



Wrestlers take first 3

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two returnees from last year's team.

The ten newcomers to the team have varying degrees of experience. Some have wrestled at the intercollegiate level before, some have been high school champions and some, as recently as last week, were asking, "how long is a wrestling match?" according to Barry.

They knew enough, however, to win convincing victories over Montana, 26 to 18, and Calgary, 36 to 8. Saskatchewan proved to be a tougher opponent but fell 24½ to 23½.

Though the wins are encouraging, they do not really indicate the strength of the teams that will compete in the CWUAA championships (to be held in Edmonton in February). Two of Calgary's top wrestlers are busy with football and Saskatchewan chose to go with one wrestler who will be ineligible for official competition.

But as the less experienced Bears improve, they will stand a strong chance of going to the Nationals in Saskatoon.

"Technical improvement is our highest priority now," said Barry. Towards that goal he will be

having team members wrestle at a number of different weight classes to give them experience against a variety of opponents.

"You win wrestling matches on a lot of things besides technique," said Barry, "you win matches on guts and fitness - and the Bears have traditionally been the fittest team in the league."

The Bears will have to be fit for their next matchup, November 19, when they host the 1983 Golden Bear Invitational. The Bears will be missing Payette and Keith Lightfoot, who will be in Toronto for the Canada CUP of wrestling.

Bears and Pandas in dual meets

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yds. freestyle relay (Berger, Wray, Henning). Bears not only managed three wins at the meet, but finished a close second behind the University of Washington. The lead changed hands several times during the evening. The Panda's competition was tougher but several placings in the top three was good enough to allow the girls finish 4th overall.

On Saturday afternoon the University of Alberta met the University of Washington in a straight dual. It was a hard meet of the Pandas who had to face the dominance of the Husky women. Jan Meunier was a double winner in the 500 yds. freestyle and the 200 yds. medley and Beth May and Megan Watson breezed home to win the 200 yds. backstroke, and 200 yds. breaststroke respectively. The

final score in the women's events was University of Washington 63: University of Alberta 33: For the Bears Bruce Berger was a double winner in the 1000 yds. and 500 yds. distance swims while Cam Henning won the 200 yds. freestyle and Jeff Riddle the 200 yds. butterfly. Overall the Husky men were too strong and won the meet with a score of 65 to 30 pts.

The final meet was against University of Puget Sound. In the previous 3 encounters with UPS, both the Bears and Pandas suffered defeat. This year in an exciting finish Bears defeated UPS by 48 pts. to 47 pts. while Panda's lost the final relay 44 to 51 with the scores level at 44-44 going into the last event. Bruce Berger was again a double winner in the 800m freestyle (8:47.25) and 200m backstroke (2:08.56). Jeff Riddle won the 200m butterfly in 2:07.21

and Cam Henning easily won the 400m freestyle in 4:03.33. Freshman Martin Wray was a comfortable winner in the 400m lud. medley in a time of 4:51.64. Although UPS took the 300m free relay by 0.32 seconds, Bears easily won the 400m medley relay in 3:59.57. Jan Meunier had an excellent meet showing up first in the 800m freestyle (9:27.46), in the 200 lud medley (2:30.54) and in the 400m freestyle (4:39.30). Beth May won the 200m butterfly in a good early season time of 2:29.73, and both Megan Watson (200m breaststroke 2:45.56) and Barb Jicklung (100 free - 1:03.29) were individual winners.

"There was some good racing," commented Head Coach John Hogg, "and again there were some things were learned about our team that will help as we get into the season!"

The Bears alumni beat this years basketball team 66-69 Saturday at Varsity Gym. The Pandas, however, clobbered their alumni 82-35.

