

SPORTS

Swimmers in Vancouver

The Golden Bear swim team is off to Vancouver this weekend for a dual meet against the UBC Thunderbirds.

Undeclared this year, the Bears will face their strongest competition from the T'Birds. "UBC has several strong women competitors and at least two men who were members of the Canadian team that recently toured Australia," said coach Sandy Drever. Alberta's Sue Smith was also a member of the Australian tour contingent.

The swim team will have only two weeks of training left after the weekend in order to prepare for the WCIAA finals in Saskatoon Feb. 19.

Rasslers tackle Yanks

The Golden Bear wrestling team will also be in Vancouver Saturday as they meet UBC and Simon Fraser in a tri-meet.

Friday the Bears meet the University of Washington Huskies in a dual meet. Washington should provide the Bears with their toughest competition of the year, as they recently defeated defending NCAA champions Iowa State.

After the UBC meet, Bears will have wrestled all teams in the WCIAA conference. Last week the Bears won six of ten weight divisions in a tourney in Regina, and so far this year they are undefeated against other WCIAA schools.

Flock tops in slalom

Kelly Flock, a 22-year old freshman member of the Golden Bear ski team, placed first in the Slalom event of the 26th Annual International Intercollegiate Ski Meet held at Mount Norquay in Banff on the weekend to lead the Bears to a third place finish in the team event. Bears also finished third in the Giant Slalom in the meet which attracted 14 university squads, including seven from the U.S.

University of Montana topped the Giant Slalom team competition, while Calgary captured team honors in the Slalom.

In the cross-country event Bear Nordic coach Ben Buss was best for the Alberta crew with a sixth place finish, while Don Grady, also of the Bears, finished fourth in the jumping competition.

Individually Larry Kite of Montana captured the Giant Slalom, with Dave Gregg and Steve Becker, both of Calgary, finishing second and third, respectively. Frank Warshawski of the Bears was the best for the Alberta crew with a sixth place finish. Over 100 competitors took part in the meet.

Huskies tracksters here

The University of Alberta track team hosts the University of Saskatchewan Huskies in a dual meet Saturday here in the Kinsmen Field House.

Competition is scheduled to begin at 3:30 p.m.

There will be both men's and women's events as well as a few open events. "The meet should give us a good indication of the strength of the Huskies," said coach Brian McC Calder. Saskatoon are perennial WCIAA champs in track and field.

McC Calder also expects to use the meet to pick the Alberta team which will compete in the WCIAA championships Feb. 11 in Saskatoon.

Golden Bear finals

Eight teams take to the ice Saturday and Sunday to pick the University of Alberta's WCIAA curling representative. The eight rinks, who qualified from two separate playdowns held in December and January, will be fighting for the right to represent Alberta at the WCIAA playdowns scheduled for Victoria Feb. 24-26.

The double-knockout event is scheduled for SUB rink, with games commencing at 8:30 a.m. Saturday. The final is set for 2 p.m. Sunday.

Judo—ites off to Lethbridge

Meanwhile, in Lethbridge, the Alberta Golden Bears judo squad will be participating in an invitational meet. The meet is sponsored by the Lethbridge YMCA and will consist of teams primarily from Alberta.

Coach Ron Powell's squad, who are undefeated this year, plan to take about 15 competitors to the meet.

Army to the rescue

A special Armed Forces coordinating staff has been set up to help in the training and development of Canadians in international sports competition.

The staff will deal with all major requests for DND support for top-flight sports events. Requests will be screened by the Fitness and Amateur Sports directorate before being passed to the DND.

Defense Minister Donald Macdonald feels that the DND support will be very important in the provision of facilities and logistic support for Canadian athletes preparing for the 1972 and 1976 Olympic games, as well as the 1975 Pan-Am games and other sports events.

The Air Force has already airlifted Canadian athletes to Sapporo, and similar airlifts are planned to the '72 summer games in Munich, the '74 Commonwealth Games in Christchurch, New Zealand, and the '75 Pan-Am Games in Santiago, Chile.

"One game at a time"

Bouncers meet Vikings in playoff battle

by Ron MacTavish

As playoff time approaches, the sporting fraternity, always a creative group, delight the public with their inventive descriptions of forthcoming contests. Golden Bear mentor Barry Mitchelson, a solid member of that athletic elite, has perceptively announced that his team will close out the season "playing one game at a time."

While lacking a little in the originality department, coach Mitchelson has accurately appraised the remainder of the Bear schedule. With four games left to play the Bears meet the Victoria Vikings, the current holders of third place, in a two game home stand this weekend; and then after three days rest the Bears travel to Vancouver to meet the league-leading Thunderbirds.

Any attempts by the Bears to look ahead to the T'Bird series could prove disastrous, for a Victoria sweep could put the Golden Ones out of the playoffs.

Earlier this season the Bears managed a split with the Vikings, after blowing their first game in one of the worst demonstrations of basketball ever given by an Alberta team. The Vikings, (how is this for a series of cliches, Barry) are fighting for their playoff lives and should give the Bears loads of trouble as they are a

well-coached, veteran aggregation.

Star of the Viking squad is Tom Holmes, a six-foot five-inch centre, who three seasons ago was the outstanding high school player in B.C. Playing for the Oak Bay High School in Victoria, Holmes centered a championship squad that went undefeated for some fifty games over a two year period. Coaching Oak Bay was Gary Taylor, a stern disciplinarian and shrewd basketball strategist, who has a string of provincial titles to his credit.

This season Holmes and Taylor are reunited at the University of Victoria, where they have been joined by Brent Mullins, a crafty guard who directed the Oak Bay attack during Taylor's salad days.

The Bears will have to stop the inside game of Holmes and if possible should establish an early lead, for if ahead the Vikings play a conservative game and are reluctant to give up the ball.

In this regard the Bears will be looking to Mike Frisby and Bob Morris for defensive help. For Frisby, the task of checking Holmes will be made much easier if Bob Morris can continue his mastery of Brent Mullins. In the Bear's victory over the Vikings Morris badgered Mullins and prevented him from getting the ball to Holmes. This earlier contest also was the emergence of Frisby as an offensive threat,



BARRY MITCHELSON

... "one at a time."

and no doubt the Bruin ace will give Holmes a few problems of his own.

While he says he is not looking past Friday's game, Mitchelson knows his Bears will have to win all their remaining games if they hope to grab first place, as UBC has four games remaining against Calgary and a Dinnie win is unlikely. Therefore, this weekend's basketball should be very entertaining, with the Bears priming for the Thunderbird series, and the Vikings, still smarting from last week's one point loss to those same T'Birds, trying to oust the Bears from the playoff picture.

Hockey Bears beginning to jell

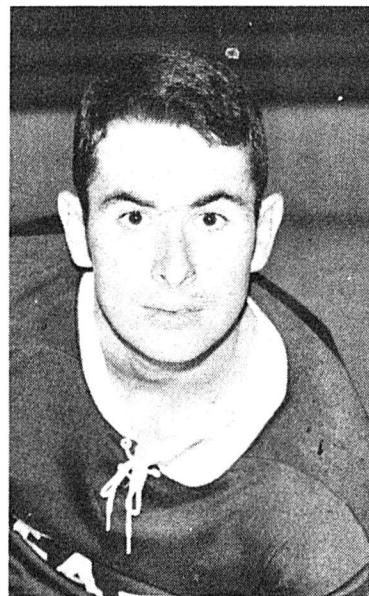
By Stu Layfield

As the hockey Bears prepare for their second consecutive weekend of play in the home arenas of W.C.I.A.A. Eastern Division foes, several aspects of last weekend's play against the Saskatchewan Huskies and Winnipeg Wesmen provide ample reason for optimism as the Bears near their all-important weekend series with the UBC Thunderbirds.

For one thing, the Bears showed no sign of overconfidence in playing the weaker Eastern Division clubs. Hopefully, the same attitude will prevail this weekend when they meet the Brandon Bobcats on Friday and the Manitoba Bisons on Saturday.

For another, a number of individuals turned in noteworthy performances which can only auger well for the future. While Captain Steve Carlyle continues to stand out on defence, rugged sophomore rearguard Bryon Baltimore has emerged as a solid defensive star in his own right. Such lesser lights on the blueline as Len Brulotte, Brian Middleton, and Paul St. Cyr have been improving with every outing. And veteran defenceman Dan Bouwmeester, who notched his first goal of the season Sat. afternoon against the Wesmen, is rounding into form after missing the entire first half of the season recuperating from an off-season shoulder operation.

On the forward lines, Rick Wyrozub continued to impress after playing his way into the Bear line-up, while Dave White, the rookie winger with the big slap-shot, more than held his own while playing a regular shift in both games of a weekend series for the first time this season. Bill Moores and Randy Clark, unquestionably two of the best checkers in the league, but who have been having



JACK GIBSON

... still out of action.

trouble scoring of late both scored goals, as did swift-skating veteran Gerry Hornby, who has been experiencing great difficulty putting the puck in the net all season.

For a good part of the season, Jack Gibson, Dave Couves, Harvey Poon, and Carlyle have been handling the lion's share of the Bear goal scoring. The four veterans had scored 35, or exactly one-half, of the Bears 70 goals prior to last weekend's action. Naturally no team with championship aspirations can afford to rely on only a few individuals to handle scoring responsibilities, since injuries and slumps inevitably take their toll. In fact, Gibson missed the series last weekend with a rib separation injury which has turned out to be serious enough that the big winger will also miss this weekend's action in Brandon and Winnipeg. In order to compensate for such injuries to key personnel it is essential that

Coach Drake can count on all four of his forward lines to produce their share of goals.

No doubt Messers Moores, Clark, Botterill, LeGrandeur, Hornby, and others will be doing their utmost this weekend to respond to the challenge as the Bears seek victories 13 and 14 as opposed to only two losses in regular league play.

APATHY CLUB

The name Apathy Club is a misnomer. Actually we are a conglomeration of not so apathetic individuals claiming representation from nearly all faculties on campus.

Due to the success of the Apathy men's team last year, a number of girls decided to form a Women's Intramural Unit. We felt no organization on campus suited our purposes. Many faculties were too big, some charged fees, and others required specific membership commitments.

Though our membership is relatively small (approximately 25) we can boast of enthusiasm and high percentage turnouts. A membership in Apathy requires only that you participate in Intramural sports—and enjoy parties with the men's unit.

This attitude has resulted in third place out of twenty-seven for our unit, but we have yet to get top honours in any sport. Obviously, our teams are not highly skilled but we compete with maximum participation. We're not afraid to try! In conclusion:

"Extremism in the pursuit of participation is no liberty/screamin' hell if practised in moderation"

The W.C.I.A.A. record for assists in league play was established in the 1968-1969 season by Golden Bear center Wayne Wiste with a new high of 28.