

Rugby squad left out in cold

by Shawn McCarthy

It was a cold weekend at the Ellerslie Rugby Park this weekend as the University of Victoria Vikings captured the Western Canadian University rugby championship. The Vikings played tight, controlled rugby in the three games played this weekend, seldom showing lapses. Captain Gary Grant was an especially effective runner for the first place Vikings.

Alberta Coach, Tony Bauer described the weekend as a success despite the U of A's lack of success on the field. He said that his primary concern was to promote rugby on campus and to gain experience for his young players.

On Friday, the opening day of the tournament, all four teams were tight, which resulted in low scoring games. University of Alberta and University of Calgary played to a 6-6 tie; the U of A points came on two penalty kicks by "Smiley" Miller. Coach Bauer said that the inexperience of his team was evident against Calgary. The U of A forwards dominated Calgary but the backs failed to click as a unit. Also on Friday, University of Victoria beat UBC 10-0, in what proved to be the deciding game of the tournament.

Saturday, U of A played Victoria and Calgary went against UBC. The Golden Bears played their best game of the tournament, dropping a close 18-9 decision. Victoria scored from the opening kick-off when a



photo Shawn McCarthy

The Golden Bear rugby team came up short in the Can-West rugby championships held in Ellerslie over the weekend.

Viking player intercepted an Alberta pass and returned it 35 yards for a major score. The Bears then held Victoria scoreless for the remainder of the half while getting a penalty kick to make the score 6-3. In the second half, the Vikings dominated play, scoring twice from 5 yards. With the score 14-3 late in the game, Alberta moved down field for a score. Greg Miropolis took the ball from a ruck and put it down just inside the Viking goal line. The convert was good and the Bears were within a converted try, 14-9. However, Victoria came back quickly with strong running and excellent passing for a final try to put them out of reach.

Also on Saturday, UBC humiliated University of Calgary 61-0. After losing four players to injuries on Friday, Calgary seemed to lack motivation. UBC rolled for 47 points in the first half while holding Calgary scoreless. The second half was anti-climactic as UBC continued its complete

domination.

Calgary rebounded on Sunday and played well against Victoria despite losing 34-15. The first half was a close, defensive battle; the score at half was 8-3. In the second half, Victoria came out strong. They increased their lead to 20-3 before Calgary retaliated with two converted tries. However, it was too little, too late.

Sunday, the Golden Bears were defeated by UBC by a score of 34-3. Bears coach Bauer attributed the loss to the Thunderbirds' ability to control the ball. UBC jumped into a big halftime lead, 22-0, then continued to shoot down the Bears' offense except for a penalty kick late in the game by Bob Poole.

After the games Sunday, trophies were presented to Victoria players as Western Canadian champs. All of the teams agreed that the tournament was a success, both on the field and afterwards.

Fencers capture 2 individual titles

The U of A Fencing club was well represented at the Calgary Centennial Fencing tournament held at Mount Royal College, Oct. 23, 24. There were 18 competitors from the U of A taking part in the open tournament.

The Men's foil was captured by M. Houkri from Calgary, while the Calgary Fencing club captured the team foil, Alberta placed 2nd in the team foil. Women's team foil was won by the U of A with Marg van der Lugt heading all competitors.

Men's individual sabre was taken by Jed Chapin of the U of A. The men's foil team from Alberta was composed of Chapin, Tom Freeland and Helmut Mach. The women's team was made up of vander Lugt, Monica Chapin and Margret Beswetherick. The U of A "B" team finished third in the Women's foil.

Both Men and Women's individual foil were extremely hard-fought. In the women's final there was a 3 way tie for first place so there had to be a

"barrage", a fence off, between the top 3. In the Men's final there was a 4 way tie and a barrage for placings.

Coach Tom Freeland was very pleased with the club's performance, the veterans lived up to expectations and the novices did much better than expected, one actually making it to the final and another to the quarter finals. The club had trained quite hard for this tournament.

The next tournament will be the "Wetterberg," named in honour of the former U of A coach, Fran Wetterberg. It will be held in the U of A west Gym, Nov. 6 and 7. This is the biggest tournament in Western Canada, fencers will come from all of Western Canada and probably Eastern Canada as well.

Both the Calgary Centennial and Wetterberg are open tournaments of high calibre and are important in the training and choosing of the collegiate team, the U of A Golden Blades.



The Panda field hockey team hosted the Can-West championships this weekend, finishing 3rd behind Victoria and UBC. Pandas tied Calgary and UBC 1-1 and triumphed over Sask. 2-0. They were edged out by the eventual winners from Victoria 1-0. photo Gail Amort

Ready for Orienteering ?

Alberta Provincial Orienteering Championships

Date: Sunday, October 31, 1976. Place: Whitemud-Blackmud Creek Area, 23rd Ave. Bridge, Edmonton, Alberta. Time: Registration 12:30-1:00 p.m. Meet starts 1 p.m.

Entry fee: \$2.00 payable to Alberta Orienteering Championships. Three courses: Beginners (2km), Intermediate (6 km), Advanced (9 km). 2 km - Beginners - Self teaching course, non competitive, no age

limit.

6 km - Novice Mens & Womens - Non-competitive, no age limit.

6 km - Junior Men - Competitive, 18 & Under.

6 km - Junior Women - Competitive, 18 & Under.

6 km - Open Women - Competitive, No age limit.

9 km - Open Men - Competitive, No age limit.

Ribbons will be given to all participants and medals for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in the: Junior Men, Junior Women, Open Men,

and Open Women classes.

There will be a basic Orienteering Instructional Clinic on Saturday, October 30, 10:00 a.m. at the University of Alberta Physical Education Bldg, Rm. E-120. We encourage pre-registration however, participants may register from 12:30 - 1 p.m. on the day of the meet. For further information contact Alberta Orienteering Championships, c/o Pat McRitchie, 10646 - 85 Ave. #15. Phone 432-7050.



Goalie Ted Poplawski receives some help from Kevin Bolton in clearing out a North Dakota forward. Poplawski kicked out 46 shots and recorded a 1-0 shut-out over the Fighting Sioux. Bears lost the opening game in Grand Forks by a score of 7-3 in their two exhibition games. photo Brian Gavriloff

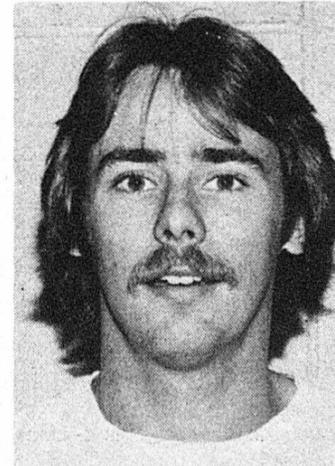
Co-Rec

Racquetball

Saturday October 30 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Phys. Ed. Racquetball Courts. Consolation tournament (everyone is guaranteed 2 games). Team entries only. (1 male and one female) Limited equipment will be available - 20 racquets. Bring your own racquet balls. Entry deadline is Wednesday, October 27, 1 p.m. Check Co-Rec Board, Men's or Women's Intramural Office for schedules.

Curling

Sunday, November 7 at SUB curling rinks. Entry deadline Wednesday, Nov. 3. Check the Co-Rec office located in Men's Intramural office Phys. Ed. Bldg for further details.



It's difficult to overlook someone 6'6" tall, but that's what happened last week when Tom Jorgenson was inadvertently left out in a Gateway story listing the final Bear roster for 76-77. We of course apologize to Tom.