

Martin advocates switch to American-style hockey

By RICHARD VIVONE

"American college hockey played under International Rules is a better game for the fans."

Wilf Martin, Bear centre and three year veteran of U.S. college hockey cites the game as "really fast and more wide open than the Canadian game."

Martin says a 'dead' red line is one reason. Teams can pass the puck from their goal line to the opposition's blue line legally.

"As a result, forwards break faster and enemy defencemen have to drop back to cover the men. Then our defencemen can wheel out of end with a minimum of difficulty."

"Forechecking is taboo in the States and puck carriers are not afraid to break out under a full head of steam. When we go in to check a player, we can't hit him, only try to get in his road."

Martin says that this type of checking can throw your game off and the adjustment is not easy. Similarly, upon returning to Canada, he had to readjust and learn to forecheck again.

The international rules permit a faster, cleaner game and fans love this. They should be given this type of game, says Martin.

The key to a faster game is an offensive style of hockey and our rules hinder it.

"Canadian rules necessitate a defensive game, and teams wait for the breaks. In the States, however, they go on the offensive and let the defence take care of itself."

The best defence is a good offense seems to apply.

Martin is majoring in Physical Education and states, "I prefer the American game because it suits my style of play. But hockey is hockey and I'd play anywhere."

Martin attended the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. Word of his hockey prowess reached the hockey brains there and, on passing the College Entrance Exams, was awarded a scholarship.

The scholarship paid for his books, tuition and board plus a good discount in the student cafeteria. Athletes also get discounts from the local retailers.

"The scholarship was worth \$2,000 to me since we had to buy books twice a year and tuition was about \$1,000." Michigan works on the trimester system.

Because he had played junior hockey in Canada after 18, one year was chopped off the scholarship.

This provided Wilf with one year of freshman competition and two seasons on the varsity squad.

Michigan won the NCAA championship in Martin's second year.

"That club could beat the Golden Bears. They had four All-Americans who turned pro later," says the Mallaig native. He forgot to mention he was an honorable mention for All-American that year.

"I enjoyed my stay and feel they gave me a good education."

Americans go out for sports more than Canadians. Those not gifted enough to be athletes become rabid fans.

"They really whoop it up at the games," says Martin, "and it's a great atmosphere to play in."

He admits the Bears were treated royally en route to the twin victories over Manitoba.

Martin feels that Alberta should have a sports promotion program so people in the city and elsewhere are conscious of activities on campus. The arena in Michigan was pretty well packed for hockey and the football team seldom drew less than 25,000. And Ann Arbor has a population of about 75,000.

Universities in small cities such as Ann Arbor enable a community spirit to exist. The transition from small town to city frequently hinders students and Martin thinks this spirit helped him greatly in the American school.

INTERNATIONAL XMAS

In a winter holiday at the Banff School of Fine Arts, 180 Canadian and foreign students will wish each other Merry Christmas.

The eighth Varsity Christian Fellowship Christmas runs from Dec. 21-26 this year.

"Many of the foreign students on Canadian campuses have no place to go for the holidays," said Don Mundy, president of VCF. "At Banff, it's just one big international family."

Students will come to Banff from U of A, NAC, U of S, U of M, UBC, Uvic, and Brandon College. Approximately 30 countries will be represented. Most of the students pay their own way, but there is money available for those who want to go but can't afford it, said Mundy.

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"Christmas comes but once a year,
A time for booze and sex and beer."
B.C.

Above—the motto of many and the theme of this column. This week a look at Christmas sports.

SKIER'S SLOPE

Suppose you are a student and you have a term paper and an exam the first day after Christmas and you're not ready for the term paper and the exam—not ready, oh God not ready—nowhere near ready—no chance—God.

You haven't bought your mother's Christmas present and your girl friend has cut you off. Your fraternity buddy has offered to solve your problem by letting you spend Christmas at his place where you will have a beer before dinner and play checkers a lot. He says his dad has some great ideas about the stock market but he also has a midnight curfew and to top it all off the police nailed you for underage drinking last night and they are going to see your old man.

What do you do?

You have thirty seconds to decide—the answer is easy.

Clearly you must go to Banff.

So everybody else does. — Why shouldn't you?

Just think, you can lose yourself in a Christmas of skiing and girls and mountains and girls and booze and girls and sun and girls and girls . . . great.

But first a list of things to take with you.

● a bottle of wake-up pills. You'll be driving all night and it's more fun if you don't crash.

● a church key for all bottles that are not screw cap.

● a collection of sweatshirts, preferably from ivy-league schools—they make a better impression on the girls.

● a fake identification card—the cops are getting wise.

● a copy of Candy with a fake Winnie the Pooh cover to impress the intellectuals.

● a railroad hat for bar rails.

● a paternity suit protection voucher signed by ten of your friends reading — "We the undersigned swear we had . . . etc."

Don't take your own sleeping bag. If you bring your own you have to stay in it. Other things you shouldn't worry about are skis—nobody skis. Most of the skiers just like the clothes. If you manage to get thrown in jail you can do your term paper. Anyway 30 days means you get out on January 25—and exams are all over.

CONSUMPTION CUP

This is for Christmas endurance, Christmashmanship and combined sports. Sometimes called the "grey cup" for the grey feeling participants experience for a month after the fight for the trophy.

Spin the Drinker, Fool the Fuzz and the perennial favorite Clog the Cans are all part of the trophy dash. Some past winners have come up with original solutions.

Bill Slosky is still remembered for his coup of '61 when the cops nabbed him for feeding liquor to a minor.

"What duh yuh meansh—contributing to juvenile delinquency—the heater is broksh and she ish going frigid. She needsh anti-

freeze," Bill said as he reached for his licence.

Spin the Drinker winner Tom Hoochalack got his bottle screwed in his teeth so tight he didn't get it out until February 15 when some friendly soul knocked it off at the Corona. Tom says his false teeth work just as well.

Clog the Cans winner last year was Barny Barfsalot. Barfsalot flushed himself down the Zeta Psi toilet when he made the supreme sacrifice last New Year's. His family got the matched set of Air Canada luggage anyway.

MISCELLANEOUS

Then there's the home movie racket for people who get the "open me first" boxes. There are thousands of Christmas B-grade spectaculars waiting for the enterprising amateurs.

Beer Blanket Bingo is just crying for a producer with the booze and the time. Just get a few kegs and some good looking friends. Unless you own a rock band you'll have to hire one and then you're ready to shoot.

I forgot about the title song—something like "BETTY LOU'S GOT A NEW CROCK OF BOOZE" would be good. Sing it to the tune of "Betty Lou's Got a New Pair of Shoes" and you're away.

The words are simple:

Betty Lou's got a new crock of

booze,

Betty Lou's got a new crock of

booze,

Betty Lou's got a new crock of

booze,

. . . ad nauseum

It's repetitive but it gets the idea

across—and this isn't an intellectual picture anyway.

Now you wait for the bad guys (the cops) to raid. If you're doing it right it shouldn't take long. Then the epic fight scene, the hero gets the girl in the go-go outfit, your lawyers gets you off, the picture is banned and you get rich. You can put your loan cheques in savings bonds for the rest of your college career and graduate a rich man.

UBC president scores 'wastage'

VANCOUVER (CUP)—Only half of the 25 per cent of high school graduates complete their education at the university level, the president of the University of British Columbia said recently.

Dr. John B. Macdonald, speaking at the northwest regional conference of the National Science Teachers' Association said that more talented students must be encouraged to go to university.

"This is tremendous wastage," he said. Dr. Macdonald put the responsibility on high school teachers to recognize talented students and make sure they are directed toward university.

He also said there should be a greater emphasis placed on science, and suggested Canadian educators might follow the Russian concept of education in which the first ten years of schooling includes five years of physics, six years of math, three year of biology, and four years of chemistry.



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