

Red Devils, mediocre season

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It was an impressive victory over Acadia, 3-1, the first game of the season, and then a win and a tie on the island against the Panthers the next weekend, sort of made the Devils look like a strong contending team for a playoff position. Then things started to get tough, a chance to defeat the Northern league leaders, Mt. A., was passed by for a tie and a 8-0 shellacking in Moncton suddenly put UNB in third place. The last league game for the Devils before Christmas exams saw the Devils completely man-handle the STU Tommies 5-0.

After the holidays SMU was in for a visit and received quite a shock as the Devils took a 3-2 lead into the third period, however the Huskies took advantage of a UNB let down and scored three quick goals to win 5-3. This was probably one of the best games of the season for the Red Devils to this point of the schedule.

Disaster struck the Devil encampment when they journeyed to Nova Scotia to play Dalhousie and St. F.X. They lost both games which they should have won but did not, it was also on this weekend

that Bob Keefe was given a broken arm by one of the friendly opponents. The Devils returned home to definitely go out and win two games from the Panthers, the fact is that they were not definite enough and ended up splitting the two games down the middle. Another home game following the Panthers visit was one with Moncton in which, probably due to the terrific fan support of the Blue Eagles, Moncton defeated UNB quite easily. It was surprising to see Eagle supporters filling one whole side and then scattered through the remaining seats cheering their team on to victory. This was an example of the type of support UNB should have been getting but did not until it was too late. After the game, UNB travelled to Mt. A. where the Mounties bombed the Devils in fine fashion. The Red Devils started to settle down as Greg Holst returned to action and the fight started for a playoff position, unfortunately it was realized too late.

UNB started the battle by defeating STU 8-3, then the best game of the season was played at the LBR as Moncton returned for what they thought would be

another victory to strengthen their hold on first place in the Northern league. Trailing in the third UNB rallied to defeat the Eagles 6-5 in a thrilling action packed game. Every player gave his best and then on the next night UNB played STU the 8-6 score signalled the possibility of a playoff position. At the end of the week's play three teams, UNB, Mt. A. and UPEI all were tied for the fourth and final playoff spot.

On February 18 Mt. A. put the damper on UNB's drive to the top as they defeated the Red Devils at Fredericton, who at one time lead 2-0. A victory over Mt. A. would have given the Devils more encouragement as they travelled to Moncton where the Eagles plastered UNB 6-0 for their second home shut-out victory over the

Devils.

With these two losses all mathematical chances of making the playoffs were practically nil. However UNB travelled to Mt. A. with the thoughts of ruining the Mounty bid for playoffs as they had theirs. Playing a good game, the Devils went down to defeat 4-3. All pressures now off the Devils returned home to host the Tommies in both teams last game of the season. Paced by an outstanding six goal performance by Greg Holst, UNB slaughtered the Tommies 11-1. Playing their last game for the Red Devils were Don MacAdam, Frank Hubley, Gordon Hubley, Ross Everett, and Bob Keefe.

The playoff teams were Moncton and UPEI from the Northern League and SMU and Acadia from the Southern League. SMU won the finals and played Loyola of the Ontario-Quebec League who they defeated quite easily. The Huskies off to the national finals later this month.

The Red Devils placed only one player on the All-Star Teams as

Greg Holst was selected to the second team as center. Other nominees were Don MacAdam, Larry Wood, Alan Archibald, and Bob Keefe.

Next year the Devils will need a strong goaltender and a few more forwards who know how to put the puck in the net. One quarter of UNB's goals were scored by Holst while the defence also scored about a quarter of the team's goals. A big factor in the play of the Devils was their average penalty minutes per game, 19.1 mins. This is an awful lot of penalty killing to do and though UNB had good puck draggers the time spent killing penalties good have been put to better use.

Injuries at the close of the season gave coach MacGillvary a chance to play some JV players who did not look too out of place when given a chance to play. If UNB can hold on to their players this summer, that is not lose them to other universities by means of scholarships, then the UNB Red Devils should be a strong contender for first place in the Northern League.

CUMULATIVE BASKETBALL STATISTICS SUMMARY UNB RED RAIDERS 1972-73

PLAYER	GP	FGS	PCT.	FTS	PCT.	RAvg.	FOULS	ToPTS:	AVG.
T. Hendershot	26	137	49.6	54	63.5	9.8	48	328	12.6
K. Amos	26	142	40.3	42	65.6	4.2	49	326	12.5
B. MacDonald	26	112	45.5	31	41.9	6.7	83	255	9.8
D. Slipp	26	91	30.4	48	70.6	3.3	40	230	8.8
J. Wetmore	26	93	38.2	37	60.7	3.5	38	223	8.6
V. Ruiter	26	55	49.1	40	59.0	7.2	53	150	5.8
D. Seman	16	37	38.9	17	50.0	7.9	66	91	5.7
S. Fowler	14	13	46.4	2	25.0	2.0	18	28	2.0
B. Boyd	25	11	30.6	6	54.5	9	16	28	1.1
S. Ruiter	7	11	57.7	2	40.0	1.4	12	24	3.4
Others		11	24.4	11	61.1		15	33	
Team Totals	26	713	40.4	210	58.7	45.0	438	1716	66.0
Opponents	26	812	41.4	284	60.7	44.0	490	1906	73.3
Abbreviations:		FGS — field goals scored		RAvg. — rebounding average				ToPts. — total points	
		FTS — free throws scored							

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SCORERS	G	A	Pts.	PIM
Greg Holst	22	11	33	82
Gerry Bell	7	10	17	52
Steve Benoit	5	11	16	16
Larry Wood	9	6	15	6
Don MacAdam	6	8	14	56
Alan Archibald	5	8	13	18
Mike Kohler	4	9	13	40
Brian Tapp	3	10	13	18
Gordie Tufts	6	5	11	2
Bob Keefe	4	6	10	8
John MacRae	1	9	10	20
Doug MacDonald	5	4	9	10
Gerry Grant	3	1	4	6
Frank Hubley	0	3	3	22
Charlie Miles	0	3	3	4
Bob Eastwood	1	0	1	4
Dave Hubbard	0	11	1	2
Mike McEvoy	0	1	1	12
Dave Young	0	1	1	0
Ross Everett	0	0	0	0
Terry Gauthier	0	0	0	0
Gord Hubley	0	0	0	2
Dan Scott	6	0	0	2

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GOALTENDERS

	GAI	MP	GA	SO	Avg.
Gord Hubley	20	1220	88	1	4.33

*All-star selections: Greg Holst to 2nd team. Other nominees Don MacAdam, Alan Archibald, Larry Wood, and Bob Keefe.



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