

SPORTS

Panda teams look for number 1



by Shelley Spaner
continued from Tuesday

The Panda Swim Team is welcoming several local club swimmers this year, in the hopes of improving upon its third place finish at last year's Canada West championships. Most notable among the newcomers is breastroker Megan Watson, a member of Canada's 1980 Olympic swim team. Returning swimmers include 1981 CIAU qualifiers Allison Collins and Barb Hemphill.

Coaches Gabor Simonyi and Jim Bondarek are counting on athletes like Sandi Ketterer, Jane Felling and Norma Love to lead the Panda track and field team to a Canada West championship this year. Ketterer, (shot put and discus), Felling (hurdles and long jump), and Love (sprints) were all prominent in the team's second place finish at last year's championships.

The Panda basketball team wound up with a fourth place finish in the final 1982 Canada West standings, however the outlook for their 1982-83 season is

promising, as the Panda will lose only two of twelve players due to graduation. With national team member Toni Kordic available for Coach Debbie Shogun's Pandas, the team should fare even better this season.

Second year head coach Dru Marshall will be working hard this year to improve upon the Panda field hockey team's last place finish in the Canada West Conference championships last year. This year's team has already

competed in one conference tournament and are practicing hard for their next outing.

That is a quick rundown on the seven Panda Intercollegiate teams. All look strong this year and all are striving for their respective Canada West team titles! Get ready to cheer on the Pandas in their first home competitions this year: x-country, October 3rd, Swimming, October 23-24, and Basketball, November 5-7.

Sport Shorts

The Soccer Bears will be opening their home schedule this Saturday, 2:00 p.m., at Varsity Stadium against the Saskatchewan Huskies. Striker Rudy Bartholomew should be back at full strength against the Huskies, hopefully adding more creativity to the Bears' attack. The Bears are 0-1-1, after games in Vancouver and Victoria.

Women's soccer at the U of A got off to a good start as the team won the second annual Victoria Tournament. The fifteen member U of A team, getting solid goaltending from Sue Simon, defeated Western Washington University in the final.

Golden Bears' hockey coach Clare Drake made several player cuts on Monday to reduce his pre-season roster to 51 players.



In all, three defencemen and five forwards were let go, leaving Coach Drake and assistant Bill Moores with 4 goalies, 8 defencemen, and 19 forwards still in camp.

Drake plans on making additional player cuts on Friday in preparation for the team's upcoming exhibition game with the NAIT Oopkips at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday afternoon at the NAIT Arena.

The Gateway currently needs writers for gymnastics, swimming, diving, track and field, volleyball, and wrestling. If you'd like to cover any of these events, drop by rm. 282 of SUB and your expert commentary will soon be in the hands of our readers.

by Margo Schmitt

During the month of October, YOU are being challenged to participate in the physical activity of your choice as part of the Canadian Intramural Recreation Association's (CIRA) Fitness Challenge.

Campus Recreation INTRAMURALS

The U of A is among numerous other Canadian post-secondary institutions entered in the "Challenge".

The rules are simple — just participate in your favorite physical activity at least 3 times per week for a minimum of 15 minutes each time. Pick an activity that you can participate in by yourself or with your friends, and get out and have some fun!

All students, faculty and staff are invited to participate, so rush down to either the men's or women's intramural offices and sign up today! The challenge is for everyone, not just for those already physically active individuals. If you have been considering losing a few pounds and getting back into shape, this may be the incentive you need!

Remember to sign up now and help out your university in the CIRA Fitness Challenge.

Last Saturday was a big day for Women's Intramural events. The Softball Tournament held at

Allendale School went over quite well. With the flexible and unpredictable pitching of the O.V.'s and Recreation, the Misfits and L.D.S. hit away to victory 16-6.

The Women's Archery Tournament drew only 6 participants. They still managed to have a good time even though no one was able to hit that darn apple! Thanks go to the individual participants who helped out the "rookies" in learning to shoot properly.

Two up and coming dates to remember for Men's Intramurals include the sign-up deadline for hockey teams which is Monday, October 4 at 1 p.m. at the Men's Intramural Office, and the Golf Tournament on October 2 and 3. The Tourney will be held at Victoria Municipal Golf Course (River Road), and will run even in case of a heavy downpour! Scratches will be allowed up to Friday, October 1 and please no defaults! The schedules have been posted for tee off times. Don't worry about not having clubs, as they can be rented at the course.

A Co-Rec Intramural reminder: the deadline for volleyball teams is Monday, October 4 at 1 p.m. Sign up your team at the Men's Co-Rec Intramural Office.

Remember that the "Turkey Trot" runs this Saturday from the Jubilee Auditorium and registration is before 10:15 a.m.

Come on out and participate in these great events as a good time is guaranteed!

Western Football League Standings

	W	L	T	F	A	P
British Columbia	4	0	0	143	34	8
Manitoba	3	1	0	135	72	6
Calgary	2	2	0	75	122	4
Saskatchewan	1	3	0	59	109	2
Alberta	0	4	0	41	116	0



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