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## Golden Bear turnovers too costly

by Bob Kilgannon

Turnovers and field position. That sums up what really mattered on Saturday as the Golden Bears suffered their second loss of the season, both losses coming at the hands of the UBC Thunderbirds. The Thunderbirds led all the way except for about ten minutes in the second quarter as they defeated the Bears 27-23.

It was turnovers by the Bears and good field position for the Thunderbirds that really spelled doom for Jim Donlevy's crew. In all UBC scored five times with two field goals and three touchdowns yet never moved the ball more than 15 yards to put points on the board.

Their first points came on a 31 yard Ken Munro field goal after UBC took the ball at the Bears' 26 and moved just two yards. Munro's second field goal was a 45 yarder, kicked after the Thunderbirds could move just 12 yards.

The T-Birds first touchdown came in the second quarter when they moved from the six yard line. They took over when Dave Brown couldn't get off a punt after a low snap from centre.

The second UBC touchdown, in the third quarter, was their longest scoring drive of the day at 15 yards. Fullback Peter Leclaire scored from seven yards out. The UBC field position came about after Dave Brown punted short from his end zone and the Bears were also called for no yards on the play.

UBC's final major came on a one yard plunge by Leclaire on the first play of the fourth quarter. That play culminated a 12 yard drive after UBC recovered a Gord Syme fumble. Syme was returning a wide field goal attempt when he fumbled.

In all the Bears turned the ball over to UBC a total of nine times — a fumble, losing the ball



photo Ray Giguere

Even though Rick Paulitsch (no. 28) didn't fumble this time, his two quarterbacks combined for seven interceptions which sunk the Bears.

on downs once, and seven interceptions. Starter Jaimie Crawford, who played the entire first half and the first five minutes of the third quarter threw two interceptions as he was a disappointing nine for 24 for just 114 yards. Reliever Randy Stollery had better stats and moved the offense fairly well but he suffered five interceptions.

The Bears did provide lots of excitement for the fans late in the game though. With about two and a half minutes left in the game

Stollery directed a two play, 51 yard touchdown drive with a 20 yard pass to Dave Brown followed by a 31 yard touchdown toss to Peter Eshenko with 2:10 left.

Rick Magee squibbed the ensuing kickoff up the middle and noseguard Rollie Miles recovered it for Alberta. Stollery then went to work again, directing the offense for another touchdown, this time a one yard plunge by Rick Paulitsch. The attempted two point convert was no good, leaving the score at 27-23 for the

T-Birds with 57 seconds left.

Magee went with the short kickoff again, this time to the right side, and again Rollie Miles recovered for the Green and gold. The Bears, miraculously, still had a chance to win it but UBC stopped them two plays later when Mark Beecroft picked up his third interception of the day.

Centre Percy Gendall probably summed up the feelings of the players best. "We gave them the game," he said. "All those turnovers ..."

The loss virtually squashed any hope the Bears had of finishing first. UBC would have to lose their final two games while the Bears win their last three in order for the Green and Gold to finish first for the third year in a row. "That's (first place) not our goal now. Our goal now is to make the playoffs."

The Bears start in pursuit of that goal this weekend in Saskatoon as they meet the U of S Huskies.

### Statistics

	Bears	UBC
First downs	24	18
Yards passing	282	200
Yards rushing	62	87
Total offence	344	287
Passed tried	49	16
Passes made	21	9
Penalties/yds	8/45	15/144
Interceptions	1	7

### INDIVIDUAL

UBC	
Rushing	
Steele	16/101
Leclaire	21/74
Passing	
Gard	15/9 87 yds 1 int
Petri	0/1
Receiving	
Grodin	2/23
Steele	2/17
Ros	4/43

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Rushing	
Paulitsch	6/19 1 TD
Cunningham	3/11
Passing	
Crawford	24/9 114 yds 2 int
Stollery	25/12 169 yds 5 int
Receiving	
Eshenko	7/107
Wolfram	7/98
Brown	1/21
Cunningham	3/17

## Bears shutout Huskies

by Luis Pena

For the second time in two weeks the University of Alberta soccer Bears defeated the University of Saskatchewan Huskies.

On their first encounter held in the Huskies' home, the Bears

came out with the victory after an impressive 4-0 win, three of the goals scored by forward Tim Duru while Brian Wallace closed the count.

In last Friday's game the Bears collected two more valuable

points after beating the Huskies by a 1-0 score, the deciding shot coming from Scott Fisher at 38 min. of play after picking up a rebound originated by a blocked shot by Steve Aldred.

This time the Bears showed an all-offensive mentality trying to repeat their last performance, but even though they outshot the Huskies 34-9 an excellent display of goaltending by Saskatchewan's Marcel halle with 13 saves kept the Bears off from increasing the score.

With this result the Bears improved their record to a 3-2-0 with 8 points while the Huskies are still waiting for their first point.

Next week's game will be a battle for the first place of the conference when the Bears are visited by the University of British Columbia Thunderbirds, holders of the top position with a 4-0 (8 points) record.

The game will be on Friday, three o'clock at Varsity field.



photo Tom Freeland

Saves like this one kept Huskies scoreless.

The hockey Bears were on the road last week for five exhibition games - winning three and losing two.

On Wednesday and Thursday the Bears were in Winnipeg to take on the Manitoba Bisons and came away with 7-3 and 4-3 wins.

On the weekend they travelled to Brandon to play in the Brandon University Invitational Tournament. On Friday they dropped a 4-1 decision to the University of Saskatchewan Huskies and followed that up with

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a 4-3 loss to Brandon on Saturday. They were not shut out of the win column, however, as they dumped the team from the University of Quebec 7-4 on Sunday.

The regular season is fast approaching as Clare Drake makes his final cuts this week. The Bears play two more exhibition games this weekend before kicking off the regular season to the UBC Thunderbirds on the final two days of this month. Through nine exhibition games so far the Bears are a respectable 5-3-1.

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