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The closest call yet:

by Ralph English

The 1984 Dalhousie Student Union elections are over and Alex Gigeroff and Rusty James are the successful presidential/vice-presidential team.

Twenty two and a half percent of the electorate voted this year, up 4.5 percent from last year.

The winners were declared on the second ballot, exceeding the required 50 percent of ballots cast by a mere 0.09 percent, which amounts to three votes (see table on page 3).

With such a small margin, it was no surprise that Geoff Martin and Jim Warner called for a recount. "This is, as far I know, the closest it has ever come," said chief Elections Returning Officer (ERO) Steve Coughlin. In the event of a tie, the ERO would cast the deciding vote. "I would have been very surprised if it had to have been used," said Coughlin.

Following the announcement of the results at 8:30 Friday night,

a reception was held in the Garden Cafeteria. All the candidates were present with the exception of Steve MacDonald and Grant Machum. In defeat, Jim Warner said, "I'm pleased that people who supported us did support us and wish the candidates the best of luck."

The polls closed at 2 pm Friday and all results were announced by 8:30 that night. Ballot boxes were removed from the polling stations and taken to council chambers where they were each counted by two independent groups of election officers. Ballots were counted a total of 6 times. Coughlin said, "Things went reasonably smoothly."

Gigeroff and James will take office May 1, 1984, but they have already fulfilled their first campaign promise. Both of them could be found on Monday at noon hour wearing pink bunny suits in front of the SUB. Perhaps we should brace ourselves for an eventful academic year.

Victory by three votes



The new DSU President and VP, Alex Gigeroff and Rusty James, look towards the future. From the look of this photo, we think it's on top of the A&A.

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Volleyball Tigers fourth and second at CIAU's



by Sue D'Onym

The Dalhousie Tigers Men's and Women's Volleyball Teams

placed fourth and second respectively at the CIAU National Championships held at Laval

University last weekend.

The Women Tigers, ranked number two in the country, lost to the number one ranked Winnipeg Weswomen in the gold medal match. The match lasted the full five games, with the Western club defeating Dalhousie 15-10 in the final game. The Tigers had fought back from a 2-0 defeat to tie the match at 2-2.

Tigers coach Lois MacGregor, who could not make the trip to Quebec, said that the women played quite well considering it is difficult to play when the coach is absent. MacGregor added that

assistant coaches Cindy Moore and Howard Jackson did an outstanding job in taking over the team.

The Women Tigers were undefeated in round robin and semi-final action.

The Men Tigers, who surprised many local volleyball followers throughout the 1983/84 season, came up with another strong performance at the nationals to capture fourth spot. The finish is one higher than last year's team managed.

The Tigers lost in their bid for a medal to the University of Waterloo in the bronze medal match.

They had lost their first semi-final game to the University of British Columbia.

The powerful Manitoba Bisons, winners of the Dalhousie Volleyball Classic, captured the gold medal.

Tiger coach Al Scott said that he was very pleased with the showing of his team this year, and that they had forced Manitoba to play well in their round robin victory over the Tigers.

Scott added that the Tigers came very close to winning a medal and that they should continue to be competitive next season.