

# SPORTS

## Dal basketball undefeated

Men's and women's teams first in divisions with three wins, no losses

BY PATRICK BLACKIE

Dalhousie's basketball teams have set a precedent, and if this weekend is any indication, winning is something both teams will be doing a whole lot of this year.

The women's team has a first-place record in their division after winning their first three games of the season last week — two against Memorial and one against St. Mary's. The men garnered the same position in their division — also by a win against SMU and two against the Memorial Sea-Hawks.

The women opened the season against St. Mary's, taking a 64 - 59 win. Angelia Crealock led the way with 24 points, and Janice King took 12 points and grabbed 10

rebounds.

The second game on Saturday was the first of a two-game series held this weekend against Memorial. The Tigers won 60-49, with Crealock scoring 15 points and 11 steals to take Player of the Game honours. King scored 13 points and 11 rebounds.

The Tigers came back from a seven point deficit at halftime to take Saturday's match against Memorial by a score of 68-54. King scored 15 points and once again dominated the boards with 12 rebounds. Kate Horne swished 10 points and Nirmalla Baines grabbed 14 rebounds.

"Defence and rebounds [is what] wins games," said Dal coach Carolyn Savoy. In all three games, the defence kept the opposition under sixty points, and out-

rebounced [the opposition] every time."

The men's first game of the season was not as easy as the women's. The men defeated St. Mary's Wednesday in a 73-70 overtime win. Tiger Ashkan Rajae nailed 17 points and 9 rebounds.

The next match, the first of two against the Sea-Hawks this weekend, ended in an embarrassing 38-point loss to Memorial as the Tigers won 108-70. Benny Edison received the Player of the Game award for his 26-point, 9-rebound harvest in the match.

The last game against MUN wasn't so lopsided as Dal walked away with a 92-86 win. Rajae swished 20 points and swiped 10 rebounds in the game, while Player of the Game Doug Newson nailed 29 points.



Action from the two-game series against Memorial this weekend. Dal won both games.

## Swimmers dominate AUAA

Five Tigers qualify for national championships

BY GAZETTE STAFF

This weekend marked a major stepping stone for the Dalhousie swim team as five members qualified for the CIAU championships in a meet at Dalplex.

On the men's side, Stuart Kemp beat the standard in the 400m freestyle, and Chris Stewart and Marty Laycock both made the cut in the 100m breaststroke. For the women, Amy Woodworth qualified in the 200m and 400m individual medleys and Angela MacAlpine qualified for the CIAUs in three more events — the 100m butterfly, and the 50m and 200m freestyles. MacAlpine had already qualified for the national championships in the 100m freestyle.

Danny French just missed out on the CIAU standard in the 100m breaststroke.

In team competition, both the men and the women were victorious. The women's team finished with 350.5 points to almost double the UNB Varsity Reds, who finished with 191.5 points. On the men's side, The Tigers finally got over the hump by defeating UNB for the first time this season. With 342.5 points to UNB's 216, the men surprisingly ran away with the competition.

Individual event winners for

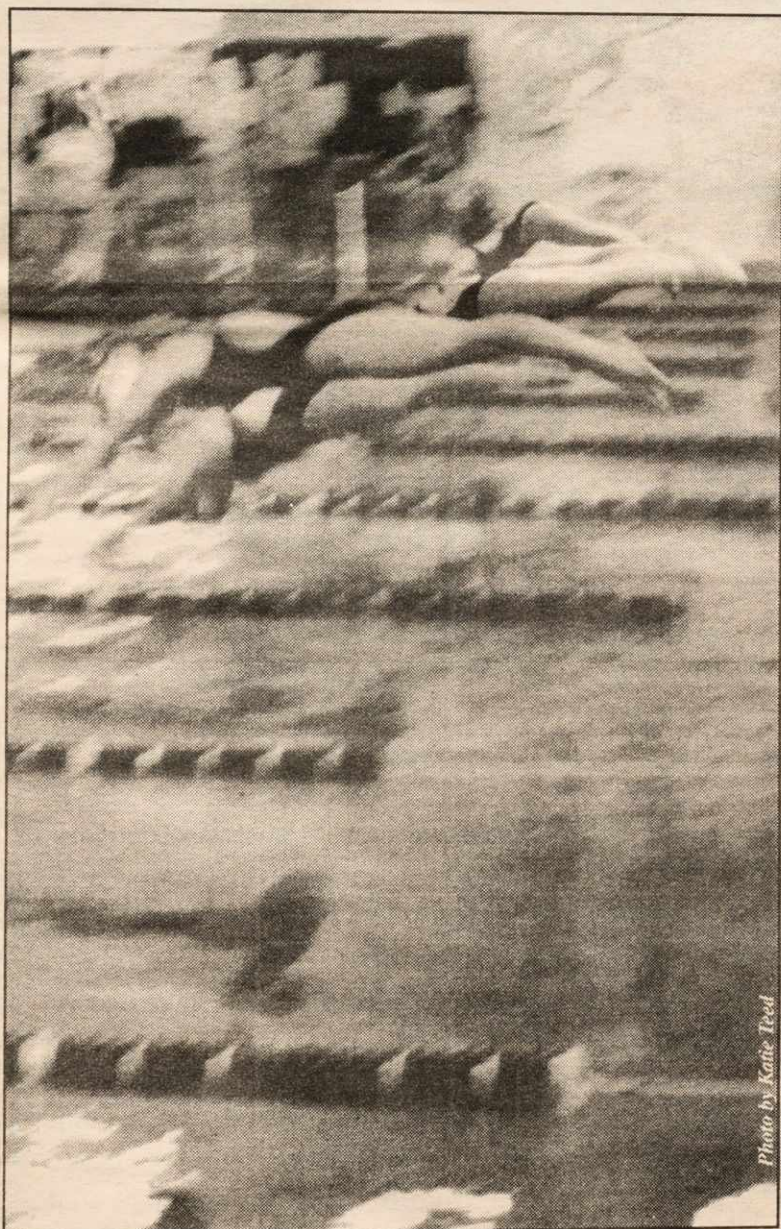
the men included Kemp, who won the 400m freestyle by an overwhelming 20 seconds, as well as the 200m freestyle and 400m individual medley. Dave Leblanc swept the butterfly events, taking top place in the 50m, 100m and 200m fly. Leblanc also set a new meet record in the 200m fly.

Laycock took the 200m individual medley and Stewart won the 50m and 100m breaststroke events. Scott Sancton took the 1500m freestyle title.

For the women, team co-captain Christine Bourne won the 400m freestyle. Woodworth won all four events that she swam over the weekend — the 400m and 200m individual medleys, 800m freestyle,

and 200m breaststroke, and MacAlpine, the other co-captain, won the 100m butterfly and 200m freestyle. Rookie Caitlin Peterson took both the 100m and 200m backstroke titles — just missing the CIAU standard, and Amber Mather won the 200m butterfly. Amy Clattenberg won the 100m breaststroke.

The Tigers will split up this weekend, with half of the team flying to the Ontario Senior Championships in Etobicoke and the others competing in the Dartmouth Invitational at the Dartmouth Sportsplex. After this weekend, the teams will take a break from competing until the middle of January.



Dal female swimmers dive into a winning performance.

## Wrestlers second at tournament

BY GAZETTE STAFF

The Dalhousie Wrestling Club headed north to UNB for the fourth Eastern Canadian Wrestling Championships and grabbed its best results ever. The team placed second to UNB in a tournament with 12 other clubs.

Dal was lead by rookie sensations Benji Parks and Paul Rhyno, who claimed gold medals

in each of their divisions. Parks won all four of his matches to capture his first Eastern Canadian title. And despite having severe stomach problems, Rhyno won all three of his matches in convincing fashion to capture his first Eastern title as well.

1998 AUAA Champion Logan Ward placed third in his division, and Glen Wiseman, Mike Leblanc and Gavin Tweedie all

earned bronze medals as well.

Amanda Silver competed extremely well in her first university meet, placing third with a 5-1 record.

This year has been the team's best yet as they continue to peak for the 1999 AUAA championships, to be hosted at Dal. The club is off again this weekend to Saint John for the 1998 New Brunswick Junior championships.

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