

## sports

The papers lately have been reporting on the controversy concerning John Baretta and the Edmonton Drillers.

The controversy will of course no longer exist between those two parties because yesterday it was reported that Baretta had been released. Personally I disagree totally with this decision. It appears that the Drillers have found a way to get rid of one of the four goalers they have in camp.

Everyone knows that John Baretta feels that he had been promised the job of number one goalie for the upcoming outdoor season. When the Drillers coach Roger Thompson went over to England and signed those other two goalies (I don't care what their names were) Baretta felt that he had been lied to. He then screamed to the press who dutifully printed it for the masses to read.

Because of the things Baretta said the organization has dumped him. Bad mistake.

The way in which the Drillers have acted can be likened to that of a little boy. It shows that the soccer team has no class. Their reaction appears to have been one of: if you won't play the way we want and be totally servile, then you can't play at all. How far does this organization think it can push people around before the people who play for them begin to think that there is no use in playing anyway?

The first signs of the breaking point have already appeared with the sudden retirement of Ross Ungaro. More players may follow.

I am not saying what John Baretta did was right. By blasting his own team in the papers he has perhaps created some dissention on the team. He should have gone to the management directly. But if what Baretta says is true: if he was promised the outdoor job then the ball club did in fact lie to him. That in itself is pretty bad. How can the Drillers organization expect their players to trust and respect them if the organization lies to them?

But if Baretta should have gone to the management first then the organization should have treated Baretta in the same way. Why didn't the coach and general manager go talk to Baretta after he made the comments that he did?

A player should not have to keep his mouth shut about something which he feels has wronged him. The organization should be able to handle problems internally without resorting to cutting a player just because he says a few not so nice comments.

It would have shown more class if the organization had gone to talk to John Baretta and then announced that he had been traded as per his request, (if that is what Baretta wanted) or that Baretta and the club had resolved their differences. Can it be assumed now that whenever one of the players has anything but sweetness and light to say about the club they will be dropped?

I am all for keeping the internal squabbles out of the papers if at all possible but sometimes these things happen. When they do it is important that the organization rise above the pettiness and conduct themselves in a professional manner. It appears (and I never thought I would say anything like this) that Terry Jones was right. The Drillers are not a professional soccer club but merely trying to masquerade as one. They are doing a very bad job of it.

By dropping John Baretta as they did the Drillers have as good as given an admission of guilt. They did in fact lie to John Baretta and by dropping him and getting rid of him they shut him up. They don't try and compromise or talk, they just drop the first player who speaks out. The strong arm tactics won't work for long. People must be treated as such or they won't perform. The Drillers organization have shown that they don't belong in the world of professional sports. Until they exhibit the qualities befitting a class organization, the players will continue to show a bad product on the field.

Andrew Watts

## Volleyball highlights year

by Garnet DuGray  
And the volleyballs were flying! That's right, as the men's volleyball playoffs wound up in the main gym last Tuesday evening. In Division 1 action, the Shooters "A" squad came up victorious with a convincing 15-9,

15-6 win over Medicine "A", while in Division 2, CSA downed the Korean Student Association in a closer battle by scores of 15-4, 7-15, and 15-10. Lastly, in Division 3 battles, St. Joe's came out on top with a convincing 15-6, 15-9 victory over the Law "D" squad.

Turning to hockey, the Division 2 final ran smoothly last Thursday evening as the 8th Henday gang downed St. Joe's by a score of 6-3. St. Joe's had reached the final earlier by nipping Medicine 5-4, while 8th Henday also reached the final with an identical 5-4 score over 4th Henday. With this the final men's intermural event, table tennis wraps up tonight (Thursday) in the Education gym starting at 7:30 p.m. The first round of action went over well on Tuesday despite the lack of a seventh table originally planned for the tourney.

In women's action, a reminder that the Spring Fun Run will go as scheduled this Saturday, March 27 with registration at the main entrance to the P.E. building starting at noon. The race (2.5 or 5 km.) starts at one p.m. and requires a one dollar entry fee for prizes to the winners. Remember, this is your last chance for participation points, girls.

Last, but certainly not least is the Campus Recreation Awards Social for all intermurals, sports clubs and non-credit instruction people to be held on Thursday, April 1 in Dinwoodie lounge at SUB. Tickets are now on sale at either the men's co-rec or women's office during office hours until Wednesday, March 31. The gala event is scheduled to start off at 7 p.m. with awards going out to all winners and workers starting at 7:30 p.m. Pick up your tickets for you and your friends before it is too late.

### Media ballot box

Throughout this year I have attacked the *Edmonton Journal*, the *Edmonton Sun*, and the various radio and TV stations. The prime reason for this attack is the coverage they give to the sporting facilities in this city. I refer, specifically of course, to the Oilers and Eskimos and even more to his Highness, the one and only Mr. Waynederful. I have never asked, however, anyone else of how they feel about the sports coverage in this city. Well, I am now asking this question to which you can answer either yes or no: Do you feel that the sports coverage in this city (particularly that of Terry Jones and everyone's attention of The Great One) has been biased unnecessarily, poor in its scope and arrogant in its attitude?

Yes.....  
No.....

Return your ballots to the Gateway att. Andrew Watts in Rm. 282

## Sports Quiz



The Thursday sports quiz this week will switch its attention back to statistics. This does not mean that we will want to know who scored what in what game with who playing and when was it. But we must continue to keep our knowledge up to date. It was difficult to decide whether to make this quiz on hockey or baseball. But the playoffs are more important than spring training, so hockey it is. Give yourself one point for every correct answer, answers are on this page.

1. What NHL team has won the most Stanley Cups?
2. Who holds the record for most points in playoffs?
3. What was the longest playoff game ever? (i.e. what teams were playing).
4. Who was the first expansion team to win the Stanley Cup?
5. Who was the first expansion team to gain a Stanley Cup final berth?
6. Who coached the above team?
7. In 1971 Montreal and Chicago met in the Cup final. A young goalie was credited with the upset victory. Who was he?
8. How many Stanley Cups has Scotty Bowman won?
9. When the Leafs finish this season they will be out of the playoffs for the first time in how many years?
10. Have Edmonton ever missed the NHL playoffs?

### Quiz Answers

1. Montreal Canadiens.
2. Bryan Trottier.
3. Montreal & Detroit played 126 mins 31 secs before Montreal scored for Detroit.
4. Philadelphia Flyers.
5. St-Louis Blues.
6. Scotty Bowman.
7. Ken Dryden.
8. Five.
9. Eleven years.
10. No.

## DO YOU HAVE SUGGESTIONS

### FOR ALBERTA UNIVERSITIES?

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You are invited to present your views at a meeting of the Minister's Advisory Committee on University Affairs, chaired by Dr. John G. Paterson, to be held on

**MONDAY, MARCH 29**  
**UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA**  
Room 3-15 University Hall  
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon  
1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**TUESDAY, MARCH 30**  
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1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

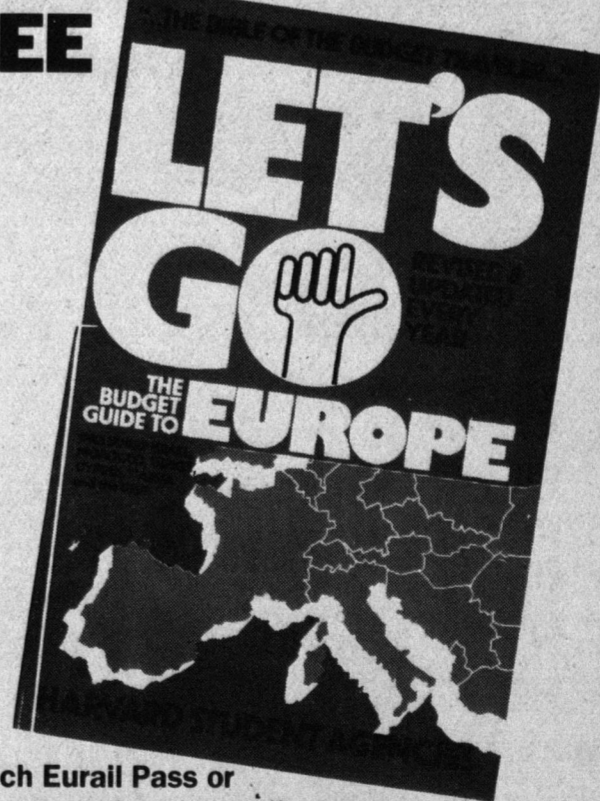
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