

Bears, Pandas swim in Puget Sound

by Carolyn Aney

The U of A swim teams travelled to Washington on the weekend to compete in the Huskie relays and in a dual meet against the University of Puget Sound.

At the Huskie Relay Meet the men did very well placing second behind the University of Washington. The women did not fare so well as they came last of the six teams. The men won the 4X200 yd freestyle relay, and the 4X100 yd freestyle relay.

The women placed 2nd in the 4X100 yd individual medley relay.

At the University of Puget Sound some excellent swimmers were turned in. Most notable was Donna McGinnis who set three new meet records in the 200m free (2:11.98), 200m fly (2:20.94) and the 400m free

(4:32.77). Keltie Byrne also won all three of her events. She took the 200m breast (2:42.08) 200m back (2:28.10) and the 200 I.M. (2:24.70). Other placings for the Pandas were Karen Asmundsen, 2nd in the 50m free (29.17) and 3rd in the 100m free (1:06.56). Janet Evans came 3rd in the 400m free (4:53.32).

On the men's side Scott Flowers set a new meet record in the 800m free with 8:19.08. Flowers also won the 200m fly (2:08.36). Regan Williams won both the 200m free (1:57.89) and the 400m free (4:38.92). Scott Lebuske took the 200m I.M. (2:09.04) and the 200m breast (2:29.20). Finally Dave Goodkey won the 100m free style (53.71) and placed second in the 50m free (24.85).

The overall standings saw the Bears beat Puget Sound 53 to 42 and the Pandas losing 56 to 38.

It was a good preparation meet for the swimmers as they prepare for the Standard Life Colleges Cup which will be held this Saturday, November 14, in the west pool from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and in the evening from 6:00 to 8:30. The top six swimming universities in Canada will be attending.

Grappling with new season

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Head coach of the Bears wrestling team, Mike Payette, has his work cut out for him this season.

The team has not gained any rookies this year and there are a couple of wrestlers who have injuries, most notably Tony Bacon who has just come off of knee surgery. So the short term goal is to build a healthy team and then develop it into a quality squad for Canada West. Payette is projecting a second place finish for the U of A in the west. "Calgary has a formidable team this year" according to Payette.

A second area that Payette must now concern himself with which has not been a responsibility in the past is funding. Due to budget constraints the athletic department has had to make a decision not to fund the team so that this year and in future years the wrestling team

must provide their own funding. There are several options open to the team. Payette says, "It just adds a new dimension to my coaching responsibilities." He is also quick to point out that other teams at the university are in the same situation.

Over the weekend the Bears were wrestling in a large tournament of 16 universities at Calgary. For some of the wrestlers it was their first university match of the season and it was definitely an eyeopening experience. It was a tough meet.

"There is lots of material for future instruction," said Payette.

In the meet, Glen "The Animal" Allen placed best earning a 2nd in the 56 kg weight class. The two other placings were turned in in the 67 kg weight class with Shaun Holmstrom (U of A Club member) capturing 3rd and Brent Murray taking 4th.

1987-88 is the 76th year that the U

of A wrestling team has been in existence and they have had a winning tradition. However Payette is terming this year as a rebuilding year. However, a rebuilding year is not such a bad thing if a second place in Canada West is projected.

Payette is hoping to see some good individual performances this year. John McMullen, bronze medalist in CIAU's last year, "Animal" Allen and Tony Bacon, assuming he comes away from surgery in good condition, will all have an excellent shot at earning a medal in the national this year.

This Friday at 7:00 in the Wrestling Gym the Bears will be holding a dual meet against the Calgary Dinosaurs. On Saturday at 10:00 in the Wrestling Gym there will be a small tournament between the U of A, U of C, Regina and the Salisbury Wrestling Club.

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Centre is hoping as they are starting to take out their summer equipment and bring in the winter goods. The centre is renting out equipment such as cross-country and telemarking skies, snowshoes, tents and other winter items as well as co-ordinating some courses available to both students and the general public.

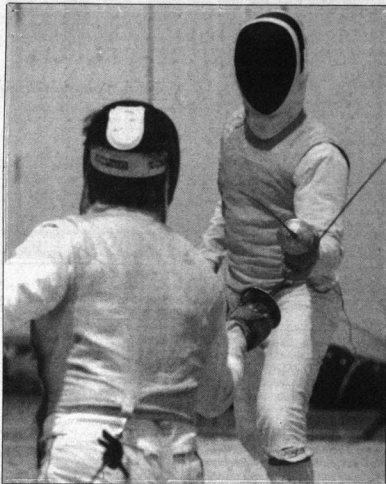
Students of the U of A receive 10% off rental equipment, and if you take an outdoor program through the centre, a 25% discount can be had.

Some of the courses they are offering this winter are instruction for cross-country skiing, telemarking, ice climbing, and avalanche courses, an important skill to know when in the mountains.

"Many of the ski clubs are now insisting that members take an introductory avalanche course before they go to the mountains," said Neil Hartling of the Campus Outdoor Centre.

The centre is also sponsoring Wednesday evening presentations throughout the winter, starting on Wednesday with Bill Mason, an outdoor film maker, and canoeist, who will talk about some past experiences behind the scenes in the outdoors.

The presentation takes place in Room E120 at 7 p.m. in the Van Vliet Centre. Admission is \$3.



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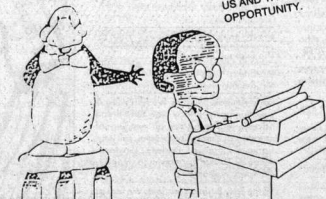


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