

Red Shirts pull through — Advance to playoffs



UNB's goalie Winston Ayeni scoops up the ball much to the distaste of a Mt. Allison player. Photo by Jack Triffts

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Mt. Allison came to town last week confident of gaining a playoff berth by beating the UNB Red Shirts. The Mounties were up for the game mentally and physically. The night before the game, their two star players visited College Field where the UNB soccer team was practicing.

Before the game, played Saturday, their players attempted to psyche out the UNB players on their way to the dressing room. Fifteen minutes before the game, they went to the field and their spirit and warm up resembled that of a football team.

Mt. A's din proved to be futile, as the powerful Red Machine disregarded their intention and instead showed their worth on the field. Their noise must have attracted some curious spectators because by game time an all time attendance record of about 150 excited fans were waiting anxiously for the start of the game of the year.

From the start to the finish of the game, the fans were witnesses to one of the most exciting games ever played in this region. The play was up and down all

throughout the game with Mt. A having as many scoring opportunities as UNB.

In the last 20 minutes of the game, with UNB up 1-0 on a picture-goal by captain Jimmy Kakalettris, Mt. Allison's offense was at its best. Only miraculous saves by Winston Ayeni saved the game for UNB.

Mt. A showed that they could perform without relying on their rough play, challenging UNB's skill at every opportunity. It was unfortunate that they had to lose their best player, Dave Snowie, early in the game when an old injury prevented him from playing.

It was also unfortunate that the second, third and fourth best teams in the league play in the same division. Memorial, UNB, and Mt. A. Although Mt. A is a much better team because not only did they beat St. Francis, they had to play Memorial twice, which St. F.X. did not do.

Mt. A proved Saturday that all of their players were as talented as UNB's but they lack discipline on the field and respect for the players on the opposite team.

Many players on the Mt. A squad were standouts, but some credit should be given for the play of Harry Currie, Gary Timmons,

Paul Bourque, Chris Sofolahn and goalie Brent Carlile.

On UNB's side, everybody played well with Winston "the cat" Ayeni, Jim the "Greek" Kakalettris, and Robert "Beckie" MacFarlane leading the pack and doing an admirable job.

During the later stages of the game frustration was revealed as Gary Timmons, considered the toughest player in the league challenged Jimmy Kakalettris to a duel. Many players were involved but the altercations were minor and the players cooled down.

After defeating Mount A, the Red Shirts went into Sunday's game against Moncton knowing that they had to win to advance into the playoffs.

Playing with adverse field conditions, the Shirts were surprised by the almost incident-free play of the U de M Blue Eagles. In their first confrontation this year U de M played an extremely hard-hitting, body contact game which the referee could not seem to control.

Play during the first half was more consistent than in the second. Due mainly to the fact that as the game progressed, the field condition deteriorated.

The Blue Eagles pressed hard in the first half and on several occasions almost took the lead. Ayeni kept the Shirts in the game as he made several saves on shots from 10 yards out and closer. Ayeni must be complimented on his surefingered grasp as he didn't drop a single ball an exceptional performance for any goalkeeper in the mud.

The Shirts had some good opportunities in the first half with several of their shots missing the

target by minimal margins. The Shirts were able to break through the U de M defense, but concentrated their game on using the centre of the field, thereby congesting the centre with every attacker funneling into the centre of the field.

At halftime coach Gary Brown talked to his players and advised them to spread out on the wings so that if they continued to attack through centre it would not be so congested.

The Red Shirts returned to the game fired up and the Wingers did as they were told, giving Kakalettris room to move with the ball in the centre of the field. This enabled the Red Shirts to pose more of a threat to the U de M goalkeeper.

The Wingers work finally payed off as Kakalettris was able to move to an open space and give the ball to Gabby El-Khoury who took the pass and put it in the top corner of the net as the U de M keeper watched it go in making no attempt at a save.

The Shirts did not relax after the goal as has happened on previous occasions but kept pressing and created several opportunities for goals, none of which were put in. Special mention must be given to the defensive combination of Ed Hanson, Gary Tardeval, Rob MacFarlane, and Dave Harding for their excellent cover of U de M's attacks and their assistance to the forwards.

This weekend the Red Shirts are playing in the AUAA championships and meet Dalhousie on the Saint Mary's University Field. Should the Red Shirts win the Atlantic title they will go to the Nationals in Montreal.

SOCCER STANDINGS (FINAL)

EASTERN DIVISION				
	W	L	T	Pct.
Dalhousie	9	1	0	.900
St. F.X.	5	3	2	.600
St. Mary's	5	4	1	.550
Acadia	0	8	2	.100

WESTERN DIVISION				
	W	L	T	Pct.
Memorial	6	1	1	.813
UNB	7	4	1	.625
Mount A	6	4	2	.600
UPEI	3	9	0	.250
U de M	2	9	1	.167

Coakly Sparks Sparks

The Fredericton and St. John teams of the Atlantic Wheelchair Basketball Conference met for their first games of the season this weekend in Fredericton.

In both games played Sunday at George St. School, Fredericton ran over the St. John defence to win by scores of 3210 and 4110.

Bob Coakley, of STU led the Fredericton scoring with a two game total of 29 points. His teammates Steve Little with 14 points and Fred Edney with 10 points were the other high scorers.

Leading Saint John's attack were Frank Henderson, who sunk the ball 7 times for 14 points and Bob Murry who made 6 points.

A.W.B.C. is made up of teams from Fredericton, Saint John, Bathurst and Halifax. Most players are members of the Canadian Wheelchair Sports Association which controls national competition in basketball and many other sports.

The next action for the Fredericton Sparks will be on Nov. 13 and 14 when they meet Bathurst.

Bombers lose hard fought game

By MIKE GANGE

UNB's Red Bombers travelled to Halifax over the weekend, to take on the St. Mary's Huskies in the AUFC play-offs. Prior to the game the sentiment that UNB did not stand a hope in hell was predominant among many on campus.

Within minutes of the kick-off, however, the Bombers did prove that they not only stood a chance, but were determined to give no less than one hundred per cent team effort.

Quarterback Terry Cripotos went to the shotgun offense early in the game, to better attack the SMU defence. On the second play of the game, Dave Kelly caught a fifty yard pass to connect for a major strike, putting the Bombers ahead by seven after Cripotos kicked the convert. From that point onwards, the Huskies knew that UNB meant business.

The offense worked out of the shotgun for most of the game, with minor exceptions, like when a third and short situation called for Cripotos to plunge through the line. Cripotos who does not often handle the ball, did so on three

occasions, each good for the necessary yardage.

The Bomber defence altered the defence to better accommodate the SMU offence.

Luck seemed to be with the Bombers for most of the game. It could have only been better had the score been reversed. The last time the two teams met, SMU handed the Bombers a dreadful shutout. This time the weather could not have been better and as a result Cripotos was able to get his passes away and on target.

Luck was not the only factor involved in the game, however. UNB head coach Jim Born has said all year that a team must make their breaks. Just as an indication of how well the Bombers fought for their breaks, they trailed at half time by only 15 to 14.

To say that the team played well could only be an understatement. They pulled together like they have done for most of the season. Had they played equally well throughout the season, they would not be facing Acadia for first place.

A few individuals did play amazingly well and deserve mention for their effort. Rod Bell

went both ways and did a fine job, as if he had to prove something to the team, the coach or maybe himself.

Dave Kelly caught two touch-down passes to help his team's effort. Cripotos was chosen by the combined press box as most valuable player, and presented with an award by Belvedere.

The Bombers played only seven games this year, over a period of eight weeks. As in past years they have improved over the season. The Bombers equalled their previous season's win-loss record of 3-3, which given their competition was very good. But they went further this year, with the help of league rule change, managed a play-off game.

Next year, while a long time away, could be very interesting. The Bombers lose the services of Roddy Bell, Bob Snair, and Colin McCue, all of whom have finished their college career. Greg Conrad is also expected to graduate but has another year of ball left.

The Bombers will retain the services of all other ball players. Because of the large number of returnees, they should have an even better season than this year.

Harriers hurry to Nationals

Last Saturday the UNB Red Harriers cross-country teams competed in their final race before leaving for the CIAU Championships being held Nov. 6 in Guelph, Ont.

The meet was the N.B. Cross-Country Championships and the Harriers competed in the open class over a 4 1/2 mile course which was in poor condition.

The race was won by the Red Harriers Coach, Wayne Stewart in a time of 23:10.

Although several of the Harriers did not compete, UNB still managed to capture 6 of the top 10 places: Shawn O'Carner 2nd - 23:42, Joe Lehman 5th - 24:49, Sandy McAuley 4th - 25:04, Jacques Jean 7th - 25:16, Pete

McAuley 8th - 25:20 and Ron McCarville 10th - 25:43.

UNB's Nancy Wheatley captured the open women's 3 1/4 mile race in a time of 19:26. Wheatley is presently gearing up for the Nationals, Nov. 20th, in Halifax, since there are no Intercollegiate Championships for women.

Coach Stewart expects Wheatley to perform well at the Nationals since she has been training as hard as any of the male Harriers and for just as long.

The Harriers' last official workout was Thursday and they are flying to Ontario this morning to represent the Atlantic Provinces at the CIAU meet. If all goes well, the UNB team should finish high in the standings.

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OTTAWA (CUP)
300,000 Canadian students reached by activities of Student Day Nov. 9, and student organizers nationwide discussion on unemployment on the problems facing post-secondary students.

National organization termed the day a success while admitting some were made, are now further action soon.

The day consisted of workshops, seminars on the related issues, hikes, inadequate programs and high unemployment on the approximately 125 Canadian participating.

An additional 2 unions did not initiate programs but distributed literature on their National Union of executive-secretary is not estimated.

Involvement including the type adopted and some literature distributed to the individual student.

O'Connor announced leadership would be Nov. 27 to plan further.

Quebec was the only not participating in due to a lack of contact between the provincial organization, l'Association des Etudiants du Quebec

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