

## VANCOUVER (All-Star Wrestling) 1971: A Year in the Life

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# Territory Fact Sheet

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PRO WRESTLING TERRITORY FACT SHEET		1971
VANCOUVER (ALL-STAR WRESTLING)		
SAMPLE WEEK		
MON 8/9	VANCOUVER	
TUE 8/10	VICTORIA	
WED 8/11	--	
THU 8/12	TACOMA	
FRI 8/13	CHEMAINUS	
	PORT ANGELES	
SAT 8/14	SURREY	
SUN 8/15	--	

TOP SINGLES	TOP TEAMS
STEVEN LITTLE BEAR	DEAN HIGUCHI & STEVEN LITTLE BEAR
GENE KINISKI	
DEAN HIGUCHI	THE SKULL BROTHERS
BOB BROWN	MARK LEWIN & STEVEN LITTLE BEAR
DUNCAN MCTAVISH	

HOUSE SHOW RECORDS			
DOCUMENTED HOUSE SHOWS	220	SHOWS PER WEEK	4.2
ESTIMATED COMPLETENESS	65-75%		

MISC. BOOKING STATS	
HEEL/FACE TURNS	1
ROSTER SIZE/COMPOSITION	241%

AVERAGE # OF WRESTLERS: 14.1
MAIN EVENTERS (4.6)
UPPER MID-CARDERS (2.6)
MID-CARDERS (3.2)
PRELIMINARY WRESTLERS (3.7)

TITLE CHANGES	
PACIFIC COAST HEAVYWEIGHT	2
CANADIAN TAG TEAM	6

LEGEND  
 METRO AREAS RUN REGULARLY  
 OTHER TOWNS RUN REGULARLY

OVERALL		
14%	31%	55%
FACE WINS	HEEL WINS	DRAWS

MAIN EVENTS	UPPER MIDS
8%	6%
34%	31%
58%	63%
FACE WINS	HEEL WINS

MID-CARDS	PRELIMS
19%	30%
30%	43%
51%	27%
FACE WINS	HEEL WINS

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## Rankings

This is a list of the “most pushed acts” in the territory during the year.

### **RANKINGS FOR ALL-STAR (VANCOUVER) - 1971**

- 1 - STEVEN LITTLE BEAR**
- 2 - GENE KINISKI**
- 3 - DEAN HIGUCHI**
- 4 - BOB BROWN**
- 5 - DUNCAN MCTAVISH**
- 6 - MARK LEWIN**
- 7 - DEAN HIGUCHI & STEVEN LITTLE BEAR**
- 8 - YVAN KOLOFF**
- 9 - JOHN QUINN**
- 10 - DUTCH SAVAGE**
- 11 - DON LEO JONATHAN**
- 12 - THE SKULL BROTHERS**
- 14 - MARK LEWIN & STEVEN LITTLE BEAR**
- 13 - MIKE WEBSTER**
- 15 - ANGELO MOSCA**

Wrestlers are ranked based on their week-by-week **SPOT Rating** as well as the total number of weeks they were in the territory during the designated time period

*based on research as of 11/1/2023 - [chartingtheterritories.com](http://chartingtheterritories.com)*

## Wrestler Profiles by David Gibb

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### STEVEN LITTLE BEAR

Vince Bryant first appeared on cards in 1959 as an underneath wrestler before becoming Steve Kovac[s] – a slightly more capable underneath wrestler – in 1962. He serves as an illustrative figure of the power of wrestling ephemera, where his work as a journeyman pro is the best-documented part of his life. In fact, it's difficult to prove he ever existed outside of wrestling. If Vince Bryant *was* his legal name, he might've been the younger brother of Richard Bryant of Irving, Texas, a wrestler who worked as Chief Little Eagle and was at the tail end of his career by 1971; but tangible evidence of such has been hard to pin down.

After a decade touring the U.S. without breaking through, Steve Kovacs arrived in Canada in September of 1969 as "Steven Little Bear," picking up the mantle he would use most places throughout the '70s. In the subsequent half-century, impersonating an indigenous person has become exceptionally taboo in Canada, but from a contemporary wrestler's perspective, Native American babyfaces had drawn throughout the '60s, and many of the most recognizable, from Chief Big Heart to the aforementioned Chief Little Eagle, were aging out. It wasn't a good look for the history books, but it was a business opportunity.



Little Bear spent his first year crisscrossing the country, hitting Vancouver, Calgary, and Montreal before doubling back to settle in British Columbia. For the next few years, he worked primarily out of All-Star Wrestling, owned by Sandor Kovacs and Gene Kiniski, still relatively fresh off his three-year run as NWA World Heavyweight Champion. Their territory encompassed nearly all of British Columbia and much of Washington – where they utilized local promoter Helen Olson for many of the cities – but the main town was Vancouver, with the Pacific National Exhibition (PNE) Fairgrounds serving as All-Star's home base. Weekly cards were held at the 3,000-seat Exhibition Gardens. A few times a year, they would beef up the card and run at the PNE Agrodome, which held double that.

Steven's full-time engagement with All-Star began auspiciously. He captured gold in short order, partnering with the tall Don Leo Jonathan shortly before the calendar turned to 1971 to wrest the Canadian Tag Team Titles from reliable west coast heel duo Chati Yokouchi & Yasu Fuji.

From there, Little Bear and large Jonathan spent the early months of '71 feuding with Dutch Savage & John Quinn, although not always two-on-two. On January 18<sup>th</sup>, Savage & Quinn were disqualified for chicanery, squandering their chance to win the titles. Over the next five weeks, Quinn cheated to defeat Little Bear in a singles match, and Little Bear gave Quinn his comeuppance in a six-man, with the offsetting wins setting up another title match in front of a packed Agrodome. That finish saw Dutch Savage slam Don Leo Jonathan in an incredible feat of strength, capturing the titles for his team.

Steven Little Bear and the Mormon Giant got their rematch two weeks later, but the heels retained via disqualification when John Quinn scurried to the ropes repeatedly rather than standing toe-to-toe with Little Bear and Jonathan.

On March 15<sup>th</sup>, Little Bear regained the Canadian Tag Titles, albeit with a different partner. That night, Don Leo Jonathan put in an hour with NWA World Heavyweight Champion Dory Funk Jr., while Steven Little Bear partnered with Dean Higuchi (better known as Dean Ho or Dean Kailani), a bodybuilder who had won Mr. Hawaiian Islands in 1956. The new team defeated Savage & Quinn, kicking off a nice run that would see them hold the titles throughout the spring, defending against monster heel combinations like Quinn & Stan Stasiak, Angelo Mosca & John Tolos, and rival Dutch Savage with his new partner, Pacific Coast Heavyweight Champion Gene Kiniski. On April 26<sup>th</sup>, Steven Little Bear even got a shot at Kiniski's heavyweight title, earning a DQ victory against his boss and the regional measuring stick.

With Savage & Kiniski behind them, Steven & Dean faced The Skull Brothers. The duo, comprised of Midwestern mainstays John Madincia (J.B. Psycho) and Ray Elmore (Cowboy Parker), lost the first fall of their June 14<sup>th</sup> match to the champions only to shock fans by taking the next two to capture the titles.

Two weeks later, Little Bear found another partner – Bearcat Wright – to take on one Skull Brother and his partner Gene Kiniski. Steven and Wright were more than the heels could bear, earning a victory that made Steven the de facto number one contender for both the Canadian Tag Team and Pacific Coast Heavyweight titles.

In July, the fair displaced wrestling to the Kerrisdale Arena, a 6,000-seat venue that hosted the city's first rock n' roll concert in 1956 ("the ultimate musical depravity," as the newspaper called it, headlined by Bill Haley & His Comets). Fifteen years later, Steven Little Bear got the joint rocking again, hitting a dropkick and a bodyslam on Gene Kiniski in the third fall to capture the Pacific Coast Heavyweight Championship. For Little Bear, this was the "signature win" that had eluded Vince Bryant and Steve Kovacs. He had defeated the regional champion – a recent former world champion – during the region's biggest festival.

Shortly thereafter, Ivan Koloff (styled as the more Canadian "Yvan") arrived in Vancouver with his eyes on the title. Back in January, Koloff had shocked the world by ending Bruno Sammartino's nearly eight-year run as WWWF World Champion. Now, he was looking to make a similar splash on the other side of the continent. Little Bear and Koloff had two matches in Vancouver to set up a no-disqualification rubber match with the Pacific Coast Heavyweight Title on the line. That contest was incredibly physical, as Koloff and Little Bear bloodied each other with punches before brawling outside the ring, where Steven hit a thunderous bodyslam on the floor, knocking Koloff out and providing the champion with a decisive win.

Concurrently, The Skull Brothers dipped out of the territory, so the promotion awarded the Canadian Tag Team Titles back to Little Bear & Higuchi. That led to two title matches against the incredibly formidable team of Koloff & Kiniski in which Little Bear and Higuchi defended the titles successfully but

were absolutely taken to the limit. By the fall, the cumulative wear and tear of the champions' successful run began to show.

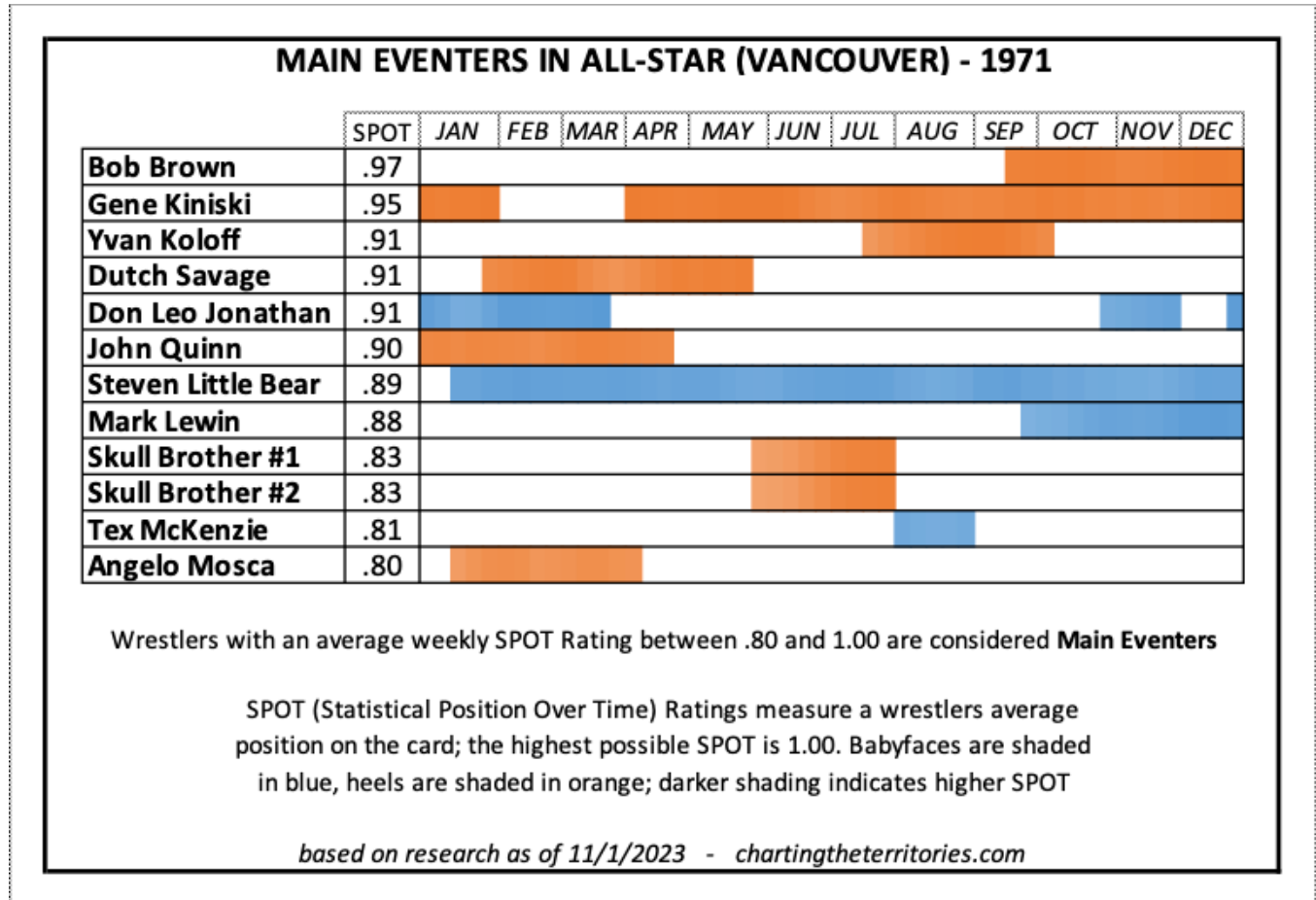
On September 20<sup>th</sup>, the other shoe dropped when "Bulldog" Bob Brown, who'd returned to the territory just a week earlier, defeated Steven Little Bear at the Exhibition Gardens to win the Heavyweight Title. To add insult to injury, the team of Brown & Kiniski also captured Little Bear & Higuchi's Canadian Tag Team Titles three weeks later.

Steven Little Bear did not grieve forever. For the third time that year, he found a new tag team partner – this time, Mark Lewin. The rivalry that evolved was layered, as Bob Brown had defeated Lewin for the Pacific Coast Title and chased him from the territory in April of 1970. On November 8<sup>th</sup>, Lewin & Little Bear faced Brown & Kiniski for the first time in a time limit draw. Two weeks later, the four were rematched with an extended 90-minute limit, but they only needed half that. At the 47-minute mark, Brown attempted to come off the top rope onto a helpless Little Bear, but Mark Lewin came to the rescue, tripping Brown and sending him crashing into the ring, where Steven pinned him for the victory.

For the rest of the year, Steven Little Bear & Mark Lewin defended their titles against the former champions, carrying the belts into 1972. Steven ended 1971 just how he'd started it: as one half of the Canadian Tag Team Champions. With that said, there was some major meat in the middle of that sandwich, including feuds with two World Champions and a two-month run on top. Vince Bryant – or whatever his name was – finally achieved the dream he'd been chasing for over a decade.

## Roster

All the wrestlers who completed regularly in the territory are listed below, grouped into categories based on their average position on the cards using a metric called Statistical Position Over Time (SPOT for short). After the first four categories, you will find links to articles/biographies/obituaries for many of the wrestlers from SLAM Wrestling.



Bob Brown <https://slamwrestling.net/index.php/1999/08/30/bulldog-bob-browns-33-year-run/>  
 Gene Kiniski <https://slamwrestling.net/index.php/2010/04/14/gene-kiniski-dead-at-81/>  
 Yvan (Ivan) Koloff <https://slamwrestling.net/index.php/2017/02/18/russian-bear-ivan-koloff-dies/>  
 Dutch Savage <https://slamwrestling.net/index.php/2013/08/04/dutch-savage-dead-at-age-78/>  
 Don Leo Jonathan <https://slamwrestling.net/index.php/2007/04/18/don-leo-jonathan-earned-cacs-top-honour/>  
 John Quinn <https://slamwrestling.net/index.php/2019/04/22/big-john-quinn-dead-at-78/>  
 Mark Lewin <https://slamwrestling.net/index.php/2009/12/30/never-a-dull-moment-on-mark-lewin-shoot-dvd/>  
 Tex McKenzie <https://slamwrestling.net/index.php/2001/06/01/tex-mckenzie-dies/>  
 Angelo Mosca <https://slamwrestling.net/index.php/2021/11/06/angelo-mosca-dead-at-84/>



### UPPER MID-CARDERS IN ALL-STAR (VANCOUVER) - 1971

	SPOT	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
<b>Dean Higuchi</b>	.79												
<b>Duncan McTavish</b>	.74												
<b>Les Thornton</b>	.71												
<b>Mike Webster</b>	.66												
<b>Gorilla Marconi</b>	.65												
<b>Earl Black</b>	.62												

Wrestlers with an average weekly SPOT Rating between .60 and .80 are considered **Upper Mid-Carders**

SPOT (Statistical Position Over Time) Ratings measure a wrestler's average position on the card; the highest possible SPOT is 1.00. Babyfaces are shaded in blue, heels are shaded in orange; darker shading indicates higher SPOT

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Dean Higuchi <https://slamwrestling.net/index.php/2021/02/28/dean-ho-dies/>

Duncan McTavish <https://slamwrestling.net/index.php/2011/06/06/duncan-mctavish-dead-at-80/>

Les Thornton <https://slamwrestling.net/index.php/2019/02/03/les-thornton-dead-at-84/>

Mike Webster <https://slamwrestling.net/index.php/2011/09/14/the-evolution-of-mike-webster-wrestling/>

Earl Black <https://slamwrestling.net/index.php/2008/05/22/around-the-world-in-stories-with-earl-black/>



### MID-CARDERS IN ALL-STAR (VANCOUVER) - 1971

	SPOT	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Gorgeous George Jr.	.59										Orange	Orange	
Mr. Ota	.51										Orange	Orange	Orange
Pepe Villa	.50												Blue
Kurt Von Hess	.48	Orange	Orange										
Soldat Gorky	.48		Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange	Orange
Freddy Barron	.47							Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
Dan Kroffat	.46	Blue	Blue										
Buck Jones	.45					Orange							
Danny Babich	.43			Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue						
Yasu Fuji	.42	Orange											
Eric Froelich	.41	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue			
Thunderbolt Cannon	.40		Orange	Orange	Orange								

Wrestlers with an average weekly SPOT Rating between .40 and .60 are considered **Mid-Carders**

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Gorgeous George Jr. <https://slamwrestling.net/index.php/2012/05/14/gorgeous-george-jr-dies/>

Kurt Von Hess <https://slamwrestling.net/index.php/1999/03/13/slam-wrestling-canadian-hall-of-fame-kurt-von-hess/>

Dan Kroffat <https://slamwrestling.net/index.php/1999/06/14/slam-wrestling-canadian-hall-of-fame-dan-kroffat/>

Eric Froelich <https://slamwrestling.net/index.php/2023/02/11/eric-froelich-dead-at-85/>

## PRELIMINARY WRESTLERS IN ALL-STAR (VANCOUVER) - 1971

	SPOT	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
<b>Rick Renaldo</b>	.38												
<b>Nick Pacchiano</b>	.36												
<b>Dave Muir</b>	.36												
<b>Bill Cody</b>	.35												
<b>John Anson</b>	.34												
<b>Pat O'Brien</b>	.34												
<b>John Foley</b>	.33												
<b>Pancho Lopez</b>	.28												
<b>Jack Bence</b>	.27												

Wrestlers with an average weekly SPOT Rating below .40 are considered **Preliminary Wrestlers**

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Bill Cody <https://slamwrestling.net/index.php/1999/06/30/antonation-brothers-bashed-out-of-winnipeg/>

John Anson <https://slamwrestling.net/index.php/1998/08/25/slam-wrestling-canadian-hall-of-fame-john-anson/>

## PART-TIME WRESTLERS IN ALL-STAR (VANCOUVER) - 1971

	SPOT	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
<b>Man Mountain Mike</b>	.84												
<b>Eddie Morrow</b>	.65												
<b>Rocky Montero</b>	.61												
<b>Jim Gilles</b>	.57												
<b>Chati Yokouchi</b>	.57												
<b>Ivan Kameronoff</b>	.52												
<b>Butts Giraud</b>	.35												
<b>Ray Steele</b>	.31												
<b>Mohan Singh</b>	.19												

Wrestlers who meet at least one of the below criteria are considered **Part-Time Wrestlers**

- 1) Were not booked as a regular for at least four consecutive weeks during the time period
- 2) Had less than 40% bookings per week as the most frequently booked wrestlers in the territory

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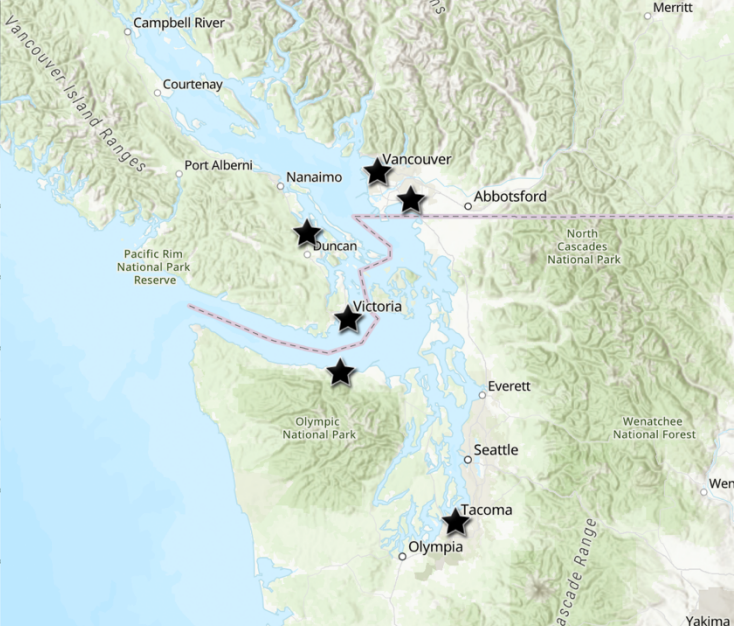
## Event Center

A look at a week's worth of house shows in the territory.

Video available on the Charting the Territories channel on YouTube

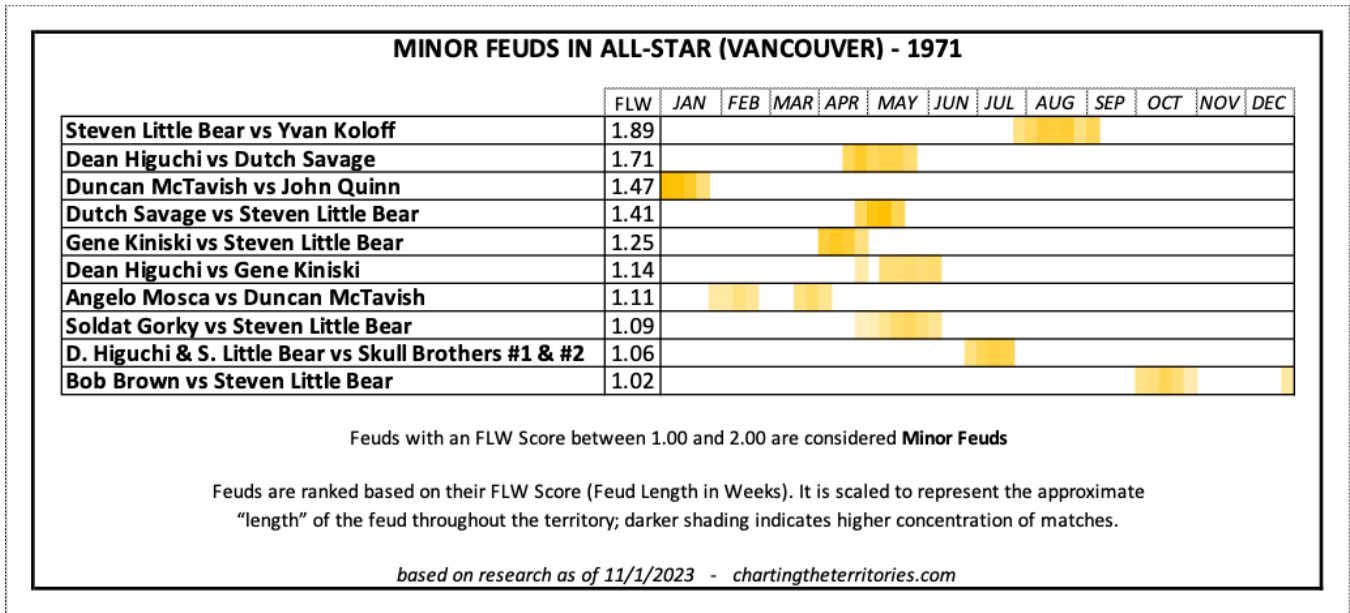
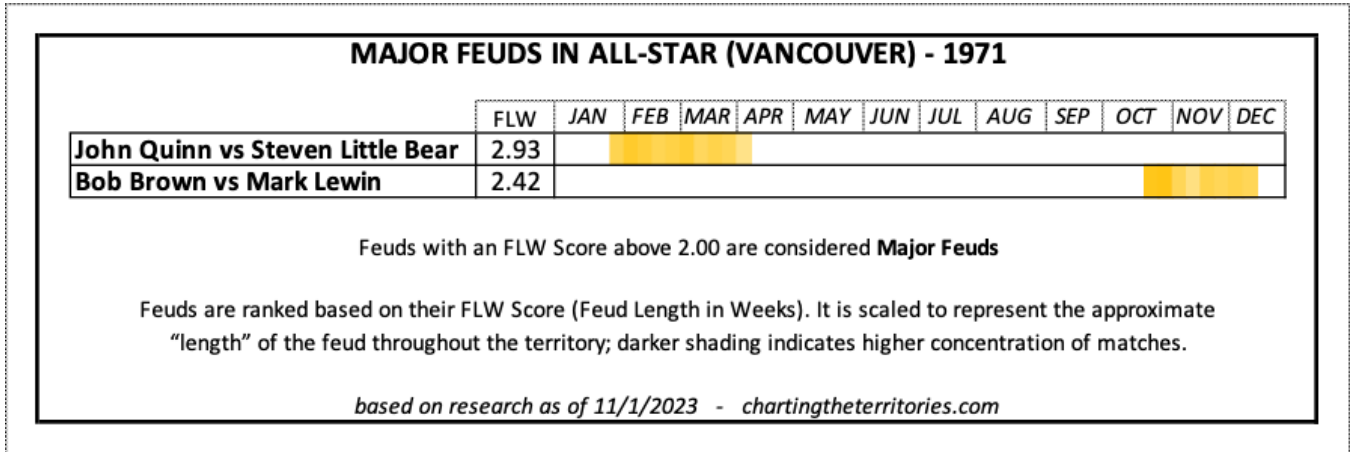
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<b>SAMPLE WEEK</b>	
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<b>TUE 8/10</b>	<b>VICTORIA</b>
<b>WED 8/11</b>	<b>--</b>
<b>THU 8/12</b>	<b>TACOMA</b>
<b>FRI 8/13</b>	<b>CHEMAINUS</b>
	<b>PORT ANGELES</b>
<b>SAT 8/14</b>	<b>SURREY</b>
<b>SUN 8/15</b>	<b>--</b>



## Feuds

Here are two charts listing the biggest feuds in the territory using a metric called Feud Length in Weeks (FLW for short).



The progression of feuds often differed from city to city. This led to each market having its own narrative. If a main event drew well the first time out in some cities, they could build to a rematch the next time. In other cities where it didn't draw well, they may choose to have that first match end in a clean finish and present a different main event the following show.

Below are examples of how some of the bigger feuds played out in select cities.

### **MARK LEWIN vs BOB BROWN**

#### **Nanaimo**

- 11/27 Lewin won, taking the third fall by pinning Brown with a suplex
- 12/11 Pacific Coast title: Lewin won, taking the second fall by disqualification and the third fall by pin

- 11/15 Pacific Coast title: Both men were counted out of the ring

#### **Victoria**

- 10/28 Lewin won
- 11/25 Pacific Coast title: Lewin won by disqualification

#### **Vancouver**

- 10/18 Lewin won, taking the third fall when Brown was counted out of the ring

### **DEAN HIGUCHI vs GENE KINISKI**

#### **Vancouver**

- 8/23 Kiniski won
- 10/18 Kiniski won

#### **Victoria**

- 5/29 Pacific Coast title: Kiniski won
- 7/10 Kiniski won

### **DUNCAN MCTAVISH vs ANGELO MOSCA**

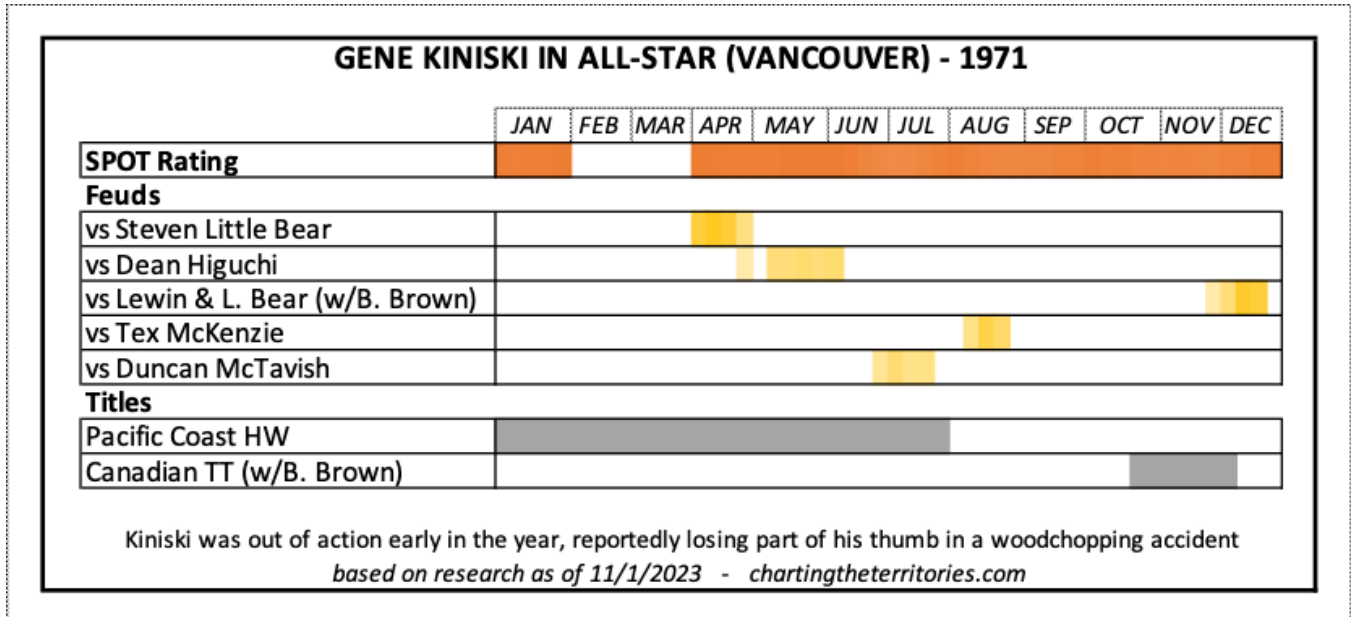
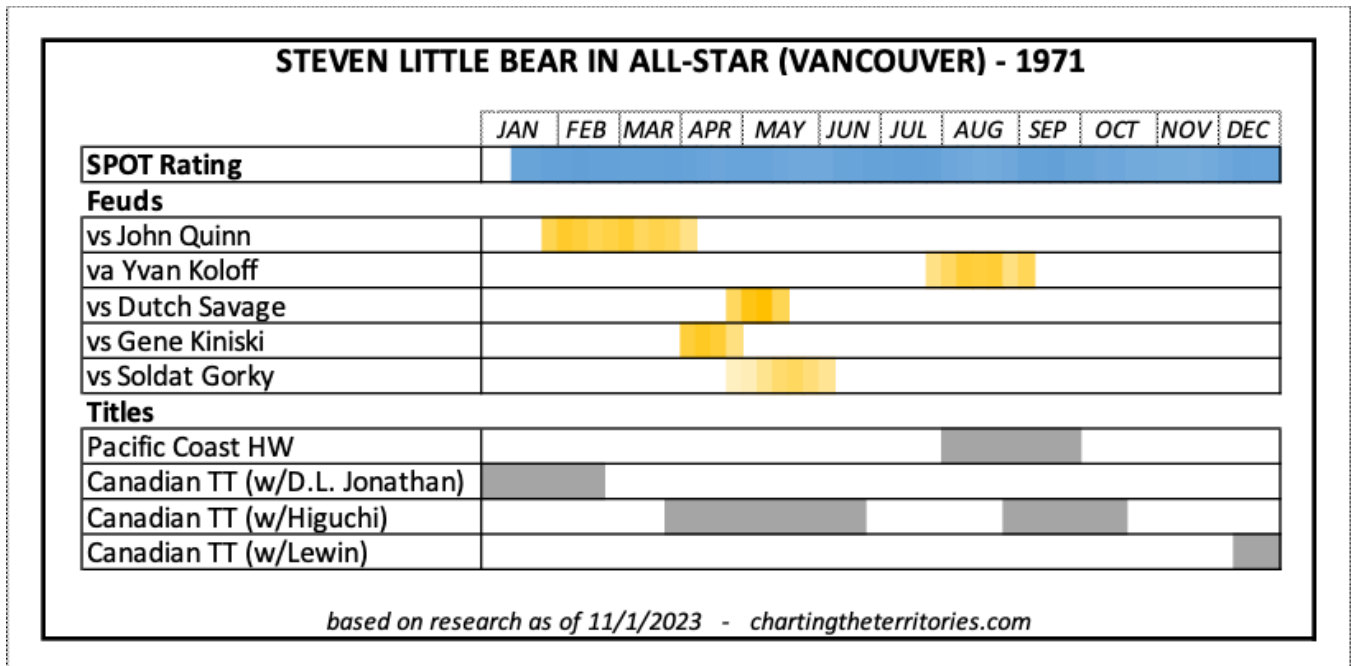
#### **Vancouver**

- 1/18 Mosca won
- 3/15 McTavish won by disqualification

- 3/29 McTavish beat Stan Stasiak (sub for Mosca)
- 5/31 Mosca won

## Wrestler Data

A look at the “character arc” for select wrestlers, showing their weekly SPOT Ratings, biggest feuds and title reigns chronologically.





### DEAN HIGUCHI IN ALL-STAR (VANCOUVER) - 1971

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	
<b>SPOT Rating</b>		[Blue bar from FEB to NOV]											
<b>Feuds</b>													
vs Dutch Savage				[Yellow bar APR-MAY]									
vs Gene Kiniski				[Yellow bar APR]	[Yellow bar MAY-JUN]								
vs Skull Brothers (w/L. Bear)						[Yellow bar JUN-JUL]							
vs Yvan Koloff								[Yellow bar AUG-SEP]					
vs Kiniski & Koloff (w/L. Bear)									[Yellow bar SEP]				
<b>Titles</b>													
Canadian TT (w/L. Bear)				[Grey bar APR-MAY]						[Grey bar SEP-OCT]			

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### BOB BROWN IN ALL-STAR (VANCOUVER) - 1971

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
<b>SPOT Rating</b>										[Orange bar from SEP to DEC]		
<b>Feuds</b>												
vs Mark Lewin										[Yellow bar from OCT to DEC]		
vs Steven Little Bear										[Yellow bar from OCT to DEC]		
vs Lewin & L. Bear (w/Kiniski)											[Yellow bar from NOV to DEC]	
<b>Titles</b>												
Pacific Coast HW										[Grey bar from OCT to DEC]		
Canadian TT (w/Kiniski)										[Grey bar from OCT to DEC]		

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### DUNCAN McTAVISH IN ALL-STAR (VANCOUVER) - 1971

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
<b>SPOT Rating</b>	[Blue bar from JAN to DEC]											
<b>Feuds</b>												
vs John Quinn	[Yellow bar JAN-FEB]											
vs Angelo Mosca		[Yellow bar FEB-MAR]										
vs Gene Kiniski						[Yellow bar JUN-JUL]						
vs Soldat Gorky					[Yellow bar APR-MAY]							

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## Title Holders and Histories

The following charts show the chronological progression of title holders in the territory. Looking at them this way gives you a better feel for the length of title reigns, and how they may have differed between babyface champs and heel champs.

### PACIFIC COAST HEAVYWEIGHT TITLE - ALL-STAR (VANCOUVER) - 1971

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	
<b>Gene Kiniski</b>	Orange												
<b>Steven Little Bear</b>							Blue						
<b>Bob Brown</b>										Orange			

Only title changes recognized across the entire territory are listed.  
 In this chart, new champions are generally recognized the calendar week after the title change.  
 Blue shading denotes babyface champions, orange shading denotes heel champions.

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### CANADIAN TAG TEAM TITLES - ALL-STAR (VANCOUVER) - 1971

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
<b>Don Leo Jonathan &amp; Steven Little Bear</b>	Blue											
<b>Dutch Savage &amp; John Quinn</b>		Orange										
<b>Dean Higuchi &amp; Steven Little Bear</b>				Blue					Blue			
<b>The Skull Brothers</b>							Orange					
<b>Bob Brown &amp; Gene Kiniski</b>										Orange		
<b>Mark Lewin &amp; Steven Little Bear</b>												Blue

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 In this chart, new champions are generally recognized the calendar week after the title change.  
 Blue shading denotes babyface champions, orange shading denotes heel champions.  
 When these titles were defended in Washington State, they were billed as the Northwest Tag Team titles

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## Charting the World Champ

In 1971, NWA World Heavyweight champion Dory Funk Jr. had two stints in the territory plus a one-off appearance. All singles matches were title bouts unless otherwise noted.

### March

- 3/15 Vancouver: Dory went to a 60-minute draw with Don Leo Jonathan; each man had won one fall before the time limit expired.
- 3/17 Burnaby (TV; may not have been title match): Dory defeated Earl Black.
- 3/18 Tacoma: Dory defeated Angelo Mosca.
- 3/20 Nanaimo: Dory beat John Quinn, winning the second and third falls.

### June

- 6/7 Vancouver: Dory defeated Gene Kiniski by disqualification when Gene threw him over the top rope.

### November

- 11/1 Vancouver: Dory beat Gene Kiniski by disqualification. In the third fall, Dory tossed Brown over the top rope and was disqualified, but Brown "refused to accept the disqualification and the match resumed." Brown was then disqualified for jumping onto Funk from the top rope.
- 11/4 Victoria: Dory defeated Mark Lewin, winning the third fall by disqualification.
- 11/5 Marysville: Dory vs Steven Little Bear; results not available.
- 11/6 Surrey: Dory vs Steven Little Bear; results not available.

## Taking Attendance

In this section, we look at any attendance (and/or gate) figures we have. Unless otherwise noted, these numbers come from newspaper reports. They should be taken with several grains of salt.

We have attendance figures for all house shows held in Washington. These come from the records of the state Athletic Commission, which are currently stored at the Washington State Archives in Olympia. The average attendance in the state for 1971 was 499.4 fans, paying \$1,067.88. The average ticket price was \$2.14. Typically, ticket prices were \$2.50 (reserved), \$2.00 (GA), and \$1.00 (children).

Their best regular town in the state was Bellingham, where they averaged 703 fans. The three largest crowds were in Spokane. Those shows were promoted by a separate entity, M & M Ticket Agency. Shows in the first three months of the year drew between 1,400 and 2,100 fans each. Attendance dropped off substantially after that, and in October they only drew 533. The shows in Tacoma drew an average of 381 fans per show, which seems quite low given the size of the city. Adding insult to injury, they lost their venue in September and didn't run the town again until the following August.

Five largest crowds in Washington:

- 2/18 Spokane: 2,076 fans (reported as 2,508 in newspaper) for Don Leo Jonathan vs Blackjack Lanza (Lanza did not appear as advertised)
- 3/11 Spokane: 1,574 fans (reported as 1,985 in newspaper) for Don Leo Jonathan vs Dutch Savage plus the midgets
- 1/14 Spokane: 1,478 fans (reported as 1,900 in newspaper) for Terry Funk vs Gene Kiniski
- 11/18 Bellingham: 1,097 (Don Leo Jonathan vs Man Mountain Mike)
- 3/18 Bellingham: 1,031 (Steven Little Bear vs John Quinn plus the midgets)

Four largest crowds in Tacoma:

- 4/8: 747 fans for Steven Little Bear vs Gene Kiniski plus a ladies' tag team match
- 3/18: 622 fans for Dory Funk Jr. vs Angelo Mosca
- 8/12: 519 fans for Steven Little Bear vs Gorilla Marconi plus the midgets
- 2/11: 512 fans for Steven Little Bear vs John Quinn Indian strap match

In British Columbia, we have attendance figures reported in the newspaper for most of the weekly cards in Vancouver. Average attendance was 2,723 fans. They usually ran a venue that seated about 3,000, though they ran larger venues several times during the year for big cards.

Five largest crowds in Vancouver:

- 3/15 at the Agrodome: 6,568 fans for Dory Funk Jr. vs Don Leo Jonathan
- 2/15 at the Agrodome: 6,000 fans for Don Leo Jonathan & Steven Little Bear vs Dutch Savage & John Quinn plus Abdullah the Butcher and a battle royal
- 11/1 at the Agrodome: 5,700 fans for Dory Funk Jr. vs Bob Brown
- 10/4 at the Forum: 5,610 fans for Bearcat Wright vs Bob Brown and John Tolos vs Gene Kiniski
- 4/12 at the Agrodome: 4,800 fans for Don Leo Jonathan vs Gene Kiniski

## Link to House Show Lineups and Results

We have shared our newspaper clippings and other documents with [wrestlingdata.com](http://wrestlingdata.com) to aid them in providing comprehensive information.

To see the cards and all available results from 1971 (including many of the weekly TV tapings), visit <https://www.wrestlingdata.com/index.php?befehl=shows&sort=liga&kategorie=8&liga=320&jahr=1971&monat=0&showart=0&ansicht=1>

# VANCOUVER (ALL-STAR WRESTLING)

## SAMPLE WEEK

MON 8/9	VANCOUVER
TUE 8/10	VICTORIA
WED 8/11	--
THU 8/12	TACOMA
FRI 8/13	CHEMAINUS
	PORT ANGELES
SAT 8/14	SURREY
SUN 8/15	--



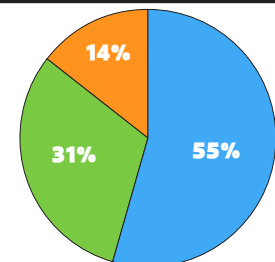
LEGEND	
METRO AREAS RUN REGULARLY	OTHER TOWNS RUN REGULARLY
★	★

TOP SINGLES	TOP TEAMS
STEVEN LITTLE BEAR	DEAN HIGUCHI & STEVEN LITTLE BEAR
GENE KINISKI	THE SKULL BROTHERS
DEAN HIGUCHI	MARK LEWIN & STEVEN LITTLE BEAR
BOB BROWN	
DUNCAN MCTAVISH	

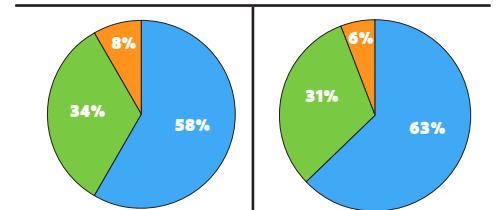
HOUSE SHOW RECORDS			
DOCUMENTED HOUSE SHOWS	220	SHOWS PER WEEK	4.2
		ESTIMATED COMPLETENESS	65-75%
MISC. BOOKING STATS			
HEEL/FACE TURNS	1	ROSTER TURNOVER	241%
ROSTER SIZE/COMPOSITION		MATCH RESULTS	

**AVERAGE # OF WRESTLERS: 14.1**

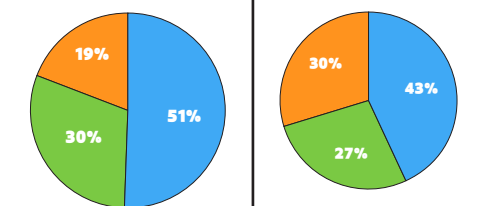
## OVERALL



FACE WINS HEEL WINS DRAWS



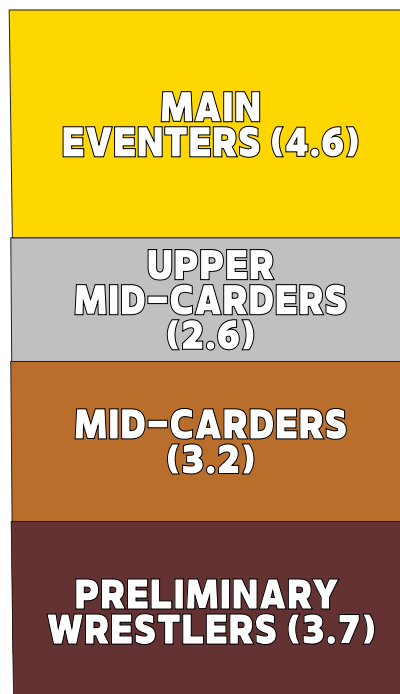
## MAIN EVENTS UPPER MIDS



## MID-CARDS PRELIMS

## TOP RIVALRIES

- STEVEN LITTLE BEAR VS JOHN QUINN
- MARK LEWIN VS BOB BROWN
- STEVEN LITTLE BEAR VS YVAN KOLOFF
- DEAN HIGUCHI VS DUTCH SAVAGE
- DUNCAN MCTAVISH VS JOHN QUINN
- STEVEN LITTLE BEAR VS DUTCH SAVAGE



## TITLE CHANGES

PACIFIC COAST HEAVYWEIGHT	2
CANADIAN TAG TEAM	6