

Hubert Martin?

by Blaine Ostapovich

The world of hockey is a most enjoyable pastime for most of us as we follow the fortunes of our favorite NHL team and players. But sometimes it is the oddity of the game that can spark our interest.

For example, did you know that:

Butch Goring's first name is Robert and **Pit Martin's** is Hubert. It could be worse, you could go through life being known as 'Red'. In fact, there are three 'Reds' in the Hockey Hall of Fame alone — **Red Dutton**, **Red Horner**, and **Red Kelly**. Then again, maybe Red isn't so bad. Pit doesn't exactly conjure up images of greatness.

Ray Cote played 15 regular season games for the Edmonton Oilers (his whole NHL career) and failed to register a single point. Cote can be glad he didn't play for the expansion Capitals though.

Washington's road record in their first season was 1 win and 39 losses. Incidentally, the New York Islanders road record in the first season was a miserable 2 wins 35 losses and 2 ties. They were outscored 204 to 70. Maybe Ray Cote had a hand in it.

Speaking of miserable, nobody has done it better and more consistently than the Toronto Maple Leafs over the past few years.

The Whalers **Doug Jarvis** was originally drafted by Toronto but was traded to Montreal prior to his

first year for **Greg Hubick**. Jarvis has yet to miss a game in his 11 years, Hubick played parts of 2 years in the NHL. Needless to say, Hubick didn't win the scoring title.

The last Leaf to win a scoring title was **Gord Drillon** in 1938, unlucky maybe,

No Leaf has worn jersey number 13. Perhaps they should try it; it can't hurt.

A walk down memory lane reveals that when the NHL expanded to 12 teams in 1967 the head coaches of the new franchises were **Red Kelly** in L.A., **Wren Blair** in Minnesota, **Keith Allen** in Philadelphia, **George Sullivan** in Pittsburgh, **Lynn Patrick** in St. Louis and battlin' **Bert Olmsted** in Oakland.

Did you know that **Eddie Shack** is the only player to score 20 goals with five different NHL clubs: Toronto, Boston, Los Angeles, Buffalo and Pittsburgh?

Wayne Gretzky and his scoring feats have destroyed a number of records but did you know that after Gretzky, at 19, the youngest player to score 50 goals in a season was **Pierre Larouche**, who was 20 years, 5 months old in 1976 when he scored on former Oiler **Ron Low**.

The fun of Trivia, or whatever you call it, is something that personalizes the game. Hey, not many people know that Oiler **Steve Smith** and yours truly were born on the same day.

Japanese pin Bears to mat

by Alan Small

The U of A Wrestling Club lost a tough season opening battle against a touring club of Japanese wrestlers from Hokkaido on Monday night.

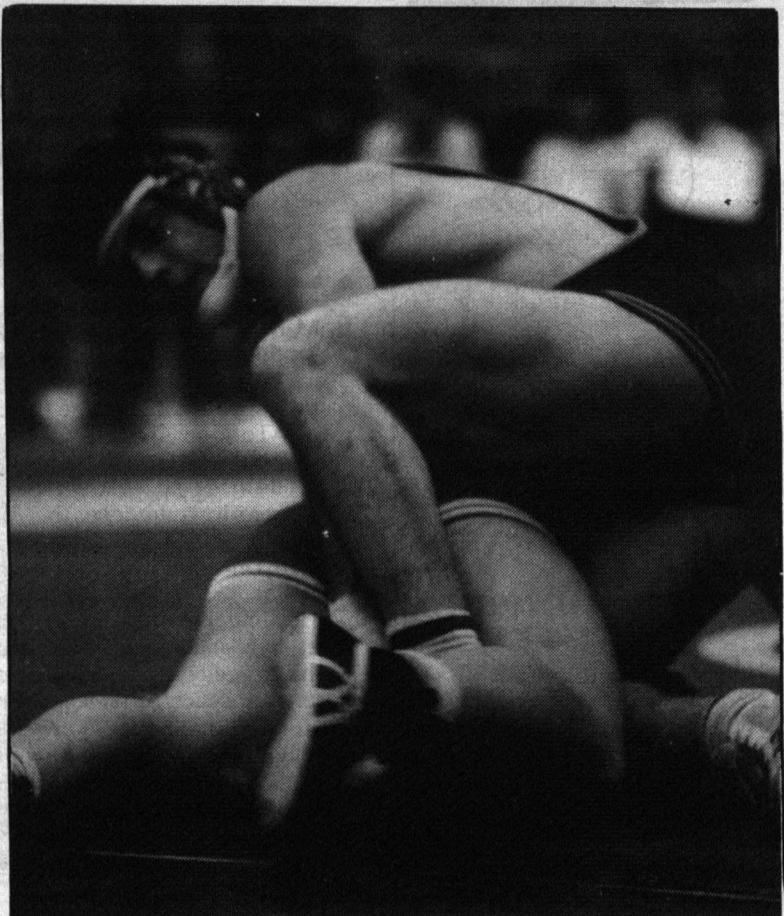
The Bears only won four of the nine matches on the schedule. The winners were Vang Ioannides in the 48 kg class, Phil Spate in the 62 kilo class, Shaun Homstrom in 68 kilo, and team captain John McMullen, who wrestles in the 100 kg heavyweight class.

"Taking on top flight competition in our first meet of the season is tough," said head coach Mike Payette, "but it got our feet wet. It gives us an idea what's working or not."

Payette also mentioned that the wrestling in the whole meet was very good, and was dominated by some spectacular throws.

"John McMullen had some outstanding throws in his match," Payette said.

The team goes on to Calgary this weekend to participate in a tournament which includes the Hokkaido club, and club teams from Eastern Washington, Montana, the Salisbury Wrestling Club, and the host Calgary Dinosaurs.



Action from Monday's exhibition match against the Japanese.

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