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Fencing Club Gaining Attention Of Campus

By Rick Assinger

The University of Alberta fencing club is rapidly becoming a lively attraction on campus.

The club presently has over 40 members. Mrs. Juliet Sutton is president, Bernard Steinraths secretary, Joe O'Rourke equipment manager and Sonja Fluet treasurer.

The club meets Wednesdays in the Physical Education Building dance room. It has grown considerably and, in the course of three years, has triumphed in several meets with its ardent members.

Since 1962, U of A fencing teams have won the womens' advanced event in the WCIAA fencing tournament. In the

combined event, they have either won or tied in the past two years.

Individually at these tournaments, Mrs. Sutton won the womens' individual title in 1963 and placed second in 1964. Currently, Sonja Fluet of U of A holds the championship. Manfred Hausman won the mens' individual crown in 1963 and placed third in 1964.

Mrs. Sutton holds two championships. She is the Western Canadian womens' fencing champion as well as the Alberta womens' champion. In 1964, she was among seven finalists in the Olympic trials. Two years ago she placed second in the Dominion championships.

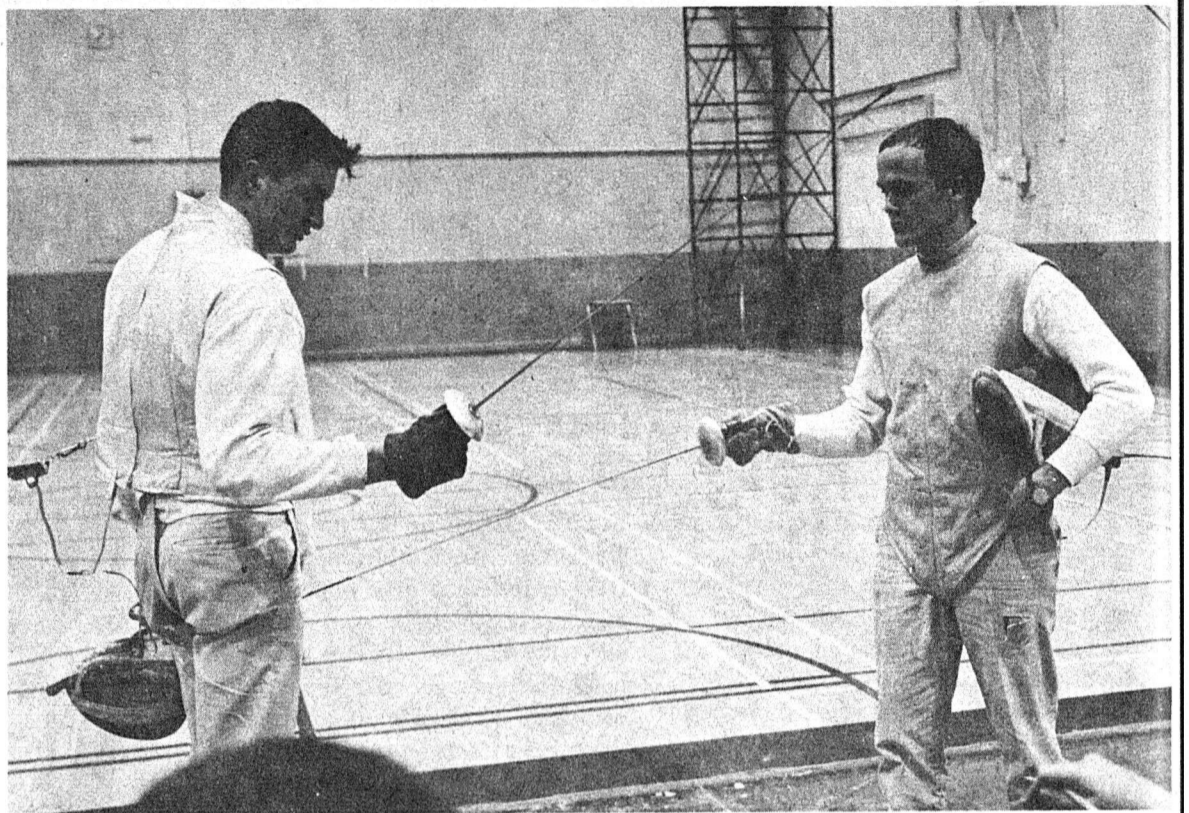
Fran Wetterberg, coach of the U of A club has been affiliated with the club for a number of years. He was second in the Alberta mens' championship in 1964. Presently, he is also president of the Edmonton Fencing Club.

On Dec. 19 and 20, the U of A will be represented at the Maple Creek Open Fencing Tournament. Teams will come from Saskatchewan and Alberta.

With regard to intervarsity fencing, Mrs. Sutton said, "At the moment, there is no Canadian University Fencing Tournament, but there certainly ought to be. We hope that the WCIAA Tournament may be used in the future as a qualifying competition for a Dominion university event."

As to the sport of fencing, she said "Fencing is a particularly appropriate sport for universities in that it has not only tradition behind it, but also it exercises the mind just as much as it exercises the body."

The U of A club has arranged for a series of tournaments with the UAC Fencing Club. This is a new idea for promotion of fencing in Alberta universities. The first such tournament is on Jan. 31.



FOILED... ELECTRICALLY!—Art Wood (left) and Joe O'Rourke test their electric foils before a bout at the university fencing tournament Saturday.

Intramural Scoreboard

By Larry Duignan

Basketball

With the intramural basketball season at the half-way mark, five of the starting 60 teams remain unbeaten and untied. It is also significant to mention here that six teams have defaulted out of their league. Leading in this category is Education with both their "C" and "E" teams out of it, and Commerce, which has lost both of its two teams entered. Phi Delta Theta "B" and Delta Upsilon "C" round off the black list.

Of the two teams in the first division that are undefeated Delta Upsilon "A", the league "A" forerunner, has the better record (6-0). The latest triumph came at the expense of Delta Kappa Epsilon "A", as Bob Ruff with his twelve points led them to a 41-35 victory. Medicine "A" kept only one game off the pace by trouncing LDS "A" 40-24.

The only other undefeated team in this the strongest division is Arts and Science "A", which downed Psychology "A" 36-28 and took over sole possession of first place in league C.

The leaders of league "B" are St. Joe's "A" and Lambda Chi "A", each sport 5-1 records. In the past week LCA won by default over Dentistry and St. Joe's erased Agriculture 25-16.

The Phi Deltas and St. John's each have 4-1 records at the mid-season mark. Terry Bastian's 24 points gave the Phi Delta Theta boys a 67-17 walk away over Pharmacy "A". Ernie Serediak dumped in 26 points as St. John's laced Theta Chi 57-11.

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Division I

John Riddle a grad student and graduate of Kansas State University, led Arts and Science "A" to sole possession of first place in league C and preserved their unbeaten string of five games by netting 16 big ones in their crucial match against Psych "A" who were previously undefeated also.

Division II

Lorne Sawula banged in 25 points in leading his Physical Education "C" mates to a 62-27 drubbing of Residence Upper "C" in a Dec. 10 League "G" game.

Hockey

Agriculture "A" on the strength of last week's 7-2 triumph over the Dutch Club now possess the best record in the first division (3-0). Led by Jerry Bolstad and Wayne Arison with two goals apiece the Aggies now hold a full game over Phys Ed "A" who have only played one game in league A.

Phi Delta Theta "A" displayed their might in a 7-4 subjugation of St. Joe's "A". Rick Simonton got a goal and an assist in helping them to their (2-0) record.

In league C Lambda Chi Alpha won the most important game of the week over Kappa Sigma "A" 6-0. The game was scoreless until the last fifteen seconds of the second period and from then on it was a matter of the well conditioned team outplaying a poorly conditioned team. Gerry Powlik slammed two goals past the opposition in the last period.

In League D of the first division Law now possesses a 2-0-1 record thanks to a 4-0 victory over St. John's "A". Dan Thachuk led the lawyers with one goal and an assist.

In league E Commerce "A" broke St. Steven's back 16-0 as Ron Tillapaugh thundered in five goals and Peter McEwen connected twice and was awarded three assists. However the Zetes still lead the league with a 2-0 record.

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Division I

Gerry Powlik—in a game they had to win, Lambda Chi relied heavily upon his services as a defenceman and captain. Powlik scored once and set up another goal on some hard skating and brilliant stick handling.

Division II

Don Riva—a first year Engineer student, as opposed to Powlik being a fourth year Education major, made his presence known as St. Joe's whipped Agriculture "B" 9-3.

Co-Ed Corner

Pandas Beat Lethbridge

By Mary Shearer

The U of A Women's Basketball team appears to like a challenge. They played in the Lethbridge Senior Women's Invitational Tournament last week and emerged the champions only after two very close games.

The Pandas won their first game against the Lethbridge senior women with a 55-25 margin.

On Saturday the tale was different. In the morning they barely edged the Edmonton Jasperettes 56-55. The win advanced them to the finals against the Saskatchewan Huskiettes, defending tournament champions and WCIAA champions.

At half-time the Pandas held a comfortable lead over the Huskiettes, but in the last ten minutes the Saskatchewan team closed the gap to one point. With only 20 seconds left in the game, Anne Davues of the Huskiettes fouled Hilda Schweitzer. Hilda scored on her free shot and on her bonus, giving the Pandas a three point lead and the game with a 49-46 score.

Arlene Warne, a rookie on the team, was picked as one of the five all-stars for the tournament. Arlene would never have played so well however, if the team spirit and effort behind her had not been so strong. It didn't seem to matter who coach Anderson substituted into the game. The five girls on the floor still played together as efficiently as a combustion engine.



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Hockey Wars Begin As Bears Go Dinny Hunting

After rather unhappy experiences with exhibition games, the Golden Bear hockey club will try winning the ones that count this weekend.

Bears open the Western Intercollegiate Athletic Association season tonight against the UAC Dinosaurs at Calgary. A second game will also be played in Calgary tomorrow.

The Bears will be taking their regular lineup with them this weekend, with the exception of Les Payne, who fractured an ankle in the team's last game. Coach Clare Drake said that defenceman Gary Link and forward Dave Zarowny would also be travelling with the club.

Drake is not certain what to expect from UAC, for he knows little about them. The only concrete information he has is that the Dinos put up a good fight against the UBC Thunderbirds who are reported to be a real powerhouse this year with five men off last year's Olympic squad.

For any of you who are off in that direction for the holidays, the games are scheduled for 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday in the new Foothills Arena.