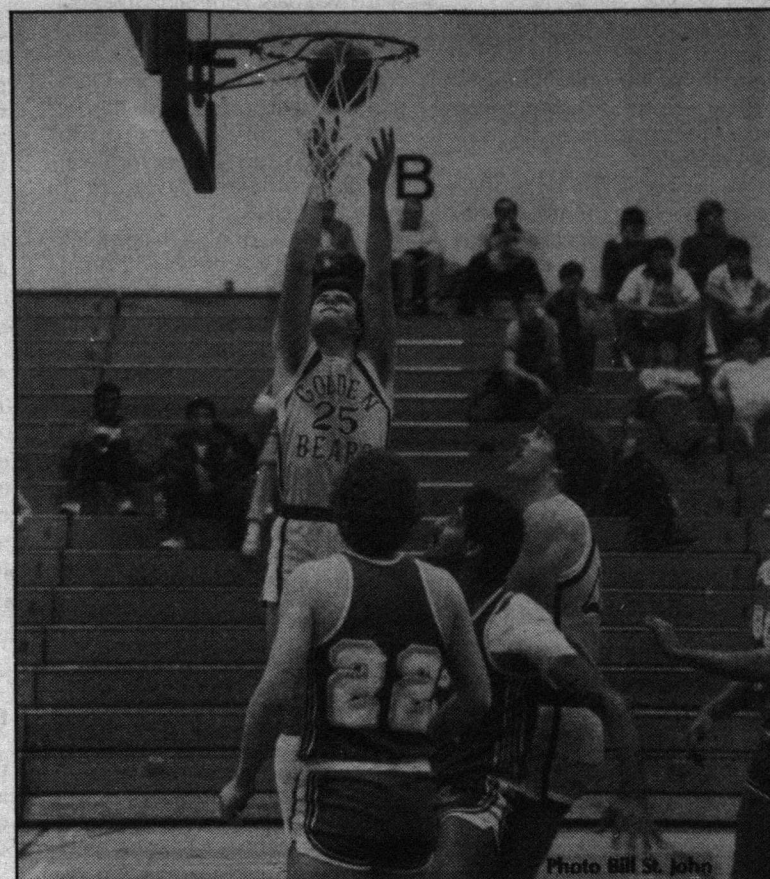
The Bears had an easy time against the York Yeomen in their quest for fourth place as they manhandled the Yeomen 83-60. Once again, Suderman, Kornak and Toutant came up with notable performances. They were the high scorers of the game, with 22, 20 and 16 points respectively. Kornak was named the game's M.V.P..

In the end, the results of the three day tournament were as follows: The Wesmen, first place; the Huskies, second place; the Calgary Dinosaurs, third place; the Bears, fourth place; the T-Birds, fifth place; the Yeomen, sixth place; the Whitman College Missionaries, seventh place; and the Marauders, eighth place.

Named to the all-star team were Bears' Suderman, Wesmen's guard Mark Johannson, and forward Gord Tucker, York's center John Christensen, and McMaster's center Ralf Rosenkranz.

Although the Bears did not capture the glory of winning the tournament, they can be proud of their effort and the well organized three day event.

The Basketball Bears see action this Wednesday at 7:30 pm against the Ottawa Gee-Gees, Thursday at 7:30 pm against the Western Ontario Mustangs and Friday at 8:30 pm against the Brock Badgers.



Center Mark Baker shoots and scores. Baker had a tournament total of 17 points.

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