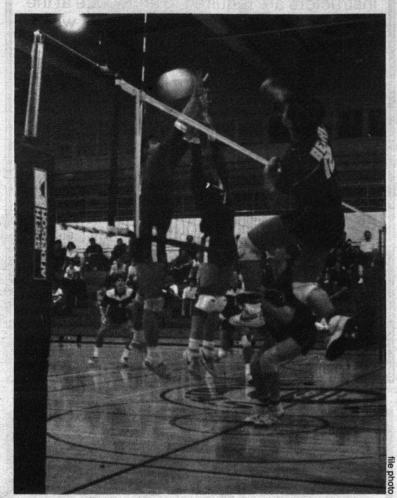
V-Ball Bears to serve up new season



Steve Kentel (right) slams one for the Bears

by Alan Small

Like the Bears' basketball team, Pierre Baudin's volleyball charges have already sorted out his team for the 1987-88 season.

The Bears go on a trip to the Tri-U in Calgary and Lethbridge.

The Bears will be going with a big, young team this year, especially after the loss of fifth year men Dean Weller and Jim Schubert. Last year, the Bears went 6 - 9 in conference play, even though their lineup was small by university standards.

"This year, we could put on a whole court of players six-footfour or bigger," coach Baudin said, "next year we could be gigantic."

The Bears have four new players coming on the squad this year. Paul Rains (6'4") comes over from the track and field squad where he was tossing the discus.



Baudin has also three new kids from high school coming in. Todd Sommerfield, from Harry Ainlay, is 6'4" and was a member of the national juvenile squad this summer. Also, from Salisbury High, John Palace and Dean Kakoschke, who is 6'6" will be newcomers. Baudin is very high on both of them

"Palace has a great attitude," Baudin said, "and Kakoschke has international potential." The only thing Baudin worries about the new kids is that university volleyball is a big step after high school. Helping out with that big step will be the veterans. Setter Troy Lorenson and hitter/serving specialist John Mackinnon are both returning for their final year of eligibility.

After the Tri-U tournament this weekend, the Bears have a long layoff until they play the UCLA Bruins in Varsity Gym on October 22. The Bruins are perennial powerhouses in NCAA volleyball, and are the reigning NCAA volleyball champs.

Bear volleyball

Both were very steady members of the club last year. Bryan Schaefer, a second year player will also return, and Baudin has big plans for him.

"He's hitting the ball so hard right now. He's going to be in the starting hitter position," Baudin

Ben Spiller, who led Canada West in stuff blocks last year, also returns, as well as Steve Kentel. Spiller will occupy the middle while Kentel will be repositioned so that Baudin can use more of his creative skills as a hitter and passer.

Another player switching positions is third-year man Doug Anton, who will, besides being a lefty hitter, be the back-up setter. With his size (6'5"), Anton, is quite a versatile player.

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Now, for the long term success of pro football, the owners must tackle the problem by blocking the free agency blitz and by slowing down the salary run up the middle. So who will win, and when? Well, it depends entirely on how stubborn each side remains. The best quote of the strike so far comes from an NFL assistant coach on Tuesday: "Imagine the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. coming to an agreement on nuclear arms reduction, and we can't even settle a football strike." Hurry up guys. I'm scared to bet on scab games.

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