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Volleyballers get it on in Calgary

If this past weekend's performance in the annual Calgary City Open is any indication, the Golden Bear Volleyball team just might be going to Quebec City twice this year.

On Saturday the Bears defeated all the top teams in Alberta enroute to their first ever Calgary city open championship.

In the best of three finals against the University of Calgary Dinosaurs, the Green and Gold lost the first game 15-17 but fought back with two consecutive 18-16; 15-6 victories.

After a rather slow start in the round robin early in the day, the Bears pulled together as a team. This was particularly gratifying to Coach Hugh Hoyles, as an injury suffered at the U of A Invitational in early December forced Captain Doug Budd to sit out the entire tournament.

To use an old cliché, "the boys put it all together for Doug." While it was a team

effort, the inspired back court defense of Hans Zylstra, the tough spiking of Doug Herbert, and Jerry Budziak; and smart setting of Gane Olsen and Bob Hall have to be mentioned.

The weekend victory has psychologically prepared the Bears for a hectic 2 months. This coming Saturday, and Sunday, the Bears travel to Calgary for the U of C International Invitational tournament. On the final day of January, Victoria will be hosting tournament No. 1 of the Canada West league with Calgary hosting Tournament No. 2 on February 14 and 15.

Should the Bears win these tournaments plus place well in the Alberta Open later in March, there is a distinct possibility the team will represent the C.W.U.A.A. at the C.I.A.U. Championships in Quebec City on March 1 and 2 and return to that city as Alberta's representative in the Canadian Open a month later.

The Bear's chances have not been better for years.

Soccer goes indoors

Played Six, won Six, goals for - 16, against - 1. This is the record the Bears soccer team has so far compiled in the first division of the Edmonton and District Indoor Soccer League. One could say that they have a Bear hug on first place...

The Indoor Soccer League restricts teams to seven men, and plays two twenty-five minute halves in the Kinsmen Field House. So far, the

championship has eluded the Bears; last year they seemed to have it in the bag, but they slipped up badly in the last few games, and in 1972 and 1973 they lost it on penalty shots. As always, their main rivals are Edmonton Scottish, who have a very strong team this year.

The strength of the Bears team this year is the defence, which has conceded only one goal. Tommy Schmidt played in goal for the first two games, and got two shut-outs, and since then John Baretta has played there.

The defence is built around Geoff Salmon, against whom rising young stars such as Joe Poplawski and Frank Antonucci have failed to make much of an impression, with Frank Tassone, Dave Clayton and Tommy Schmidt playing alongside him.

The attack more or less sputtered until the most recent game, a 7-0 drubbing of Dania, which also marked the return of John Devlin, now fully fit. Gerry Redmond is still looking for a big centre-forward as a foil to Matteo Piscopo and Terry Kindrat, who, along with Brian Dowling, have been doing most of the attacking work. George Lovell and Glen Murphy have played all over the place.

Now that Devlin is back, the team is quite confident that they can beat anyone. His return has given more balance, and with him in midfield, Brian Dowling can play up front more.

The scoring has been shared out pretty evenly among the players, with Matteo Piscopo the leader with four.

The most important game of the season is on Sunday, February 2, at 6 p.m., when they play Scottish. At 4 p.m.

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Huskies bite the dust...again

by Cam Cole

Bears 6 Huskies 3

The only reason the 750 or so fans weren't clamoring for their money back after Friday's Bears-Huskies clash is that most of them didn't have to pay to get in.

What they got for their price of admission was one colossal brawl, a lot of "cheap shots", and very little hockey.

The fast but scoreless first period seemed to promise great things, but soon after the Bears pulled into a 3-0 lead, the proverbial fit hit the shan.

It all took place following an elbow, or possibly butt-end, applied in the neighborhood of Jim Ofrim's left ear by Huskies' Pat Rooney. Ofrim had Rooney well tied up when Bears' Clark Jantzie appeared on the scene and landed a few choice uppercuts upon the beezee of the helpless Husky.

An enraged Saskatchewan coach, Dave Smith sent his team charging off the bench to rescue Rooney, while Clare Drake ordered his men to stay put, leaving three or four Huskies for every Bear on the ice surface.

When it became apparent that the small gathering of Saskatchewan players who were using Howard Crosley for a punching bag, had no intention of quitting, Drake lost control of his troops, and war was on.

Referee Daryl Havrelock, who had the game under control to that point, issued 3 minors, 10 five-minute majors, and 8 game misconducts in that altercation alone, and 22 minors and 2 misconducts for separate incidents.

The result was a game that wasn't a game, but an endurance test. Alberta lost starting goalie Dale Henwood, defenceman Brian Middleton, and forwards Ofrim and Jantzie for the remainder of the game. Saskatchewan had to continue without defenceman Gary Slucinski, and forwards



At first it was only a little scrap (top) - then the fun started. Saskatchewan players charge onto the scene (bottom).

Dan Dziadyk, Guy Spender, and Rooney.

Bears poured 68 shots at Huskies backstop Kevan Migneault, who deserves the Order of Merit for just showing up in the nets for every game. Saskatchewan managed only 23 shots.

Saskatchewan scored twice in the last two minutes to make the score appear more respectable than it really was.

Drake was reluctant to attach blame in the bench-clearing incident, but was clearly disturbed at the trend that seems to be developing in Alberta-Saskatchewan games.

Their last meeting ended

in a similar free-for-all.

Husky mentor Smith had no such reservations, claiming that "Jantzie started it, with that 2-on-1 bulls—! I'm not going to stand around and let one of my players get the — beat out of him. We're not going to take crap like that in our own rink."

Bears have four games yet to play in the Saskatoon arena.

On, yes, Alberta got goals from Brian Middleton, Steve McKnight, Oliver Steward, Rick Peterson, Howard Crosley, and John Horcoff. Chris Arnesley, Doug Novlan, and Doug Folk replied for Huskies.

-and Bears coast to ninth straight

by Cam Cole

Bears 7 Huskies 0

If the Huskies weren't so used to losing, it might have been a humbling experience.

As it was, all their 7-0 loss to the Bears Saturday proved is that when you're bad, you're rotten.

Bears hardly raised a sweat shutting out the hapless sled-dogs for their ninth consecutive victory and their eleventh in thirteen games.

They held period leads of 3-0 and 6-0, and blasted 62 more shots at Kevan Migneault, who nearly quit in frustration in the third period of Friday's game, and must have felt like it again Saturday.

Dale Henwood and Craig Gunther faced only 15 Husky shots between them.

Rick Peterson and Clark Jantzie paced the Bears with two goals each; single scorers were John Horcoff, John Simkin, and Bruce Crawford.

Peterson also scored Friday, boosting his season's output to 5 goals and 9 assists in 13 games.

Alberta also got some help from UBC Thunderbirds this weekend. Birds dropped the second-place Calgary Dinosaurs

5-2 and 5-4, enabling Alberta to stretch its first-place lead to 7 points, with a game in hand.

Alberta is fortunate to have already played all four of their games in Vancouver, UBC toiled through the first half of

the schedule with injuries to key players, and may be the team to beat in the second half.

Thunderbirds climbed into a share of second place with its two victories over Calgary.

HOCKEY STANDINGS (as of January 15)

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts.
U of Alberta	13	11	2	0	67	23	22
U of B.C.	13	7	5	1	48	56	15
U of Calgary	14	7	6	1	50	49	15
U of Saskatchewan	14	1	13	0	39	76	2

GOLDEN BEARS — TOP TEN SCORERS

	GP	G	A	Pts.
Ross Barros	13	2	17	19
Brian Middleton	13	6	12	18
Steve McKnight	13	8	8	16
John Horcoff	13	7	8	15
Bruce Crawford	13	6	9	15
Rick Peterson	13	5	9	14
Kevin Primeau	13	6	6	12
Jim Ofrim	13	6	5	11
John Simkin	13	3	8	11
Oliver Steward	11	5	5	10

GOALTENDERS' AVERAGES

	GP	Min.	GA	Avg.
Dale Henwood	(9)	550	14	1.53
Craig Gunther	(4)	230	8	2.08