Fischler's books a bonus for sports fans

By MARK ALBERSTAT

STAN FISCHLER IS A WELL known but not always well liked

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sports writer, broadcaster, and columnist. His main beat is the world of hockey but during the off season he will unabashedly make an appearance into one of the other big ticket sports. Whether you like him or not, if you are a sports trivia fan you will be hard put not to like his three new books, Stan Fischler's Amazing Trivia from the World of Hockey, Baseball, and Football (all published by Penguin for

One warning should be mentioned: if you are a fan of one of these sports but do not like the related trivia, don't pick up the books, they may just burn.

When looking at all three books together one can see a definite formula running through all three. This may get monotonous for those who are able to read three books at once, but for us mere mortals who read one at a time the monotony of a formula book is broken up by changing from sport to sport and often from season to season.

A sample from the hockey book for all you hockey fans:

Which current National Hockey League team eventually evolved from the Kansas City Scouts?

Answer: The New Jersey Devils.

Fischler's answers aren't as short as mine are: he will often go into a long story, sometimes several paragraphs long. These are occasionally interesting but are truly not needed except to fill out the book.

Want a sample from Fischler's world of football?

Name the contemporary Canadian premier who once played professional football

Answer: Peter Lougheed of

Once again Fischler's answer was much longer than mine, but then again this may just be his

A last sample from these books comes from baseball:

When did a dead man score a

Answer: July 14, 1903.

Interspersed through the books are Quickie Quizzes. These are usually your typical type of trivia questions: short and sweet, with equally short and sweet answers.

If you're a big fan of all three of the books and don't know which one to decide on, the covers may help you. The cover of both the baseball and hockey books says, "more than 250 fascinating inside stories," while the football cover claims to feature over 350.

If this still doesn't help you make up your mind, buy all three—their spines are three different colors and will look nice on

It was a battle of the "twin towers" in the CIAU basketball finals on the weekend. Here, seven-footers Cord Clemens of Victoria

and Randy Norris of Waterloo prepare to contest the opening tip-off. Victoria won a cliffhanger in the semi finals but were in control in the final, rolling to their sixth straight CIAU men's basketball title. Photo: Mike Hayes, Dal Photo.

Women's hockey team wins, 5-3

By LISA TIMPF

THE DAL WOMEN'S HOCkey club outscored Major Stevens' Junior High 5-3 on Sunday at the Dal Memorial Arena.

The game was the Dal team's last exhibition match before the women's ice hockey Nationals this weekend.

The team got action of a different sort later that night, when they played a fiveminute scrimmage game between periods of the Nova Scotia Oilers

"We got a good reception," said coach Houston of the Metro Centre exhibition, "and it provided excellent exposure for women's hockey.'

In the game against Major Stevens, Leslie MacFarlane notched three goals for Dal, while Trish Selig and June Saunders added one each.

Coach Houston was pleased with the team's performance, and especially with the output of the McFarlane-Selig-Patti Meehan

"All of the goals were pretty goals, good passing goals," he

Barb MacAuley, who assumed netminding duties part way through the game, also "played an outstanding game," according to Houston.

"Overall, our defensive zone coverage showed a big improvement," added Houston, "and they were passing crisply and skating to the openings.

"I just hope it carries over to the Nationals.

Victoria takes sixth CIAU hoop title

By MARK ALBERSTAT

GOING INTO THE CHAMpionship game, it was being billed as a match-up between the seven-footers, as Cord Clemens of Victoria and Randy Norris of Waterloo squared off at centre court at the CIAU Men's Basketball Championships this past weekend at the Metro Centre.

Clemens was undoubtedly the dominant one of the pair as he netted 32 points to spur his Victoria team to a 93-79 win over the Waterloo Warriors to take their sixth consecutive CIAU title. Clemens also won Player of the Game honors for his efforts.

Norris finished the game with 22 points, second on his team to Peter Savitch, who ran up 32. Sixteen of Norris' 22 points were scored in the second half.

After the first 20 minutes of the game, Victoria was leading Waterloo with a 46-35 score and kept a sizeable lead through the second half.

After the victory, Victoria's coach Ken Sheilds commented that his team "had ups and downs over the season and even wondered if we would make the play-

offs." Wonder or not, Victoria won the National crown over the Waterloo and won it convincingly. The consolation game on Saturday had St. Francis Xavier taking on the Manitoba Bisons. The Manitoba squad prevailed in this game with a 77-69 final verdict.

The player of this game was Winnipeg native Joe Ogoms, who had 20 points and hauled down 17 rebounds for Manitoba. Other top scorers for the Bisons were Tony Kaufmann with 21, Terry Garrows with 16 and John continued on page 10