



DALE HALTERMAN COVERS UP ON MONARCHS

... club will have to do the same against the Canadian Nationals Saturday

Jackie McLeod's Canadian Nationals take on Bears

By BOB ANDERSON

There's an old adage in sport that says that a good team really never finds out how good it is until it comes up against strong competition.

That being so, Brian McDonald's Golden Bear pucksters will likely find out just how good they are (or aren't) when Canada's National hockey team invades Varsity Arena Saturday evening at 9 p.m.

The Nats, who have undergone an extensive revision during the past six months, are training for the 1970 World Hockey Championships to be held next March in

Winnipeg and Montreal.

The Bears, meanwhile, are preparing for the opening of the 1969-70 Western Canada Intercollegiate Hockey League schedule a week hence in Brandon.

McDonald's outfit goes into the game with two victories last weekend against the Lakehead Nor-westers, while the Nationals are fresh from a two game series against Montreal Voyageurs, of the American Hockey League in which they won and tied.

Although the National team will have many of the same players in the lineup who have been with

the club for several reasons, the club this year is operating under a new group called Hockey Canada.

The club will feature such veterans as Fran Huck, Terry O'Malley, Ted Hargreaves, Billy Mac-Millan, Gary Begg, Morris Mott, Wayne Stephenson and Barry McKenzie.

A new rule instituted this season will allow the Canadians to use nine professionals in the Championships.

Pros Bob Murdock, John Vanderberg, and Mike Poirier, all of whose rights are owned by Montreal Canadiens of the NHL, are now with the Nats. And it is pos-

sible that former NHLer Brian Conacher, now property of Detroit Red Wings, and Grant Moore will arrive in Winnipeg in time for the weekend trip to Alberta.

Another newcomer who is expected to make a sizeable contribution to Jackie McLeod's squad is goaltender Ken Dryden an All-American from Cornell University. Dryden, whose brother Dave plays with Chicago of the NHL, joined the team for the 1969 World Championships and was impressive.

McDonald, on the other hand, expects to have winger Bob Devaney back in harness after a two

week absence. However, centre Gerry Hornby is still a doubtful starter as his injured ankle is taking its time in healing.

Seats for the Nationals game will be reserved. Tickets are on sale at Mike's Newsstand, Hub Cigar Store, the Exhibition Ticket Office in the Royal Bank Building and the Faculty of Physical Education General Office until noon Saturday. Prices are \$1 and \$1.50. Ducats are also available at the door.

In a preliminary contest, the Junior Bearcats will meet Edmonton Nuts and Bolts in an Edmonton Central League game, 6:30 p.m.

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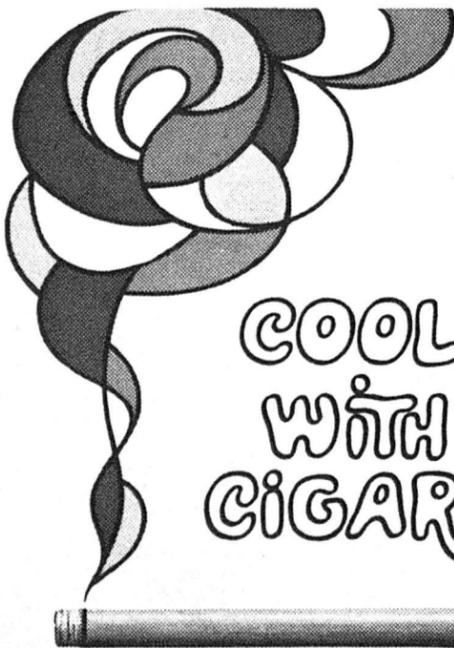


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