"This team was much more worried last year than we are right

-- Bears' Bill Ansell on this year's

"If I were them I wouldn't take us too lightly. They're only human.' -- NAIT's Darren Schmidt with some final off-ice words for Alberta.

"We won't be taking them lightly, that's for sure." -- Bears' Dennis Cranston.

"If we come out flat we'll get walked on. It's as simple as that. -- NAIT's Scott Melnyk on the emotional level on which NAIT must

"We're going to be so loose...

the 'Big Green Tidal Wave' is going to roll over NAIT on Sunday. -- Bears' Bill Ansell.

"It's been on our minds ever since the posters went up, or after they beat us 13-3 (in exhibition play in October). Whatever came first. -- NAIT's Darren Schmidt on whether or not the rookies were as pumped up as the vets.

year. If the UofA wins, then they will be the better team. If we win, they'll have to call us the better

-- NAIT's John Walker on postgame

"It is sort of a no-win situation for us. We beat them 13-3 (back in October) and the media doesn't

words

"When you are out there you know that you're representing lots of great hockey players that wore the green and gold."

-- Retired Bear Perry Zapernick on Bears' tradition.

give a damn. But if they beat us by one goal, everyone will start questioning coach Drake and our program and everything. -- Bears' Jeff Helland.

"We've got nothing to lose, everything to gain." -Darren Schmidt on NAIT's underdog status.

"Nobody reads that we were waiting a week and a half for the Bears while they were playing their toughest hockey of the year at the nationals. That's a great compliment to the character of that team." --Bears' Sid Cranston on the '85

"There can be no excuses this Golden Bears that he faced as a member of NAIT.

> "Losers buy the beer!" -ex-Sherwood Park Crusader John Walker to former teammates turned Golden Bears Howie Draper, Al Tarasuk, D.J. Havrelock,

and Darren Turner.

"I didn't realize how many people were at that game until I looked up and they were doing the wave. Then I thought 'Holy ----, are there ever a lot of people here'.

--Retired Bear Perry Zapernick on last year's crowd.

"I could barely concentrate on playing hockey last year. I've never played in front of that kind of a

-- NAIT's Scott Melnyk on how nervous some players may be.

"We're talking 15,000 here. You don't get a crowd like that too often around here.

--Bears' Stacey Wakabayashi on the betting line. expected crowd.

"That's the part you try not to think about."

-- NAIT's John Walker on the expected crowd.

"I've been wanting to get at those guys ever since last year. -- NAIT goaltender Kevin Stapleton on whether or not the game has been on his mind of late.

"Oh yeah, it's gonna be a hard hitting game. You're guaranteed of

-- Bears' Jack Patrick.

"We'll show. You can bet on

-- NAIT's Ron Amyotte on whether his club is ready.

"We have to be one goal favo---Bears' coach Clare Drake on the betting line.

"They'd have to be favoured by more than a goal." -- NAIT's coach Perry Pearn on the

"Bears by two goals." -- Bears' Dennis Cranston and Jeff Helland on the betting line.

Into the taper season

On Saturday of last weekend, the swim teams traveled to Calgary to compete with the Dinosaurs. However, both U of A teams lost. The Bears were drubbed 67 to 15 by the Dinos and the Pandas fought to a 53 to 41 finish behind the Dinnies.

The goal of this meet was for the team to drop their times significantly and, hopefully, qualify for CIAU championships, as this was the last major meet before the CWUAA conference championships. The team met the challenge and some even surpassed their

Tiffany Watson is only .6 sec away from qualifying for CIAU's in the 50m free and 1.49 sec. in the 100m free. Dina Skinder is only .8 sec. away from qualifying in the 200m free and 1.39 sec in the 100m free. Stephanie Lake is only .01 sec. away from qualifying in the 200m I.M. and 1.7 sec. away in the 200m back. Finally, Elaine LaBuke is only 1.09 sec. away in the 100m free.

It may seem presumptuous to speak of what might happen. However, because the girls have achieved these times at this point in the season, their chances for qualifying for CIAU championships at Laval University are excellent, barring any unforeseen events such as

The teams are just now entering into the final phase of the season

called the taper. The taper allows the swimmers to maintain their level of physical fitness, which by this time of the season is excellent, while at the same time resting their bodies and improving their stroke techniques and race strategies. The combination of these four factors in the taper will provide a significant drop in times for major meets. In this case it is the CWUAA conference championships or CIAU national championships, if the swimmer has already qualified.

If Watson, Skinder and Lake qualify, there will be six of the eleven Pandas qualifying for CIAU's. Those who have already qualified are Elaine LeBuke, Colleen Delaney, and Mary Jo Clark. But this is not to discount the rest of the Pandas as the remaining five also are close to qualifying.

For the Bears, the meet also accomplished a great deal. All of the men reduced, or at least equalled their seasonal best times. Notable performances were turned in by Todd Isaac in the 200m 1.M., placing 3rd, and in the 200m breastroke, placing 2nd only .7 sec away from the winner. Larry Schulhauser placed 2nd in both the 200m fly and 200m back. Todd Jones placed 2nd in the 400m free, Mike Perchinsky placed third in the 50m free, and Mark Bottrill 3rd in the 100m free. Another achievement for the Bears was that all four of the men who

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CWUAA SCORING LEADERS

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R. Nasheim Regina 16 Alberta 19 C. Dill K. Petrash Man. 13 20 20 G. Koebel Alberta 20 D. Cranston Alberta 20 21 R. Lindquist Bran. 30 29 H. Mahood Man. 20 20 A. Knoll Sask.

competed in the 100m free swam under 1:00.0. They were Mark Bottrill, Todd Jones, Jim Fish and Mike

In the Pool — On February 8 the swim teams will be hosting the Golden Bear Sprint Meet in the west pool. . . On the weekend of February 14-16 the Bears and Pandas will be hosting the SWUAA Swimming and Diving Championships. Competing in this meet will be UBC, UVic, U of C, U of Manitoba, and the U of A. Heats will be during the day and finals following

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	C. Dill	19	17	16	33				
	G. Koebel	20	9	23	32				
	D. Cranston	20	10	21	31				
	E. Thurston	20	10	16	26				
	D. Otto	17	- 6	16	22				
	C. Brandoline	20	6	15	21				
	S. Wakabayashi	12	12	7	19				
	A. Tarasuk	14	12	5	17				
	S. Cranston	9	8	9	17				
	S. Clouston	20	9	7	16				
	B. Ansell	14	8	8	16				
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	B. Walter	12	3	9	12				
	J. Helland	16	3	8	11				
	S. Cousins	19	3	8	11				
	J. Fenton	13	2	9	11				
	C. Chisholm	17	1	9	10				
	D. Leclair	13	4	3	7				
	H. Draper	18	2	4	6				
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	DJ. Havrelock	4	0	1					
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Canada West Hockey

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Alberta	20	18	2	132	70	56
Man.	20	13	7	111	88	26
Calgary	20	13	7	109	- 92	26
Sask.	20	12	8	99	78	24
Brandon	20	. 9	11	113	120	18
UBC	20	7	13	77	107	14
Regina	20	4	16	86	115	8
Leth.	20	4	16	66	123	8

Scoreboard Friday, January 24 Rgina 2 at Alberta 5 Saskatchewan 5 at Calgary 8 UBC 5 at Brandon 11 Lethbridge 1 at Manitoba 7

Saturday, January 25 Regina 1 Alberta 7 Saskatchewan 2 Calgary 5 UBC 4 Brandon 3 Lethbridge 4 Manitoba 7 **Upcoming Games** Friday, January 31

Calgary at Alberta Regina at Saskatchewan Manitoba at Brandon Saturday, February 1

Calgary at Alberta Saskatchewan at Regina Manitoba at Brandon **UBC** at Lethbridge

Sunday, February 2 **UBC** at Lethbridge

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