

SPORTS

Thunderbird steroid shocker

UBC linesman faces one-year suspension

by Josh Rubin

A UBC Thunderbird football player has tested positive for steroids.

Andy Sidhu, an offensive linesman for the team was informed of his urinalysis results last Saturday, a day before his team's CWUAA final.

According to a spokesperson for the CIAU, Sidhu's first sample (A) was the one which tested positive.

Results of the B sample, taken at the same time, are expected to be released later this week.

Under CIAU regulations, Sidhu faces a one year suspension if the second test is positive.

Penalties for second offenders, however, include an automatic life suspension from all CIAU athletics.

UBC football coach Frank Smith refused comment on Sidhu but added he felt no responsibility for the result.

"We as a coaching staff have done everything in our power... to inform our players of our position against using these substances," said Smith.

Smith was referring to CIAU regulations which oblige all athletes to attend pre-season anti-doping seminars.

Athletes must also sign an anti-doping "contract," which Smith

claims his players also have done.

CIAU spokesperson Doramy Ehling said that Sidhu is only one of 180 people tested, however.

"We have to feel the vast majority of our athletes are clean," added Ehling.



Ehling admitted, however, that a large percentage of the CIAU's 2,000 athletes currently remain untested.

Despite Sidhu's positive test, Ehling remains confident her

organization's anti-doping program has been largely effective.

She says competitors are subject to two kinds of random testing during the season.

From Feb.1 to Oct.1, athletes are given 36-hours notice to report to a CIAU doping control officer.

But from October onwards, says Ehling, athletes may be subjected to tests at any time, even during practice.

Though the testers are not allowed to interrupt practices, Ehling says the CIAU guidelines are strict.

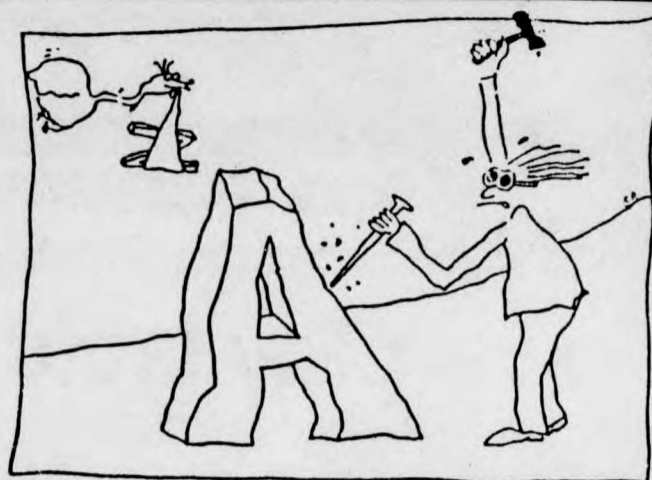
"The idea is [the doping control officers] don't let the athletes leave their sight from the time they arrive until the sample is produced.

"If they have to go to the bathroom during practice, we'll do the test then," added Ehling.

Ehling feels these factors greatly reduce the risk of self-catharization, which several national team wrestlers admitted to doing during the Dubin commission last year.

In that process, an athlete would insert a tube into the urethra, in order to empty their bladder of any incriminating evidence.

Following the withdrawal, the athlete then injects someone else's "clean" urine into the urethra.



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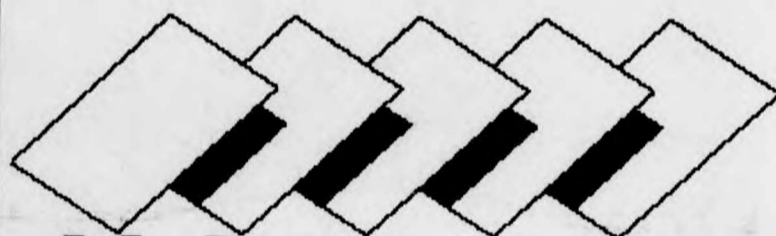
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ONTARIO'S #1 STUDENT TOUR OPERATOR

Balanced basketball blowouts as Yeomen crushed, Yeowomen romp

by Riccardo Sala

Tuesday was a comme-ci comme-ca day for York's basketball teams.

While the Yeowomen beat Waterloo 63-37, the Yeomen weren't

as productive. They were bashed 95-56 by the Guelph Gryphons.

"We were really surprised," said Yeowoman coach Bill Pangos afterwards. "I thought that it was going to be 6-8 point ball-game."

"The team did a good job in executing offence and reading the defence."

In the past there has been a tendency to put York's scoring workload on the shoulders of either Jennifer Cushing or Cathy Amara.

Cushing, with 13 points against Waterloo, was still York's scoring leader. However, a stronger team effort allowed players like Joann Jakovcevic to flex their offensive muscle.

Jakovcevic had 12 points in the game, a tally which Pangos says should become routine for the third year center.

There were fewer smiles from the Yeomen.

"We didn't play very well," Yeoman Clive Anderson said after York's 95-56 loss to the Guelph Gryphons.

Anderson's standout game wasn't enough to save the team, despite his 23 point total.

Despite being outscored 44-23 in the first half, the Yeomen still put in a solid effort.

But the taller Guelph team was simply too strong.

The Gryphons scored with ease and completely dominated the boards, both offensive and defensive.

In the second half Guelph pulled away effortlessly.

Despite some individual gems like Don Taylor's defensive play and Mark Bellai's hot three point shot, there wasn't much for the York fans to cheer about.

"We didn't play well and we played a much better team," Yeoman coach Bob Bain said.

For Bain there was also the spectre of an injury diminished team, as Yeoman Chris Pollmann suffered a wrist injury from a hard landing in the first half.



Clive Cohen

I CAN FLY: Guelph's Jason Myles (33) looks on as York guard Mark Bellai (23) crashes the boards during the Yeomen's 95-56 loss. In other basketball action, the Yeowomen were more successful, dumping Waterloo 63-37.