

V ball's McKee, Seaborn U of A's Super-Athletes



by Cam Cole

Master of Ceremonies Gerry Hunt may have spent more time at the microphone, but the most visible participant in Athletics 75's production of Color Night was the pretty 22-year old who was named Outstanding Female Athlete of the year at the University of Alberta.

Susie Seaborn, perhaps known best for her efforts on the volleyball court where she has performed for the Pandas over the last 5 years, should really have been given a seat closer to the front, in view of the number of trips she had to make there to accept awards.

In addition to the Bakewell Trophy for "True Sportsmanship and Outstanding Athletic Participation" in women's athletics, Seaborn made treks to the podium for the

Outstanding Contribution award in Field Hockey (where she has played for three years) and as co-winner, with teammate Laurie Leveille, of the same prize in volleyball.

"I was very happy...she's a wonderful person," said Panda volleyball coach Sue Neill, "It's especially great for Susie because she's in her last year of eligibility with the (volleyball) team."

As it turned out, members of UA's highly successful v-ball squads took both the major individual laurels - Al McKee, the popular veteran of Hugh Hoyles' Bears club, won the Wilson Trophy as the men's "Most Outstanding Athlete based on Athletic Prowess, Leadership, Character, and Athletic Ability."

"Al's usually pretty calm, but he was quite emotional about getting the award," said Hoyles. "He definitely didn't expect it."

McKee, who also played on Canada's national baseball club, and could have played for the basketball Bears, is "a real leader, and a great team man," adds Hoyles, "that burning desire to win that he has, has done a lot for our team this year."

Men's MVP (or Outstanding Contribution) award winners include Doug Baker (basketball), Ross Barros (hockey), Damien Gynane (Track and Field), Barry Kennedy (swimming), Russ Pawlyk (wrestling), Darrell Menard (cross-country),

and Ian MacLachlan (Intramurals).

In the evening's most sober presentation the widow of the late Dr. Bill Woywitka (a former member of the Bears football team and graduate of the UofA) presented the Bill Woywitka Memorial Trophy to the outstanding Bear football player, Brian Fryer.

Winners in the women's program were Lorraine Thorne (badminton), Kathy Moore



(basketball), Barb Rutherford (gymnastics), Wendy Kruger (swimming), Debbie Ryan (track and field), and Carlee Berner (intramurals).

Other noteworthy individual awards went to Doug Baker (high scorer - basketball), Colin Fennell (outstanding rookie - basketball), Ted Olson (outstanding rookie - football), Brian Fryer (outstanding backfielder - football), Tom Towns (outstanding lineman - football), Jim Ofrim (most improved - hockey), and Pierre Pomerleau (outstanding rookie - wrestling).

The Block "A" Ring Award, for outstanding contribution to athletics on and off the field, was awarded to Gerald Kunyk, the veteran quarterback of the Golden Bear football team.

(For details of awards in the Intramural program, see *Women's Intramurals, below.*)

Rodeo's top finishers:

STEER WRESTLING

Larry Nelson	7.5 sec	LCC
Larry Felker	8.2 sec	SAIT
Phil Campbell	8.4 sec	Vermillion
Gary Sparshu	8.4 sec	SAIT
Jerry Collins	8.9 sec	LCC

SADDLE BRONC RIDING

Gary Sparshu	63	SAIT
Gary Thompson	47	SAIT
Ground Money		

BULL RIDING

Ross Muntsey	64	Cariboo College
Rudy Gilles	63	Olds
Mike Elliott	63	LCC
Doug Bortons	56	LCC
Neil Ballhorn	56	LCC
Kurt Johanson55		SAIT

CALF ROPING

Mac Reeder	21.2	LCC
Neil Miller	22.0	SAIT
Gary Sparshu	26.4	SAIT
Jim Newton	27.2	Olds

BAREBACK RIDING

Dinnis Potter	63	Red Deer
Larry Felker	59	SAIT
Rob Hoff	57	Olds
Jack Bruyere	57	Olds
Ron Rankin	55	Olds

GIRLS BARREL RACE

Pat Neilson	14.9	
Kathy James	15.0	Mount Royal
Joan Barringer	15.6	Olds
Shirley Senuik	16.0	U of A

GIRLS GOAT TYING

Kathy Bargett	15.4	LCC
Ann Alm	15.6	Olds
Cindy Young	18.3	LCC
Kathy James	19.1	Mount Royal

GIRLS STEER UNDECORATING

Kathy Bargett	2.0 secs	LCC
Cindy Young	11.4 secs	LCC

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Hockey's still kicking

Lest anyone out there suspect that hockey is about to pass into oblivion, and this column might therefore be expected to accompany it, let me set your collective mind at ease in that respect.

Notwithstanding the fact that NHL and WHA playoffs extend well into May, it is just possible that this column might, horror of horrors, be devoted to an increasing degree, to events and incidents occurring outside the realm of hockey.

But before I let you hockey-bored persons off the hook altogether, let me relate to you the latest adventures of that dynamic duo, Ross Barros and Dale Henwood:

One of the more memorable events of a memorable evening happened when it was announced at Color Night that Ross Barros had been named winner of the Andy Purcell Trophy as Most Valuable Player on the hockey Bears.

In a stroke of genius, the Department of Athletics' Chuck Moser arranged for Varsity Arena's organist extraordinaire Rick Leblanc to play dinner music for the banquet and subsequent awards presentations.

When Barros' name was called, Leblanc burst into "Bennie and the Jets" or "Barros and the Bears", and the entire gathering of 500-plus rose and clapped in time, as Barros accepted the trophy.

Not to be outdone, Dale Henwood obviously felt he could upstage Barros. So, when Yvonne Van Soest of the Gym Pandas stepped forward to receive her team award, Henwood leaned back in his chair for a looksee, and...toppled over backwards, knocking over a nearby garbage can, and making enough of a racket to be heard even above the dull roar the football players were maintaining in the back.

One of the few individuals who couldn't be present to accept his award was rookie recipient Ted Olson of the football team, who had to play hockey (?) for the Oil Kings on Friday.

And speaking of the Oil Kings and hockey, isn't it odd that the only team in Edmonton (junior, college, or pro) to make the playoffs this season is the only one whose players aren't getting paid to play. (If the Oilers should somehow manage to rally into a playoff spot, I'll take it all back, but, sadly, even Wild Bill doesn't seem to be able to motivate some of the overpaid fatasses on the Big Team).

VolleyBears' second try

by Don Blocker

Al McKee and Susie Seaborn had little time to savor their newly-acquired awards Friday. The pair, chosen U of A's Outstanding Male and Outstanding Female Athletes, respectively, left for Calgary early Saturday morning to take part in the Alberta Open Volleyball Championships' fourth tournament, to decide Alberta's

representatives at the Canadian finals in Quebec City next week.

While Sue Neill's Pandas lost their bid to go east, placing second behind the Calgary Cals in the women's competition, the Bears, under Hugh Hoyles, swept through the day's matches undefeated, winning the trip to Laval University and a chance to redeem their loss to Sherbrooke in the Canadian

Intercollegiate finals 4 weeks ago.

U of Calgary and U of A were neck and neck going into the competition, while defending champion Senior squad, Mount Royal College, and Edmonton Phoenix were also in the running.

The UA team defeated the Dinosaurs 2-1 in games in the round-robin part of the tourney, then wound up facing them again in the finals. Bears won that match 2-1, as well, with scores of 15-9, 9-15, 15-11.

"We were really playing that final game for something like a couple of thousand dollars," said Hoyles. "The Canadian Volleyball Association agrees to pay return travel costs for all provincial winners, to the Canadian championships."

"We really want another shot at Sherbrooke," he says, adding that the Golden Bears beat the Sherbrooke team in the round-robin of the CIAU finals, but lost in the playoff for the national title. They hope to do better this time.

Women's Intramurals

Intramurals 75 will be held on Thursday March 27 at 7:00pm in Dinwoodie Lounge, SSB. The evening includes dinner, awards presentation and dancing. Tickets are on sale in the Intramural Office for \$2.50 per person. All Intramural participants are encouraged to attend.

The 1974-75 major award winners are:

ISABEL MONROE TROPHY (awarded to the Unit which has accumulated the highest percentage of participation

points in one year): Winner - St John's.

ROSE BOWL (awarded to the Unit which has the most participation points in one year): Winner - St John's.

T.M. JOHNSON TROPHY (awarded to the participant who has made the greatest contribution to Women's Intramurals based on participation and service): Winner - Carlee Berner - Recreation.

Details of other winners within the intramurals program will appear in Thursday's issue.