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Panda veteran Anrette Sanregret (7) battles Bobcat Claire Booker (11) for a rebound in Sunday's basketball game. Pandas won 60-46.

Bobcats real pussies

In their first inter-collegiate encounter of the year the Panda basketball team came out on top.

At Sunday afternoon's exhibition contest in Varsity Gym, the Pandas tamed the Brandon Lady Bobcats, 60-46.

While happy with the win, Pandas' coach Debbie Shogan thought the Pandas could have had a much more decisive victory. Shogun said, "If we'd been shooting better the score might have been quite a bit different."

That comment came after the Pandas managed to hit just 26% of their shots from the floor. They made 24 of 91 attempts. Brandon was only slightly better

in accuracy connecting on 14 of 42 tries for 29%.

She says the game shows that the Pandas are going to be a pretty good team this year. "We had some lapses but what is going to hurt us this year is our size. Trix (Kannekens) is our only big player."

Even though at 6'1" Kannekens is the tallest Panda, she will still have trouble when she comes up against opponents like Janis Paskevich of Calgary, says Shogan. "Paskevich is several inches taller and outweighs Trix by about 50 pounds. It's tough to work against someone that size."

The Pandas open the Canada

West season at home on November 14 against the defending champion Victoria Vikettes. Shogan says they are the team to beat again this year. Without all-star Carol Turney-Loos, however, they will probably not be as strong as in previous seasons.

This weekend the Pandas and Bears are both hosting a pre-season tourney.

THROW-INS

Kannekens led the Pandas with 17 points. Annette Sanregret had 13 while Sarah Van Tighen and rookie Laura Cabott chipped in 10 each.

Janet Lumsden had 18 points for Brandon.

Bears are tops in Lethbridge X-country

This year the shoe was on the other foot. At least most of the runners were wearing shoes.

The Bears' cross-country team captured the Canada West men's title while the Pandas finished second in women's action last weekend in Lethbridge. Last year, the finishes were reversed.

And one U of A runner, Kim Maser, ran almost the entire 10,000 meter course shoeless. Maser was tying his laces at the starting line when the gun sounded. He started the race with laces flapping and by the time he got several hundred meters from the line he was barefoot. It didn't slow

him down much, as he still managed a respectable sixth place finish.

Two other Bears finished ahead of Maser. Brian Rhodes was a close second to Peter Butler of Calgary. Butler, one of the premier cross-country runners in Western Canada, finished with a time of 32 minutes and 3.2 seconds. Rhodes' time was 32:08.0. Darrel Menard took fifth place while Blair Rosser and Jim McGavin were 13th and 14th respectively.

These top five Bear competitors had a team score of 40 points — points awarded according to runners placing in the race — and finished 28 ahead of second place Saskatchewan. Also running for the Bears, but not figuring in the team standings, were Adrian Shorter and Riyadh Kharmy-Jones. They finished in 15th and 19th spots. Ken Teghtmeyer was injured and didn't compete.

In women's action a strong University of Victoria team took top spot. All four of their runners were in the first nine finishers. The women run 5,000 meters and only count the top four runners in their team standings.

Debbie Scott of Victoria won the race in 17:18.2. The best Panda was Birgit Otto. She was third in 18:24.4. Other Pandas and their placings are: Anne Galloway (6th), Janice Turner (8th), Karen Smith (13th), Frances Davidson (18th), and Donna Dixon (23rd).

Team co-ordinator, Gabor Simonyi, said the meet was "one of the toughest in a long time because of the number of schools (there were seven) entered." He also said that the excellent weather and good course combined with a tremendous organizational job made for a very successful meet.

"Why, even the food at the banquet was good!", says Simonyi.

With the victory, the Bears now qualify for the CIAU championships in Guelph this weekend. Bears' coach, Dr. Jim Haddow, and his crew hope to break an eastern stranglehold on the title. Simonyi says that Toronto in particular has a reputation for strong teams.

Pandas and their coach, Roger Burrows, didn't qualify as a team but two members can compete individually. Otto and Galloway can run in Guelph because they both finished in the top six in Canada West. Simonyi says that he doesn't know what their plans are at the moment.

Volleyballers are #1

Brian Watson's Volleyball Bears proved they are the team to beat in Canadian university play this year.

This past weekend in Regina, at the Cougar Classic, the Bears went undefeated in round robin play to capture top spot in the five-team event.

Along the way, Alberta knocked off both the CIAU champions from last season, Manitoba, and the 1979 - 80 Canada West title holders, Saskatchewan.

The win over Saskatchewan — a perennial powerhouse in Canada West volleyball — was the Bears' first in the last five years. Watson says, "It's a psychological barrier we've been trying to break through for quite a while. It (the tourney) will be a confidence builder for us. We'll be ranked number one and other teams will have to come to us for a change."

While that victory (3 - 1 in games) might have been the most satisfying, the most exciting had to be in the Manitoba match. The Bears were down two games to one in the best of five series and trailing 11-2 in the fourth game. They rallied for a 16-14 win and

then nipped Manitoba 15-13 in the deciding contest.

Watson says this year's team is one that will battle back. "Last year whenever they fell behind, they couldn't come back. Now nobody will walk all over us."

The other teams the Bears beat were Regina and Winnipeg. Both went down in three straight games.

Veterans Bob Engels and Terry Danyluk were two Bears pointed out by Watson as keys to the tournament win. "Bob was our

top offensive player. He had five game-winning stuff blocks and was continually hitting the ball over the other teams' blocks. Terry controlled the matches for us. He was definitely the best setter there."

Being the best is nothing new for Danyluk. Since coming to the U of A he has been on the all-star team in almost every tournament in which the Bears competed. Last season he was a Canada West all-star for the second year in a row, the CIAU MVP in the National

Championships and tournament MVP at the National Junior Championships for the second year in a row.

In two weeks the Bears will travel to Manitoba to face the same four teams in the University of Manitoba Invitational. Watson says, "Manitoba and Saskatchewan have vowed that they'll get us back."

The first of four Canada West tournaments takes place on November 21-22 in Lethbridge.

Playoff chances screwed

HALIFAX (CUP)Despite an undefeated regular season, Dalhousie Men's soccer Tigers will not be playing in this year's Atlantic University Athletic Association's (AUAA) playoffs.

Dr. Ken Bellemar, Director of Athletics at Dalhousie, announced October 29 the Tigers had unknowingly used an academically ineligible player for the final four games of the regular season.

Bellemar felt he had no

choice but to report the use of the player to the AUAA as soon as he discovered from the Registrar's Office at Dalhousie that the player was ineligible. This forced the Tigers to forfeit the four games in which the player in question had played.

The rule that affects the player is not a Canadian Inter University Athletics Association (CIAU), but rather an AUAA rule. It states that no returning player is permitted to play for a

varsity team if he or she has not received at least three credits from the school in the previous academic year.

The Tigers were aware of the rule and had cleared all of the players at the start of the year. The player in question, however, did not join the team until later in the season and signed only CIAU clearance forms. The investigation by the Registrar's Office regarding AUAA standards was not completed until after the regular season was over.

Foster Knewitt

MY SECOND DAY ON THE JOB. I REALLY BLEW IT YESTERDAY SO I'VE GOT TO MAKE SURE EVERYTHING RUNS SMOOTHLY TODAY...

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