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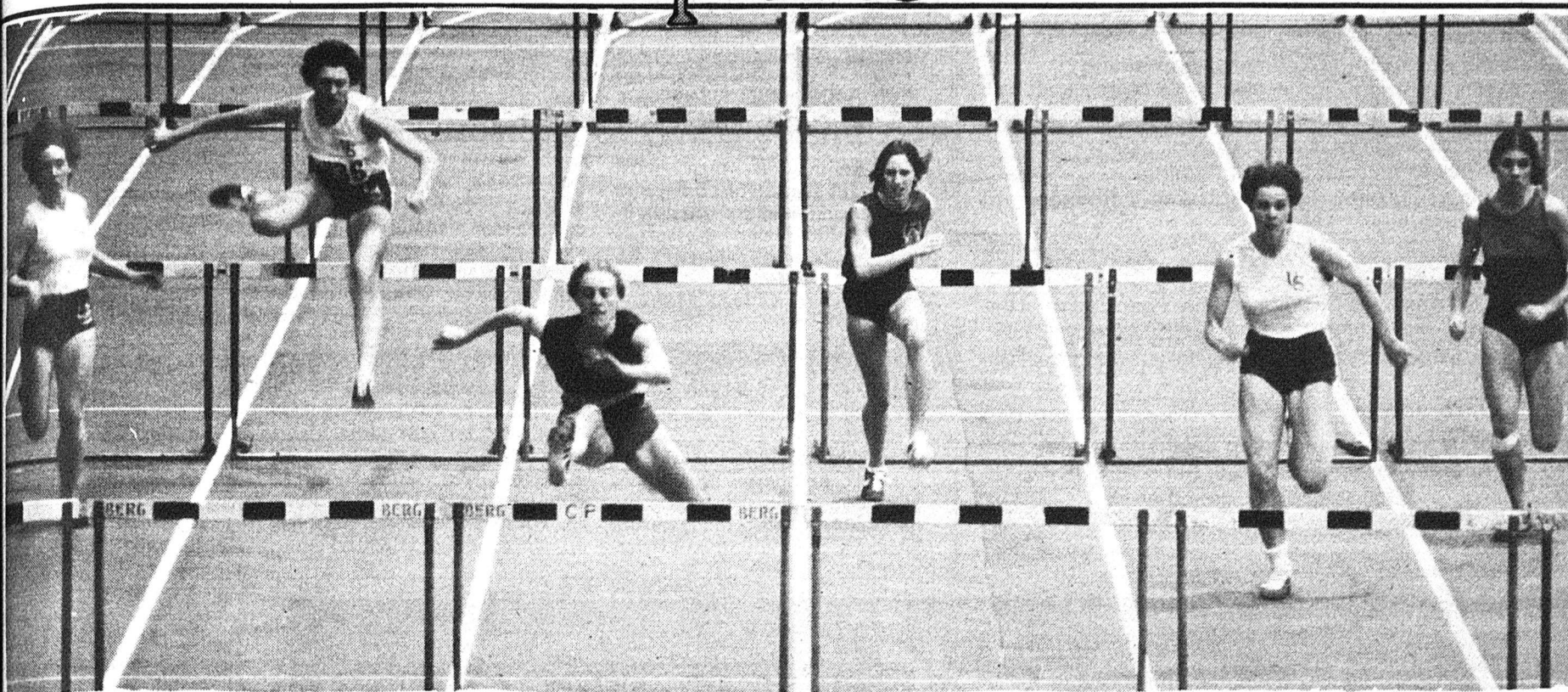


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U of A athletes involved National senior track finals at Field House

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Eighteen members of the Canada West University Athletic Association championship track and field teams, the U of A Golden Bears and Pandas, will be competing in the Canadian Indoor Championships this weekend at the Kinsmen Field House. The Pandas and Bears were victorious at the conference meet a week ago at the local field house.

U of A men competing this weekend are: Dan Biocchi (a member of last year's Commonwealth Games team), Pierre Desrochers, Wally Dixon, Rob Foote, Mike Houser (in the rare 35-pound weight event), Sean Kehoe (CWUAA co-record holder in the 60 metres), Jim Kellner, Bob Baxendale, Ian Newhouse (a triple winner in the CWUAA's), Gerry Swan (also a triple winner last week) and Frank-Van Doorn (co-holder of the 60 metre record, a Com-

monwealth Games competitor and CWUAA 200 metre champion).

Women from the U of A scheduled to compete are: Sue Bell (a second place finisher in both the 400 and 800 last weekend), Mary Burzinski, Sue Farley (CWUAA 60 metre hurdle champ), Sandi Herring, Margo Howe (a triple winner in the conference meet), Janet Shulha (co-recipient of the female performer of the CWUAA meet award) and

Becky Sjare (conference shot put victor).

The Canadian Indoor Championships are the track finals of the year, and feature all the upper echelon senior athletes in the nation. To enter, a competitor must meet a particular standard in his or her event.

This year there will be no Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union (CIAU) championships in track, so the senior finals take on a particular importance. According to U of A coach

Gabor Simonyi, "the sponsors (a brewery) withdrew and the government let us down," so the national intercollegiate finals became financially unfeasible.

The meet should feature a number of world-class performers and performances including several members of the Canadian National team. As well, athletes at the meet will be vying for the chance to travel to Europe as a representative of his or her country.

Volleyball teams in for a tough weekend

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Pierre Baudin, Hugh Gyles and their athletes are in for a weekend full of anxiety. Baudin (coach of the U of A Pandas volleyball team) and Gyles (coach of the Volleyball Pandas) take their respective teams to Saskatoon this weekend for the last of three Canada West University Athletic Association tournaments with more than a prayer's hope of qualifying for the conference

play-off matches.

The first Canada West tournament, hosted by the U of A, saw the young Bears finish fifth. The Pandas, meanwhile, stumbled to a fourth place record. Both teams showed marked improvement in the next tournament, finishing with identical third place rankings.

Now due to an unusual (and soon to be extinct) scoring system, both teams have marginal chances to finish in

second place in Canada West and qualify to play the Saskatchewan Huskies and Huskiettes for the right to go to Hamilton the next weekend for the national intercollegiate finals.

A first-tournament win in Canada West play was worth one point, a second-tourney win was worth 1.25 points and a win this weekend is worth 1.5 points.

The Bears must win all four meetings this weekend, while the

present second place team, University of Victoria, has to lose all but one of their matches. However, Calgary is also in the running for the final play-off spot and their presence promises to complicate things for the Bears. Further, the Bears have yet to win more games than they have lost in Canada West action this year.

Meanwhile, the Pandas face similar odds, although coach Pierre Baudin said that "if we make to the finals I promise we will walk all over Saskatchewan."

Pandas formula for success calls for the present second place team, UBC, to finish with a 1-3 record while the U of A contingent must go 4-0.

A true basketball story

This is a true story.

Once upon a time there was a trainer of a group of animals who loved to play basketball. The animals were called Bears and the trainer's name was Gerhardt Schmidt. Gerhardt was called (?) by his group of Bears.

for the rigorous training sessions he ran.

The Bears had an easy time controlling the other animals in their territory, mauling Dinosaurs, Thunderbirds, Huskies, Pronghorns, and any other animals that got in their

way in the quest for the braggin' rights to the western territory. The team winning the western braggin' rights would then be allowed to compete for the national braggin' rights championship, held this year in the cow(pie) town.

Although the Bears had little trouble vanquishing any other group of animals in their territory, they always had trouble defeating the group of humans known as the Vikings. The Vikings are boating to the Bears' home den this weekend, the final one of the season. If the Bears are able to win at least one of the two games they play against the Vikings, they will be allowed to compete further for the braggin' rights championship for the western territory.

Any of you out there who remember the Lions vs. the Christians will surely appreciate this matchup of the Vikings vs. the Bears. The games take place Friday and Saturday in Varsity Gym, starting at 8:30.

The good and the bad

The disappointment of a premature end to the basketball season still remains for Debbie Sagan's Pandas, but for two of the charges the sting of not making the playoffs was lightened somewhat when the league all-

Along with Faith are the backcourt duo of Laura Beuhning and Colleen Finney and forward Janis Paskevich from Calgary. Sheila Brennan from Saskatchewan rounds out the second team.

Kannekans received further accolades when it was learned she has been nominated for a spot on the All-Canadian dream-team. The third-year Panda, who coach Shogan is going to have to mold next year's team around, was Canada West's top rebounder and was second in the scoring race with an average of better than fifteen points a game.

teams were announced. Pandas Trix Kannekans voted the starting centre on the first team. Other members of the team are LuAnne Hebb, Marie Donna Hanna, Bridgette Nancy Brentnell, and Holly Pedersen from Calgary. Faith Rostad of the Pandas voted to the second team.

Sports Quiz

by Jonathan Berkowitz

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- Which of these horses was the first winner of racing's Triple Crown? (a) Sir Barton (b) Gallant Fox (c) Man O'War (d) Omaha (e) My Friend Flicka
- Name the racetracks at which each of the Triple Crown races are held. (Bonus: Do you know the length of each race?)
- (i) Name the four tournaments that comprise golf's Grand Slam. (ii) Name the four countries whose tournaments comprise the Grand Slam of tennis.
- What NHL goalie holds the record for most career shutouts in playoff action? (a) Bill Durnan (b) Jacques Plante (c) Turk Broda (d) Terry Sawchuk (e) Glenn Hall
- Only one player in major league baseball history has won the Rookie of the Year award, the Most Valuable Player award, and the Cy Young award in his career. Who is he?
- Who holds the record for most career goals in the WHA?
- Rank the following players in ascending order according to their total NHL career goals. All of these players have scored over 500 goals. Johnny Bucyk, Stan Mikita, Maurice Richard, Frank Mahovlich, Jean Beliveau
- As of the All-Star break, who was leading each of these NHL teams in scoring? (a) Pittsburgh (b) Minnesota (c) Colorado (d) Vancouver (e) Philadelphia
- Which two of these players are tied for the NHL lead in most short-handed goals so far this season? (a) Don Marcotte (b) Butch Goring (c) Lorne Henning (d) Bill Barber (e) Rick MacLeish
- Who holds the major league baseball record for most hits in a season? Who holds the record for most grand-slam home runs in a season?