

## Third period too much for Bobcats

by Randal Smathers  
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The Brandon Bobcats played two periods of Saturday's hockey game as if they belonged on the same ice as the U of A Golden Bears, who cleaned them 11-2 the night before. The Bears, however, blew open the contest in the third, outscoring the visitors 5-2 in the period and 9-5 in the game.

Brandon outshot and outscored the Bears in the first period, but Dan Wiebe's goal with seven seconds left in the second period put the Bears ahead to stay, at 4-3.

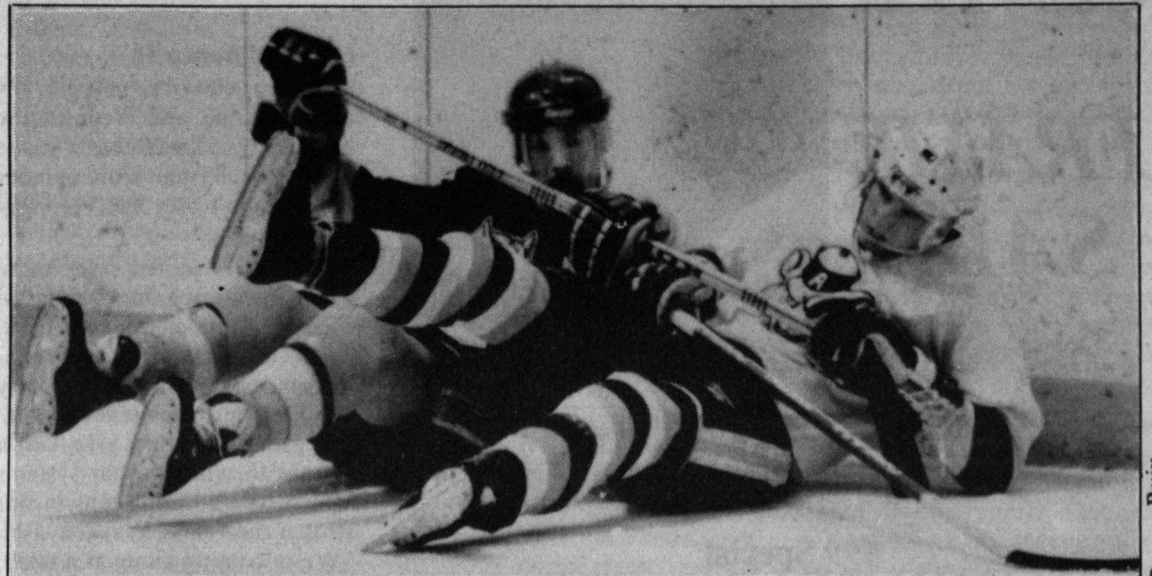
Things got worse in the third, as Bobcat coach Mark Arnett took an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty between periods, and Alberta scored just 13 seconds into the final period, on the resulting powerplay.

"We played well in the first



period, but then we let down," said Arnett, "to be competitive against Alberta, we need another line. They've got four lines going and we've only got three. If we're down with injuries or if somebody's not playing well, you've got to keep sending him out there."

Surprisingly, Arnett was not happy with the play of second star Glen McNabb, who had four goals and an assist. "He scored a lot of goals for us, said Arnett, "but if you throw out the powerplay goals, I think he was on for



This Bear and Bobcat sat and enjoyed the hockey action at Varsity Arena this weekend.

all the goals against." Alberta scored three powerplay goals, a shorthanded goal, and a goal with each side down a man, as well as four even-strength goals. Arnett was happy with Brandon's penalty killing, as they held the league-leading Bears to 3-for-8 with the extra man.

Alberta played again without their team captain, Sid Cranston, who has a knee injury. His place between tops scorers Doug McCarthy and Stacey Wakabayashi was taken by Brett Cox on this night, after Dave Hingley had played there on Friday. Cranston should know by Tuesday if he'll need surgery.

"Brett and Dave both played really well," said McCarthy, "but it's tough to play with two new linemates. It's nice to place with somebody like (Cox) going in the

corners. There's always a loose puck lying there. He's one of the top two hitters on the club, among the forwards."

In addition to his physical play, Cox contributed two goals, while linemate McCarthy popped a hat trick, and left wing Wakabayashi had a goal and three assists.

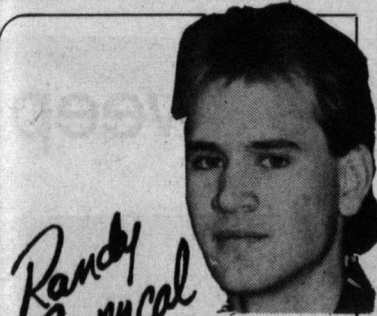
Coach Clare Drake was not entirely pleased with his team's efforts. "I didn't think we played two of our better games," he said, "we're not very consistent on defence." The Bears allowed under ten shots in the second and third periods, but gave up 14 shots in the first.

Drake is hoping the Bears will play better next weekend against UBC. "There's no possibility of finishing first if we're losing to lower-placed teams," said Drake,

whose Bears are trailing first-place Calgary by two points.

The game also got a little rough in the third period. Rob Glasgow took a thundering check at his blue line, and Wes Craig was dropped by a stick to the face. In addition to a broken nose suffered earlier, Craig will probably need root canal work. Gord Thibodeau of the Bears drew a minor for interference after breaking his stick over Terry Kowalchuk.

**RED LINES** — Marty Yewchuk scored two goals and was chosen third star. McCarthy was first star. Blair McGregor played goal for the Bears, while Doug Roach was badly overworked for the 'Cats, facing 47 shots. The Bears next home action is the Face-Off game against NAIT at the end of the month.



If you have been thinking of buying a CFL football — you know, one with stripes — you might want to move fast.

One day soon, that football could be a rare commodity worth thousands of dollars.

Although one could say I'm merely jumping the gun, I think sports entrepreneur Jerry Snyder's move to bring the NFL to Montreal is a move away from Canadian ideals.

The existence of the CFL is, as it has been for years, threatened by such hopes of Yankee ball crossing the 49th parallel.

Snyder is the man who brought the summer Olympics to Montreal in 1976. His other claim to fame is bringing major league baseball to Montreal. Both of these accomplishments are worthy of commendation; both were unprecedented and each brought considerable amounts of cash to Eastern Canada.

So we should be applauding Snyder's latest endeavour, right? Forget it.

Snyder may have convinced others, such as Labatt's (the same company that has the gall to say it is the proud support of Canadian sport) to support the bid to make the Montreal Olympiques ready for the NFL by 1991, but all he's done is made my love for Canadian football grow tenfold.

An NFL team in a country where an already struggling CFL exists would drive a stake through the CFL's heart. A quick death, it would be.

True, the Expos didn't kill baseball in Canada when it hit the field in 1967. But then again, there wasn't anything comparable to the majors in Canada at the time. Why does football in Canada have to be Americanized anyway? Can our nation not be original in one or two ways?

Snyder's plan has one major flaw: Montreal isn't a football city. They had the Alouettes — Concordes — Alouettes again, but couldn't muster 15,000 fans a game. This, from a city with such a rich sports heritage.

I guess the marked improvement in calibre of play the NFL would bring would send the closet football fans flocking to the Big O.

NFL in Canada would definitely spell the doom of the CFL.

But Snyder and his entourage still must cover lots of ground before the Olympiques are reality. That much I can gather when NFL officials, including commissioner Pete Rozelle, say Canada is not in the NFL's expansion plans — for now.

Maybe those Americans are smarter than we give them credit for.

## Confusion reigns over eligibility

by Randal Smathers

On Saturday afternoon Golden Bear forward Doug McCarthy lost two years off his university hockey career. Saturday night, he shrugged off the bad news and scored a hat trick to lead the U of A past Brandon 9-5.

"Actually it helped me concentrate," said McCarthy, "It made me think about hockey all day instead of hitting the books."

McCarthy, listed as being in his first year of eligibility by the U of A, played two years of pro hockey in the Atlantic Coast Hockey League. Professional seasons count against university eligibility. The situation came to light as the result of a Saturday *Edmonton Journal* article.

McCarthy said he would consider appealing the decision, on the grounds that there are players in the B.C. senior league who are making similar money and don't lose their eligibility. "If they lose their eligibility, then I don't mind losing mine." However, he doesn't intend to pursue the matter until after the season. "We're in the middle of a race for first, and it's not

really the right time to worry about it.

"I'd like to play here three more years," said McCarthy.

Coach Clare Drake said the confusion over eligibility was a "mistake", and that he'd consider an appeal after the season. "We'll talk about that next year."

Dr. Robert Steadward, U of A Athletic Director, said that the problem is merely one of confusion between rookie status and eligibility, and that the university was aware of McCarthy's status all year. "Theoretically, a player could be in his fifth year of eligibility, and still considered a rookie in Canada West," said Steadward. "Doug McCarthy is in his first year as a U of A athlete. He is a rookie, but because he played two years as a professional, he loses two years of eligibility, and has to sit out a year, which he did last season."

Steadward doubts that McCarthy could win an appeal, but such a move could theoretically cost eligibility for players who did receive money in a semi-pro league, such as the B.C. senior league.

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#### 1st period

1. Bran. McNabb 8 (Thomas) 13:03  
2. Alta. McCarthy 12 (Wakabayashi, Bozek) 16:24, pp  
3. Bran. McNabb 9 (Thomas) 18:55  
Penalties: Glasgow, A :34, Mantell, B 4:22, Brandt, B, Herbers, A 14:21, Trapp, B 14:39, Miles, B, Cox, A 17:18

#### 2nd Period

4. Alta. Cox 4 (Wakabayashi) 4:12  
5. Alta. Yewchuk 11 (Gordon, Thibodeau) 9:16  
6. Bran. McNabb 10 (Mantell, Whistle) 16:06, pp  
7. Alta. Wiebe 2 (Bozek) 19:53  
Penalties: Schetter, B, Draper, A :28, Sambrook, B, Craig A 7:51, Brandt, B, Yewchuk, A 12:26, Lajoie, A 14:34, bench (served by Jaska), B 20:00

#### 3rd Period

8. Alta. McCarthy 13 (Wakabayashi, Glasgow) :30, pp  
9. Bran. McNabb 11 (Sambrook) :46  
10. Alta. Cox 5 (Draper, Wakabayashi) 1:50  
11. Alta. Yewchuk 12 (Gordon) 6:24  
12. Bran. Whistle 6 (McNabb, Grant) 6:38  
13. Alta. McCarthy 14 (Wakabayashi) 7:27, sh  
14. Alta. Wakabayashi 26 (Herbers, Yewchuk) 11:34, pp  
Penalties: Tarasuk, A 3:06, Thibodeau, A (served by Morrison) 7:02, Miles, A 9:40, Whistle, B 10:16, Sambrook, B 13:38, Higgs, B 15:07, Schetter, B 15:18

#### Shots on goal

Bran. 14 6 9—29  
Alta. 13 16 18—47

Goalies: Roach, B, MacGregor, A.

## Bears maul 'Cats

by Ajay Bhardwaj  
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What do you get when a Bobcat and a Bear meet up? A mismatch, that's what; especially when the Bobcat is 1-5-1 on the road while the Bear is 6-1 at home.

So when the Brandon Bobcats brought their 5-12-1 record to Varsity Arena Friday night, no one really expected a contest. That's exactly what everyone got for their money: no contest. The Bears clawed one of the weak sisters of the Canada West division 11-2.

The Bears scored on their first two shots on goal, and the rest

was tough sledding for the lowly Bobcats. Adam Morrison, the game's second star (three goals and an assist) opened the scoring 2:44 into the game while the Bears were on a powerplay. The second year center parked himself at side of the goal crease and then deflected defenceman Ian Herbers' pass from the point. "We've been practicing that. Ian saw me at the side of the net and he passed it to me," Morrison said. Eight and a half minutes later Al Tarasuk scored his second goal of the game (he had three) which stood up as the winner. Tarasuk inter-

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