# Sports editorial:

Notes from the only sport where substitutions are allowed while play is in progress.

by: Frank Denis

From here and there in the hockey world;

Congratulations go out to goalie Chris Somers and coach Mike Johnston for their efforts in bringing home Canada's first Spengler cup in 5 years. Team Canada was made up of a collection of players playing for European Club teams at the moment. Some of the names included Mike Bullard, Brian Propp and Ken Yaremchuck. The tournament was played in Davos, Switzerland and received only a little attention in the national media. The reason for that was the golden success of the Canadian Junior team in Sweden. Had the juniors not done as well, believe me a lot more of at ention would have been devoted to Johnston and his Spengler team. Their efforts were recognized in last Saturday's Coach's Corner by Don Cherry, however Cherry seemed more concerned with talking about the Soviets failure at both the Spengler and Junior tournaments. Perry Pearn, who coached Canada's Juniors, was coach of last year's Spengler Cup team. It shouldn't be too long before we see Johnston behind the Juniors bench

The first River City Shoot Out hockey tournament was won by the UNB Red Devils. The Devils defeated Brandon Bobcats from Manitoba in the final 6-4. Brandon was the surprise team of the tournament. So far their regular season hasn't gone too well. They are in last place in the Canada West Conference yet played some decent hockey while in Fredericton. While attendance at the games was a little disappointing, the organizers of the tournament did a great job. Well done and we look forward to next year's tourney.

How many of you were horrified to see that in Sweden at the World Junior Tournament they had advertisements painted all over the ice? In fact the ads in the end zones were all angled so that television viewers could read them with no problem. Pretty soon we'll see company names and logos all over NHL uniforms. In case you haven't noticed, Speedy Muffler has painted their logo at centre ice of the Montreal Forum. Not only does it look stupid but it's also very distracting when watching a game. There was a time not too long ago when the ads along the Forum boards were removed for Hockey Night in Canada telecasts. Now they wouldn't think twice about taking them down. Speaking of advertising and hockey how many of you have noticed that behind the Maple Leafs bench in Toronto are Molson Canadian banners while behind the visitors bench are banners for Gummi Bears?

Rumors are flying that St. Louis Blues sniper Brett Hull will be traded by the trading deadline. Hull who only two years ago was named the Most Valuable Player in the NHL has had a slow season by his standards, although in recent games he has begun scoring again. If the Blues are fighting for a playoff spot with Tampa Bay, Hull will be traded. The Kings seem to be the most interested.

Doesn't the Tie Domi and Kris King for Ed Olczyk trade remind you of the infamous John Kordic for Russ Courtnall trade of a few years ago? By the way if Courtnall was still playing for the Montreal Canadiens would he have to be returned to the Leafs because...

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#### Curl for Cancer

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## Varsity Mania to light up the hill

Fireworks for STU-UNB game

The Battle of the Hill is what AUAA action between the UNB Red Devils and the St. Thomas Tommies has come to be known as, and if the two teams engagement earlier this season is any indication, their next meeting Wednesday, January 13 should be an exciting hockey game.

As the Red Devils and Tommies get ready for another interdivisional tilt, Varsity-Mania and UNB's Winter Carnival committee are making their own preparations for what should be an interesting evening.

Wednesday nights game will be a Varsity-Mania event and one of the many evenings planned for UNB's Winter Carnival 1993. Because the two groups have been able to join forces, extensive plans have been made for activities to accompany the hockey game.

The evening will begin at 6:30 with a pep rally on campus, between UNB's residences and Student Union Building. This will give fans attending the game an opportunity, beforehand to get into the same boisterous frame of mind. The pep rally will also feature a fireworks display, put on by Coca-Cola. As well the evening will feature the reintroduction of UNB's famous Torch Light Parade. The parade

will start marching to the Aitken Centre after the fireworks finale.

The Torch Light Parade was a major fixture during UNB Winter Carnival's hey day but for some reason faded into memory. That is, until its resurrection January 13 which will prove to be an ominous spectacle considering a crowd of 600 to 800 people are expected to participate in the pre game activities. Athletic Director Jim Born is excited about the plans, "This is exactly the type of event that gives a University its esprit-des-corps. I am looking forward to a big evening.'

### "Smile, it's Game Day"

Beaver Foods support Devils



Beaver Foods, in an effort to raise student awareness, have had special aprons designed. These aprons will be worn by staffers on the days of Red Devils home hockey games. Students who frequent the cafeterias will no longer be able to use the excuse "I didn't know there was a game" as a reason for not coming out and supporting their team. The UNB Athletics Department wishes to thank Beaver foods for donating the aprons. (Kevin Porter photo)

### Pepsi/Pizza Hut Player Profile

#30 Ken Murchison, BPE

Team Captain

UNB Red Devils 4th year RW, Ht: 5'11 Wt: 205 Age 24

Stats GP PTS PIM 91-92: 25 19 92-93: 14 12 7 19 Hometown: St. Eleanor's, PEI **Hobbies:** Boating and Softball TV Show: Kids in the Hall Favorite Food: Turkey dinner Favorite Team: Montreal Canadiens Favorite Athlete: Chris Nilan **Future Aspirations:** Sport Administration Favorite Movie: Young Guns 2 People don't know I....' like to sleep in.'





