

# The Essence of Rugby

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To release the various forms of insanity, individuals have been seen on the playing field engaged in the self-destructive sport called rugby. Accepted world-wide as being therapeutic, rugby has been relegated by this university as being a power-sister sport behind football. Where else can one find individuals of different shape and intellect involved in the physical pursuit of happiness?

Only at the Corona Hotel and on rugby fields.

The nucleus of this year's U of A is centered around last year's returnees. This year's coaching duties have been occasionally handled by Tony Bauer, whenever he is not playing for the Canadian National Rugby Team. However, the majority of the responsibility has fallen upon player-coach Greg Conroy.

The Golden Bears are playing this summer in the Edmonton Second Division League, which contains six other teams. To date they have an impressive 14 wins, and only one loss. This has assured them a first place finish in the city division.

The reason for the Golden Bears' amazing performance has been the dedication of each individual to play as a team. By maintaining a fast, hard-hitting game the Golden Bears have been able to physically punish their



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opposition. Using this type of strategy, they have been able to hold their opponents scoreless a total of six times this season.

With the University of

Calgary dropping out of the Western Intercollegiate Rugby Conference, there will be no Western Intercollegiate tournament. As a result, the Golden

Bears will only have the Alberta Championship to look forward to. It will be played in Calgary at the end of this month.

This Saturday the Bears will

be playing a league game at Ellerslie Rugby Grounds — those interested can catch all the action beginning at 1:30 p.m.

## Tennis

### Anyone ?

After years of kicking around the idea, a tennis club has been officially formed over the summer by some hard working officials who decided this was the year to get it off the ground.

The club has an office on the second floor of SUBRm.276, and they have called a meeting for September 21 in Rm. 270A in SUB.

Their court time is Monday-Friday from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. A tournament is slated for October 15 and 16, which includes a social for members and participants.

The purposes of the club are:

1. To provide a group in which new and older students can meet others wishing to play.
2. To get time allocated in which U of A students can learn or play tennis.
3. To organize tournaments on campus.
4. To improve facilities: i.e. new nets.
5. To help re-organize tennis as a university sport.
6. To provide some basis by which students can get to play yearly (this is a start).

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