

SPORTS

Hoopsters bounce back, down Birds twice

Defence was the name of the game this weekend as University of Alberta Golden Bears basketball squad swept two games from University of British Columbia Thunderbirds.

"It's been a long time since British Columbia have scored only 101 points in two games," said Bear coach Bob Bain. "In the past, they have scored that many in one game." The defending national champion's offence off balance.

"We used a match-up defence. Instead of covering the two corners, we shifted our men so that Stan Callegari was always covered."

Callegari was held to only 32 points for the two games.

The victories evened the Golden Bears' won-lost record at 2-2 and dropped Thunderbirds to 3-3.

The scores were almost identical, 61-50 and 63-51, but each game was won in a different fashion.

Saturday night, the two teams were within a few points of each other throughout the game, until Bears pumped in 11 points in the last minute of play to sink Thunderbirds. Forward Bain McMillan was a key performer, coming off the bench at the six minute mark of the final period

to score a couple of important baskets and to intercept errant Thunderbird passes twice. "McMillan came off the bench and turned the game around," noted Bain. "He put some fire into the position, since Wally Tollestrup was a little tired."

Mike Frisby, the Bears' leading scorer with 24 points, was deadly accurate from the free throw line, hitting on 10 of 11 attempts. Frisby displayed a peculiar habit of bouncing the ball six or seven times before he was finally ready to shoot.

"It's just a matter of timing and concentration," Frisby commented after the game. "I bounce it until I think I'm ready. I didn't realize I did it that often." Frisby also hauled in 16 rebounds.

Tom Solyom contributed 13 points to Bears' cause, while Steve Panteluk, who was particularly adept at clearing Bears' backboard, grabbed 11 rebounds.

Friday night, Bears carried a 12-point lead into the second half and were never seriously threatened by Thunderbirds. Frisby and Solyom paced Bears with 16 points apiece, while Panteluk tallied 11. Callegari was the top scorer in the game, collecting 20 points. bt

Cals take volleyball tourney

The University of Alberta was abuzz with the excitement and enthusiasm of friend and foe alike as the U of A Invitational Volleyball Tournament and the Golden Bear Swimming Relays were hosted last Saturday.

The Calgary Cals swept first place in the Women's A Schedule of the Volleyball Tournament with 12 consecutive wins and no losses beating out the University of Saskatchewan and Edmonton Phoenix with scores of 15-7 and 15-8, respectively. Mount Royal College Kittens were taken 15-2 and 15-10 while the U of A Pandas were stunned 15-5 and 15-2. The only close scores for the Cals were 16-14 and 15-10 over the University of Calgary. However, many of the Cal players are former U of Calgary team members.

Although Pandas were 6 and 4 for second spot, Coach Sue Neill was rather pleased with their overall performance. Only losing out one game each to Phoenix and the U of S Huskiettes 8-15 and 7-15, both games to the Calgary Cals, they showed very decisive wins over Mount Royal by identical scores of 15-3 and over the U of Calgary 15-6, 15-9 while creeping by Phoenix 15-13 and handling the Huskiettes 15-8.

Despite the fact that Pandas lost out to the Calgary Cals 15-7 in both games of the finals, they performed well. Some very good blocking was provided by Susie Seaborn and Lindy Van Alstine, the Captain of the team. Seaborn showed marked improvement in setting which is not her particular area of play.

The Women's B Schedule took place in the West Gym with ten competing teams participating. The Medicine Hat Jades demolished the morale of its competitors with eight straight wins to advance to the semi-finals against the University

of Lethbridge, taking them 15-5 and 15-12. The U of Calgary team were humiliated in both games of the finals, 15-1 by the Jades and A were pitted against one another. U of A Cubs placed third in Section A.

In Golden Bear Relays, U of A (Men and Women) racked up second spot with total points of 86, while first place was secured by Jasper Place with 110 points. More coverage of the Individual placings in Thursday's edition. bb



An unsuccessful spike. . . .

Oil Kings not so slick against collegiates...

It was an exhibition game, all right.

But the two teams were worlds apart in what they came to exhibit.

Bears, who hadn't been playing outstanding hockey to this point, finally put it all together Friday night. For the first time this year, they proved themselves deserving of the "Golden" in their name. They shone. They glowed. They humiliated Edmonton Oil Kings 10-1.

"I think motivation has a lot to do with it," commented Mike Snider who has been benched for the past few weeks with a knee injury. "Oil Kings are commonly regarded as the best team in the city, and we just wanted to show people that we're as good as they are. Maybe better."

Oil Kings, meanwhile, were busy demonstrating to some 3,000 pro-Bear fans just how bad hockey can get.

Part of the blame can

probably be laid at the feet of referee Eric Patterson. He got off to a bad start, handing Oil Kings three penalties in the first four minutes of play. Superstar Darcy Rota got the nod first, followed by Keith Mackie. Rota returned to the ice for fifteen seconds then Patterson sent him back into the box for elbowing.

Dave Couves dumped in the first Alberta goal while Kings were two men short. Less than a minute later, Steve McNight followed his lead on a pass from Ross Barros.

Then Marcel St. Arnaud picked up a holding penalty and Rota netted the only Oil King goal on the power play.

Bears continued to play sensational hockey for the rest of the night. Their skating couldn't be faulted. Passes were connecting so well you'd almost swear they had magnets built into their stick blades. The defence was solid with Brian Middleton and Paul St. Cyr giving their best performances to date.

By the end of the first period, it was 5-1 as Bruce Crawford, Gerry Hornby and Rick Peterson tallied three more markers for the Bears.

Not content to sit back and relax, Clarence Wanchulak scored again a minute and 38 seconds into the second period.

Oliver Morris made it 7-1 two minutes later, and the Oil Kings were out for blood.

Attention switched from ice level to the Kings' bench as several players attempted to restrain coach Brian Shaw from climbing into the crowd after an antagonistic fan. Terry McDonald rushed to his mentor's aid, making repeated attempts to stab the offender with his stick. No one collected penalties on that.

Both teams changed goalies at the halfway mark. Barry Richardson was replaced by Craig Gunther for Bears while Larry Hendrick took over Doug Soetaert's netminding duties. Both were outstanding as the offence was stepped up by both teams.

However, Kings picked up two more penalties in the final minutes of the period and Alberta capitalized. McNight potted his second of the evening with Kings two men short. Eight seconds later, John Kuzbik slipped the puck behind Hendrick for his first Golden Bear goal.

In the third period, a livid Brian Shaw put Soetaert back in

net and ordered his players to "get out there and use your sticks!"

And use their sticks they did. And their elbows and their fists. There was no time for hockey, although the period lasted just under an hour and a half.

It started with dual penalties at 40 seconds. Bears were benched for having too many men on the ice while Harold Snepsts went to the box for slashing.

Then Middleton got the nod for holding. A minute later, Dave George took Couves down behind the Oil Kings net and they both got five-minute majors for fighting. On the way to the box, Shaw apparently yelled something at George, for he turned around and rushed at McNight, pulling McNight's sweater completely off him before he quite knew what had happened. George had a two-minute minor added to his sins, and McNight got a roughing penalty.

Kings picked up three more minors in the next four minutes.

At 14:47, Hornby scored the tenth goal and absolute pandemonium broke out. Kings' Larry Pashok paused to punch a fan. Two minutes later he threw his stick into the crowd (they threw it back), obtained a new one and attempted to spear spectators. The Oil King bench emptied.

Minutes later, a fight broke out between Kuzbik and Jim Stewart. When Soetaert threw off his gloves and mask to join the fracas, there was doubt that the game would be finished. To top it off, some idiot pulled the fire alarm.

When players and equipment were sorted out, five, Middleton, St. Arnaud, Innes Mackie, Dave Inkpen and Soetaert had received game misconducts. Stewart and Kuzbik were given minors for fighting, although they never served them.

There was a ten-minute pause as Kings' goalie Hendrick went to the dressing room to put his equipment back on. Both teams returned to the ice to play out an extremely quiet final three minutes.

At the end of the game, only McDonald and Wayne Perkins remained on the ice to shake hands with the Bears.

For the statistic collectors, Bears outshot Oil Kings 54-18 and took 13 of the 31 penalties. Gerry LeGrandeur was high point man with four assists while Hornby and McNight got two goals and an assist each. ac

...but Teddy Bears return Sunday

Sunday night the Teddy Bears we are all coming to know so well were back in action in Varsity Arena.

Stumbling over each other, retiring into corners for tea parties and bobbling weak passes into enemy territory, they handed UBC Thunderbirds an easy 7-2 victory.

Oh, yes, there were bright spots for Clare Drake's hockey squad. Dave Couves is probably the most consistent player he has. Bruce Crawford gets better every time he touches his skates to ice. Paul St. Cyr is looking much more confident than he did two weeks ago. And Craig Gunther is turning into one hell of a fine goaltender.

Barry Richardson was definitely having a bad night. Receiving negligible aid from his defence, he allowed three unanswered goals in the first period.

Bill Ennos netted the first one from a scramble in front of the Alberta net. Craig Thomas slapped a beauty into the upper left corner, and Bob Murray sank his own rebound off Richardson's pads.

Bill Cartwright made it 4-0 for the Birds at :15 of the middle period.

Things looked almost hopeful for Alberta as Rick Wyrozub landed a pass from St. Cyr seconds later, but, alas, Bears

seemed satisfied with their brief showing and retired till the end of the period.

When Brian DeBisio tucked in UBC's fifth goal, Richardson left the ice to be replaced by Craig Gunther.

Len Brulotte for Alberta picked up the game's first penalty at 16:50. There were a total of four penalties handed out, three of them in the final period.

Couves scored for Bears with less than three minutes left in the period as he tipped in a slap shot from Bob Beaulieu at the point.

Meanwhile, back in Alberta's end, Chuck Carignan got past Gunther with a short handed goal. Four minutes later, Thomas flipped his second over Gunther's pads to end the game at 7-2.

Bears outshot UBC 39-27, but remarkable goaltending from Fred Masuch was a vital factor in keeping Alberta's score down.

"It's very puzzling," commented coach Drake after the game. "This is the worst we've played all year. I'm very disappointed, especially after the way we played Friday."

"Some of the players seem apathetic. We shouldn't lose games just because some people don't feel like playing on a particular night. I think there will be some changes made." ac