



Pandas no longer undefeated

by Darrell Semenuk
The U of A Pandas have one less thing to worry about when they take on co-league Victoria Vikettes (6-0) Friday and Saturday evenings at Varsity Gym.

The added pressure of being undefeated was taken from the backs of the players when they saw their streak of 17 consecutive wins stopped abruptly by Regina, 51-49. They then experienced their first losing streak when they were dumped by Manitoba 53-47. That short losing sting of two games was halted with a 66-62 overtime win over the same Regina squad.

Their showing couldn't be too much of a surprise considering they hadn't been practising over the holidays.

Coach Debbie Shogan confirms what their identical 6-0 record with Victoria suggests about the upcoming games. "I think it'll be close... It depends on how well we get back the things we've lost over the Xmas break."

That could be the telling factor in the battle for first place come this weekend. The Pandas may end up paying the price for the good life over the holidays if

they fail to regain the form that led them to 17 consecutive wins, including a league game average of 65.5 points a game.

Karen Johnson's status for the weekend series is up in the air and it probably won't be known until Friday if the knee injury she picked up in the Saskatchewan tournament will keep her out of the lineup.

Both games begin at 6:30 p.m.

MEN'S Entry Deadlines

Cross Country Skiing
1 p.m., Tues., Jan. 13
3 on 3 Basketball
1 p.m., Tues., Jan. 13
Badminton
1 p.m., Tues., Jan. 13
Bowling
1 p.m., Tues., Jan. 20

Cross-Country Skiing

Kinsmen Park is the location for the annual X-C Ski Race on Saturday, January 17 at 2 p.m. The course, 1 mile long, starts at the hockey rink. The scenic tour will end at the same spot. Participants must supply their own equipment including

B'ball Bears try to be best

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Even Coach Barry Mitchelson agrees that its going to take an herculean effort for his Golden Bears to make the playoffs in the Canada West University Athletic Association.

Only the first two teams in the six team league will advance to post season play, and with Bears record of 2-4 they have a lot of space to make up between themselves and front running Victoria and Calgary. The Vikings are leading the league with a 6-0 record followed by the Dinos 5-1 mark. With 14 games remaining in the schedule its not inappropriate to classify every game as an important one.

Last year Bears finished with a 13-7 record but still failed to qualify for post season play. UBC was awarded the final playoff spot over Calgary and Edmonton because of their better record against the two teams. All three teams had

identical 13-7 records.

The Bears at the same juncture in the schedule last year had a 3-3 log and came on to win their next 10 while losing only 4. Undoubtedly the addition of Wally Tollestrup for the last 8 games had something to do with their resurgence.

There won't be any saviour for the Bears this time, although the club could try to possibly strengthen their lineup by inserting 6'6" Mark Jorgenson, another body mysteriously imported from Calgary.

Jorgenson will practice for the rest of the season with the Bears, who are one under the league limit of 12 on their roster due to the retirement of Randy Meyer over a month ago. Coach Mitchelson however thinks it wouldn't be in the best interests of the player to use up one year of eligibility for half a year's play.

Mitchelson is very aware of

the significance of the weekend's play. "These are the most important games this year. It's going to be very difficult for us to make the playoffs if we don't sweep Victoria."

Bears can take heart in the fact that they've been playing their best basketball of the year during the Xmas break. They finished second to Waterloo in the Klondike Classic, after shocking them earlier with a 86-82 upset.

Bears didn't stop there they came back to finish third in the Calgary Classic, knocking off No. 4 ranked Acadia in the process. Those were the same Acadia Axemen who earlier dropped the Calgary Dinos out in the Golden Boy tournament in Winnipeg.

If Bears come up empty this weekend it could be a long and disappointing season. Game time for the Friday and Saturday night encounters is 8:30 p.m.

Intramurals

waxes. Each participant must be registered by 1 p.m. Tues., Jan. 13 at the Intramural office, Rm. 124, P.E. Building. Pre-race registration is also mandatory on Race Day. The registration must be completed by 1:30 p.m. at the hockey locker room in Kinsmen Park.

3 on 3 Basketball

The 3 on 3 Basketball tournament begins on Monday, January 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the Main Gym. The two week tournament will be played Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Each team is guaranteed two games and will normally play two games per evening. The games, played on half-court are fifteen minutes straight time. For further information contact your unit manager.

Badminton

For all you bird lovers the badminton tournament begins on Tuesday, January 20 and will run to February 12. Games will be played on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. in the Education Gym. Birds and racquets will be supplied.

The tournament, both singles and doubles, has three

experience categories: power, intermediate and beginner. Thus anyone can enter.

Entries must be made in person at the Intramural Office before 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 13.

WOMEN'S

Badminton Singles

January 6 - January 15, Tuesday and Thursday nights, West Gym. Come at 7 p.m. or at 8:30 p.m. Equipment and instruction provided. Everyone welcome.

Curling

Saturday, January 10 and Saturday January 17. Come at 10:00 a.m. or 12 noon. SUB Rink. Free except for minimum broom rental. Everyone welcome.

Yoga

Monday, January 12, 7 p.m., West Gym. Instruction. Everyone welcome.

Novelty Swim Meet

Wednesday, January 14,

6:30 p.m., West Pool. Novelty races and novelty diving. Everyone welcome.

3 on 3 Basketball

January 19 - February 9, Monday, Tuesday or Thursday 7 p.m. - 10 p.m. Sign up at the Women's Intramural Office Monday to Friday 12 - 1 or call 432-3565. Deadline for entries is January 12.

1 p.m. Friday is the entry deadline for Co-Rec Inertub Waterpolo. Entry sheets are available from the Men's Intramural Office.

The minimum number of players per team entry is 7, women, 3 men. Tournaments are held each Wednesday night from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Only teams will play each week in round robin tournament. Games will be played in the West Gym.

Curling battle begins

Forty-six rinks will begin the battle to represent the U of A in the Canada West championships when the Golden Bear Bonspiel gets underway January 16 in SUB.

Starting times for each rink are as follows:

Friday, Jan. 16, 5:00 p.m.

Dave Dunkin, Steward Gilroy, Brian Knoll, Lance Clark, Randy Pewarchuk, Lowell Peterman, Gerald Pilger, Sam Ross, Murray Dorin, Cliff Moroziuk, Jim Irving, Greg Krischke.

Friday, Jan. 16, 8 p.m.

Greg Ogrodnick, Doran Johnson, Jim Walsh, John Haylock, Murray Engleking, Brian Rawlings, Max Hall, Schubert Kwan, Rod McFadyen, Jack Brown, Bill Bragg, Dave Stevenson.

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Sat., Jan 17, 8 a.m.

John Strand, Allan Diemer, Neal Connell, Randy Michetto, Hugh Tambllyn, Gary Straschock, Dave Hill, Brian Zerb, Ken Hargreaves, Keith Daily, Ted Poplawski, Ken Misik.

Sat., Jan 17, 2 p.m.

Kevan King, Larry Kirkpatrick, Duncan Fraser, Alexander Strembitsky, Richard Ireland, Russ Dahms, Zen Chaba, Mark McIlveen, Pat Barry, Garry Kitz.



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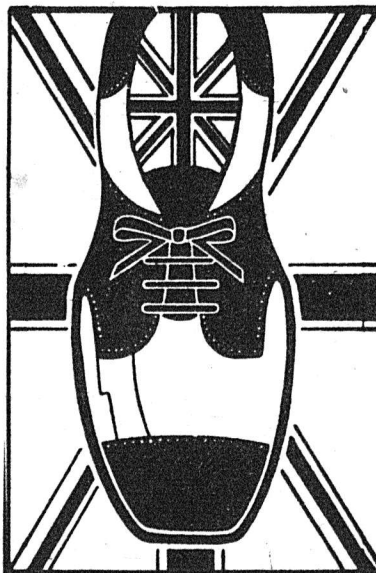
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