

Red Bloomers wrap-up.....



BACK ROW L-R: Terry Curtis(manager), Joyce Slipp(coach), Laura Sanders, Claire Mitton, Moira Pryde, Marleigh Moran, Cathy Maxwell, Liedy Scholten, Dick Slipp(asst. coach)
FRONT ROW L-R: Lois Scott, Kathy Jennings, Carolyn Gammon, Patti Moffitt, Patti Shepard

Joyce Slipp's Red Bloomers proved their worth again this year as they once again won the AUAA Conference title and placed 5th at the Nationals in Regina. They did very well as they went into the Nationals "cold", finishing the season earlier than the rest of the competitors who entered the Women's CIAU's straight from conference play. I was there with the team and could see the affect it had on them in the opening game. It was an entirely different JNB squad that won the consolation from number 2 ranked Winnipeg than the one that fell to Sishops in their opening game.

Anyway, if the Bloomers should win the AUAA title again next year they will be awarded the 3rd seat at the Nationals and be in a more favourable position to knock off the Laurentian Vees. CIAUL

champs for five years running. Although the team will be severely hurt by the loss of five of their best players (Scott, Shepard, Jennings, Mitton, and Maxwell) and beloved and 'Ace' manager Terry Curtis, coach Slipp is confident in the depth of talent on the remaining squad and is presently hoping to attract a young, highly talented replacement from FHS who would be a definite asset next year.

Slipp admits that the fact that Dalhousie is losing only a single player and SMU is returning intact will present problems to retaining their title. DAL and SMU were the only two conference teams to defeat the Bloomers all year.

The fact is that on the brighter side, improved competition can

only help boost the attendance of home games for the Bloomers. The Girls' usual habit of walking away with nearly every game led to poor attendance as the result was never in doubt. Another result was fans missed some exciting basketball games and brilliant plays by the team. One can only hope that the Bloomers boosters will reward the increased competition and excitement by more enthusiasm than ever.

Who knows? Their devotion to the team may become contagious and spread. Good luck next year girls and I hope to see you graduating Red Bloomers out their cheering. Better yet, join the F'tion Seniors and give Joyce some more competition.



coach Slipp

Joyce Slipp has had such great success with her pair of varsity teams (Red Bloomers & Red Sticks) I felt compelled to let her know how much her effort in coaching these teams is appreciated.

She already knows how highly thought of she is by the players and how much they respect her ability as a coach and as someone they can take their problems to.

May you have many successful years as a varsity coach and may you win both CIAU's next year. See you at the summer basketball camp and I'll bring my slide film with me.

...Mac



brewer's brew

Hey gang it's official! This is my first issue as the officially elected Brunswickan Sports Editor, the position that I've been filling unofficially for some time now. I don't have to feel that twinge of guilt anymore when I identify myself as editor.

In honour of this momentous occasion I'm writing my first regular sports column a-la-Best-of-Best in which I will reveal to you my predictions, varsity-sports wise, for next year. I disclaim all responsibility for accuracy as I'm just going according to the records of the past three years and my own observations from this year just past. Any resemblance of accuracy is purely accidental.

PREDICTIONS FOR 1979-80

- Red Devils to reach the playoffs this year only to lose by 2 points to Dalhousie in the semi-finals and go on to win consolation.

- Red Bombers go on the upward swing of their good-year, bad-year cycle and should repeat the 5 & 2 performance of two years ago and perhaps pull an upset in the playoffs. (also look to see Wayne Lee & John Shea reverse their 1st string - 2nd string position)

- Red Bloomers, sans their five graduating starters, will continue to be the team to beat in the AUAA women's basketball conference. Bolstered by talented rookies and improved performances from high-school star Patti Moffitt and defensive aces Laura Sanders & Carolyn Gammon, the Bloomers will compete favourably with both Dal and SMU even though they lost only one starter between them.

- Red Raider fans will see further improvement next year as SMU's imports will be gone and Nelson's drilling helps the team cope with the loss of veteran players Andy Cheam and Gary Young.

- Red Sticks under the direction of coach Joyce Slipp will once again win their AUAA Title and should improve their National record of last year's 2-1-2 standing. The Red Sticks are a young team and the experience gained last year should improve their ability to play as a team even further. (last year 4 National All-Stars; this year lets get 5).

- UNB Ironmen (I know they're not varsity) will be after revenge this year after losing the Caledonia Cup to a strong (and fluky) Pictou Rugby Club, the N.S. champs. This loss also cost the Ironmen their perfect record for the year. The Ironmen will win next time so don't fret.

- Red Harriers will be winning several FIRSTS next year as compared to seconds & thirds and even fourths this year. Determination and excellent coaching by Mel Keeling will improve the teams fiercely competitive edge even further.

- Red Shirts record will improve after a rather disappointing season this year although they did upset St. Mary's in the playoffs to come 2nd overall. They can be expected to improve their win/loss record substantially and the possibility is there to win the Atlantic University's Soccer Championship next year.

- Ski Team to continue winning medals and 'FIRSTS' next year as the team maintains a 'business-as-usual' season. The women on the team will be especially successful, dominating their competitors.

- Saltos should be winning next year but a lack of attendance on my part and scanty information hampers any prediction in this area.

-Red Rebels stand a good chance of a perfect season and should once again finish tops in their conference.

-Reds will be in position to knock off the strong Unversite de Moncton volleyball team and win the AUAA title.

-Black Bears to slaughter their opponents again this year as in the past and remain one of the top wrestling teams in Canada.

-Mermaids & Beavers will show strong performances but I honestly don't see them de-throning Dalhousie in the conference.

-Red Blazers will finally get a photo printed in the Brunswickan as I will send a photographer to one of their games and will personally see they get some publicity.

-Track & Field will...?..beats me! I've never been able to get a photographer to a meet but I'll go the route and say that the new guy they're getting from FHS will help the team and that they'll be in the top 3 teams next year.

-Red Hawks will improve their standing next year to beat out Waterloo and St. Anne and win the floor hockey championship.

That's about it! There wasn't much coverage of judo this year so I can't really make a prediction for the upcoming academic year.

If I missed a sport I'm sure that I'll be speedily informed of my error, but that's about the whole spectrum of varsity sports here at UNB. Nothing much else to say right now except to say that I'll be changing the entire sports section from top to bottom next year. The changes are sort of hanging in the back of my mind right now but I promise a new appearance for the sports department next year. My writers & photogs will be making their presence known so if anyone has any interest in either writing/photographing sports just let me know the sport and manner of coverage.

That's all for now so good-bye, good luck on your exams (did I say a naughty word?), and I'll see you next year...God willing.

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