

EXHAUSTED SWIMMERS RETURN

by Mike Horrocks

The Golden Bear Swim team spent an exhausting weekend swimming dual meets in Tacoma and Vancouver and taking part in the Pacific Northwest Championships in Seattle.

The main meet against UBC at Vancouver on Sunday was lost by a narrow nine point margin.

In the championship meet in Seattle, the Bears did well to place three in final events: Erik Haites in the 220 yard breaststroke event in which he placed fifth; Terry Nimmon who was sixth in the backstroke event, and Jack Rogers, seventh in the diving.

When it is remembered that many of the winning times in this meet were considerably faster than Canadian record times, these performances reflect great credit on the swimmers concerned as well as coach, Murray Smith.

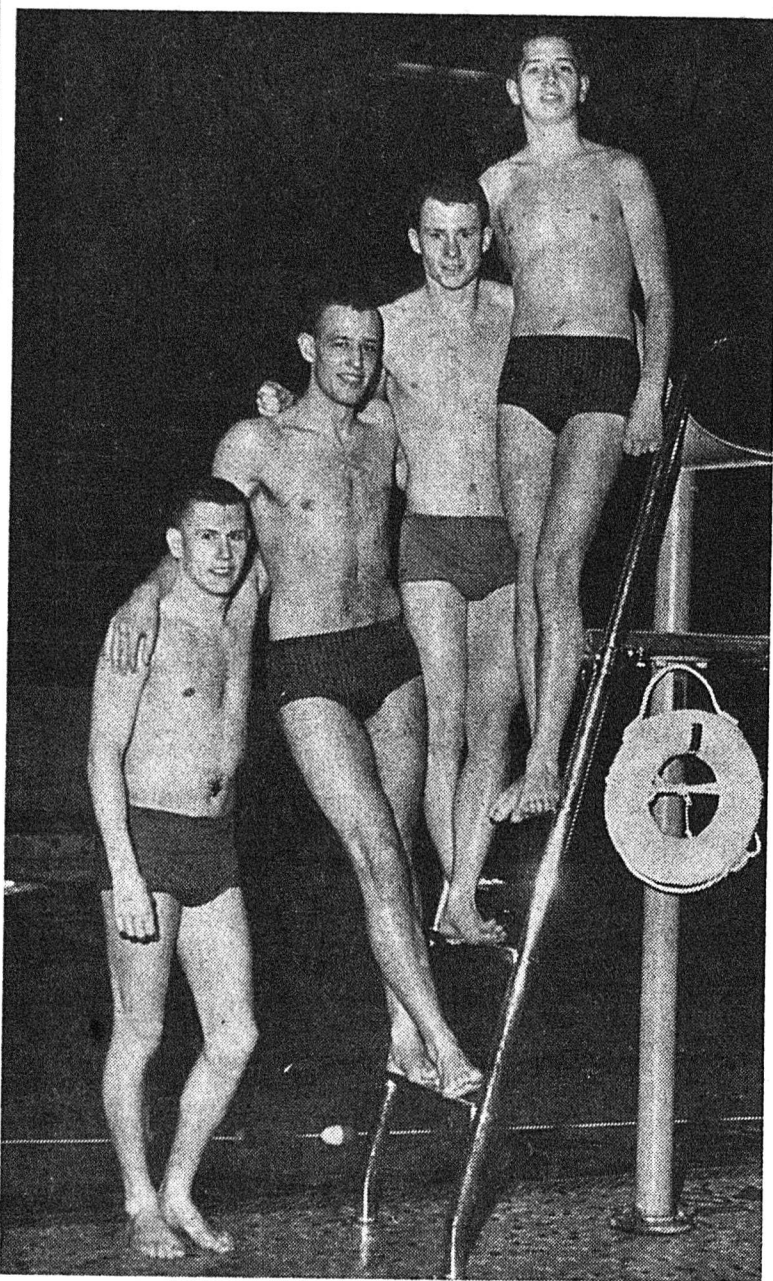
The Bears swam concurrent dual meet with the Universities of Oregon State and Puget Sound in Tacoma on Saturday. The swimmers were feeling the effects of the tough travel schedule, further complicated by the weather and the results were disappointing as both meets were lost by large margins.

CRAGG EXCELS

The meet against UBC was notable for fine performances by Dave Cragg who won the 200 metre freestyle two seconds under the Alberta record time; and Terry Nimmon, who out-touched Campbell of UBC to win the 200 metre backstroke. Erik Haites failed by two-tenths of a second to win the 200 metre butterfly event.

The freestyle relay team of Jim Whitfield, Terry Nimmon, Dave Cragg and Ross Norminton, won the final event to give U of A swimmers 43 points against UBC's 52 points.

Bear Swimmers are scheduled to meet a combined YMCA team next Saturday evening in Red Deer. This meet will give a chance for some extensive rewriting of the record book over the metric distances.



Golden Bear Medley Relay Team that broke the Canadian 400 yard Medley Relay record in 20 yard pools at Calgary, poses proudly. The team consists of Terry Nimmon (Backstroke) Erik Haites (Butterfly), John Byrne (Breaststroke) and Ross Norminton (Freestyle). This is the first Canadian record to be claimed by U of A Swimmers.

photo by Jens Tabur



THE SPORTING LIFE AS TOLD BY WINSHIP

Happy days are here again!

For 24 hours last weekend Golden Bear basketball hopes zoomed to an unfamiliar height. We had "upset the lizards!" We had beaten the Lloyd Harris quintet 74-73 Friday night in a last second drive only Ripley would believe. We had vindicated previous losses to our upstart southern cousins.

It took an electrifying overtime loss to bring Bear fans back to earth—but the short stay on Cloud Nine was pleasant.

Nothing can take away the satisfaction of having beaten the league leading Dinosaurs; nobody can deny the Bears deserved to win.

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What makes a hero a hero? How do you single out one or two players for special recognition in view of the obvious team effort and team spirit shown by the Bear cagemen?

I can't help feeling though that a couple of players are deserving of special credit. Granted Garry Smith came up with his typically great series—strong on both offence and defence. Granted Nestor Korchinsky was great on the backboards once again (and in my opinion, whose loss through fouling-out was the biggest factor in the Bears' defeat Saturday). However, in the final analysis it was a battling Mike Reitsma and a sharp-shooting Darwin Semotiuk who provided the margin of victory Friday and almost pulled it out of the fire Saturday.

The ever-hustling Reitsma had his aggressive play rewarded Friday with the winning basket off a tip-in following a shot by Semotiuk. The crucial basket came with but four seconds remaining and set the fans into near hysterics.

Not satisfied with being the "hero" of the Friday contest, Reitsma showed the same kind of determination and drive Saturday, especially in the overtime session when he sank four points. The first basket, off a tip-in once again, gave the Bears a 64-62 overtime lead.

Semotiuk had the near impossible task of containing the Dinosaur "golden boy" Lloyd Harris. It is a tribute to Semotiuk's effectiveness that Harris could manage but 17 points Saturday. Besides containing Harris, Semotiuk was a key factor in the last minute Bear drives in both games—sinking key baskets both nights.

The performance of these two Bear rookies augers well for Bear chances in future league action.

Now if we can only keep Nestor Korchinsky on the floor for the entire duration of Bear games then just possibly we may cause a stir or two yet. I can dream anyway!

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Aside to Father David Bauer: we haven't called uncle yet! Remember the Alamo!

I've almost convinced myself that the Bears will beat the Olympic hopefuls in Edmonton Feb. 8 and 9. I just hope the Bears are as convinced!

--- Mural Sports ---

by R. W. Waldeberger

UNIT STANDING

(Basketball Golf and Free Thorw)

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P.D.T.	825½	Medicine	346
Phys. Ed.	794½	St. Joe's	332½
D.K.E.	680	Dent.	317
Resi.	570½	St. John's	375½
D.U.	570	Engineers	159
Zetes	517	Commerce	136
P.K.P.	499	Pharmacy	96
L.D.S.	481½	Science	92
Education	475	Arts	14
Agriculture	448	Obnova	11
L.C.A.	427	S.A.M.	2
Kappa Sig.	413	Law	-20
St. Steves	356		

SKATING RACES

The annual skating competitions will be held in the University Arena, Saturday, Feb. 2, at 2:00 p.m. This year the competition will be held on a drop-in-basis with both an individual and team competition.

Note: Anyone participating in any hockey league other than intramurals are ineligible to compete in this competition.

UNIT MANAGERS MEETING

The monthly unit managers meeting was held this week with 13 unit managers present. This is a very

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poor showing with only 50 per cent representation. The apathy on this campus is appalling.

Even though the unit managers may have been pushed into the job they should represent their unit to the best of their ability. I would dare to say that if those unit managers cannot hold a responsible position now, how do they expect to take any type of job when they finally enter the starting gates and need a good start to win out over the other thoroughbreds!

Discussed at the meeting were such things as men's intramural news bulletin, schedule changes, all the coming events and constitution changes.

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SCHEDULE CHANGES

The following games have been postponed and are rescheduled on the dates indicated.

	Rescheduled
Skating races—Feb. 14	Feb. 2
Skiing—Cancelled	
Hockey—Feb. 7	Feb. 1
Basketball—Jan. 24	Feb. 5
	Feb. 7
	Feb. 1

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COMING EVENTS

1. Badminton deadline for entries February 5.
2. Skating races—February 2.
3. Wrestling—February 14—must be present at clinic.
4. 3-on-3—February 5.

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'Cats Continue Winning Lead Huskey League

Alex Carre's Bearcats are continuing their impressive performance, having dropped only one exhibition contest in the last month.

The Latter Day Saints' Senior Men's Team, now topping the senior league, came out on the top end of a 49-47 score, in a tight contest fought on Dec. 15.

Another close battle on Jan. 22 with the same team saw the Bearcats eke out a 48-46 victory as Gaalen Erickson sank two free shots after the final gun.

In other exhibition games, the Bearcats trounced the Royals of the Senior Men's League 51-24 on Jan. 8. In a preliminary game to the UAC Dinosaur-Golden Bear game, the Bearcats defeated the UAC Junior team 59-41.

In the exhibition game against Calgary, the Bearcats came up with an exceptional team effort with every member of the team scoring. High scorers in the contest were Erickson, 14 points, followed by Hutchinson with 11, and McMullen and Bowering with 8 points each.

Carre, using the zone press, was successfully able to keep the "cow-

boy" team off balance. This combined with Hutchinson's terrific rebounding and the "cat" team generally out-hustling their opponents on loose balls, enabled the Bearcats to stack up their impressive victory.

UNDEFEATED IN LEAGUE

In league play the Bearcats are, as yet, undefeated. In the fourth league game against the much improved CJA Tigers, the "Cats" walked to a 58-42 victory in the best league game so far. Hutchinson again was high scorer with 16 points while Erickson and Wade Welsh sunk 10 each.

The fifth league game was again characteristic as the Trudeau's Brites-Tones bowed to an 83-35 score. Rich Bowering sank 22 points while Hutchinson found the mark on 14 efforts.

Carre states that "his team has improved considerably since the beginning of the season and that they are continuing their fine performance."

It is significant to keep in mind the winning team of the Junior League will form the nucleus for the team to be entered in the Junior Canadian Playdowns on March 1.

Following league play with McBains on Tuesday, Jan. 28, the next exhibition game is in Calgary Feb. 16.