

## Pandas win York Gymnastics Meet



A strong Alberta team, bolstered by four Panda gymnasts, won the York University Tait McKenzie Gymnastics classic in Toronto this past weekend.

The Alberta squad showed their power to other Canadian universities by winning the meet handily with a team score of 91.29. This was well ahead of 2nd place finishers McMaster University, with 85.84, and 3rd place University of Western Ontario with 85.5.

Margie Drysdale, Audrey Gee, Carrie Nawata, and Heidi Ross represented the U of A in the contest against 5 other Canadian universities — York, Western Ontario, McMaster, UBC and U of C.

Coaches Sandy O'Brien and Sue Rouse were extremely pleased with the outcome of Saturdays meet, commenting: "With this Pre-Nationals Meet, we had a good view of intercollegiate talent across Canada. We knew we had a

great team this year, but when we lost Janice Neill and Kathy Stevens due to injury, it was harder to evaluate our strength. Our team made errors; we've got to face that problem in the weeks to come. But this team is extremely dedicated. At this rate they're going to peak perfectly for Nationals."

Against tough judges, the Pandas scored consistently well throughout the meet, with three members attaining the minimum CIAU National qualifying score of 28.00 points over four events.

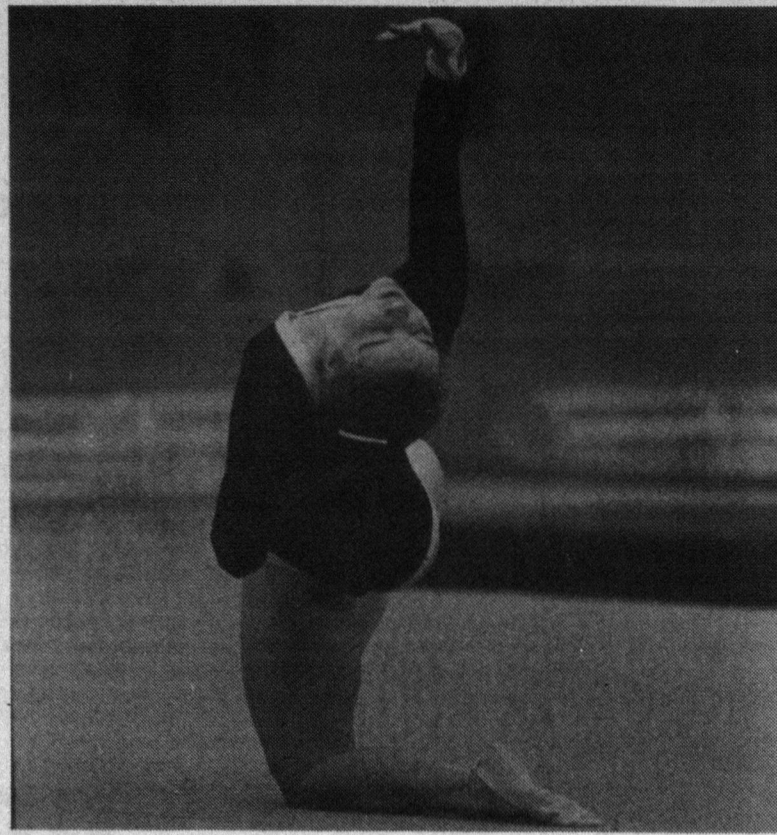
Individual strong performances were also displayed.

Unfortunately, Heidi Ross was unable to compete all-around, due to a slightly sprained ankle she sustained in warm up. However, she did manage to place in the top 3 in the 3 events she was able to compete — 3rd in Vault, 2nd in Uneven Bars, and 2nd in Balance Beam.

Drysdale placed 1st with an extremely difficult and well-executed uneven bar routine. Indicative of the Pandas' abilities over all four events, Nawata and Gee had strong 6th place finishes in vault and floor exercise respectively.

With two more fierce competitors in all arounders Shelley Spaner and Elise Dworkin (1982 CIAU floor exercise champion) the full team of six Pandas will be tough to upset as reigning Canada West Champions.

Their strongest challenge will



The Pandas were stunning on their York win. photo Bill Inglee

come from UBC team.

U of A fans will have two opportunities to see the talented Panda gymnasts this season at the Klondike Challenge meet on Feb. 12 and the Canada West Championships, (pre-Universiade event) on Feb. 19 and 20.

Both meets will be held in Varsity Gym.

Winning the Tait McKenzie Classic at York, the Pandas will be the team to beat at York U on

March 11 and 12, when the Nationals begin.

In Margie Drysdale, Audrey Gee, and Carrie Nawata, the U of A has national calibre gymnasts, which will no doubt lift the entire team to top performances.

**Pandas Notes:** The Pandas have fundraising popcorn sales every Wednesday at the Education Building (North). The popcorn is the tastiest around and the proceeds go to a good cause.

## A day at the arena

by Margo Schmitt

Picture the ice arena at 9:30 on a Wednesday evening. The stands are quiet with only a few late night joggers and the ice awaits its Zamboni face lift.

Suddenly, a blur of red and white flashes past your eyes as a couple dozen men advance from the dressing rooms and take to the ice. Something strikes you as being different, and as you move closer you discover that some of the players have balding heads and greying beards.

Surprise! It's the "Over 35" hockey league!

Responding to a recognized need, Campus Recreation has, for the first time, set up a hockey league for faculty members, non-academic staff, and students over 35 years old.

"The whole idea of the program is to have a not hit league and to make the games as equal as possible," said Hugh Hoyles, Coordinator of Campus Recreation.

After being publicized campus wide, one full team entry, and a number of individual entries came in. Presently there are 3 teams: the Stone Angels (all from Arts), the Golden Oldies, and the Methuselahs. Campus Recreation is hoping for enough entrants for a fourth team, and welcome anyone interested in participating. Just contact Hugh Hoyles at 432-2408.

On January 12, all individual entrants came out to shoot and skate, after which two teams were drawn up. If one team becomes too strong or too weak, some draft choices will be made.

Lock Hughes, a physical education student organizing the league is both enthusiastic and optimistic about the program.

"We are starting with 3 teams, but hopefully in the next two years we can build it up to as many as twelve teams," said Hughes.

Hugh Hoyles agrees that he would like to see the league grow. He feels that Campus Recreation has an obligation to offer activities to the total university community, as long as it does not cut into student activities. He also feels that Dr. Art Burgess's work with the staff Health and Fitness program has sparked interest and awareness in physical fitness.

"The league gives us a chance to play with our own age level in a no hit situation," commented Al Carrier, a Recreation Administration alumnus, and member of the Golden Oldies.

The game on January 26 saw the Stone Angels pitted against the Golden Oldies. Ken Norrie of Economics was the high scorer of the game with 4 goals for the Stone Angels. Paul Dube of the Faculte St. Jean brought the score up to 5; thus, beating the Golden Oldies by 2 points. The three scorers for the Golden Oldies were Michael Stratford, a Business Administration grad student, and Jack Lerbekmo and Frank Schwartz, both of Geology.

In an exhibition game, the Methuselahs triumphed over the Physical Education grad students 8 - 4.

## UBC sweeps hockey Bears in upset

by Martin Coultts

Well, Clare Drake had said at the outset that the four Canada West hockey teams were very evenly matched. He said that none of the games would be easy to win, and that each team would have to work hard for the wins it did get.

You had to question his analysis, though, when the Saskatchewan Huskies and his own Golden Bears quickly turned a race for two playoff spots into a race for home-ice advantage in the playoffs. But, after last weekend's results, maybe he had a good point after all (Coaches with 500 victories do tend to be right once in a while!). Of four games played, the front running Huskies and Bears managed just one win

between them.

The Bears, for their part, came up empty, as they dropped 7-6 and 4-3 decisions to the UBC Thunderbirds in Vancouver. The Huskies, meanwhile, were in top form on Friday as they bombed the hometown Calgary Dinosaurs 9-1. But Calgary recovered from the embarrassment with a vengeance on Saturday, by posting a 3-1 victory.

The results leave Saskatchewan in sole possession of first place with an 11 and 5 record. Alberta follows at 10 and 6, while Calgary, at 6 and 10, is now just two points ahead of UBC, who are 5 and 11.

Friday's game at the Thunderbird Arena was a wild, double overtime affair. It finally ended at

2:41 of the second extra session when Kevin Argue of the T-Birds beat Bears' goalie Ken Hodge. The goal completed a spirited comeback by UBC (or, depending on which way you look at it, a disastrous letdown by Alberta) in a game that they looked certain to lose on two occasions.

The Birds trailed 5-3 with just four minutes to play in the third period before Daryl Coldwell and Dave Brownlie scored just 84 seconds apart to send the game into overtime. Then, in the first overtime period (10 minutes, not sudden death), UBC again seemed to have gone down for the count when "Ace" Brimacombe gave the Bears a 6-5 lead. But Rick Amann's desperation shot from the slot with just 15 seconds to play found the mark and set the stage for Argue's sudden death winner.

Other scorers from UBC were Coldwell (who had a five point evening), Gregg Cockrill, and Grant Harris. Ron Parent and Rick Swan each had a pair for Alberta, while Tim Krug got the other goal

for the visitors who were outshot 34-30.

The T-Birds also rallied to win Saturday's contest, after trailing 3-2 after 40 minutes. Steve LaPointe tied the game at 4:43 of the final period and Gregg Cockrill then fired the winner past Bears' goalie Terry Clark at 17:08. Argue and Brownlie had the other UBC goals while Brimacombe, Perry Zapernick, and Jeff Marshall connected for the Bears. Alberta, outshot UBC 43-35.

**Bear Notes:** The Bears have now lost three games in a row and Coach Drake's win total remains at 500... he is still one win shy of tying John "Snooks" Kelly of Boston College for the number two spot on the all-time college coaching win list... Brimacombe's goal on Saturday was the 50th of his career in Canada West Conference play... he becomes only the fourth Bear to reach the 50 goal plateau... he also has 90 career points and could become the sixth Bear to crack the 100 point barrier... the Bears entertain the Huskies at Varsity Arena this weekend.

### CAMPUS SPORTS ACTION THIS WEEKEND



**Golden Bear Hockey vs. Saskatchewan Huskies**  
Fri-Sat February 4 - 5  
7:30 pm. Varsity Arena

**vs. Alberta College All-Stars**  
Sunday February 6  
7:00 pm. Varsity Arena

**Golden Bears & Panda Swimming vs. University of Calgary**  
Saturday February 5  
3:00 pm. West Pool

**Golden Bear & Panda Track host 1983 Golden Bear Open Track & Field Meet**  
Fri. February 4 6:00 - 11:00 pm.  
Sat. February 5 8:00 am. - 4:30 pm.  
Kinsmen Fieldhouse

**Golden Bear & Panda Volleyball host Alberta Volleyball Association "AA" Tournament #1**  
Saturday, February 5  
9:00 am. - 9:00 pm. Varsity Gym

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