

# Sports

## And we're damn proud of them

by Kevin Charles Little

Dalhousie has finally become competitive at sports. After centuries of being known exclusively for its academic credibility, the school now boasts one of Canada's best athletic programs. People make the university, and Dal has attracted some great people here. This is a result of the proper incentive being given to an area which sports some great talent. No longer do athletes from the metro region have to seek refuge at SMU, St. F.X. or elsewhere in Canada. It all had to do with a change in attitude -

that Dalhousie was no longer just going to compete but they were going to win. No-one who watched Dal in the early 70's lose desperately at sports such as football could have ever thought that the program would be turned around. But now it is.

The Dal Tiger Hockey team, who came second nationally only a few years ago, spurred the turnaround and gave us a peek into the future. Increasing momentum, they ranked in the top ten of the country for most of the year. The Tigers provided some excellent hockey for the fans who came to watch. Brian

Gualazzi grabbed most of the headlines with his record-breaking total goals scored, but Moosie Friesen and Paul Jeffrey were both also very impressive. They worked hard to perk up the team when they were down and gave the fans something to be proud of.

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Speaking of being proud, how about the women's and men's volleyball teams? The women's team won the first national title in Dal's sports history. The men's team was in the top ten all year and gave a strong showing to a partisan Dal crowd, showing the fans what they could do with the right support.

In men's track, Gordon Tynes and Tim Wrigley gave Dal a berth in the track and field nationals. Both won medals, Tynes in the long jump and Wrigley in the high jump.

The men's basketball team was the biggest surprise. Doc Ryan deserves top coaching honours at Dal for his remarkable turnaround of the once pushover basketball team. Unfortunately, though, every time the team was on a roll, it ran into the Huskies, where it seemed that it could never win. But it's a young team, so obstacles like this may be overcome.

There were many highlights to choose from this year, so only the brightest ones have been touched upon. Until next year....

## Vees shine in last game

by Jeff Roy

The Voyageurs ended regular season play for the 1981-82 season last Sunday night at Metro Centre before a crowd of 5,417. For one rare time, the Vees came up with a solid effort through the entire contest. Their opponents were the Fredericton Express and the Vees came away with a 4-1 victory on the strength of three second period goals. Nova Scotia held a 29-26 edge in shots on goal.

The first period was fast skating with only one goal being scored. Vee Dan Bolduc, playing in his final regular season game in a Nova Scotia uniform,

scored his first of two of the night at 9:46. The Vees were experiencing a terrible power play when they finally started to control the Express' zone. Bolduc snuck in at the left side of the net and put the puck past Pierre Hamel. The only other major event of the period was the fight between Dave Allison of the Vees and Terry Johnson of the Express which broke out at the :32 mark.

The Vees got the lead they needed in the second period with three goals. Dan Bolduc scored on a breakaway for his second at :56, Dave Orleski took a pass at the left side of the net

and slid the puck into the open side at 6:13 and Dave Allison blew a slapshot through Hamel's legs from the rim of the left faceoff circle at 18:28. The Express had a difficult time in mounting a solid attack. An unfortunate event occurred at the close of the period when Dan Bolduc slid into the boards behind the Vees' net and left the game with an unspecified injury.

The Vees did not play with the same intensity in the third period but played well enough to hang on for the victory. The only goal in the period came at

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There's nobody at the Dalplex now, but it was active, once upon a time...Wipe away that tear of nostalgic regret; summer is for jocks.



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