

SPORTS

Bears Are Generous Give Up Hockey Title

For over 40 years now U of A students have taken time off from skipping classes, drinking, making love, shooting the breeze, and yes, studying; to chase a little rubber disc in a chilly arena for the everlasting glory of the Green and Gold.

With considerable success too!

From the early twenties when Dr. Hardy (now Head of the Classics Department) coached the Golden Bears the Golden Ones has had a disturbing habit of winning consistently. They were so effective in the 15 years preceding 1950 that league officials retired the Halpenny Trophy in our permanent possession.

PERENNIAL WINNERS

Since that time the Bears have won the Hardy Cup emblematic of WCIAA hockey supremacy and donated by the aforementioned Dr. Hardy nine times and the Hamber Trophy (presented to the winner of an annual two game series with the UBC Thunderbirds) 12 times.

In past year, hockey names familiar to all who now follow Central Alberta Hockey league action appear in the Golden Bear line-up. (e.g., Vic Dzurko, Dick Dunnigan, Doug Messier, Al Laplante, Austin Smith, Bobby Cox, Jim Jones; to name but a few.) Players of this calibre gave Alberta a traditional invincibility.

This year, just to be different, the Golden Bears plan to claim neither the Hamber Trophy or Hardy Cup. This act of generosity and good sportsmanship shouldn't be expected to be an annual affair though. Already plans are being drawn for another 15 span of invincibility!

BEARS ALTRUISTIC

Of course, if you talk to Bear coach Clare Drake he will tell you, with his characteristic modesty, that this latest act of altruism was not exactly voluntary. He will probably mention, once again with complete modesty, something about a rather powerful UBC Thunderbird team and a strong U of S. Husky aggregation.

Do Not Heed His Modest Words! The Golden Bears are

much too well-mannered to glom onto a trophy forever and ever. I mean, have you ever heard of a "greedy" Bear?!

Fans will be given a chance to see for themselves the Bears' unselfish nature this Friday and Saturday as the Bears host the U of S Huskies. Modest Clare Drake's puck chasers will be after second place and will be going all out to muzzle the "Sled Dogs." After all, these are limits even to altruism.

For those of you who are planning to take in either or both games as little reminder: that big-hearted, unselfish, altruistic, generous, and benevolent hockey team mentioned above will be dressed in Gold uniforms both games in case there's any confusion. The fellows in ragged, green and white uniforms should be the big, bad, and downright mean Huskies!

INTERVARSITY HOCKEY ACTION AT U OF A. UBC Thunderbird goalie foils Bear forward Duane Lundgren in game Feb. 8. Bears host the U of S Huskies in a series which should decide second place this weekend. Games start at 8:00 p.m. Friday and 2:30 p.m. Saturday.



SPORTING LIFE

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rocks at each other; fencing, for people who have noses like Cyrano de Bergerac; tennis, for racquetters; golf, for people who can't find anything better to swear at than a little white, defenseless ball; skiing, for those who can't think of a better way to break a leg; and volleyball, for those who can't play rugger, basketball, hockey, or football; don't swim, curl, ski, or "fence"; won't wrestle (in public) or run up hills; and who've never heard of badminton, tennis, or golf.

Who said university was dull?!

Bear Swimmers Host Finals

"Water, water, everywhere; not a drop to drink."—the Ancient Mariner, possibly? I guess not: the U of A Swimming team is bathing in it as usual. Chlorine isn't conducive to quenching one's thirst anyway. (Ed. Note: Not unless it's mixed properly—say with gin!)

Ever since anyone (on the Gateway) can remember U of A has had a swimming team. In bygone days the team had to use the facilities of the city's school pools for practices but this inconvenience didn't seem to dampen their competitive spirit.

With the coming of coach Murray Smith for years ago, and with the opening of the wonderful Winslow and Christian Hamilton Memorial Pool (whew!) in PEB in 1960, however, Bear swimmers were destined for greater things.

The ability of coach Smith and the convenience of the PEB pool were to be keys to swimming success at U of A.

SUCCESS SWEET

Success was sweet in 1961 as the Bears took the WCIAA crown before a home crowd. Bears ran up a total of 137 to UBC Thunderbirds 100 points. The U of S Huskies placed a dismal third, but this is understandable—they rarely can collect enough water on the Saskatchewan prairie to keep the crops growing, never mind filling a "cement pool" to borrow a phrase from the Beverly Hillbillies.

Revenge was sweeter last year for the T'Bird splashers as they

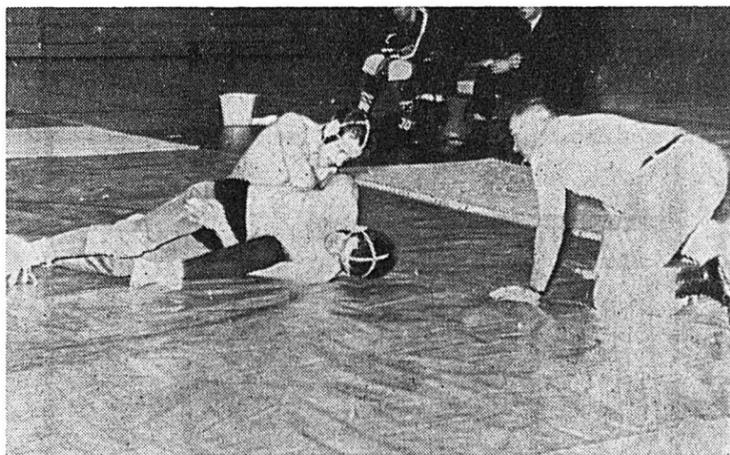
gained a one-point (131-130) victory over the Bears in the WCIAA competition at Vancouver. As usual Saskatchewan finished up the pool. But after all, it was probably the first time some of those U of S swimmers had seen water in greater quantities than a glassful!

This year the WCIAA finals are scheduled for the PEB pool Friday and Saturday of Varsity Guest Weekend. (They might of held them in Saskatoon but, take it from the swimmers, it's might tiring doing the 200 yard breaststroke in a bathtub—good times, mind you!)

Murray Smith's bobbing Bears are out to regain the title they relinquished last year. Tunabout is fair play, so a one point victory seems logical. T'Birds, naturally, are the intended victors.

HUSKY DROUGHT

The U of S Huskies are still in the middle of their indeterminate drought and should present no problem. Manitoba Bisons are an unknown quantity, but seeing as they have to cross the "dry" Saskatchewan prairie enroute to the finals they will probably drink the water rather than swim in it!



INTERVARSITY WRESTLING

'Mural Sports Designed For Everyone

In order to give all students a chance to participate in athletic activity the University Athletic Board organized the Intramural Athletic Program. Supervised by the Intramural Administrative Board this program attempts to give all male students on campus, regardless of skill, an opportunity to take part in various types of athletics.

A similar program organized and supervised by the Women's Athletic Association tries to meet the athletic needs of female students.

The slogan of the Men's Intramural Program is "Sports for All—playing instead of watching." Some of the essential objectives of the program are:

- the achievement of the physical development of the body by participation in a variety of sports and other recreational activities.
- developing a wholesome attitude toward physical activity.
- developing a fondness for certain activities which will carry over into adult life.
- fostering such desirable traits as fair play, respect of others, honesty, and good sportsmanship.
- establishing wholesome friendly relations among the opposing teams and officials.

The student body competes intramurally according to units, e.g.,

faculty, fraternity, residence, or club. To participate a student contacts his unit manager, usually appointed by particular unit, and then turns out on designated dates. There are twenty-five units competing this year.

Points are awarded in two ways; for participating and for rankings in the respective competitions. The unit with the highest total of points at the end of the season wins the University Athletic Board Trophy. Men's Residences won the trophy last year.

At present Phi Delta Theta fraternity leads this years race with 875½ points, followed by Physical Education with 794½, Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity with 680, and Men's Residences with 570½. Law trails with -20 points! (Five points are deducted for defaulting any activity.)

Activities include golf, tennis, squash, handball, flag football,

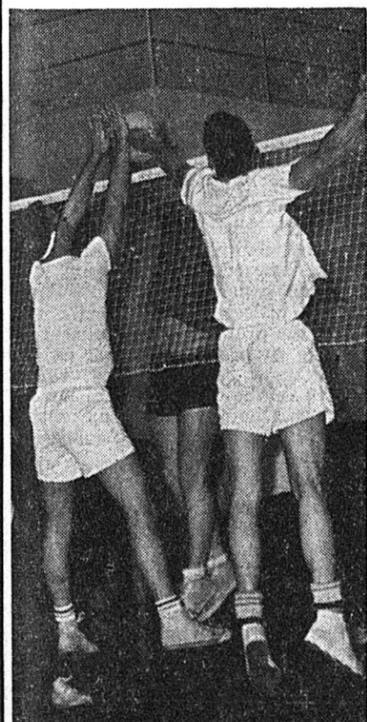
archery, cycle drag, cross country, volleyball, hockey, swimming, water polo, basketball, wrestling, badminton, and skating races.

For full time women students, WAA offers a wide variety of activities. The intramural program is designed for those girls interested in learning to play an athletic game or who wish to improve their skill in the game.

Basically the same type of organization exists as in the men's program. The program includes activities in the gymnasium, pool, and arena.

As well, two activity nights are held to introduce the students to the activities available and to other women students on campus.

Ed. Phys. Ed. presently leads the unit standings.



'MURAL VOLLEYBALL



WAA BROOMBALL