Sports Scene

Duval hoops 54 point victory

In the NCAA Division of the MSS Marauder Spring Basketball League, Providence Friars squeezed past UNLV Running Rebels 69-62. Jason Bennett hooped 29 points to pace the attack for Friars with teammate Kyle Jerry contributing 22. Andy Bowers replied with 25 for UNLV and Jason Robinson added 17.

Navy Midshipmen were led by the 44 point performance of league leading scorer Gary

Miller to defeat Indiana Pacers 79-71. Chris Larmand scored 16 for Navy and Ian Charlebois added 13. Sean McIlravey was top point man for Pacers with 26, while Chris Kinnear hooped 18 and Tim Boettger 17.

North Carolina Tar Heels put the run to Georgetown Hoyas 95-47. David Duval scored a season high 54 points to move into second place in the scoring derby. Sean Lavin helped out the winning cause with a 20 point performance. James Ferguson tallied 17 points and Shane Nicol added 10 for Hoyas.

Kansas Jayhawks downed Notre Dame Fighting Irish 79-55. David Forrest was leading scorer on the game with 39, while teammates Rio Utahara and Rob Haley chipped in with 14 and 12 points respectively. Dan Sibley answered with 23 points for Notre Dame. Colin Penney added 14 and Kevin Moss 10.

Scott Rowland recorded a 44 point game as his LSU Tigers whizzed past Iowa Hawkeyes 79-45. Jeff Beauchamp helped out in the victory with 16 points. Chris Bales scored 25 for Iowa.

LSU and Navy top the standings with unblemished 3-0 records. Kansas and Providence are tied at 2-1, with Notre Dame bringing up the rear winless.

Sacramento Kings edged Denver Nuggets 96-91 in NBA Division action. Chuck Quesnelle was the big gun in this contest with 41 points for the victors. Kevin Beausoleil checked in with 20, while Sean Graham scored 30 for Denver. Andrew McMenemy responded with 24.

Indiana out paced Utah Jazz to the tune of

79-64. Scott Bales and Walter Stewart each scored 23 points for the winners. Yen Fook Lo managed 34 points for Utah with Paul McQuirter adding 16.

Los Angeles Clippers virtually wiped out Detroit Pistons 115-78. Brent Price had a 34 point performance and Steve Cleland tallied 28 times. Jeff Bell led Detroit with 24 and teammates Mike Noack and Rob Bianco each contributed 21.

Chicago Bulls remained undefeated with a 90-86 edging of Golden State Warriors. Mike Larmand scored 43 big points in a losing cause and teammate Gary Watson helped out with 23. Dave Northcott helped out in the victory with 37 points while Tim Dion added 19 and Steve Kay 12.

Trevor Scott led Houston Rockets to a 90-78 win over Atlanta Hawks with a 41 point performance. Mike Dobson aided in the win with 19 points. Bill Mitchell replied with 23 for Atlanta and John Gibson added 22.

Chicago Bulls and Indiana Pacers share top spot in the league with unbeaten 3-0 records. Golden State, Houston and Sacramento are all at 2-1. Detroit and Denver are yet to win their first game.



Eyes Front

Bob Ruston watches the rock approach the house as Russ Howard, left and Tim Belcourt study the shot. Action was at the Penetanguishene Curling Club last week as the Larry Merkley Rink faced the Russell Howard foursome for the Club Championship. Howard won in the eighth 8-2. A packed club watched some excellent curling action over the first five ends before Russ started to pull away in the sixth.

Between the sheets

Howard rink club champ

with Ed Pearson

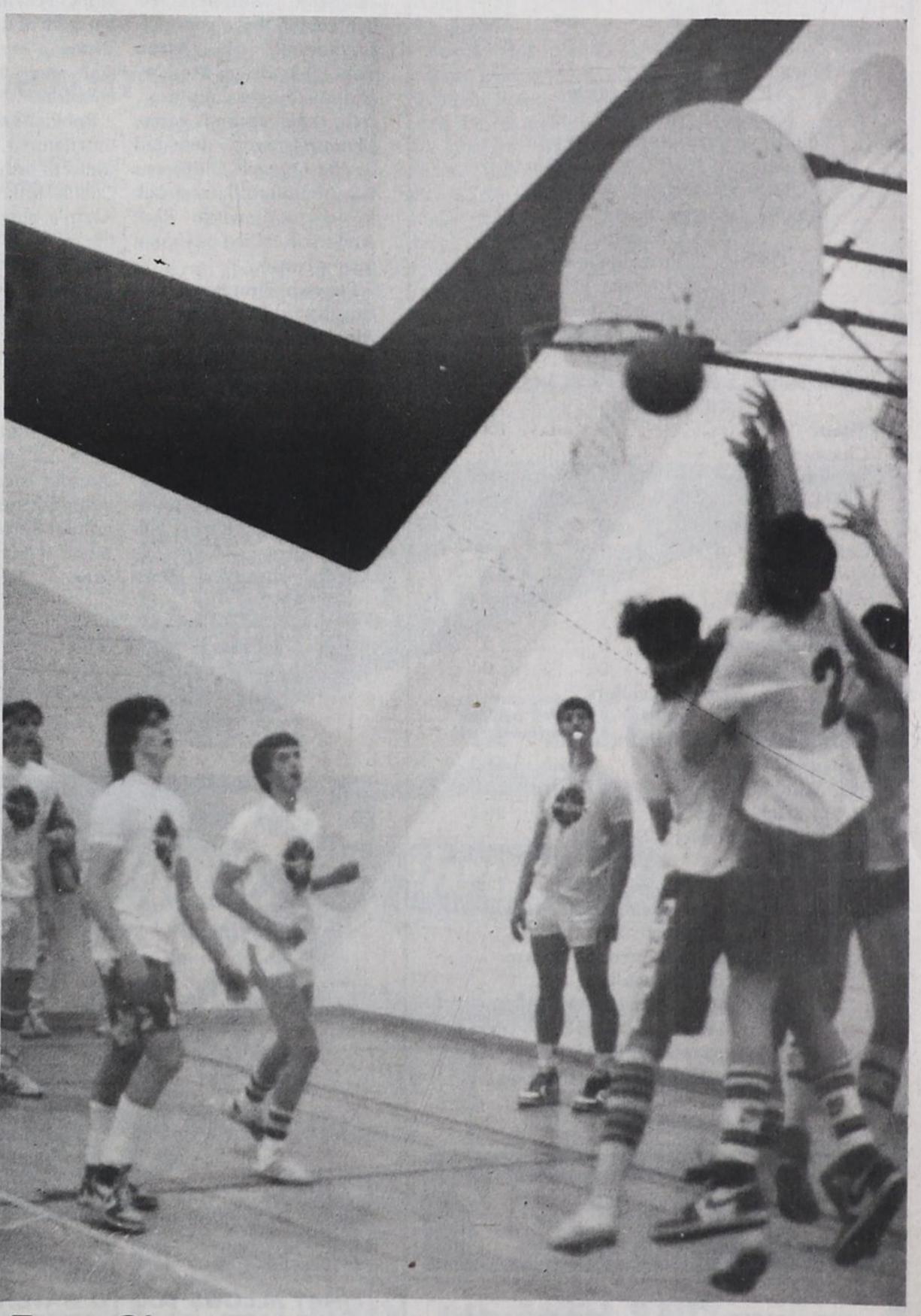
It's official, Russ Howard is the World Champion, by Ed Pearson. The Russ Howard rink won the Ontario Challenge round, the Tankard, the Brier and finally the World's Championships. Now they have completed the sweep by winning the Penetang Club Championship. While they were showing a clean pair of heels to the rest of the world, the club championship had to be put on the back burner.

On Tuesday evening, the unfinished business was attended to. The Ice-maker, Howard the Elder, had carefully preserved a sheet of ice from the club's family skating party the previous Sunday. The ice was not perfect but infinatley better than the ice in Vancouver. Thie opponents for the Club Championship were no curling cannon-fodder. Larry Merkley, Russ's fifth man, had Bob Rushton at vice, Martin Robillard at second and Al McLinton at lead. The Russ Howard foursome was complete, except for Glenn who was all curled out and curled up

in bed with a severe case of the wobblies. Everyone on the lower deck was promoted. Kent went to Chief Stoker. Tim became first Mate and Russ sailed on with a reduced crew.

There was a full house behind the glass to watch the classic encounter and they saw a good one. Larry managed to keep it close for the first five ends but Russ started to pull away in the sixth. Finally Larry conceded in the eighth with the score standing at eight to two. A fitting end to a great season.

It is only natural that Russ and his rink would be feeling a bit curled out after the strain of very intense competition over the past several months. The Olympic trials are an indisposition upon them and must come as an anticlimax after all their achievements. Lets hope that they can raise themselves above a system that is slanted against them. I can think of no rink that is more worthy than they to represent Canada in the Olympics.



Eyes Skyward

Action was fast paced at MSS triple gym Thursday night as the Marauder Spring Basketball League was in full swing. The league continues every Thursday until playoffs begin on May 24. Mike Larmand of

Golden State leads the NBA scorers with 104 points in three contests. Houston's Trevor Scott trails in second by 10 points. Gary Miller of Navy is the top gun in the NCAA with 136 points for an average of 45.3.