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HE SHOOTS—Bear Tom Devaney breaks in all alone on Husky netminder Murry Richardson in the third period of Saturday's 6-2 Bruin victory.

Bears bitten by Sled-dogs Friday but rebound to claw the hounds Saturday

By BOB ANDERSON Huskies 7, Bears 6 (OT) Huskies 2, Bears 6

Gerry Braunberger may be quiet and reserved in the locker room, but on the ice he's a real tiger. The Bears' captain, who usually has very little if anything to say before or after a game, showed the way as his Golden Bear teammates split their weekend series with Saskatchewan's Huskies, wining 6-2 Saturday, after dropping Friday's encounter 7-6 in overtime.

WCIAA STANDINGS

GP	W	L	F	A	Pts.
Alberta 12	9	3	64	30	18
Calgary 14	9	5	53	44	18
UBC 10	6	4	65	38	12
Sask	5	5	42	43	10
Manitoba 12	5	7	46	59	10
Winnipeg 10	0	10	15	71	0

Braunberger, a four year veteran and a WCIHL all-star last season, fired three goals and added four helpers to boost his point total to 23, tops on the club. Not bad, considering he is a defenceman.

The big difference in Friday's game was the poor play of the Bears' defensive corps. Time and time again the Husky forwards were allowed to roam free in front of the net and they took advantage of the opportunity.

For goalie Dale Halterman, it was simply an evening of nightmares, as he gave up two soft goals and turned in a very shaky performance. At the same time, his league-leading goals against average soared from 1.80 to 2.67 as he played probably his poorest game in two seasons as a Bear.

The Huskies were led by captain Ed Hobday and Doug Cronk who each fired a brace of goals, with Bob Halpenny, Al Popoff and Wilf Chaisson adding singletons.

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The visitors held a 2-1 lead after 20 minutes, and increased it 5-3 after two sessions. The Bears came on strong in the final frame, with Morris sending the game into overtime with his second goal of the evening at 19:25. In the extra session the Huskies scored twice and the Bears once with Hobday scoring the winner at 8:51 of the 10 minute period.

ENTERTAINING GAME

It was an entertaining affair for the 3,100 fans on hand with both teams putting on a good display of hockey, unlike last week's fiasco against Calgary. Only seven minor penalties were called with five going to Saskatchewan who were outshot 42-39.

Saturday's game was almost a complete reversal of form as far as the Bears were concerned. Bob Wolfe, who replaced Halterman in the nets, got good support from his defence mates and turned in a solid performance.

The Golden Ones started quickly and had a 2-1 margin after the first period. Wayne Wiste put the Bears ahead with a power play counter at 8:19 deflecting Milt Hohol's long shot from the point. Braunberger increased the margin a minute later with a long bouncing shot from the point which eluded Huskie Goalie Murray Richardson. Al Popoff narrowed the gap in the closing minutes of the stanza, climaxing a neat passing play with Ed Hobday.

NOT TO BE DENIED

But the Bears were not to be denied. Braunberger scored his second of the afternoon with only 45 seconds gone in the sandwich session and the Bears and 3,000 fans were on their way. Gerry Hornby scored a power play marker from a scramble in front of Richardson with a minute left in the period. It came after Huskies' top defenceman, Ron Pearpoint,



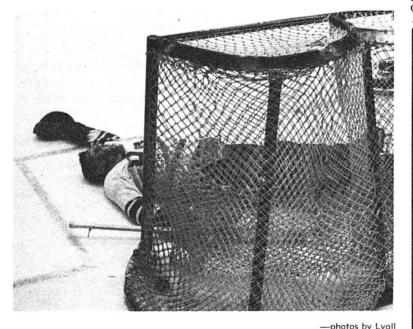
GERRY BRAUNBERGER ...outstanding effort

was given a major for spearing and with it an automatic misconduct. The locals ran away with things in the final frame, as the visitors seemed to collapse after the loss of Pearpoint. Tom Devaney and Harvey Poon added insurance markers, while Bill Swenson replied for the Sled Dogs. Wolfe faced 24 Saskatchewan drives, many of them routine, while Bichardean turned aside 30

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Elsewhere in league play, Calgary Dinosaurs handed the Winnipeg Wesmen their ninth and tenth consecutive losses, winning 5-1 and 6-3. Manitoba Bisons played the role of spoilers, defeating UBC Thunderbirds twice, 4-3 and 11-8. Bears and Dinosaurs share first place with 18 points apiece, with the Albertans having two games in hand over their southern rivals.

The Bears tangle with the Wesmen this weekend in Winnipeg.



HE SCORES—"How could he do a thing like that to a nice guy like me," Richardson contemplates as the puck nestles in the corner of the net.

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