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who are ranked number 1 in 'G' pack and the team lost in three straight games, 13-15, 9-15, 13-15. Again a breakdown in serve receive was the deciding factor.

"We're going to concentrate on that area in practice," said Watson.

On Saturday evening the Bears played the Bisons again, and again lost in five games. The fifth game was tied at ten before the Bears fell to defeat.

"It appears that we just haven't learned how to win yet." Finalized Brian Watson.

Over the same past weekend the Pandas travelled to Montana State in Bozemann to play in the International University Cup.

Along with the Pandas were three other teams competing, the University of California Berkely Bears, the Montana State Bobcats and the University of Montana's Mezoula Grizzlies.

The teams took part in a round robin play, playing each other once and then from those results were seeded in a double knockout playoff tournament.

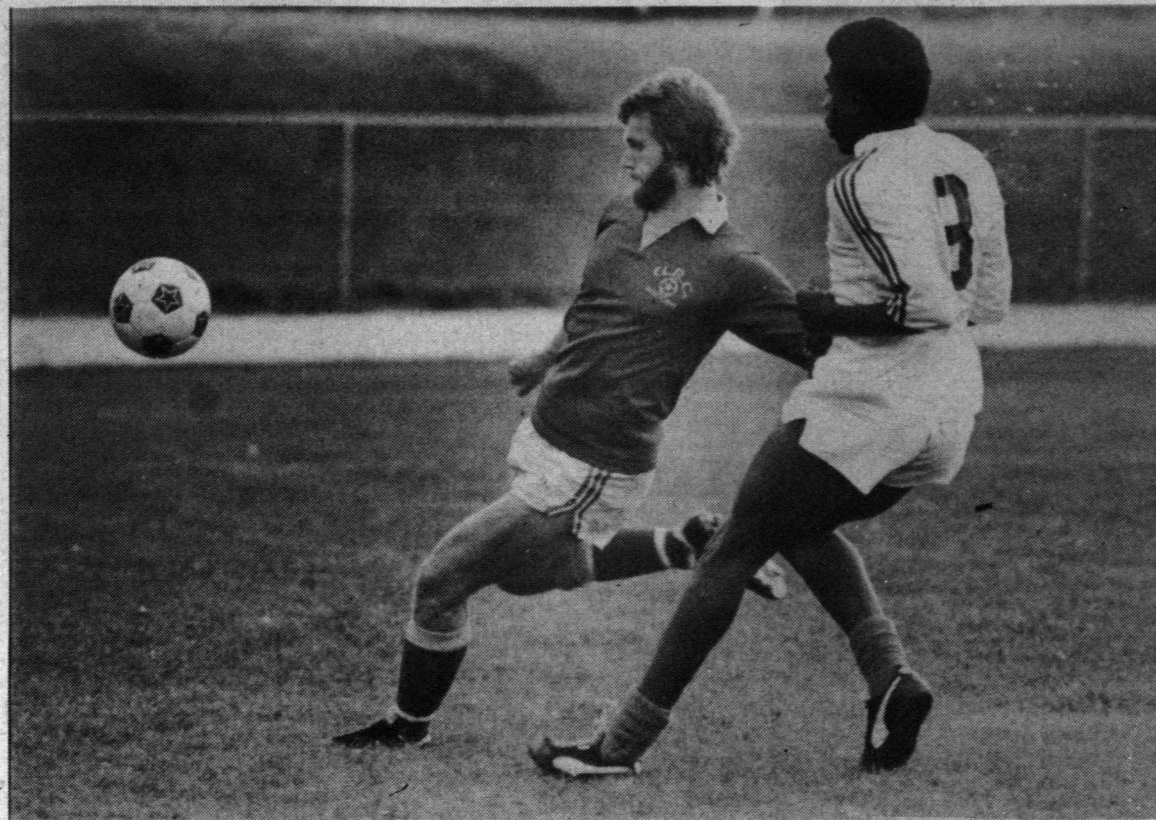
As with the Bears the Pandas had to endure poor travel arrangements, driving in separate cars to Montana arriving at 7 a.m. after a 14 hour drive. They were scheduled to play that afternoon at 3 o'clock and so only managed three hours sleep before game time.

"The girls were definitely tired and this showed, but we still played fairly well." Said coach Hugh Hoyles.

The Pandas went through the round robin tourney, losing all three matches by identical 2-0 counts. In the double knockout portion of the tournament they played a little better taking one game from Montana State but still losing 3-1.

The team played well and a

# Soccer Bears are number one



Bears won in an exciting second half.

photo Ray Giguere

cleared throw-in by the Bears defensive line, which then resulted in a pass headed in by Thunderbird Gordi Siddon.

UBC managed to keep their lead by means of a strong defence, which lasted up to the end of the first half and part of the second.

Although the Bears had a few chances in the first half, it was not until minute 56 in the second half when Rudy Bartholomew scored the tying goal with a 35 yd. shot that caught the Thunderbirds' goalie by surprise. With their first goal the Bears broke the Thunderbirds' defensive wall and two minutes later Tim Duru headed in the second goal from a pass by Claudio Perusco.

The two last goals came with less than a minute between them. At 80 min. of play Brian Wallace received a pass from Steve Aldred and scored with a 20 yd. shot, 50 sec. later Steve Aldred scored the Bears' fourth goal after a short pass from Tim Duru in the middle of UBC's defensive zone.

With this victory, the Bears are now the top team of their conference with 10 points, followed by the Thunderbirds and the Dinosaurs with 8 and 7 points respectively.

The Bears will close their regular season program this Friday and Saturday when they visit the Universities of British Columbia and Victoria. A tie with each team will grant the Bears the championship of the C.W.U.A.A. for this year.

lot of good points were shown in our game." Observed Hoyles.

In their final match against California they lost in three straight but the coach put this down to a lack of fire power up front at the net, noticeably the absence of star spiker Tracy Mills who is in Mexico playing in the World Junior Championships.

"We had them 13-6, but we just couldn't put 'em away." Commented Hoyles.

Both the Bears and the Pandas open their seasons soon and are looking forward to show-

ing some better results in those tournaments.

**Bear Facts** In the Panda Volleyball tournament on the weekend the organizers and coaches selected six players to make up an all-star team. From the Berkely Bears one player was selected; from the Montana Grizzlies two players were selected and also two from the host Bobcats. We're happy to report that one Panda was selected to the all-star squad and she is Suzie Szepesi. congratulations Suzie.

by Luis Pena

Even though it was played on a chilly afternoon, the game was red hot last Friday at Varsity Field at the University of Alberta soccer Bears defeated the University of British Columbia Thunderbirds by an impressive 4-1 score.

The Thunderbirds scored first at the 31 1/2 min. mark taking advantage of an improperly

## Heaney wants .500 season

by Joe Chidiak

The University of Alberta Golden Bears men's basketball team will be looking to improve their dismal 2-16 conference record of last year. However, this is easier said than done.

In the Western Conference, the Bears will be playing some of the top teams in the country, significantly the Victoria Vikings. All of the other western universities have also gained as much talent and experience as U of A. This factor will make it difficult for the Bears to move up a notch from their last place finish of a year ago.

This season, Ken Haak and Blain Haines are two returning players that should be looked at for their talent and leadership. Haak, in his 3rd year, averaged 15 points per game over last season. Haines has gained lots of valuable experience in the backcourt last year. This type of maturation is what coach Brian Heaney will be looking for as part of his team's

improvement. However, maturation isn't the only asset.

"An intelligent game of basketball and a desire to win will have to be our best qualities if we are to improve," says Heaney. He continued on to say that a reasonable outlook for this season would be to shoot for a .500 season. Also, Heaney is hoping to climb up in the standings a place or two each year.

For this year though, miracles should not be forseen for the Bears. This reporter does not

expect to be sent to the national finals to cover Golden Bears basketball. However, I am looking forward to covering a very interest and hopefully exciting team. Good Luck Guys.

**\*\*Bench Technicals\*\***  
— the Bears play their first games at a tournament in Saskatoon on October 30th and 31st. (Friday and Saturday)

— their first home encounter will be on November 8th at Varsity gym against the Sait Trogans.

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For those of you who read the sports quiz in last Thursday's paper, do not despair: the answers were not on page six. And you thought you were going blind. This is what happens when I let a news editor run some sports copy.

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