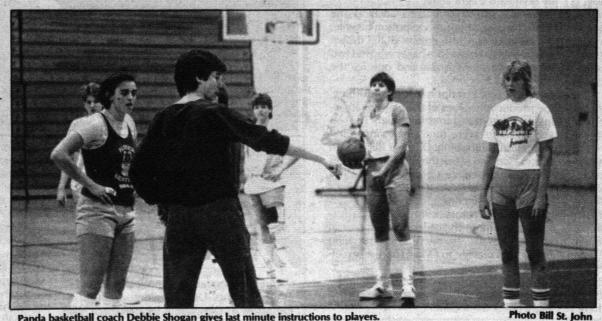
## **SPORTS**

## Pandas split in holiday tournaments

The Panda Basketball Team won its own tournament which was held December 28-30 by defeating the University of Regina 65-48 in the final, but in the process they lost Canada West All Star and team cocaptain Laura Cabott for the rest of the season. Cabott injured her knee in the first game of the tournament and was operated on January 1 to repair her medial collateral ligament and her medial meniscus. The loss of Cabott is a severe blow to the team as they attempt to win the very tightly contested Canada West conference.

"We were pleased to win the tournament but in the long run it. was not that beneficial to us," said Panda Coach Debbie Shogan. "None of our games were close (the Pandas defeated Regina 78-44, Saskatchewan 79-46 and Regina again 65-46) and losing Laura will require some very big adjustments both psychologically and in terms of how we handle being without Laura's tremendous offensive skills." The tournament All-Star squad

was dominated by the local team. Jenny Webking and Toni Kordic were named to the All-Star Team and Sue Tokariuk was selected as the tournament MVP. Other selections were Esther Johnson of Manitoba, Annette Pfeifer (Regina), and Jacquie Smith (Saskatchewan).



Panda basketball coach Debbie Shogan gives last minute instructions to players

The Panda Basketball Team spent

the New Year in Winnipeg where

they travelled to defend the Wes-

men Classic - a tournament they

have owned for the last two years.

It was not to be a repeat perfor-

mance, however, as the team fell

70-67 to the Laurentian Vees who

two days before had won the Bran-

Toni Kordic had an outstanding

offensive game, scoring 29 points.

The following morning, the team

faced the University of Brandon

don Invitational Tournament.

and routed them 76-38. Sue Tokariuk scored 21 points in a good

The Pandas met provincial rivals the University of Calgary in the third place game. Although up 3528 at the half, the team did not play well throughout the game. Foul trouble and a hesitant offense plagued the team in a second half which saw the score tied 63-63 at the end of regulation time. With starters Toni Kordic, Sue Tokariuk and Jenny Webking fouled out, Calgary went on to defeat Alberta. 70-69. Lisa Janz was the team's top scorer with 18 points.

Coach Debbie Shogan said that she thought the team had learned a lesson from its play against Calgary. "I think we realize now that mental preparation is essential against every team we play. The Canada West Conference is as strong as it has ever been and there are no guaranteed wins against any of the conference teams."

The Pandas open their league schedule against Saskatchewan on January 11 at 7:00 pm in the Main Gym. Students with a valid U of A ID card are admitted free.

## Weekend sports preview

by Dean Bennett

HOME

PANDA BASKETBALL

vs. U of Saskatchewan Friday, January 11

7 pm, Varsity Gym The Pandas played Saskatchewan three times in the pre-season and the spread has always been 25 points plus for the hometowners. The games have not been competitive and coach Debbie Shogan feels keeping team discipline is the key to winning.

**GOLDEN BEAR WRESTLING** 

**Dual Meet vs Calgary** Friday, January 11 7:30 pm, Pavilion U of A Invitational Saturday, January 12 10 am, Pavilion

Toughest competition in the 10team Invitational will come from U of Saskatoon. Both U of S and U of A have improved substantially over last season. This is the last major wrestling competition at the U of A for the 84-85 school year.

GOLDEN BEAR/PANDA TRACK AND FIELD

The Meet IX January 12-13 Kinsmen Field House

**AWAY** 

**GOLDEN BEAR BASKETBALL** 

Canada West Tip-Off Tournament January 10-12, Victoria

This tournament gives these Canada West teams a last chance to look at each other before Conference play begins. The Bears are looking for a little confidence after a disheartening 87-58 loss to U of Victoria in last week's Calgary

**GOLDEN BEAR HOCKEY** 

at Calgary Dino U of Calgary 1:30 pm, Calgary

The Bears return to league play this weekend with a reasonably

healthy squad. Center Rick Swan is still recovering from recent arthroscopic knee surgery, but could play. Bears last played Calgary on Dec. 27 in Alaska tournament and beat the Dinos 3-2.

**GOLDEN BEAR/PANDA SWIMMING** 

Triple Dual Meet (UBC and U Vic) Friday, January 11 7 pm, Vancouver

Triple Dual Meet (SFU and U of Oregon)

Saturday, January 12 2 pm, Burnaby

Meet vs UBC and U Vic. will be first major competition of the conference season. Coach John Hogg feels it will go far in determining the status and comparative ranking of his teams. Jan. 12 meet will be U of A's first against U of Oregon.

PANDA VOLLEYBALL

U of C Invitational January 11-12 Calgary

**GOLDEN BEAR/PANDA GYMNASTICS** 

U of Manitoba Invitational Friday, January 11 Winnipeg

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