

Harlem Stars down basketball Bears

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The Harlem Stars handed the Bears their first defeat of the season but the comedy provided was well worth it.

The Stars downed the basketball Bears 67-54 in a game that lacked finesse but provided lots of laughs for the 300 fans who were in attendance Friday night.

The fans saw a lot of substitution by the Bear coaches Glassford and Carre as they attempted to give every player equal time on the court.

Guard Bill Buxton looked sharp for the Bears as he hooped ten points, two of them coming on a quick tip-in off a stray shot.

Another guard, Don Melnychuk, who has been playing well in practices, scored nine points.

The Stars were very poor on their shooting and if the Bears had played their first stringers all the time they could easily have given

the Stars a very close game.

The basketball clowns showed their ability in some expert ball handling and kept up with the Bears while dressing only six players.

Show-Boat Buchner proved to be the crowd pleaser as he continually amazed the crowd and some of the Bears with his antics and ball control.

BEARS OPEN WELL

The Bears took the lead early in the first thirty minutes and held their edge until just before the half.

The Bears showed potential in their fast break but during the game threw the ball away a lot of times on poor timing. A little more work on this aspect of the game could make it a very valuable weapon for the Bears in the coming season.

Warren Champion played well at forward for the Bears and Nestor Korchinsky hit his foul shots well although his rebound timing was a little slow.

Two new guards for the Bears, brothers Jack and Jim Ebbels, played good offense and brought the ball up the court well against the Stars.

SPIRIT, MAN, SPIRIT!

One thing that the Bears seemed to lack most was a united team effort as each member tried to shoot when he got the ball instead of working it around until the best shot was available for the team on the whole.

Seldom did the Bears work the plays that they have been practising for the last three weeks and it could certainly hurt the team's chances this season without that essential team spirit.

Coach Glassford plans to cut the team down from fifteen to the twelve player maximum on October 26 but he hopes to carry ten extra first and second year players on the regular roster and let them practice with the Bears twice per week.

This is to partially compensate for the absence of the junior basketball team and allow these players to compete in exhibition games against senior men's teams in the city in preparation for a possible spot on next year's Bear team.

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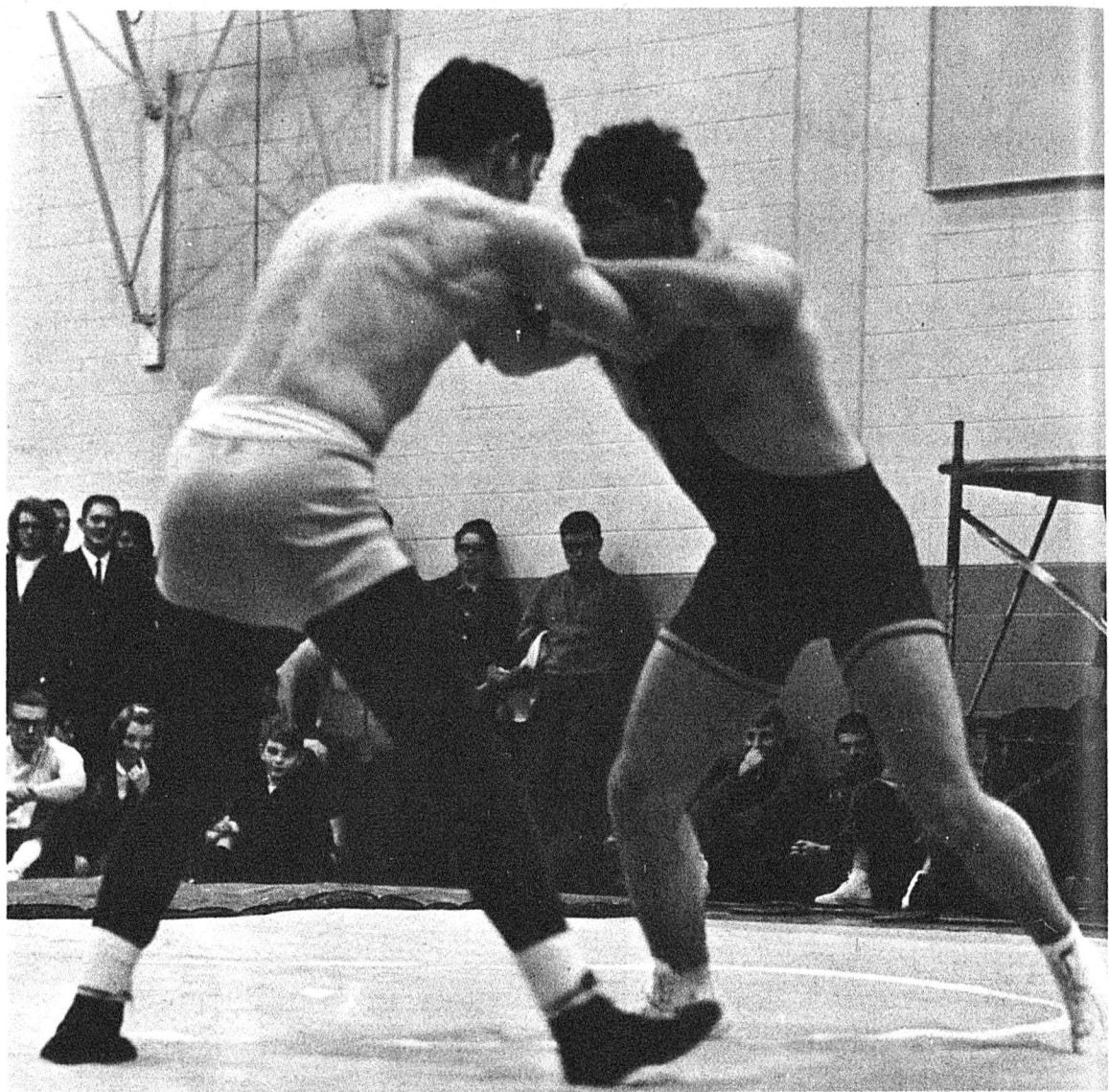
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Golden Bear wrestling squad holds organizational meeting

It doesn't matter if you are on national television or in the U of A Phys Ed building.

Size is not important. Neither is experience.

Competition is the game and the name is wrestling.

Bruce Switzer, Golden Bear wrestling coach, announced the first meeting of the team will be held Friday, Oct. 28 in Phys Ed 124 at 5:30 p.m. Practices begin Nov. 14.

Only four of last year squad are returning leaving a lot of room for ambitious personnel. Bill Smith won the WCIAA 130 pound class and heads the returnees. Russ Rozoly at 157 lbs. Norm Sakamoto at 119 lbs. and 167 pound Len Korran complete the veterans. Switzer wants to carry 11 players.

There has been one major rule change this year. National Collegiate Athletic Association weight classes will be used. There are ten classifications as compared to nine previously starting from 119 pounds

to the heavyweight division of 191 pounds. American Athletic Union scoring rules will be used.

Another chance is the time periods. This year there will be a four minute standing session first. Then, there will be a coin flip to see who kneels first in the first three-minute bout. In the last bout, the other will kneel first. These are American rules infiltrating the Canadian game.

A tremendous schedule has been lined up for the matmen. The Quebec Winter Games highlight the season. Alberta will send a wrestling team coached by Switzer. Trials are in Edmonton on Dec. 17 with an age limit of 16-21 and are open to all amateurs in the province.

The WCIAA finals will be held here on Feb. 24-25 and the Canadian Intercollegiate Finals are here also during Second Century Week.

The university team will make jaunts to Vancouver, Western Washington State, College of the Pacific, and Bottineau State of Saskatchewan.

They will host the University of Calgary and University of Saskatchewan during the season.

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