

# Blazers Split Weekend Games

by Ron Cameron

The UNB Red Blazers had a rather unsatisfying weekend despite getting credit for a win in one of their two games.

UNB started the weekend on a losing note, falling 5-0 to the Moncton Right Spot Saturday. Moncton came into the game undefeated at 11-0, so the Blazers knew they had a hard game ahead. The two teams played even for the first half of the game, only a late first period goal by Stacy Wilson provided Moncton with any edge.

It was a sloppy second period that opened the door for Moncton. A bad line change left UNB with a 5 on 3 disadvantage long enough for Wilson to set up Joanne Vautour for The Right Spot's

second goal. The Blazers sagged noticeably and Wilson and Giselle Gauthier upped Moncton's lead to 4-0 before the period ended. In the third, Wilson completed her hat trick to make the final score 5-0. "It was not a very good game for us really", said UNB Coach Mike Power. "The second goal really knocked the wind out of us, and to have 2 players blow a line change... well, we knew that mistakes would kill us against this team. We didn't stop working in the second period, but a good number of players panicked and stopped thinking."

Sunday the team showed up at the Aitken Centre keyed for an important game against the Clement Cormier Cavaliers. The win came much easier than expected when the Cavaliers failed to appear for the game.

Monday, the league President awarded the 2 points to UNB on the default. The win puts UNB within 2 points of Clement Cormier and Port City in the race for a final playoff spot in the league. "We were really up for the game and it was a let down despite the points", says

Power. "We needed a game to win and build our confidence."

The Red Blazers take a weekend off from Ladies League play this week. They travel to Grand Falls for the Provincial Senior B Tournament. Play begins at 9 AM Saturday with a game against the Port City Flyers, at 4:30

the Clement Cormier team will be the opponents, and at 9 PM the host Grand Falls Elite will skate against UNB. Two of those four teams will advance to Sunday's playoff round. "I would really like to make the final four", says Power. "After that in a single game elimination anything can happen."

## UNB Beavers Defeat Mt. Allison

by Lynne Wanyeki

This past weekend, the Mt. Allison swim team competed against the UNB Beavers women's swim team here at the Sir Max Aitken Pool in the LB Gym. As Mt. Allison no longer has an official men's swim team, the UNB Beavers men's team participated in the meet only on a time-trial basis. The Beavers won the meet, with a final points standing of:

UNB 58  
MT. A 28

The Beavers placed well in almost every event, starting off the meet with a convincing win in the 400m Medley Relay (4:44.60). The UNB team consisted of Peggy Ackerl, Edie Fisher, Chrissy Hashimoto and Katie Naylor.

It was a good meet for Katie Naylor, who won both the 50m Freestyle (29.76) and the 100m Freestyle (1:04.74) events.

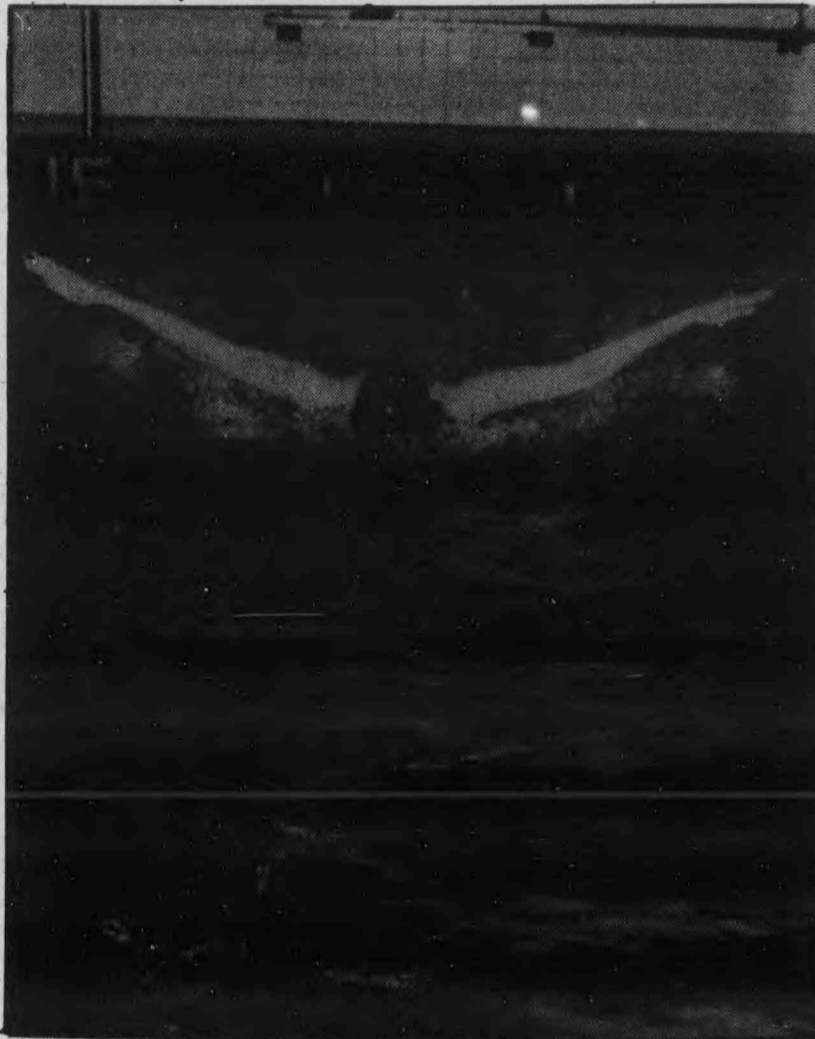
Peggy Ackerl was disqualified from the 50m Freestyle event for a false start. She

(2:35.26). Edie Fisher placed first in the 200m Individual Medley, with a time of 2:37.07.

Chrissy Hashimoto obtained firsts in both the 400m Freestyle (4:30.23) and the 800m Freestyle (9:14.13). There appeared to be a little friendly rivalry between the men's and the women's teams in these events, with Chrissy's time in the 400m Freestyle slightly behind Phil Chaplin's time of 4:28.87, while her time in the 800m Freestyle was slightly faster than Phil Chaplin's time of 9:15.64 in the same event.

Three swimmers were awarded honours this week: Chrissy Hashimoto was named UNB Female Athlete-of-the-Week; while Peggy Ackerl and Brian Woods were named Female and Male UNB Athlete-of-the-Month respectively.

The UNB Beavers conclude their season (with the exception of those who will have qualified for the CIAU's) next weekend. The AUA conference meet takes place at the Dalplex in Halifax over the 16th, 17th, and 18th of February. Judging from the team's performance this term, both the men's and the women's teams stand an excellent chance of winning the conference meet for the first time in several years.



The Beavers have been making a big splash in the pool

## Raiders Drop Two Games In Nova Scotia

by Kelly Craig

It was a busy week for the UNB Red Raiders as they played host to University of Maine Machias last Wednesday and traveled to St. FX and SMU over the weekend. UNB lost all three of the games. Machias defeated them 79-71, a close score in a game the Raiders should have won. St. FX gave UNB a major league beating 107-81, and SMU also beat UNB on Saturday by a score of 90-70.

The Machias game was a very close game for UNB. By rights, the Raiders should have won the game against Machias. UNB came out strong against Machias and took an early lead. But that was it for the Raiders. At half-time, the Raiders were behind 35-30. Yaw Obeng shot for 20 points against Machias. Glen Read shot for 14 points in the game, and Steve Taylor came up with 10 points off the bench. It was a good effort for the Raiders but not enough as Machias won 79-71.

Friday night, the Raiders made a trip to St. FX to play the #3 team in Canada. It wasn't even close for the Raiders. At half-time it was St. FX 54, UNB 15. UNB put up a fight against St. FX and weren't as humiliated in this game as they were at the Aitken Centre last term.

Coach Wright was pleased by the effort put forth by the Raiders. UNB traveled to St. FX with only eight players. Their number one rebounder Roy Coccillo has been out the

past few games due to the flu. Steve Taylor came off the bench to start for UNB as a few of the team members are suffering from some minor injuries.

Yaw Obeng led the scoring for the Raiders with 19 points. Obeng had one of his best games statistically against Machias and kept the streak going against St. FX. Glen Read shot for only 15 points against St. FX, which wasn't a very good showing for Read. Steve Taylor came up with 10 points and Kirk MacDonald had 11 points. UNB lost 107-81.

Saturday, the Raiders traveled to Halifax to play the Huskies of St. Mary's. Again, UNB made good strides to pull off a victory, but it was hopeless as St. Mary's easily defeated UNB.

According to Coach Wright, "The game was lost in the first half." At half time St. Mary's was ahead of UNB by 14 points. The second half of the game was a better half for UNB, but they had not improved enough as St. Mary's won 90-70. Glen Read was the top scorer for UNB with 20 points, and Kirk MacDonald tallied up 17 points.

This Saturday and Sunday, the Raiders will host the Memorial Team at the LB gym. Saturday's game is set for 8:30 PM and the Raiders play again on Sunday at 3:00 PM. The Raiders have only one conference win on the season and this came against Memorial. With any luck, this weekend will give UNB two more conference wins.

## Field Hockey In February

The UNB women's field hockey team held a very successful indoor field hockey tournament at the South Gym on Saturday, Feb 3, 1990.

The Couples Team, made up of several former top notch Red Sticks, combined with their husbands to successfully defend last year's title. Husbands included a couple of former Red Shirt soccer players as noted on the score sheet. Their opponent in the final game was a combined team of UNB men and some Red Stick alumni. The Couples went through the round robin tournament with 4 victories while the UNB men had a 2-1-1 record.

The Atlantic Regional Squad team placed third. This All Star team includes Red Sticks Sheila Bell, Josette Babineau, Joan Robere, Nancy Pepler, Tanya Whalen, and Kelly McCormack and Wendi Gallant as alternates. The rest of the team included 1 FHS

student, 2 U de M players and 2 SMU players. Joyce Slipp was the coach of the team while Red Stick alumni Brenda Guitard and Kathryn (MacDougall) Johnson were assistants. This team will represent the Atlantic Region at the CIAU Nationals in Toronto this March.

The UNB Red Sticks placed a close 4th at the tournament and were within 3 goals of getting in the final game. U de M were winless in the round robin play.

The Atlantic Squad, including several UNB players, will travel to the SMU Tournament Feb 10 and the U de M Tournament Feb 25 to tone up their indoor game.

The Red Sticks have been practicing daily at the South Gym Monday to Thursday 4:00-5:30 and welcomes anyone interested in learning the indoor game to come out for a go.