

Record setting QB leads Dinos to first Vavra throws Bears out of the playoffs

by Stephen Downes

CALGARY — With a 24-10 victory over the U of A Golden Bears, the Calgary Dinosaurs have clinched first place in the west.

The win was the Dino's toughest home game of the year as the determined but overpowered Bears held on to keep it close until the final moment.

But the Bear's fate seemed sealed from the first. With no score on the board, the Bears had three cracks at a major from the Dino one but came up empty.

"I think it hurt us on the score board," said Alberta coach Jim Lazaruk, of the play, "but it didn't hurt us on emotion. (What hurt was) probably Greg Vavra's consistency. We surged then he came back again. He kept the ball away from our offense."

It was another strong night for the record setting Calgary quarterback as he connected on 27 of 43 passes for 313 yards and 2 touchdowns, setting 2 more CIAU marks in the process.

Dinos drew first blood in the second as Vavra connected on a 35 yard touchdown pass to Tim Petros. The subsequent kickoff sailed 85 yards into the Bears end zone for a single.

Dinos struck again just before the half on a 24-yard touchdown pass, this time to Josh Borger. With 2 converts from Vavra's boot, Calgary walked off the field with a 15-0 halftime lead.

Calgary faltered in the second half, the victims of a strong Alberta defense and a weakened and distracted Dino offense. Running back Tony Stoletini fell early with a twisted ankle and the Dino offense was forced into the air.

**Bears 10
Dinos 24**

But Vavra having been honoured during the halftime intermission was not in top form.

"I was a little bit distracted in the second half," he said, "possibly the added distraction of everything. It's one of those things that can do nothing but distract you but it won't happen again this year," adding that he would rather see mistakes happen this week than next week during the playoffs.

The two teams traded field goals early in the second half then Alberta running back Scott Smith broke free for a 5-yard touchdown. For much of the third

and forth quarters Calgary clung to a 18 to 10 lead.

Calgary coach Peter Connellan expressed concern at this point saying, "I felt they could come back and score — they could score just as easily as we could score."

Alberta kept control of the ball through most of the second half, capitalizing on a weak and unresponsive Calgary secondary. Calgary lost their middle linebacker to an unspecified injury and a frantic shuffling of personnel took place.

However, the Bears could not score as the two teams moved up and down the field. Both teams were guilty of fumbles and missed passes. In many instances Vavra was forced to throw the ball away, "because there was nothing else we could do," said Connellan. "They've got a very good defen-

sive team - a good set of defensive backs."

However, Bears' fans watching the final quarter would have questioned the Alberta offense. Down 8 points and facing a second and 20 situation, with about 7 minutes left in the game, quarterback Darren Brezden elected to hand off effectively killing a sustained Alberta drive. "We thought we could catch them off guard," explained Lazaruk who felt the Dinos would have expected a pass. "We were in scoring range and we needed a major."

Place kicker James Richards attempted a field goal only to see it bounce off the goalpost.

Calgary recovered the ball at their six and ran down the game and the Bear defense, while scoring the clinching touchdown, a record setting 8-yard pass from

Vavra to Borger.

Leading the Dino attack in the game was Borger with 10 catches for 107 yards. Running back Tim Petro was also strong catching 8 passes for 79 yards and running 13 times for 76 yards. Bolstad had 6 receptions for 74 yards for the Bears Roger Benjamin ran for 88 yards on 12 attempts.

BEAR FACTS — Five Bears made the WIFL all-star team announced today. Offensive guard Terry Koch and wide receiver Gord Bolstad made the offensive team while defensive lineman Ron Lammers, linebacker Mike MacLean and safety Frank Salverda made the defense. Koch, Bolstad and Salverda were unanimous picks. For taking last year's cellar-dwelling 1 and 7 team to respectability and a 4 and 4 record, Bears coach Jim Lazaruk was selected western Canada Coach of the Year.

Swimmers place in Husky relays

This weekend the University of Alberta Swim Teams competed in the 9th Annual Husky Relays - a six team event including the host University of Washington, and teams from UBC, Simon Fraser, Victoria, Puget Sound and U of Alberta. The Husky relay meet was a good season opener, allowing teams to experience the excitement of competing in a program of relay events while

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demonstrating both their depth of talent and their team spirit.

Bears had never managed to finish higher than 4th in this event. However, with relay wins in the 4x

100 yds. backstroke (Henning, Wray, Riddle and Berger), in the 4 x 200 freestyle relay (Berger, Lewis, Henning, Riddle) and in the 3x 500

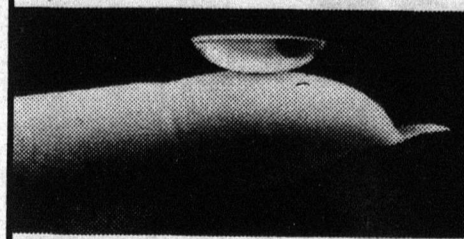
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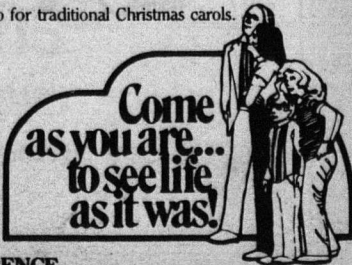
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