

HIGH ABOVE THE BALANCE BEAM

... tri-meet champ Lenka Svatek at work

## Pandas sweep gymnastic meet

UBC no longer the women's gymnastics champion?

It could very well be that the supremacy that UBC has held in women's gymnastics for years could be over.

The University of Alberta Pandas won almost every event in rolling to the team title in the Tri-meet held here between UBC, Calgary and Alberta on the weekend. The only event the Pandas failed to win was the uneven parallel bars.

Only one of the Alberta gymnasts, Janet Terry, had previous collegiate competitive experience, as Lenka Svatek, who

was Tri-meet champ, and Carol Mellor, who placed third overall, are first year members of the team.

And the competition hasn't seen anything yet, because three excellent gymnasts were unable to compete for the Pandas because of injuries.

Alberta won the team title with a total of 86.05 points, while UBC had 66.1 and Calgary collected 56.3. Svatek led the Pandas with 30.95 points and first place, while Janet Terry took second with 29.95 points and Carol Mellor finished third with 24.9 points.

## Puck Bruins take two from Dawson Creek Canucks

by Stu Layfield

DAWSON CREEK - The hockey Golden Bears extended their undefeated exhibition game streak to five games this weekend as they defeated the Dawson Creek Canucks of the South Peace Hockey League by scores of 6-2 on Saturday night and 7-3 on Sunday afternoon. However, the results flattered the victors, for the Bears, with the exception of a six-goal outburst in the third period of Sunday's contest, certainly didn't distinguish themselves before the few hundred fans that took in the games in the northern B. C. community.

Perhaps the most distinctive feature of the series was that it reaffirmed what is already known about the Bears, namely that, at this stage of the season, the team is exceptionally strong in goal and possesses lots of offensive firepower, but is suspect defensively. The Bears received outstanding goaltending in both games from Barry Richardson and Jim Coombs and scored a total of 13 goals, but generally played defensively as if that aspect of the game didn't even exist.

Unquestionably the foremost player on the ice Saturday night was goaltender Richardson. The two-time winner of the Edmonton Monarch's Most Valuable Player award, was repeatedly called upon to make a number of phenomenal saves as the Golden Bear defencemen either were trapped deep in the Dawson Creek end by fast breaking Canuck forwards or gave up the puck in their own end, a cardinal sin in the game of hockey. Richardson stopped three Canuck breakaways and faced numerous two-and three-on-one situations throughout the game. Fortunately for the Bears, the Canuck defensive play was equally uninspiring and the Green and Gold were able to build up a 3-0 lead on goals by Rick Wyrozub, Dave White, and Jack Gibson by the midway mark of the second period. But Richardson couldn't hold out forever and the Canucks were able to narrow the margin to 3-2 early in the third period, Rick Dundas and Ron Millsap scoring. However, the Bears finally seemed to find their legs in the last twelve minutes of the

game and pulled away on markers by Gerry Hornby, Randy Clark, and Gibson's second goal of the game.

Certainly the Bears did have a legitimate reason for not playing well on Saturday night, the effects of a seven hour bus ride on the legs of a player who must take to the ice only a few hours later in the day are well known.

Therefore, with a good night's rest, one might have anticipated a better performance the following afternoon from the Bears, but, if anything, the Golden Ones played worse for the first two periods. The defensive corps continued their shoddy performance, backchecking was conspicuous by its absence, and the forwards failed to generate any offensive threat. Twice on successive power-plays the Bears allowed Canuck penalty-killers clean-cut breakaways, but on both occasions Bear netminder Jim Coombs rose to the test. Despite the stellar play of Coombs, the Canucks were able to build a 2-0 lead on goals by Gord LaPlante and Rick Dundas, before a long wrist shot with about one minute left in the second period by Gerry Hornby fooled Dawson Creek goalie Doug Mollar, cutting the lead to a single goal going into the third stanza. In that frame the Bears clearly found the desire, pride and talent they had been lacking for most of the five previous periods and displayed the brand of hockey they are capable of playing. The defence asserted itself with confidence and authority, the forwards forechecked tenaciously and came all the way back with their checks, and exploded for six goals in the process, Gibson again counting two markers, with Wyrozub, Billy Moores, Clare Wanchulak, and Dave Couves also scoring.

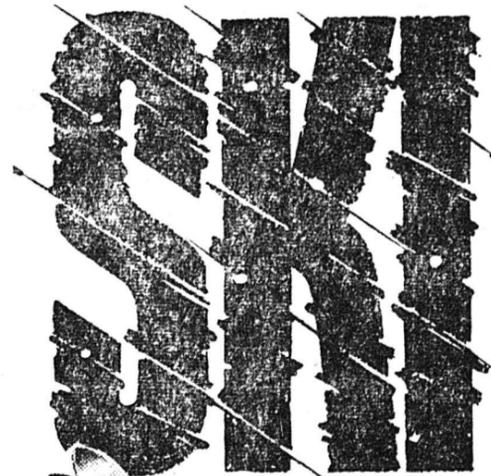
### Tickees!

Two times in one weekend students are going to have to pay for athletic events.

Saturday, Nov. 13 the U.S. National team will be playing the Bear hockey team, while on Sunday the 14'th the football Bruins will tackle Bishop's University in the Western College Bowl.

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