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# Dal runners place sixth in B.C.

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Despite illness and inexperience, the Dalhousie women runners managed to come up with some very impressive performances in a close competition at the national university cross country championships in Victoria this past weekend.

The Dal squad earned a sixth place ranking and was led by rookie Shari Boyle who, running with a

bad cold, came in twelfth overall. Her consistently strong finishes over the season earned the first year phys-ed student second team all-Canadian honors.

Finishing second for Dalhousie was another rookie, first year commerce student Rayleen Hill, placing nineteenth overall. Veteran Anne Marie Farnell, also ill, finished twenty-third, and the continually improving Heather Ostic finished twenty-seventh.

The University of Toronto won both the men's and women's championships, but on the women's side there was no domination by any one team. "It was all very balanced, and there was not much difference between first and sixth..." said veteran coach Al Yarr.

As far as the future is concerned, "... there's no question, this team is going up...", said Yarr. The team's top four runners all have several years left of eligibility in interuniversity competition, and in their university programs. Participation at the CIAU championships this year was a big step up, and going in as the number one ranked team may have placed some extra pressure on the athletes.

The national ranking given to a team based on their home-conference performance is sometimes not realistic, given the varying competitiveness of other conferences around the country. While Dalhousie dominated the AUAA, teams from the CWIAA and OUAA have many national cali-

bre athletes on board and the competition just to go to the nationals is often very stiff.

Although coach Yarr's goal for the team of placing third or fourth was not met this weekend, he said the team had both "talent and time" and if it stayed together, great national potential.

"We have never had this before," said Yarr, "[this year's team] has great potential and a great attitude."

The men's team, with a wild card entry to the CIAU championships, placed seventh out of seven this weekend in competition that was dominated by the University of Toronto.

The team was led by Brent Workman, who placed twenty-ninth, followed by Dave Ruggles, thirty-fourth, and Grant Murray, thirty-ninth.

Coach Yarr speculated that although these three had good races, the team on the whole was 'burned out' by their heavy schedule of 10 kilometre races this year. The 10K format makes it very difficult for all but the truly exceptional athletes to fully recover over the short space of one week and be in peak condition for the next race.

Still, just going to the nationals was a novel experience for the team, who according to Yarr have the potential to be a significant force in AUAA competition next year.

# Required Reading

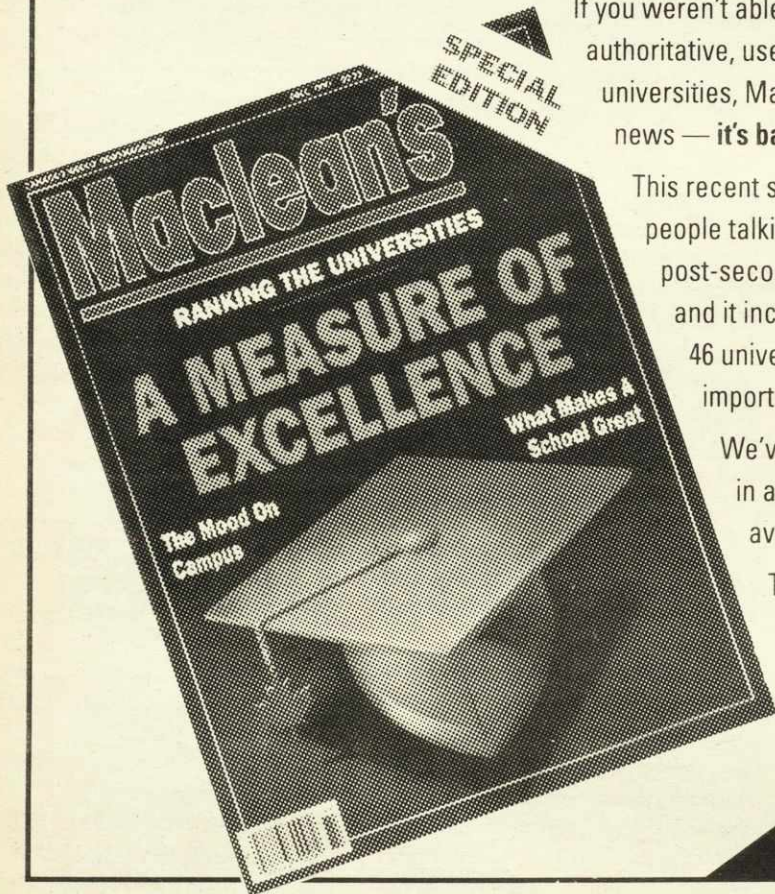
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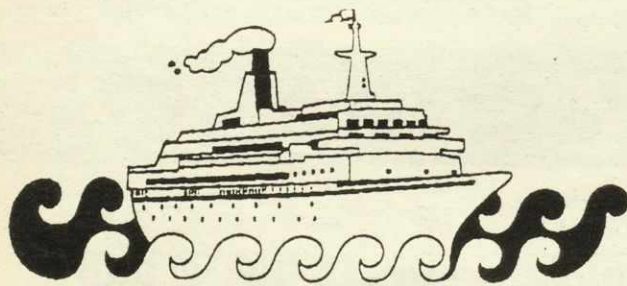
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