

# Weekend split for Bears

by **Bernie Poitras**  
**Calgary 3 - Bears 2 (Friday)**  
**Bears 5 - Calgary 1 (Saturday)**

It has often been said that statistics are for losers; they really don't mean too much. But it has also been proven that statistics don't lie and that's why you just have to wonder what horrors the Calgary Dinosaurs could have expected as they prepared to play the Hockey Bears this past weekend.

You see, the Dinosaurs do not have the best of luck when they face off against their provincial rivals. In fact, over the last 16 regular season games, the Dinosaurs have won only three times.

Owing to the fact that the Dinosaurs have not won at Varsity Arena since Feb. 12, 1983, they pulled off somewhat of an upset by beating the Bears 3-2 on Friday night. This mark of distinction lasted less than 24 hours, however, as the Bears bounced back for a convincing 5-1 win on Saturday.

In the Friday game, the Bears were given fits all night as they simply did not have the scoring touch around Calgary's net. Oh sure, the chances to score were there; 46 chances to be exact. And most of them looked to be sure goals, provided of course, the opposing goalie did not come up with the game of his life. Unfortunately for the Bears, though, Calgary net-minder Mark Frank played extremely well - well enough to earn the game's first star.

A missed open net here, a deflection off the cross bar there, and a few glove saves in between and the Bears suddenly found

themselves playing catch-up hockey. They pressed late in the game, firing 18 shots at Frank in the third period alone; and they finally managed to get two goals past him, but it was not enough.

While Calgary did not exactly look like Team Perfect, head Coach George Kingston wasn't about to give back the two points, even though his club was outshot 46-21.

Saturday, it was a different story. The Bears were able to solve the goaltending riddle of Frank and proceeded to get five goals on 36 shots.

Bears' left winger Craig Dill singlehandedly made life miserable for Frank as he figured on all of the Bears goals. He picked up two goals and three assists. After not having logged much ice time last year, Dill has been the most pleasant surprise for the Bears this season. A player not known to "beat his own drum," Dill would like to be recognized more for his eight assists, than his four goals. "It (the scoring) has come back and I'm getting a lot of assists this year as well," he said. "I like to think of myself as more of a playmaker than a scorer, passing the puck off to my linemates (Breen Neeser and Joey Engert)."

While Bears head coach Clare Drake was no doubt happy with Dill's performance, he believed a more physical approach to Saturday's game by his team was another reason for the win.

"We played with more intensity tonight; we were more into the physical part of the game," he explained. "Last night, they did a good job of plugging up the

defense, but tonight we were better around the net, creating traffic."

As it turned out, that was the only way the Bears were able to get anything past Frank; three of the first four goals were a direct result of rebounds or tipped shots from the point.

With the series split, the Bears improved their record to 4-2, while the Dinosaurs came out of the weekend at 3-4. Ironically, the Dinos have now won as many games as they did all of last season. This is indicative of just how much closer the Canada West Conference has come to achieving parity. With Saskatchewan's two victories over Lethbridge this weekend, three teams - the Bears, Saskatchewan, and UBC - are now tied for top spot. Each has a 4-2 record.

*First in five years*

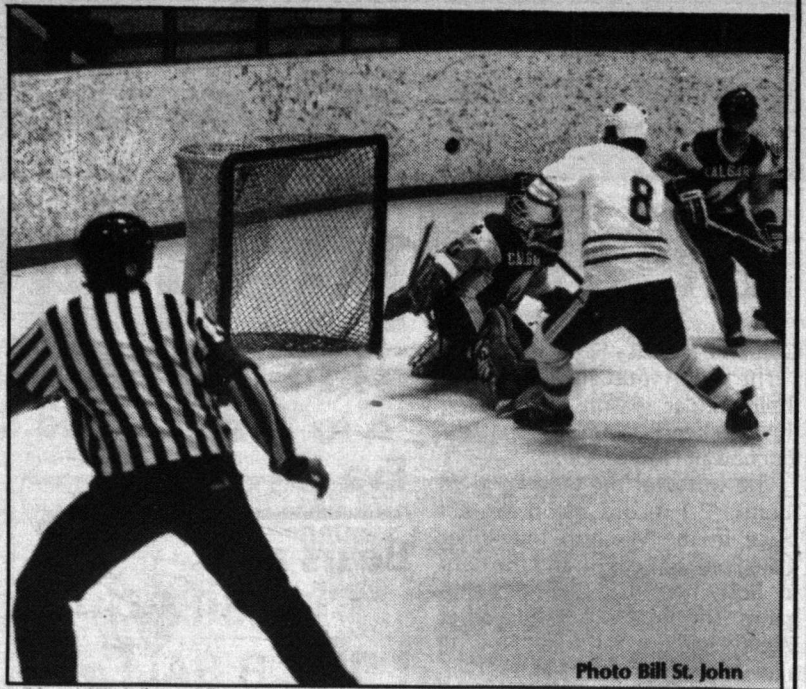


Photo Bill St. John

Dino Goalie Mark Frank duels an opportunistic Joey Engert

# Classic win for Bears

by **Kevin Kaardal**

"It was a long time in coming," said Bears basketball coach Don Horwood as his team won the Regina Cougar Classic this past weekend. It was their first tournament championship since 1978.

In Friday's opener, high scoring performances by Mike Kornak (22 points) and Chris Toutant (19 points) helped the Bears defeat the host team - the University of Regina Cougars.

Strong rebounding by Gord

Klootwyk and a potent fast break were too much for the Cougars as the Bears rolled to their most convincing victory this season (94-67).

The Bears captured the title by defeating the University of Lethbridge Pronghorns 80-75 in the championship game. The Bears led throughout the game thanks in part to Mike Suderman's 25-point performance. Toutant and Mark Baker added 15 and 13 points respectively in the winning effort.

"The win against Lethbridge is

indicative of the level of ball we are capable of playing," beamed Horwood. "Their team has the same line-up this year that finished third in the country last year, and they are expected to be ranked highly. This victory shows that we can win against some of the best teams in the country."

For their strong performances, Kornak and Toutant were named First Team All-Stars in the tournament. Kornak and Suderman received individual game MVP's.

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