

Bears domesticate Huskies

by Ernie Lotz

The Bears basketball team had a fine weekend of shooting against the University of Saskatchewan Huskies.

Friday night saw the Bears come away with victory but not any overconfidence. They played at their own level and not Saskatchewan's, who are presently in last place. This is something which is not easily done: however the Bears, who have played together for quite a while, still seem to be improving and will, as coach Heaney stated, continue to improve.

With 7 minutes left in the game, the Bears had a commanding lead of 71 - 51. The Huskies shifted into high gear and because of turnovers and hot shooting the Huskies managed to get back into the game. The Bears perhaps slacked off a bit and thought they had already won. Brent Patterson stated that he was not worried about losing at any point in the game, not even at the end when

Saskatchewan pulled within 3 points. The final score was 79 - 76.

Top scorers for the Bears were Jeff Gourley with 19, Brent Patterson with 12, and Jim Bonin and Tim Ryan with 10 points each. The Bears shot an impressive 56% from the floor which is considered good. Jeff Gourley, having an excellent night, shot 57%, Tim Ryan also played well, shooting 75%.

Saturday night was much the same story with the Bears dominating throughout to win 79 - 58. The Bears again shot very well at 58%. Jeff Gourley, for the second night had a field day, shooting 55% to pick up 16 points. Tom Groat who played below par the first night made up by scoring 17 points. Jim Bonin, as usual, was up in double figures with 13 points.

Perhaps one of the surprises was Jamie Thomas scoring only 14 points on the weekend. However, Thomas didn't shoot much because the other players played so well. Jamie has a knack

for coming up big in the tougher games like those against Calgary and Victoria.

Coach Heaney said, "the team played excellently". He feels that they "have got it together." Heaney especially praised the teams' shooting percentage. As seen thus far, the Bears have probably the best outside shooting team in the conference, with shooters like Patterson, Thomas, Bonin, and Gourley.

Having four good shooters is a great advantage, because if one has an off night the other three will fill in. It is very difficult for the opposition to control all three or four shooters.

The Bears travel to British Columbia to match up against the UBC Thunderbirds this weekend. They have already beaten UBC twice at home but it will be much tougher in Vancouver. However, if the Bears shoot as well as they have been, they shouldn't have too many problems. We wish them "good luck".

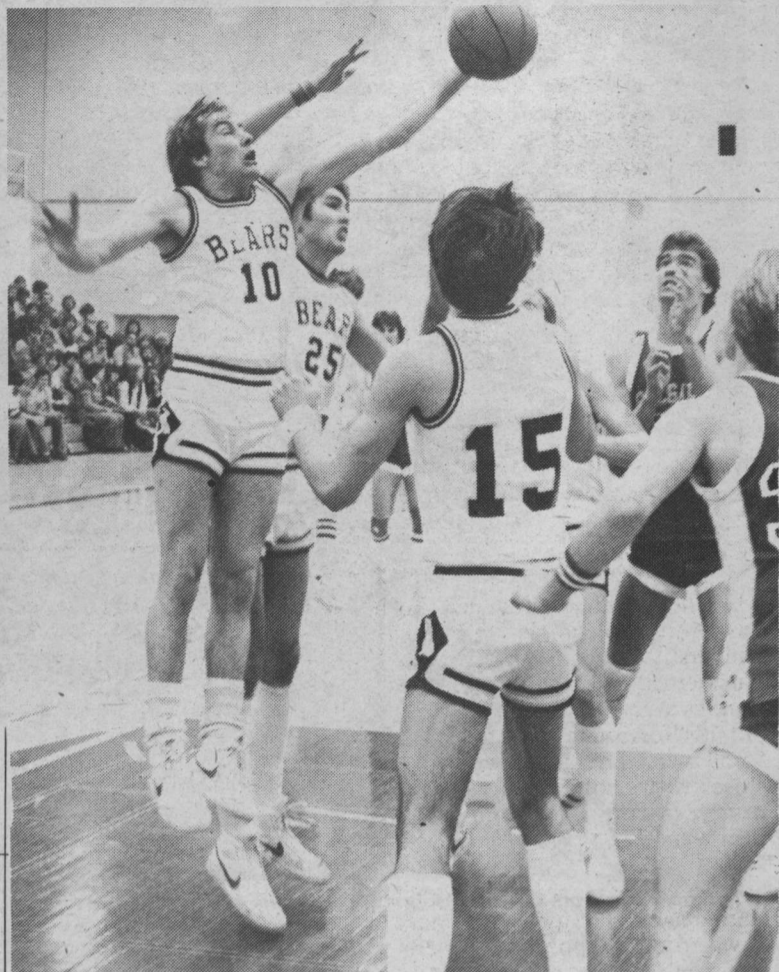


photo Brian Keith

When life gets tough, close your eyes.

Epidemic will strike



photo Tim Starke

Slalom men braved ice for intramural meet.
by Garnet DuGray

Attention all co-rec participants! Be on the lookout for the dreaded co-rec volleyball disease. The symptoms are easily observable by bumps on the arms and volleys on the fingers. For fast relief of the disease, please sign up at the Co-Rec office with a team for the co-rec volleyball league by one p.m. on Friday, February 20. This league will run from March 3 - 20 and further details can be obtained from the co-rec office.

This semester's edition of the co-rec badminton was a huge success with a non-competitive hour of fun on January 30 followed by a modified double-knockout tournament on February 6. First place overall went to the team of Danielle Dalton and Ian Totman followed closely by Donna and Leigh Morris (second) and Bill McCaffrey and Janice Turner (third).

Coming up in the Men's department is the final sign-up deadline of the year for the Men's Table Tennis tournament. Deadline for entries is Tuesday,

February 19 at the Men's office by one p.m. and the tourney (the type of which will be determined by the number of entries) will run Tuesday, Thursday, March 4 and 6 with additional dates March 11, 12, 13, if necessary.

Turning to hockey, it seems that there is an alarming increase of GOON tactics being employed in the program. The problem has come to a point where one particular student has written a letter to the intramural department that he will no longer participate in the hockey program due to the unnecessary rough play in past games. It may be time for all participating teams to start thinking about why they are out there to play hockey and to forget the roughhouse nonsense.

The Men's Curling Bonspiel wrapped up on the weekend with the Brise (Wrecking Crew) rink taking top honors in the 'A' event followed by Curan (Education) and Barnard (M.B.A.). In the 'B' event first place went to the Moss rink (Law) followed by Posnikoff (Pharmacy) and Heisler (Medicine) while in the

'C' event the Daniel rink (Elec. Engr.) captured first place followed by Hargreaves (Law) and Skrepnyk (Dentistry).

The Arts indoor soccer team captured the crown by going undefeated in which they soundly defeated the Lonestars who had earlier defeated the Wrecking Crew.

In the Slalom Skiing only the advanced results were available at this time as Greg Mandryk (Mineral Engr.) took first place honors with a time of 49.79 for two runs with Alan Deane (Dentistry) finishing second and Matt Woofter (Shooters) coming in third spot.

The Women's squash tournament held on January 30 and February 6 was won by Drew Marshall (Phys. Ed. Grad) while Ananea Smith (Science) finished a strong second. Also the Women's Bowling tourney was highlighted by the consistency of two Why Veez competitors, Lori Moffat and Anne Kozak who were both around the 200 point range throughout the tournament. Congratulations ladies.

Busy, busy, busy

by Pam Spencer

It's a wonder that the hockey Pandas were able to keep their heads up last week as they managed a schedule matching the professional hockey timetable. Within five days, the Pandas played against 4 teams: Bon Accord (Wed.), Gee Bees (Fri.), Capilano (Sat.), and Ardrossan (Sun). The results were deceiving.

In spite of the pandas losing the four games, they are, in general, pleased with their performance. Improvement was evident as the team exerted pressure on the opposing teams, displaying heads-up hockey along with accurate passing, and consistent back checking. Lacking, unfortunately, were the winning goals.

Beginning with Bon Accord, the Pandas were down 4 to 1 part way through the game. With increasing energy and both teams short 2 players, Panda's Joanne Ripley potted two breakaways to tie up the score. The game took a twisted turn when the Pandas found themselves short two players. With 150 seconds remaining, Bon Accord found the marker ending the game 5 - 4. Penny Nemeth and Carolyn Heslop also contributed to the Panda goals.

Friday night, the Gee Bees had a hard time walking away with a 5 - 2 victory. Scrambling in front of the Gee Bee net, Panda Shelley Noton finally slipped the puck in behind the goalie. Joanne Hutsul also potted a hard earned point. Over-all the green and gold played an outstanding game, outshooting the Gee Bees and maintaining strong control.

A repeat performance was exhibited on Saturday night against Capilano. Panda goalie, Leanne Ekholm made some excellent saves while lone scorer, Norma Mack netted a high goal against Capilano. The game ended 3 - 1 for Capilano.

Finally, the Pandas strength began to diminish in their final league game of the season against Ardrossan, last Sunday. Shelley Noton opened up the scoring for the Pandas but shortly afterwards, and a few costly defensive mistakes later, Ardrossan stole the lead and won 4 - 2. Joanne Hutsul assisted Penny Nemeth's strong shot, resulting in the Pandas second goal.

The Pandas are looking forward to a tournament hosted by the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon on the February 29th weekend. Other western universities will be present to challenge the Pandas, who are last year's champions.



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Panda's Ekholm covers up.