

7th Mac is: 'spiel winner

by Garnet DuGray

Despite being caught with only their long underwear on, the women of 7th Mac received their crying towels for the Women's Curling Bonspiel and proceeded to capture the Bonspiel on Saturday, January 26. The Recreation team followed 'suit' by winning the prize for the 'best dressed' foursome on the ice. The Bonspiel was highlighted by some fine curlers as well as some excellent dressers.

The Women's Bowling and Billiards day will run this Saturday, February 9 in the SUB basement from 12 noon until 4:00 p.m. The bowling event is a single knockout tourney starting at 12:00 p.m. sharp while the billiards will consist of a round-robin tourney preceded by free instruction for all greenhorns.

In the next two weeks the women will have the racquets flying as the badminton tourney runs Tuesdays and Thursdays, February 12-21 starting at 7:30 p.m. each night in the West Gym. Be sure to check out the bulletin board for playing times. In addition the Women's Racquetball tourney runs consecutive Wednesdays, February 13 and 20 from 7:15 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. in the East Courts.

Tired of being envious of all those large female Russian athletes? Well girls, now is your chance to build up those muscles at the Weight Training Clinic at the weight room in the P.E. building on Monday, February 11 at 5:00 p.m. and there is no sign-up necessary, just bring your body.

The Co-Rec season is fast coming to a close but not before you get a chance to enter the Co-

Rec Volleyball League by one p.m. on Wednesday, February 20. The league will run Monday-Thursday from March 3-20 from 7:30-10:30 p.m. each night in the West Gym except for Wednesdays where it will be in the Dance Gym. The Cross-Country Ski tour results will be out shortly so don't despair.

The men's department reports a heavy schedule of ongoing activity at the moment, including the badminton tourney which winds up this evening. The Triples Volleyball tourney also wraps up this evening, and the Curling Bonspiel concludes Sunday, February 10.

The Men's Indoor Soccer at the Kinsmen Fieldhouse is also underway at a fast and furious pace with only three undefeated clubs left on the 'A' side of the draw (Wrecking Crew, Kappa Sigma, and Arts) which has provided some excellent soccer excitement.

Coming up in the near future is the Slalom Ski Meet this Saturday, February 9 at Rabbit Hill, the Field Hockey which gets underway on Tuesday, February 12 at the fieldhouse, the Volleyball League beginning on Monday, February 7 in the Main and Education Gyms running until March 13. The league will begin with a seeding tournament that will run on Tuesday and Thursday, February 12 and 14 from 7:30-10:30 p.m. each night.

All pool sharks who lost out on the first snooker tourney and are signed up for the second one are reminded that the tourney will take place in the SUB games area Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, February 11, 12 and 14 in a single elimination tourney, from 7:30-10:30 p.m. each night.

True superiority here

Although they placed third in Victoria last weekend, the Pandas scored a convincing win last week over the Bears' basketball team. Coach Pierre Baudin says the 2-1 win ended with the Bears fleeing the court. Baudin is rumoured to have told the team to take it easy because "you know how guys are, their egos are fragile."

However, in explanation for the Victoria meet Baudin believes mental lapses prevented higher scores. Baudin states the team played good ball during a 3-1 win over Victoria and a 3-1 loss to the Huskiettes. In general, Baudin was happy to see technically good play and is sure the Pandas are out of a slump.

Still, the next day, after a 3-0 win against Lethbridge, the Pandas suffered mental lapses against UBC. Baudin is convinced the Pandas can beat UBC because game scores were close. In fact, the Alberta squad took the third game. However, losses in concentration probably caused their eventual 3-1 defeat.

The meet ended with an unusual series against the Dinnies. Baudin mentions he was "warned about getting blown away by the U of C." His team played well and crushed the Dinnies 15-1 and 15-2. However, Baudin states "they let down and lost the next two games." The final game ended with a disappointing 16-14 loss.

Obviously the team is capable, but inconsistent. Baudin has taken the young team through a difficult league and knows their chances of league finals play are slim. Still, he does not seem too disappointed and hopes to represent Alberta in the senior nationals. In any case, though, the Pandas know the basketball team is always an easy mark.

Sweat Blood

The Ayatollah Barry, Coach of the Bear's wrestling team was in fine form recently as he tortured the grapplers during their annual weight loss practice. This gruelling event has become a cherished tradition in that wrestlers try to outdo their teammates as well as previous year's records, by seeing who can lose the most weight in one hour. Naturally, the team would never attempt such masochism unless they were in superb condition.

This year's club lost a total of 86.75 pounds of assorted body fluids. The average amount of perspiration per athlete worked out to an incredible 5.1 pounds per person. Trainer Doug Gilroy was on hand for the weigh-out ceremony with his bottles of Exorcist green electrolyte solution.

The overall winner was Pierre Pomerleau who weighed in at 166½ pounds and out at 157¼ pounds, a total of 9¼ pounds of sweat. Marc Landry and Sid Thorowsky were close behind at 7½ and 6½ pounds respectively.

Final preparations are now well underway for the CWUAA Championships on February 15, 16 in the Main gym.

Panda qualifies

Pandas' gymnastic coach Sandy O'Brien's experiment worked last weekend. O'Brien had invited clubs and schools, in addition to the U of Calgary for last Sunday's U of A meet. O'Brien mentions the event was exciting, noisy, and well attended. Moreover, the Pandas turned in good performances.

Even though the victorious Calgary team was expected to win, one of the two Panda squads came second. In addition, the Panda's Carol Brinkhurst had the second highest individual score. The individual points leader, Calgary's Laurie Maxwell, scored 33.43 points to Brinkhurst's 31.42.

O'Brien was encouraged with the team and individual results. In particular, O'Brien believes the team's best five performers would give Calgary a tough fight. The Calgary team is

lacking depth and the U of A squad is beginning to build strength of numbers. Future Canada West competition, where five competitors score for a team, should be closer between the Alberta universities.

As well as reaching second in individual results, the U of A's Brinkhurst qualified for the national finals. O'Brien believes three of four others could follow and points out "one logical one to go is Trish Macmillan." Macmillan is recovering from an injury, and has resumed training.

Another successful tournament feature was crowd participation prizes. Groups were rewarded for banners and noise. O'Brien states the cheering throngs added spirit to the event and drew curious idlers into the gym. Consequently O'Brien plans to continue with the prizes for future events.

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