

Notebook ● Notebook

by Ajay Bhardwaj

One of the University of Alberta's best kept secrets may be its tennis centre. One reporter called it a 'gem of a venue' a couple of years ago when it played host to the Davis Cup tie between Canada and Ecuador.

Now a student enthusiast has the opportunity to become a member of the Tennis Centre. On Saturday September 23 fifty memberships will be sold to students only.

The memberships allow students to use the facility from October 1 until April 15 and cost \$125 each. "It's one of the best entertainment values in town," says Manager and Head Pro Rob Bell, a graduate of the University of Alberta. "It may be the best tennis value in North America," continued Bell.

The Tennis Centre has nine newly resurfaced courts, including four indoor. Besides the Tennis Centre, the only other venues in the city which offer indoor tennis are the Royal Glenora, located in the river

valley and the Kinsmen sports centre.

The fifty student memberships will bring to 125 the number of students who are members. If you are interested in becoming a member get to the Tennis Centre early because memberships go on sale at 8 a.m. and they will sell briskly.

Access to the Tennis Centre is made easy by buses, which run by the courts. The Tennis Centre is located on 51 avenue and 121 street.

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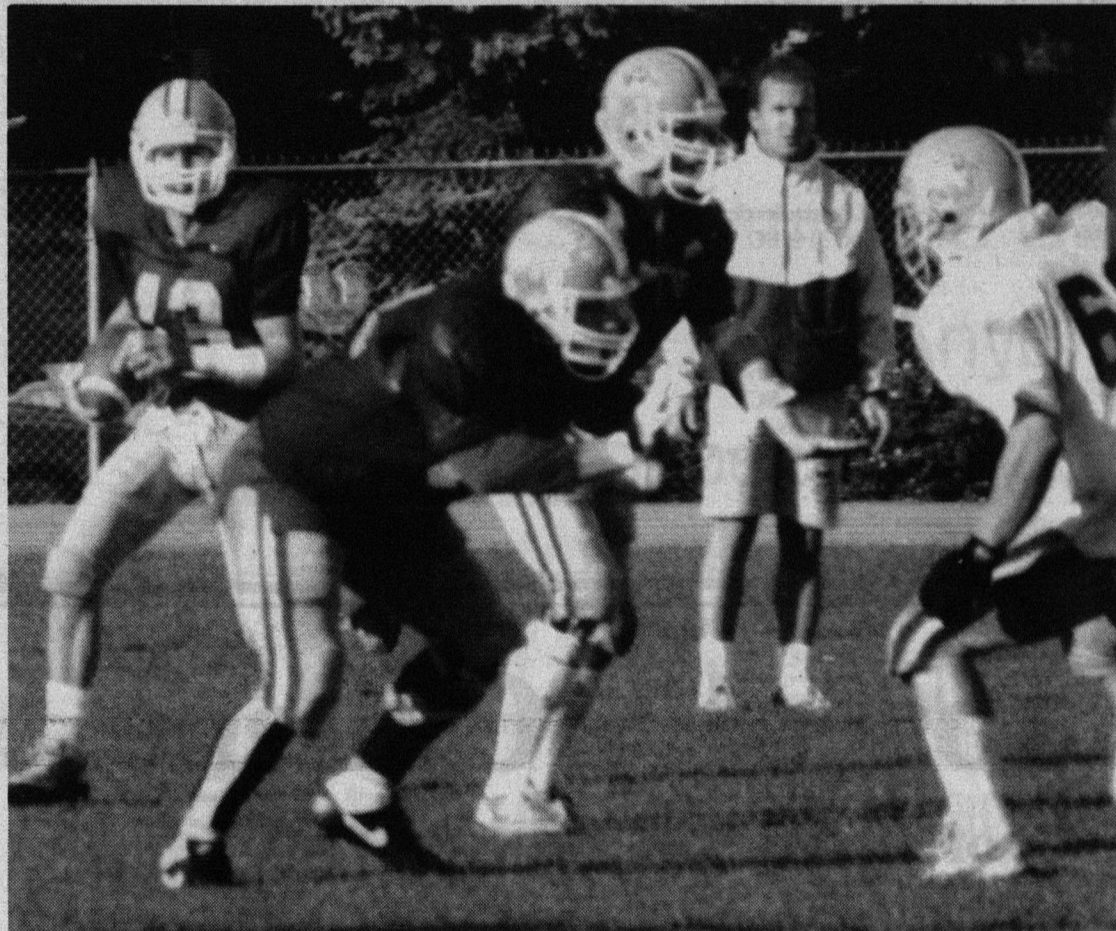
The Golden Bear basketball team opens camp on Monday, September 11. "We'll be much stronger than we were last year," said Head Coach Don Horwood. "Everyone's really improved, we're capable of winning every game," he said, somewhat optimistically.

The Bears only lost one player from last year's squad, Scott Mc-

Intyre. But they'll get Rick Stanley back for the whole year. "We need Rick's rebounding and clutch scoring," said Horwood.

This looks like it could be forward Brian Halsie's big year, too. According to team sources, he's ready to explode. Moreover, the other teams in Canada West have been weakened by graduation.

The basketball team is also looking for a manager. The individual should enjoy sports, especially basketball and travelling. As team manager one will travel a great deal. For further information call Don Horwood at 492-1036 or apply in person to Horwood at room 320s in the Butterdome.



Colin Northcott

Student body right

Bear defensive back and return specialist Trent Brown eyes his blocking in a scrimmage on Tuesday. U of A will need a good special teams effort to beat Manitoba on Sunday at Varsity Stadium.

Bisons rumble into Varsity

by Ajay Bhardwaj

The football Bears' home-opener is this weekend against the University of Manitoba Bisons. Jim Donlevy's squad enters the game having dropped an 18-9 decision to the UBC Thunderbirds on August 29. The Bisons are 0-2, losing to Calgary 22-10 in the opener and 29-3 to Saskatchewan.

They've got a whirling, dervish defence," said Donlevy. "Their best player is linebacker John Yule. He makes about 80% of their tackles."

If the Bears are to be successful their offence has to play better than it did against UBC when they had only 197 total yards of offence. "We didn't execute," said quarterback Aaron Smith, who is on the shelf for the year with a separated shoulder.

"We have a great defence, the key for us is to keep drives going so

they can stay healthy," said Smith.

The Bears want to pass the ball on the physical Manitoba defence. "The passing game's going to have to be tuned up," said Donlevy.

Steinberg and the Bears only passed for 112 yards in UBC.

Defensively, the Bears need to play as well as they did against UBC. "If we play as well as we did against UBC we'll win," said defensive coordinator Dave Morris.

The defence will face Manitoba's backup quarterback, Chad McKay. Starting quarterback Mike O'Donnell broke his leg against Calgary. "(McKay) is not as good a runner as (O'Donnell)," said Morris. Last week McKay tossed four interceptions against Saskatchewan.

McKay's accuracy, or lack of it, may play right into the Bear defence's hands. "We haven't had a

pass completed over the top on us," said Morris. "Everything's been in front of our corners." If things appear easy for the Bears they aren't. McKay led the Bisons to a win last year.

Moreover, the Bears have a few injuries to contend with. Defensive back Dwight Kosolofski is out with a tender ankle and safety Terry Korte is recovering from a sore ankle. Darryl Draudson will take Kosolofski's spot.

Offensively, Kent Kern will start in the backfield along with Kris Morteinson. Slotback Steve Camp will start, despite sitting out practice last week.

Morris summed up the game in a few words. "If you don't come with your chin straps done up they'll kick your butt," he said.

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