

# HUSKIE HOOPS

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## IT'S THE HALFWAY POINT!

Welcome back for the second edition of HUSKIE HOOPS for the 2001-2002 season.

## HUSKIES CIS(CIAU) SEASON

Season Overall: 4-10      Opp won/loss : 92-82  
Conf Play : 3-5          opp opp W/L : 1173-1137  
vs Own Conf : 3-4        vs plus .500 : 0- 7  
vs Other Confs: 1-6      vs below .500 : 4-4

| DATE   | OPPONENT        | W- L    | SCORE  | DIF    |
|--------|-----------------|---------|--------|--------|
| Nov 24 | Brandon         | 9- 2 L  | 67- 82 | -15    |
| Nov 23 | Brandon         | 9- 2 L  | 88- 94 | -6     |
| Nov 17 | Calgary         | 2-11W   | 97- 92 | +5     |
| Nov 16 | Calgary         | 2-11W   | 75- 72 | +3     |
| Nov 10 | Alberta         | 15- 1L  | 71- 83 | -12    |
| Nov 09 | Alberta         | 15- 1 L | 71- 83 | -12    |
| Nov 03 | Lethbridge      | 6- 7 L  | 61- 80 | -19    |
| Nov 02 | Lethbridge      | 6- 7 W  | 90- 69 | +21    |
| Oct 27 | Victoria        | 11- 5L  | 73- 84 | -11 NC |
| Oct 26 | Regina          | 7-10 L  | 78- 84 | -6 NC  |
| Oct 25 | Brandon         | 9- 2 L  | 64- 74 | -10 NC |
| Oct 20 | Trinity Western | 3-10 L  | 76- 81 | -5 NC  |
| Oct 19 | Victoria        | 11- 5 L | 54- 82 | -28 NC |
| Oct 13 | Regina          | 7-10 W  | 94- 90 | +4 NC  |
| Oct 12 | Lethbridge      | 6- 7 L  | 85- 98 | -13 NC |

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## VICTORIA VIKES CLAIM TOP PRIZE AT 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL HUSKY & MOHAWK SHOOTOUT

The Third Annual Husky & Mohawk Shootout was held on October 25-27 at Education Gym. Points for and against broke a three-way tie between Victoria, Brandon and Regina and the University of Victoria Vikes were named the tournament champions.

In the final evening of the tournament, the University of Regina Cougars and the University of Brandon Bobcats met on the court for game one of the evening. The Regina Cougars headed into the second half with a 6-point lead and continued to pull away, eventually securing a 110-95 victory over the Bobcats. The match up proved to be one of the most physical of the tournament with 60 fouls being called between the two teams.

The University of Saskatchewan Huskies hit the court in game two hoping for a win over the Victoria Vikes. It was not to be for the Dogs this year as they suffered an 84-73 loss and finished the tournament with a 0-3 record. The Vikes secured a 5-point lead on the Huskies heading into the second half, but the Huskies fought back, managing to tie the game at 47 at one point. The Vikes outscored the Huskies by six points in the second half, good enough for victory. Huskies' Calvin Palmer lead the Dogs with 20 points on the evening and picked up a Tournament All-Star selection, while James Kenyon and Jamie Charlton added 14 points each.

Tournament Champion  
University of Victoria Vikes

Tournament MVP  
Keith Bustard – UVIC

Tournament All- Stars  
UVIC – Sandy Bisaro  
U of R – Brenan Schwartz  
U of R – Tyler Wright  
U of B – Tyrone Smith  
U of S Calvin Palmer ♦

**2001-2002 CIS  
MEN'S BASKETBALL  
STANDINGS**

| <b>AUS Baldwin</b>  | <b>W</b> | <b>L</b> | <b>F</b>   | <b>A</b>   | <b>P</b> |
|---------------------|----------|----------|------------|------------|----------|
| StFX                | 4        | 0        | 312        | 254        | 8        |
| Memorial            | 4        | 2        | 482        | 467        | 8        |
| Saint Mary's        | 3        | 2        | 355        | 350        | 6        |
| Acadia              | 3        | 3        | 421        | 406        | 6        |
| <b>AUS Nelson</b>   | <b>W</b> | <b>L</b> | <b>F</b>   | <b>A</b>   | <b>P</b> |
| UNB                 | 4        | 2        | 504        | 466        | 8        |
| UPEI                | 4        | 3        | 573        | 608        | 8        |
| Dalhousie           | 0        | 4        | 259        | 291        | 0        |
| UCCB                | 0        | 6        | 470        | 534        | 0        |
| <b>Quebec</b>       | <b>W</b> | <b>L</b> | <b>F</b>   | <b>A</b>   | <b>P</b> |
| Laval               | 3        | 0        | 254        | 189        | 6        |
| McGill              | 3        | 0        | 232        | 196        | 6        |
| Bishop's            | 0        | 3        | 193        | 216        | 0        |
| Concordia           | 0        | 3        | 192        | 270        | 0        |
| <b>OUAЕ</b>         | <b>W</b> | <b>L</b> | <b>F</b>   | <b>A</b>   | <b>P</b> |
| Carleton            | 7        | 1        | 629        | 540        | 14       |
| York                | 6        | 2        | 549        | 496        | 12       |
| Ryerson             | 5        | 3        | 595        | 592        | 10       |
| Laurentian          | 3        | 5        | 562        | 566        | 6        |
| Toronto             | 3        | 5        | 544        | 576        | 6        |
| Ottawa              | 3        | 5        | 510        | 567        | 6        |
| Queen's             | 1        | 6        | 467        | 543        | 2        |
| RMC                 | 1        | 6        | 411        | 505        | 2        |
| <b>OUAW</b>         | <b>W</b> | <b>L</b> | <b>F</b>   | <b>A</b>   | <b>P</b> |
| Western             | 6        | 1        | 593        | 494        | 12       |
| Laurier             | 5        | 2        | 546        | 510        | 10       |
| Guelph              | 4        | 3        | 520        | 528        | 8        |
| Brock               | 4        | 4        | 558        | 532        | 8        |
| McMaster            | 3        | 3        | 417        | 390        | 6        |
| Windsor             | 3        | 4        | 540        | 555        | 6        |
| Lakehead            | 2        | 4        | 444        | 461        | 4        |
| Waterloo            | 2        | 4        | 390        | 420        | 4        |
| <b>CW Plains</b>    | <b>W</b> | <b>L</b> | <b>F</b>   | <b>A</b>   | <b>P</b> |
| Brandon             | 7        | 1        | 680        | 578        | 14       |
| Winnipeg            | 4        | 4        | 667        | 638        | 8        |
| Regina              | 3        | 7        | 825        | 860        | 6        |
| Manitoba            | 2        | 6        | 537        | 671        | 4        |
| <b>CW Central</b>   | <b>W</b> | <b>L</b> | <b>F</b>   | <b>A</b>   | <b>P</b> |
| Alberta             | 9        | 1        | 847        | 724        | 18       |
| <b>Saskatchewan</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>620</b> | <b>655</b> | <b>6</b> |
| Lethbridge          | 3        | 5        | 611        | 656        | 6        |
| Calgary             | 2        | 6        | 680        | 703        | 4        |
| <b>CW West</b>      | <b>W</b> | <b>L</b> | <b>F</b>   | <b>A</b>   | <b>P</b> |
| Simon Fraser        | 7        | 1        | 628        | 550        | 14       |
| Victoria            | 5        | 3        | 623        | 579        | 10       |
| UBC                 | 4        | 4        | 588        | 598        | 8        |
| TWU                 | 1        | 7        | 517        | 611        | 2 ♦      |

**2001-2002 REMAINING  
SCHEDULE**

December 28-30 @ Wesman Classic  
 January 4,5 @ Trinity Western  
**January 11,12 vs. Regina**  
 January 18,19 @ Calgary  
 January 25,26 @ Lethbridge  
**February 1,2 vs. Alberta**  
**February 8,9 vs. Victoria**  
 February 15-17 Div. Semi-Finals – 3 @ 2  
 February 22-24 Div. Finals - @ 1  
 March 1-2 CW Final 4 @ Central Div.  
 March 15-17 CIAU Championships ♦

**1ST HALF OF THE SEASON-  
DOGS OFF TO SLOW START  
BUT FINISH PLAYING WELL.**

At the halfway point the Huskies have a disappointing overall record of 4 wins and 10 losses versus CIS competition. Most of the losses are a result of a poor start to the season. The Dogs, over the first 11 games of the season, were only able to muster 2 wins. However, over the remaining 4 games of the 1<sup>st</sup> half the Huskies were able to win 2. These wins enabled the Dogs to move into 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Central Division of Canada West with a 3 win and 5-loss record in league play.

The poor start to the season can be attributed to a couple of reasons. First, the team has, in essence, 4 new players in the starting line-up. Seth Lang moves to his natural position at point guard after starting last season at the 2 guard spot. Jamie Charlton, after coming off the bench last season, moves into the starting 2-guard position. James Kenyon returned to the team this season to start at the small forward position. The final new starter this season is first year player Matthew Greenberg; Matt is starting at the power forward position. These “new” starters have had to learn to play together.

The second reason for the slow start is due to the implementation of tactical changes. Offensively the team has changed its strategies from last season to better take advantage of current personnel. In addition, defensively the team has utilized pressing defenses more than last season. These changes have created a transition period as the players adjust to new roles and a new system of play. As the first half of the season came to completion, it was clear that the players and team as a whole were beginning to learn their new roles and understand the tactical differences from last season. The result was much improved play.

The Dogs are hoping to build on their strong play in late November. The 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the season begins with an exhibition tournament in Winnipeg on December 28-30 ♦

## **“PRAIRIE DOGS” CLUB BASKETBALL TEAM FULFILLING ITS ROLE IN COMMUNITY**

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NO LONGER COMING OFF THE BENCH, TYLER HARSHORN HAS ESTABLISHED HIMSELF AS THE STARTING POINT GUARD FOR THE ST. JOSEPH SENIOR BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM.

When Tyler Hartshorn stepped onto the basketball court this season, he was a different player in a different role compared to his rookie campaign. Last year, as a Grade 11 player on the St. Joes’ senior boys squad, he saw the floor here and there, and contributed where he could. This season, in his senior year, Harshorn is playing behind no one. He’s the teams undisputed point guard, co-captain and leader. In the words of his coach, Scott Hundseth: “As Tyler goes, we go”.....

Hartshorn gained immeasurable experience this past summer with the **Prairie Dogs**, a club team coached by University of Saskatchewan assistant Kirk Jones. “I tried out for the provincial team and got cut, so that was a little disappointing,” Hartshorn said.

“But a week later, I got a letter from U of S head coach Greg Jockims. I went out for the Prairie Dogs and it was the best thing that could have happened to me. I grew a lot over the summer as a player. I got a lot of game experience. I worked on my skills, and it all helped incredibly. After playing all summer, I came into try-outs this year and hadn’t missed a step.”

Not only has Harshorn not missed a step; he’s actually gained a step. At the early-season Mount Royal Tip-Off Classic, he was named most valuable player for his fine play in leading the Guardians to the tournament title.

“That was really surprising,” he said.

“I thought I played OK, but we have (Mark) Breker and (Cam) Penner that are great players. It was a surprise, but it felt pretty good. It was proof to me that all my work is paying off, that I have improved.”

His confidence, already high from his time with the Prairie Dogs, is even greater now.....

## **2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL PRAIRIE DOGS CLUB TOURNAMENT TO BE HELD AGAIN IN SASKATOON THIS SUMMER**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Prairie Dog Classic is being held in July 2002.

Dates: July 12-14<sup>th</sup>

Location University of Saskatchewan

Divisions Boys Midget–Kids Going into Grades 9 & 10.

Boys Juvenile–Kids Going into Grades 11 & 12

Open Division – University/Senior Men

Registration Fee: \$250.00

To register a team contact coach Greg Jockims ♦

## **HUSKIES SWEEP U of C**

Huskies Hoopsters complete weekend Sweep of Dinos

Nov. 17 - The Huskie faithful were treated to an exciting match between the Dogs and the Dinos. The Huskies opened the first half with 42 points, leading the Dinos by 5 points as they opened the second half. The Dinos refused to give up, hoping to split the series with the Huskies after losing by three points in game one, and held the lead late in the second half. Huskies’ James Kenyon went to the line with seconds remaining in the second half and made good to tie the game at 85 apiece, sending the game to overtime. The Huskies would not be denied, playing with passion, scoring 12 points in overtime to secure a 97-92 win. Jamie Charlton led the Huskies’ effort with 29 points, while James Kenyon was good for 26 points. Matt Greenberg picked up the double-double on the evening with 16 points and 10 rebounds. Whit Hornsberger of the Dinos was the game’s leading scorer with 31 points. The Huskies improved their record to 3-3 while the Dinos fell to 2-4.

## **COACHES CORNER**

### **ACKNOWLEDGE TEAM ATTITUDES**

Getting people to accept critical team roles requires that you appreciate them. By appreciating them for playing specific roles, your players understand their role is valued and ultimately important to the team reaching its common goal.

As University of Louisville coach Rick Pitino Says, “Recognize the people who get less attention in the group because they’re not in the glamorous positions. Thank them publicly for their unselfishness and do it in front of their peers.”

While fans may overlook vital roles, you can appreciate your players in a more effective way through team awards.

Good examples of awards might be a “Nails” award and a “Glue” award. The Nails award might be to acknowledge and appreciate the mental toughness of the player(s) “mentally tough as nails.” The award could be given on a weekly basis and would be voted on by the team, but players aren’t allowed to vote for themselves.

The Glue award could focus on team aspects and would be symbolic by the “glue that binds the team together”. Players would vote for a teammate who has the best team attitude, encourages players and/or makes individual sacrifices.

You can create various awards for any role you deem important to your team’s successes---recognizing the player with the most rebounds, assists, charges taken or screens. Let your players come up with names for these awards. ♦

## HUSKIE ALUMNUS HONOURED

Each year during the Husky & Mohawk Shootout the Huskie Men's Basketball Foundation intends to honor an Alumnus who has contributed to the betterment of basketball. This year's recipient was **Guy Vetric**.

The legacy of Coach Vetric's years at the Huskies helm was the creation of desire for basketball excellence and loyalty to the game. The turn around in the program was not immediate, but the final results were a permanency both in the players and in coaches' dedication to basketball. Jockims, Beckie, the Redekopps, Jones, Johnson, Karwacki, Tokarchuk, Musso, Jeffries, Humbert, Festival, Conlin, Cleland, McCullough, the Dewars, Ryma, Patola, Beigler, et al, are examples of athletes who have taken the game more seriously and have seen the dedication necessary to coach young Canadians and to remain involved with the game and the Huskies. This is one of Guy Vetric's great contributions to Saskatchewan basketball. In addition to these were individuals who have devoted countless hours managing, coaching and helping: names like Weenk, Artemenko, Hillis, Holoboff (aka Stats), Donaldson (aka Turtle). All increased their own contribution to the game as a result of their professional contacts with Coach Vetric.

Guy Vetric was born to a life of completion and sport excellence in "the Sault". Sault Ste. Marie Ontario, an industrial city in northern Ontario has a sporting tradition of producing great athletes and leaders. It was in this steel town that Guy a talented all round athlete would become a multi sport phenomena. He excelled: at soccer and was approached to travel to Italy to play keeper, in football he was considered the outstanding high school running back in Ontario, in baseball where his pitching and hitting were beyond local attention and basketball where he led his Sir James Dunn high school team to the Ontario finals. With the completion of high school decisions had to be made by Guy. What would he do and where would he go to perform his sport magic?

He would be wooed by and attracted to Laurentian University in Sudbury to play both football and basketball. He and his future spouse Lilian would enroll in physical education. It was there he and new basketball coach Ken Shields would begin a long and successful friendship. With Guy at point guard and Ken at the helm, the Laurentian Voyageurs men's basketball team emerged as a CIS contender. The paths of these two outstanding basketball leaders would cross again as coaching opponents less than a decade later in western Canada.

Guy Vetric came to the University of Saskatchewan in 1978 as a graduate student and assistant basketball coach to Tom Thompson. The following year Guy took over the basketball program and for the next 9 years as Head Coach, the Huskies competed in post-season play in 6 of those years.

In 1988, Ken Shields once again helped to interest the Vetric in a move to beautiful Victoria, where today Guy continues his significant contribution to Canadian basketball. His years coaching the University of Victoria Vikes have been very successful. Lilian and he and their two children Ryan and Kirston now make their home on Vancouver Island. The natural athlete from Sault Ste. Marie has become one of the country's outstanding coaches. We basketball people are proud of his past contribution and his legacy to Saskatchewan. He is a most appropriate coaching alumnus to be honoured in 2001.

## Canada West Stats Leaders

| SCORING                     | G        | FG        | 3FG       | FT        | P          | Avg         |
|-----------------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|
| 1.Tyler Wright-RE           | 10       | 96        | 15        | 59        | 266        | 26.6        |
| 2.Whit Hornsberger-CAL-8    | 59       |           | 26        | 48        | 192        | 24.0        |
| 3.Kyle Russell-BC.....      | 8        | 51        | 21        | 51        | 174        | 21.8        |
| <b>4.James Kenyon-SK</b>    | <b>8</b> | <b>61</b> | <b>14</b> | <b>35</b> | <b>171</b> | <b>21.4</b> |
| 5.Keith Bustard-VIC..       | 8        | 53        | 18        | 35        | 159        | 19.9        |
| 6.Robbie Valpreda-AB        | 10       | 68        | 11        | 48        | 195        | 19.5        |
| 7.Jason Harrison-LETH.      | 8        | 47        | 9         | 50        | 153        | 19.1        |
| 8.John Riad-CAL.....        | 8        | 50        | 9         | 29        | 138        | 17.2        |
| 9.Ryan Michell-REG..        | 10       | 61        | 15        | 33        | 170        | 17.0        |
| 10.Jordan Mason-SFU..       | 8        | 44        | 15        | 32        | 135        | 16.9        |
| <b>17.Jamie Charlton-SK</b> | <b>8</b> | <b>38</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>28</b> | <b>120</b> | <b>15.0</b> |
| <b>20.Calvin Palmer-SK.</b> | <b>8</b> | <b>43</b> | <b>0</b>  | <b>30</b> | <b>116</b> | <b>14.5</b> |

| 3-pt FIELD-GOALS MADE        | G        | M         | P/G         |
|------------------------------|----------|-----------|-------------|
| 1.Whit Hornsberger-CAL       | 8        | 26        | 3.25        |
| 2.Joe Dominguez-WIN          | 8        | 23        | 2.88        |
| 3.Kyle Russell-BC            | 8        | 21        | 2.62        |
| 4.Reagan Daly-VIC.....       | 8        | 20        | 2.50        |
| 5.Keith Bustard-VIC.....     | 8        | 18        | 2.25        |
| Jeff Loomis-CAL.....         | 8        | 18        | 2.25        |
| <b>7.Jamie Charlton-SASK</b> | <b>8</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>2.00</b> |
| Phil Scherer-AB.....         | 8        | 16        | 2.00        |
| 9.Jordan Mason-SFU.....      | 8        | 15        | 1.88        |
| <b>10.James Kenyon-SASK.</b> | <b>8</b> | <b>14</b> | <b>1.75</b> |

| FREE-THROW %                     | A         | M         | Pct         |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| 1.Ryan Reed-LETH                 | 25        | 27        | .926        |
| 2.David Martens-TWU              | 23        | 25        | .920        |
| <b>3.Jamie Charlton-SASK</b>     | <b>28</b> | <b>31</b> | <b>.903</b> |
| 4.Suk Singh-WIN                  | 35        | 39        | .897        |
| 5.Jeremy Neufeld-SFU             | 25        | 28        | .893        |
| 6.Jason Harrison-LETH            | 50        | 57        | .877        |
| 7.Tisibury Bunema-BRAN           | 24        | 28        | .857        |
| Ryan Anderson-TWU                | 18        | 21        | .857        |
| 9.Kyle Russell-BC                | 51        | 60        | .850        |
| <b>10.Matthew Greenberg-SASK</b> | <b>20</b> | <b>24</b> | <b>.833</b> |

| REBOUNDS                  | G        | O         | D         | Reb       | Avg        |
|---------------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| 1.Andy Stordeur-CAL.      | 8        | 31        | 53        | 84        | 10.5       |
| 2.Robbie Valpreda-AB..    | 10       | 33        | 56        | 89        | 8.9        |
| 3.Tyler Wright-REG....    | 10       | 41        | 46        | 87        | 8.7        |
| 4.Nick Baldwin-LETH..     | 8        | 25        | 41        | 66        | 8.2        |
| <b>5.Calvin Palmer-SK</b> | <b>8</b> | <b>22</b> | <b>36</b> | <b>58</b> | <b>7.2</b> |
| 6.Sandy Bisaro-VIC...     | 8        | 27        | 29        | 56        | 7.0        |
| 7.A. Lawrence-MAN..       | 8        | 13        | 42        | 55        | 6.9        |
| Tom Hudel-LETH...         | 8        | 23        | 32        | 55        | 6.9        |
| Aaron Christensen-SFU     | 8        | 17        | 38        | 55        | 6.9        |
| 10.Dan Duggan-WIN...      | 8        | 20        | 33        | 53        | 6.6        |
| <b>16.M. Greenberg-SK</b> | <b>8</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>31</b> | <b>47</b> | <b>5.9</b> |

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